

## *Glossary*

**Adobe.** Sturdy walls made with clay and straw.

**Camaraderie.** A feeling of friendliness.

**Catastrophe.** A terrible event.

**Corset.** Stiff hourglass-shaped fabric with wire or bone sewn in that was worn by women to shape their torsos.

**Dooryard.** The part of the yard closest to the front door of a house.

**Emigrants.** Those who move to a new country.

**Gigot sleeves.** Long sleeves that were very full, puffed at the shoulders, and narrow at the wrist.

**Graniteware.** Speckled, enamel-coated metal cookware.

**Hoop iron.** Long strips of iron used in barrel making.

**Hoops.** Also called hoop skirts, they were big round pieces of wire stitched into a slip and worn under a dress to make a woman's skirt bell-shaped.

**Lay-abed.** One who lies in bed too long.

**Linch pins.** Metal rods that fit into the axle to keep the wheel in place.

**Mary Stuart cap.** Small heart-shaped hat.

**Mercantile.** General store for groceries and other supplies.

**Pemmican.** Dried seasoned beef and berries pounded together.

**Pinafore.** A type of apron worn over a younger girl's dress.

**Ruff.** A large, round collar of pleated muslin or linen.

**Skeins.** Wound yarn or thread.

**Slops bucket.** Used as a nighttime toilet.

**Stones.** Refers to what Brewster called his "seer stones," used by him for fortune-telling and decision making.

**Tableau.** A scene that has been painted or represented using actors and props.

**Theology.** The study of God.

**Toilette.** Bathing, dressing, and grooming.

**Wanderlust.** A desire to travel to new places.

**Watered silk.** Silk cloth with a wavy pattern.