Understanding the Colonial / Frontiers Periods of the United States

Directions:

1. From the Library of Congress site click on American Memories.
2. Click on Immigration, American Expansion.
3. Click on California, First – Person Narratives 1849 – 1900.
4. Go to the from the Learning Page – Collection Connection.
5. Explore the 3 sections of this page
   a. U.S. History
   b. Critical Thinking
   c. Arts and Humanities
6. Using these sites and their links, answer the questions below.
7. As you explore, try to think of how you may be able to use this information to develop lessons for your classes.

Answer the following questions:

1. Who traveled from Kansas City to California and said “I think I can truly say that I saw in that region in one day more buffaloes than I have seen of cattle in all my life”.
2. What event occurred and when that lead to beginning of the Gold Rush?
3. How did Lilian A. Cross and her family make a living? (give 2 examples)
4. Who was considered as one of the most famous humorist in the late 1800’s and what was his pen name?