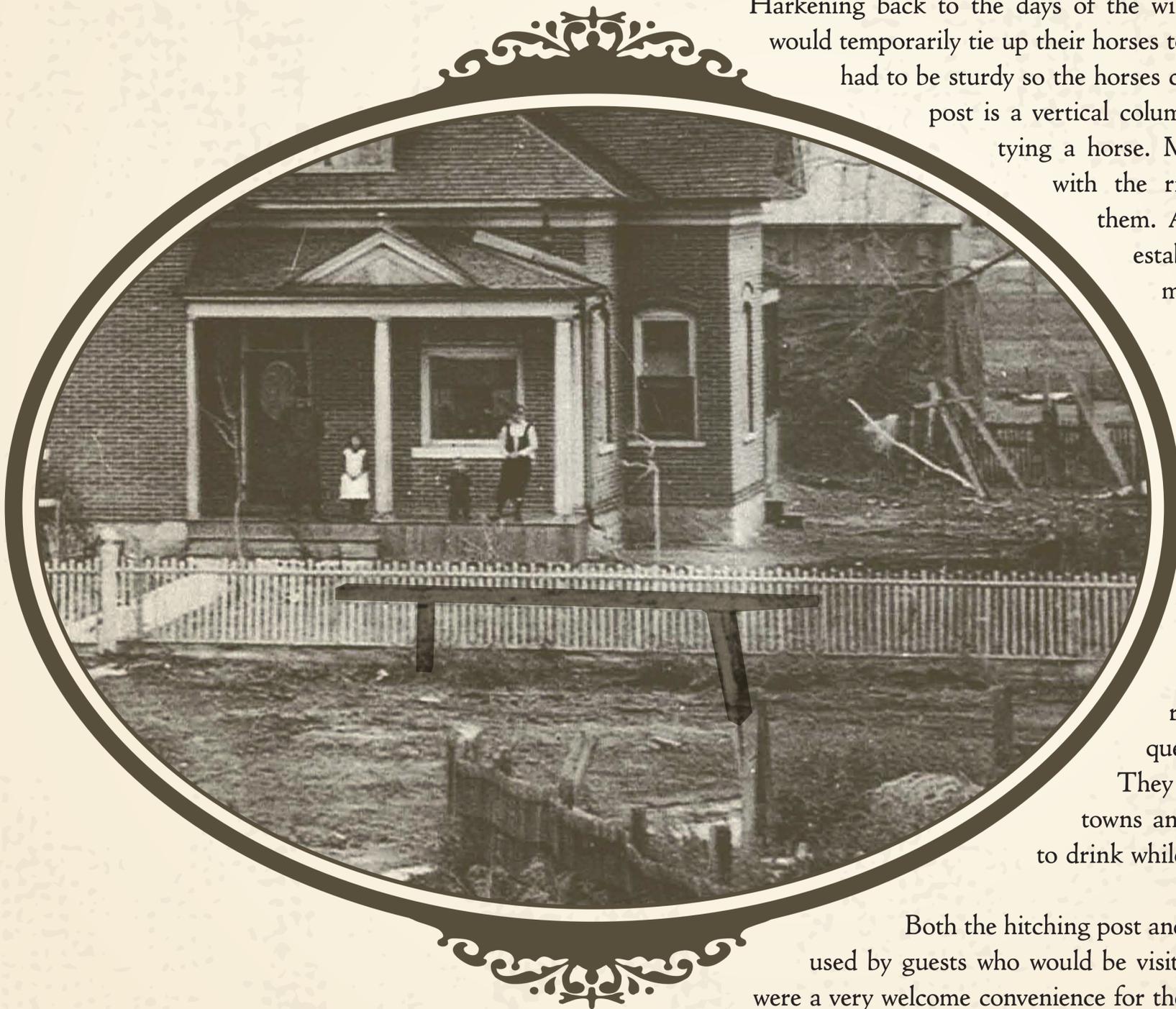


# HITCHING POST & WATERING TROUGH

Harkening back to the days of the wild-west, cowboys and cowgirls would temporarily tie up their horses to wooden hitching posts. They had to be sturdy so the horses could not pull away. A hitching post is a vertical column with one or more rings for tying a horse. Most are simple wooden posts with the rings bolted securely through them. At more opulent residences or establishments, they could be metal and quite fancy. They were used to tie a horse at the front or side entrance to either a home or a business establishment.



A watering trough was an open box-like or basin-like receptacle for holding water to quench the thirst of animals. They were very common in many towns and cities as a means for horses to drink while they were tethered to a post.

Both the hitching post and the watering trough would be used by guests who would be visiting the Holt farmstead. They were a very welcome convenience for the guests.



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