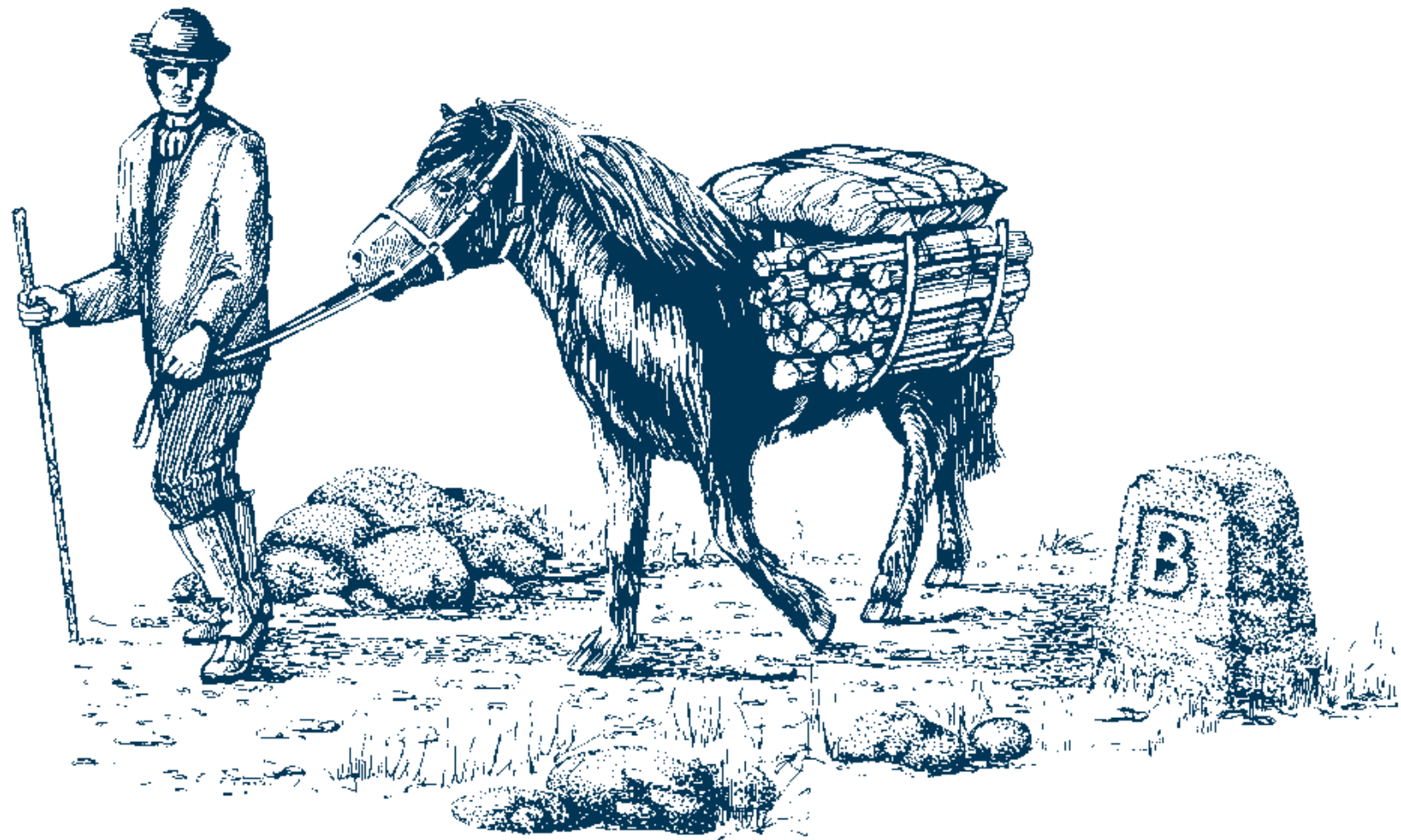


# Dartmoor Trackways



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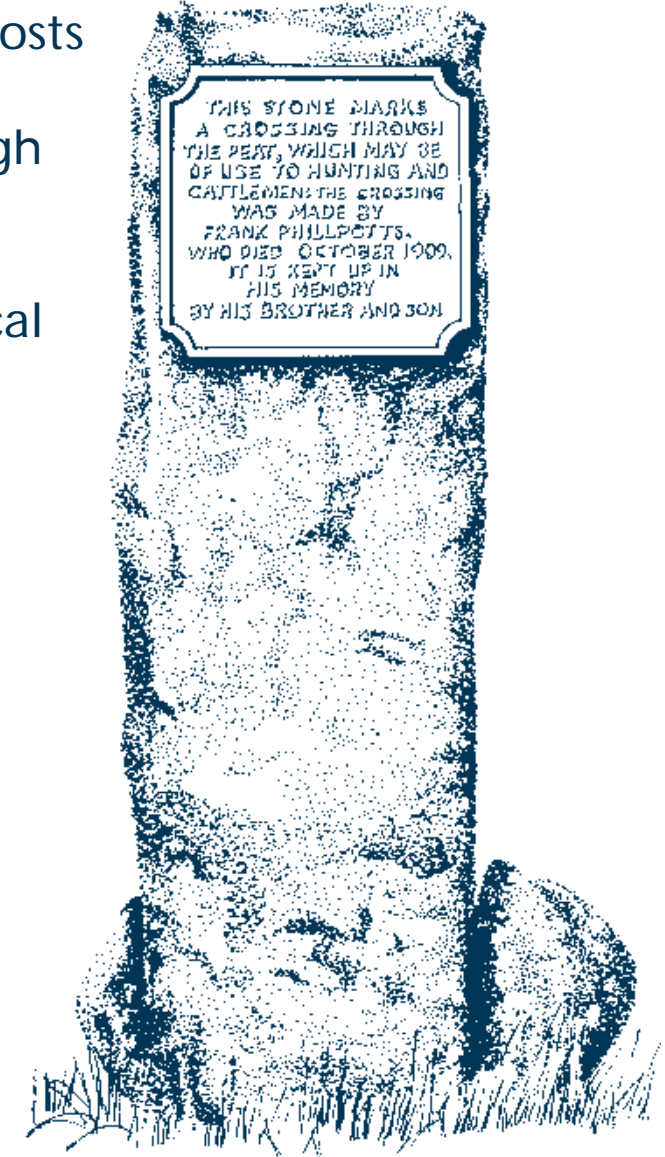


Pack ponies were the main form of transport until quite recently. Special types of saddles were designed to take different loads.



Clapper bridges have been used since medieval times. Originally, they were mainly used by farmers and tanners. The clapper at Postbridge is an excellent example.

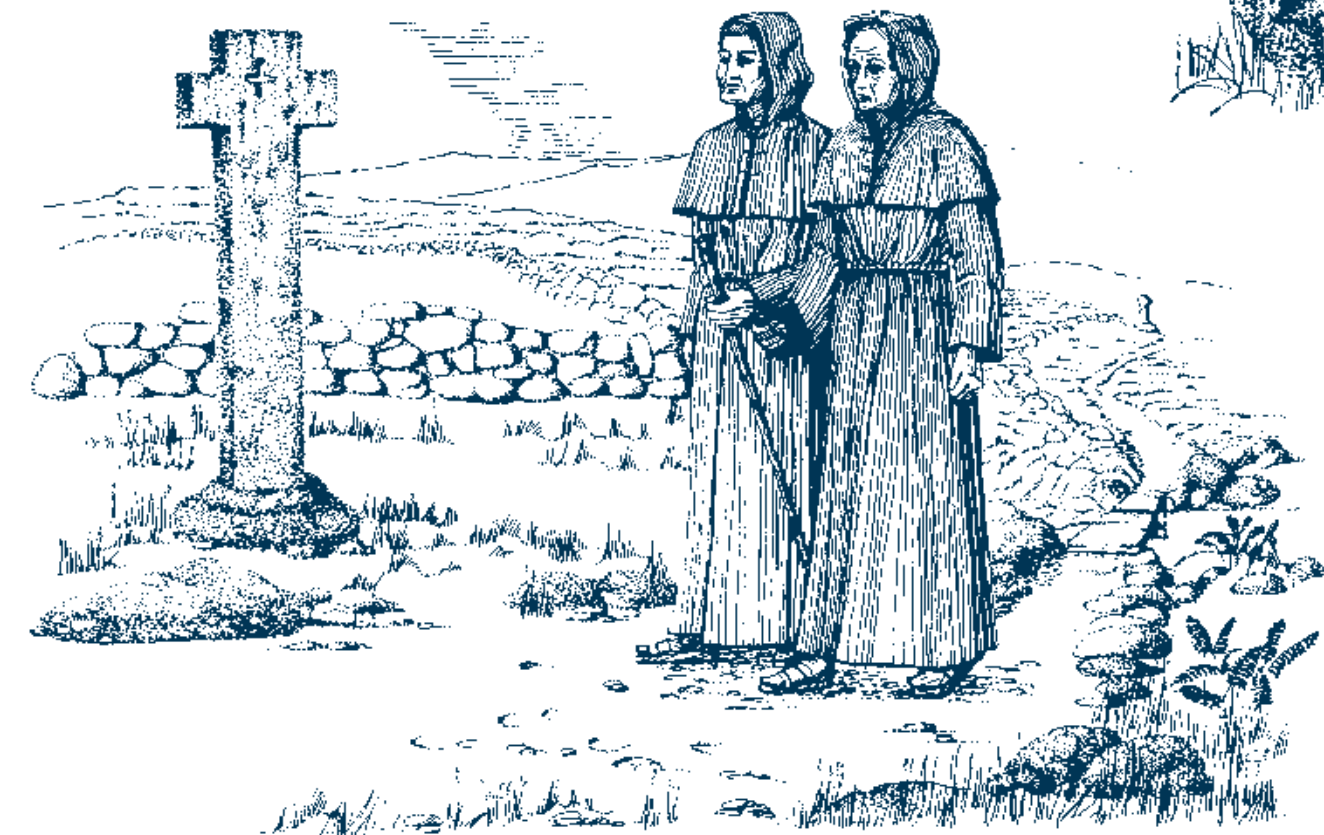
These small granite posts with bronze plaques mark passages through the peat. They were originally made by Frank Phillpotts, a local landholder who lived in the latter half of the last century.



These stepping stones on the Lichway enabled people to cross the River Tavy when carrying coffins to Lydford Church.



Many of the stone crosses on Dartmoor marked trackways across the moor. The oldest known cross (Siward's Cross) is over 700 years old. Granite posts were also used to mark tracks.



The Abbot's Way was a medieval track used by monks travelling between Buckfast, Buckland and Tavistock Abbeys.

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