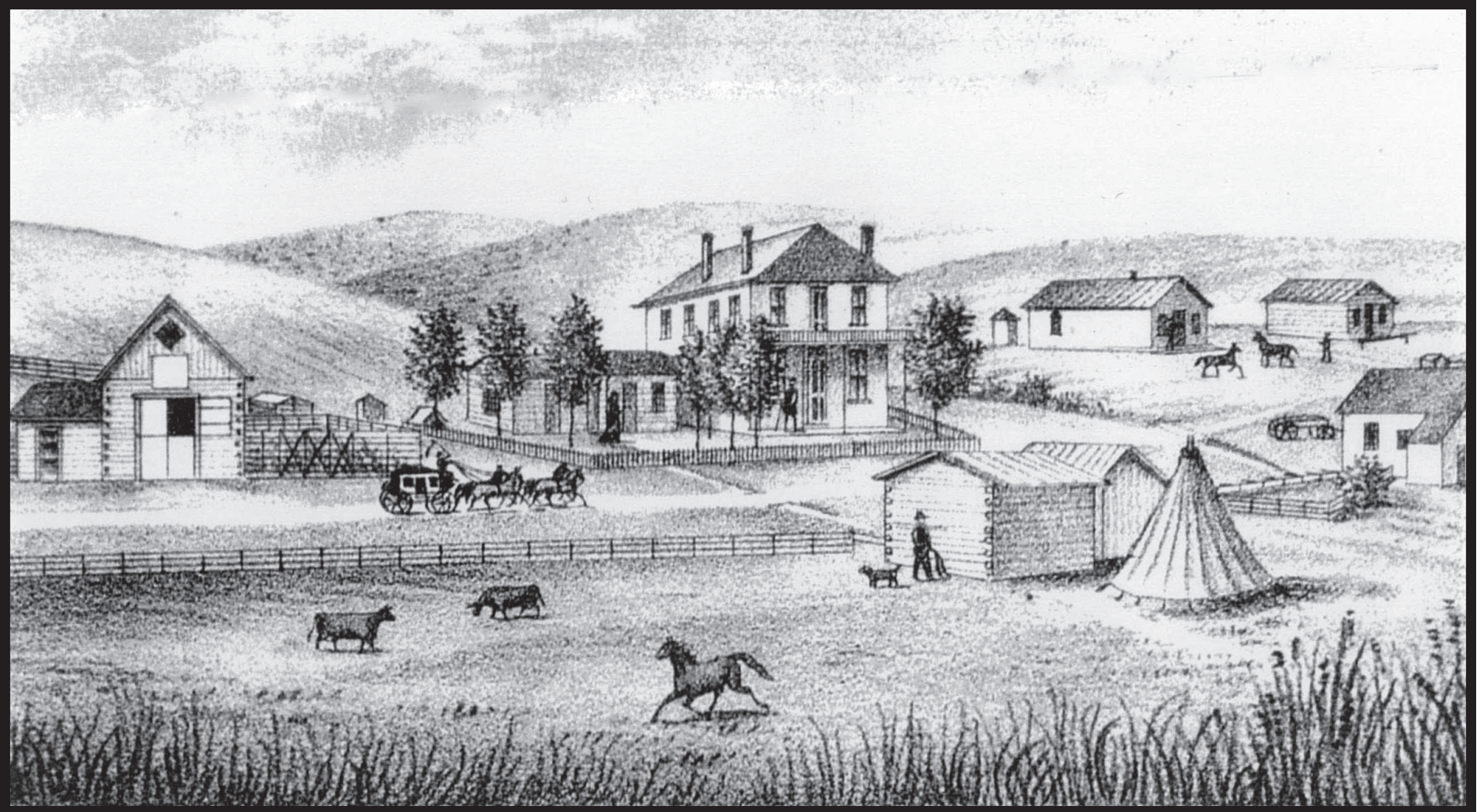




THE BEGINNING OF PRESENT DAY LEWISTOWN

REEDS FORT, JUDITH BASIN, MONTANA

This sketch shows Reeds Fort in the early 1880s looking west. It was established by Major Alonzo Reed in 1881 in the vicinity of the present-day Reed's Post Office near the corner of Brassey Street and Casino Creek Drive. The scene shows Spring Creek in front, a tepee, Reeds Post Office and across the street the Day House Hotel. To the right of the hotel is Jacob Holzemer's Saloon and Dan Crowley's Saloon. The Day House Hotel was moved to the corner of Main Street and 4th Ave. North in 1886 as Lewistown and Reeds Fort merged to become one town.

(Sketch from the book: "History of Montana 1739-1885"
by Michael Leeson, published by Warner, Beers & Co.,
in 1885, page 1057)

Lewistown around 1888, William Culver, photographer

