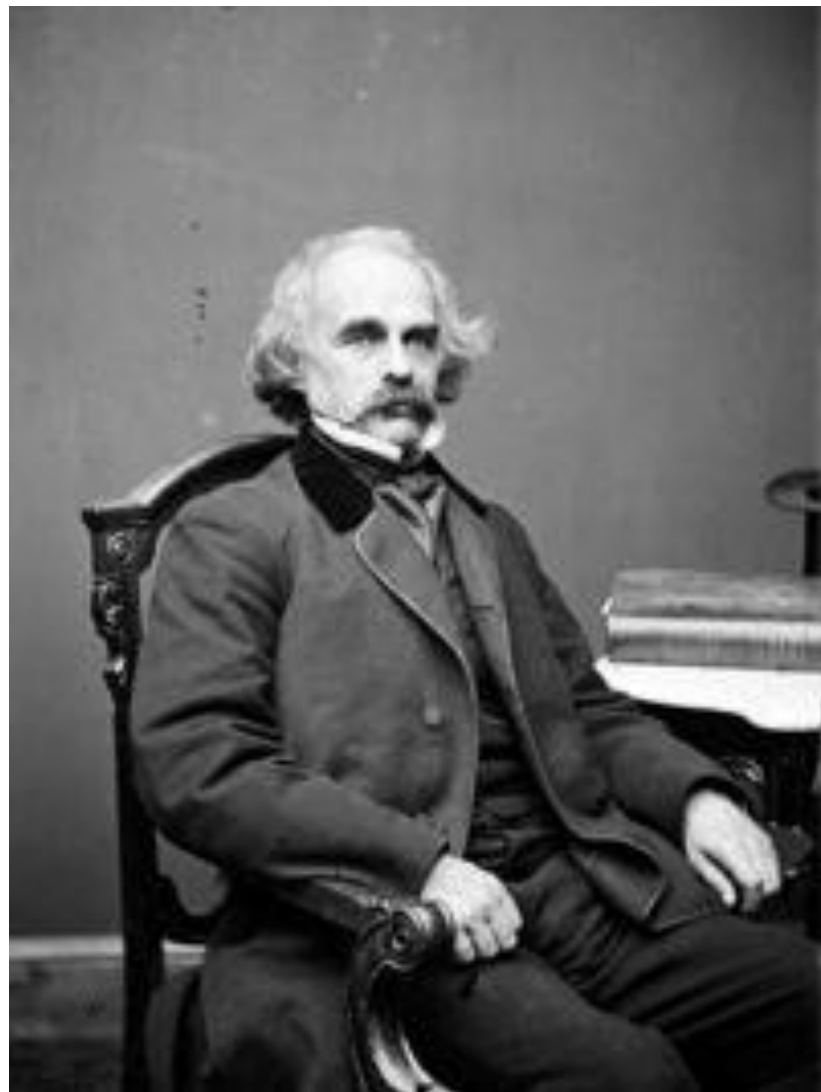


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author

- Nathaniel Hawthorne (1804-1864)
 - Native of Salem, Massachusetts
 - Descendent of judge who oversaw witch trials (1692)
 - Member of Brook Farm = utopian community
 - Part of Dark Romantic movement
 - Wrote many moral allegories
 - European trip as political favor and life changing event

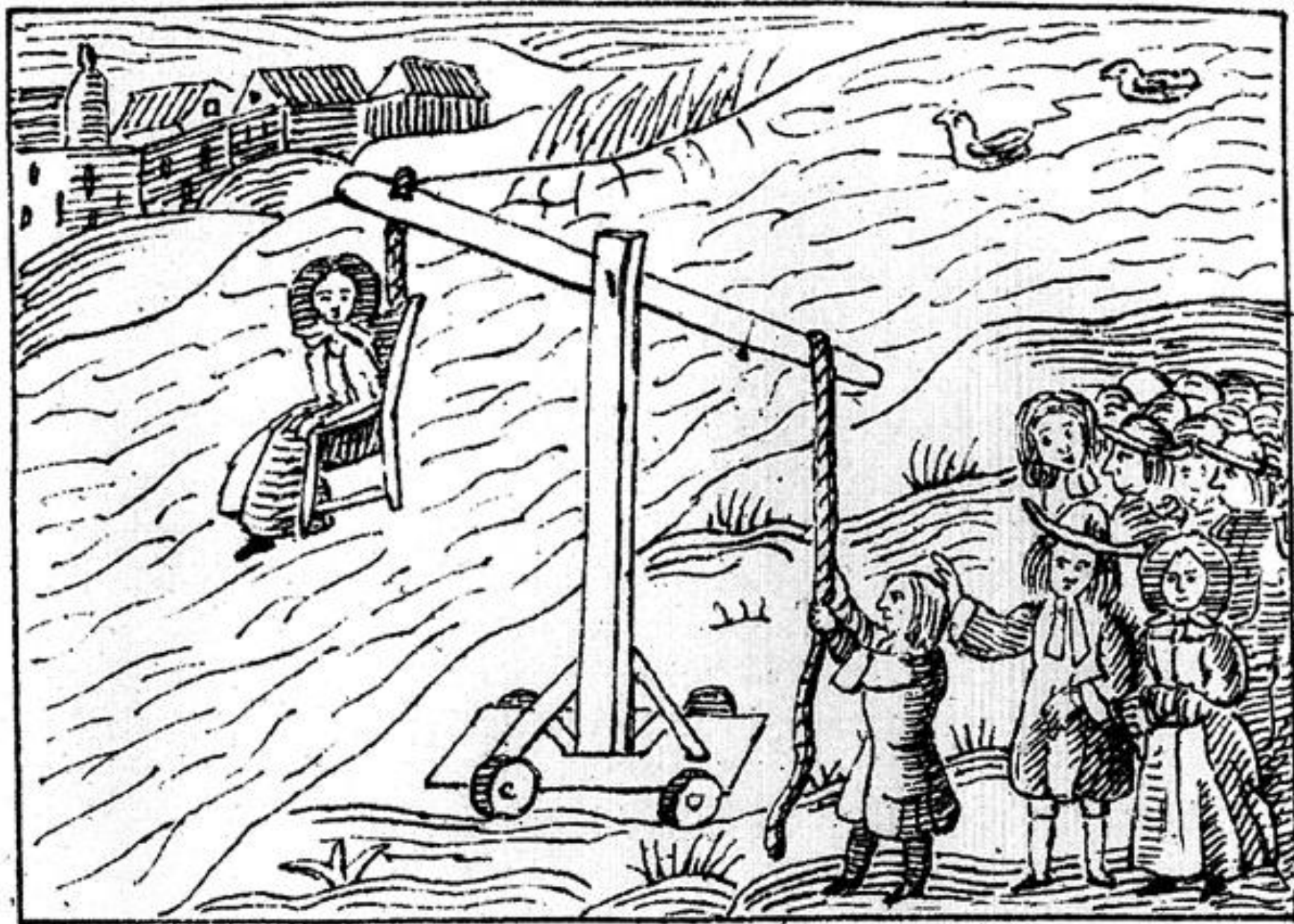


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