

September 1894.

La California.

Saturday Sept. 1. I did not plow this forenoon but got ready to take Mrs. Krant in to Guadalupe Canyon in the afternoon. We started about 1.30 P.M. Taking the two Steifels. Arrived there about 5 o'clock. Did not talk much on the road, got mail etc. had boots measured for my self of yellow leather. got boots and shoes for Girard and Mrs. Garcia. I got my self a 'freni' for \$1.00. and rings for \$1.50. Spent all my money and a little more to. Had supper at Snacks. Went to bed at 8.30 P.M. It was a very pleasant day.

Sunday Sept. 2. After coffee after making some purchases I drove out again to 'La California'. Arrived there just in time for dinner. There were a great many grass hoppers between here and Lucas. I drove together the horses this evening with Charles. He goes first rate with the new 'freni'. Looked the horses into the lane this evening and threw them hay over. Adolph dominated a potro of his this evening. It was a cloudy day.

Monday Sept 3. This forenoon I plowed between the trees with my 'go'; it goes very hard for our horse so I did not plow much. This afternoon I plowed between the trees with boys; am nearly finished. It was a very hot day, horses sweat a good deal. I drove together the horses this evening with the big white trotter. A swarms of Langostas flew past this evening; northwards! Adolph and Vicente are harrowing and taming novillos. Willie Garcia and Angel had rodeo at Lucas today and got 9 animals. Willie bought a laguna of Angel for \$20.

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Tuesday, Sept 4. I finished plowing in between the trees with old bays, and then plowed a piece between the trees to plant peas, with oves and negro; they did not work very well. Black left at horse here at noon on his way to Banada home. I did not do much this afternoon. Turned up the horn corn etc. Willie went to Languas today but he was not at home. I drove together the horses this evening on the little bay. We parted out a milch cow from the cattle this evening. I lassoed the calf bulley on horse back. It was a very hot day; like summer. north wind blowing; it is getting dry.

Wednesday Sept. 6. This morning I helped Adolphe yoke up to harrow, and then went to work to plant peas in a patch between the trees. This forenoon planted eight rows and this afternoon four; a bucket full was soaked. Sosa gave to Willie an ostrich and this afternoon Willie and Adolphe went to get it in the little wagon. We put it in the back yard. I rode the redemon rosillo of the regular picasa tropilla to drive the horses to the corral this evening. it is quite tame and has a fine gallop. It was a hot day with a north wind blowing. The Yankee water is here yet, and is making a snich of a fish line for Willie.

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Thursday Sept. 7. I helped Herman pulling up water after coffee, and then went to work again at planting peas. I finished the piece early in the afternoon, in all 22½ rows. It was very hot today so this afternoon Willie and I went to the pueblo to take a bath in the pileta. By the time we got there it got cool, so Willie did not go in, but I alone. In coming back I drove up most of the horses with the lazy little white horse. I rode my redemon pains afterwards to drive up the rest of the horses. He was quite tame and went splendidly; I helped Johnnie drive up a wild milch cow, with its calf with a long rope tied on to it, when he jumped over the rope and then buck me off. There is also a tropero staying here over night with a few thousand head of cattle bought in the neighborhood. It was a very hot cloudy day, and looks as if a tormento was coming.

Friday Sept 8. It began raining this morning about 5 o'clock and continued a couple of hours. Could not do anything outside so I finished my caligada and turned me off a nice arriador of quebracho colorado. It was very warm today, growing weather. Did not do much this afternoon. Bought a pair of horn stirrups from Willie for a dollar. I looked for Willie's pens I lost yesterday but could not find them. I drove together the horses this evening with the fat mala cara. Two natives are here and want to buy fat cows and morillos. It was a delightful day. Butchered this afternoon. A good many cattle dealers are around now.

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Saturday Sept. 9. The cattle dealers went with Willie to look at the cattle of the priests; they offered \$18 for cows and \$15 for novillos gold but we did not want to. This forenoon I planted pepper trees around the alfalfa field where there were missing. This afternoon I pulled water with Johnnie, and fixed the fence by the corral. I went down to the cattle this evening and Willie drove together the horses. I rode 'Blue-legs'. We parted out a cow for a milch cow. Blue-legs can peck very well. It was a cloudy day and looks as if it would rain again. Large swarms of grasshoppers flew past today.

Sunday Sept 10. I had my hair cut this forenoon by uncle. It was a very triste Sunday very lonely month. Josephine got a box today from Shubert, with a beautiful bracelet, a double pearl ring, etc and a doll baby. It was brought by a passing wagon. I drove together the horses this evening with Charlie's sulky, they were not far.

Monday, Sept 11. I helped Johnnie in the corral this morning with a wild ass, and afterwards plowed where the brown corn stood with bass and meytgo. I began planting peas this forenoon between the trees also this afternoon altogether 18 rows. It was exceedingly hot today. Adolph and Willie cleaned the grasshoppers out of the asiel this afternoon. I drove together the horses this evening with the big white trotter. He goes very well.

I studied Spanish this evening with the teacher.
A tormenta is coming up.

Tuesday Sept. 12. Last night it hailed and rained with a very hard south west wind. This forenoon I planted melons, (10 rows) between the trees, and this afternoon began planting sandias. Mr. Kemmer was here today, and says we are offered \$13 silver for our novillas & 2 1/2 years up all. We are going to do it. Willie went to Las Rosas and Loma this afternoon. I drove together the horses this evening with the little sandito, some were near Rosas again. A strong south wind blew last night today, so it was cool.

Wednesday, Sept. 13. It was quite cold this morning. This forenoon I and Adolph cut the field into furrows to plant maize; very crooked ones on account of the grass and open. This afternoon we began planting maize. I and Adolph plowing with open and much dropping. It is very bad to plant on account of the grass. I drove together the horses this evening on the little pairs that was lame. Larana is teaching the teachers not to talk. It was a coldish day with a south wind. We sent Pristian away from the puesto as he has a bad foot, and put Vicente in his place.

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Sunday Sept. 17. The last couple of days we have been planting maize. I and Adolph plowing and uncle dropping; forenoon with horses and after noon with oxen. We make a piece fifty varas wide every day. It is very bad to plow on account of the grass; plow just shove the ground on to one side. Johnnie drives the horses up evening in my place. North wind had been blowing and last night twelve o'clock the first tempest of the season came accompanied by hail, thunder and lots of rain. This forenoon it rained a little and then cleared up with a strong south wind. This forenoon I turned in another nice arriador handle. I took a good bath this morning. Mr. Thompson paid us a visit this afternoon. I drove together the horses this evening the little bays.

Monday Sept. 18. This forenoon we prepared toros and the rodeos. I rode my mule cara. We were Adolph, Angel, Testament, Maria, Luanas friend, etc. Herman & Johnnie attached the rodeos. We capared about 50. When we were about finished when the two peones from Las Rosas came to help us; with the regero who is going to buy our novillos; he is going all over 2 1/2 years up @ \$13 silver. I fell off my horse on the rodeo.

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