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Parted 16 cows and 4 novillos this week.
Paid Zappato up to date, also lent
Oberlin \$200.00 to buy maize. Encargued
him 200 ar. from Reconquista. Also pd
rent into London & River plate bank
for camp (8 tagaras) from June 1st 1 yr.
in advance. 600 gold, less 500 paper
^{at 330%}
pd. before in last yrs rent. = 448.50 gold
at 1393.82 paper. - Nothing been going
on here. - Mayor Leopoldo Bongas with a
commission of 25 soldiers went past
on 12th June for Reconquista. Report Indians
stealing cattle from Pablo Arriola (Fortado).
Bought mantencion in Santa Fe, and
hired cart to bring it out. - Still plenty
of water in camp. - but want rain for
grass. Good deal of sickness at Elias and
Lorenzo. - 3. -

Sunday. Beastly dry north wind.
A. recovered up Palmar. Ruano
horse died, seemed belly ache. -

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Warm day and dry north wind A.
recovered south. Sent Zappato to
meet toritos from home, to go as far
as Tres Marias if necessary.

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Hott day north wind, and very hazy.
Butchered old cow. Nothing going.
Planted tobacco seed.

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Hott north wind changed to south
tonight and looked rainy. Small
manga of locusts passed northward.
Recovered north west. Camps pretty
well burnt. - 7. -

Coldish day - muggy strong
south wind. Manuel came with
the toritos from La California.

68 bulls and 15 Cordobese horses,
and mare and colt. Also brought
novillo morro from Pedro Grands, and
the potrillo mala cara lost last February.
The men were 18 days on road and
left 4 toritos at Las Cardas. Donald
McIntosh got sick on road and left
by RRoad from Regresso for home
- 8. -

Took the bulls up Palmar to "carro
volcado", to pick up again.
Cold day & cleared up again.
Men here yet. Scrapie trot mail.
Cart not coming. -

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Manuel & his two companions left
for down south again via Calchaqui.
Gave Manuel \$10.00 for expenses.
Told Felix that Elias would come
here as capataz and Paraguay Nicolas
as fustero. Very hard frost. Oreo
horse sick belly ache. - Fine day. -

- 11. -

~~This morning~~
Yesterday, Alfredo came back from
Robsons (Canton Muelle) where he
had gone to yesterday morning.
Very cold weather and Salado very
cold to swim. A killed a pig and
Ewaldino a large tiger on other side.
A got cold / guess influenza coming on.
Cancer came tonight, with Nicolas
piqueiro, and another chap. ~~Foot~~
After saying Donald McIntosh died.

- 12. -

Alfredo sick influenza (guess). Elias
took the Cordobese horses 15 without
mare and malacara potrillo, to Espin
with the red-moon tropilla from Puerto.
to have a rest before Capando.

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Made arrangements with Heuser for him to come and work as chaerero and his wife as house-keeper. pay \$40.00 per month. Hard frost -13- Cold day

Heuser & his companions left for Calchaqui. Alfredo pretty sick. Cart came out from Calchaqui bringing the cargo bought in Santa Fe. Paid \$18.00 for freight (vale). American named Martin turned up from Calchaqui. stops few days. Hard frost. Ewaldino brot tiger skin.

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Took a turn up Palmar with Martin. He wants to settle in neighborhood. Heacantha turned up from other side. Brot varillas and wire up to edge of Hacienda Salado. and has two trips more to make yet. Took meat etc. Alfredo still seedy. Warmer weather.

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Butchered cow. Showed Mr. Martin up Salado as far as mejon, where he would like to poblar with a 5 or 600 head of cattle. Elia came back from Espin. brot all the spare maucaronos and tripilla mellada (puente). Robson came from his place. Frost, but warm day. -16-

Martin left for Costa. Elia and family moved up here. Nicolas had begun work on 13^a & boy. and Paolo today (puente.) Jose Mame killed Domingo tiger on Calchaqui. Robson here yet. Warm day.

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Sunday. Robson left this morning. Warm day. Nothing going on. -18-

Went up to see the bulls. They are all apestados, but not seriously. gave them a corretrato to make them ~~burst~~ ^{purge}. Heuser with his family came. (old Ponce brought them. Warm day. Guess seed will keep on. no sign of rain. -19-

Some of the bulls very sick. Heuser fixing up galponcito to live in, and kitchen. Butchered cow. Had a nice little shower of rain this afternoon. -20-

Nothing going on. Heuser fixing up galponcito. It was a beautiful day. -21-

Temporalish sort of day, but no rain. Transplanted peach and some paraíso trees. Heacantha was here. The carts made another trip with wire to point of monte. Heuser revocando galponcito. -22-

Brot the sound bulls from Palmar and let them mix with cattle. Brot 41 - 2 are among cattle - 6 dead, and rest sick. Butchered novillos (from Pedro Jidos.) Pancho came with two wheeled cart. Other two carts will bring wire across Salado Estero. Heuser revocando galponcito. Looks rainy and mosquitoes about. -23-

Fekul took Tomas & wife to Robsons and goes to look for the 3 horses the cartmen lost. Pancho brot load lena and then dug holes for guante fence round house.

July 24 Paols brot mail.

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Jehu came back from Robsons.
 found the best horses. Entre Rios
 (Eduardo) sick. Pancho took his
 place with carts which are hauling
 wire across Salado esteros to pass.
 Martin the Texan came tonight from
 Pajaro ^{Blanco} where he had been to buy
 some horses - 26 -

Heuser began harrowing the land
for alfalfa seed. Strong north wind
and quite hot. Looks like rain.
Martin left for San Cristobal
via Rolsons, to try arrange for
land to settle on. Left 5 horses
here. Old Juan brought 13 of
the mestizo bulls, ^{Rides} which had died
so far. Some mancha among the
yearlings also.

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Had a bit of a storm but only
a sprinkle. Hauer still harrowing
and cleaning the alfalfa land.
Carts passing the wire etc over
the Salado. Alfredo goes to recover
up north tomorrow. Butchered cow 2¢.

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Alefredo, Juan Antonio & Ezequiel
came back day from recorriendo.
Went up outside of Palmar, &
around Cueva del Tigre, & Jaramocito.
and back by costa monte. saw
no cattle tracks. bag - 1 mulita,
8 goose eggs. 2 pigs, 1 tinajero, 1 goose.
First two days hot, and today

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temporal blowing. Haciuitha, Reicho,
Pancho & Eduardo began fence on
costa of Elado. Three more
bulls died. Martin's brother senior
came today.

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Sunday. - Murky temporalish sort
of day. Nothing going on. Batchelor
Berbes come here. Says Miguel Duran
got 4 hens Aug 1 - from it deans 3
2 died.
Drizzly murky sort of day. J. Martin
came from San Cristobal. is here
with his brother

Catch for sale B.A. at Costa
Martin Lynch. Estancia Margarita
Estacion Soler. — F.C. Pacific
Guil. Harrison "Marion". Soler.
at cost 8 to 9. ¹²

— 2. —

Rained nearly all last night
and good deal of today. Very heavy
rain. Martin Bros. here.

- 5 -

Went up Salado with Martin bro. They
will settle near Mojave up Salado.
Hansen planted about 60 paraíso
trees in front of house. Found
3 dead calves. Men recored up
north. Butchered cow

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Took a turn up Palmar with Martin
 bro. Hilario Saavedra came tonight.
 Hot day and looks like more rain.

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Had another rain last night
but fine day. Saavedra parted ^{negro} puesto
rodes. 10 cows 2 novillos. Martin
Mrs. went to Calchagui. Lent
them pack mule. G. Martin comes
back tomorrow. J. Martin goes to

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buy and bring cattle. Sent Serapis to the Curvo to bring horses Miguel Duran took from expedition. Plenty of water in camp. Cattle looking well at present, calving fast.

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Alambrado peones moved tent towards Palmas again as too much water on west side to work. Fine growing day. grass up high already. Hauser breaking up camp.

- 7 -

Sunday. Looks very rainy & mosquitoes bad. Nothing going on. J. Martin came back from Calchaqui, brought mail.

- 8 -

Had Palmas rodeo on and castrated some big bulls. Butchered old cow. Temporalish weather. Hauser preparing alfa land.

- 9 -

J. Martin went up to Leguís poblacion with Pedrito. Made new rodeo south of house. Cattle looking well. Planted alfa 1/3 of a square (17 kilos) The 3 carts take 120 tiles, 5 long palms for house & 11 day palms for estantes. Weather turned fine again. Sent handle & share of plow with Lorenzo to Calchaqui to get fixed.

- 10 -

Harrowed in about 10 kilos seed into the old alfa, and then Hauser began to fix up chacra fence. Alfredo went down to Robson's. Fine day.

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Alfred came back with Robson. Hauser working at chacra fence looks stormy.

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Robson left. Took 2 more dogs. Butchered old cow. Fine day.

- 13 -

Cart men turned up. Sent Juan Heacutha Buita ~~bigass~~ ^{work yesterday} fixing fence round house with Serapis. Serapis did not bring the horses M. Duran brought from expedition. Saps were none. Hauser trying to plow (out of order). Frost. Alfredo recovered up Palmas.

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Sunday. Nothing going on. Discharge Pancho, Pepito, & Eduardo. Fine day.

- 15 -

Heacutha hauled 2 loads of posts for ^{division} fence, and thus begins to work with Pedro, Serapis & Heacutha. Butchered an old thin cow. Cold night.

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Fixing up fence round peon house. Nothing going on. Fine day.

- 17 -

Alfredo recovered on other side of Calchaqui. no cattle. Hot day. Butchered old cow. J. Martin came with his cattle and locks in tonight about 760 head. Hauser plowing chacra.

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Had our rodeo at present and marked 12 calves and castrated some bulls. Peones from Martins came back after delivering the cattle. Hot day with strong north wind. Hauser finished plowing chacra and is breaking up camp.

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Weather changed again, South wind. A. was up at Martins, Elia recurred up to end of Palmar lake. Heacantha stretching wire on division fence.

- 20 -

Put on Palmar rodeo and marked 10 cabros and capared about 20 bulls. Butchered novillo.

A. and Hauser went up other side of Calchaqui to sleep to hunt. Cool day.

- 21 -

A. & Hauser came back tonight. Went near to Laguna del Perro & Wampiti. bag 1 ostrich, saw some pigs. Saavedra had sent men to part reses, but told them would not deliver as old cows are too thin. Hot day.

- 22 -

Slight rain last night to day dust. Alfredo left for Calchaqui, also J. Martin who goes to Buenos Ayres. 2 carts went to Calchaqui taking the hides 122. Heacantha Rojas, Serapis & Heacinta Benite goes with carts.

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Alfredo came back from Calchaqui, sold the hides ⁽¹²²⁾ good price 4.90 with out discharging any to M. Canellas. Saavedra pd 100 on ac. he still owes \$70.30. Bought 2 young pigs 12.00 3 bags maiz, flour 45.00, sheets made etc. Oberlin reducing his debt to me to 63.30. Pd. Cappato 200.00 on ac. I guess he owes about 100. to me now. Leaving me Cash on hand 530. Rec'd cargo from Santa Fe, which is most for Martin Bros. bag flour

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and 1 bl. viscuits for me. Heacinta Raja went on to Chura. Butchered novillo here. Breaking up camp with two yoke open. Peicho hauled two loads of posts to fence. - Fine weather. - - 26 -

Carts came from Calchaqui bringing 3 bags maiz, 3 bags potatoes (seed), 1 bag yuca, 2 pigs, flour, 1 bl. viscuits, 1 bag flour, etc and Martin's things & Hauser's. Hauser plowing with two yoke of oxen. Peicho hauled two loads of posts here. Strong south wind.

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Hauled two loads of lina. It was a coldish day. Peicho hunted open from Puerto. - Made chucarre for pigs and began bake oven.

- 28 -

Sunday. Nothing going. Cold day. Elia recurred down south.

- 29 -

Gave Serapis permission to bring wife. Heacinta also took cart to bring woman cow. Peicho & Eduardo work at fence. Alfredo was up at Martins. Robson and Holden came this evening.

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Had Salado rodeo on and marked 4 cabros, capared about 35 bulls, and butchered a cow. A. & Holden were up at Palmar. ^{Oroo cleared out.} Foggy morning and fine day. - 31 -

Robson and Holden left. Cart came tonight bringing 6 bags maiz 400 kilos (Oberlin) and Heacinta's and Serapis wives. Warm day, South wind.

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Hard frost. Capared about 35 bulls at puerto rodes. J. Martin came from Buenos Ayres brought mail Heaciuta, Peicho, Serapis, Barrio & Eduardo working at fence.

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A. was up at Palmar. Ewaldino & Juan cutting tiles. Got young aguara. Warm day.

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Put Palmar rodeo and capared about 35 bulls. Butchered cow. Felix began working. Pole come on foot looking for work. Immense manga of locusts passed southward. - Alfred goes to sleep at Martin's to go up Salado with them tomorrow. Warm day.

- 4 -

Boy from Ramirez, Augustin Frutes came today to stop here and work. Alfred came back from up Salado found nothing at all. Two Italians were also here looking for work. Hot day and plenty of mosquitoes

- 5 -

Planted 3 bags of potatoes and preparing land for potatoes. Pole began work in field, and Agustín helped this forenoon. Can't find tropilla of Cordobese horses, but lots of mosquitoes last night. 7 or 8 Paisano families passed up Palmar way. - Elia sent his wife to the Curba with Domingo to get cured. - Hot forenoon but wind changed south strong & thundering. (see a)

Sept 6 / 92

Looked for Cordobese horses. Elia found tracks of indians driving about 32 horses up along Palmar lake. 8 of the Cordobese horses were found in rinconado Salado where they are fencing and Peicho horse and trunks ficass. (7 of Cordobese horses are missing, Alfredo ficass gth. and madrina and colt.) - Will go tomorrow and see where tracks lead to. Moon full. Butchered black cow

- 7 -

Alfred and Juan Antonio went up to where Elia saw trail of horses and then cut over to Martin's but could not find any trail going out. afterwards recovered rinconado of potrero. Enrique and 3 other paisanos went to work at fence. Paolo also came to work at fence. It was a fine day. Hausier and co. planting potatoes. Hard frost.

- 8 -

Alfredo and Elia followed up trail of horses as far as angostura of Palmar lake. It seems that they are not indians but gauchos according to signs left at camp fire at Curipizal. The trail is about 63 animals (only 10 are from here) Follow up tomorrow with G. Martin Felix & Ewaldino & ^{Juan} ~~Juan~~ Guess they are same lot that pleased Lorenzo's puerto on Sunday who said were going to La Verde. Gave Elia \$100.00 for any emergency. Butchered ^{black} a cow.

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Alejo do, G. Martin came back from after following up gauchos as far as Tacobunco - Rio Dulce (Santiago). Took along Felix, Ewaldino & Brojean. Followed their trail as far as Puerto Novillo where it got lost, and then went to Comisario Gabino Lugar at Tacobunco. ^{Redoing} but who gave little hope ^{Pass Beltrami} as the gauchos had passed Rio Dulce ^{two days before.} and gone to ^{Lugar} Qto del Agua evidently. Our horses suffered greatly for water and would have collapsed if it were not for ^{Station} M. Green Estacion Argentina who got water from train for horses. and on Costa Dulce the feed and water were very bad. The gauchos were 6 (was indian) and think under the leaders Juan Cuello & Fabian Carrizo. but here they think it was Antonio Lara. Mauricio Lopez came as far as Malbran station and gave A. a mule to ride that far. Comisario ^{Don} Peran of Parmitas also treated us very well and got a neighbor to sell us two horses for \$60.00. 1st night followed track about two leagues west of most northern Laguna Dulce of Palmar Lake. 2nd Costa Salado about a league beyond some crooked Algarrobos. 3rd night about league east of Portalis. 4th about 1/2 way between Portalis & Argentina. 5th 3 leagues west of Argentina. 6 Puerto Novillo. 7 Gabino Lugar. 8th ^{west edge} Pto Union. 9. Vinda 10 Palmitas. 11 Lostado Fortin. 12. San Pedro. 13. Costa Salado about 10 leagues from here. 14th about 1 league west Martin's 15 home. Had some very cold weather and heavy frosts, and plenty of locusts. A very poor country is prov. Santiago.

Martin's cattle had all cleared out and mixed ~~the~~ and the best camp is the Vinda on Costa Salado, and camp of Palo Negro is very nice but no water. People are very hospitable up that way and were treated very well by every body. - Nothing particular going on here, but plenty of lame Indians knocking about. Told Old Juan to clear out on that account. ^{Been caparing bulls all along.} On fence are working Jacinto, Pecho, Eduardo, Paolo, and 4 parianos began today. - 24 -

Wrote a letter to Juane telling him about the horse thieves. Old Juan delivered his horses; he goes tomorrow. Elia looked for Cacique Valentin over at Wampita who it seems took off the picasso toruno. Windy dry day. Heaner finished planting maize in old chacra. Paolo went to Calchaqui. It is getting to be a big sea, and the chacra looks like a dust heap. - 25 -

Sunday. Butchered old cow. Heaner went to Calchaqui with pack mule to bring out soap, Tobacco & mail. Countermarked Old Juan's cows; he is off. No one stops at Puerto Palmar, But Ewaldino cut tites. & Jose Manuel cuts papia for house. Began to sprinkle but cleared off again. - 26 -

Old Juan and crew left. his Puerto at Palmar empty now. A. was up at fence. Robson stops night, also G. Martin.

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Head on Palmar rodeo and finished caparing the two year olds. G. Martin parted out 3 animals maneros.

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Elia went to recover down south tomorrow. Hilario Saandro came to see whether would sell old cows. Dona Angela came back from Vera. It was a fine coldish day. Hauser came back from Calchaqui bringing 10 kilos tobacco, 30 kilos soap, cig. boots etc. Robson here yet.

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Saandro left with Robson. ^{Butchered cow} Saandro goes to Villalba to try and buy reses. Elia came back from southwards. Bro't up some of Robson's cattle. (First slight)

- 29 -

Aepedo recovered in monte. Paolo came from Calchaqui also two new peons parientes of Elia for fence. Saavedro came back from Villalba could not find reses, wants to part here tomorrow. J. Martin also came. Frost (slight). Hot day.

- 30 -

Put on Puerto rodeo and J. Martin parted 8 animals of his, and capar. ed about 20 bulls. Saandro parted 9 animals - 5 cows at 18.00 3 novillos @ 30. 1 of 2nd at 35.00 = 215.00 he arreglared and pd. up his old apc and owes on this tropa 90.00. Hot day and looks like rain.

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Head on Costa rodeo, and Martin finished parting his cattle about 38. Also finished papering the two year old toritos. Butchered old cow. Litzman came and stops the night. Hauser hauling manure on to chakra.

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Aepedo, Elia & Domingo had gone to the Jacari on the 2nd and came back tonight. Did not capar the colts nor part any potros as the mares are too thin, but brought the tropilla (12) of redomones and also parted 6 animals from the two rodeos at Jacari. Sold 1 novillo ^{from Jacari} great overs negro I rengo to Hilario Saandro at 35.00.

Saavedro now owes 125.00 - regulated J. with Cappato. Oberlin owes me about 16.00 yet. - Butchered cow on 4th - Paolo left. Litzman left Monday 3^d. Jacinto still at work at fence near lake.

- 7 -

Nothing going on. Hauser working at garden. - 8 -

Took Hauser up to Palmar to clear piece of canutilla when the posts were cut. Butchered cow. - 9. Robson came.

Sunday. All hands went up to Martins to help capar. Nicolas Domingo, Felix and Elias nephew went to apartes down to Camila Michelos Robsons etc. Gerapio bot mail. Fine little shower of rain, but want more. - 10 -

Sent cart to Calchaqui, Jacinto and new peon went. - Other fence (4) peons cut & haul posts to fence. Heavy fog this morning. Robson