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Left this afternoon. J. Martin was here.

- 11 -

Butchered fat novillo. Nothing going on; weather looks rainy again. Same Pancho was here. Hauser fixing up old bit of alfa.

- 12 -

Cart came back from Calchaqui bringing maize, potatoes, yerba, Tobacco, soap. Water in well bad. Clean it out tomorrow. Hauser plowing up north $\frac{1}{2}$ of old alfa. to resow. South wind and looks dry again.

- 13 -

Hauser plowing and harrowing the part of old alfa. Cleaned out well.

Elia recovered in monte, report no cattle tracks. Ewaldino & Co. left cutting tile to go and nutrias at Laguna Perro. Very hot day NE wind and beginning to rain 9 P.M.

- 14 -

Alfredo was up at Martin's. Hauser still regulating alfa ground. Nicolas came back from apartes - parted at Pedro Grande 27 Michelos 1. and Robsons 20. - captured the bulls that came.

Did not part at Mercedes and Camila as cattle are too thin to work. Had a wind storm last night, but no rain. Guess regular seca set in. Cool day.

- 15 -

Replanted part old alfa. Martin bro. were here. Alfredo Hauser and J. Martin go up to sleep at Lagunas Dulces North of Palmar. Nothing going on.

- 16 -

Sunday. A + C. came back tonight. found nothing. Robson came. Elia

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brought 191 tiles from Palmar to fix his house. Looks stormy tonight. - Robson came.

- 17 -

Perico came with 6 men to make trope of novillos for down south. He brought 26 novillos of Languinas to send down. Put on Palmar rodeo at noon and parted out the novillos (225) this afternoon. Perico and 5 men worked: the other men stopped at puesto to care for Languinas novillos. It was an overcast day and looks like east rain wants to set in. - Robson here. Butchered black cow. Novillos gave work to lock in and 2 or 3 escaped.

- 18 -

Rained slightly this morning and was a threatening day. Parted out 118 ^{good} novillos from Salado rodeo and took the trope to puesto to lock in. Elia had rodado and put his foot out of joint. - Robson here. Cattle picking up fast but want rain badly as grass is short, and maize is not out yet.

- 19 -

Parted out the novillos at puesto rodeo - about 130. - marched them as far as Lengua puesto and counted them 476 of B - 26 of Languinas and 6 vaquillas. - Gave Perico 100.00 along for expenses. The men earn 3.00 per day with out yerba etc. Palonio goes along: begins tonight. Robson left. Gave Elia 200.00 to pay expenses when I am gone. As I go south tomorrow. Weather looks suspicious but it is hard to rain.

Dec 3/92

Alfredo came back from home today. Found things here dry and some of the esteros giving out. Jacinto had finished camp fence, got more wire & varillas & storniquets from San Cristobal, fenced in new chaera, and put roof on new galpon.

Perico had delivered south 479 novillos and 1 vaquilla - Had taken 476 novillos from here, 3 from camp, 4 from Pedro Grande, 3 from La Zana and 2 dead in desperado ought to be 482 - 479 = 3 short.

Cost of troops \$572 our share. 1.19 per head. Villalba had been here, also Carteris, Hilario, Robson & Williams, Martins & mother. Also took 400 bundles paja from near Laguna Perro.

Men working are Elia (Capataz) Felix¹⁸ Serapis¹⁸, Agustin¹⁵ (boy), Manuel¹⁸ (foot man), Hauser⁴⁰ (Chacrero) Nicolas³⁰ (puertero) Stevo³⁰ boys. Lorenzo³⁰ (puertero), boy, cook woman¹⁰. \$34.75 wages for month. Jacinto goes to Ocampo in a day or two.

- 4 -

Sunday, Alfredo was at Martin and revisited esteros. guess enough water for another month. Pd Jacinto off he goes to Ocampo tomorrow. Send cart to Calchaqui to bring out cargo etc. Strong south wind. Lots of fires up north. Butchered old cow

- 5 -

Had on puero rodeo and parted out 22 old cows separated from last years calves and put them into potreros, to fatten. Cart went to Calchaqui (Manuel) Jacinto's wife go to Ocampo. Robson came at noon. Strong hot north east wind. drying!

- Dec 6 -

Had on Salado rodeo and parted out 16 old cows and put in potreros to fatten - making 59 there now. Robson left this evening. Sweltering hot dry day. Looks stormy south. Patricio and Paolo came. Hauser hoeing out weeds. Arranged puero pones.

- 7 -

Had on Palmar rodeo and parted out some black novillos to make sirnieles, and 25 old cows for suvernada - making 84 in potreros. Butchered old cow. - Nicolas had butchered 17 animals since last at Aug 22. and two animals had died. 2 hides cut up. Very hot dry day. Martin was here: regatated etc. Agree to sell him Donkins catch with mark at \$50.00, and cattle at \$12.00 two calves for one. but without the 4 big novillos & torunos. Cart came from Calchaqui with 200 canes, 4 bags maize, (2 bags yerba, 1 flour, 1 box kerosene, demijohn cana, Lanta Te) Robson sent for wire & rice. (none!)

- 8 -

Serapis & Manuel hoeing in field. Hauser plowing up a weedy patch of maize. Sent to pass for box canoe to make bebida for horses. Hot day and looks stormy.

- 9 -

Had a splendid rain nearly all forenoon with strong south wind, but not enough to jumar water in esteros. Serapis harrowed new land, and Hauser plowed. Transplanted nearly 200 potato plants. Cart brought 16 hides from puero.

10.

Took the milk cattle down to potrero, so that they get more water, except a few to milk and work oxen. Very

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cool day with strong south wind.
Same work as yesterday in chacra.
Nicolas took sembreros up to handle. Fine
weather for transplanted batatas. -

- 11 -

Sunday. A. was up at Martins all day.
Elias recovered in month. Butchered
old cow. Fine cool day.

- 12 -

Had on puesto rodeo; moved it further
south on account of pantano. Parted
out 7 head of Donkins cattle with 2 calves.
some more blacks for sembreros, and 7 old
cows. & put in potreros. Capared the
yearlings among tambores. Cesar Vuelle
came with Perico & another peon to look
at Monte Aguara camp for potlaring.
Showed them Fuerte Union. An French man
from the nutriero (Cacique Mariano) at
Cuero del Tigre came to see about having
other indians put off Co. lands. Julio Jarot
seems to pay the Co. for right to nutriero.
It was a warm, beautiful day. Want heavy
rain badly to fill esteros, but cattle are
looking very well, and the calves are great
big fat things. Hauser cross plowing new
chacra for maize & Serapio harrowing. Manuel
hoeing zaballos etc.

- 13 -

Had on Salado rodeo and parted about
a dozen of Donkins mark, also a
couple of old cows to invemar. - Discovered
some more sembreros - making
20 altogether. The Mayor Domo of La
Camila Manuel Lema came with guest
to part. - Warm day looks stormy.
Vuelle left for Robsons.

Dec 14 -

Had on Palmar rodeo and parted
some more of Donkins cattle. Butchered
old cow. Apartados found none of
Cabato mark. Hauser began planting
maiz behind plow with Serapio and
Manuel. Very hot day. - Apartados
left for Robsons.

- 15 -

Planting maize. Very hot east wind, drying.
Felix went down to Pedro Gran campian.
- do two mares. Thatching kitchen.

- 17 -

Alfredo yesterday had gone down to Robsons
and came back this evening with him.
Horse (morro) got away from there.
Finished planting maize in new chacra, also
planted 2 rows of zaballos 2 sq. long. hard
shell. Felix came back, found the two
mares gate of Zara. Report apartados
with Vargas parted by red novillos from Pedro
Grande. Strong east wind blowing storm
together. Finished nailing roof onto galpon.

Sunday 18 -

Hot day and looks very stormy. Want
it very badly as esteros are nearly dry-
ing up. about the worst seca we had yet.
Robson left. Left Benancia pack mule to
take his things to Robsons. Perico left also.
J. Martin was here; is without peones. -

- 19 -

Had a little shower of rain towards
morning. Guess will have more tonight.
Planted maize in old chacra (jijal) &
zaballos. also transplanted 94 batata
plants. Morro turned up at Robsons.

- 20 -

Sent Elias, Felix, Agustini & Polonio
to the apartados to the Camila etc.

Dec 9th

Took the Cordobese Tropilla and a few more. Finished planting maize in yugal, also transplanted batata. finished the 8 rows. Splendid shower of rain at siesta but not enough to jutar water & only local. Sent boy from puesto for mail tomorrow. Finished planting altogether at last. Fixed corredor of house, put edge round it, and filled up more.

21.

Stormy day and rained towards evening - Summer showers. Sent Manuel to Martin's to give them a hand at work. Serapis & Mariano alone on place. Began digging out potatoes, poor crop. average one to a plant.

- 22 -

Could not put puesto rodeo on, a/c of mud in camp. Had rained & hailed quite hard at puesto, here only slightly. A. was up at Martin's. Mauser began cutting alfa which is splendid. South wind but sweddy day. Guess more rain will set in soon.

- 23 -

Had puesto rodeo on, cured & capand about 25 yearling bulls. Got in the dry alfa. Alfredo left for San Cristobal

Jan 4 / 1893.

Alfredo came back from San Cristobal had to value the cattle there. 1000 frs. Had a little rain on 2nd but lagunas are drying up fast. - Elia had come back from apartes on 25th parted at Pedro Gans, 7 Ramila, 1 Mercedes 4 and just - Butchered 3 animals since I was gone. - 5 -

Serapis' wife got rid. Took remnant (about 1200) of puesto rodeo to water on Salado as lagunas near puesto drying. Finished cutting alfa. fine lot. - Warm day. - 6 -

Felix went to the Curva on a paseo. Alfredo was at Martin's. Gave them some choclos Simlons. Elia recurred west of Salado. Covering melons up from sun. Very hot day and looks stormy. - 7 -

Had on Palmar rodeo and disimbechar. sd a few calves and parted some of Robsons & Donkins cattle out & put in potreros. Lorenzo & Agustin went to Calchagui bringing with pack mule. Frightful hot day, no wind. Great seca! Butchered cows. - 8 -

Sunday. Agustin came back with pack mule bringing 25 kilos salt, 10 kilos Tobacco, 1 bot essence vinegar. Another frightful hot day, but looks stormy. Every laguna on place dry except one at puesto house, and one at this rodeo. Serious! Will have to move the Palmar rodeo also to Salado. Plenty of choclos, sandias etc. -