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Memo of Mr Campbells rout to California

Above the head of Devils River 8 or 10 miles look out for Water holes, One on the left, 1 1/2 miles from the road, and a small one on the left

Next water Howards Springs-

After crossing the Pacus 6 or 7 Miles you will find a spring to the right in some chapparal - 10 miles from the crossing of the Pacus, you will find a Watering place at the Mouth of a hollow- gravelly Beach- From that point 5 or 6 miles, another watering place 1/2 mile before you get to the bluff of a mountain.

From there, look-out for best places to Water when you have the Pacus about two miles, you will find good water - 36 Miles without water, to Olimpia, water up the Olimpia, some 4 or 5 miles. Send men ahead, to Eagle Springs, to clean them out, and take no more than 200 at a time -

From Eagle Springs to Rio Grande is 30 Miles.. look for lakes, to the right in the Vally - Dont let your cattle go in about the Willows, near the River - Below Ell Passo about 10 miles, keep your cattle out from the River. A bad bog - 8 miles above Ell Passo fine grass - Pass Ell Passo to Whites if possible, and do not stop at that point if you can help it - 45 Miles above Ell Passo to Fort Felmore, there graze - From Fort Felmore to don Yanno 6 miles above don Yanno 6 or 7 miles,

good grass, and a large lake- From Don Yanno to San Diego, say 25 Miles cross the River, at an Island. From their to Santo Barbra 20 Miles, still up the river, a Garrison From the Garrison 15 or 18 Miles, water for the work animals, 8 Miles further Mule Springs - Send men ahead to dig out, and Dam, and you can water the stock--

From Mules Springs, to Cooks Springs is one days travle.

Their open again and open well.

20 Miles to the Members, good water turn to the right, above the head of the Springs-

From there to Oak Lavaca is about 18 or 20 miles, where you find water You must dig out again.

From La Vaca, 35 Miles without water when you pass the Gap of a Mountain turn to the left, for water 1/2 mile from the road, leading through the Canion

Natural Wells 7 or 8 Miles small stream 18 miles, wood water and grass, 6 miles this side, to the left, water about 1 1/2 mile from the road

Next water 15 miles, no wood

Small runing Stream 8 miles

Guadalupe Pass, Enterance no water

" 18 Pass Middle 8 miles, water

San Bernadina 15 miles, Spring old pens in an open prarie no wood

Camping place 18 miles, Water uncertain look to the left for

water -

Camping place 16 Miles, water in the Ravines

San Pedro. Head Waters 18 Miles no wood

San Pedro, Ancient Ruins 18 miles, fine water and grass

2 Miles, West of the Ruins, a fine Spring in the bottom of the creek.

Santo Cruz (Town) 23 Miles, Stop 6 Miles short of the town.

water, wood Grass 5 Miles from Santo Cruz, water and Grass 15 Miles - Santo Cruz River again, fine grass -

Tobuck 18 Miles Stop 2 Miles, at a Mission

Camping place 18 Miles, creek sinks hunt up and down, for water

San Gaubel Indian town 23 Miles, Stop 2 Miles, short to the right, in the bend of the prairie, Water plenty-

Tucson, Mexican Town 9 Miles, Stop 2 Miles short of the Town

Lagune, 10 Miles, water uncertain dont stay long

Great Pecatche 25 Miles, Water certain

Gila Lagon. Water plenty, Grass not good

Rio Gila, 8 Miles, keep the cattle out of the creek, until you get to good watering places keep a good look-out, or the Indians will steal

Pemos Vilages 11 Miles, Water and Grass 12 miles beyond the Village

Camp Monument. 31 Miles, on the Gila no grass of consequence

Fort Yuma, below the ferry 5 or 6 miles and you will find



where stock was crossed last year - It is said there is a  
 better crossing 12 or 15 Miles further down the Colorado opposit  
 an Indian Village, cald the Humostry and cross at the Gov.t  
 crossing, it is the best - watch close, after your cattle cross  
 and try and get your cattle on the reserved grounds near the  
 post to graze Dont let them in forks of the Gila and Colorado,  
 it is boggy and you will have difficulty in getting them out  
 Gather Musquit Beans for you work animals across the Desert  
 Get dry fodder, from the Indians 3 Miles the other side of  
 Cooks Wells turn to the left, some trails, bear over towards  
 the Mountains, south west to New River about 12 Miles where you  
 will find Water and some grass. Keep your large wagons on the  
 Main road, and take a small wagon for to carry provissions -  
 You can water work Oxen out of wells on the Road -  
 Keep up New River, to its head where you will strike the Road  
 at some fine lakes and good grass, about 30 or 35 Miles -  
 From These lakes, 16 or 18 Miles to the big lagoons. on the  
 road - 30 Miles from there to Tracy Creek Pass these in the  
 night, about half way you will find bunch grass, a little off  
 the road, both sides, in some hollows. and on the flat Bal-  
 lecita, keep your cattle away from a Spring a Mile or so. on  
 the left, at the foot of the hills, Hurry from Ballecita  
 and do not let your cattle graze or drink long and go on about  
 6 Miles over the Mountain to a lake on the right - From this  
 lake go on to San Fellappe 12 Miles, above there about a Mile

you will find water and grass -

Warners Ranch 18 Miles

3 or 4 Miles from Warners Ranch to the left, near an Indian Village, a fine valley of grass and water - where you can graze and rest -

About Los Angeles look out for the Indians and Mexicans will steal, Horses - until you get to Mission San Fernando

If the Gadsden treaty is adopted turn off Santa Cruz, and go down the river - and go the route the Great Western went - on the way to Altamont -

Campbell lives at Las Cruces, in 3 Miles of Fort Belmore, where you can get corn and wheat - purchase beans ----

Go to Mission San Fernando, 20 Miles beyond Los Angeles--Go the Tolony route - cross all the four creeks - and stop between Stockton and the Southern Mines

Town McCallemysville - 55 Miles from Stockton, good market -

La Brea, 60 Miles from Stockton good market -

Mr Laforge at McCallemysville assessor and collector, see him

Mr McKinney, at the same place

Mr Clark of the same place Sheriff, may know, John, Capt Rolston in Sacramento



Mr Malerys directions to California from Ell Passo

From Ell Passo to Don Yanno 65 Miles After you leave Rio Grandy River 15 Miles to set of Wells -- Then 15 Miles to Mule Springs, to Cooks Springs is 30 Miles, Water between From Cooks Springs, to Rio Members, 40 Miles, and water between. A Military post 3 Miles from the crossing. If the Rio Members is low, cross it again 10 Miles below, for Water From Rio Members to Copper Mine Creek 25 Miles, a Military post

From Copper Mine Creek to Rio Gila 15 Miles, a large water hole, sometimes plenty, water, sometimes none From this Water hole to Night Creek is 60 or 70 Miles, Water at convenient distances. The Road forks at a Creek. 15 Miles, from Water hole, left goes to Carlitis, Right is Cooks trail, Plenty of water for some days to another Road the left leads to Casso Blanco and the Right to Pemo Villages

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Judge Hide, or Mr M Guffin at  
Ell Passo will give correct directions

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Memo from Mr Varnals letter.

From Coralitos to Honas 21 Miles Thence a Creek 9 Miles,  
Callia Palos Road

Another small Creek 25 Miles - 10 Miles from here I think  
Cooks Trail, which is about 20 Miles on this side of the  
Guadalupe pass and 5 Miles on this side of Lake in a high  
upland country. Corobee San Luis

Thence to an Old Deserted Ranch, Good spring and plenty of  
Grass - San Barnadena 20 M 30 Miles to the next water on the  
Road and not much there - Mudy Springs, caled Agua Priata  
1 1/2 miles on the left, rather back East. a good Spring, and  
plenty of grass - 20 Miles further, brings you to Lous, plen-  
ty of Water and grass - 15 Miles to San Padre Crossing Water  
several times. This is the head of a River runing to the Gila  
25 Miles to San Croux a Mexican Town - Water and grass You  
then travle down this Craux River 90 Miles to Tucson, passing  
of Tapon Tubac and San Haver - From Tucson to the Pemo Vilages  
75 Miles is no Water and scarce of Grass - But you may turn  
to the right 20 Miles from Tucson and strike the River in 40  
Miles

## Memo.

Left Sanders with the Herd on Sunday the 23<sup>d</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup>  
 first night stampeded on the Cibilo - Lost some cattle -  
 Stampeded next night, think we lost but few - camped next  
 night on the Silado (Seguin Crossing) - Cattle quiet - Next  
 day passed around the head of the Spring and camped 2 1/2  
 Miles West of San Antonio. Stayed there several days finish-  
 ing our outfit, and left on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> of May - Traveled  
 for three days without difficulty to Quihe - 10 Miles west of  
 Casterville where on the night of the 3<sup>rd</sup> we had a tremendous  
 storm which stampeded our cattle and all scattered Next day,  
 the 4<sup>th</sup> we gathered together between 7 and 8 hundred - On the  
 night of the 4<sup>th</sup> they stampeded again - We remained at that  
 place a Week, and got all but about 60 head - 37 of them was  
 found and delivered at San Antonio and sold by And.<sup>w</sup> We  
 think we will get others - The entire loss in all the stampede  
 is not more than 60 head. Some of them was lost at the Pen -  
 Sent Mr Callahan back to Seguin for more Money, Men and horses -  
 five of our Men having left us To wit. Kain - Davis - two Pebels,  
 and Bennet. We moved our cattle, two days drive to the Sabinal,  
 which is about 70 Miles west of San Antonio - and remained there  
 about a week. Near Mr Hammers - Callahan came up on the  
 20<sup>th</sup> May, Saturday, with 7 horses, 6 Mexicans, and Mr Jett -  
 Left the Sabinal on Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> and Camped 1 mile west of  
 the Frio. The 22 camped 4 miles west of the Leona - The Nights

of the 21.<sup>st</sup> and 22.<sup>nd</sup> very stormy, wind rain, thunder and lightning - With double guard say 20 men we managed to keep our cattle - A small drove of 200 belonging to Oliver and Montgomery that was near us stampeded and upwards of 100 got with our drove - The 23.<sup>rd</sup> crossed the Nueces and camped on Turkey Creek - traveled 16 Miles

Left the Divers horse at Obrians to be sent to Boon on the Hondo, lame

Left a Mule with Mr Hammer, lame to be sent to Boon - Lost a Mule between the Nueces and Leona, where we camp. sent back this morning for it, May 24.<sup>th</sup>

Hampton stole a Mule and Bay horse Gun and 6 shooter on the night of the 15<sup>th</sup> May at the Sabinal - Hines stole a horse on Sunday the 31.<sup>st</sup> of Apl. at San Antonio about the 18<sup>th</sup> May. He was taken up and the horse recovered, as well as a Mule we had lost on the Cibilo which he had found

We have heard that Hampton has sold the Mule to Mr Juneous Browning. 8 Miles below Casterville - Have written to And. to go and get it - May 24<sup>th</sup> Traveled yesterday 15 Miles to Elm Creek - 7 Miles East of Las Moras Station - John, Mike, Jett and Shelton. has not yet come up We leave today for Las Moras and will wait until John comes up May 25.<sup>th</sup> Traveled today 14 Miles. No accident - All hands well. to Perdes pintis Creek. Good Camping ground plenty of Water - The Mail passed us this morning. All the Cattle trains is getting on well -

No further attacks except on Pyron and Edwards - Whipped off the Indians killed two - Lost no cattle - Wallace thinks we will have no trouble if we keep a good look out - Rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from Mr. H. Matson. dated 13<sup>th</sup> May at the head of the Limpia. He has got on well. saw no Indians - and lost but few cattle -

May 26. The Cattle Stampeded last night. about 9 o'clock - Run about 1 1/2 miles. Got them quiet and herded them their all night - This morning John, Mike, Jett and Shelton came up with a Yoke of Oxen which John purchased - Did not find the lost mule Brought up the Bay horse which Hampton stole - Mr Gage who returned from the Sabinal on a/c of ill health apprehended him in Casterville. and got the Horse, saddle, Bridle &c and the six shooter. He sent them after us - and was met by John. The Mule which he stole may be recovered - Traveled today 9 Miles to Mavericks Creek - Think we lost no cattle -

May 27. Last night. a tremendous storm As the wind rose - The Cattle Stampeded very dark - wind and rain - The hands follow<sup>d</sup> the herd 5 or 6 Miles. stoped a portion, and brought them up this morning. say 547 head - Oxen all here 34 - Hands out after the other Cattle. Open Country. and can trail without any difficulty - Brought in today by differant hands 210 head. John and two Mexicans; Lewis and 2 hands not yet returned -

May 28 (Sunday) Sent out 6 hands to hunt Cattle. Lewis came in with 41 Head - John has not come. I am uneasy about him Has but One, perhaps two Mexicans with him - Lewis and 5

others has returned to hunt other trails that they saw. Cattle quiet for the two last nights - Short 115<sup>th</sup> head of Cattle - provided our count of Quihe was right Monday 29. It has clouded up and looks like rain again. Johnson and others came in, in the evening with 41 head. sent in by John from the Station, Man and others came in afterwards with 3 More, John, Lewis and a Mexican stayed behind to look further -

Tuesday 30th May - Last night an hour before day, the cattle took another stampede They divided into four bunches, The hands kept them together so they did not get off far, before daylight came to our relief It was drizzling rain at the time. Some few broke off from the herd 6 has been got. Mike and Leander is after the others Got 8 more all safe - Lewis and Jett came in this evening. No cattle - Left John and a Mexican, still on some trails -

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup>. John has not yet got in. I have sent Igg, Johnson and Jett back to see where he is. Cattle. quiet. all well

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June - Cattle quiet last night Drizeling rain this morning - Strong East Wind, which I fear will give us a rainy spell - Yesterday Mr Maney and Watson found two stray horses - which they have taken into possession each taking one -

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Cattle quiet last night John (to my great joy) got up. this Morning at 10 oclock with 64 head of Cattle found 54 Miles back in the Neighbourhood of the Leona



Station Iapan and Tonqua Indians assisted him in finding them - Loss at this place 24 - Most of them will be got at Leona Station. Will leave here today and go to San Felipa 12 Miles

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Saturday June 3. Traveled yesterday evening to pretty little stream; called San Felipa. Cattle quiet and everything safe Good grass. Will get off a little after 8 O. C. expect to go 5 Miles West of Devils River Guns shott off and cleaned up and loaded.

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Sunday June 4. Camped 3 Miles above The painted Caves. last night travled 15 Miles without any difficulty crossing Devils River and going 5 Miles North West - Kiled a Dear. One Beef we kiled at Mavericks Creek, all spoiled - Cattle quiete and all things safe. We expect to go to California Springs 15 Miles today-

<sup>th</sup>  
Monday June 5 Got 4 Miles west of California Springs yesterday. Good camping place for Grass, But little wood and no Water. We hauled water from the Springs - Cattle quiete and all things geting on well - Got today to the 2. <sup>nd</sup> crossing of Devils River having travled 15 Miles. No Appearance of Indians yet.

<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday June 6. At 8 Oclock we are about to start up Devils River - 5 Oclock we have got within 4 Miles of the Station at the head of the River. Good Water and Grass Road Rockey and brushey - We may have droped a few steers on this days

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Wednesday 7. June Laid by this day to dry some beef and  
issue out provisions to different Messes and prepare for a long  
drive to water. To Howard Springs 48 Miles from here. Plenty  
water All hands well - Cattle quiet - No Indians

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Thursday 8 June - Left campe between 8 and 9 Oclock  
Shoed Horses yesterday A train of carts passed us yesterday  
morning on their way to San Antonio - A yoke of steers was out  
of the way, and we did not get off from the Station until 3  
Oclock. Traveled 12 Miles from Devils River Station, and camped  
in Prarie Without Water, except for cooking at 10 Oclock at  
night - Cattle quiet and no disturbance in Camp

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Friday 9 June - Got off from Camp this morning before  
6 Oclock - Found Water in about 5 or 6 Miles - Traveled today  
about 16 or 17 Miles, Stopped without water at 10 Oclock at  
night about 12 Miles from Howards Springs Cattle manageable  
and everything goes on well. No sign of Indians as yet.

Saturday 10 June Got to Howards Springs about One Oclock.  
Took up lodgings until tomorrow Traveled 12 Miles today - We  
are now 275 Miles West of San Antonio. Getting on well

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Sunday June 11.

Traveled today about 26 Miles to within 7 Miles of Live  
Oak Creek; and encamped in prarie 12 Oclock at night without  
water except for cooking which we hauled with us. Cattle quiet.  
Geting on well -

Monday June 12.<sup>th</sup> Traveled today to live Oak Creek. A pretty little running stream. Stopped 3 Miles above the Station. Stopped for the day having got here at 12 O'clock Traveled 7 Miles. Counted the Cattle yesterday and found we had lost 3 head. Supposed to be on Devils River in the brush

Tuesday 13.<sup>th</sup> June - Will remain here all day to rest the animals and hands. Some is washing clothes, and some have gone to the Station to purchase shoes, Boots, Hats Wh. &c &c

Wednesday 14.<sup>th</sup> June

Left camp at the crossing of live Oak Creek, Crossed Pecos River and went up 6 Miles to a Spring of water which is fine and cool, left one lame steer between the Pecos and the last could not travel - No misfortune of any kind. Traveled 13 Miles

Thursday 15.<sup>th</sup> June

Did not get off from camp until 11 O'clock. 2 yoke oxen out of the way. Traveled today 10 Miles, and encamped 4 miles above a watering place on the Pecos No Indians, All safe.

Friday 16.<sup>th</sup> June. Traveled today within 8 or 9 Miles of where we leave the Pecos River. Watering place at a bend of The River below a bluff or hill, All safe, No accident -

Saturday 17.<sup>th</sup> June - Today we nooned at where we leave the Pecos and watered the stock Traveled out in the evening 7 or 8 Miles and camped without water - All things safe No Indians as yet.

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 Sunday 18. June. Today we met the Mail near Escondado Creek. 18 Miles west of the Pecos. About 12 O'clock - Gave the carrier Letters and \$15.50 to be given to Brackett at Las Moras - Nooned it at Escondado and this evening traveled to the head 8 Miles, having traveled today 19 miles - No accident

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 Monday 19. June Today we have killed a beef and will weigh out provisions to the different Messes and will remain until tomorrow evening and go out 6 or 7 Miles

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 Tuesday 20 June Traveled today about 8 miles, Camped without water. All safe, No accident

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 Wednesday 21 June Traveled today about 12 Miles. Got to Comancha Creek. A pretty stream, for bathing and fishing. stopped at 12 O'clock and stayed all evening. No Indians, all well

Thursday 22 June - We are now at Leon Spring. A boggy place. Deep pool of water. Got here at 12 O'clock having traveled 9 Miles. Stopped here all the evening - Good grass. Saw a little Indian sign, for the first time. Have a stretch of 35 Miles without water before us, to the Limpia. Some of the hands for a few days passed has been putting on, complaining, and snapping at everything - John threatened to thrash one, and things have gone on more smoothly

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 Friday 23 June. Left Leon Springs today at 4 O'clock and traveled 17 Miles by 10 O'clock at Night. Camped in the Prairie. half way between Leon Springs and the Limpia. Lost a lame steer in the Night drive. Cattle became restless and inclined to stampede. When we stopped they became quiet and laid down

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Saturday 24 June - Left Camp this Morning half after 6 O'clock. Stopped to Noon it at 12 - Got off at three and got to Limpia Spring at dark. The Spring is in the gorge of the Mountain. Very rocky and difficult to get at. Could not water the herd. They are without water two days. Poor grass and a poor camping place. Road rough for the last 8 or 10 Miles traveled today 20 Miles

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Sunday 25 June - We left camp this morning a little after 7 O'clock - Traveled 8 Miles and found water at the foot of the Mountain, at the entrance to the Canon. A good spring and watered all our stock. Left a steer that gave out 3 Miles back. One of the spies saw one Indian on Yesterday. some two or three Miles off. saw a little sign at the first spring on the Limpia. No disturbance by Indians or anything else -

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Monday 26. June Everything quiet and all hands well. Some oxen very much worn down. Staid at this camp today. Good grass in a pretty vally, and good water - A cow and young calf came into our herd today - Picked up a calf 6 months on the Pecos. It still travels -

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Tuesday 27 June

Left camp at 7 and traveled up the Limpia but found no water until we traveled 10 Miles - Water but no grass of consequence. Nooned it and started on. After going a Mile came to 2 springs of find cool water, 1/2 Mile from there saw a pretty green vally 3/4 Mile from the road and Callahan who examined it,

Beckoned us to go to it, fine green grass and a large spring.

Plenty of Water and grass, which is very acceptable - Our travel today saw 12 Miles some very rough road. One mountain we had to double teams to our wagon All well and appear to be chearful We are close to a Dog town and some hands are trying to kill some. Counted the cattle and find we have 926 with 3 we picked up on the road -

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June - We left camp in the evening and went up the Limpia about 3 Miles and camped. Grass only tolerable. It is old and has more strenth, than the new grass where we last camped - One steer died today and we kiled one for Beef - No disturbance by Indians or anything else - Weighed out provisions for the diferent Messes for 4 days

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June

We moved camp two miles to a better place. 3 work steers are missing. We think the Indians sliped them out last Night A Mexican says he found the trail and saw Mocoso tracks of two persons John is out examining - We will stay here until the evening of the 1<sup>st</sup> July. to rest and recruit out stock John has returned and followed the track of the 3 oxen and 2 Indians 5 or 6 Miles

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June Today we remained all day in Camp shoeing horses and catching up young oxen. Callahan and 13 others took the trail of the 3 Oxen and followed it about 10 Miles through high Mountains and narrow passes to where about 50

muscolaras Indians were encamped - They charged upon them  
 scatered them to the sides of the Mountains where they took  
 shelter among the rocks They fought them about an hour, think  
 they wounded and perhaps kild some. Came off unhurt and brought  
 with them 8 horses 2 Mules and a Jack and Jinney - started at  
 11 and got back before dark - They did not get the Oxen - I  
 purchased 9 of the animals at \$300 - payable in California -  
 Callahan kept one by the consent of the company No disturbance  
 last night -

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 Saturday 1 July 1854 - We left camp today at 4 Oclock P.  
 M. and travled until 11 and stoped in Prarie without water  
 Making 12 or 14 Miles - All safe

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 Sunday 2. July - All safe this morning. No disturbance  
 last night Callahan keeps a close watch, and strong guard. He  
 is very vigilant. we travled today 12 Miles to Rock Creek where  
 we found water. Nooned it and went 4 Miles where we found more  
 water which we did not expect, and fine grass

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 Monday July 3 . Left our camp late in the evening and  
 travled 6 or 7 Miles to Smiths run. No water. At dark an Indian  
 signell was put out on the Mountain, a few miles off. They  
 kept up a bright fire until the Moon went down which was about  
 1/2 after twelve The fire would some times go down to a dim  
 light and remain so a few minutes, then a bright blaze would  
 spring up. Callahan doubled the guard had horses settled ready  
 to mount and the balance tied to the wagons. We expected an

attack and was prepared for it -

<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday July 4 All quiet last night. We saw no Indians, but we are satisfied they are watching our movements closely, at every watering place lately we have seen sign - Today we got to the Murto, or Dead Mans hole, by 11 Oclock travled 9 Miles - Nooned it and watered Oxen and horses. None for the herd. Fild our kegs with water and travled until One Oclock at Night. (Moon down). Camped in a dry Prarie, bad grass, no water, we made 25 Miles this day -

Wednesday 5 July - All safe this morning, but cattle dry and hungry Travled 18 or 20 Miles today to Van Horns Wells got water for our Horses and Mules, and a little for the Oxen, None for the herd. Have to lift it out in buckets. Fild up the Ambulance with provisions for six days for 30 men and started with the herd, at 9 Oclock at night and travled 14 Miles. No water. Left the Oxe Wagons and 11 lame steers to be watered, on the 6. <sup>th</sup> with 15 Men Mr Jett in Command to rest until the evening of the 6. <sup>th</sup> and to travle mostly after Night to Eagle Springs 24 Miles and then to water again, made 32 Miles this day

<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday 6 July Got to Eagle Springs before breakfast. Water for our Mules and horses. Left Eagle Springs at 10 Oclock P. M. and reached the canon leading to the Rio Grande River 3 Miles from the River at sunrise of the 7. <sup>th</sup> Having travled up to that time 40 Miles in 24 hours - No Indians, Everything safe and all hands well.



Friday July 7.<sup>th</sup> Took our herd to water in lots of 100, 150 and 200 at a time. watered all well and lost none. One swam across the River, but we think we will get him again lost no cattle, either in the drive, or by watering. Hundreds of dead carcasses are lying on the road, between the River and Eagle Springs. We left 7 weak cattle at the springs, in charge of Lieutenant Higgins, who kindly proposed to take care of them until Mr Jett got up with the Oxe waggons - If Mr. Jett gets up with his train safe. (He has with those left of Eagle Springs 55 head) we will have accomplished what no other has done Traveled 100 Miles in 3 days with a drove of cattle of 875 head and not loose one, either in driving or Watering at the River. All other drovers have lost some. we have not counted yet but do not know of any we have lost. Some few may have stepped out of the herd in our night driving

Saturday July 8.<sup>th</sup> Moved up the River Yesterday evening 2 miles to a good place of Grass and remained the evening - All safe - moved up 4 Miles further this evening -

Sunday July 9.<sup>th</sup> Remained at this camp all day - Good Grass -

Monday July 10.<sup>th</sup> Jett has got up and has brought every thing safe except 3 head of cattle 1 work steer left at Van Horns Wells, I gave out at Eagle Springs and 1 strayed off at Eagle Springs - (Little Heiffer) - We moved camp all hands concentrated 6 Miles further up - Good grass and water convenient.

Shade under Cotton wood trees

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Tuesday July 11. Remained at this camp all day - Michael

and Daffin watched the road for the Mail - John counted the Cattle. We find we have 915 head including Oxen - 2 Calves not counted - We are 11 head short since the 27. June - 2 Kild for beef - 3 stolen by Indians - and 6 left on the way and lost - All safe

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Wednesday 12. July - Michael and Daffin. slept by the road all night. Mail did not come - Mr Callahan went to relieve them after Breakft stage came along about 10 Oclock killed a Beef and dried it ready for a start tomorrow morning -

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Thursday July 13 Left our camp and travled about 15 Miles - and stoped in prarie late at Night. Wagons got up at 10 Oclock. no Grass or Water -

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Friday July 14. Travled today about 14 Miles and stoped in a tolerable good place of grass. 1/2 Miles from Water. Guard went to sleep and let part of the horses get off

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Saturday July 15. Travled today about 8 Miles Left the main road and took around a slew. found good grass and water a little ways off - Camped under cotton woods, the herd got here at 12 Oclock. Wagons at 3 P. M.

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Sunday 16. Monday 17. Tuesday 18. Wednesday 19.  
Travled up the River to El Passo bad grass generally. road heavy sand. Camped within 4 Miles of Magoffins - Passed the Stock above El Passo above Whites - Left 3 Wagons to have the

tire cut. Sold 20 Beef steers to Lieutenant Jackson Quarter Master for \$40 each. Sold the stolen horse to Hall for \$60.00

Stayed with Col. Magoffin by invitation.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>. Friday 21<sup>st</sup>. Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>. and Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>.

These days were occupied in fixing Wagons, bringing down Cattle and other things, Various hands got drunk. Wagons left Magoffins on Sunday - Phillipe slipped off <sup>W</sup> And. Garcia's horse, I <sup>th</sup> made Garcia go and get it and weighted until Tuesday the 25<sup>th</sup>.

Got the horse on Monday evening. Went to camp 15 Miles up the River, to Magoffins Ranch, Tuesday.

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>. started on our journey and camped at 15 Miles travel.

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>. Traveled today 13 Miles and camped 2 Miles below Fort Filmore purchased Flour at the post 700 at \$5.00 pr 100. purchased 4 sets harness of Maj. <sup>r</sup> McFersen at \$18 -

Friday 28<sup>th</sup>. Delivered a letter of introduction to Maj. <sup>r</sup> Backus. He gave me letters to Maj. J B. Richardson Fort Thorn also. A letter to Commanding Officer Fort Yuma -

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>. July - Traveled today 17 Miles - passed Cruzes - at 8 Miles from Fort Filmore - and camped near Don Anno - no accident -

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>. July. Traveled today 9 Miles and camped near the River

Monday 31<sup>st</sup>. Today we traveled 14 Miles - and camped on the River again a few miles above the ford. A part of the road heavy and sandy. Hinds horse. got snake bit, and so did a steer - No accident

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Tuesday Augt 1.

Today we travled about 6 Miles heavy sand - camped on the River

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Wednesday 2. Travled today about 8 Miles and camped about 3 Miles of Fort Thorn. I went to the post and was kindly invited to stay with Maj. Richardson, which I did and was treated kindly -

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Thursday 3. Crossed the River today, everything safe and camped on the west bank had the use of the Gov boat but paid \$9.00 here to 4 soldiers to work it. The Cattle and horses forded it -

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Friday 4. Remained at the Fort all day. got our wagon for Mules fixed at the shop. got some gear &c - Exchanged 15 beeves for 14 Work oxen with Maj Richardson. Had Lockey, Malone and Pat with Leander put in the guard house They were drinking and refused to do duty. Left Lockey, Malone and Pat there, would not let them travle further with us

Saturday 5. Left Fort Thorn about 12 Oclock. Bob Coper-nick concluded to return with Major Richardson We added two hands at the station to our crowd making now 34 besides myself we travled today about 9 Miles found water and camped - (Rain Water) - also wood

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Sunday 6 Travled 3 Miles to the Tanks Found water plenty in the Ravene to the left above the Tanks, Today we got a mile west of Mules Springs, where we found plenty of water, having

traveled today 16 Miles. A party of Apachis came to us and we gave them a beef. They told us all the tribes west of the Rio Grande were friendly -

Monday 7.<sup>th</sup> Today we traveled 15 Miles camping one Mile west of Cooks springs where we found plenty of water and wood. No chance to water the herd either at the Tanks, Mule springs or Cooks Springs. Water may be got for work animals

Tuesday 8.<sup>th</sup> Today we found water after going 5 or 6 miles to the left of the road in two places - Noon it in a pretty vally, fine grass, traveled in the evening and until half after 10 and stoped within 4 Miles of the Rio Members. No wood or water here 20 Miles to the Members

Wednesday 9.<sup>th</sup> We came to the Rio Members to breakfast. Camped 1/2 mile from the River, Above us a Mile, the stream runs, where we are it is in pools - about the stream is very brushy, and without care, there is danger of loosing Stock, We remained here all day, Killed a beef, and weighed out provisions. Everything safe, No one sick, Some steers lame -

Thursday 10.<sup>th</sup> Remained at the Members all day, caught up young oxen preparing for a start tomorrow through a long stretch say 60 or 70 Miles without permanent water for the herd. A small drove of 250 head came up with us last Night belonging to a man named Franklin - He took the lead of us here contrary to our wish starting out late in the evening intending to travel in the night

Friday 11.<sup>th</sup> We left the Members this morning. Found water plenty at 15 Miles in a ravine. Among the rocks in basins- This place will hold rain water - Camped for the night. No wood but plenty chips to cook with

Saturday 12.<sup>th</sup> We traveled 2 miles to Ojo de Lavaca, or Cow Spring and found plenty of water - Some ditching has been done. This is permanent water and by some labour plenty of water can be got for a large herd - This point is only 17 Miles from the Members At 7 Miles from this spring we nooned it and found plenty of water for all. This water is from heavy rains lately fallen - We camped in a flat after crossing a hill No water.

Traveled this day 16 Miles

Sunday 13.<sup>th</sup> We traveled today about 14 Miles and found water in a flat near the point of a Mountain, on the right of the road, a few Miles before we took the Mountain. This water was from a rain that fell, the previous evening - Good grass - Mountain rough

Monday 14.<sup>th</sup> Today we crossed the Mountain, Doubled teams, and found water in a hole about 1 Mile from the road which is 35 or 37 Miles from Ojo La Vaca We traveled on 7 Miles further and found water in a lake 1 1/2 Miles to the right of the road, and 3 or 4 Miles before we got to the Natural Wells and camped

Tuesday 15.<sup>th</sup> We traveled 3 or 4 Miles to the Wells, got plenty of water. This is permanent water, and good grass, and wood can be got a little ways off. This place would do well

for a resting place and is about 10 Miles from the Water hole and 47 from Ojo La Vaca, We noond it 4 Miles west of the wells and travled in the evening about 3 Miles and camped between the Mountains in a narrow valley. No water -

Wednesday 16.<sup>th</sup> We crossed a steep Mountain cleared out rocks and travled to Cycimore Creek at the head of which is a Spring, about 1 1/2 Miles after crossing the dry creek. Here the road leaves Cooks trail and goes up by the Spring - I think the distance from the wells to this place is 18 Miles We did not find water sufficient for our herd and struck into Cooks road and in about 4 Miles found water for Oxen and horses. The herd went ahead to a creek about 6 Miles from the Spring, but no water. While resting two clouds sprung up one behind us and one before us It rained heavily on the Oxe Teams, and we sent a head 4 Miles and found plenty of water from the rain which we made before dark - Having travled today 21 Miles

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Augt. 1854

Today we rested until evening and traveled 2 miles to a set of Natural Wells on the right of the road. The water is too far from the surface for stock to reach it. Work animals can be watered from buckets and troughs we stopped at the point of the Mountain at 6 Miles further and incamped for the night, having traveled 8 Miles This is permanent water and 13 Miles from Sycamore creek -

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Augt

This morning we found water at 3 Miles, a spring at the foot of the Mountain on the right of the road This place can be made a good watering place by a little work Tolerable grass and wood - and is 16 Miles from Sycamore creek. We crossed a spur of the Mountain and nooned it at the commencement of the rough country through the Guadalupe pass - We seperated the herd and Oxe teams. The herd went about 6 Miles through the roughest part of the pass and we found it by far the worst road we had met with, but can be improved greatly by throwing out large stones We incamped in a little valley on the right of the road on a dry creek, 3 Miles back among the Mountains a spring where a small herd might be watered. Permanent water which is about 7 Miles the last spring noticed The Oxe teams reached this spring about dark No grass of consequence -

Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup> Aug<sup>t</sup>



We sent Mike back 3 Miles to the large Wagons for provisions and started the Cattle ahead. We traveled down this Creek for 8 Miles. (no big hills, rocky in places.) and nooned it - We soon left this canon and went up along start and encamped on a ravine, good place fine grass and plenty of rain water. Live oak wood-making 15 Miles - Rained on the last three or four days. No permanent water from San Barnadina Springs to the San Padro. (Water on the left of the road) a distance of 51 Miles - but ravines and holes to hold rain water, after traveling 18 Ms from San Barnadina Springs -  
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 Sunday 27.      Aug.

Today we made San Padro at 9 Miles and traveled down the vally about 6 Miles and camped without wood, used cow chips for fuel. Fine grass. In fact we have had the finest kind of grass from the Rio Grande to this place and fine road with the exception of the Guadalupe Pass and some few other ridges of no great importance. From San Barnadina springs here, the road is fine -  
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 Monday 28.      Aug.

Last night we had a bad stampede lost 111 head - gathered during the day all but 47 head. 15 got 30 Miles back. Lewis and Mike who went back furthest and got 15 head was shot at by an Indian. Rained last night which caused the cattle to stampede - Rained heavily during the day. 3 or 4 showers - A great deal of Mud and but little wood -

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Tuesday 29. Aug.

Today all the best trailors was out but did not succeed in finding any of the lost cattle. Could not find any other trails - We have concluded they were lost 30 Miles back.

Rained frequent showers -  
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Wednesday 30 Aug. 54 -

Today Callahan and 7 men went back to hunt the lost cattle. The herd Wagons &c started for Santa Cruze. Traveled about 8 Miles and camped. Rain - Rain - Rain -  
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Thursday 31

We passed today where Young Houston of Dunlaps Train was killed by the Indians - Dunlaps horses was attacked early in the Morning of the 25. th t Aug. by about 15 or 20 Indians They succeeded in driving off 20 head and killing Houston Mrs. Dunlaps Brother - They then attacked Buck and Bryants Herd and drove off 140 head cattle They did not follow them, being scarce of horses We camped near some old ruins, a good spring.  
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Friday Sept 1 1854

Today we traveled over a very rough Mountain - Doubled teams and had hard work to get along. Got to out camping place about 10 Oclock at night -  
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Saturday Sept 2.

Today we traveled down a creek for a few Miles. some good road. We then left the creek and took a spur of the Mountain Doubled teams. Franklin and 6 or 8 men came to meet us,

thinking we might have been attacked on the Mountain we  
<sup>st t</sup>  
 passed yesterday by Indians on the 21. Aug. and his entire herd of cattle taken

They killed one of the Fairchildes. All his men run -  
 The Indians sacked the wagons but left the Oxen unhurt -  
 Cattle lost about 200 head - The other Fairchildes and McClure with their hands, all left for California We camped 2 Miles above Santa Cruze Below town is Franklin with 250 head cattle. Dunlap with 450 - Briants company with a small herd, and 11 families - Callahan got up to night at 11 Oclock with 47 head cattle which they found, having travled about 36 Miles this day The distance from the first permanent water on the East branch of San Padro to the west branch of San Padro is 20 Miles and water between - From San Padro - old ruans, to Santa Cruze is 23 Miles. The Mexicans tel us there is a good road that turns to the right at San Padro old ruins which runs around the Mountains leading to Santa Cruze  
<sup>rd</sup>  
 Sunday Sept 3 1854

We remained today in Camp above Santa Cruz - All goes on well

<sup>th</sup>  
 Monday 4. Sepr 1854

We left Camp today in the evening and stoped 3 Miles below Santa Cruz and entirely below the other 3 hered Callahan took 15 of our Men 23 men from the companies above, and 25 Mexicans from Santa Cruz to try to recover the cattle taken

by the Indians. They left tonight at about 8 Oclock - Everything quiet last night.

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Tuesday 5 Sept. 1854

We remained in camp today. Everything quiet. Rain and quite disagreeable Cattle and horses behaved well last night

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Wednesday 6 Sept 1854

Callahan and men returned tonight Had a fight on the 5 in the evening with a party of Indians, say Near 40 killed all but nine - Took from them sixty five or six Animals Most of them Cattle - It turned out to be a party that had been to the settlements in Mexico and was on their return to the Gila River - One Mexican killed - Shepperd (one of our men) slight wounded in the shoulder - four Mexicans wounded slightly

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Thursday 7 Septr

Today was occupied in dividing the property taken in Battle - Our men got 13 head Cattle and 1 Horse and 1 Mule which I purchased at \$425.00 paying them the One half of that amount

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Friday 8 Sept.

We mooved our camp today down the Creek about 5 Miles, below an old deserted Ranch - Dunlap and all the other trains Mooved down also. Find grass water and wood. We left Sluder White and Marks at Santa Cruz Sluder has got in with Johnsons train

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Saturday 9. Sept 1854

Today we are shoeing horses. Killed a beef - and fixed  
up guns &c &c. John James has got up within 4 Miles of us -  
Has not been troubled with Indians but has lost 100 head cattle  
up to this time -

th r  
Sunday 10 Sept 1854

Traveled today 15 Miles all safe and camped near the River  
fine grass

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Monday 11 Sept 1854

Traveled today 16 Miles to one Mile below a ranch or Mis-  
sion Callabass on the right of the road - We are now 40 Miles  
from Santa Cruze - All safe no Indians - Fine grass all down  
this vally - six Indians was here on Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> and  
killed a Mexican - The Mexican killed an Indian and a horse

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Tuesday 12 Sept

Today we traveled 10 Miles to near Tobuck an Indian Town  
Inhabitants Called tame Appaches - mostly Indians Some Mexi-  
cans - Some soldiers are stationed here - A few days ago six  
Apaches attacked a tame Apache, that lives here and shot him  
with seven arrows - The tame Indian killed one of the wild ones  
and a horse It is thought he will recover from his wounds -

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Wednesday Sept 13

Today we traveled 13 Miles to a Mile and a half of the  
Crossing of the River. A good camping place Stopped at 3  
Oclock - Traded 12 Comoles for 4 Almodes flour - and 14 comoles

for \$2 - in silver with a Mexican at Tobuck.

Thursday Sept<sup>th</sup> 14

Today we traveled 8 Miles to a lake a half Mile from the River to our right. Some chapparal Mexicans come to us with Palousus Killed a big Teronchichi - Lost a log chain, but found it - Lost a steer this morning -

Friday Sept<sup>r th</sup> 15.

Today we traveled through a chapparal country - some large musquit timber. 13 Miles to within 2 Miles of Mission Gaubel.

Small prairie - Salt Grass - Big Musquit timber - Creek to the right about the 1/4 of a Mile - At Gaubel, is a handsome church, of brick - small vilage - inhabited by Pimo Indians

Saturday Sept<sup>r th</sup> 16.

Today we remained in camp to rest our stock and dry some beef Capt Callahan and some others have gone to Tucson - to examine for a camping place - This is a heavy Musquit timbered Country and it is hard to find open ground to herd stock upon with safety fine body of land -

Sunday Sept<sup>r th</sup> 17

Today we traveled 8 Miles to within 2 Miles of Tucson. a Mexican Town some Indians - Salt Grass - not good - pretty stream.

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup>.

We remained in camp today. traveled some goods to the Capt and his son for Flour - Not sifted at \$6 pr 100.<sup>w</sup> The priest and the Cap.<sup>ts</sup> son stole a vest John followed them to

the other train and took it from their bundle of goods The  
 priest was drunk - Capt Callahan dined by invitation with the  
 capt of the post  
<sup>th</sup>  
 Tuesday 19. Sept

Today we passed Tucson - purchased Flour there at \$7.50  
<sup>w</sup>  
 pr 100. for that which was sifted and travled 3 Miles, 6  
 Miles from Tucson and camped. Water and tolerable grass -  
<sup>th r</sup>  
 Wednesday 20. Sept 1854

Today we travled 12 Miles to the point of a Mountain where  
 there is water after rains, in holes - but we found none, Nooned  
 it and started in the evening. Travled until near 12 Oclock at  
 Night. Having made 13 Miles - stopped without water or grass -  
<sup>st r</sup>  
 Thursday 21. Sept 1854

We started this morning at 6 Oclock and travled 7 Miles  
 by 1/2 after nine. Fine rain last evening, and we found water  
 from the rain at the Picat<sup>he</sup> Mountain We remained at this  
 camp the ballance of the day - Tolerable fair grass -  
<sup>nd r</sup>  
 Friday 22. Sept

Today we travled a few Miles and found some water, Nooned  
 it and travled until 3 or 9 Oclock at Night. No water or grass-  
 Made today 15 Miles  
<sup>rd r</sup>  
 Saturday 23. Sept

Today we got to the Gila Lagona or Rain water creek and  
 stoped Making 18 Miles and camped on a sandy place  
<sup>rd r</sup>  
 Sunday 24. Sept.

Today we killed a Beef and rested our animals - Callahan and Igg went ahead to look out camping place, went below the Village - Cattle stampeded but did not get way -

Monday 25 Sept.

Today we traveled 5 Miles to the Gila River, Watered our cattle and rested.

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Tuesday 26. Sept

Today we traveled through the Pimo village and camped 12 Miles below. Water out from the River in Pools, but not good Making 13 Miles today

Wednesday 27 Sept

Today we only went 4 Miles to some Pools of water. Grass not good, it is the last water for 40 Miles, rested the balance of the day - Traded some with Pimos and Maripous and gave the chiefs and captains presents Gave many of the squaws and men needles and thread. Some of them stole the box of needles - containing a thousand or two also a hatchet and a shirt - When we first met them at the upper end of the village, they nearly stole all our knives They require to be watched close -

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Thursday 28 Sept

Today we traveled 13 Miles to within 2 Miles of the canon leading through the mountains -- At 15 Miles there is water when it rains and basins to hold it for several days - We found pretty good grass -

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Friday 29. Sept.



Today we started early and reached a fine lake of water near the River. We stoped one Mile short of the lake, on pretty good grass - The lake is a fine place to water a herd. Large carless weeds near the lake. Must look for grass a Mile off. travled today 13 Miles, fine road.

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Saturday 30    Sept 1854

Today we left the Lake in the evening and travled down the River through immense badges of large carless weeds from 8 to 10 feet high which extended some 3 or 4 Miles. We stoped at 8 Miles on good grass on the right of the road and 2 miles west of a watering place on the River, where there are considerable Musquit timber. Fine land all this 8 Miles. wide bottoms - we got water in a pool for Oxen and horses 3 or 4 hundred yards from the road.

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Sunday 1    Day of Oct 1854

Today we travled 10 Miles and camped on tolerable grass in 1/2 miles of a very fine watering place which is 3/4 of a mile from the road - An open place to herd, Today we had no brush and no weeds, fine road -

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Monday 2.    Oct

Today we travled 3 Miles to where a road turns into the River. We turned to the right of that road and struck the River at a nearer point than the road did - A fine watering place, 2 miles from the main road, In a mile further we struck the Mountain, and passed through a canon, - then good.

road to the River a Fine watering place and good grass within  
 a mile of the River We watered our stock and drove back to  
 grass - we made today 11 Miles Large bottoms of fine land  
 rd r  
 Tuesday 3. Oct.

Today we traveled down the River one mile and found we had  
 either to cross the River and recross again, or climb a very  
 steep and rocky point of the Mountains which blufed up to the  
 River. We took the River through deep and heavy sand. The  
 lower crossing is good. The upper deep We camped at 3 miles  
 travel near where the Road takes the mountain again on to table  
 land. Some scattering grass - Mixed with carless weeds. Stock  
 is able to fill themselves pretty well - Very hot and dry.

Oxen very much worried -

th r  
 Wednesday 4 Oct.

Today we took the Mountains after throwing out a great  
 many rocks. Bad road for 4 Miles - ballance good to the River.  
 Good watering place and tolerable grass - Traveled 8 Miles and  
 camped on the River

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 Thursday 5 Oct.

Started today early and stoped at 4 Miles on fine grass and  
 nooned it - Traveled in the evening 11 Miles Making 15 Miles -  
 camped without grass or water - Mr. White who was traveling up  
 the country stayed all night with us - He gave us information  
 of Grass and water ahead -

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 Friday Oct. 6.

We started early this morning and stoped on fine grass  
at 4 Miles and breakfasted - Traveled in the Evening 5 Miles and  
camped to the left of the road fine grass, water in lakes  
to the right -

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Saturday 7 Oct

Today we traveled 13 Miles to within two miles of the River  
a watering place. No grass

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Sunday 8 Oct.

Today we traveled 19 Miles. Went 3 Miles to grass where  
the wagons stoped the previous night. A lake of water 1/2 Mile  
to the right tolerable grass - at 10 Miles, further a watering  
place, near the Road a lake. Hills come in close, some grass  
on the hills - Near a willow thicket Turned cattle on the  
hills to avoid the thicket. a mile and better long - 3 Miles  
further we camped on good grass within 2 Miles of a watering  
place at the point of the Mountain, Large body of grass on the  
left, next to the Mountains -

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Monday 9. Oct

Today we passed a watering place on the River at the  
point of a Mountain that is detached from any others, a Mile  
in lenth at 2 miles watered and traveled 8 Miles to a lake  
near the road, a little grass thence 5 Miles further and camped  
on the Road plenty good grass a Mile to the left - Water to  
the right 1/2 Mile in a lake, River 3/4 Mile where you can  
water - Traveled 15 Miles today

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Tuesday 10 Oct.

Traveled today 3 Miles to a good watering place at the River. No grass all day. Road rough and sandy - Stopped for the night, in a narrow canon, close to the River, Mountains come in close no place to water stock. Traveled today 13 Miles

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Wednesday Oct. 11.

Today we traveled 4 Miles through the Mountains. Found grass to the left of the road. A good watering place, at the River 3/4 Mile off/ Some grass between the road and the River- The best grass is immediately after getting clear of all the Gila Mountains to the left, and from a half to a Mile from the Mountains 4 or 5 Miles below here to left of the road 1 1/2 miles, good grass and a Lake of water

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Thursday 12 Oct

We remained in camp this day John and Callahan went to the lower ferry, owned by Little and Thompson

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Friday 13 Oct

Today we still remained in camp Counted the cattle. Lost one and one left that gave out. Have on hands 869. Killed one for beef - Leaves 868. Callahan and John got back at dark- Thinks we had better ferry our stock

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Saturday 14 Oct 1854

We still remained at our Camp resting, the stock, 2 hands left us this morning. Payne and Arnold. all well, everything

quiet - Yuma Indians in camp with watermellons -

th r  
Sunday 15 Oct.

Today we travled 12 Miles to where we struck the River 2 Miles above the fort and camped drove our cattle and Horses 1 1/2 and 2 Miles on the hils to grass stayed with them all night

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Monday 16 Oct.

Remained at this camp all day Still kept our cattle on the hils and drove back to the River to water John Ja mes incamped 4 Miles above me 1 1/2 Miles to the left of the road good grass and a lake of water

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Tuesday 17 Oct.

We travled today 3 Miles to Little and Thompsons ferry crossed Oxen the evening before, crossed horses, and 178 head cattle. Our wagons went on yesterday, started about 2 Oclock - Lost one Yoke steers -

th r  
Wednesday 18 Oct

Today we tryed a lot of cattle to swim, could not get them to take water 5 swam over - We tryed another lot about 12 Oclock, Got over safe about 100- could not get the others to take water Ferred the ballance, one or two got away

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Thursday 19 Oct.

Finished ferrying our stock this morning, Left the River about 10 or 11 Oclock, Travled 12 Miles. Cattle and horses in bad condition, being without food for three days and Nights -

Some of them without food or water for three days - Camped where we found some Carless and a little grass - Cattle very restless. some did not get up in time to feed any - Three died by 10 Oclock, which caused our cattle to stampede - They made three runs during the night. We kept most of them together. We found a fine pool of water to the right of the road, about dark, but not im time to take the stock to it. It is out in the sand hills 3/4 Miles blazed a musquit tree near the road and cut the letters M E upon it  
 th r  
 Friday 20. Oct.

Today we watered all the stock bountifully. The cattle have got a good deal of carless weeds, which has helped them greatly - We have found at 12 Oclock 45 head cattle - Left Camp at 3 - Watered horses at Cooks wells, and took in water to cook - and travled from the wells 3 Miles and camped some carless for cattle and good grass for horses and Mules - Counted cattle and found we had lost 40 head -  
 r st  
 Saturday Oct 21.

This morning John, John Lewis, and Leander and Padro went back to hunt for the lost cattle the train started early at 5 Miles found some grass - Let the cattle graze along for two Miles, stoped to noon it at 7 Miles pretty good grass, brought up lately by the rains - Stock very much recruited since we left the River, started in the evening and travled 13 or 20 Miles to what is called the Mud hole 3 miles west of the

Alemo Mucho wells - No water in the wells - plenty of water  
 in the mud hole The Ambulanch and wagon did not get up until  
 near 12 Oclock at night - Deep heavy sand and the Mules nearly  
 broke down. I walked and pushed at the wagon, for 6 or 8 Miles -  
 Mr Mann and Charley Baker went back on a trail of some cattle.  
 Left 4 steers on the way that could not travle -  
 Sunday Oct 22

This morning we watered the cattle and horses - and  
 travled 6 miles to a little grass stoped to graze and nooned it-  
 The stock has got about a fourth of feed. It has helped very  
 much to sustain them - Mann and Baker has returned - Some 15  
 or 20 head of cattle has been found and put into J James train,  
 that camped at the water hole where we watered our stock - James  
 had from 100 to 125 Dye there suddently - After geting water  
 supposed to be poisoned from something they eate. His Oxen  
 all died and he left his carts - and is pushing through as  
 fast as he can - He camped on the grass we nooned it on yes-  
 terday - camped 5 Miles west of the little Lagona - without  
 water -  
 Monday 23 Oct

Today Our horses was scatered, but we found them all within  
 a few Miles - They found water - in 4 or 5 Miles we found water  
 in Ravines from late rains watered all - In a few miles fur-  
 ther we watered at the new Lagoon - to the right of the road a  
 Mile or two, within 3 Miles of the Big Lagoon- No water in the

Big Lagoon Grazed a while between the Lagoon and Sackets Wells - Made Sackets wells and camped where we caught up with Dunlap and the mooving families - Also found our Oxe teams - They got them with the loss of One Yoke of Oxen left 6 or 7 steers behind that could not travle with the herd - Water only for horses and Oxen, in holes dug in the sand - 3 Miles west of the Wells got pretty good grass - Took our cattle to it in the morning - Horses were on it all night - Guard with them - 10 Miles travle this way

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Tuesday 24. Oct.

Started the herd left Michael and Monte to hunt the tired cattle and rest them. Left the Oxe teams to come on at their leasure Got to Carico Creek by Dark. 17 Miles Lost the Calico Mule - strayed off  
th r  
Wednesday 25 Oct

We traveled today 12 Miles to near some wells to the right of the road I walked 5 or 6 Miles and led a tired horse that could not travel with the others Got him near the water when he dropped down - Gave him some Flour and eater which revived him. Walked two Miles after supper to give him more, but could not find him - Got tolerable grass for the stock.

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Oct

Last night the Guard went to sleep and let the cattle scatter - Found 90 head this morning and counted, think we got all. travled 8 Miles to Ciocito Springs got some water



for the stock but not enough - Traveled 6 Miles further and  
 got plenty of water - cain and gnass in a canon to the right  
 1/2 mile, amediately after crossing a little mountain Mr  
 Little came to us in the Night and gave us information of  
 John - He was at the Colorado and had found a few cattle  
 th r  
 Friday 27 Oct

Today we traveled 16 miles to San Philipi went through a  
 narrow canon and up a steep and rocky part of the Mountain  
 One steer crippled himself in the Mountain and died - left  
 4 tired steers, that could not get up - Plenty of grass, but  
 of the course kind - not good for stock, quite cold night -  
 White frost and some ice - The first -  
 th r  
 Saturday 28 Oct.

Today we rested the Stock at San philape-  
 th r  
 Sunday 29. Oct.

We traveled today 15 Miles to Warners Ranch - stoped 2  
 miles short of the old Ranch - at some trading shanties -  
 purchased provisions of mr Smith Flour 10 cents Bacon 40 cents.

A Mule gave out -  
 th r  
 Monday 30 Oct

Today we mooved camp 5 Miles to a better place, on the  
 Road to Los Angelus -  
 st r  
 Tuesday 31 Oct

Remained in Camp to rest - John, Lewis, and Leander and  
 Padro got up - Sold 9 head cattle at the River Left Michael

behind with 7 head

<sup>st</sup>  
Wednesday 1 Nov 1854

Remained in camp to rest -

<sup>r nd</sup>  
Thursday Nov. 2 1854

Still in camp 1/4 Miles below Warners Ranch - Watson, and Brown left yesterday Boatright, Davis and Atwood left today sold Boatright Mikes Indian poney saddle and bridle for \$65.00- May left without telling that he was going, supposed by some that he went to San Diago to join the Boundry commissioners Shepperd left a few days ago -

<sup>r rd</sup>  
Friday Nov 3 1854

Rested today, Mike has not yet got up. Everything quiet.

<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday 4 Nov 1854

Fred Miller and Frankenburg left for San Diago, this morning - Mike has not yet got up - Have decided whether we will winter here or go on further - Provisions high, Bacon 50 cents pr pound. Flour 10 cents -

<sup>th</sup>  
Sunday 5. Nov 1854

Remained at our camp - all quiet

<sup>th r</sup>  
Monday 6 Nov. 1854

Mooved camp down the valley 1 1/2 Miles to an old ranch - Franklin left for Tomackala - 40 Miles on, where James took his herd -

<sup>th r</sup>  
Tuesday 7 Nov. 1854

John and Igg went to Tomackala on Monday, and Callahan

and Lewis went to San Louis Ray, to examine for a place to  
winter -

<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday 8 Nov. 1854

All quiet in camp. Daffin left us on the 7<sup>th</sup> Mike got  
up on the 6<sup>th</sup> with 5 steers - left Cardenas and Monte with 5  
steers to come on in a few days -

<sup>th</sup> <sup>r</sup>  
Thursday 9 Nov. 1854

Cardenas got up on the 7<sup>th</sup> with 3 steers and a horse, 2  
steers got in the bog at San Filipi and died - Monte poned  
my horse for \$10 - and did not come on - also my gun O Mike  
went back and redeemed the horse, saddle and bridle did not  
get the gun - could not find Monte. Will lose nothing, as his  
wagon will cover all - Callahan and Lewis got back today  
Think it best to remain where we are, unless John and Igg finds  
a better place -

<sup>th</sup> <sup>r</sup>  
Friday 10 Nov 1854

Grason and Oliver left on the 8<sup>th</sup> with their cattle for  
San Louis Rey valley we are lying on our ores until John re-  
turns - We look for him today -

John and Igg returned in a few days - they think we cannot  
better it by leaving this place. We fixed up the old pen at  
this place and branded the cattle - 814 head. We were not  
occupied two days in branding the entire amount. I doubt if  
so many cattle were ever branded before in so short a time.

On the 18<sup>th</sup> inst Callahan, Maney, Shelley Roberts, Mike, myself and others left camp for Los Angeles - took the light wagon and ambulance that Mike and Shelley might take some provisions back. I was going to San Francisco. Callahan and Maney were going home and the other boyes to look out for employment. We reached Los A - distance 113 miles - the 5<sup>th</sup> day - Nothing worthy of note took place - Remained in camp at los A two days, then C. M. R. F. and myself took the steamer at San Padre for the city - Left Mike and Shelley to return to Warner ranch with the wagons.

Original in possession of Henry Maney, Retired Atty,  
512 E. Elmira Street, San Antonio, Texas.

Thence donated to the archives of the state  
of Texas. It was stolen from the archives at a  
later date.

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May 27. Saturday--Stomped last night

tremendous storm

549 Head brought by Lewis & John

<u>33</u> Oxen here		
582 Head-		Ought to be 948
57	57	<u>582</u>
63 Shelton	63	366
57 Mr. Mann	57	<u>120</u>
23 Watson & Pick	23	246
<u>10</u> With Oliver got	10	<u>57</u>
792		189
<u>41</u> by J. Lewis	<u>41</u>	<u>33</u>
833	251	156
<u>38</u> by Igg	<u>38</u>	<u>41</u>
871	289	115
<u>1</u> more from Oliver's herd-		<u>38</u>
872		77
<u>3</u> by Man-		<u>3</u>
875		74
<u>12</u> off Mr Oliver		<u>1</u>
863		73
<u>2</u> Cows added		Add got by O <u>12</u>
865		Short- 85

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1854 June 2<sup>nd</sup> Cattle counted beside Oxen

19 Yoke of Oxen	Head
t	832
t	38
Br in by John 1 June	<u>870</u>
	64
	<u>934</u>

List of Horses and Mules taken from the Indians

Black Horse	\$40.00
Bay "	30.00
Grey "	50.00
Grey Mule	50.00
Little old Bay Horse	25.00
Little dun "	30.00
Little Grey "	30.00
Little Brown "	20.00
Old shave tail Mule	<u>25.00</u> <u>\$300.00</u>
Divided among 13 men To wit	
John Lackey \$23 - Marks \$23 - Pat McGain \$23 -	:
Alfred Mann \$23 - Wm Watson \$23 - R. Byler \$23 -	:
Igg Johnson \$23 - Woodson Jett \$23 -	:
Wm Waters \$23 - Fred Miller \$23 - Charles Porter	:
\$23 - Robert Capernick \$23 - Padro Suwio \$23 -	:
	<u>299.00</u>

This amt throwed in

1.00



At Quijo- 948

934

Add 2 Cows d nd  
Kil 2 June

1

" 2 Oxen

952

d  
2 Kil

950

370 On hand

80 Missing

66

14-



nd  
Cattle on hand 2. June 1854 at Mavericks Creek

832 Counted by Lewis and Byler  
64 Brought in by John

896

19 Yoke of Oxen

896

38

934

nd  
Less 1 kild for Beef 2 June

1

933 Head

Less 1 kild on Devils River

1

932

Counted 10 Miles west of Howards Springs  
19 Yoke of Work steers

891 Head

38

929

Lost there 1 cow 1 stag and  
1 other

3

932 Head

1854

June 11

Now on hands

891 steers

and 19 yoke of Oxen

38

929

1 kild on the head of Escondado

1

928

1 left on Pecos lame

1

927

Lost a lame one East of Limpia 1

One given out near Mouth Canon 1

2

925

Add 3 picked up

3

928

Less 2 lost we cant account for

2

926

Number of cattle purchased at pen

1054 head

1854 Now on hands

927

June 19 Kiled for Beef up to this day

12

Recovered and sold at San Antonio  
Sold for horses to Mexicans for  
driving

40

4

2

985

69



3 lost on Devils River and 1 left  
on Pecos Lane  
to be accounted for yet

4  
4  
65

1854

June 27 Counted Cattle today and find we have  
926 with three we have picked up One short  
of our former counting on the 11th 926 head

28 Kild 1 - at Limpia 1  
3 Oxen stole by Indians 3  
July 2 We ought to have - - - - - 4  
922

1 left at Van Horns Wells 1  
2 Heiffer and Steer Eagle Springs 2  
1 swam across River 1  
1 Old ox 12 Miles up - 1  
5 5

2 Short we cant account for 2  
We have now 11th July 915 besides  
2 calves - - 915

Cattle Account -

1854

July 11 Counted the cattle today. 12 Miles up Rio Grande in

big bend.

915 head

12 1 kild for Beef today 1

4 Steers gave out Oxen 4

25 1 kild for beef 1

1 Cow gave Col. Magoffin 1

1 Steer sold by Mike 1

28 2 give in boat between  
Daffins Horse and Mule 2

10

22 Sold in El passo 20

30

Lost 1 below El Paso 1

" 1 at Whites Ranch 1

" 1 kild for beef 1

" 1 Gave Indians Mule 1

" 1 Kild beef Rio

Members 1

35

Augt 16 Counted Cattle today - We have

882

1 Left near Ash Spring

1 Died

1 do San Padro ruins

1 do below Santa Cruze Ranch

1 killed one at San Bornedina

1 do at Ranch below Santa Cruz

7

7

875

Beeves kiled at Camp and on our travle

5 kild at Camp 5 head

1 on Selado	1
1 do San Antonio	1
1 do Quije	1
1 do Sabonal	1
1 do Mavericks Creek	1
1 do Devils River	1
th	
1 do June 19. Escondado Creek	<u>1</u>

For beef - - -

12 head

2 gave Mexicans, San Antonio

2

4 sold German Quije, for horse

4

1 Left on the Road Lane

1

40 sold at San Antonio

40

69

32 recovered by Boon and Lucky

15 brand from

2 Boot in horses

1 sold Mexican

50  
119

20 sold at Elpasso

10 kild for beef up to 29 Augt

1 in exchange for Oxen Fort Thorn

1 gave Apachi Indians

2 in exchange for Mule

1 sold below Elpasso

35  
154

886  
 14  
 32  
932  
 6

926

Stampeded 27 Augt on the San Pedro

770 on hand

2 by Mann

10 by Igg

782

16 Leander

798

3 found at camp

15 Lewis

14 Mann

830

2

10

16

3

15

14

60

881

700

III

60

51

880

98

881

830

51

84

18

64

14

50

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Counted cattle 29<sup>th</sup> Augt on hands 833

Lost on Stampeed 48  
881

M Erskine

1054 John Erskine

1035 Mike Erskine  
19



875

Purchased 13 taken from Indians

13

888

1 Found at Rio Members

1

889

Sept 11 Counted Cattle today and

426  
have 889 on hands -

1  
1  
1  
1  
1

