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Don Juan Fernando de Palasio Caballero Dela ōn. de Santiago, Comendador De la Barra en ella, Mariscall De Campo De los Reales Exēs. De S. M., Gob.or y Teniente De Capitan Grāl. de la Colonia Del Nuevo Santander, Sierra gorda, sus Misiones, Presidios y Fronteras, y el Sōr. Don Josē de Osorio y Llamas, Srio. de los Reales Consejos, Comisionados por el Exmō. Sōr. Marqués De Croix, Virrey, y Gob.or y Cap.n Grāl. De esta (N.E.) para la Visita De la espresada Colonia. &a

Certificamos: que en el cuaderno formado p.a el Repartimto De tierras prevenido en el Capitulo 4.o De la Real Cedula Del año pasado De Sesenta y tres, resulta lo Siguiente.= En atencion haverseles notificado en esta Villa el particular Repartimto De tierras (sin dar asignacion en comun) encomendado repetidas Veces por el Soberano y Catholico Zelo De S. M. en sus RL Disposiciones espedidas para la

pasificacion y pueble De la Colonia, como re-
sulta De la respuesta Dada por el Capitan
y acredita la instancia De los Vecinos todo en el
Dia De hayer estendido en las Dilig.as practicadas
para averiguar el actual estado De la poblacion,
y consta en el Cuaderno 3.o á fin De que
los fundadores y sus Descendientes consigan el
premio Devido á su merito, sin que la Dilacion
y falta De cumplim.to á lo prometido los Desalinte
en lo subsecivo; se proceda á la ejecucion De lo Re-
suelto en el Capit. 4.o De la real cedula, fha. en
buen Retiro á los 29. De Mzo. De 1763., y sin
embargo Del Titulo De Merced remitido por Don
Jose Barguez Borrego que segun parece con-
tiene 75. sitios De tierras, los 50 De ganado me-
nor, y los 25. Restantes De mayor Concedidos
en Distintas Ocasiones por el Coronel D.n Jose
De Escandon Mirando á las Confusiones que en
si embuelbe en el modo De aplicar las referidas
gracias, ya por que en parte ignora fuese á poblacion

que no hay (como hemos visto) y á por que lo restante que Devia servir p.a el particular uzo Del citado Borrego no lo espesificó con la claridad q.e se requeria, y tambien á que la aprovacion Del Sup.or Gob.no in-serta en la citada Merced solo comprende los 25. sitios De ganado Mayor; y el primitivo permiso de su pueblo fué, baxo las condicion.s de q.e si S. M. ne-cesitase Dhas. Tierras. en todo ó en parte p.a fundar alguna Villa, ó Mision las pudiese tomar; y debiendo preferir el bien comun de este pueblo al particular De aquellas haciendas ó hasiendas. Asignamos con vista de lo representado p.r estos Vecinos, mediante lares Del terreno, seis leguas en contorno de la Villa desde su centro por todos rumbos, sin esceptuar el q.e ocupa Dho. Borrego á quien oimos, y hasiendo ver su le-gitimo Derecho se le remunerará la porcion q.e se designe á los individuos De aquí, quita-da De sus terminos en el Distrito De las seis leguas, y se saque testimonio en relacion De los citados Documentos y hecho, se colocará

por principio De esta provid.a que en todo Apō.
conste en const.a De lo Bien Dicha p.r su resguardo, y
con fin De Dar principio por ahora y en interin
se Declara la agregacion que se solicitan
los vecinos De la otra parte Del Rio Donde tienen
sus Ranchos y tierras beneficiadas en esta parte
á la asignacion pretitada, se juntten los vecinos
De esta por medio De su Cap.n, y se les hará saber
nombren Dos peritos q.e reconociendo los terminos
asignados Declaren bajo De Juram.to la cantidad
De tierras, con distincion De las utiles para siem-
bras, agostaderas, ejidos, pastos, y propios De la
Villa para Darles el mejor uso y aplicarlas
con tal equidad, que todos participen bueno y
malo, teniendo presente la posecion y beneficio
De cada uno, y no Despojarse sin justa causa,
y que asi mismo nombren un practico agri-
mensor que junto con D. Domingo Jaroda
á quien señalamos, por parte De S. M. y De-
fendiendo la causa publica bajo la misma

Religion procedan á estacar y poner terminos á la Distancia asignada, y Devacuado á Dividir y Medir las porciones que se Destinen y toquen á los interesados Dado en Vista que segun sus meritos se les hará las debida aplicasion évitando en todo, el comun Daño, y cualquiera que pueda con el éxceso resultar al real érario, y asi lo proveimos, y firmamos con los De nuestra asist.a en Laredo á 9 De Junio De 1767. = Juan Fernando De Palacio. = Don José Osorio. = De asist.a Vicente Duran = De asistencia al Sanjurgo = De asist.a Federico Lozada. =

Notoriedad á los vecinos.

En la misma Villa á Diez Dias Del espresado Mes, y año, Juntos y convocados los vecinos De esta parte Del Rio, se les hizo saber, y leyó el auto antecedente, quienes lo entendieron y Dijeron, nombraban y nombran p.r el fin que espresa por peritos á Miguel Dias, Juan Bautista Villarreal De esta Vecindad como Versados é Inteligentes en Cuestion de tras.s, y por

Agrimensores á José Prudencio Garcia, practico en medidas p.ª juntos con el nombrado por parte de su Magestad procedá á efectuar lo prevenido que sea util y favorable les es, firmaron los que supieron de los empadronados y Dada en nomina por el Capitan de esta Villa, con fha. del Dia de ocho del presente mes, lo hacemos tambien nuestra con los de asistencia.= Palacio=Olorio.= Fermin Sanchez = José Cayetano Dela Garza = José Freviño.= Blas de Jesus Sanchez = José Miguel Dias = Pedro Bernardo Montemayor de asist.ª Durán = De asist.ª Federico Lozada.

Fiestacion y Jura de los Peritos y Agrimensores.

Y luego habiendo llamado y compareció á nuestra presencia á Miguel Dias y Juan Bautista Villarreal peritos nombrados por el Pueblo en la Diligencia antecd.te y á José Prudencio Garcia Agrimensor igualmente nombrado, y á Don Domingo Favarda que lo ha sido por parte de S. M. le tomamos y recibimos Juramento que lo hicieron segun se requiere bajo del

mal Dijeron, aceptaban, y aceptan los Respectivos encargos que se les comete lo que Cumplirán cada uno en la parte que le toque Respondieron y firmaron el Visto Miguel Dias y Agrimensor Don Domingo Favoada, no los otros por que esprimieron no saber, hacemolo nosotros con los De nuestra assist.a = Pallario = Olsario = Domingo Favoada. = José Miguel Dias. = Dl Rán. = De assistencia Federio Lozada.

Declaracion de los Agrimensores

En la Misma Villa á once Dias Del Expresado mes y año, habiendo concurrido á nuestra presencia D.n Domingo Favoada, y D.n José Prudencio Garcia Agrimensores nombrados en la conformidad sinodha. Dijeron: que en Cumplim.to De la Obligacion q.e les incumbia, y bajo Del Juram.to que Dicho tienen han pasado la tarde De hoi á efecto De obtacion los terminos De las seis leguas asignadas á esta Villa por el Rumbo Del Sur, que Dice á la orilla Del Rio, por esta parte q.e

principiaron Desde el Centro De esta Villa midiendo cinco mil Varas Vtã. la situacion de Sⁿ Frⁿᶜᵒ De Paula, otras tantas al mismo rumbo Vtã. Sⁿ Joseph Del Vinson, otras tantas Vtã. la Cañada De los Abiones, otras tantas Vtã. las Hermanas, las mismas Vtã. la Cañada De Sⁿ Lorenzo,= y otras tantas Vtã. la Cañada De Sⁿ Andres; Donde se completaron las seis leguas en el modo y forma Referida, cuyo sitio Dejaron Demarcado y estacado con mojon bien alto p.ª q. en todo tpo. se conozca= Y en el dia De hoy, continuaron al mismo fin Dando principio al salir el Dia en el mismo Centro De esta Villa Despues De haber Caminado á las 1ª de noche Antecedente q.e midieron la Medida asi al rumbo Del oriente, siguiendo igual Demarcacion las cinco mil Varas llegaron Vtã. el Arroyo Del Malpaso= otras tantas á Sⁿ Yldefonso, otras tantas al Llano De Sanchez= otras tantas á la Loma De los Jabonsillos

otras tantas á las De las Moras otras tantas
á la De los San Jeronimos, Donde concluyeron el
termino De las seis leguas prefixadas p.r el Dicho
rumbo, y se Debolbieron á la Villa, p.a Dar prin-
cipio en el Dia De mañana asia otro. Y es lo que
Declararon haber hecho y ejecutado en los Dos Dias
con arreglo á lo que se les ha mandado, firma D.n
Domingo Jaroso y no José Prudencio García por
que espresó no saber, lo hasemos nosotros con
los De asist.a = Palacio = Osorio = Domingo
Jaroso = De asist.a Durán = Federico Lozano =

Siguen las Declaraciones

En la misma Villa á los Dose Dias
del espresado mes y año habiendo llegado á mi
noticia presencia los mismos Agrimensores Vajo el
mismo Juram.to que Dho. tienen Dijeron: que en
la mañana De hoy comensaron las medidas en
el Sentro De este pueblo inclinandola al rumbo
Del norte, y las primeras cinco mil varas llegaron
al Barranco q.e llaman Laguna De abajo = otras tantas
al Charco De los Indios = otras tantas al Alto De los Bueis,

otras tantas al Chaco Del Cuerbo: otras tantas
á la mesa Del cibolo: otras tantas á la Cañada
de los Jaboncillos, donde completaron las seis leguas
asignadas y fenecieron en esta parte Del Rio con los
dos citados rumbos, por hallarse los mas tomados
y ocupados por los vecinos De Revilla segun tie-
nen expuesto los De aquí por Representaciones. Y
es lo que Declaraon, y firmé el citado Savoada segun
como en la Dilig.a De arriba, y no el otro, hacemoslo
nosotros con los De asist.a = Palacio. = Osorio. =
De asist.a Duran. = Domingo Savoada. = De asist.a
Federico Losada.

Y luego haviendo comparecido
Miguel Dias, y Juan Bautista Villarr.l peritos
nombrados por esta Vecindad Dijeron: que pasaron
en este Dia y los Dos antecedentes en cumplim.to
De su encargo á Reconocer las tierras asignadas en
esta Villa, siguiendo los rumbos que fueron De-
marcados, y estando los Agrimensores Debon De-
cir y Declarar vajo el Juram.to que Dho. tienen

que los terminos comprendidos en las medidas y mojones puestos por ellos, son todos de tierra sin riego mas que el que se puede sacar de temporal, sin excepcion alguna, por lo que contemplan ademas de la practica que tienen, y antiguo conocimiento de ellas, no hacer distincion alguna en las asignadas y medidas, y si á todo su alcance y entender las estiman por de una misma calidad, y que las mas propias p.ª exidos, pastos, usos y comunes de la Villa, son las que pueden comprender en el circuito que los Sres. Comisionados se sirvieron señalarles á las cercanias de ella que por estár mas á las manos les serian muy utiles al servicio comun, y no podrá deducir agravio al propietario ó tasero que tal vez llevado de su arbitrio ó enemigo sueden facilmente subsistirlo con quejas y disensiones: y de este modo se aprovechará el comun libremente echando su ganado desde su casa, sin embargo cuando no pueda pasarlo á su agostadero ó termino q.e le

toque.= Igual Veneficio les resulta cuando á las
De hesas, y amo p.a propios De la Villa queriendo im
poner alguna cosa, ó usár De parte p.a Lebantár ó cons
truir obra util á todos.= Fue en el reato De las
Tierras Asignadas y Demarcadas se podrá verificar la
medida Registrada que á cada uno corresponda, y q.e los
Sres. Comicionados tengan á bien aplicarlas con igual
Dad, respecto no considerar Merito especial en los in
Dividuos De que se Compone la poblacion por ser
todos primitivos fundadores y sus hijos Descendientes y
parientes Sita. El cuarto grado y al presente compon
Drán las familias Casadas, y empadronadas quarenta
y tres, y cuarenta y cuatro que será el mayor Veneficio
pop.o el que las porciones De cada uno, llegue ó
se principien Desde el Rio, por ser la mejor Agua
que pueden Disfrutar, como asi lo Clamó y los De
clarantes han dado á cada uno en particular.= Es
lo que se les ofrece exponer Vajo De Juramento
Sup.do en que se afirman y ratifican, firmó
Dho. José Miguel Dias, nó el citado Villarreal

por que expuso no saber, lo hacemos nosotros con los testigos de asist.a = Palacio = Osorio. = José Miguel Dias. = De asist.a Durán = De asistencia Federico Lozada.

Acto.... Mediante, por auto de este Dia proveido en el Cuaderno tercero, corresponde ala representado p.r los vecinos de esta y de la otra parte del Rio, Declaramos estar agregado ala Villa y su Jurisdicion espiritual y temporal, y p.a no dilatar la Division de tierras, en q.e entendemos se comboquen (por el Cap.n) en el Dia de mañana a salir de Misa, y de comparecidos a nuestra presencia se les intimará nombren como los de esta parte dos peritos, y un Agrimensor q.e Juramentados enforma pasen este a medir, y estacar los seis Sitios asignados, y aquellos a reconocer las tierras que comprenden y echo, buelban a declarar su calidad a fin de que en todo se verifique lo prevenido en el auto que da principio a estas Dilig.s, Determinando la particular porcion que a cada uno corresponde, segun sus meritos, y el Agrimensor

que señalaron Juntos con Domingo Jurado
executaron la referida Medida Dando principio á
orillas Del rio, por la otra parte respecto lo inser-
vible De su Cauce usando Del mismo Cordel que
lleva. ygual completó De sesenta Varas Mexicanas
con arreglo á nuestra Disposicion; asi lo probeimos
y firmamos con los Del nuestro asist.e en Laredo
á tres De Junio De mil Setecientos Sesenta y seis
Juan Fernando De Palacio = Lic.do D.n José Osorio
De asist.e = Vicente Duran = Sam Jurjo. = De asist.a
Federico Losada.

Notorias de los poderes de la otra parte del Rio, y aceptacion de los Peritos Agrimensores nombrados....

En la misma Villa, á catorce Dias
Del mes y año antecedente comparecidos y juntos
los Vecinos De la otra parte Del Rio, empadronados
por este Capitan en el Pase Del presente, se les hizo
saber y leyó el auto asist.e con el que principia
estas Diligas, quienes De entendidos Unanimes Di-
jeron: Nombraban y Nombran p.a el fin q.e expresa
por Peritos á D.n José Martines De Soto Mayor
y Don Tomás Cuellar, y Agrimensores, á José

Prudencio Garcia, como mas practico sin que haya otro de igual conocimiento, y presentes los susodhos. peritos y Agrimensor nombrados Respondieron: que aceptaban y aceptan el encargo conferido en virtud de lo que tomamos, y Recivimos Juramento á Martinez y Cuellar, bajo del mal prometieron hacer bien sus oficios; y José Prudencio Garcia continuará el que tiene hecho en tal conformidad q.e lo hizo en esta parte del Rio, acompañado igualm.te de D.n Domingo Favorda, asi lo expresaron y firmaron los Dos peritos nó el Agrimensor, p.r no saber; hiciéronlo algno de los Vecinos mismos q.e saben con nosotros y los de ntra. asist.a = Pallano = Lic.do Osorio = José Martinez de Soto Mayor = Joaq.n de Cuellar = Salvador Gonzalez Hidalgo = Carlos Mendiola = Pedro Garcia Davila = Nicolas Ant.o Campos = Castellanos = De asist.a Duran = De asist.a Federico Lozada.

Declaracion de los Agrimensores y señalamiento de linderos de la Legua de Efidos.

En la propia Villa, á diez y seis Dias del mes de Junio año de mil setecientos Sesenta y siete habiendo llegado á nuestra

presentid Don Domingo Jaurida, y José Prudencio
Guerra Agrimensores nombrados Disieron Baxo del
Juramto que Dhō. tienen hecho, pasado en el de hacer
en Cumplimto de su obligacion á estacar y medir
los terminos de las seis leguas asignadas á esta Villa
por la otra parte Del Rio asi al Poniente, á cuyo
rumbo tienen los Ranchos los Vecinos nuevamte
agregados, Dieron principio á su encargo en la orilla
Del Rio frente al centro de Dhā. Villa usando
de cordel Reconocido pr. los prenotos Sres. comisionados
compuesto de cincuenta Varas mexicanas; inclinaron
la expresada medida acia el Poniente, y hecharon
cien cordeles que hacen cinco mil varas Dhā. el
sitio que denominan San Gregorio, y de este otros
tantos á Palo Parado: de aqui otros tantos á Gua-
macota; siguiendo otros tantos á la Abra Del
Maiz: otros tantos á la Agua Negra, y otros
tantos al Llanito, donde completaron las seis
leguas asignadas, y Desaron un monton de piedras bien
alto por falta de palos y peñascos, y Del

sitado sitio àla orilla Del Rio asia à el Norte, y
àlas seis leguas De Distancia conocieron unos penascos
que habian Desde al Mismo rumbo por
señal y termino; y p.r la mayor Claridad que
en todo tpo. no se Debe à Donde Llegan p.r la otra
parte, Desaron señales De piedras p.a q.e sirbieren De
Mojon: que Hoy De mañana salieron de dho. paraje
nombrado la Loma De Sesa, frente la cañada De los Jabon-
cillos con el animo De pasar p.r la misma parte al Sur,
que puesto en efecto caminaron mirando los Vestigios
y señale por esta parte, hta. q.e llegaron haber el
mojon que habian estacado por termino De las seis
leguas en la cañada De San Andres, y p.r evitar
toda Duda pusieron otro frente àfrente con piedras
Amontonadas en el citio que nombran las Estacas,
por lo que Dixeron por conocido y fenecido su encar-
go cuanto àla Medida De las seis leguas Asignadas
en contorno De este pueblo, por una y otra parte
circunstando por los cuatro vientos Legua por Legua
como Dejan Referido, y Repitiendola por la otra

parte p.ª mayor Distincion á los Dos norte y
Sur en extreme y fin Del citado Distrito, es lo que
expresaron haver practicado, en Virtud Del pre-
venido, y en ello se afirmaron y ratificaron, firmó
Don Domingo Favorde, y no Josè Prudencio
Garrid, firmando nosotros con los de nuestra
asist.ª = Palacio = Lic.º Ossorio = Domingo
Favorde = De asist.ª Durán = De asist.ª
Federico Lozada.

Declaracion de los Peritos nombrados de la otra parte

Y Luego en el Dia Diez y siete Del
mismo mes y año, han parecido Delante de
nosotros y los testigos De asist.ª Don José Mar-
tin De Soto Mayor, y Don Tomás Cuellar Peritos
nombrados De la otra parte Del Rio Donde ellos
son y Baxo la Aceptacion y Jura q.e Hó. tienen
Dicho: que en cumplim.to De su encargo han pa-
sado los Dias anteriores quinze y Diez y seis á
Reconocer las tierras que hivan midiendo y
estacando los Agrimensores p.r termino De las
asignadas á esta poblacion, y las que

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Deven Decir y Declarar en virtud de Dho. Reconocimiento
á Demas De el que les asiste por vivir Dentro de
él á mas De Dose y tres años, motivo p.r q.e estan
bien entendidos De lo que pueden predizir y Dar
aquella Razn. es: que todos son De una misma calidad,
como q.e no tienen saca ni riego De agua, ni mas q.e las
que se puede lograr De Temporal sin éccepcion alg.a
en Dhas. Seis leguas Comprendidas y estacadas Desde
la orilla Del rio p.r la otra parte; Suelen Dar
abundancia De maiz cuando el temporal acude, pero
si las aguas escasean se suelen perder Del todo.
El comun uzo á que se les Destina es el De
pastos p.a ganados de Mayor y menor como unicos
Viene que poseen p.a lo que necesitan amplitud
porque con la falta De aguas se acaba el sacate
y pastos. El terreno mas apropoxito p.a ejidos,
Pastos, heras y commons De la Villa contemplan
serlo el mas inmediato, pues á Demas De q.e no hay
otro Sup.r les resulta en gran Beneficio De que
cada uno puede echar Dende su casa los ganados

en el comun; sin el riesgo de que el particular
se agravie ó quexe cuando no pueda pasar al
agostadero, ó termino que le toque Mediante se hayan
todos en el animo de abecindarse en la Villa hacien-
do sus Casas en los Solares q.e se les asignen sin
abandonar p.r esto sus respectivas estancias ó Ranchos en q.e
hoy. el presente Moran; si los presentes Sres. Comisio-
nados se sirven darles sus posesiones comprendien.do
en ellas los Jacalillos y el terreno q.e Verificado tienen
al rededor lo q.e humildem.te recomiendan los decla-
rantes por si y en nombre de sus circumbecinos
por quien hacen, como tambien q.e los Exidos propios
y Pastos sean con bastante extension, p.r lo arido
del pais, como Yslan Dho.; en el resto se puedan
(Verificar) Digo Verificar igualm.te las aplicaciones
particulares sin distincion pues las 24 familias
de la otra parte, todas son de los primitivos
fundadores, sus hijos, y parientes muy cercanos
lo mismo que presumen por los de esta, no con-
siderar merito especial de unos á otros solo el

notorio del Capitan que entró á pollar á su
costa como lo hicieron los individuos de una
y otra parte, y lo ha. ahora no han percibido alla-
ga y ocasionado gasto alguno al R.l Herario,
que el único y mayor beneficio q.e esperimentarán,
será el que las respectivas porciones lleguen ó prin-
cipien desde el Rio ámenos que queden estrechas
p.a proporcionar el cabe y comodo de todos por
falta de otra agua como desde acentado lo q.e
hacen presente á los Srés. Comisionados como q.e
asi lo reclamó el público y tienen por muy
combeniente los declaraciones, y á lo q.e se les ofrece
decir, en todo lo que llevan dicho, se afirman
y ratifican bajo el Juram.to que hán. fecho,
firmaron con nosotros y los de nuestra asist.a =
Pallacio. = Lic.do Osorio. = José Martinez de
Soto Mayor. = Tomás de Cuellar = De asist.a
Durán = De asist.a Federico Lozada.

Auto sobre señalamiento de Estrados y Costas del Señor en aplicación á cada Vecino

Con Vista de las Disposiciones
y Diligencias que preceden, Declaramos por

Exidos para de tierras y propios de la Villa: la
Legua en contorno desde su centro p.r todos rumbos
y se tengan por terminos asia el Sur las cinco mil
Varas medidas hta. el sitio nombrado San Fran.co de
Paula: al oriente el arroyo del mal paso: al Norte
la Lagima de abaxo: y al Poniente en la otra
parte del Rio el de San Gregorio, demarcado p.r los
Agrimensores en la conformidad q.e tienen asentado
gunas p.a la mayor claridad y conocim.to de lo
referido pasan á demarcar dho. Distrito á las ori-
llas del Rio por la otra parte, á fin de que
al comun se utilice y aprobeche, exigiendo é
imponiendo la que se tenga por conveniente al
Mayor Aumento del Publico y consiguiente á esto
medirán á cada individuo de los sesenta y siete
empadronados en uno y en otro lado, dos sitios de
ganado Menor p.a Agostadero y Dose Caballerias
de tierra p.a siembra, porcion q.e Attendiendo
á lo seco y arido del paiz y haber poblado
aquí, sin atlenda de costo les aplicamos y de-

Judicamos entendiendose con igualdad y sin Distincion
respecto no á Debido alguno merito particular, y solo
concedemos Doble porcion al Capitan como fundador,
á cuya Medida Darán principio en uno De los
cuatro rumbos á orillas Del Rio, estendiendo las
citadas porciones p.r el q.e pueden acomodarse mayor
numero De Vecinos en la forma y Modo que han
insinuado; y p.r ello usarán (aunque es figura irregular)
De medir por cada Cabecera Veinte cordeles usales q.e
componen mil Varas, y con treinta Mil de largo q.e
hacen seis leguas, completan bien la citada aplicacion,
Añadiendo ó los que p.r lugar ú otro Justo motivo no
pueden acomodarse entre de los Exidos Doscientas
varas De ancho p.r cada Cabecera q.e suplan la indis-
pensable falta De cinco Mil varas q.e en lo largo
experimentarán como comprendidas en el citado
comun Distrito; y no olbidando incluir al inme-
diato el Jacalillo y Tierra q.e en sus Serranias
tiene Denunciadas en cuanto permita la señalada
Poblacion, y los q.e Carecen de ello tomarán

lo que les toque arrimadas ál las citadas estancias
ó Rancherías ó en Defecto, se Sorteáran p.r evitar que sea
p.r lo que numeraran, cada uno De Dhos. porciones
á fin De que quede suficiente terreno en los límites
prevenidos, por si llega á formár Pueblo De Indios
ó congregarse estos en mision dentro De la Villa
ú admitirse mas pobladores, Subministrando tierras.
que puedan Cultivar y Beneficiar p.a su alimento como
que ha sido el fin q.e nos Dirijió á Señalár el Distrito
sin escasés, y Del sobrante se procederá tambien á
Medir y estacár la plaza á proporcion Del ámbito,
y Vecindario, Asignár Solares, p.a fabricas públicas, y
mas particulares que todo se ejecutará y Destinará
Vajo las Calidades y Condiciones q.e De fenecido y
Concluido lo prevenido, se practicará asi lo prevenido;
y firmamos con los De Mtra. asist.a en Lanzo á Diez
y siete De Junio De 1767. = Salazio. = Ossorio. =
De asist.a Vicente Durán = Sanjurjo = De asist.a
Severino Lozada.

Notificacion
ádos Agri
mensores.

Y luego llamados á nuestra

presencia á Don Domingo Favonda y á Prudencio Garcia, Agrimensores nombrados, leimos el auto antecedente p.a q.e fue arreglado á el pasado á descubrir lo ofrecido, de que se enteraron y Dijeron procederán en el modo posible en devido cumplim.to firmó Pho. Favonda y nó el Prudencio p.r no saber lo firmado con los De asist.a = Pablo = Lic.do Ossorio = Domingo Favonda = De asist.a Duran = De asist.a Federico Lonsdal. = En la misma Villa á 20. Dias Del mes y año, los Agrimensores nombrados llegaron á mi pres.a y Delante de los testigos De asist.a dijeron haber pasado la tarde Del dia 18 con el vivo Deseo de dar exacto cumplim.to al encargo en q.e se les hà constituido y auto q.e anteceden fueron la tarde Del dia 17, y Despues de haber Dormido aquella noche en la Cañada llamada Verde: Dieron principio la mañana Del Dia De ayer, midiendo primero con cordel Desde la otra parte Del Rio, y su orilla, frente al centro De esta, hta. el sitio nombrado el

Rodillito asia el Sûr q.e componen cinco mil Varas,
y bolbiendo al mismo centro hicieron igual
Medida siguiendo la misma Orilla y rumbo
Del Norte que llegó al citio nombrado Arroyo
De la Joya, Donde completaron y estacaron los
Terminos De una legua p.a Exidos propios y De
Hechas Donde cayo citio pasaron continuando el Rum-
bo del Norte al estremo De las treñs. asignadas
Asistidos y acompañados De Nueve Vecinos interesados,
que tienen sus estancias y rancherias por
Aquella parte: arribaron al Paraje nom-
brado De la Sepa, Donde dieron principio
à la practicada Medida, y hecharon Veinte cor-
deles asia el Sûr que componen Mil varas
Mexicanas, Donde estacaron y señalaron el ter-
mino p.a q.e se consigna, y con treinta mil Varas
De Largo y mil por la Caveza afuston la
porcion aplicada, dentro De dhas. Medidas.

Medidas particulares De la otra parte Del Rio con varias demostraciones del Exido.

1.er ..... Tiene Jose Antonio Flores un Jacal con
su Corral, Hacienda ô bienes muebles, q.e todo

Desó inclusa, y segun el orn. comunicada á los
Declarantes adjudicado al expresado Flores que lo
presenció, y se dió por muy satisfecho y agradecido.—
2ª..... Junto á la Zanja, y estaca arriba al expre-
sada formaron igual medida de los veinte cor de-
les, que hacen Mil varas Mexicanas, siguiendo
el mismo rumbo de sur, y orillas del Rio y
determinada las señalaron tambien otra semsa
y con las treinta Mil de largo, y mil por las
otra cabezadas completan los Dos sitios de ganado
menor y Dos Caballerias de tierra aplicadas
á cada uno; por Ppio. Termino se incluyó un Ran-
cho con un corto frasno benificiado con que Sabio
Xabier Peña expresando ser suyo, ha q.e asis-
tieron sus convecinos y le consta á José Pru-
Dencio Guriad, y en virtud de la orn. con que
procedia le enteraron de que se les adjudicaba
en propiedad, quien significó gratamente
aceptarlo: _____

_____

3º Junto á esta hecharon la medida de otros veinte Cordeles que componen las mil Varas Mexicanas, siguiendo el mismo rumbo, y á orillas del Rio y de concluidas pusieron su Sanja por Señal, y con las treinta Mil de largo, y las mil por la otra Cavezada, componen la porcion á cada uno aplicada en el termino de esta medida hay un Rancho de José Jesus Peña, en lo que asistieron los circunstantes, se le enteró de la adjudicacion en virtud de la orn. con que se procedia y muy contento la aceptó.

4º Contiguo á la medida antecedente hisieron otra hechando los mismos veinte Cordeles que componen las mil Varas Mexicanas asia el rumbo del Sur, y á orillas del Rio, y terminadas señalaron con Sanja, y con las treinta Mil varas de largo, y otras mil p.r la Cabezada opuesta ajustan lo aplicado á cada individuo, el ambito de esta medida comprende un

Rancho de Miguel Martin, que expuso ser suyo, en q.e combinieron los circunstantes, le enteraron la ord.n con que se hallaba p.a no despojarle de lo Benefiziado, y si adjudicando, q.e con se dió por muy servido y satisfecho.

5.to ..... Y luego pegado á dha. señal, midieron otras Vinte cordeles q.e hacen mil varas mexicanas, continuando al mismo rumbo, y orillas del Rio, q.e combinidos salieron el Rumbo p.r q.e se conoscio, y con las treinta mil de largo, y un mil p.r las otras cavezadas asentaron la aplicacion de cada individuo, dentro de esta medida se comprende un Rancho con sus respectivos terrenos beneficiados á que dedujo ser suyo Nicolas de la Guaza, pidiendo q.e se le adjudicase, y p.r no hallarse comprendido en el padron y lista que contiene las Veinte y cuatro familias, á la otra parte del Rio, Suspendimos esta diligencia hasta presentar Sres. comisionados como lo hacemos en cumplim.to de esta obligacion q.e nos incumbe y ord.n q.e se nos comunicó.

6.to ..... Siguiendo por el mismo rumbo y orillas del

Rio De la otra parte midieron otros veinte Cordeles q.e hacen Mil varas mexicanas q.e son las treinta Mil De largo y un Mil p.r la otra Cavezada completan la porcion Destinada á cada individuo, no se comprendio en esta Estancia Rancho, ni terreno beneficiado; pero salio D. Tomás De Cuellar el Mayor pidiendola, por no causar perjuicio á tercero, ni Discordia, ó Repetirla, á otra persona á que le expresaron se hiciese Cargo De ella, q.e assi lo Dispone los Sres. Comisionados, p.r el Justo Motivo que los Movieron lo contrario, se les Declaro adjudicada en virtud De las Ord.s con que proceden.—

7.º ..... Contigua á la suodha., Donde Pararon su Zanja p.r señal al mismo rumbo, y Orilla Del Rio, midieron otros veinte Cordeles q.e hacen Mil varas Mexicanas, y con treinta Mil De largo y un mil p.r la otra Cavezada á q.e dan la porcion Destinada en particular no Comprende esta Rancho, ni beneficio alg.º, no hauo quien la pidiera, y q.do Basia.—

8.º Consiguiente á esto al mismo rumbo Del Sur y orillas Del Rio, midieron otros veinte cordeles que hacen Dhas. Mil varas Mexicanas, que con las treinta Mil De largo, y un mil p.r la otra cavesada componen la nominada porcion: no comprende este rancho tierra De pertenencia, no se reclamó, y se Desó en la conformidad, Del antecedente Señalada.

9.º Luego hecharon los veinte cordeles q.e hacen mil Varas mexicanas y con treinta mil De largo, y un mil por la otra cavesada componen la porcion prevenida, q.e desó Vacia por no haver Reclamado.

10.º Del mismo modo écharon los veinte cordeles q.e hacen mil varas mexicanas y con treinta Mil De largo, y un mil por la otra cavesada completan la porcion prevenida: q.e desó como las antecedentes por igual Motivo.

11.º En la propia forma verificaron la misma medida q.e Desaron señalada y Vacia p.r lo Susodho.

12.º Igualmente ejecutaron lo Mandado en punto

De la medida q.e señalaron, tampoco se Ocupó por la misma razón. ———

13.º Pegado á esta al mismo rumbo, y orilla del Rio hicharon veinte cordeles q.e componen mil varas Mexicanas y son treinta mil de largo y un mil p.r la otra cavezada completan lo que á cada uno se aplicó, Zanjaron sus estremos y dentro se comprendió una Estancia con terreno beneficiado por Don Pedro Garcia segun lo dicho y asistieron los concurrentes, y consta de declarante José Prudencio Garcia enteradole de lo prevenido p.a q.e se hisiese cargo de él no Disponiendo lo contrario; de que se Dió por muy contento y satisfecho. ———

14.º Asimismo continuaron p.r el mismo Rumbo y á orillas del rio midiendo otros veinte cordeles, que componen mil varas Mexicanas q.e son treinta Mil de largo, y un mil p.r la cavezada, componen la porcion destinada, señalaron sus estremos y dentro se halla un Rancho de Salvador Gonz.s Vallejo con terreno beneficiado, asi lo expresó ———

con los circunstantes y constar á Prudencio Garcia
le hicieron Cargo p. que cuidase, sino se re-
solbia otra cosa. ____

15.... En seguida midieron otros veinte Cordeles
á orillas Del Rio compuestos De mil varas mesi-
canas y con treinta Mil De largo y mi mil por la
otra Cabezada componen la porcion asignada á
cada individuo, la Demarcacion, y en ella no se
comprende alguna estancia ni Rancho; pero salió
Joaquin Cavazos uno De los Vecinos De la otra parte
pidiendo se le Deslindase, que tomaria en ella su
aplicacion, en que condescendieron los Declaran-
tes en virtud De la ord. con que procedim.
si por los Sres. presentes no se Dispusiese lo contrario.

16.... Unido al de arriba hecharon los veinte Cor-
Deles que hacen Mil v. Mexicanas y con treinta
Mil De largo y mi mil por la otra Cabezada
componen la citada particular porcion, seña-
lando, y amoj. Dentro no comprende Estancia
ni beneficio, salió Don Blas De Jesus Silva.

Morador en la villa pidiendole en satisfacion
de su parte, Respondieron los Declarantes se la
comedian en virtud de lo orn. con que Operaban.

17 Midieron Juntos al Pe arriba veinte cordeles
que hacen Mil Vs. Mexicanas qs. con treinta Mil
de largo y un mil por la otra cavesa, componen
las citadas porcion particular, señalaronla no
comprende beneficio ni la pidio sugeto alg.o
por lo que se Desio basia. _____

18 En seguida midieron igual porcion tam-
poco comprende benef.s ni se pidio, y tamb.n quedo basia.

19 Continuando su encargo por el mismo
rumbo y orilla del Rio hecharon el cordel mi-
diendo veinte, que hacen Mil Vs. Mexicanas
que con treinta Mil de largo por la otra Ca-
vesa la compone la parte que á cada individuo
se aplico, no hay beneficio alguno, y por no
reclamar se quedo basia. _____

20 Siguieron el mismo orn. de medidas seg.n
lo prevenido y completaron las particular

porcion sin comprender beneficio, y asi mismo
quedó basia. _____

21 Siguiente á este se midieron los mismos Veinte
Cordeles que hacen mil V.s Mexicanas y con las trei-
inta Mil De largo, y un mil p.r la Cavesada componen
las porcion que les está asignada á cada individuo, se-
ñalaron la, tampoco tiene beneficio, ni hubo q.n la pidiera. _

22 Al mismo rumbo y á orillas Del Rio hicha-
ron sin intermedio y formaron otra medida compuesta
De mil varas Mexicanas antesedentes, no compren-
De Rancho ni cultivo, quedó Desimpasada
por no haverse pedido. _____

23 Asi mismo midieron ótras tantas varas conti-
guas que señalaron, tampoco comprende cultivo ni
beneficio, no se pidió y quedó Basia. _____

24 Fue hecharon veinte cordeles que hacen
mil varas mexicanas, y con treinta mil D.
largo, y ótras un mil por la Cavesada ópuesta
completan las porcion Destinada, señala-
rola, y por no haverse Deducido Ora.

ni comprender cultivo aquello tambien varias.

25... Fue prosiguiendo el rumbo y orilla del Rio
Midieron los mismos cordeles que hacen Dhas.
mil varas mexicanas, añadiendo otros cuatro para
la satisfacion De cinco mil V. incluidas en los
Exidos que indispensablem.te faltaron en lo largo
y Juntas con las mil anteced.tes veinte y cinco mil.
De largo, y otras mil Doscientas por la otra Cave
sada componen porcion y suplen lo incluso á
Dhos. Exidos, señalaronla, y salio D. José Tomás
De Cuellar pidiendola por cuadra colindante con
su pariente D. José Martin, á que condescendieron
los Declarantes con arreglo á la ord.n que se
les comunicó.

26.... Del mismo modo midieron otros veinte
y cuatro Cordeles á la propia orilla y rumbo,
que hacen Mil y Doscientas varas que con
veinte y cinco mil De largo, y un mil y Doscientas
por la otra Cavesada, completan la porcion
Demarcada tras De los Exidos, señalaronla

y en ella se comprende un Rancho ó Es—
tancia De José Martin De Soto Mayor, quien
instó se le Desse p.ª el logro De lo beneficiado, en que
consintimos en Virtud De lo prevenido. ———

27.... En seguida hecharon Veinte y cuatro Cordeles q.e hacen
Mil y Docientas v.ª á orillas De los Exidos y con Veinte
y cinco Mil De largo, y un mil docientos por la otra
Cavezada completan porcion, señalaronla, y Dentro
de sus Terminos hay Rancho beneficiado por Antonio
Lopez segun él lo expresó, y asistieron los concurrentes
constandole á José Prudencio Garcia por cuyo motivo,
Del Pedido por el beneficiante se le Desó. ———

28.... Asimismo hecharon ótros Veinte y cuatro cordeles
que hacen Mil y Docientas v.ª Mesticomas, y Veinte y
cinco Mil De largo, y un mil Docientas por la otra
Cavezada completan porcion y en él Rancho De ella
comprende un Jacalillo con terreno Beneficiado
á que Declaro propiedad Nicolas Campos De quien
afirmaron los Circunstantes y sabe el Prudencio Garcia
es, motivo por qué se le previno áser instancia

cuidase De esta Porcion con arreglo á lo Ordenado. —

2º..... Y Luego por no poderse completar porcion suficiente Trás De los Exidos, pasaron continuando el mismo Rumbo á la orilla Del Rio, Desde un termino demarcado en Ynes, en Donde hase una gran buelta q.e comprende y cabe en los Exidos; pero la citada ensenada q.e un Arroyo que llaman Del Collote, sierran el termino y no permiten mas Dan lugar á otros, q.e por lo mismo Siguiendo como queda Dho. midieron veinte cordeles que hacen mil v.s mexicanas, que con treinta Mil De Largo y un mil De otra Cabezada dieron la Porcion asignada, principiada Desde el Distrito De Dho. Exidos, señalaron la q.e Despues Joaquin Gutierrez correspondale p.r tener su avitacion y Rancho inmediato, como que vive en Comp.a de José Martinez; pero no hallandole avitando en la Copia q.e se les ha Dado sacada Del Padron suspendieron su Deliberacion hasta Dar cuenta á los Sres. como lo hacen p.a q.e Determinen lo mas conveniente. _____

3º..... Inmediata á la porcion de arriba hecharon otros veinte cordeles, que son mil v.s Mexicanas,

con treinta mil De largo, y mn mil p.s la otra cavesa
Componen porcion, Señalaronla, y Dentro De sus termi-
nos hay un Rancho que expuso Fran.co Xavier
Orive ser suyo en que convinieron los circunstantes, pi-
Dio la y se le Dio conforme lo prevenido.

31.... Midieron sin intermedio otra tantos cordeles que
hacen Dhā. mil v.s al mismo rumbo que con treinta
mil De largo, y los mn mil p.s la otra cavesa com-
pletan Dhā. porcion: Dentro no hay Vesindario alg.o
pero la pidio Juan Guerra, p.s vivir inmediato
Dhō. Orive se le Dio en Virtud de lo prevenido,
guardando antes Señalado.

32.... Siguieron haciendo los mismos Cordeles
que hacen Mil v.s mexicanas por la orilla Del
Rio que con treinta mil De largo, y mn mil por la
otra cavesa componen porcion a que la pidio
Blas Treviño por vivir inmediato, y la concedieron
Vajo el mismo precepto.

33.... Asimismo haviendo medido otra porcion
completa compuesta, De mil v.s Mexicanas

por cada Cabecera y treinta mil De largo q.e tambien
vaso al Rio la pidio Gervasio Badillo, se le Deso
conforme á lo mandado. _____

34.... Igualmente completaron otra porcion De mil
varas p.r cada Cavecera y treinta mil De largo seña-
lada como todas con rumbo á la Orilla Del Rio
que á instancia De Fran.co De Orive viuda, se
le ampliò conforme á lo prevenido. _____

35.... Fue continuando Midiendo la porcion corres-
pondiente a cada individuo, y completaron un mil
varas mexicanas p.r cada Cavecera, y con treinta
mil De largo, la que pidio Juan Fran.co De Orive
por vivir inmediato con su Padre, señalaronla á la
Orilla Del Rio como las Demas, y se le Deso, no
alterando lo mandado. _____

36.... Basaron excentando la misma Medida
que asentaron con veinte Cordeles De mil varas
mexicanas p.r la Orilla Del Rio, que son tre-
inta mil De largo, y un mil p.r la otra Ca-
vecera completaron la suerte q.e á cada uno toca

Señalaron la ó Dhas. orillas aunque Salió Juan Diego Freviño, pidiendo su adjudicación, lo Vesinos por no estár comprendido en los 24 Vesinos en lista hta. Dár cuenta á los Sres. Comisionados como lo hicieron

37.... Y siguiendo en su encargo Midieron otra porcion compuesta De mil v.s Mexicanas por cada cavezada que con treinta Mil De largo, la hasen completa, señalaron la Junto al Rio y en sus terminos, á Carlos Mendiola un Rancho veneficiado segun espuso Clamó se le adjudicara y Accedimos á ello arreglandonos á lo mandado.

38.... Pasaron el mismo cordel á orillas Del Rio y completaron con veinte v.s Mexicanas que con las treinta mil De largo y otras mil p.r cada cavezada apuntaron la porcion asignada á cada individuo, señalaron la y despedida p.r Juan Mendiola, se le Dejó bajo la ord.n con que procedimos ____

39.... Midieron á orillas Del Rio otras mil Varas Mexicanas que con treinta mil De largo, y mil p.r la cavezada ó puesta com ____

pletan la porcion determinada Zanjaron
por señal y Despedida por Juan Estevan Bazquez
Vaso la venia de los Sres. Comisionados. ____

40 Prosiguiendo el rumbo y á orillas Del Rio,
apuntaron otra porcion medida por Dhas. órillas
é hisieron mil v. mexicanas que con treinta mil
de largo, y un mil pr. la cavezada opuesta la
completan, la que Zanjaron por señal y Des-
pedida por Martin Morales se le Desaron
vaso la orn. con que procedian. ____

41 Continuaron al sur y órillas Del Rio, hi-
charon veinte cordeles, que hasen mil varas
mexicanas, que con treinta mil de largo
y un Mil por cada cavezada, componen por-
cion justa, señalaronla con Zanja y amojs. José
Antonio Martinez Delante de los Circunstantes
Clamó se le adjudicase pó accediendo Vota. Dix
parte á los presentes Sres. por no hallarlo
en la vista de los vesinos. ____

42 Inmediata á esta porcion á órillas

Del Rio midieron viente cordeles que hacen mil
V. mesicana y ciento treinta mil De largo, y en mil por la caveza ôpuesta completan la porcion que se le adjudicó á cada individuo, señalaronla con zanja y en sus terminos tiene Rancho Benefiziado, Marcos Mendiola que pidio su aplicacion en que a vista De convenir los Circunstantes y. consta al Declarante José Prudencio Garcia se le Dezó en la conformidad prevenida.

43... Y finalmente midieron contigua ála De arriva ótra compuesta De mil v. mesicana que con ciento Mil De largo y en mil p. la caveza ôpuesta la completan, Demarcaron con frente y orillas Del Rio, y en Distrito, compuesta en Rancho Benefiziado por Pedro Mendiola quien la pidio y se le Dezó vista la ord. comunicada.

Las cuales partes y porciones han sido, señaladas y Demarcadas, segun y como en cada uno Dejo Dicho y asentado y han quedado en su Destino, Del mismo modo arreglandose

á la vista de los vecinos empadronados de la
otra parte del Rio, y ello que p.r los presentes Srēs.
Comisionados se la Avia comunicado y mandado
imponer y por Resoluciones y autos que se les hisieron
saber sin que tengan ó se les ofrezca cosa que
añadir y pedir en el asunto solo q.e asia el rumbo
del sur desde la ultima medida q.e es la nacienta
q.e las desaron y quedan tres leguas (á su entender
y alcanzar) baxas donde se puede benefisiar (llega-
do el caso) pueblo de Yndios ó en el de congregarse
darles, ó señalarles suficiente terrenos p.a su cultivo y bene-
fisio segun el fin y mente de Dhō. Srēs. presentes,
y en las medidas baxas se pueden dar sin p.r otros pobladores
que entren, ó se agregen, y es lo que declararon
y afirmandose y ratificandose en todo, firmo D.
Domingo Saavedra, y no el Prudencio Garcia p.r que
espresó no saber, hisimoslo nosotros con los de
nuestra asistencia. = Pallasio. = Osorio. = De
Domingo Saavedra. = De asist.a Vicente
Durruti. = De asistencia Federico Losada. =

253.

Siguen las medidas por esta parte del Rio.

En la propia Villa, á veinte y sinco Dias del mismo mes y año, los Agrimensores nombrados comparecieron á nuestra presencia y delante de los testigos de asistencia dijeron: haber pasado la tarde del Dia veinte y nueve á dormir en lo ultimo del territorio asignado y demarcado por termino de esta Villa por el rumbo del Norte donde llaman la Cañada de los Jabonsillos, y con el animo de dar principio á la Division pactada en la conformidad prevenida y segun la execucion en la otra parte del Rio, y puesto en efecto la mañana del veinte y dos, comenzaron su encargo p.r el orn. y modo siguiente.

N. 1.... Desde la demarcacion que concluye Vñ.s Terminos hicharon veinte Cordeles á orillas del rio q.e hacen mil v.s mexicanas q.e con treinta mil de largo y un mil p.r la otra cavezada ajusta la porcion destinada á cada individuo, señalaronla con zanja y grueso

Vacia.

2a.... Continuaron con otra por el mismo rumbo corriendo De norte à Sur, y señalaron las mil Varas mexicanas à orillas Del Rio, no tiene beneficio ni se pidió.

3a.... Otra asi mismo completa y medida Del mismo modo contigua à la De arriba tambien señalaron quedó basia p.r no haverse pedido y está sin beneficio.

4a.... Otra seguida en el mismo rumbo à orillas Del rio medida y Demarcada, quedó basia.

5a.... Otra Seguida en el mismo rumbo à óri-lla Del Rio, quedó Desampada.

6a.... Otra contigua formada De iguales Cordeles y Varas Demarcada, tampoco se ócupó.

7a.... Otra por el mismo Rumbo y orilla medida y señalada sin beneficio no se ócupó.

8a.... Otra que Dejaron Demarcada Despues de medidas como las anteced.es y sin ócupacion p.r q.e no se pidió.

9a.... Otra al mismo rumbo compuesta De iguales v.s que las De arriba Demarcose y quedó Vacia.

24.

10 y 11. En otra que principiaron la medida Reconocieron un Rancho con labor y beneficio, expresaron los Circunstantes que se asegurá el Declarante José Prudencio Garcia ser Del Capitan De esta Villa D. Tomás Sanchez, motivo porque hecharon cuarenta cordeles que hacen Dos mil v.s De ancho que con treinta mil De largo, y Dos mil por la otra cuerda ajustan Dos porciones que los presentes Sres. Comisionados le han conferido como tal Capitan las q.s quedaron demarcs. á orilla del Rio.

12.... Siguieron midiendo otra q.e p.a ella mide. Mexicana á orilla Del Rio que con treinta mil De largo y un mil por la otra cuerda se completó, quedó demarcada y pedida por Santiago Sanchez hijo De Dicho Capitan.

13.... Se midió otra contigua á la antecedente y De q.e hablada con mil v.s mexicanas por cada cuerda y con treinta mil De largo se demarcó p.r los Declarantes á orillas Del Rio pedida Jose Mig.l Garcia á q.n se dieron en virtud de la com.n con q.e procedimos.

14 En seguida demarcaron otra á orillas del Rio compuesta de mil v.s mexicanas p.r cada cabecera y treinta mil de largo, se hizo cargo de ella José Gregorio que la pidió.

15 Ajustaron otra con las propias v.s mexicanas p.r cada cabecera y las treinta mil de largo correspondte al Declarante José Prudencio Garcia que á cada mo se hizo.

16 Continuaron en otra y demedida con mil v.s p.r cada cabecera y treinta mil de largo la ajustaron y demarcaron p.r la orilla del Rio pidió D.n Domingo Garcia de á vivir por quedar inmediato á su suegro, q.s es el Declarante José Prudencio Garcia quien tiene en la antced.a estancia y terreno beneficiados.

17 Siguieron el rumbo y midieron otra de mil v.s mexicanas p.r cada cabecera y treinta mil de largo demarcose, y á instancia de José Xpāl. Garcia, se le dio como á los demas.

18 Continuaron midiendo otras mil v.s mexicanas á orillas del Rio que con treinta mil de largo

25.

y mil p.s la otra Cavesada, esurtose, Demarcose, y Despedida p.r Jose de Bustam., se le Desp.o

19.... En seguida midieron otra de Mil v.s mexicanas por cada Cavesada y.s con treinta mil de largo la completaron, Demarcose á orillas del Rio, y se Deso á Joaquin Garcia que la pidió.

20.... Prosiguieron con otra que midieron y demarcaron á orillas del Rio, completaron con Mil varas mexicanas p.r cada Cavesada, y treinta Mil de largo, quedó aplicada á Bautista Garcia que la pidió.

21.... Midieron otra de mil v.s mexicanas p.r cada Cavesada que con treinta mil de largo completaron, quedó Sumsula á orillas del Rio, por Leonardo Garcia que la pidió.

22.... Otra tambien con mil v.s mexicanas por cada Cavesada y treinta mil de largo que demarcaron á las orillas del Rio, y á inst.a de D.a M.a Jesus Sheñz. se la Desaron, teniendo en la memoria la Suplica que hizo

á los Sres. presentes Comisionado S.

23 Otra al mismo rumbo de mil v. Mexicana
por cada Cavesada, y treinta mil De largo, que dó
Demarcada á orillas Del Rio, á Leonardo Sanchez
que la pidio p.r tener en sus terminos su Ran-
cho y tierras Veneficiadas.

24 Otra Medida Demarcada á orillas Del Rio, que
compusieron De mil v. Mexicanas, y treinta mil De
largo, y mil p.r la otra Cavesada Opuesta asu Dis-
frito, tiene una Estancia beneficiada Florivio
Rodrigues que la pidio en adjudicacion.

25 Otra que Demarcaron á orillas Del Rio, habien-
dola medido con veinte Cordeles, q.e hicieron mil
v. Mexicanas, treinta mil De largo, y mil por
la Cavesada Opuesta, se hizo Cargo De ella
Juan Fran.co Garcia que la pidio.

26 Otra Compuesta De mil v. Mexicanas por
cada Cavesada, y treinta mil De largo. De-
marcada á orillas Del Rio y Comprende
su Medida, un Rancho á que Debajo

26.

Dro. p.r un beneficio Agustin Sanchez y se le encargo con arreglo à lo prevenido.

27.... Otra ajustada con mil Doscientas v.s p.r cada Carreada, y treinta mil de largo, señalada à Ntra Sra del Exido, ganò à D.a M.a Gertrudis Sanchez que la pidio.

28.... Otra que toca en los Exidos principiando en la antesed.te por cuyo motivo hecharon Veinte y cuatro Cordeles que hacen mil y Doscientas v.s Mexicanas q.e con treinta mil de largo y un mil Doscientas por la Carreada Ò puesta la completaron, Suplendo la falta de las cinco mil v.s de largo, que fue señalada por la Parte de Dhos. Exidos, y à Eusevio Martines que la pidio.

29.... Otra concluida con mil y Doscientas v.s Mexic.s por cada Carreada y treinta Mil de largo de marcos en la parte que toca à los Exidos en q.e tiene Juan Baptista Villarr.l estancia Veneficiada pidiola y se le dese.

30... Otra completa que pidieron y demarcaron, pegada á los Ejidos tiene mil y Doscientas V.s por cada cabezada, y treinta mil De largo comprende Estancia á que de Dueño Dⁿ. José Fran.co Cortina Moreno, se le Despᵒ.———

31... Otra en que midieron veinte y quatro Cordeles que hacen Mil doscientas V.s Mexicanas por cada cabezada, y con treinta mil De largo la ajustan, Demarcose pr. la parte Del Ejido, comprendeme una Estancia Denunciada por D. José Freviño quien la pidio y se le Despᵒ.———

32... Otra Compuesta tambien de veinte y cuatro cordeles que hacen Mil Doscientas V.s Mexicanas con treinta mil De largo, y mil Doscientas por la cabezada ópuesta la ajustan, Demarcose pegada á los Ejidos, y pidiola d. Antonio Freviño y se le Despᵒ.———

33... Otra ajustada con mil Doscientas Varas Mexicanas por cada Cabezada y treinta Mil De largo: demarcose pegada á los Ejidos.———

y quedó á José Dionicio Treviño que la pidió.

34 Otra medida á mil y doscientas v. por cada
Cabezada y con treinta mil De largo se com-
pleta, Demarcose por los Ejidos, y se Dió á José
Fortonio Dias que la pidió.

35 Otra completa y apuntada con mil v. mesquinas
por cada Cabezada treinta mil De largo demarcose
á orillas Del Rio, siguiendo el rumbo Del Norte
á Sur en su Distrito tiene José Miguel Dias mi
Estancia bonificada quien la pidió y se le Dió.

36 Otra medida á orillas Del Rio con veinte cor-
Delas que hacen mil v. Mesquinas y Juntas
treinta mil De largo y un mil por la Cabe-
zada ó puesta la ápuntan, quedó á Lauriano
Salinas á su instancia.

37 Otra compuesta y ápuntada con mil v. Mes-
quinas, treinta mil De largo y un mil por
la Cabezada ó puesta, Repitida José Barto-
lo Chapa y se le Dió.

38 Otra medida por el mismo rumbo y Del

marcada á orillas Del Rio, compuesta y
ajustada con mil V. Mexicanas, y treinta
mil De largo las un mil por cada Caveza-
da, pidiola Pedro Sanchez y se le ajustio.-

39 Otra ajustada con mil V. Mexicanas por cada
caveada, treinta mil De largo, Demarcose
á orilla Del Rio, y quedo por José Antonio
Navarro que la pidio.-

40 Otra medida á orillas Del Rio con Veinte
Cordeles q. hacen Mil V. Mexicanas, treinta
mil De largo y mil por la Caveada opuesta
la ajustan, pidiola Manuel Garcia á
quien se le dejó.-

41 Otra que midieron al mismo Rumbo y de-
marcaron á orillas Del Rio contra De Mil
V. Mexicanas, por cada Caveada, y Treinta
mil De largo, pidiola Eusebio Rodrigo
Rodriguez.-

42 Otra ajustada con mil V. Mexicanas por
cada Caveada, y Treinta mil De largo

Demarcose á orillas Del Rio, y pedida por Eufenio Sanchez, se le ha Dado. ———

43. Otra que se completó con mil v. mexicanas por cada cavezada y treinta mil De largo Demarcose á orillas Del Rio, qpedó de José Cayetano De la Garza por haverla pedido. —

44. Otra medida por el mismo Rumbo, y Demarcada á orillas Del Rio, concluyó con mil v. por cavezada y treinta mil De largo aplicose á José Manuel Albino Martinez. ———

45. Otra compuesta De mil v. por cada cavezada y treinta mil De largo la midieron y Demarcaron á órillas Del Rio, se Dió á Tomás José De Arive. ———

46. Otra al mismo Rumbo y Demarcada á órillas Del Rio qué formaron De mil varas medidas en dha. órilla, y con treinta mil De largo, y por la cavezada opuesta mil se completan; no contiene beneficio.

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ni huvo quien la impidiera, y en este modo
fixaron rumbo Demarcacion, igual medida
continuacion Dividiendo y Separando las porciones
hasta el parage nombrado Cañada De San
Andres donde terminan la Demarcacion De
Distrito asignado á esta Villa por el Rumbo
Del Sur, y quedan por Oriente Catorce caballerias
Desde el mismo 46 hasta el 59 inclusives
y asimismo Notaron falta De algunos individuos
Empadronados y Dados en lista por De esta
parte Del Rio, que no presenciaban y acudi-
an á las medidas, y Demandas sus porciones
informados Del motivo hallaron: que Juan
Diego Freviño, José Anto. Martinez, y Blas
Juan Sanchez, las han tomado en la otra
parte Del Rio y (aun los dos primeros
. respondieron) los Declarantes al tiempo que
executaron su encargo allí: suspendian
la aplicacion hasta. Dar parte á los S
presentes Sres. por no comprendelos S

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Aquella lista y Padron.= Que á Pedro de Alcantara se le Destierro de esta Villa con toda su fam.ª.= Que á Pedro Salinas, José Cayetano Salinas, Diego Jaez, Dionicio Durán, y Cayetano Peña, no se les aplicaron por no haber convenido, causa de que no piensan permanecer en esta Villa, antes retirarse muy en breve tiempo y no les quieren.= Que Pedro Rodriguez tampoco les solicitó y este consta al Declarante José Prudencio Garcia haber avecindado en Sbro. Proximo pasado, y está Retirado, y que todas de las Casadas y sus familias, Dadas en lista Diez en esta conformidad Soltera., q.e suben en treinta y tres; y añadiendo á D.ª M.ª Jesus Sanchez. que ultimam.te Vecindó á Dñes. Sres. presentes, y á José Bartolo Chapel pero sin numero y avecindado, han treinta y cinco cuyas porciones con las medidas midieron señalaron y adjudicaron segun y como á cada uno de ellos Depuesto y asentado, arreglandose en todo á las Resoluciones y preceptos Superiores, y á este tiempo habiendo

benido á nuestra presencia los cinco Sugetos arriba expresados combocados De mandato mio D. Juan Fernando de Palacio, les espusimos Spñe. el motivo de no haber tomado sus porciones de tra., que nos manifestaron nó haberlas solicitado por no convenirles y ser su animo ausentarse De esta Villa, lo que presenciaron los mismos Agrimensores, que en todo lo arriba Dho. y Declarado en punto á su encargo, afirman y ratifican, expresan haber ocupado, los Dias Veinte y Dos, y 23., sin la ida y buelta á esta Villa, que hicieron el 21. y el 24, firmó D. Domingo Faboada, y nó Jose Prudencio Garcia p.r q.e expresó no Saber, hacemoslo nosotros con los De asist.a = Palacio. = Lic. Asorio, Domingo Faboada. = De asist.a Vicente Duran. = De asist.a Federico Lozada.

Medida de la Plaza. —

Y luego Pasamos con los mismos Agrimensores á reconocer el citio á proposito p.a plaza, Solares, y edificios á ella Correspond.tes á un Lado que al presente Dice en medio

3 C.

De la poblacion, Dispusimos en forma prolongada
en cuadro y considerando el numero De Vecinos
y á que en lo sucesivo puedan aumentarse Com-
putamos por suficiente cien varas Mexicana
De largo y ochenta De ancho en las que entran
veinte por cada una De sus cuadras Esquinas
ocupadas p.r la salida De sus respectivas Calles
con el ancho cada una De Diez varas, á fin
de que con Desahogo y sin riesgo se pueda
Libremente entrar y salir acaballo (comun
servicio del Pais) asi se midió y Demarcó
con Estacas bisibles y Seguras asignamos por
las Dos esquinas que miran al Norte y Sur,
cuatro Solares compuestos De 24 De frente
y 40 De fondo para la mayor Comodidad
De sus Dueños y que fabriquen sus Corrales
y Patios Donde tengan y encierren los gana-
dos y Caballos De Servicio, y por los dos re-
frentes que Dicen Oriente y Poniente
se Declararán y Construirán en aquel

Templo ó Yglesia Parroquial á que destinamos el terreno necesario, y á un lado la Casa Del Cura quedan algun Unico de intermedio, y en este Casas Reales, Carcel y habitacion p.ª la Justicia ó Capitan, los demas Solares deven se-guir y continuar desde los de la Plaza de igual frente y fondo en cuadras dispuestas y figuradas como las que de ellas salen y re-partire los pobladores, en el modo y forma que abajo se prebendrá; y p.ª que conste esta Villa. firmamos con el Agrimensor D. Domingo Favarda y los de asistencia, no lo hace José Prudencio Garcia por que espuso no saber.= Pelaez.= Osorio.= D. Domingo Favarda.= De Asist.ª Duran.= De asist.ª Federico Losada.

Fixo de las Condiciones con q.e se dieron los Solares, y tierras, y modo de perderlas.

Habemos por adjudicadas las Sesenta y cuatro Porciones, respectivas á los Vecinos pobladores de esta Villa y su Jurisdicion en esta, y en la otra parte

31.

Del Rio segun y como Defamos Declarado por auto Del Dia 13 y espresan los Agrimensores, haber Dado á los interesados al tiempo De las medidas: las sesenta y dos en propiedad como que se Ocuparon y tomaron por individuos Alistados y empadronados: y las Dos restantes comprendidas en los numeros quinto y 29 De la otra parte Del Rio por sugetos no conocidos, no puestos en lista solo en el buen fruto, y todos con las Cargas y Condiciones Siguientes.

Que cada uno hade Beneficiarla y fabricar casa en el Solar que por suerte le tocare en el termino De Dos años pena De perder uno y otro. = Que en ningun tiempo las hande Vender, trocar y enagenar á personas Eclesiasticas, y prohividas por Derecho, pena la misma. Que se hande posesionar en ellas Dentro De Dos meses contados Desde el dia De la publicacion De este, cuyo efecto, y execucion De su contenido.

se Deserá testimonio integro con inserción ála
letra De las Dilig.as practicadas en este asunto,
y que asegure y resguarde el Drô. De las partes
archivandose por el Capn. De verificada Dha.
porcion por sí ó (Mediante sus indisposiciones
y abanzada édad) por el Seniente Electo p.r mi
Don Juan Fernando De Palacio poniendo
mojones Durables y comodos en cada uno De
Dhôs. porciones, y Sitios señalados por los
Agrimensores: qued.o en permanente evite
todo Daño y agravio De 3.os sin perjuicio p.r esta
razon Drôs. y Repartimos los Solares todos los Po-
blados contimando Dde los que corresponden ála
Plaza Demarcados en el Dia De hoyer y De
completo el num.o tocante álos Vecinos De que
se compone la Villa se Sorteasen por el que
entendiera en lo prevenido, y el interesado se
cará su suerte, entendiendo y Ejecutandolas p.r Dilig.as
y advirtiendo á cada uno la Obligacion de
construir Casa, y De Hecho Remitirá testimonio

que acredite su execucion p. agregar á estos autos,
y no haciendolo se tomará la providencia que
haya lugar = Los Solares deben contar todos
de veinte Varas de frente y 40 de fondo como los
asignados en dha. Plaza, que en las demas por-
ciones cria acomode el Justicia las Justicias que se
agregan con animo de subdistir en esta Villa,
señalandole parte ó porcion que deban cultivar
ó beneficiar y solar p.a casas, pero no se les dis-
dicará en propiedad hta. que acudan á composi-
cion é impetrar Titulo, ó merced al Juzgado priva-
tivo de este Reyno por deberse reputar como re-
portamos Realengas las porciones baldias comprendi-
en el Distrito de las Seis leguas asignadas
á la Villa y extinguidas cuanto á esto la concesion
y privilegio de vecinos pobladores, y las
adictará inconcusamente con esta distincion, y
cuanto á las demas tierras, sugetas á las Juris-
dicion de la Villa, sitas el Rio de las Nueces
hta. las asignadas hacen las partes del mismo

Tenerse lo que Vive ejecutar el Capn respecto
ala extension que Comprehende hasta Distante
De aqui como 20 leguas: que los pobladores
que son sugetos como Dhã. aqui ala Defensa
natural en caso De invasion con sus armas
y Caballos, y aun ahora les importa mas la pro-
piedad De sus bienes y p.a q. se promuevan con el
Zelo y exactitud requerida el aumento y bien Pu-
blico, elegirán afin De cada año un Procurador Gral.
que mire y Defienda la comun causa, y con
instancia pida que los pobladores cumplan
ala los plazos arriba Dichos lo Determinado con
apremio y De lo contrario esperimenten la pena impu-
esta, y tambien los Diputados referidos que Cond-
uzcan y fomenten el Adelantam.to Junto con el
Justicia; y esta Eleccion se hara con concurso
por Vecinos que servirán Dhos empleos los que
salgan p.r mayor num.o De votos y ante
todas cosas se Dedicaran con mucha Dilig.a
y cuidado a erigir y Levantar Templo en el

citio señalado Donde Dios en la mayor Vene-
rencia y culto sea venerado aplicando á tan
Cristiano y piadoso fin (siendo preciso) parte
de las tierras destinadas p.ª propios de la Villa
que cultivadas y beneficiadas recojido su pro-
ducto se expenda y Diberta en dha. fabrica,
y p.r ahora entre tambien el estipendio q.e se
persiba por el paso de la Canoa q.e navega
frente de la Villa, Depositandolo con seguridad
la que Declaramos comun y propio de ella
Motivo porque sus Vecinos y Moradores
no deben satisfacer Drs. del pasage, y si quedar
Responsables á su manutencion, y los que
transiten del referido Regulamos por cada
Caballo Dos rr. y uno por terzio de flete y de
concluida dha. obra se Depositarian sus
efectos p.ª otro que sea necesario y conbe-
niente al comun, no Distribuyendolos
sin acuerdo del Justicia Diputado
y Procurador Gral. todo lo que Zelen

cuidem con el esmero que pide asunto tan importante al mejor estar y pp. Resentamiento entendidos, De que contravinendo la mas leve cosa arriba prebenida=

Es copia de un tanto De la original para el uso De este Juzgado. Laredo Octubre 17 De 1842.= Florencio Villarreal Presidente.= Fomás Flores Secretario. _____

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I. Samuel M. Paris. Mayor of the City of Laredo do certify that the foregoing 66 Pages are a Correct and Verbatim Copy of the original "General Visita with all the Corrections and amendments as existing in Said Visita which is now on file in the Archives of this Municipality

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my name and the Seal of the Said City of Laredo the day and year above mentioned.

Samuel M. Paris

Translation
of the
Act of the Visit
of the
Royal Commissioners
to the Village of
San Augustin of
Laredo
in 1767.

Translation

of the Visit

(Endorsement)

Copy of the General Visit
of
the Village of Saint Augustin
of
Laredo.
In the year 1767.

We, Don Juan Fernando Palacio,
Knight of the Order of Saint James, Comman-
der of the Shield in the same, Field Marshal
of the Royal Armies of His Majesty, Governor
and Lieutenant of the Captain General of the
Colony of New Santander, Sierra Gorda,
its Missions, Military Posts and Frontiers,
and Don José de Ossorio y Llamas Secretary
of the Royal Council, Commissioned by his
Excellency, the Marquis of Croix, Vice-Roy,
Governor and Captain General of this Kingdom
of New Spain for the visit of the said Colony &c,
Do hereby certify, that the Registry formed for the
apportionment of Lands ordered in Chapter 4th
of the Royal Patent of the year (1763) Seventeen
hundred and sixty three, reads as follows:—
Whereas, notice has been given in this Village
of the special apportionment of Lands (and also
of commons) repeatedly recommended by the
Sovereign and catholic care of His Majesty
in the royal instructions issued for the pacification
and settlement of this Colony, and Whereas, it
appears from the report of the Captain, con-
firmed by the statement of the inhabitants
under date of yesterday inserted in the
proceedings instituted for the purpose of in-
vestigating the actual condition of this settlement,
recorded in the document numbered three (3),
in order that the founders and their descendants
may receive the reward due to their merits,

and without being further discouraged by delay or non fulfillment of the promises made to them, it is now ordered to proceed to the execution of the resolutions as provided in Chapter 4th of the Royal Patent dated at Buenretiro on the 29th day of March 1763; and notwithstanding the grant of land presented by Don José Basquez Borrego, which appears to embrace 75 sitios of land of which 50 are sitios of cattle pasture land and the remainder 25 sitios are of sheep pasture land, granted at different times by the Colonel Don José de Escandon, considering the confusion inherent to the manner in which the said grant is applied, as it was partly intended for the formation of a settlement which (as we have seen) does not exist, and partly for the special use and benefit of the said Borrego, and that it does not clearly specify this as required; And Whereas, the approval of the Supreme Government inserted in the said grant only comprises the 25 sitios of cattle pasture land, and whereas, the original permit for his settlement was given with the condition that His Majesty might take the said lands or any part thereof whenever they should be needed for the purpose of edifying of a town or mission; and whereas the public good of this settlement ought to prevail over the interests of the said estate or estates, We do hereby assign, in conformity with the representations made by the inhabitants of this place, considering the aridity of the country, six leagues around this town from its center in the direction of the four cardinal points of the compass, without excepting therefrom the lands occupied by the said Borrego, whom we will hear, and upon his showing his legitimate title, will compensate him for such portion as may be adjudicated to the inhabitants of this town and incorporated into the six leagues out of his boundaries, and a certified copy of the aforementioned documents shall be prepared

and placed at the head of these proceedings to serve at all times in the future as evidence returning the same for preservation; and in order to proceed for the present, the inhabitants residing on the other side of the river, where they have their ranches and cultivated fields, are hereby declared to be comprised within this aforesaid apportionment agreeably to their request. The residents of this side of the river shall be convened by their Captain, and notified to nominate two experts, who shall under oath, examine and appraise the quality of the lands with reference to their fitness for cultivation, grazing, commons, pasture and town-site, in order to turn the same to the best account and apply the same equitably in such a manner that all may equally participate in the good and the bad lands, paying attention however to the actual possessions and lands cultivated by any persons who shall not be dispossessed without just cause; and likewise to nominate a practical surveyor, who, conjointly with Don Domingo Tavoada, whom we appoint on the part of His Majesty to defend the public interest under the same oath, shall proceed to stake out and form the boundaries at the designated distances, and, having completed this shall divide and survey the Porciones destined and assigned to the parties interested named in the registry, and who shall receive the said assignment according to their merits, avoiding in every thing all injury to the community as well as such as may through excess in quantity result to the Royal Treasury. Thus we have decreed and signed the same with our assistmy witnesses at Laredo this the 9th of June A D 1767. Juan Fernando de Palacios = Don Jose Ossorio = Witness Vicente Duran = San Juan = Witness Federico Losada. = .

Notice to the inhabitants.

At the said town on this the tenth day of the said month and year, having assembled and convened the inhabitants residing on this side of the river, they were informed of the foregoing decree and the same was read to them, and having understood the same, they declared that they had nominated and do hereby nominate for the purpose heretofore expressed, for experts Miguel Dias and Juan Bautista Villarreal of this town, being skilled in and capable of judging of the quality of lands, and for Surveyor, José Prudencio Garcia, a practicas Surveyor, to act conjointly with the person appointed on the part of His Majesty to proceed to execute the given orders so beneficial to them; and all of those enumerated in the census roll, made out by the Captain of this town under date of the eighth of this month, that were able to write, have signed these presents, as we do ourselves with our assisting witnesses. = Palacio. = Osorio = Tomas Sanchez = Jose Cayetano de la Garza = José Trevino = Blas de Jesus Sanchez = José Miguel Dias = Pedro Bernardo Montemayor = Witness, Duran = Witness, Federico Losada.

Acceptance of their appointments, and Oaths of the Experts and Surveyors.

And immediately thereafter having been convened and having appeared in our presence Miguel Dias and Juan Bautista Villarreal, experts nominated on the part of the settlers in the foregoing proceedings, and also José Prudencio Garcia likewise nominated Surveyor, and Don Domingo Tavoada who has been appointed on the part of His Majesty, and we administered and took from them the oath which they took as required, under which they declared that they severally accepted their respective appointments conferred upon them, with which they were willing to comply each one with in conformity with the duties incumbent upon him, which they affirmed and subscribed their names, the expert Miguel Dias and the surveyor Don Domingo

Tavoada, the others not signing having expressed themselves unable to do so. Executed by us with those of our assistance. = Palacio. = Ossorio. = Domingo Tavoada. = José Miguel Dias = Witness, Duran. = Witness Federico Losada.

Report of the Surveyors.

At the same town on the 4th day of the month and year aforesaid, appeared before us Don Domingo Tavoada and Don Prudencio Garcia, surveyors appointed as aforesaid, and they declared that, in compliance with the duties imposed upon them and under their oaths which they had taken, they had on the afternoon of yesterday staked out the limits of the six leagues set apart for this town towards the South, along the margin of the river on this side, and that beginning in the center of the town they measured five thousand varas to the place called San Francisco de Paula, as many more varas to the place called San José del Rincon, as many more to the Hermanas, the same number to the Cañada de San Lorenzo and as many more to the Cañada de San Andres, where the six leagues were completed in the manner and form aforesaid, at which spot they left for mark a boundary mound of sufficient height so as to be known for all time. And that on this day they continued on the same bearings, beginning at day break from the center of the town, whither they had returned on the evening preceding, and directing their survey to the East and pursuing the same demarcation at five thousand varas they reached the Arroyo del Mal Paso, at as many more varas they reached San Ildefonso, at as many more the prairie of Sanchez, at as many more the mound of the Jaroncillos, at as many more Las Moras, and at as many more the San Juanitos, where they completed the extent of the six leagues aforesaid on this course, and returned to town in order to commence tomorrow on another course, and this is what they declared to have done and effected during the two days in conformity with their instructions.

Signed by Don Domingo Tavoada but not by José Prudencio Garcia who expressed himself unable to do so. Signed by us with those of our assistance. = Palacio = Ossorio = Domingo Tavoada. = Witness, Duran = Witness Federico Losada.

Report Continued.

At the same town on the twelfth day of the month and year aforesaid, the said Surveyors, having appeared before us, declared under their oaths as aforesaid, that on this morning they commenced their survey in the centre of the town and pursuing a North course at the first four thousand varas they reached the Laguna de Abajo, at as many more the Charco de los Bueyes, at as many more the heights of Las Ruecas, at as many more the Charco del Cuervo, at as many more the table land of the Cibolo, at as many more the Canada de los Javoncillos, where they completed the six leagues and finished the survey on this side of the river in the three directions aforesaid, the remaining direction being occupied by the people from Revilla as represented by the inhabitants of this place, and this is what they declare, the said Tavoada subscribing as aforesaid but not the others. Signed by us with those of our assistance. = Palacio = Ossorio = Witness, Duran = Domingo Tavoada = Witness Federico Losada.

Report of the Experts.

And thereupon having appeared Miguel Dias and Juan Bautista Villarreal, the Experts appointed by the vicinage, and they said: That on this and the foregoing days they proceed in accordance with their instructions to examine the lands set apart for this town in the directions of the boundaries marked out by the surveyors, and that they have to say and declare under oath, that the lands empired

within the surveys and boundary marks established are all unfit for irrigation, except such as may be caused by the seasons, without any exception for which reason they are of the opinion according to their practical and long acquaintance with the same, that there is no difference in any of these surveys and set apart, and according to their knowledge and understanding they are all of the same quality; and that the lands most fit for town commons are those embraced in the immediate vicinity of the town-site selected by the Commissioners, being more handy and convenient for the common benefit and that thus no private person can suffer any injury and thereby be induced to raise complaint or enmities, that in this manner will be at liberty to let their cattle run out from their houses whenever they are unable to take them out to their grazing lands and the tracts to be set apart to each of them. The same benefit will arise to the citizens of the town with respect to the pastures whenever they may want to impose some tax or to make use of a part of them for the purpose of constructing something for the common benefit of all; that they consider of the balance of the lands set apart and run out may be carried into effect in order to register for each of the parties what they are entitled to and what the Commissioners may deem fit to allow to all of them equally as they do not find any particular merit in any of the individuals composing the settlement being all of them original settlers or their descendants and relations to the fourth degree, and that at present the number of the heads of families entered on the registry will amount to forty three or forty four, that it will be for the best of the public interest that the Porciones of all should front on the River, this being the only water they can obtain as before stated, and that the parties reporting have heard every one of the citizens

particularly. And this is what they have to report under their oath as aforesaid, which they hereby confirm and ratify. Hereunto subscribed the said Miguel Dias, but not the said Villareal who expressed himself unable to do so. Signed by us with those of our assistance. Palacio. = Ossorio = Jose Miguel Dias. = Witness, Duran = Witness, Losada.

Decree.

By virtue of a decree issued this day and entered in the third book, in consequence of the representations made by the inhabitants of this and of the other side of the river, we do hereby declare these annexed to this town and its secular and ecclesiastical jurisdiction; and in order not to delay the division of the lands in which we are engaged, they shall be convened (by the Captain) on the day of tomorrow after mass, and having appeared before us, they shall be notified, like the inhabitants of this side of the river, to nominate two experts and one Surveyor, who, after being duly sworn, shall proceed to survey and stake out the six leagues designated, and to examine the lands comprised therein, and thereafter report their quality in order to carry out the provisions of the decree inserted at the commencement of these proceedings, marking out the particular Porcion designated to each party according to his merits; and the surveyor whom they may designate, jointly with Domingo Favoada, shall make the said survey, beginning on the other side on the margin of the river, its Bed being considered unavailable, using the same cord as before of fifty Mexican varas complete in accordance with our instructions. This we have decreed and signed with our assisting witnesses at Laredo on the thirteenth day of June One Thousand seven hundred and sixty seven. Juan Fernando de Palacio. = Licdo Don José Ossorio. = Witness Vicente Duran = Sandiego = Witness Federico Losada. =

Notice
to the settlers on the other side of the River, and
acceptance of the Experts and Surveyors nominated.

At the same town on the fourteenth day of the month and year aforesaid, having assembled and appeared before us the settlers from the other side of the River registered by the Captain on the twelfth day of this month, they were informed of and had read to them the foregoing decree at the beginning of these proceedings, which being duly understood, they unanimously declared that they had nominated and hereby did nominate for the purposes aforesaid as experts Don José Martinez de Soto Mayor and Don Tomas Cuellar, and for Surveyor Jose Prudencio Garcia as the most practical and experienced man of all present; and the said experts and surveyor declared that they accepted and hereby do accept the appointments conferred upon them, by virtue of which we administered and received the oaths of Martinez and Cuellar, under which they promised to duly perform their official duties; and José Prudencio Garcia conjointly with Domingo Tovoada will continue under the oath they have taken and acted under on this side the river. This they declared and the same was subscribed by the two experts, but not the surveyor, who was not able to sign, and also by some of the inhabitants who were able to write, together with ourselves and our assisting witnesses. Palacio. = Lic.do Ossorio. = José Martinez de Soto Mayor. = Tomas de Cuellar. = Salvador Gonzales, (Hidalgo). = Carlos Mendiola. = Pedro Garcia Davila. = Nicolas Soto Campos, (Castilian) Witness, Duran. = Witness, Federico Losada. =

Report of the Surveyors
and survey of the six leagues to the West.

At the said town on the sixteenth day of June of the year One thousand seven hundred and sixty seven, appeared before us Don Domingo Tovoada

and José Pedruces Garcia, surveyors appointed and declared under their oath, that in compliance with their duty on the day of yesterday they did proceed to stake out and survey the limits of the six leagues set apart for this town on the other side of the River to the West, in which direction the settlers recently annexed have their ranches; that they had begun their operations on the margin of the River, opposite to the center of said Town, using the cord recognised by the present Commissioners, composed of fifty Mexican varas, running the aforesaid survey West and measuring off one hundred cords, which make five thousand varas, to the place known as San Gregorio; and thence as many more varas to Palo Parado; thence as many more to Guamacata; thence as many more to the Abra del Mais; as many more to Agua Negra and as many more to the Hevanito, where they completed the six leagues set apart, and there erected a mound of small stones of sufficient height for want of trees or larger rocks; and from the said spot, along the banks of the River towards the North, at six leagues distance, they recognised some large rocks which they had left on that course before for marks and boundaries; and in order not to leave any doubts for the future as to where the survey reaches on the other side of the river they left marks of stones to serve as corners. That on this morning they set out from the said place called Loma de la Seja, opposite to the Cañada de los Javoncillos, with the intent to survey on the same side of the river to the South, and carrying this into effect, they proceeded, looking for the marks and signs made on this side of the river, until they discovered the mound erected as the boundary of the six leagues at the Cañada de San Andres, and in order to avoid all doubts they erected another mound opposite to it by heaping up stones at a place known as Las Estacas, after which they considered that they had completed and finished their obligations

with reference to the survey of the six leagues set apart in the circumference of this settlement on both sides of the River carried out to the four cardinal points, league by league, as reported, and repeating the same on the other side of the river North and South for better evidence on the extreme boundary line of said District. This is what they declared to have carried out by virtue of the provisions made, and this they affirmed and ratified. Domingo Tavoada subscribed to This, but not Jose Ambrosio Garcia, and we have subscribed hereunto with our assisting witnesses:-
Palacio. = Lic.° Ossorio. = Domingo Tavoada. =
Witness, Duran. = Witness, Federico Losada.

Report of the Experts appointed from the other side.

And thereafter on the seventeenth day of the said month and year, appeared before us and our assisting witnesses Don José Martinez de Soto Mayor and Don Tomas Cuellar, experts appointed from the other side of the river where they reside, and under their appointment and oath declared, that in compliance with their instructions they have passed the two preceding days of the fifteenth and sixteenth in examining the lands surveyed and staked out by the surveyors as the limits assigned to this settlement, and they have to say and state, after this examination, in which they are aided by the circumstance of having lived here for more than twelve or thirteen years, for which reason they are well acquainted with what these lands can produce and furnish, that the same are all of one quality as there is no way of getting water for irrigation except such as is furnished by the seasons, without any exception within the six leagues comprised and surveyed from the margin of the River on the other side; they assert to produce an abundance of corn whenever the season is favorable, but whenever there is a scarcity of

rain everything is lost. The common use to
which they are applied is the pasture of horned
cattle and sheep, this being the only property they
possess, for which purpose they need an ample
extent as from want of rain the grass and
pasturage gives out. The place most convenient
for town commons, grazing lands, pasture and
commons of the towns they consider to be in the
immediate neighborhood, which, besides there being
none superior, affords greater convenience for
allowing to all settlers the liberty of letting
their cattle run out from their very houses
into the commons without fear that any private
person may feel injured or make complaint
when they cannot take them out to the tract
or survey especially belonging to them, until
all may be prepared to settle in the towns and
build houses on the town lots to be assigned to
them, without on this account abandoning their
respective stations or ranches where they at
present reside, in case the Commissioners may
consent to grant to them their Porciones so
as to comprise within the same their houses
and cultivated lands around them, which
course deponents respectfully recommend
in their own names and in the names of
their fellow citizens for whom they act, as
likewise that the Town commons and the grazing
lands be granted of sufficient extent on
account of the aridity of the country as
represented, otherwise that the applicants
be treated on an equality without any distinc=
=tion, as all of the twenty four families re=
=siding on the other side of the River are either
original settlers or descendants and near relatives
of such, as is presumed of those residing on this
side, moreover they do not consider any one
to be entitled to any particular preference
with the exception of the acknowledged merit
of the Captain, who came here at first to
settle at his own expense, as did the other
inhabitants on both sides of the River,

who to the present time have never received any assistance nor caused any expense to the Royal Treasury. That the only possible advantage they can obtain will be that their several Porciones may point on the River, even if they have to be made narrow in order to make room for all the parties as there is no other water as represented, and what they now report to the Commissioners to be the desire of the community and wherein the deponents fully concur as convenient. And this is what they have to say, and for all their statements they refer to their oath, and subscribe these presents with us and our assisting witnesses. Palacio. = Osorio. = José Martinez de Soto Mayor. = Tomas de Cuellar. = Witness. Duran. = Witness Federico Losada.

Decree

For the survey of the Town Commons, and the quantity of land granted to each inhabitant.

In view of the foregoing directions and proceedings, we set apart for Town Commons, grazing lands and pastures properly belonging to the Town, one league around its center measured to the four cardinal points of the compass and we declare for their limits — On the South the (5000) five thousand varas which were measured to the place called San Francisco de Paula; on the East, the Arroyo del Mal Paso; on the North the Laguna de Abajo, and on the West, on the other side of the River, the place called San Gregorio, marked out as hereinbefore reported by the Surveyors, who for better evidence shall run out this said district to the banks of the River on the other side, for the use and benefit of the community, who may exact and impose such regulations as may be deemed conducive to the best interests of the public

And thereafter they will survey for each

of the registered individuals on this and the other side of the River, to the number of sixty seven, two sitios of sheep pasture land (dos sitios de ganado menor) for grazing purposes, and twelve caballerias of land for cultivation, which quantity we assign and adjudicate to each of them equally in consideration of the dryness and aridity of the lands, and their having formed a settlement at this place without any assistance in the expense, equally to each without any distinction, as no one has proven any particular merit, and we only double the amount to the Captain, he being the fourth; which said survey they shall begin at one of the four corners on the margin of the River, making the said Porciones narrow enough to accomodate a greater number of citizens in the manner and form requested, and for this purpose they will survey (although the figures become irregular) for each a front of twenty customary cords, which make one thousand varas, and with a depth of thirty thousand, being equal to six leagues, fully complete the amount aforesaid; adding unto those Porciones, which for want of space or any other good reason, cannot be laid off except upon the outside of the Town Commons, two hundred varas more in front, which supply the unavoidable deficiency of four thousand varas in depth they suffer on account of the same being comprised within the said Commons; and they will not forget to include within the tracts thus adjudicated to the parties interested their habitations and the lands in cultivation around the same whenever this is practicable, and persons not possessing any such shall take their share in the vicinity of the said stations or ranches, or they shall draw lots for them in order to avoid complaints; and for this purpose they shall number each of said Porciones, so that a sufficient quantity of

territory may remain within the aforementioned boundaries in the event that a settlement of Indians be formed or that the Indians be collected into a Mission within the said jurisdiction, or that other settlers may be admitted to have lands furnished them for cultivation and sustenance which was the motive that induced us to lay off this district without parsimony. And after effecting this, they will likewise proceed to survey and stake off the public square of the town in proportion to its size and the number of its inhabitants, to designate town lots for public and private buildings, all of which is to be carried out in conformity with the qualifications and conditions to be prescribed whenever the provisions herein made have been complied with and completed. Thus we have decreed, subscribing hereunto with our assisting witnesses at Laredo on the seventeenth day of June A.D. 1767. = Palacio. = Osorio. = Witness Vicente Duran = Witness Federico Losada.

Notice to the Surveyors.

And having now called before us Don Domingo Davoada and Prudencio Garcia, the appointed Surveyors, we read to them the foregoing decree, to execute it in conformity with its provisions, whereof they took notice, and declared that they would comply with the same as nearly as possible. The said Davoada has subscribed hereunto, but not the said Prudencio, because of not knowing how, and so have we subscribed with our assisting witnesses: Palacio. = Lic. Osorio. = Domingo Davoada. = Witness: Duran. = Witness: Federico Losada.

Survey of the several tracts and the Commons on the other side.

At the said Town and on the 28th of said month and year, the appointed Surveyors came before us and said: That they had employed the afternoon of yesterday, desirous of complying

with the instructions received and the Decree of which they had been informed on the morning of the 17th, and that having passed the night before last at the Cañada Verde, they commenced on yesterday in the morning, measuring first one hundred cords from the other side and margin of the River opposite to this place to a spot named El Rodillito on a South course, which makes five thousand varas; and having thence returned to the center, they measured the same distance with the margin of the River to the North, coming to a place called Arroyo de la Joya, where they completed and staked out the limits of one league for the Town Commons properly so called.

And thence they proceeded North to the extreme limits of the lands set apart, assisted and accompanied by some of the inhabitants interested who have their cattle stations and small ranches in the said vicinity. Arriving at the place called La Seja, they commenced to survey the several Porciones, and measured off South twenty cords, which compose one thousand Mexicans varas, where they placed a stake and ditch for corner in evidence, and which with thirty Thousand varas in depth and one thousand in width compose the Porcion to each settler.

No. 1. Within this survey José Antonio Flores has a house (Jacal), cattle-pen and other personal property, all of which was included in the survey, and in conformity with the Decree communicated to the deponents, was adjudicated to the said Flores, he being personally present, and expressing himself as satisfied and thankful.

No. 2 Adjoining the stake and ditch aforesaid they surveyed a tract of the same size of twenty cords, making one thousand Mexican varas, following the same course South along the margin of the River, and having measured it off, made a ditch for corner mark, and with the thirty thousand

varas in depth and one thousand on the other front, this makes two sitios of sheep pasture land and twelve caballerias of land assigned to each individual. Within this survey was included a ranch with a smale lot of cultivated ground which Xavier Peña declared to belong to him, which was confirmed by his neighbors and known also to José Prudencio Garcia, and in virtue of the orders governing these proceedings, they informed him that this Porcion would be adjudicated to him in property upon which he declared that he thankfully accepted the same.

No 3 Adjoining to this they surveyed twenty cords more upon the same course, which compose the one thousand Mexican varas and having completed said quantity, left a ditch for demarcation and with thirty thousand varas in depth and one thousand on the other front, this constitutes the quantity assigned to each individual. Within this survey is the ranch of José Jesus Peña as stated by the bystanders. He was notified that this survey was adjudicated to him in virtue of the order governing these proceedings, and well satisfied, he accepted it.

No 4. Adjoining the foregoing they made another survey, measuring off the same twenty cords, which make one thousand Mexican varas, running South with the margin of the River and having completed the same, marked it with a ditch, and with the thirty thousand varas in depth and one thousand on the opposite front, this completes the quantity assigned to each individual. The boundaries of this survey comprehend a ranch, which Miguel Martin declared to be his, wherein he was sustained by the bystanders. They informed him of the order under which they acted not to despoil any parties of their improvements and thereby adjudicated this survey to him, wherewith he remained well contented and satisfied.

No 5. Thence adjoining to the said demarcation they measured other twenty cords, making one thousand Mexican varas, continuing on the same course and margin of the River, after having completed this they made a ditch for a distinct demarcation, and with the thirty thousand varas in depth and one thousand on the other front, they completed the quantity allowed to each individual. Within this survey is comprehended a Ranch with improved lands, which Nicolas de la Garza showed to be his and prayed to have the same adjudicated to him, but as his name does not appear in the registry or census roll, containing the twenty four families residing on the other side of the river, we suspended our action, first to report to the Commissioners present, as we hereby do in compliance with the duty incumbent upon us and the orders received.

No 6. Following the same course and margin of the River on the other side, we measured twenty cords more, which make one thousand Mexican varas and with a depth of thirty thousand varas and one thousand on the other front, completed the Porcion assigned to each individual. Within this survey no settlement ranch or improvements were comprehended, but Tomas de Cuellar, Senior, presented himself as an applicant for the same, this not being to the injury of any other party nor any cause for discord, upon which they allowed him to take possession of the same and adjudicated it to him in conformity with their instructions, unless the Commissioners for some just motive should order to the contrary.

No 7. Adjoining to the aforesaid, having made a ditch for demarcation, they measured on the same course and margin of the River twenty cords more, which make one thousand Mexican varas, and with thirty thousand varas in

depth and one thousand on the other front complete the Porcion assigned to each individual This survey does not comprehend any ranch nor improvment, nobody applied for it, and it remained vacant.

Nº 8. Following the same South course and margin of the River they measured twenty cords more which make the said one thousand Mexican varas, and with thirty thousand varas in depth and one thousand on the other front compose an aforementioned Porcion. This survey does not contain any particular ranch, it was not applied for, but was marked out according to the orders.

Nº 9. After this they measured twenty cords, which make the one thousand Mexican varas, and with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the other front, complete the Porcion established. remained vacant not bring applied for.

Nº 10. In the same manner they measured twenty cords more, which make the one thousand Mexican varas, and with thirty thousand varas in depth and one thousand on the other front, complete the established Porcion; this survey remained vacant like the foregoing for the same cause.

Nº 11. In one form they executed a like survey, which they marked out and left vacant as the foregoing.

Nº 12 In the same manner they made another survey as directed, which remained unoccupied for the same reason.

Nº 13. Adjoining thereto on the same course and margin of the River, they measured twenty cords, which make one thousand Mexican varas and with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the other front, complete the amount allowed to each individual, marking the limits

with ditches; within the survey was comprehended a lot of ground improved by Don Pedro Garcia, as he showed and as was affirmed by the persons present and as is known to be the case to deponent José Prudencio Garcia; he was in conformity with the orders directed to take possession of this survey, unless ordered to the contrary, of which he remained well contented and satisfied

Nº 14. In the same manner they continued on the same course and margin of the river, measuring twenty cords more, which make one thousand Mexican varas, and with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand in width, compose the designated Porcion; they marked its limits and within the same is a Rancho of Salvador Gonzales Hidalgo, with improved grounds as he and the bystanders stated, and as is known to Prudencio Garcia; they gave him this survey in charge to keep unless it should be resolved otherwise

Nº 15. Thereafter they measured other twenty cords on the margin of the river, making one thousand Mexican varas, making with thirty thousand varas in depth and one thousand on the other front the Porcion assigned to each individual, marking the limits; it does not contain any station nor rancho, but Joaquin Cavasos, one of the residents on the other side of the river, presented himself praying to be allowed to take this survey for his Porcion, to which the deponents assented in conformity with the order under which they act, provided the Commissioners should not order to the contrary.

Nº 16 Adjoining to the foregoing survey they measured the twenty cords, which make one thousand Mexican varas, and with a depth of thirty thousand varas and one

thousand on the other front, constitute a Porcion as aforesaid; they marked the survey & although it does not contain any station or improve=
=ment, Don Blas de Jesus Sanchez, resident of the town, presented himself applying for the same as his Porcion; your deponents replied granting the same unto him in accordance with the orders under which they acted.

Nº 17. Adjoining to the above they measured twenty cords, which make one thousand Mexican varas and with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the other front compose the said designated Porcion; they marked this survey which does not comprehend any improvements nor was it applied for, and consequently it remained vacant.

Nº 18. Thereafter they survey a like Porcion, which does not comprehend any improvements, nor was it applied for, and remained vacant.

Nº 19. Continuing their work on the same course and margin of the river, they measured twenty cords, which make one thousand Mexican varas, and with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the other front, constitute the quantity assigned to each individual; there is no improvement on this survey, and not being applied for it remained vacant.

Nº 20 Continuing under the same order of survey they surveyed this Porcion as required; not comprehending any improvement and remaining vacant in consequence.

Nº 21 After this they measured off the same twenty cords which make one thousand Mexican varas, and with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand varas for front, compose the Porcion assigned to each individual. They marked it out. There are no improvements on it and nobody applied for it.

Nº 22. On the same course and bank of the River they measured off adjoiningly a like survey with a front of one thousand varas, which does not comprehend any Ranch nor cul=tivated ground and remained unoccupied.

Nº 23. In like manner they measured off and marked another thousand varas adjoining, there is no cultivation nor improvement on it, the same was not applied for and remained vacant.

Nº 24. They measured twenty cords, which make one thousand Mexican varas and with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the opposite front, complete the designated Porcion, having marked the same and no one having claimed or shown any right thereto, it remained vacant.

Nº 25. Following the same course and margin of the River, they measured the same number of cords to make one thousand Mexican varas, and then added four cords more in order to make up the deficiency of fifty thousand varas in depth which quantity being com=prised within the Commons, necessarily is wanting in the depth, and which together with the one thousand varas aforesaid, by twenty fifty thousand varas in depth and twelve hundred on the other front, compose a Porcion and supply the amount taken up by the Commons. They marked the same and Tomas de Cuellar made application for it, this tract adjoining the one claimed by his relation Don José Martin, to which request your deponents acceded in con=formity with the orders received.

Nº26. In the same manner they measured off twenty four cords more on the same course and proper margin (of the commons) which make one thousand and two hundred varas, and with twenty five thousand in depth and one thousand and two hundred on the opposite front, complete a Porcion surveyed in rear of the commons. They marked this survey and within the same is comprehended a Rauch and stock farm of José Martin de Soto Mayor, who prayed to remain in possession of the same on account of the improvements, to which we assented in conformity with our instructions.

Nº27 After this they measured twenty four cords which make twelve hundred varas, in the rear of the commons, and which with twenty five thousand in depth and one thousand two hundred on the other front, compose a Porcion, They marked the same and within its boundaries is a Rauch improved by Antonio Lopez, as he stated and as was confirmed by the persons present, and as is likewise known to Prudencio Garcia, for which reason the request of the applicant was granted.

Nº28. In the same way the measured off twenty four cords again, which make one thousand and two hundred Mexican varas, and with twenty five thousand in depth and twelve hundred on the opposite front, complete a Porcion, in which is comprehended a Rauch with a small house and some improved ground, to which Nicolas Campos proved ownership, and this being confirmed by the bystanders and known to Prudencio Garcia, he was informed that he might take charge of this Porcion in conformity with the orders received.

No 29 After this, being unable to complete a sufficient Porcion in rear of the Commons, they passed back, continuing upon the same course, to the margin of the River, leaving the boundary marked vacant where the river makes a large bend that is comprehended and included in the Commons, because the said bend and an arroyo called "El Colloto" enclose the boundary and do not permit or give room for others: therefor proceeding as aforesaid, they measured off twenty cords, that make one thousand Mexican varas, which with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the other front, adjust the designated Porcion, this survey beginning from the boundary of the said Commons; it was marked and claimed by Joaquin Gutierrez to belong to him, he having his habitation and ranch nearby, as he is living with Don José Martinez, but as he is not registered in the census roll given to your Deponents, they suspend further action [illegible] to report to the Commissioners, which they hereby do, so that you may order whatever you may deem convenient.

No 30. Next adjoining to the above Porcion they surveyed twenty cords more, being one thousand Mexican varas, and with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the other front, compose a Porcion; they marked this Porcion, within the boundaries of which is a Ranch claimed by Francisco Xavier Oribe, wherein the Bystanders concurred, he applied for the same and it was granted unto him in conformity with our instructions

Nº 31. Without leaving any vacancy, They measured as many more cords, making the said one thousand varas on the same course which with thirty thousand varas in depth and one thousand on the other front, complete the said Porcion. Within this survey there were no improvements, but Juan Guerra applied for the same, as he lived with the said Oribe, and it was granted to him in accordance with our instructions, after being duly marked.

Nº 32. They continued measuring off the same number of cords, making one thousand Mexican varas, on the margin of the River which with a depth of thirty thousand and one thousand on the other front, make a Porcion. Blas Trevino applied for the same and it was granted to him under our instructions.

Nº 33. Continued in this manner, and measured off a like complete Porcion composed of one thousand varas on either front and thirty thousand varas in depth, fronting on the River. Gervacio Badillos applied for the same and it was granted to him according to orders.

Nº 34. They likewise surveyed another Porcion of one thousand varas on each front by thirty thousand in depth, marking it like the others with a ditch on the margin of the River, which survey at her request was granted to the widow, Francisca de Oribe in accordance with our instructions.

Nº 35. They continued surveying a like Porcion as designated for each individual and completed the same with one thousand varas on either front and thirty thousand in depth, which was applied for by Juan Francisco de Oribe, as he is living with his father; they marked this survey on the margin of the river and granted it to the applicant in conformity with their instructions.

No 36. They continued down the River, measuring off the like amount of twenty cords, or one thousand Mexican varas on the river bank which with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the other front, complete the quantity each settler is entitled to. They marked this survey on the margin of the River, and although Juan Diego Treviño applied to have it adjudicated to him, he was refused, not being named among the twenty four householders, in order first to report to the Commissioners, which they hereby do.

No 37. Continuing on their duty, they surveyed another Porcion composed of one thousand varas on each front by thirty thousand varas in depth; they marked the same on the River On this survey Carlos Mendiola has a Ranch and improvements as he showed, and prayed to have the same adjudicated to him, to which request we accord in conformity with our instructions

No 38. They continued the survey along the margin of the River, and with twenty cords completed one thousand Mexican varas, which with a depth of thirty thousand and one thousand on the opposite front, make the Porcion assigned to each individual; they marked this survey and being applied for by Juan Mendiola, it was granted to him in accordance with the orders under which they acted.

No 39. They then surveyed along the margin of the River one thousand Mexican varas more, making with thirty thousand varas in depth and one Thousand on the opposite front the designated Porcion; they marked this survey with a ditch, and being applied for by Juan Esteban Basquez, it was granted to him, subject to the order of the Commissioners.

No 40. Following the same course and margin of the River, they surveyed a like Porcion, fronting on the same, of one thousand Mexican varas, thirty thousand varas in depth and one thousand on the other front, marked the same with a ditch, and upon the application of Martin Morales, it was granted unto him by vertue of the orders under which they acted

No 41. Continued South along the margin of the River, measured twenty cords, making one thousand Mexican varas and which with thirty thousand varas in depth and one Thousand on the other front, make a full Porcion; they marked this survey with a ditch and although Jose Antonio Martinez in presence of the bystanders prayed to have the same adjudicated to him, they did not grant as requested, first reporting to the Commissioners as his name did not appear on the list of householders.

No 42 Immediately adjoining this Porcion and along the margin of the River they measured off twenty cords, which make one thousand Mexican Varas and with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the opposite front, complete the Porcion assigned to each individual they marked this survey with a ditch, and within its boundaries Marcus Mendiola has a Ranch and improvements, for the adjudication of which he applied, and being sustained herein by the bystanders and the fact likewise being known to deponent José Prudencio Garcia, it was granted unto him in conformity with our instructions.

No 43 And lastly they surveyed adjoining to the foregoing a like Porcion composed of one thousand Mexican varas, which with thirty thousand varas in depth and one thousand on the other front ~~of the same~~, complete the same, which they marked with a large post on the margin of

the river, and within the limits of which is comprehendrd a Rauch improvrd by Pedro Mendiola, who applied for the same, and it was granted to him undre the orders communicated.

These aforsaid shares and Porciones they havr surveyed, designated and marked, as referred to and registerd severally; and they havr proceedrd in the discharge of their duty being governed therein by the list of householders registerd on the other side of the River, and likewise by the verbal instructions given to them by the Commissioners present, and also by the resolutions and decrees made Known unto them; and they havr nothing more to add nor to ask with reference to this matter except that towards the South beyond the last survey, which is numbrd forty three (43), they left vacant and there now remain vacant three leagues (according to their estimate) where an Indian village can be foundrd, (if occasion should be), or where lands may be granted to any congregation of them in sufficiency for cultivation and improvement according to the pleasure of the Commissioners present, & the vacant surveys can be occupied by new settlers that may arrive and make their home here. And this is what they declard ratifying and confirming it in everything. Don Domingo Tavoada subscribrd hereunto but not Prudencio Garcia, who declard that he knew not how, and we havr also signed these presents with our assisting witnesses. = Palacio. = Ossorio. = Domingo Tavoada. = Witness, Vicente Duran. = Witness, Federico Losada.

Survey

Continued on this Side of the River

At the said Town on this the twenty-fifth day of the month and year aforesaid, personally appeared before us and our assisting witneses the appointed Surveyors, and they said: That on the morning of the twenty first they went out to pass the night at the extreme Northern portion of the District set apart for this Town, at a place called "La Cañada de los Jabonsillos", with the intention to survey the particular subdivisions of the single porcions in the manner provided and effected on the other side of the River, and carrying this into effect, they did begin the work on the morning of the twenty-second in the manner and form following:—

No. 1. From the demarcation forming the boundary of the said District they measured twenty cords along the margin of the River, which make one thousand Mexican varas, and with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the opposite front, complete the Porcion designated for each individual; they marked it with a ditch and it remained vacant.

No. 2. They continued, making a like survey, running on the same course from North to South and marked the thousand varas on the River bank; it did not contain any improvement and was not applied for.

No. 3. In the same way another full Porcion was marked out adjoining the foregoing; it remained vacant, not being applied for and does not contain any improvment.

No. 4. A like Porcion, following on the same course and along the margin of the River, was surveyed and marked. It remained vacant.

No. 5. Following on the same course and along the margin of the River a like Porcion remained unoccupied

No. 6. Adjoining thereto a like survey of an equal number of cords and varas was not claimed

No. 7. Another survey marked out like the foregoing remained unoccupied not being applied for.

No. 8. And likewise they surveyed another Porcion which remained unoccupied.

No. 9. Another on the same course composed of the same number of varas as the foregoing was marked out and remained vacant.

Nos. 10 & 11. Within another Porcion they commenced to survey they discovered a Ranch with a field and improvements which the bystanders together with José Prudencio Garcia declared to belong to the Captain of this Town, Don Tomas Sanchez, for which reason they measured off forty cords, making two thousand varas in width and with thirty thousand varas in depth and two thousand on the opposite front, complete two Porcions, which quantity the Commissioners have conferred upon him as the Captain, and which was duly marked on the River bank.

No. 12 Continued to survey another Porcion of one thousand Mexican varas along the margin of the river, which was completed with thirty thousand varas in depth and one thousand on the opposite front, which was marked and applied for by Santiago Sanchez, the son of the Captain

No. 13. Adjoining to the forgoing a like Porcion was surveyed, and having completed the same with one thousand Mexican varas on front and thirty thousand in depth, your deponents marked the same on the margin of the River; José (Miguel) Garcia applied for it, to whom they granted it in conformity with the orders under which they acted.

No. 14. Next thereto they marked another Porcion on the margin of the River, composed of one thousand Mexican varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth, and José Guajardo took it for his share.

No. 15. They completed another Porcion with the requisite number of Mexican varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth, which was allotted to your deponent José Prudencio Garcia, he being entitled to the same privilege as all the others.

No. 16. Continued surveying another Porcion of one thousand varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth and marked the same on the margin of the River: Don Domingo Garcia applied for this survey in order to be near his father-in-law, your deponent Jose Prudencio Garcia, who has a stock farm and improved land on the forgoing tract.

No. 17. Continued on the same course and surveyed a like Porcion of one thousand Mexican varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth; marked the same, and, at the request of José Rafael Garcia, granted the same to him as in other cases.

No. 18 Continued to measure off one thousand Mexican varas on the margin of the River, which with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the opposite front, complete a Porcion; and after being duly marked, upon application was granted to José de Bustamente.

No 19. Thereafter they surveyed another Porcion of one thousand Mexican varas on each front which with a depth of thirty thousand complete the same; it was marked upon the margin of the River, and, upon application, granted to Joaquin Garcia

No 20 They continued surveying another and marking the same on the margin of the River, which was Completed with one thousand Mexican varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth, and upon application granted to Bautista Garcia.

No 21. Surveyed another of one thousand Mexican varas on each front which completed the same with a depth of thirty thousand varas, and was marked on the margin of the River, for Leonardo Garcia who applied for the same.

No 22. Another, also of one thousand Mexican varas on each front and thirty thousand varas in depth, which they marked out on the margin of the River, and at the request of Doña Maria de Jesus Sanchez, the same was confirmed unto her, remembering Her petition to the Commissioners present.

No 23. Another upon the same course, of one Thousand Mexican varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth, was marked upon the banks of the River for Leonardo Sanchez who applied for the same on account of having thereon a Ranch and improved lands

No 24. Another survey, marked on the margin of the River, composed of one thousand Mexican varas front by thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the opposite front, contains a stock farm with improvements of Toribio Rodriguez who applied for its adjudication.

Nº25. Another surveyed and marked on the margin of the River, measuring twenty cords, which make one thousand Mexican varas, with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand on the opposite front was given in charge to Juan Francisco Garcia who applied for it.

Nº 26. Another composed of one thousand Mexican varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth, marked out on the margin of the River, comprehended within its limits a Rauch, to the improvements of which Agustin Sanchez showed his right, and so it was left to him in accordance with instructions

Nº 27. Another Porcion completed with one thousand two hundred varas and thirty thousand in depth, marked on the boundary line of the Commons remained in possession of Doña Maria Gertrudis Sanchez who applied for it.

Nº 28. Another bordering on the Commons, be=
=ginning at the foregoing, for which reason they gave it twenty four cords which make one thousand and two hundred Mexican varas, and with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand two hundred on the opposite front, complete the quantity, supplying the deficiency of the four thousand in depth, it was marked on the line of the Commons for Eugenio Martines who applied for it.

Nº 29. Another was laid off with one thousand and two hundred varas on either front and thirty thousand in depth, and marked on the line of the Commons; On this Porcion Juan Bautista Villareal has a stock farm, he applied for it and it was left in his possession.

No 30. Another full Porcion which they surveyed adjoining on the Commons measures one thousand and two hundred varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth comprehends a stock farm to which José Francisco Cordova Moreno showed his right and it was left in his possession.

No 31. Another Porcion for which they measured off twenty four cords making one thousand and two hundred Mexican varas on either front and complete the same with thirty thousand varas in depth, was marked on the line of the Commons, comprehends a stock-farm improved by Don José Treviño who applied for it and to whom it was granted.

No 32. Another also measuring twenty four cords, which make one thousand and two hundred Mexican varas and with thirty thousand in depth and one thousand and two hundred on the opposite front complete the quantity; it was marked out adjoining on the Commons, and Antonio Treviño applied for the same and obtained it.

No 33. Another full Porcion of one thousand and two hundred Mexican varas on either front and thirty thousand in depth was marked out adjoining on the Commons and remained the property of José Dionisio Treviño, who applied for it

No 34. Another surveyed with a front of one thousand and two hundred varas on each end and a depth of thirty thousand varas complete, was marked on the line of the Commons and granted to Jose Antonio Dias, who applied for the same.

No 35. Another Porcion completed with one thousand Mexican varas on either front and thirty thousand in depth was marked out on the margin of the River, running from North to South. Within its limits José Miguel Dias has a stock-farm and improvements and upon his application it was granted to him.

No 36. Another Porcion surveyed along the margin of the River measuring twenty cords or one thousand Mexican varas in front and thirty thousand varas in depth with one thousand on the opposite front was granted unto Lauriano Salinas at his request.

No 37 Another composed and completed of one thousand Mexican varas in front, thirty thousand in depth and one thousand varas on the opposite front was applied for by Jose Bautista Chapa and granted to him

No 38. Another surveyed upon the same course and marked on the margin of the River, laid off and completed with one thousand Mexican varas and thirty thousand in depth, the one thousand on either front, was applied for by Tadeo Sanchez and adjudicated to him.

No 39. Another surveyed with one thousand Mexican varas on either front and thirty thousand in depth was marked out on the margin of the River and remained for Jose Antonio Casaris, who applied for it.

No 40. Another surveyed on the margin of the River with twenty cords, which make one thousand Mexican varas and with thirty thousand varas in depth and one thousand on the opposite front complete the quantity; it was applied for by Manuel Garcia and granted to him.

Nº41. Another which they surveyed on the same course and marked on the margin of the River is composed of one thousand Mexican varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth, and was applied for by Eugenio Rodrigo Rodriguez

Nº42 Another laid off with one thousand Mexican varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth was marked on the margin of the River and being applied for by Eugenio Sanchez has been granted to him.

Nº43 Another which was completed with one thousand Mexican varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth was marked on the margin of the River, and granted to José Cayetano de la Garza at his request.

Nº44. Another surveyed on the same course and marked on the margin of the River was completed with one thousand varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth and was granted unto José Manuel Albino Martinez

Nº45. Another survey composed of one thousand varas on each front and thirty thousand in depth was measured and marked on the margin of the River and granted to Tomas José de Oribe.

Nº46 Another Porcion on the same course and along the margin of the River, laid
to off by measuring one thousand varas along the said margin and completed with
Nº59 a depth of thirty thousand and the opposite front of one thousand varas, does not contain
(inclusive) any improvements nor was there any application for the same; and in this

manner and direction, they continued on the said survey, dividing and setting apart the Porcions to the place called Cañada de San Andres, where the District assigned to this Town terminates towards the South, and there remain unoccupied fourteen Porcions, counting from this said one numbered forty six to the one numbered fifty nine, inclusively.

And having noticed that several individuals, although registered and enumerated in the Census roll as belonging on this side of the River, have failed to present themselves at the survey to demand their Porcions, they found upon inquiring: That Juan Diego Treviño, Jose Antonio Martinez and Blas Jesus Sanchez have taken theirs on the other side of the River; and your deponents, notwithstanding the remonstrances of the two individuals first named, have suspended their adjudication at the time they executed their officeal duties in that said locality, in order first to report to the Commissioners present, on account of their not being enumerated in the said list and Census roll. That Pedro de Alcantara has been expelled from this Village with his whole family; that to Pedro Salinas, Diego Jaz, Dionicio Duran and Cayetano Pena no Porcions have been adjudicated for the reason that these individuals do not intend to remain in this Town but to leave very soon and they do not want any; that Pedro Rodriguez neither has applied for any and this person is known by deponent José Policarpo Garcia to have settled here since last February; and that of all the forty three families, named in the list, ten being in the condition aforementioned, there remain thirty three, and adding to this number Doña Maria Jesus Sanchez, who has lately presented herself before the Commissioners present, and Jose Bartolo Chapa, but without servants and settled here,

this makes thirty four whose Persones they have surveyed, marked and adjudicated to them as above severally reported and enumerated, being governed in everything by the superior resolutions and directions. And at this time having appeared before us the said Don Juan Fernando Palacio, the aforementioned four individuals, convened by my orders, we enquired into their motives for not having taken their lands upon which they declared: that they had not applied for the same as it was not convenient and that it was their intention to leave this town, at which declaration were present the aforementioned surveyors who hereby confirm and ratify everything hereinbefore stated and reported as to the discharge of their duty and declare to have done the said work during the twenty first and twenty third not however the going from and returning to this Town, this being accomplished on the twenty first and the twenty fourth. Herrento has subscribed Don Domingo Tavoada, but not Jose Prudencio Garcia, who declared that he knew not how; and we also subscribed with the witnesses of our assistance. = Palacio. = Lic. Ossorio. = Domingo Tavoada. = Witness, Vicente Duran. = Witness, Federico Losada.

Survey of the Public Square.

And forthwith, we, conjointly with the aforesaid surveyors, proceeded to select a suitable spot for the Public Square and building lots for the public buildings thereunto belonging, and determined upon a level piece of ground situated in the center of the present settlement, concluded to lay it off prolonged into a square, and, considering the number of inhabitants and their probable increase, we deemed sufficient a length of one

hundred varas by a depth of eighty varas, in which are included twenty varas at each corner occupied by the outlets and entrances of their respective streets, with a width to each of ten varas in order to pass in and out unmolested on horseback (the customary exercise of the country); thus, it was surveyed and marked out with stakes visible and durable.

And upon the two squares fronting North and South, we laid off four lots of twenty varas in front and forty varas in depth for the better convenience of the owners that they may construct thereupon their pens and shelters where to keep their cattle and saddle horses; and as to the other two squares, to wit, fronting East and West, on the first named shall be erected and raised a Temple or Parish Church, for which we designate the necessary space and adjoining thereto the habitation of the Curate, leaving between them a small interval; and on the last mentioned the Municipal Buildings, Jail and Habitation of the Justice or Captain.

The other four lots shall follow from and adjoining those on the public square with an equal front and depth, laid out in squares shaped and arranged in the same manner and shall be portioned out among the settlers in the manner and form hereinafter provided, in witness of all of which we do subscribe hereto with the surveyor Don Domingo Tavoada, not however with José Prudencio Garcia, who declared that he knew not how, and with those of our assistance. Palacio. = Ossorio. = Don Domingo Tavoada. = witness, Duran. = = witness, Federico Losada.

Decree

Stating the conditions under which the lots and Lands are granted and may become forfeited.

We decide as adjudicated the Sixty-four Porcions, respectively, to the citizen settlers of this Town and its jurisdiction on this and the other side of the River in conformity and accordance with the Decree issued on the thirteenth of this month, and which the Surveyors have declared to have been granted at the time of the survey; Sixty two being in fee simple, being those occupied by individuals registered and enumerated in the Census roll, and the other two Porcions, being numbered five (5) and twenty nine (29) on the other side of the river, being occupied by individuals not appearing on the Census roll, only in usufruct; and all of them under the charges and conditions following:-

That each settler has to build a house on the town lot that may have fallen to his share within the term of two years under the penalty of losing the one and the other. That at no time shall they have the right to sell, bargain or alienate the same to any person belonging to the ecclesiastical order, or otherwise prohibited by law, under the same penalty. That they have to take actual possession within two months from and after the publication of this Decree, and for the purpose of executing its contents a full certified copy hereof with a literal record of all the proceedings in this matter shall be preserved, thereby to protect and secure the rights of the parties interested; and the Captain himself, or (in case of his inability and advanced age) the Lieutenant appointed by me, the said Don Juan Fernandez de Palacio, shall record the fact of such possession having been actually taken, erecting plain and durable corner marks on all the Porcions and shares surveyed and marked by the Surveyors,

thus to avoid all damage and injury to third parties, without making any charges for this performance; and all of the settlers shall portion out the townlots, continuing from those situated on the public square and surveyed yesterday, and after having completed the number corresponding to the number of the householders forming this town, lots shall be drawn by lottery by the person hereinbefore appointed, each party drawing his lot, of which he shall make a record of said proceedings, and ~~after having done so~~ shall inform each and every person of his obligation to build a house, and after having done so he shall remit a certificate showing that he has complied herewith, that, in case of non compliance, such proceedings may be taken as shall be required. The town lots shall each consist of twenty varas in front and forty in depth like those designated on the public square.

That on the remaining vacant Porcions the Justice shall settle such families as may immigrate with intent to live in this Town, pointing out to them a share or Porcion and a Town-lot for a house, but these shall not be adjudicated to them in fee simple until they have applied for and obtained a title or grant from the Supreme Court of this Kingdom, inasmuch as the Porcions remaining vacant within the District of the six leagues assigned to this Town have to be and by these presents are declared to be the King's property, and the concession made to the first settlers hereby closed; and that he the Justice shall enter their names with this distinction in the registry forthwith. And with regard to the other territory between the lands assigned to this Town and the Nueces river, subject to the jurisdiction of the said Town, they shall form part of the same district, which the said interested parties may use, which the Captain shall carry into effect as far as his improved stock-farm about twenty leagues distant.

That all the settlers are obligated as heretofore to the defense of the place in case of invasions with their arms and horses, notwith=standing the augmentation of their property may be more to their interest for the present; and in order to promote the public welfare and prosperity with the care and zeal required, they shall elect at the end of every year a Procurator General, who shall look after and protect the interests of the community, and who shall urgently require the citizens to comply with the terms aforesaid to secure the advantages held out to them, and punish those acting to the contrary, and also the Councilmen who shall aid and assist in the advancement of the place conjointly with the Justice; and this election shall be held by calling together all the householders and those of the citizens who shall receive the largest number of votes shall hold the said offices.

And first of all they shall dedicate their exertions with the greatest diligence and unanimity to the erection of a Temple in the designated place to worship God with greater reverence and piety, applying to this pious and christian object, if necessary, a portion of the lands set apart for the town in particular, by cultivating the same and applying and expending their produce for the said building, and thereto may be applied for the present the money collected at the canoe ferry opposite the Town, which money shall be safely deposited; and which ferry we do hereby declare the common property of the Town, for which reason the householders and inhabitants of the same shall not pay any charges at the crossing, but be responsible for the keeping the same in good order; and for Strangers crossing the River we fix the charge at two reals per head, and at one real for each Package of freight.

After this work (the Church) has been completed the proceeds shall be deposited for some other use necessary or convenient for the community, but shall not be distributed without the unanimous consent of the Justice, Council-men and Procurator General; all of which regulations they shall observe with the strictness required in matters of such importance for the benefit and advancement of the place, without deviating therefrom in the most trifling matter prescribed in the foregoing.

[The above is a copy of the original made for the use of the Court of this City. Laredo, October 17th A.D. 1842. =
Florencio Villarreal, President. = Tomas Flores, Secretary]

I John L. Haynes, Agent, appointed under the Act of the Legislature of the State of Texas, entitled "An Act to provide for the obtaining and transcribing of the several Acts or Charters founding the towns of Reynosa, Camargo, Mier and Guerrero, in the Republic of Mexico, and of Laredo in Texas, and making an appropriation for that purpose" Approved April 24th 1871, Do hereby certify that the foregoing Translation of the Charter founding the Village of Laredo in Texas, or Act of the Visit of the Royal Commissioner, Don Juan Fernando Palacio, Knight of the Order of Saint James, Commander of the Shield in the same, Field Marshal of the Royal Armies of His Majesty, Governor and Lieutenant of the Captain General of the Colony of New Santander, Sierra Gorda, their Missions, Fortresses and Frontiers, and Don José de Osorio y Llamas, Secretary of the Royal Councils, Appointed by the Marquis of Croix, Vice-Roy, Governor and Captain General of the Kingdom of New Spain, for the partition of lands to the original colonists of the

Village of San Augustin of Laredo, which partition was made in accordance with the laws and decrees cited in said Act of the Visit, contains a correct translation of the adjudications of lands to the said original colonists in the said Charter or Act of the Visit, a transcript of which in the Spanish language, duly certified by the Mayor of Laredo precedes the said translation. That the Act of Possession of the said adjudications does not now exist in the archives of the said town, the same having been lost or destroyed. And that the said transcript from the records and the translation thereof only contain the grants or adjudications of lands made to the original colonists thereof by the said Charter or Act of the Visit founding the Village of Laredo.

And I do hereby further certify that the annexed list contains a correct statement of the Porcion grants of the said Village of Laredo, showing the names of the original grantees of those Porcions this side the Rio Grande and the action of the Legislature of this State in the confirmation of the adjudications made in the Act of the Visit. And that the annexed table of land measurment is correctly copied from the "Ordenanzas de Tierras y Aguas" or ordinances in relation to lands and waters under the Spanish and Mexican Governments

Given under my hand at the City of Austin, Texas, this the 6th day of November A.D 1871.

J. L. Haynes

Agent

List

Of the Lando Porcions this side the Rio Grande, with names of the Original Grantees, to whom confirmed and the act of the Legislature confirming the same:

No of Porcion	Original Grantees	To whom confirmed	By what Act.
	The Town: Town Commons, 50 Labors,	To the Mayor of Lando	Act of Sept 4th 1850.
1	Vacant	Town of Lando	" Feby 8th 1860
2	"	" "	" " "
3	"	" "	" " "
4	"	" "	" " "
5	Granted after the Act of the Visit	Cristoval Benavides	" Sept 4th 1850.
6	" "		" Feby 10th 1852 (Confirmation ct of 13 Webb)
7	" "	Blas Maria Dias	
8	" "		
9	" "		
10	Captain Tomas Sanchez	To the Orginal Grantee	Act Sept 4th 1850.
11	Same	"	" "
12	Santiago Sanchez	not confirmed.	
13	José Miguel Garcia	To the Or. Grantee	Sept 4th 1850
14	José Guajardo	" " "	" " "
15	Jose Prudencio Garcia	" " "	" " "
16	Domingo Garcia	To Dolores Garcia	" Feby 10/52 ct 6.
17	José Opal Garcia	" Dolores Garcia	" " " "
18	Jose de Bustamente	" Original Grantee	" Sept 4th 1850
19	Joaquin Garcia	" " "	" Feby 10/52 No 11
20	Bautista Garcia	" " "	" " "
21	Leonardo Garcia	" " "	" " "
22	Maria de Jesus Sanchez	" " "	" " No 10.
23	Leonardo Sanchez	" " "	" Sept 4th 1850
24	Toribio Rodriguez	" " "	" " "
25	Juan Francisco Garcia	" " "	" " "
26	Agustin Sanchez	" " "	" " "
27	Maria Gertrudis Sanchez	" " "	" " "
28	Eugenio Martinez	not confirmed	
29	Juan Bautista Villarreal	not confirmed	
30	Jose Fnco Cordova Moreno	not confirmed	
31	José Trevino	To the Orginal Grantee	Act of Sept 4th 1850
32	Antonio Trevino	" " "	" " "
33	José Dionisio Trevino	not confirmed	
34	Jose Antonio Dias	not confirmed.	
35	José Miguel Dias	To the Orginal Grantee	Act Feby 10th 1852. No 4
		Also to Joaquin Cuellar	" " " No 12

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List of Lands Porciones continued.

No.	Orginal Grantee	To whom confirmed	By what Act.
36	Lauriano Salinas	not confirmed.	
37	Jose Bartolo Chapa	" "	
38	Tadeo Sanchez	" "	
39	Jose Antonio Casario	To Juan Sanchez	Act Sept 4th/50
40	Manuel Garcia	not confirmed	
41	Eugenio Rodrigo Rodriguez	To the Orginal Grantee	" Sept 4th/50
42	Eugenio Sanchez	" " "	" " "
43	Jose Cayetano de la Garza	" " "	" " "
44	José Manuel Albino Martinez	" Dolores Garcia	Feby 10th 1852
45	Tomas Jose de Oribe	" Dolores Garcia	(Confd Act 5 1852)
46	Granted after act of the Visit	" Blas Trevino	" Feby 10/52 No 8.
47	Vacant	" Town of Lands	" Feby 8th 1860
48	Vacant	" " "	"
49	Vacant	" "	"
50	Vacant	" "	"
51	Vacant	" "	"
52	Vacant	" "	"
53	Granted after act of the Visit	Leonardo Sanchez (Act 45)	Sept 4 th/50
54	" "	" Basilio Benavides	" Sept 4th/50
55	Vacant	" Town of Lands	" Feby 8th 1860
56	Granted after Act of the Visit	" Jose Antonio Trevino	" Feby 10/52 No 9.
57	" "	" Manuel Garza	" " No 2
58	" "	" Jose Maria de la Garza	" " "
59	" "	" Pablo Mendiola	" " "

Note: The Porcions from No 10 to No 45 inclusive (on this side the Rio Grande) were granted to several original settlers thereon in the Act of the Visit. Others from No 1 to No 10 and from No 45 to the last No (59) were afterwards granted to different settlers (of which the records were incomplete) — those from No 45 being indifferently granted as No 46, (the number succeeding the last grant in the Act of the Visit), or by the names by which they were known, as "Paraje de Abiones", which is Porcion No 55. There are eleven Vacant Porciones or tracts which were never granted to any individual settler, all of which were confirmed to The Town of Lands for school purposes by the Act of Feby 8th 1860.

J. J. Haynes
Agent.

Table

That contains the principal divisions which are made in Lands surveyed in the field, with an explanation of the names which it is customary to give them, according to the ordinances for the survey of sites and stock ranches for large and small stock enacted by the Supreme Government and their observance commanded by His Excellency Don Gaston Peralta, according to the testamentary tables published by Don Mariano Ontiveros in 1827, from which are taken this table.

[Ordenanza de Tierras y Aguas page 119]

Names given to the Tracts of Land	Sides of the figure in Mexican Varas		Superficial Area
	Latitude	Longitude	in Square Varas.
Sitio de Ganado mayor = League of pasture Land for large stock [cattle & horses]	5.000	5.000	25.000.000.
Sitio de Ganado menor = League of pasture land for small stock (Sheep & Goats)	3.333⅓	3.333⅓	11.111.111⅑.
Criadero de Ganado mayor = Breeding ranch for large stock	2.500	2.500	6.250.000.
Criadero de Ganado menor. = Breeding ranch for small stock	1.666⅔	1.666⅔	2.777.777.
Caballeria de Tierra. = A Knights share for each of his servants	1.104	.552	609.408.
Huerta ó Suerte de Tierra = Garden or orchard Tract	.552	.276	152.352.
Solars para Casa, ordinio, ó renta = Town lots for houses, mills &c	.50	.50	2.500.
Fanega de siembra de maiz = Field for planting 3 bushels corn	.376	.184	50.784.
Fundo legal para Pueblos. = Legal Area for Villages	1.200	1.200	1.440.000.
Labor de Tierra (as fixed by the Laws of colonization in Tamaulipas, Texas &c) Labor of land	1.000	1.000	1.000.000.
Porcion, of Laredo, fixed by the Act of the Visit, consists of two sitios of Ganado menor and twelve Caballerias of land, equivalent to 30 Labors			30.000.000.

Cordel. = The Cord, for the survey of pasture lands, shall consist of fifty Mexican Varas. = Ordenanza de Tierras y Aguas, p 67.

J. Hayne Agent

Alphabetical List of Laredo Porcions this side of the Rio Grande with Names of the Original Grantees.

№ of Porcion	Page.	Original Grantees	Remarks.
33.	95	Badillos, Gervacio	
39	96.	Basquez Juan Estevan	
18	101	Bustamente José	
15	90	Carvajal, Joaquin	
28	93	Campos Nicolas	
27	105	Chapa Jose Barleto	
18	101	De Bustamente, José	
5	88	De la Garza, Nicolas	
6	88	De Cuellar, Tomas, Senior	
25	92	De Cuellar, Tomas	
34	95	De Orive Francisca	
35	95	De Oribe, Juan Francisco	
34	104	Dias, Jose Antonio	
35	105	Dias, Jose Miguel	
43	106	De la Garza, Jose Cayetano	
45	106	De Oribe Tomas Jose	
1	86.	Flores Jose Antonio	
40	105	Garcia, Manuel	
25	103	Garcia, Juan Francisco	
13	89	Garcia, Pedro	
29	94.	Gutierrez Joaquin	
31	95	Guerra Juan	
13	101	Garcia Manuel	
14	101.	Guajardo, José	
15	101.	Garcia José Prudencio	
16	101	Garcia Domingo	
17	101	Garcia Jose Lpaz	
19	102	Garcia Joaquin	
20	102	Garcia Bautista	
21.	102	Garcia Leonardo	

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28	103	Martines, Eugenio	
43	97	Mendiola Pedro.	
4	87	Martin Jose Jesus.	
37	96	Mendiola Carlos	
38	96	Mendiola Juan	
40	97	Morales Martin	
41	97	Martinez José Anton	
30	97	Moreno Francisco Cordova	
44	106	Martinez José Manuel Alvis	
39	105	Nazario Jose Antonio	
30	94	Oribe Francisco Javier	
34	95	Orive Francisco	
45.		Tomas Jose Oribe	
2	87	Peña Javier	
3	87	Peña Jose Jesus	
24	102	Rodriguez Toribio	
41	106	Rodriguez Eugenio Rodrigo	
16	91	Sanchez Blas de Jesus	
26	93	Soto Mayor Jose Martin	
10 & 11	100	Sanchez Thomas	
12	100	Sanchez Santiago	
22	102	Sanchez Jesus	
23	102	Sanchez Leonardo	
26	103	Sanchez Augustin	
27	103	Sanchez Maria Gertrudis	
36	105	Salinas Lawrencio	
38	105	Sanchez Tadeo	
42	106	Sanchez, Eugenio	

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33	104	Trevino, Joseph Dionisio	
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29	Juan Baptista Villereal
30	Jose Francisco Cordova Moreno
31	Jose Trevino
33	Jose Dionisio Trevino
34	Jose Antonio Diaz
36	Laureano Salinas
37	Jose Bantolo (Chapa)
38	Toledo Sanchez
39	Jose Antonio Navarro
47	City of Laredo
48	City of Laredo
53	Leonardo Sanchez
57	Jose Maria de la Garza
58	Manuel Garza