

BANC MSS C-A 25 — Provincial Records (Tomos VIII–X), Tomos VIII–X

Finding aid · 49 records · 1800–1820 · Archives of California: A Documentary Calendar of the Savage Transcripts

Provenance. Thomas Savage's 1876–77 copies (for H.H. Bancroft) of the Spanish- and Mexican-era government records of Alta California, made at the U.S. Surveyor-General's office; the originals burned in the 1906 San Francisco fire, leaving these transcripts the sole record. Manuscripts: Bancroft Library, University of California, Berkeley (BANC MSS C-A 25); digitized microfilm on the Internet Archive (168036074_80_7_2). This calendar is an independent, AI-assisted index with published error rates — verify any record against the manuscript scan before citing (searchable, with scan links: archivesofcalifornia.com). **Coverage:** PARTIAL (corrected 2026-07-21, was mislabeled 'complete'): only Tomos IX–X gap-read (scans ~n250–526). TOMO VIII (scans no–n249, ~250 leaves) NEVER READ — Phase-1-class gap (early Prov. Rec., ~21 unmatched Bancroft cites waiting). Catalog tomo/series fields previously understated the volume as 'IX' Prov. St. Pap.

Date

Tomo IX begins

Catalina at Sta. Quintín; war France/England; foreign transients; warship request

Anglo-American vessels; lack of force; miserable state of SF presidio

Otter skins — Catalina at Sta. Quintín full narrative

Draft dispatches: no commerce to foreigners; SF presidio; surgeon shortage

'Estado deplorable de Presidios de Sⁿ Diego y Sⁿ Francisco'

Full military assessment — batteries, artillery, manning, abandonment

Catalina still at Sta. Quintín; reinforcements from San Diego

Artillery supplies; Alexander otter seizure; physician Mayos

Governor's analysis: ship tactics, Hawaiian settlements, Vancouver ref

Battle at Sta. Catalina; Sargento Salgado wounded

Tomo X title page: 'Provincial Records, Vol. X, 1800–1822'

1806–1807 San Juan Capistrano, San Diego — orders, cadets, boundary question

Fr. Miguel López death; Bárbara Gandiaga execution; Alta-Baja boundary dispute

1808–1810 Monterey/Loreto — routine accounts, retirements

Salgado legal proceedings; 1813–1815 correspondence

Date

SPAIN-RUSSIA WAR ORDER (1806); silver extraction; Catalanian Volunteers

Arms inventory; COASTAL DEFENSES INSUFFICIENT (1800); Anglo-French war

Brig "Betsy"; sick missionaries

Miguel López investigation; American ship arrived; SD battery bad condition

Royal orders; "Horcastas"; 3 ships in view; road north impossible

American frigate "Enterprise"; dispatches; Catalanian Volunteers retirement

1817 — Catalanian arms repair; routine Solá admin

1818–1819 — provisional commissions; prison reports

1819 — personal correspondence, deaths, postings

1819 — accounts, plague reports

CORSAIR — 95 men, 18,000 pesos (1819); José Bandini accounts

De la Guerra appointment; brig "Ruperto" at San Pedro; fleet at port

1820 — routine Solá correspondence; Holy Oils

1820 — lack of resources; deaths; proposals

Captain Ñíga — 35,000 pesos in goods; ship dispatches

1809/1820 — mixed dates; accounts; travel orders

1812–1815 — fugitives; regulations; receipts

1802–1803 Arrillaga-era correspondence; transfers

Schooner + foreigners; cannons to San Diego; 'fin'

Date

1818-04-03

1810-06-28

c.1805 (register items 12–18 + Octubre 3; year inferred — the license pairs with the 1805 Argüello–Sal marriage docs, Prov. St. Pap. XIX (C-A 12 sav 40))

1810-04-26 – 1810-05-31 (register; chronology fixed by d37 = leaf 122-3, 28 June 1810)

1810-10-26 – 1811-01-30 (register)

1811-05-29 – 1811-09-27 (register)

c.1811-12 – 1812-05-29 (register; + the 1812-02-04 governor-to-viceoy letter beginning on this leaf)

Date

[1813]-09-07 & [1813]-10-16 (register; year inferred from content — the Flora/Noé capture and 'Americano Jorge' = the Mercury affair, June 1813+)

1813-10-14 Monterey

1813-02-01 (Argüello) · sin fecha (índice) · 1815-09-05 (Sola's first borrador)

[1815]-10-03 & [1815]-11-03 (Sola borradores; year from the section heading at leaf 134)

[Marzo?] 6 & 10, [1816?] (register; the month token reads 'Mzo[?]; year bounded 1815-16 — after Sola's Sept-1815 arrival, before leaf 137's Feb-1816 run; the events = the Sept-1815 Il'men captures, reported/consolidated he

Diciembre 29 [1815?] · 1816-02-05 (register)

1816-03-05 (la calamidad de la tropa) · 1816-04-05 (sobre motivos, Sola al Virrey)