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Date	Doc	Record	Orig. p.	Scan
1822-04-09→11	1	the acta 'En el Presidio de Monty á nueve días del mes de Abril de mil ocho cientos veinte y dos, el Sr Gobernador... Solá...' confirmed. 'Jura la Independencia de México': ...	1–4	n1
1822	2	Facsimile signatures of the independence-acta signers (Solá, de la Guerra, Argüello, Navarrete, Portilla, Estudillo, Gómez, Payeras, Sarria, Estudillo *voc. secretario*)...	5½	n6
1822-04	3	Election of California's Diputado to the Mexican Constituent Congress: the electors — Francisco de Castro (Branciforte/S. José + missions SF/S. José/Sta Clara/Sta Cruz),...	6–7	n7
1822-04-11	4	the founding session — incl. a 1822 census: California = 24,990 habitantes, of whom 21,196 'nuevos ciudadanos' (neophytes) in the 20 Misiones and 2,994 = the 4 presidial...	9–11	n10
1822-11-12	5	its first LAW — 'Ley sobre derechos de algunos efectos': an excise/duty schedule — aguardiente 10 p/barrel, wine 5 p, etc., on goods sold to foreign ships or exported; t...	11–16	n12
1824-01-08	6	'Plan de Gobierno': a 4-member commission's framework of provincial government — debated, 'ilustrado,' and voted approved in all its parts by the Diputados; signed by Lu...	17–21	n18
1824-01-23	7	'Colectación de contribuciones': resolves to elect an Administrador General of the province's taxes/duties, seated at the capital (Monterey); unanimously names Tte. grad...	21–26	n22
1824-01-28	8	'Escasez de Religiosos': P. Presidente Sarria attends & raises the friar-shortage — the religiosos 'eran los únicos habitantes... que podían desempeñar este oficio' & were...	27	n28
1824	9	debate on the aguardiente-from-Spain duty (prohibited by the 8-Jan Plan de Gobierno); a fine mooted; resolve to 'exponerlo todo al soberano Congreso'	33–34	n34
1824-09-14	10	session applying a 25% duty to foreign ships/goods & barring the export of coin from the province	35–39	n35
1824-12-02	11	'Sobre derechos á buques por introducción de efectos': unanimously obliges all commerce ships to pay duty on goods introduced to the interior	39	n40
1824-11-11	12	procedural: 1st vocal José Arus warns he can't attend if the sessions aren't opened by January; resolution proposed	62–63	n42
1825-03-26	13	'Jura de la Constitución Federal de México de 4 Oct 1824': jefe político Luis Antonio Argüello having received the 1824 Federal Constitution, the Diputación swears it — ...	41–46	n42
1824-01-28→	14	the mission-temporalities debate (cont. of the 'Escasez de Religiosos' session): whether to name a lay administrator over the mission caudales/temporalidades; P. Preside...	47–48	n46
1825	15	the Reglamento Interior (rules of procedure): numbered *Capítulos/artículos* on how sessions run — read & approve the prior acta; weekly commission reports by seniority;...	49–54	n49

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1825	17	the liquor-tax regulation (Capítulos: on who pays — every barrel-owner incl. domestic vintners; on who collects — the Ayuntamientos' síndicos, or the Habilitados where n...	57–62	n56
1827-07-07	18	the 1827 liquor-contribution collection rules (land liquors: p./barrel + 20 r. wine in Mont./SF jurisdiction; \$10 aguardiente/\$5 wine in Mont./SB/LA/SD; *Angélica* count...	63–64	n62
1827	19	the 15% *derecho de internación* (internal-goods duty) debated & attacked as 'un abuso... tan gravoso á los infelices habitantes' (no Aduana Terrestre ever existed here); ...	65–70	n66
1827	20	debate on prohibiting foreign liquors to promote local vineyards ('dar fomento á sus plantíos de viñas') — the arancel prohibitions 'aquí... son benéficas'	71–72	n72
1827-08-09	21	the Reglamento de Ganados (cattle/branding law): who may own a *hierro* & brand (only rancho-holders; others use *marca y señal*); no saddling another's horse (\$10 fine)...	73–79	n74
1827-09-04	22	'Nombramiento de vocales': the Ayuntamiento + Diputación elect new vocales — Alf. Franco. Pacheco, Subte. Juan José Rocha, Alcalde José Castro, Antonio Monras[?], & Cade...	80 (/118–119)	n81
1827-09-11	23	reads an oficio from the Ayuntamiento de Los Angeles	80	n81
1827	24	a note to the P. Prefecto to require a school in each mission; + cattle-reglamento arts. 13–15 (mustang-roundup rules; LA/S. José/Branciforte herd limits of one *manada*...	81–87 (/115–117)	n82
1827	25	presidio-supply finance debate: Comisario Herrera — no ship to haul the Santa Cruz seeds to feed the troops; the President proposes buying mules/recua (\$200) & funding a...	88–90	n89
1827-09	26	the José María Herrera embezzlement investigation ('mala versación de caudales'): vocal Bandini lays out the Ministry of Hacienda's manifesto on the treasury funds sent...	91–100	n92
1827-09-19	27	the majority votes to suspend Herrera (Estrada & 2 others recuse as witnesses) + 'Toma de juramento' — the new Diputados Pacheco, Rocha & Guadalupe Vallejo sworn in to c...	101 (/210–215)	n102
1827	28	the electoral regulation: polling places by mission/pueblo district; public voting after Mass; a President + 2 *escrutadores*; open challenge for *cohecho/soborno* (brib...	102–107	n103
1827	29	the full Reglamento de Elecciones (cont. of Doc 28): the Juntas primeras/municipales, Juntas 2ª/de Partido, and Junta Electoral del Territorio; 🌟 deputy qualifications ...	108–125	n111
1828-09	30	the 1828 secondary-electoral elections held under the reglamento: Los Angeles picks Manuel Domínguez; Monterey picks José Castro; Sta Bárbara picks Francisco Cota — Califo...	126–131	n128
~1828–1830	31	'Plan para convertir en pueblos las Misiones de las dos Californias' — THE SECULARIZATION BLUEPRINT: all Alta Cal. missions (except San Rafael & San Francisco Solano, no...	132–147	n134
1830-07-24→28	32	'Ejidos de la población': the Diputación approves the demarcation of Monterey's ejidos (town commons) & jurisdiction — from the mouth of the Río de Monterey along the ca...	148–149	n149
1830-07	33	the Monterey jurisdiction/ejidos demarcation — names the district ranchos (2 on the Pájaro, Natividad, Alisal, Sausal, Buenavista, Escarpín, la Nueva, Moro Cojo, el Potr...	149–150	n151
~1830	34	secularization-plan detail (cont. of Doc 31): each new-pueblo family gets tools, animals (burros, pigs, a forge) & first-year rations; the ejido commons capped at 50 cat...	151–168	n153

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~1830	35	convict/presidiario management: most of the presos moved to the island by Sta Bárbara (off the brig *'El Peor es Nada'*) amid 'la conspiración de Celis[?]' ; a plan for a...	158–160	n160
~1830	36	the secularization/schools plan debated & voted article by article: the commission to find teachers; a \$30 teacher stipend from mission funds; children under 10 to enter...	169–173	n170
1831–1832	37	the 1831 anti-Victoria revolt, in the Diputación's record: the *pronunciamiento* to deny obedience to Gov. Manuel Victoria 'por recobrar la representación popular y segu...	174–183	n177
1832-01-27	38	'1832 Enero 27 Angeles, Diputación Provincial, Toma de juramto... Pío Pico nombrado Gefe Político Interino en el acta del día 11' — the Jan-27 session proposed & then DEFE...	186–187	n189
1832-01-27	39	conclusion of Pico's installation — his acceptance response; signed Pío Pico, M.G. Vallejo, Antonio M ^a Osio, José I. Ortega, Santiago Argüello, Juan B. Alvarado	188–189	n191
1832-02-03	40	'Sobre diferencias con Echeandía por haberse resistido del mando Pío Pico': the crisis over Echeandía resisting Pico's installation; Comisario Juan Bandini's reply; the ...	189–197	n192
1832-02-13	41	'1832 Febo 13 Angeles... El Ayunt ^e y vecindario de los Angeles desconoce como Gefe Polito á Pío Pico y proclama á Echeandía' confirmed. the LA Ayuntamiento & vecindario RE...	197–208	n200
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1832-02	43	debate on member eligibility — the Englishman Hartnell 'no tiene voz en asuntos de gobierno,' the Italian Juan Bautista Bonifacio illiterate; the 'revolution' blamed on ...	218–229	n219
1832-02	44	Capt. Agustín V. Zamorano (north) opposes the 29-Nov plan & prepares forces — the north–south split of 1832 (Zamorano north / Echeandía south), the Diputación caught bet...	230–239	n231
1832	45	a scathing anti-mission secularization polemic: after 'mas de 60 años' under the mission system the neophytes show no 'adelantos,' still prefer their 'antiguas ranchería...	240–247	n241
1832-05-15	46	the Territory's representation divided between Echeandía (south, from Sta Bárbara down) and the north; acta signed Pico, Vallejo, Ortega, Alvarado	248–252	n251
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1832	50	the deposed governor's own protest: demands a sumario/proceso rather than deportation 'sin que preceda el sumario,' or a passport to Mexico City to clear his name agains...	298–319	n302
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1832-02-06	53	the Diputación's secret sessions: Buelna proposes consulting the Sup. Gobierno on where sessions should be held (per the 7 Jul 1827 acta); the prior actas signed Echeand...	350–355	n357

