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Report for month of January
Reccion Tan Rebartian¹⁹⁰¹

Thearing: This work was finished on the 30th of the month, the number of sheep shown being 51,028, the tally came up very well after the bad effects of last winter.

The wool this season is extra clean and very light especially among the wethers and it has been impossible to make heavy bales with it, the wool classifier has been very severe on the skinning of the fleeces, all the heavy parts of each fleece were taken away and kept for washing later on, therefore the bales 884 in number consist of - six^{ty}

consist of all clean fleece-
 wool and average 348 lbs per
 bale. This average is
 taken from the above number
 of bales, not taking into account
 any of the belly or lock wool
 which remains to be washed.

Everything was done to
 make well heavy bales
 causing the press to ~~break~~
 break in many different
 parts and hindering the
 shearing one day and a half
 while sending to another
 station for duplicates which
 ought to have been here
 on the spot.

Lambs; One thousand more
 were marked during shearing
 which number will be added
 to the former tally making
 25,149 in all this season.

Seals; Twelve cases of seal.

Seal were found in one flock during the clipping, but all the rest of the flocks came up quite clean, however I shall soon commence the dipping.

Wool Washing: This will soon take place but at present the ditch for the water supply is not finished, there will be 50 bales more or less to wash.

Wearer: The "Lorino" called on the 22nd for more wool, being the second voyage taking 309 bales to Punta Arenas, the remaining 420 odd bales will be ready for the tide on the 18th February.

Fencing: This is still going on and hope to put up about fifteen (15) miles this autumn, all on the Carmen Alta Range.

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Hay-cutting; I have not been able to start this yet, there is an abundance of grass this season owing to the great amount of rain, but it is all very wet underfoot, and places where I used to cut the grass cannot get the machine there this season on account of the water; each year we need more hay and more difficult it seems to get it, especially as there is so much other work to be done and all about the same time.

Cattle-branding; has not been done yet, it is getting late for it, but on account of the shearing being later this year all the other work is thrown back, it is to be hoped we shall have a fine month or two which will assist greatly in the work which is now coming on hand.

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Seccion San Sebastian

Dipping: This work was commenced in the second week of the month, a few cases of scab were found in a couple of the flocks, but very slight cases so expect this one bath will prevent the others from breaking out as the infected sheep were taken away from the flocks.

I am dipping with "Littles Fenia Dip", one gallon to forty gallons of water where any disease is found. at the same time I am shearing the lambs and keeping them in a nice piece of

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camp themselves. After
 clipping the ewes from the
 Canada du Grande, and San
 Martin camps, I reversed
 the two flocks so as to have
 the oldest flock of ewes in
 the nearest camp to the
 settlement as they cannot
 travel so well as the
 younger sheep, and when they
 die it is not so far to go
 for their skins.

Wool-Scouring is progressing
 satisfactorily considering it
 is the first attempt in
 wool-washing on this section
 the work was delayed a
 little after the shearing
 for the completion of the
 water supply, which we
 have now in a very large
 quantity at the wool-shed
 which is most convenient

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convenient for the purpose,
there will be more or
less 60 bales of washed wool.

The belly wool is coming
out very clean, but the
locks which were very
dirty are not so good and
some have a few stains
among them.

Grass-cutting: a very little
has as yet been done in
this line for winter food for
the animals, as the regas
have been very wet this
summer and will scarcely
allow the machine to work
in them at all, and the
weather has been so unsettled
with rain and gales of wind
all the month that hay-
making has been out of the
question; however I suppose

we shall get a few fine days
in March for this work,
otherwise the animals will
have to go short this winter.
Track to Reach; During the
summer months I have had
men mending and putting in
good repair the track to our
port, it has been rather a
long and expensive job as there
was so much to do to it, and
a long track too, but when it
is all finished which will
be within a month now, it
will be in such a condition
that it will remain good
for many years.

Cattle branding; This has
not been done yet, but will
follow on after the clipping,
at the same time I intend
drafting off most of the
steers, and herding them

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them separately on some of
the low camps which will
help to tame them and
be nearer the settlement
when wanted.

Yours faithfully,
(Siga) H. G. Hobbs.

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Report for month of March
Station San Sebastian¹⁹⁰¹

Dipping: This job was finished for a time in the early part of the month, there being a case or two of seals in some of the flecks which have been picked out and held (brake) apart in the seal paddock for further treatment. The captured was Little's flea which has always given great satisfaction on this Str.

Cattle-branding: Took place about the 18th of the month number of animals marked being 458 which number does not represent all calves of this season's increase, as some were older animals which

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which escaped last year, the exact number of calves marked was not kept separate, but it will appear in the June inventory; from the figures given in it shows a good increase among the cattle.

I have taken away 200 of the largest steers and brought them into the sheep camp where I hope to tame them a little; the cattle this year are wilder than I have seen them before, and suppose because the herd is larger and so seldom get put into the corral, if I can manage it shall split them up into smaller points and keep them handled more.

Grass Cutting: I have now cut earned, and stacked about 25

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25 tons of hay, and still intend getting more if the weather permits.

Wool washing: Has been going on all the month of March and expect it will take a week or ten days of April to finish, the sales of washed wool will average about 325 lbs.

Fencers: These men have been fencing on the Carmen Vera Range, closing in a camp for wethers, they have just finished their contract so now will continue a line of fencing to the beach in the Vega close to San Martin River, which stream does not act as a boundary in neither summer or winter. I have now all the Haggets, Manadas,

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and some cattle are feeding
in the Vega, but can scarcely
see where they have been
as the camp is so good.

"Torino" 9/2 This boat called
again about the 20th of the
month, bringing some cargo
and taking away the
remaining 425 bales of greasy
wool, which were waiting
here, she had a quick
~~passage~~ dispatch and very
fine weather for the work.
Nothing further of import-
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during the month.
(Siga) N. G. Wood.

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Section Lan del Estrecho

Wool-Scouring: This work was finished with during the month, the last of the wool took a long while to dry as the weather was against it.

There are 58 bales of washed wool averaging 327 lbs per bale and the bales of the wool in grease average 352 lbs, therefore allowing 40% at least lost in washed wool would bring the weight per bale up to 400 lbs supposing it had all been weighed in grease.

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Rams: There have been overhauled taking away the old and useless ones and replacing them by some which

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which we received from
 Caleta Josefina, there were 300
 bought from that section and
 much better sheep than
 formerly. I consider it
 a great mistake not to have
 a stud flock of improved
 sheep on this section like
 there is on the Caleta Josefina
 section, as this flock is
 growing rapidly, it will take
 a long time to improve the
 class of wool from the class
 of rams we are now using,
 they could always be changed
 from section to section thereby
 making a change of blood
 again

Fencing: The fence's contract
 was finished at the end of the
 month, they have put up about
 14 miles only this season. I
 have none to much camp

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Camp fenced ahead of the sheep, so anticipated an early start in the Spring. There is no much camp on this Station of no use in the winter as it lies so low and sheep cannot live there, therefore I have to reserve other camps for the flocks during the bad weather which means two camps for one flock of sheep.

Cattle: The 200 steers which I have bought made the fencing are doing alright and I hope to bring down some of the heifers if the weather remains open. I am expecting to get from the Caleta Josefina Section a couple of $\frac{1}{2}$ bred Durham bulls this winter, but which of course will be too late for any service until the Spring; it is better to get them now so as to have them ready when wanted.

Carting: All the carting from the beach is finished

for this reason, so now have all
the carts bringing down posts
from house, there will be a
lot needed next Spring as the
new Dipping Station will be
begun then as so many are
used in the corals quite
independently of those I need
for the fencing.

It is a long drag from the
house to the place where new
dip will go, it will be at
least 3 days march with
carts and not over the best
tracks. The oxen are still
in fairly good order, but will
soon begin on the hay.

Yours etc
(Sgd) N. G. Wood.

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Report for month of May 1901.
Section Juan Sebastian

Sheep: The rams were put out to the ewes on the 1st of the month, there were 300 ram lambs bought from the Caleta Josefina Section this year which are a better class of sheep than before.

A few more than 31,000 ewes have gone to the ram this season.

The flock on the whole is in very fair condition to stand the winter, up to the present the flock has been only clipped once since shearing and have no sign of scab among the sheep at all, it is surprising how clean they keep while most of the

the farms on this Island have so much seal, however it is more than likely they will need a winter dip which if necessary they will get when the rains are taken away from the eves.

Washed Wool: The 58 bales of Tanned wool were sent across to Wrekers Bay this month for shipment from there, as the chances of getting a steamer round to Van Diemen this winter are very uncertain.

Cattle: There which feed all the summer on the South side of Garmen Uva Range came to the fence of their winter quarters on this side about last day of the month as the weather was bad the animals come down to the low land on this side which is warmer in the winter.

Mares: I had the manadas

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in the corral the other day for the reason of taking out the yearlings which I have now feeding in a camp by themselves, there are 79 altogether and out of those there will be about 36 Horse cocks fit for tanning in the spring and summer.

The new stud "Llydesdale" is always in very good condition he has a manade of 30 mares.

Carting: all the carting from Monte is now finished with for this winter, in fact nearly all the outside work is closed up, there are a few camp houses to supply with firing and all the time the weather is good I hope to cart a few posts across the flat (B) in direction for the new clipping station which will be a great help in the spring, but as soon as the

the snow comes all cutting
will have to stop, but up
the end of May the weather
has been very fine, hard
frosts at night, up to 12 degrees,
but very bright, fine days
which is helping us away
with the winter.

(Signed) N. G. Wood.

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Report for month of June 1901
Section San Bartolan

New clipping Station: I spent a few days during the month in searching for a good position for the new clip which will be erected in the Spring of the year.

The place chosen is situated (from) under the Combarana Range of hills to the North East of the Station, and a distance of about 18 miles from the Station, there is excellent camp and plenty of water, but no firing in that direction excepting the usual mate work.

As the distance is so far and track in Spring time so bad from the Settlement I propose making the port at the Paramo (which place I also visited) as it is a

a good road and a very easy journey from where the dip will go. A cargo of ports and batteries landed there in the Spring will be a great assistance indeed and saving in cutting over etc of which I am rather short.

There will be a certain amount of camp to fence in which is practically useless comprising of salt lagoons and scrub before the good camp is reached on the other side, having the boundary fenced with Section Balle. Josefa leaves me but two sides to complete the enclosure which I consider 20 miles of fencing will surround

It will be necessary to start ~~the~~ the fencing again as early in the Spring as possible as I have scarcely enough camp enclosed for the sheep now on the station, in fact there is one flock feeding outside the

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the fencing this winter, as there is no more room inside and the increases will need a large piece to carry them next season.

Rams: The rams were taken away from the ewes during the month, the sheep are all in good condition not having been clipped but once since shearing.

Cattle: There were rounded up and counted for the inventory tally which I believe came up satisfactory.

"Glydesdale Stud": This horse has lost his condition slightly during the month, but is still in good enough condition to pass the winter, he is feeding with the manada as before.

Repairing Corral: The foundation of the buccoo corral got so badly cut up in the autumn by the animals, so I have had

had carted stone and gravel into it and properly placed which has made a very good job of it, and one that will last for years.

Weather: The weather was exceptionally fine all the month, the first snow fell on the 26th day, but did not remain on the flat low land at all.

Yours faithfully
 (frank. g. wood.

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Monthly Report for July 1901
Tecno Tan Retarman

Sheep: I clipped a flock of 11,000 ewes this month as Teal was breaking out amongst them, but were out but one case which was at all bad, they will now remain clean I think until shearing time. This is the only flock so far which has been clipped twice since last clipping.

I expect to mark over 30,000 lambs in November, and to provide camp for that number means a lot of fencing, and it is most necessary to make a start in the erection as soon as possible, as the amount of hectares now surrounded are not sufficient to carry the present number of sheep feeding upon them, in

in addition to the sheep there are the horses, mares, and cattle which have to be provided for and only about 65000 hectares fenced in, therefore an early start in the Spring is most essential, otherwise the camps will be overstocked and damaged for an overfed camp takes years to recover itself.

Cattle: These animals have been in the habit of pairing the winter months on this North side of the barren Sierra Range on account of it being warmer this side than on the South where they at other times live but next winter that camp will be occupied by sheep which will necessitate them going elsewhere.

The only place I know where they might live outside the sheep camps as they are a perfect nuisance with the fences is on the Rio Chico if not too bad a winter, there they

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They would be at liberty to go in all directions, so would need good men to herd them.

This winter they have caused a deal of damage to the sheep fences, as such boundaries they have no use for, as they are of such a wild nature and had so much freedom all their lives, however next year they will have to go further afield, as the sheep will require every inch of fenced camp to feed them.

A very little of importance has taken place this month, it being in winter so little work can be done, up to the present the winter has been a much better one than formerly, on the 16th day we had a fall of snow from South

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Towth of 4 in. on the flat
which started on the ground
over a week, but does not
appear to have done much
harm.

I expect to see an early
breakup this year.

Yours etc
(fab) N. G. Wood.