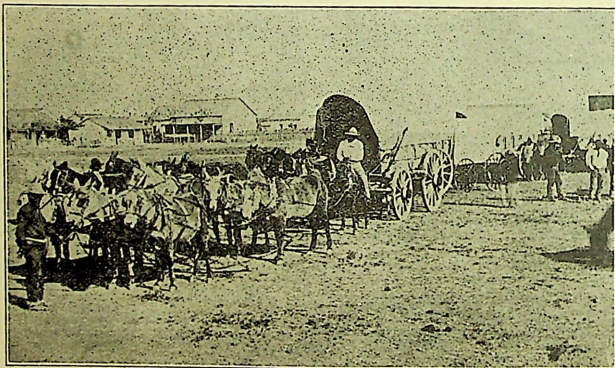


San Antonio-San Diego Stage at the old San Fernando plaza. The iron cross on the Cathedral is the zero point for surveys; the Plaza was the center for all trails. This stage line was earlier than the Pony Express or the other transportation lines of routes further north.



Freight Outfit of the Mexican and Western trails. Photo 1871 at Laredo and Arsenal Sts.

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