

water, somewhat clearer than San Lorenzo. At 2:30 we arrived at the Pools of Barrera. The tents were placed on an elevation, having toward the east the Canco (In Canco) Ten leagues, five E. N. E., one east, and four E. N. E.

On the 27th we set out at 8 o'clock, cold, and after a short distance, the hills (lomeria) continuing, we arrived at a thick wood of mesquite, nopal, etc. and near its end is the Agua de San Román, where there is water in pools all the year. We did not stop, but went up the crest of the hill, which is the only rocky place (penasquaria) in the vicinity, although covered with undergrowth. From here the Nueces River can be seen, and is not lost sight of until it is crossed. Descending the hill, the wood ends, and the lomerias (hills) continue to the Agua de In Roman, which is another pool two leagues from the preceding one, and not so abundant. We stopped here to warm ourselves. We set out through a little grove (bosquecito). The land changes to a cinnamon color. The last magueyes are seen. Four leagues further and a little higher than the others around it, which is called La Cochina. On this side a few days before the Apaches killed some men. A little before this a large number of wild horses crossed the road. We traveled two leagues over bare hills. Descending into a ravine formed by the wood of In Cochina. The wood is very dense and divided into two parts by a little hill (lonita) which cuts it from north to south. We went another league and entered another ravine with grass, very high and which the river floods in its vises. We passed this (the river) (or the ravine) at a swampy pool, still swelling, and on the opposite bank at the entrance of a wood we camped.

Eleven leagues principal direction east northeast, with many useless windings (muchas inflexiones inutiles). This was the Nueces River they crossed.

The 28, we set out at 01. Passed the little grove of mesquites on the river bank and set out by some bare hills (lomerias) where the wind beat upon us without mercy. We went four leagues with great fatigue and stopped to warm ourselves.