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Sept. 19th Wednesday 1804, set out early. a cool morning  
 Clear & state Clouds N. 50° W. 3 M. to a pt. of wood on the S.E. a  
 Bluff on the L.S. of point. here Commenced to a beautiful Country  
 on both sides of the river North 4 miles to the mouth of a River S.S. ① -  
 N. 30° W. 2 1/2 miles to the upper pt. of the Island in the middle of the river ②  
 N. 43° W. 2 miles to the L.S. <sup>top of hill ③</sup> N. 54° W. 3 M. on the to a pt. of wood on the S.S.  
 N. 70° W. 5 M. to a bluff on the L.S. passed a creek ④ went 3/4 miles to some  
 timber on the L.S. passed a Creek ⑤ Camped.

23 miles  
 Discovered a large Island situated near the S.S. 1/2 a mile from the lower  
 pt. of the Island ①, the 1<sup>st</sup> of the River mouth which is about 35 yds  
 wide, running from the N.E. one mile above the 2<sup>nd</sup> comes in this  
 is small with more that 15 yards wide a short distance above a 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 comes in scattering its waters thro' a bottom. I walked on shore to  
 see this this great part of the Sioux and Calumet ground, found  
 it a handsome situation, and saw the remains of their Camp on the River  
 or for many years passed - ③ passed a Creek on the L.S. 15 yds wide  
 ④ passed a Creek 20 yds wide ⑤ passed a Creek 20 yds wide on the L.S. scale  
 night 6. as I did not get to it until late at night, above the mouth  
 of this Creek we Camped, the wind being favourable for the boat  
 I killed a fat Buffalo Cow, and a fat Buck Elk, yesterday my  
 servant killed a Deer, the hunters killed 4 Deer, & the boat  
 crew killed 2 Buffalo swimming the river, handsome  
 Country of Plains, I saw many herds of Buffalo &  
 a Gorge of 30 or 40 Elk and other Scattering elk &  
 a fine evening. I hurt my hands & feet last night -

September the 20<sup>th</sup> Thursday 1804 Dard 3 miles across the River  
 and called the Grand detour with the horse, to stay and hunt  
 & get provision until we get around ① passed a Island  
 on the S.S. the river crowded with sand bars, The course  
 N. 50° W. 3 1/2 miles to the upper part of an Island on the S.S. about 2 miles long  
 North 4 miles to a pt. on the L.S. passed one on the S.S. above the Island -  
 N. 10° W. 1 1/2 miles to a pt. of wood on the L.S. - N. 22° W. 3 1/2 miles to the L.S.  
 N. 60° W. 2 miles to a small timber on the L.S. - went 3 miles to a wood on L.S.  
 S. 73° W. 3 1/2 miles to a pt. of wood on L.S. - South 4 miles a tree on L.S. passed a  
 Island situated on the L.S. this Island is small with a large Sand  
 S. 74° E. 3 1/2 miles to a point of wood on the L.S. passed a Creek & a ②  
 S. 56° E. 3 1/2 miles to a pt. on the S.S. passed a high hill on the L.S.  
 S. 28° E. 2 miles to a cedar hill on the L.S. in a bend opposite the Gorge of this bend  
 where the river is only 1/2 mile across & 30 miles around, the hills high  
 with some low land - This day I refused to go for farther exploration

above White river 50

17<sup>th</sup> Sept. Monday 1804. Dried all these articles which had got wet by the last rain, a fine day. Capt Lewis went hunting with a view to see the Country & its productions, he was out all day killed a Buffalo & a remarkable bird of the species of <sup>a young Puffin, Vongsted</sup> Corvus long tail, a Duck like a Crow white round its neck coming to a point on its back, its belly white feet like a Hawk at the end of <sup>the</sup> tail. Capt Lewis returned at Dark. Found the Mandans & equal altitudes to day made the Lakota.

Colter killed a Goat, & a Curious Kind of Deer, a Darker grey than Common the hair longer & finer, the ears very large & long a small vesperial under its eye its tail round and white to near the end which is black like a Cow in every other respect like a Deer except its rear like a goat. Large.

The hunter brought in 8 fallow Deer & 5 Common Deer to day, Great numbers of Buffaloes in the Plains, also a light coloured wool covered with hair & long feet, also a <sup>black</sup> wolf with a large <sup>brushy</sup> tail - Some Goats of a different kind seen to day. Great many Mumps, Rabbits, Porcupines & barkening Squirrels, Capt Lewis killed a rattlesnake in a village of the Squirrels and saw a Bear to day. Wind from the S.W.

we finished drying our provisions some of which as we were and spoiled. <sup>Sept. 18<sup>th</sup></sup> Killed a Prairie wolf to day about the size of a Gray fox with a bushy tail the head and ears like a wolf and bark like a small dog - The animal which we have taken for the Fox is the wolf we have seen no Foxes?

18<sup>th</sup> Sept. Tuesday set out early wind from the N.W. made our boat being much better than usual Colter than usual course N. 45° E 1 M. to the lower point of a Slant <sup>to</sup> N. 25° E. 3 M. to a pt. on the L.S. passed the pt at 1 M. & found a Sand bar making from it a Creek <sup>on</sup> S.S.

N. 44° E 1 1/2 M. to a point of willows on the L.S.  
 N. 10 W. 1 1/2 M. to a point of wood on the L.S. had wind  
 N. 22 W 1 M. to a pt. of wood on the L.S. and came to N. 8 at 5 o'clock to finish the meal killed to day and wheat was collected from what was killed yesterday, i.e. 10 Deer to day 4 Deer killed yesterday a Cole nipe for the beaver.