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## Written Document Analysis Worksheet

(1) Type of document (check one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper         | <input type="checkbox"/> Memorandum           | <input type="checkbox"/> Map           | <input type="checkbox"/> Telegram |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Letter | <input type="checkbox"/> Press release        | <input type="checkbox"/> Advertisement | <input type="checkbox"/> Report   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Patent            | <input type="checkbox"/> Congressional record | <input type="checkbox"/> Census report | <input type="checkbox"/> Other    |

(2) Unique physical characteristics of the document (check one or more):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Handwritten | <input type="checkbox"/> Interesting letterhead | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Typed | <input type="checkbox"/> Seals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Notations   | <input type="checkbox"/> "Received" stamp       | <input type="checkbox"/> Other            |                                |

(3) Date(s) of document: November, 1892

(4) Author or creator of document: Albert Ronne

Title or position of author: A soon to be ranch owner.

(5) For what audience was the document written? Mr. James Fergus

(6) List three things the author said that you think are important.

a. Round up was about to start in Chinook

b. Wild West Cowboy act from May 20th

c. New Mexico turned loose 15,000 head of steers

(7) Why do you think this document was written? Albert was telling James what he has been up to since leaving his ranch to start his own.

(8) What evidence in the document helps you to know why it was written? Quote from the document. It has been my intention to write you for a long time (and) give you a short sketch of my eventfull & dissipated carreer, since leaving your Ranch.

(9) List two things the document tells you about life in the United States at the time it was written.

a. We (ronne Sr. & ditto Jr.) have each taken up 320 acres

b. It is a running stream of pure spring water

(10) Write a question to the author that is left unanswered by the document. Did they ever end up succending in running their own ranch?