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In the *Sala de Cartografia* of the State Museum of Jalisco (Mexico) in Guadalajara, exists a vellum map bearing the number 25. It is the entire hide of a small animal, drawn on in red, green and black. At the bottom is written the following:

"Carta reducida de la costa de Panzacola desde el cavo [*sic*] del norte, hasta el de S. Blas, corregida nuevamente, por D. Estevan de Ayarragaray, piloto de esta ensenada, y la dirige al exelmo Sor Marques de Cruillas, ***rrey de esta Nueva Espana, por orden del Sr. Diego Ortiz Parilla, governador del presidio de Panzacola. Veracruz, Marzo 9, 1762".¹

This map precedes, then, by only a little the Spanish evacuation of Pensacola. It fell to this Colonel Ortiz Parilla to remove the inhabitants on the arrival of the British in July of the year following.² The Viceroy (Joaquin Monserrat) to whom the map is dedicated, had equally tough luck, being removed in 1766 by means of Jose de Galvez.

It is understandable how the map came to be made in Veracruz, the nearest big port, to which the whole Pensacola population was removed a few months later, but its presence in Guadalajara, where the writer encountered it, is less explicable. It is to be hoped, in any case, that some one may be led by the present note to investigate and publish the document.

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¹ Reduced map of the coast of Panzacola from North Cape to that of San Blas, newly corrected, by Don Estevan de Ayarragaray, pilot of this bay, who directs it to the most excellent lord the Marquis of Cruillas, Viceroy of this New Spain, by order of Sr. Don Diego Ortiz Parilla, Governor of the Presidio of Panzacola. Veracruz, March 9, 1762.

² Described (on the basis of Parilla's correspondence in the Archivo General de Indias) by Wilbur H. Siebert, *Fla. Hist. Soc. Quarterly*, XI, 48-57 (Oct. 1932).