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(Lewis): I also retook the flagg but left the medal [*Lewis had been given a flag and a peace medal the day before*] about the neck of the dead man that they might be informed who we were.... at 3 P. M....having traveled about 63 ms. [*miles*]...halted an hour and a half...traveled about 17 miles further...halted to rest...2 hours...we traveled untill 2 Ock in the morning...after dark about 20 ms. [*They covered 100 miles in 20 hours, with 3½ hours' rest.*]

July 28 (Lewis): I was so soar from my ride yesterday that I could scarcely stand, and the men complained of being in a similar situation.... our own lives as well as those of our friends [*awaiting them on the Missouri River*] depended on our exertions at this moment... [*20 miles farther*] had the unspeakable satisfaction to see our canoes coming down [*the Missouri*]...we now reimarked on board the white peroge and five small canoes and decended the river about 15 ms. (*About 60 miles northeast of Great Falls, Montana*)

July 29 (Lewis): A violent storm of rain and hail came on last night; and as we had no means of making a shelter we lay in the rain, and during the whole day continued so exposed.... The bighorns [*sheep*], however are in great numbers along the steep cliffs...their flesh is extremely tender, delicate, and well-flavored, resembling in color and flavor mutton, though not so strong.

(Gass): Captain Lewis had four of these animals [*bighorn sheep*] skeletonized, to take with him to the seat of government of the United States.

July 30 (Lewis): The rain still prevented us from stopping to dry our baggage; we therefore proceeded with a strong current which, joined to our oars, enabled us to advance at the rate of seven miles an hour.

(Clark): ...arived at the Commencement of shoals.... Compeled to let the Canoes down by hand.... This is by far the wost place which I have Seen on this river (*On the Yellowstone, near the eastern boundaries of Prairie County on the north side and Custer County on the south*)