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In old times when we had no horses we used to get up early - men women and children to make a surround - we went all around a bunch of buffalo grazing · gradually closing in on them the buffalo would run around and around inside the ring without trying to break through until they were tired out and stood stiff panting then the men shot and killed them with arrows - Sometimes they drove them over high bluffs by surrounding them & drove their legs & backs & then killed them at the foot of the bluffs with arrows - Some times they made a corral of logs at the base of a high bluff they made wings like a V shape to get the buffalo to the edge of the bluff - the wings were made of upright logs like a man - by their legs -

They used also to put on wolf skins

and creep up on the buffalo on the leeward side on their hands and knees until they got within good range & shot them with arrows - I have seen a Comanche kill antelope that way - he had an antelope hide and horns on his head the skin was tied by the hind legs around his waist then he crept on his hands & knees toward the antelope - He had his arms striped with white paint and also his legs when the antelope saw him they thought he was another antelope grazing toward them then they loosed down & went to grazing - he stopped every little while put down his head as if grazing until he got near enough to shoot - the Essaquita (Mescalero Apaches) live that way - there are many antelope on the Staked Plains near their country - that is a very flat country and an antelope can see a man coming a long way off - Sometimes the Kiowa had corals made of trees near

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I where a point of a hill juts against a round cut bank on a creek with wings on from the door - this was not done often only when the antelope were seen grazing in the right place - a man would watch this place - when he saw the antelope graging there with the wind in the right direction he told the people and they would surround and drive them in." -