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## OUR COOS AND CURRY GOLD MINES

An Interesting Visit Written Up for  
the Herald By Judge Livro.

A Grand Country and Rich in Gold  
and Other Precious Metals.  
Visited By a Virginian.

It was on Wednesday morning,  
the 17th of July, as the sun in all  
of his gorgeous rufescence came  
forth from behind the misty moun-  
tains in the east, shedding his volu-  
minous brilliancy upon the earth  
and all things therein, that the two  
companions, Mr. W. Homer Greer,  
the general Virginian, and Mr. Allen  
J. Walker, the popular and efficient  
captain of Co. G, Oregon National  
Guard, clad in typical mountaineer  
attire, mounted and "put spurs" to  
their charging "cayuses" and gal-  
loped off to the south, to spend a  
few days rusticiating amidst the  
wild and enchanting mountain  
region of southern Oregon.

After about three hours in the  
saddle, the "two companions" ar-  
rived at the noted Bald Hills. Upon  
ascending the most heavenward peak  
of these hills, they were afforded a  
scene of indescribable picturesqueness.  
By casting their eyes to the  
southeast they beheld, a few miles  
distant, the famous Rowland Prairie.  
This district of thousands of acres  
of rolling prairie land comprises the  
ranches of Messrs. Warner, Philip-  
lips, Bigelow, Sherwood, Flanagan  
(the Marshfield banker) and others,  
which are stocked with great herds  
of fine cattle and other stock, while  
here and there are interspersed  
fields of golden grain and new-  
mown hay which were plainly vis-  
ible to the lookers-on. At the west  
from this magnificent point of ob-  
servation also could be viewed the  
immense prairie ranges of C. M.  
Hermann, the Dement brothers, and  
other ranches, all made additionally  
attractive by the cozy little homes  
which adorn them. Even the dull-  
est observer, upon viewing the  
grand picturesqueness of this  
scene can but admire its manifest  
majesty and beauty. Turning their  
backs to the foregoing picture of  
the beautiful handwork of the Cre-  
ator and man, the two travelers con-  
tinued their journey towards their  
destination. Arriving at Custer,  
Mr. Greer and Capt. Walker were  
most cordially received by Mr. C.  
Hermann and his estimable  
wife, under whose hospitable roof  
they were sumptuously dined. Mr.  
Hermann has an ideal mountain  
home, situated about the center of  
twelve hundred acres of rich rolling  
prairie land, a portion of which is  
covered with fine growth timber of  
elegant quality and in quantity  
most abundant. Having tarried a  
few hours, and their "cayuses" feel-  
ing refreshed by the rest they had  
received, the young men bade a  
kindly adieu to the genial host and  
hostess and urged their steeds up  
the new mountain road onward to  
Eckley, at which place they reined  
up ere the setting sun had dis-  
appeared behind the western horizon.

Upon arrival at Eckley the young  
military officer and the Virginia  
gentleman were extended a warm-  
hearted reception by Mr. George  
Guerin and queenly lady, and so  
hospitably were they entertained,  
ere many hours had passed they  
felt that truly they were at home.  
The country about Eckley con-  
sists of rolling prairie land, with  
here and there a valley that puts  
forth vegetation in prolific gran-  
deur, while the hills and mountain  
sides provide luxuriant pasture for  
the large herds belonging to the  
ranchers. Mr. Guerin came to  
Oregon from Pennsylvania about a  
quarter of a century ago, and since  
his advent into the country of the  
"golden slopes" of the Pacific, by  
zeal and indefatigable energy, com-  
bined with the careful and guid-  
ing counsel and assistance of his  
noble wife, has become the proud  
possessor of an earthly paradise,  
a cozy and comfortable home over-  
looking their rolling ranch of over  
1200 acres, where, upon the uplands,  
the herds of cattle graze unmo-  
lested, while on the lowlands, through  
which a crystal rivulet traverses, grow  
vegetation of many varieties and in  
endless abundance. The foregoing  
pen-picture, as feebly portrayed by  
the writer, gives the reader a faint  
conception of the artistic abiding  
place of liberal and large-hearted  
George Guerin and family.

Adjoining the Guerin ranch lies  
the large and beautiful ranch of  
Mr. Joseph Haines, one of southern  
Oregon's earliest settlers. This  
farm has about the same number  
of acreage as that of Mr. Guerin,  
and, as is indicated by its appear-  
ance, is conducted most systemat-  
ically by its proprietor.

After partaking of a wholesome  
breakfast the "two companions"  
saddled their "cayuses," strapped  
the packs, consisting of provisions,  
blankets, cooking utensils, guns,  
fishing tackle, ammunition, etc., be-

hind the saddles and hid them-  
selves to Camp Walker, at the head  
of Salmon lake, which point was  
reached about 11 o'clock Thursday  
morning.

Salmon lake, which is about a  
mile in length, was formed only  
about five years since by a moun-  
tain dividing, one part sliding down  
into a canyon, through which Sal-  
mon creek had cut its way for ages  
upon ages, seemingly undisturbed  
until this mountain avalanche oc-  
curred. The remaining part of its  
smooth and even surface, presents  
a curious sight, that suggests the  
idea that it had been cut in twin  
by a huge knife. For the observer  
to stand on the banks of this basin  
of water, and with his eyes survey  
the remaining portion of the moun-  
tain, with its totally barren side  
standing almost perpendicular to-  
wards the skies some six hundred  
feet, and a mile in length at the  
base, and then at another glance  
view the recently slid portion of  
the mountain, with its mass of  
huge boulders, mammoth trees, some  
of which are over two hundred feet  
in length, and a conglomeration of  
sand and gravel which dams the  
creek almost entirely, affords him  
a spectacle almost unsurpassed for  
its remarkably peculiar formation.

Camp Walker, as has been pre-  
viously stated, is situated on a  
slightly elevated plateau near the  
head of the lake on the homestead  
owned by Capt. Walker's father, and  
for whom the mountain resort was  
named. Salmon lake affords an  
abundance of salmon and mountain  
trout, and after a few minutes' rest  
upon their arrival at the camp, Mr.  
Greer and Capt. Walker, with fish-  
ing-tackles in hand, repaired to the  
lake, and ere lunching time had ar-  
rived the boys angled some forty of  
the finny tribe, a portion of which  
each graced their dinner table.

The "two companions" sojourned  
at Camp Walker until Friday after-  
noon, enjoying themselves "bach-  
ing," fishing and hunting. From  
Salmon lake the young men re-  
traced their steps to Ed Green's,  
and leaving their packs there pro-  
ceeded on their journey to the  
Salmon Mountain Mining Com-  
pany's camp, which place was  
reached about 5 o'clock, after 5  
miles of mountain climbing. Upon  
arrival at the last named place, Capt.  
Walker and Mr. Greer were ushered  
in without ceremony by Mr.  
A. H. Moore, the clever and good-  
natured superintendent of the  
mines. The travelers, while at the  
salmon mines, were hospitably  
cared for, and after a few hours' rest  
were escorted by Mr. Moore to all  
points of interest, among which  
were the tunnel, which extends 600  
feet back into the mountain; the  
dume, made of wood, three feet  
wide, about the same number of  
feet in depth, and extending three  
miles and a half around the side of  
the mountain, used to convey the  
water to the tunnel for mining pur-  
poses.

The placer mines, where Mr.  
Moore uses a monster giant in the  
wet season, to sluice from the side  
of the mountain the gravel and  
earth from which the "filthy lucre"  
is taken and used to defray the ex-  
pense of tunneling in search of the  
bonanza that is sure to be buried  
somewhere in that huge, dark moun-  
tain.

While sojourning at these mines the  
"two companions" ascended the Sal-  
mon mountain, the highest summit of  
which is nearly 3000 feet high. While  
bathing in the balmy atmosphere  
of this high and majestic moun-  
tain, the sunny skies spread in tri-  
bulation above them, perhaps nearer  
to the "two companions" than they  
ever were before, they beheld and  
admired the beauties of nature.  
The mountain peaks Butler, Avery,  
and the grand old Sugar Loaf tower-  
ing towards the heavens in impos-  
ing grandeur, the mountain river  
and small rivulets tracing their  
courses down the mountain sides,  
through the dark, deep canyons,  
pouring into larger rivers which  
roll on, finally emptying into the  
great Pacific beyond, the farms of  
rolling prairie lands, herds of cattle  
grazing thereon, extensive fields of  
ungarnered golden grain, millions  
of acres of fine timber, mines of val-  
uable ore and minerals, and far be-  
yond, as far as the eye can reach,  
stretches the unbroken chain of the  
Coast Range, presenting a pleasing  
ocular effect, and, no one sensible  
to beauty or the charms of nature  
can fail to find pleasure or experi-  
ence a joy of vision as the eye  
sweeps over this panorama of un-  
surpassed picturesqueness and gran-  
deur.

Descending the mountain, the  
mining camp was then reached.

In 1865 an old miner and his  
wife tramped the old elk trails in  
these mountains, and in prospecting  
the old man found "colors," which  
encouraged him to build a "rocker,"  
and as there was a spring near by  
he improvised a wheelbarrow to  
wheel the dirt to that spring while  
the "better half" separated the  
shining nuggets from the gravel and

dirt. After laboring a short time  
the old prospector drifted against a  
boulder, and in removing it he  
found that it was impregnated with  
gold. The boulder weighed about  
200 pounds. The old man broke it  
into small pieces with a sledge ham-  
mer, and putting it into sacks  
packed it on a horse to Port Orford,  
about 40 miles distant, over the elk-  
beaten trails of the mountains.  
From Port Orford he shipped it by  
steamer to the smelter at San Fran-  
cisco, and received as a prize for his  
labors \$2700 in gold coin.

Since the aforesaid event, many  
tunnels have been drilled into the  
side of this famous mountain, one  
tunnel 1100 feet in length, which  
has long since caved in and dis-  
appeared from sight, representing  
many thousands of dollars.

After breakfasting with Mr. Moore,  
Mr. Greer and Capt. Walker de-  
parted for Mr. Currier's gold "dig-  
gings," situated 4 miles distant on  
Poverty Gulch. En route to the  
Currier camp they fished in the wa-  
ters of the crystal streams, John-  
son and Poverty creeks, and suc-  
ceeded in making a good catch.  
The camp was reached about noon,  
in time to dine with the genial mi-  
ners.

After dinner, escorted by Mr.  
Currier, they wended their way a  
few paces above the camp to the  
tunnel, from a pocket of which was  
recently extracted several hundred  
dollars of the precious "yaller"  
metal. While strolling about at the  
tunnel, with the consent of its pro-  
prietor, the "two companions" pro-  
spected on a small scale at the dump  
at the mouth, and report that they  
succeeded in picking up a few beau-  
tiful specimens.

With an au revoir to their  
friends, the two travelers descended  
the gulch to the mines of the Divil-  
biss Brothers. This mining com-  
pany has a large quartz mill located  
on the banks of Poverty creek,  
about half a mile below the Currier  
mines. The tunnels, some half  
dozen in number, are located in the  
mountain some distance above the  
quartz mill, and the ore, gravel, etc.,  
are lowered to it by cables and  
tramways, all of which presented an  
interesting scene to the two cities.

Leaving the Divilbiss mines, they  
retraced their steps towards Eckley,  
via the Salmon mountain trail. Mr.  
Greer and Captain Walker arrived  
at Eckley in the shade of evening,  
feeling fatigued but much wiser for  
their tramp over Salmon mountain  
and in the canyons of Johnson creek  
and Poverty Gulch.

At early morn the following day,  
in company with the Guerin broth-  
ers, the "two companions" departed  
for the famous Sixes river mining  
district, nine miles to the southwest.  
The mining "shack" of the Guerin  
boys, situated on the South Fork of  
the Sixes, was reached by noon.  
After enjoying a feast of fish, fowl,  
frogs and fine foods, the afternoon  
was spent in visiting old man Wil-  
son's camp, on the South Fork, a  
mile below camp Guerin. In for-  
mer years, not long since, this claim  
was prospected by a man named  
Wagner, who mined several hun-  
dred dollars of the stuff that "makes  
the mare go".

A few hours being spent in the  
congenial company of Mr. Wilson  
and his associates, the "two com-  
panions" returned to camp Guerin,  
where a steaming supper was await-  
ing them.

The following day Capt. Walker  
and Mr. Greer visited the mining  
camp of Messrs. Allen and Hoffman,  
located about a mile below the  
mouth of Rusty Gulch, which is a  
tributary of the South Fork of the  
Sixes river. The visitors found  
Messrs. Allen and Hoffman to be  
big-souled miners, who took great  
pleasure in giving valuable infor-  
mation concerning mining in that  
section. This is one of the best  
producing claims in this section of  
Oregon, and Messrs. Walker and  
Greer gave the HERALD man an inter-  
esting description of it.

From the camp of Allen and Hoff-  
man the visitors retraced their steps  
to Camp Guerin, over the mountain  
trail, 4 miles distant, arriving there  
fortunately for dinner. In the after-  
noon Mr. Greer and Capt. Walker,  
by permission of the Guerin boys,  
did some placer or "panning" pro-  
specting, and ere many pans of dirt  
and gravel were removed from the  
crevices of the bed-rocks of the  
shallow stream, numerous nuggets  
of the "filthy lucre" were "panned  
out" by them, which specimens were  
shown to your reporter, and which  
will be preserved by these young  
men as mementoes of their visit.



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meeting with reasonably good suc-  
cess.

The cheerful and inviting home  
of the Guerins was reached by  
high-noon. The afternoon of Tues-  
day was a time for rest; for the  
weary mountain-climbers to recuper-  
ate and prepare for their journey  
homeward on the following day.

Wednesday morning, the 25th,  
after bidding adieu to their Eckley  
friends, Mr. Greer and Capt. Walker  
resumed the saddle and dashed off  
for home. The day was a typical  
Oregon summer day, and the pure  
mountain atmosphere, with its in-  
vigorating and refreshing effect,  
made the day's ride homeward a  
delightful one, feeling very little  
the worse for their tramp of about  
50 miles on foot and over 65 miles  
in the saddle, while on their out-  
going trip to the mountains of south-  
ern Oregon. Mr. Greer and Capt.  
Walker informed the HERALD man  
that it had never been their good  
fortune to take a more interesting  
and delightfully pleasant trip as  
this one, which was one of knowl-  
edge and information, combined  
with health-giving and pleasure  
affording. **JUDGE LIVRO.**

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on the farm, and in official life,  
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does not affect the progress of the  
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