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DISCOVERY OF PETROLEUM. Between Gray's Harbor and Centralia Flowing Two Barrels Hourly. Tacoma Ledger.

Several weeks ago an Indian saw a storekeeper at Centralia measuring out some coal oil. He recognized the field, and said that he knew where there was "heaps" of it, and would take him to the place.

An investigating party was quickly organized, and the Indian guided them to a spot about twenty miles west of Centralia, in Chehalis county, about midway between Centralia and Gray's harbor.

There in the woods, and on government land, was found what to all appearances was petroleum spouting from the earth. The flow was rapidly absorbed back into the ground, and had probably been going on from time immemorial, as no white man had ever before been in that locality.

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