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James Lafayette Courtney and a man by the name of Adams would meet by chance in the Litterall grocery store in Blevins, Texas. Both men fought in the Civil War - Adams was a Union soldier and Courtney was a Confederate soldier. The two men would get into arguments about the war and it was like the Civil War was being fought all over again. James L. Courtney was a Rebel.

Captain Cahill, known as the Captain, lived up Deer Creek from James L. Courtney. Cahill lost his leg at the knee during the Civil War and had a wooden peg so he could walk. Cahill and James L. Courtney both fought for the same side in the Civil War - the South.

B.C. Courtney (J.L. Courtney's grandson), my deceased brother-in-law, and myself were in James L. Courtney's barn. I noticed approximately thirty ingots of what I thought was junk iron stacked on a shelf under a table. When I asked what they were, B.C. Courtney told me they were gold. The ingots had a patina on them but when I rubbed one of them with my finger it became bright - the color of gold. They were heavy, I estimate that they weighed approximately fifteen pounds each.

*George A. Roming*  
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County of BIPASO

This instrument was acknowledged before me on 3-11-

By George A. Roming,

*B. M. White*

