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D. K. Thomas was a prospector in the Rocky Mountains who writes about his experiences and those of others in the Rockies. He also writes about the lost million dollar gold mine.

Thomas writes:

"This story was written from memory fifty-nine years after the vow was made . . . the story is correct as remembered.

Regarding the lost gold mine Thomas writes:

"The gold mine discovered by the train in the mountains and abandoned has never been prospected and worked, it seems. Thirty years after I returned to the States new discoveries of gold were being made in different parts of the Rocky Mountains. I went with a party to hunt for the abandoned mine. After prospecting for a month or more in that part of the mountains where I thought the mine was located, I failed to find it. Not being satisfied with my first trip, three years later I went with another party and prospected two weeks with no better luck than before. At a railroad station on the Oregon Short Line, I heard that there had been five old men there at different times looking for the mine. They had been with the train when the mine was discovered. They all failed to find it and the mine was known in that section of the country as the "Lost Million Dollar Gold Mine of the Rocky Mountains."

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