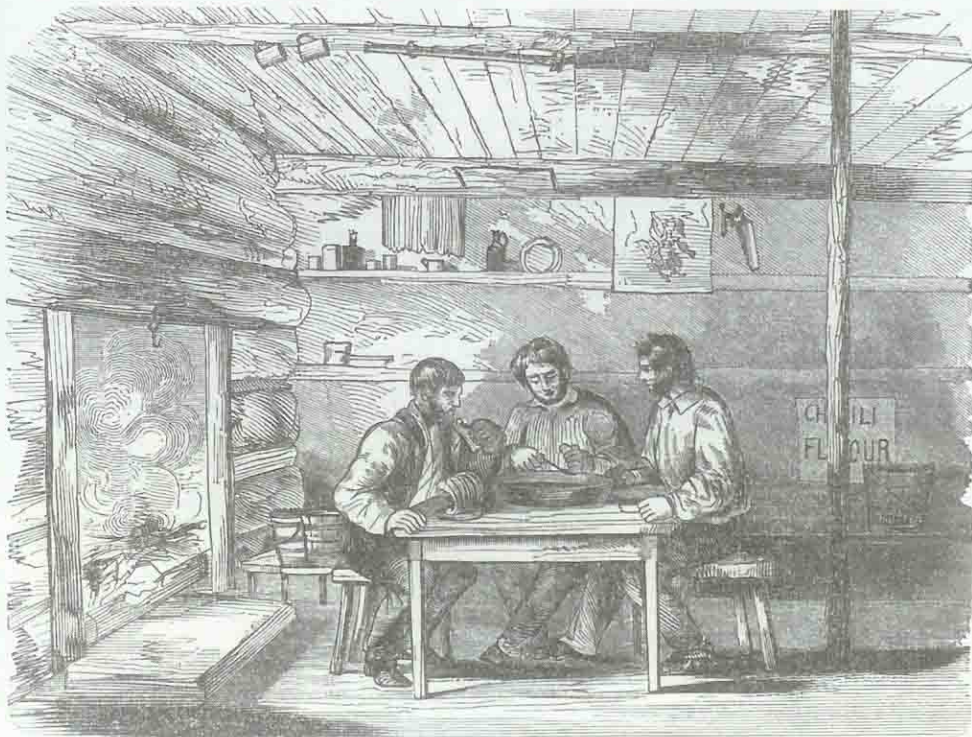


F. Chronology and Geography

1. On your map entitled "Territorial Growth of the United States," draw lines showing the Texas Annexation, the Mexican Cession, the Gadsden Purchase, and the Oregon Territory. Label these areas, and color each a different color.
2. On a large map of the United States, follow the route of the Oregon Trail through the present states. (A map in an encyclopedia or a road atlas may help.) Note also the California Trail, as well as the alternate routes at various places. Do modern highways follow the same routes? Over what kind of terrain did the Oregon Trail pass?
3. Answer these questions.
 - a. What were the advantages and disadvantages of each of the three routes to California?
 - b. Why was the Pacific Coast settled before other areas of the West?



Thousands of California miners lived in crude cabins.