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**Treasure-Trove.**  
(Virginia, Nev., Enterprise, June 22.)  
Five young Comstockers who were roving among the hills yesterday, struck for the country, about a mile north-east of Bidleman's milk ranch was where they found it. At this point is a cliff of rugged, splintered rocks. Down in a big crevice the boys saw a large roll of blankets. The blankets were strongly bound with a rope. Rocks had been piled up for the purpose as if for its concealment. Seeing all this the hearts of the boys rose up in their throats. They thought they had found the buried treasure of the Jack Davis band of stage and railroad robbers. Visions of silver bars, piles of twenty-dollar gold pieces filled their brains. The greatness of their discovery almost took away their breath. In low, broken tones, and looking on each other with greedy eyes, the boys solemnly agreed that the treasure should be equally and equitably divided. They then removed the rocks and hoisted the bundle out of the crevice. It was quite a job to undo the bundle, there being fully 200 feet of half inch rope wound about it. At last the rope was all off and with trembling hands the lads began to unroll the blankets. Under these they found a roll of buckskin. "Now," said they, "we are coming to the treasure." Under the buckskin appeared a white cloth. They thought there appeared a face of a dead child! Black hair bristled about the face of the corpse; one eye and the mouth stood open. The lads were so terrified that they dropped. For a moment they gazed upon each other open-mouthed. An instant after marbles might have been played on their coats-tails as they fled in all directions. On reaching town the boys rushed to the undertaking establishment of Wilson & Brown and told their story. The proprietors at once examined the corpse, and decided that it was quite a job to decide that the body before him was that of a Piute child, about two years of age. The head of the child had been covered with tar, and the neck with a neckerchief of beads and a few brass charms in the shape of slippers and the like. The body was returned to the crevice and again covered with rocks.

**Current Topics.**  
The wheat crop of California the present year will be ten million bushels larger than ever before. The Delaware peach crop of 1873 amounted to 1,500,000 baskets, which will barely reach 600,000 baskets. The total value of metals mined in Great Britain last year was \$110,800,000 of minerals; pottery materials, \$90,000,000 of coal, \$40,000,000 of iron, \$25,000,000 of copper, \$10,000,000 of zinc, \$5,000,000 of lead, \$2,000,000 of tin, \$1,000,000 of silver, \$500,000 of platinum, \$250,000 of nickel, \$125,000 of manganese, \$62,500 of cobalt, \$31,250 of vanadium, \$15,625 of selenium, \$7,812 of tellurium, \$3,906 of bismuth, \$1,953 of antimony, \$976 of arsenic, \$488 of molybdenum, \$244 of niobium, \$122 of tantalum, \$61 of cerium, \$30 of thorium, \$15 of uranium, \$7 of radium, \$3 of actinium, \$1 of polonium, \$0.50 of francium, \$0.25 of radon, \$0.125 of actinon, \$0.0625 of thoron, \$0.03125 of radon, \$0.015625 of actinon, \$0.0078125 of thoron, \$0.00390625 of radon, \$0.001953125 of actinon, \$0.0009765625 of thoron, \$0.00048828125 of radon, \$0.000244140625 of actinon, \$0.0001220703125 of thoron, \$0.00006103515625 of radon, \$0.000030517578125 of actinon, 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