

## Report to the Superintendent of the United States Coast Survey upon Ancient Tumuli in East Florida 1875

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sides to the depth of two and half feet, finding distinct marks of fire and the customary accumulation of decayed and decaying skeletons, which for the most part, seemed to have been buried hastily.

Deeply imbedded in the earth a coin was found similar to that already described, but of another mintage; for although the inscriptions and the figures were the same, there was a slight difference in the impressions.

I also obtained parts of several skulls, one of them bearing signs of a wound through the right parietal; (See photograph (K)). A few were resting upon pieces

of what is locally called "nigger-head" coral, and although, as I have said, the remains had been thrown in in a helter-skelter manner, the fact that these had been placed to support the heads, showed care in the interment of some of the bodies at least.

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