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singing the theme from "Gold-finger" as gold coins cascaded from the bags. Dave and I just lay there exhausted on the deck, not knowing whether to laugh or cry with joy. Harvey hauled in the anchor because we hardly had the strength even to take our suits off. The gold coins had been a happy surprise because our research had not indicated that any had been shipped. We could not help but marvel at the truly beautiful condition in which they had been found, the reason of course being that salt water has a corrosive effect on silver but not on gold. After this memorable day, we stepped up the tempo of our salvage operation and day after day one could see our boat riding at anchor above the treasure site. The number of coins brought to the surface grew from the hundreds to the thousands. As the treasure at the bottom diminished we became interested in the arithmetic of the money lost in 1725, and (compared it to) that recovered by us. Top: A 4-livre ecu with Louis XV and the Information concerning this was 'a' e "1724, minted in Bordeaux. The re-found in a letter sent from the covered Chevalier's Cross, 1725. Alex Minister of the Marine, the Storm and Harvey MacLeod bringing the Comte de Maurepas, to Messrs. Beauharnois and Dupuy, date 14 May 1726: "The King has replaced the funds which had been remitted for the expenditures of Canada last year, and which were lost on Le Chameau. amounting to 83,308 livres 11 wire-mesh salvage basket aboard. sols 1 denier, including 27,258 livres 8 sols 9 deniers expended for clothing of the troops at Quebec." Multiplying the number of coins recovered

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