

(Inspired by a find made by one of our RRPC members on a claim near Rich Hill)

Twice Found

- Tom Egan

I drove to the desert in search of gold.

Eager to see what the soil might hold.

With my pick and my shovel I began to [dig](#),

Hoping for a nugget so yellow and big.

But I found something else that appeared to be old.

A [little glass bottle](#) that once medicine did hold.

It was covered in dirt with the stopper held tight

so I rinsed it in water and held it up to the [light](#)

There was something inside, but what could it be?

so I pulled out the stopper to set it all free.

Into my pan the contents were [poured](#),
when I saw what it was, my spirits just soared.

Now this bottle it has a story to tell,
about the man from whose tattered shirt pocket it fell.
Did he look here and there, did he search high and low,
or just curse to himself and let it all go.

It has value this [metal](#) that comes from the ground.

But this find is special because its [twice found](#).

