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Gold at the end of the rainbow

After a break of some 20 years I picked up metal detecting again in Sept 2014. I was searching in a field when my wife phoned me on my mobile to say that when she was driving home that morning, the end of the rainbow was in the very field where I was searching.

One of my first finds however was a Victorian sixpence in very good condition, followed shortly by a George III bull-head sixpence. Then it was the usual musket balls, bits of lead scrap, tin foil and the like. At about 3 o'clock I was systematically searching one corner of the field when I got a fairly good signal in the headphones. I took out the usual sod of earth and then went in with the probe. At first I thought that I had found more tin foil, but when I rubbed it in my fingers I realised that it was harder than foil. Even though the light was starting to fade, when I rubbed off more of the soil I could see writing around the edge and what looked like a boat. I was still standing frozen to the spot when my wife came across the field out for her afternoon walk, and jokingly asked if I had found the pot of gold yet from her rainbow - I showed her the coin. So there you have it, there really is gold at the end of the rainbow.

Condensed from the original report by the person (Dig-it-pete) who discovered the coins