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**INDIAN MERCHANTS AT TREADWELL MINES.**—For ten years the people of the United States seemingly never thought of the native races of Alaska. Governor Brady states that in 1877 the cry for help went up, even from the military officers. It was responded to, feebly at first, but more earnestly and generously year by year for the past twenty years. Everywhere the missionaries found the natives practicing witchcraft in all its cruel forms. Almost every manifestation of human depravity met their gaze as they went among them. This has been largely changed, and here the missions have been well conducted, the change has been from darkness to light. Now, the Argonaut finds the native can figure as quickly as he can himself.