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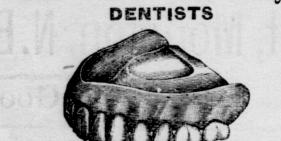
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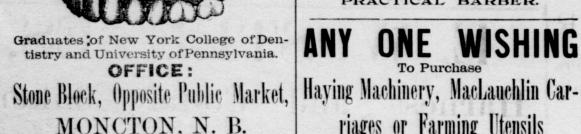
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'Whip-poor-will-whip-poor-will!" When twiight comes, serene and still, With balmy scents and grateful hush. And in the west a tender blush, As if the peach-bloom, blowing high, And blown against the evening sky. You'll hear from some dusk-shadowed hill The soft complaint of "Whip-poor-will!" "Whip-poor-will-whip-poor-will! It seems the lonely wood to fill

With echoes mournful, yet as sweet As summer winds in ripened wheat, Or bells that chime far away The peaceful ending of the day. Or crooning of the mountain rill, That distant call of the "Whip-poor-will! "Whip-poor-will-whip-poor-will!"

The gentle plaint my heart can thrill With dreams of days that came and went In childhood's happy freedom spent; When sunlight poured its golden grace In every lifted lily-vase, And in the gloaming, calm and still, Arose the chant of "Whip-poor-will! "Whip-poor-will-whip-poor-will!" I hear the olden music still

Of other days, and see once more The group about the cottage door, Gathered, when household tasks were done To watch the setting of the sun. And catch from shadows on the hill The first sweet note of "Whip-poor-will!"

The Women of Egypt.

The most ancient moralist that

Thebes, of the bass-reliefs of Lougsor, and shut at the firing of the guns. all Trains. ALMA HOUSE. the gayest of civilizations. The Egypt | with an awe that is indescribable. John Fletcher. - Proprietor. emotions—the song of birds, the per- than two miles long. fume of flowers, the murmur of the Accommodating 200 Guests, situated in the centre of spacious grounds and surrounded by elegant shade trees, making it specially desirous for Tourists in the summer season. mony of triumphant nature, but at the

> and the brevity of bliss. and she made use of her privileges. guns of the largest calibre. Some are ance in existence can possibly reach. offended by the presence and curesity The land of Potiphar's wife is not the mounted on the parpet above, but the A fleet of ironclads, hugging the Afri- of strangers, and leaping into the ring It is in the palaces of Assyria that we so as to be near the level of the sea fire if it were strong enough to en- to give expressions to his indignation, valleys of the Euphrates and the Tigris, parts. in the cradle of civilization, that we shall find the veil, that emblem of the two big guns, each of which weighs the fortress alone could not bar the man who saw her own image reflected | mous that it is impossible to describe | tection under the guns of the fort. in the still waters of the river, whether them so as to convey an idea of their Pison, Hiddekel, or Euphrates, was the immense proportions. The shot has first coquette, and when she began to to be lifted to the mouth of these guns arrange her hair, to smoother it, to hide by machinery, and a man could easily it with a veil or shawl, to conceal one crawl into the bore. It was feared he art of coiffure was invented.

Fine Intelligence of the Elephant It appears from trustworthy anec dotes that the Asiatic elephants in few months of captivity acquire the to impose upon them. The speediness of this intellectual subjugation may be judged from the fact that, after a short term of domestication, they will tack a willing and intelligent part in cap-Old Established Hotel, well known to the cravelling public. Barber Shop and Livery Stable in connection. of no other animal do we find anything This gun throws a ball weighing 2,000 and then those, who at the sundance, like such an immediate adhesion to pounds over eight miles. the ways of civilization. We have to GLOBE HOTEL. account for this eminent peculiarity There are batteries in the rear of the accomplishment of difficult and laboriof the elephant on the supposition, town as well as in the front. These ous undertakings were highly honored which appears to be thoroughly justi- can be fired over the tops of the houses and distinguished. Now when war wild state, a type of intelligence and landing he would have to fight his way men than is the case with any other it fairly bristles with guns. You canwild mammel, affinity with human quality which is, perhaps, only ap- out seeing them; they are over your proached by certain species of birds. head and under you, and pointing dir-It appears from the observations of ectly at you. naturalists that the family or tribe of wild elephants is a distinct and highly

sympathetic community. His Parting Shot.

She spurned his suit. "Never," she insisted. Nor yet did hope flee his breast. "Can you not," he asked huskily 'learn to love me?" She shook her head. "And still-"

He hissed through his clenched teet s he made for the door. "---they say never too old to learn. She started violently, turned pale floor, crushed by his cruel words.

ROCK OF GIBRALTAR.

Rock Galleries - Is it Impregnable? Of all modern Fortresses there is

traveler. The military element dom- supporting. inates the life of the place. With

bags full of lies and wickedness. The for the outsider to regard these signals, the Queen's birthday. testimony of the wall-paintings of as the gates of the place are opened

our imagination as a land of hieratic and one-half to three-quarters of a mile question that has often been asked, imagination that alarm our more sober jecting bastions, with guns turned

same time it is tempered by a vein of designed to be absolutely bomb-proof. sion. sadness and by the ever-present con- The walls are so thick as to resist the

that the explosion would be something

instincts more nearly like those of at every step. As you climb the rock not turn to the right or the left with-

and sank in a miserable heap on the and therefore work was begun to blast Portage la Prairie, Turtle Mountains whiskey, as no drunken man can take out the long galleries. These are all and Rosseau River. There were six- part in the dance."

on the northern side of the rock, and | teen lodges and the number of Indians as this is the side that looks towards assembled of both sexes must have been The Strongest Fortress in the World Spain they are intended to repel an nearly two hundred. A large structure -Its Monster Ordnance and advance against the fortress from that had been erected of poles, somewhat

scarcely one so interesting as that of through the galleries, a two-mile walk there was a wall made of green branches Gibraltar, which at this moment hap- only, it is necessary to secure an order closely plated together. Many red pens to be of a peculiar interest on from the military secretary. After and white flags of the true Indian account of its important role in the presenting this the officer in charge character waved in the breeze and from event of war involving Morocco. details a gunner to conduct you the main centre post, which supported There is not a more picturesque spot through the galleries. The gate is the structure, a number of ropes were in Europe, nor a more delightful one then opened and you start in on the suspended which had been used for an to recuperate in, and it is here so many lower level. This tier is perhaps a exceedingly barbarous purpose. Before regiments are sent to "pick up" after | mile long, from which you mount to | our arrival seven persons had submitted a hard time in the field. It is a place the second, which rises above the other to be tortured, by having pieces of of rest and some regiments are left like the upper deck of an enormous pointed wood passed through where here to recruit for years. In that case line-of-battle ship. The excavation is incisions had been made in to the the officers are joined by their families, like that of a railway tunnel with the muscles of the breast; to the sticks the and the home life in Gibraltar is one exception that no arches are required, ropes were attached and the candidates of the happy features which has proved as it is hewn the whole distance for the strange honor threw themselves a pleasant surprise to more than one through the solid rock, which is self back until their weight was on the

5,000 or 6,000 troops-for Gibraltar is porthole, and at every hole heavy guns linches; here the miserable creatures never vithout that number-the streets are mounted on carriages, by which swung to and fro for about twenty are alive with redcoats and artillery they can be swung around to any Everything goes by military rule. of these cannons is terrific, as the con-

The rock gun from its exalted position on the highest point of the rock, on the Queen's birthday.

pounds. The enormous arches over- aimed directly seaward, could not de- strange cr. sture looked as if she had The Fgyptian woman was almost the head are made to withstand the weight stroy or stop a passing fleet. To been brought from the regions of the and go, to tempt and to be tempted, shells. This Line Wall is armed with teen miles, a distance that no ordin- One much excited savage seemed to be land either of the harem or of the veil. greater part in the casements below can coast, would be safe from English must look for the harem. It is in the and thus strike ships in the most vital counter the English fleet. It is her the appearance of his face at the same fleet in which England places the ut-Of course anyone is anxious to see most reliance, not on the fortress, for The whole performance was wild, weird, modesty and submission which became 100 tons. But they are guarded with passage into the Mediterranean. It one of the arms of coquetry almost as great care from the two close inspect- would be a refuge in case of disaster soon as it was invented. The first wo- ion of strangers. They are so enor- where the English ships could find pro-

---THE SUN DANCE.

A Strange Ceremony of the Can-

adian Indians. On Saturday last, says the Pilot terrible, but the sound was nothing in | Mound Sentinel, guided by an intelliproportion to the size. Everyone was gent halfbreed, who trades with the surprised and many disappointed. Indians, a visit was made to the Swan Some of the sixty-eight pounds are as Lake reserve, where a great sun-dance ear-splitting as the 100-ton guns. One | was in progress. The strange solemnity of these big guns is mounted within has been practiced by all the Indian rules of conduct which it is necessary speaking distance of the house of the tribes of the British and American major-general, which stands on the Northwest. The principal object is Line Wall. In answer to an inquiry that of discovering to what extent those stold me to take their places when they as to what they did at the time of who desire to become braves can endure firing, one of the ladies laughingly hardship, fatigue, hunger and pain. replied: "Oh, we don't mind it; we No doubt indifference to suffering was turing their kindered of the wilderness; take down the mirrors, lay away the a useful quality if possessed by Indian showing in this work little or no dis- china and glass, throw open the win- warriors in the days when the taking position to the wild herds. In the case down and let the explosion come." of scalps was a common employment showed to the greatest extent the But these are not the defences. character and ability required for the fied, that the creature has, even in its so that if any enemy were to effect a has ceased, the ceremonies of the sundance have lost their value and significance, but the remnants of the ancient race still cling to the old custom, although now only a shadow of what existed in former days.

After a long drive amongst the wooded hills, which partly encircled falling the braves discharge their The most interesting feature of Gib- the lake, a more level district was reachraltar is the rock galleries. It is owing ed, where the trees stood in groves with to these that Gibraltar surpasses all intervals of prairie between. Hawother fortresses in Europe. They were | thorns and other flowering trees were begun more than a hundred years ago in bloom and numerous birds made during the great siege. Although the their presence known from the thickets French and Spanish had none of the by the songs which floated on the improved artillery of modern times, pleasant summer air. On approaching they managed to reach, with the the camping ground of the Indians smooth-bore cannon and mortars, every | many horses were noticed enjoying the part of the rock, and even the rock excellent pasture of the prairies gun, on the very pinnacle of Gibraltar, resting in the shade of the quivering was twice dismounted. This convinc- aspens. Carts, wagons and other coned the English that their only shelter veyances stood here and there amongst would be in the bowels of the earth, the tents, for Indians had arrived from

resembling a circus tent, but without In order to take this little jaunt | the canvas covering, round the outside cord and the skin of the breast was At every dozen yards there is a large drawn out from the body about twelve

minut and were then removed. In quarter: The simultaneous discharge addition to this cruel practice some individuals submitted to have their The hours of the day are announced cussion against the walls of the rock is little fingers cut off as a further proof by gun-fire. The morning gun gives much greater than if they were fired of indifference to suffering. The actors the exact minute at which the soldiers in the open air. It is not often that of this strange tragedy had been fasting are to turn out of their beds, and the this noise is heard, however. But there for two days and the condition of the know, the Egyptian Ptahhotpou, spoke last evening gun the minute at which is one day in the year when the British body in consequence of lack of food is of women as bundles of mischief and they are to turn in. It is necessary lion roars good and loud, and that is supposed to lessen danger from inflamation that might, under circumstances, cause such treatment to prove fatal. A less horrible method of exhibitand of the antique papyri written by If Gibraltar were merely a rock in 1,400 feet in the air, gives the signal, ing power of endurance is the dancing. the remote predecessors of Boccaccio | the ocean its solitary grandeur would | which is immediately caught up by About a dozen persons stood behind a and Sacchetti, goes to show that the induce many a sight-seer to inspect its the galleries below, one after the other. wall of branches about breast high ladies of old Egypt, with their plaited rugged sides. But as it is the strongest The batteries along the sea answer to that formed a section of a circle inside Hats, Bonnets, Flowers, hair and jewelled bosoms, were ardent fortress in the world, the interest of those along the mountain side, and the outer wall of the inclosure. Each to attack and weak to resist. Prin- the greater number of visitors is to see the mighty reverberations sweep had in his mouth a bone whistle which cesses, daughters of the priestly class, its defences. The natural strength of around the bay, across the Mediterran- he continued to blow constantly, keepor peasants, all resembled the wife of the position has been multiplied by ean, and far along the African shores. ing time to the sound of a large drum Potiphar, if we may believe the ingeni- all the resources of modern warfare, in | The noise is simply indescriable. It is | that was beaten by a number of Indians, ous stories, the popular tales, and the the admiration of which one is led for bad enough when the artillerymen be- who squatted on the ground in a circle golden legends which have for centuries a moment to forget the "greatness gin their practice in the spring. The round the drum. No attempt was amused the ennui of the mummies in thrust upon it by nature," but only guns in the galleries are then not used, made to vary the sound. The action their silent tombs, and which the mod- for a moment. Standing on the top of but all the batteries along the side of of the dancers was simply an up and ern readers of hieroglyphics are now the rock, which is 1,400 feet high, and the rock are let loose upon the town. down movement caused by the bending not touched by the hands the perback in a steady and stiff attitude.

deciphering for the better comprehen- looking down the cliff where the waves But, as disagreeable as this is, it is of the knee joints. As the whistles sion of the most ancient and perhaps are dashing at its feet fill a person nothing in comparison with the clamor were held by the lips only and were of the Pharaohs is no longer figured in The rock is nearly three miles long Is Gibraltar really impregnable? is a formers were forced to hold their heads contemplation, but rather, like our own | broad. On the eastern side the cliff is and, one that evoked differences of As the dancing had been continued country, as a place of joy and of tears, so tremendous that there is no possi- opinion from those capable of judging. for two days without taking either food of hopes and of fears, of illusions and bility of scaling it; therefore the only | Englishmen, who are most familiar | or drink or leaving their places, the emotions, a land peopled by human approach must be by land from the with its defences, say yes, and main- ceremony must have been most exbeings like ourselves, who laughed, north or from the sea on the western tain with characteristic stubbornness hausting. Chief Yellow Quill acted as sang, loved and passed. Modern crudi- side. As the latter lies along the bay that Gibraltar could not be taken by master of the ceremonies, and at intion has even succeeded in deciphering and it is the lowest level it is the most all the powers combined. On the oth- tervals an enormous pipe was carried love-lyrics that were sung four or five exposed to attack. The town lies here er hand, the French and German around the circle and each dancer was thousand years ago on the banks of the and could easily be approached by an engineers claim their is no fortress given a smoke by way of refreshment. Nile-lyrics in which the ancient enemy if it were not for its artificial which cannot be battered down. The Amongst the dancers were two squaws Egyptians expressed the sentiments defences. These consist mainly of new inventions of war and the tremen- who seemed to be as eager to distinthat devoured them sometimes with what is called the Line Wall, a trem- dous force which the use of dynamite guish themselves as were the others. exquisite sweetness, at other times endous mass of masonry two miles and nitro-glycerine give to these new All had their faces painted with some with an exuberance and a boldness of long, relieved here and there by pro- projectiles make everything possible. red substance, which appeared in spots The object of the fortress of Gibral- on the cheeks, the forehead and some Western minds. The Egyptian made right and left so as to sweep the face tar is to command the passage into the times on the chin. Sitting on the all nature participate in his amorous of the wall. The line defended is more Mediterranean. The arms of Gibraltar ground in one corner was a squaw, said are a castle and a key, to signify to be at least ninety years of age. This Within the Line Wall, immediately that it holds the key of the strange piece of humanity seemed to breeze. Egyptian love is a manifesta- fronting the bay, are the casements straits, and that no ship flying any be taking as much interest in the protion of the joyous and splendid har- and barracks for the artillery that are other flag than that of England can ceedings as she had experienced in byto serve the guns. The casements are enter or depart except by her permis- gone years, when human scalps decorated the wild warriors of the plains, But that power is already gone. The and savage rites had an earnestness sciousness of the fragility of things impact shot weighing hundreds of The 100-ton gun of Gibraltar, even if and a reality not posessed now. The

equal of the man; she was free to come and the explosion of the heaviest Africa, opposite Gibraltar, it is four- dead and re-animated for the occasion. he made a speech in which he seemed time being anything but agreeable.

striking and barbarous, something that

"In the springtime," said the head

it was only necessary to see once.

chief to the Battleford Herald, "when the children of Manitou are sick, and the grass is coming up and the trees putting forth their leaves, we dance the sun dance that we may be made well and to thank Manitou for the things that grow. The priest of the white man at certain times fasts for several days, so we Crees likewise fast and think of Manitou. The white man kneels and prays to his God, we dance before Manitou. It is our church and our preaching. The young men listen to me, and I instruct them in the ways of our fathers. My father and fatherin-law and other old men of our race were gone and teach the people to make the sun dance in the spring, and

that day the next spring to dance again. We Crees meet to punish ourselves for our sins. For days and nights before the dance we cat nothing and grow very thin. The men sit apart on one side of the lodges, the women sit on the other. All think of Manitou. Then the old men go into the woods, and select a growing tree report to the lodges, going from tepec to tepec singing the sons of Manitou. The people form a procession on horse-back, the young men with guns and bows, and the squaws sitting behind them on the ponies. They move foreward to the tree, and, dismounting, gather about it singing and dancing. As the tree is weapons, shooting it down to show their happiness at the leaves growing again? At the camp we set up the tree, making stalks in which naked warriors, screened to the waist, dance until they fall, and up above we weave a roof of willows. When all has been done the

young men come to me and ask that they may be put to the test. I cut slits in the skin of their arms, run small sticks through, and on these hang eights by strings. I make medicine over them, which keeps the wound from festering. We dance two days and two nights without stopping. and as one man falls another takes his place. We ask that white men keep

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