#### SIX PAGES.

A WONDERFUL SIGHT.

The Carious Phenomenon Witnessed Of the River Plate.

A MIGHTY PEATHERED ARMY.

Miles of Porpoise Pursuing Their Prey Escorted by a Cloud of Birds Which Turned Day Into Night.

"Talking about birds," said a veteran sea captain to an Astorian rebirds that ever met a sailor's eye, and sible I offer my well selected stock of old shellbacks see some queer things in their cruises.

"We were off the Rio de la Plata, that huge river whose mighty waters disembogue into the South Atlantic. Not a breath of wind. The intense heat of the sun caused a perceptible, transparent smoke to rise up from the decks, and rendered the tarred brouds and rigging soft and sticky. faces and the dye spreading itself in the year, heavy southwest swell caused the ship to roll her scuppers under and even at times to dip the end of the main yard-arm into the top of a recoding billow, breaking its smooth surface into a thousand ripples. What an exertion it was to steady one's self in one of those rolls! What in temperate latitudes is an unconscious motion to the seaman, here was sufficient to send the perspiration out on one like water from a pressed sponge. It was hot; hotter than the devil's riding toots, as the mate phrased it. And then it was so hard to be working in the flerce gale of the san, with no water to quench an in-tolerable thirst, the daily allowance having been expended long ago. One would imagine that a swim in the clear waters would be just the thing throw of the ship's side. Then a A Relic of Engineering of Many Centuries

It had now attained the proportions streak was foam, the water churded around dead. Control the dead of the foam of the south a flash of lighten from the south west caused the old man to shorten furrowed visage assumed a peculiar, and before midnight we were while at the southern end it. puzzied expression. Surely that was a black cloud stealing up, full of wind, and the squall would soon be upon us. But why was the barometer silent? The old man looked up unspice of the content of a vast circle of broken water. The birds had vanished. One content of a vast circle of broken water. The old man looked up unspice of the content of a vast circle of broken water. The birds had vanished. One content of the conten ensily at the light sails. Blacker and bigger grew the cloud, and longer and bigger grew the cloud, and longer and sombre, like the genius of the storm whiter grew the silver edge beneath or the forerunner of fatality." Lower away the roy- lie was just about to finish the order, the glasses glued to his eyes, when 'never mind! be had changed his mind.

"Bang! went the glasses as the old ing around glanced quinzieally at the unte, who responded with a look of inquiry. 'What do you think?' asked the captain. 'Don't know,' answered the mate shortly. Well, they're birds,' was the answer.

"Yes, that black cloud was birds. It extended over two points of the compass now, and still increasing. another second the naked eye could distinguish their individual forms. They were birds indeed.

Myriads of them. Every species of sea-bird was represented in that vast army. There was the albatross, sailing majestically along, its huge wings outspread; the curley with its long, spear-like bill and taper legs; the black diver and its red-throated cousin; the beautiful frigate bird, or bo'sun, as sailors call it. flew neck-and-neck with guillemots. Boobies or noddies jostled seagulfs and snowbirds. Here the stormy petrel uttered its peculiar cry, and there the cape pigeon showed its mottled breast. Besides all these, hundreds of species unknown to the ordinary sailor, and perhaps to the ornithelogist.

"In another ten minutes they covered half the sky, a solid black mass easting an ever-increasing before them. These fish, terrified, the birds above swooped upon what the porpoises below failed to catch, he got it.

It was a wonderful sight. Hanging I saw ti beneath the blue vault a huge dark was rather well shaped when it filled veil of birds. Birds everywhere as out, and having no mane, but a high far as the eye could reach, north, neck and crest, it had something the south, east and west-all birds. The wind. The sun was obsenred and mottled brown in color, and the poor thus to add to the solemnity of the thing seemed very intelligent and to it. Then a deep awe fell upon the little knot of human witnesses of the Divine power. Never before had anyone of those grizzled seamen be-held such a sight. All work was for-gotten in the contemplation of that wondrous scene. And still the mighty wondrous scene. And still the mighty erial procession went on; and stil

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The train stopped suddenly between

two stations. Several of the passen-gers rushed out of the car excitedly, and came back with the tidings that

there was an obstruction on the track which would cause the delay of an

"Are any of them in immediate danger?" asked a bystander. "No, but an hour late. It is unbear-

A young girl looked at her compan-

ions with the tears in her eyes. "I am going into town for the trimming for

personally responsible for the delay.

A young man sat immovable, his

head bent upon his breast, his face set

tears to the eys of the school-girl was lighter than a feather in the eyes of

the stock-broker; and his loss of thou-

sands was contemptible to the man

the grave without a word; and doubt-

less his pain seemed momentary and

How, then, are we to find the true weight and value of things in the world?

In the United States Mint, when

ank a deep shaft into the earth and

through upper formations, which are shaken by passing jars, and rested the foundation upon the immovable granite

they built a machine for weighing coin with absolute accuracy, they

whose child was going from hi

to wait twenty minutes."

to cool one off. But even this means curious thing occurred. That long of relief is denied. A great bluish meanster sneaks around under the of grenadiers to the eastward. Our counter whose tender mercies are like ship as it lay there divided the line those of the wicked. The fate of any man who should attempt that gignutic maw would be scaled. The blue shark shows no quarter. And so we gazed longingly at the cool sea and sighed as we imagined how the Phrygan king of old must have felt, up to his neck in water and yet unable to the southward. But the vast cloud of birds still darkened the sky.

Thousands settled down on the spars and significant the southward are southward. But the vast cloud of birds still darkened the sky. slake his thirst. Thus we lay and rolled and rolled, heading in turn to every point of the compass, the flap, the flap of the dead satis adding to the half an hour the sun was hidden, and ead monotony.

"Eight bells had just struck, and Then a break occurred in the procesthe watches changed, when suddenly away to the southwest, an infinitesimal black speck showed itself on the borizon. Larger and larger it grew. The mate, an ancient mariner, looked at it intently for a few moments, then the water was covered with them. at it intently for a few moments, then went below and looked at the barometer. There was no change there. What could be the matter? In the matter ing and shricking that no sleep visited the watch with it for nearly 250 miles, creeping along under the western cliffs of the Nile valley, with many a bend and winding, and at length it gained an winding, and at length it gained an winding, and at length it gained and winding, and at length it gained and winding, and at length it gained and winding and a length it gained and with the river out to him the cause of his auxiety, below. For two days we lay thus beof a topsail. Its lower edge was lined about with us on the waters, gorged with a bright silver streak. That with fish, quantures of which floated streak was foam, the water churned around dead. On the third evening the streak was foam, the water churned around dead. On the third evening the streak was foam, the water churned around dead.

gloomy cape devil alone remained circling about the ship, solemn and

The wife of sheriff William Cooper would have been honored in old Spartan days for the pluck which she displayed at the Hart, Michigan, jail, last week. She had opened the jail door to give the prisoners more light, when James Waldron, who was awaiting trial for forgery, imagined he had a good chance to escape, so he struck Mrs. Cooper two vicious blows head and the other on the arm. He felled her to the floor, but when he prang over her Mrs. Cooper grasped and by the leg and threw him heavily o the stone floor. Both were on their t in an instant, Mrs. Cooper barring

The desperate prisoner recovered is stick, but before he could strike another blow the woman hit him with her clinched fist under the chin and mocked him sprawling on the floor Then she quickly shut the door and locked it. Several desperate criminals would have made their escape from jail if Waldron's scheme had been successful. The blow on Mrs.

A Hairless Horse.

d half the sky, a solid black casting an ever-increasing men is found among the desert horses of Australia. The oddest of these that that silver line of foam; what was I ever saw was a huge, ungainly beast that? A great army of perpoises. without a hair upon it. It was cut out The secret was out. These sea-pigs, of a wild herd and roped in by a in an immense front, miles-long, were station hand, who sold it for a drink pursuing the smaller fish upon which and a plug of tobacco to some man they prey. They were driving vast riding along the road past the homeshoals of bonito, flying fish and others stead. The latter tamed the hairless opeless, sprang from the water in tricks and showed it all over the coltheir agony and were caught. For onics. He was said to have taken \$100,000, though he spent it as fast as

south, east and west—all birds. The appearance of horses in antique sculp-noise of those myriad wings sounded tures or bronzes. Its skin was per-like the noise of a rushing mighty

In Heavy Seas,

rial procession went on; and still the mighty capt. A. R. Robinson of Boston, is on serial procession went on; and still the great host of fish hurried on their may pursuing and pursued; and still the vessel rolled heavily. But the fisher fisher of the sails was no longer heard. The noise of myriad winds, loud as the hurricane's roar, drowned all else. other minute that line of lasted for four hours giving perfect ng bodies was within a bisenit- satisfaction.

How many of the engineering works of the nineteenth century, says a re-cent writer, will there be in existence in the year 6000? Very few, we fear, and still less those that will continue and still less those that will continue in the far off age to serve a useful purpose. Yet there is at least one great undertaking conceived and executed by an engineer which during the space of four thousand years has never ceased its office, on which the life of a fertile province absolutely depends to-day. We refer to the Bahr Joussuf—the canal of Joseph—built, according to tradition, by the son of Jacob, and which constitutes not the least of the many blessings he conferred on

the many blessings he conferred on Egypt during the years of his prosperous rule. This canal took its rise from the Nile at Asiut, and ran almost parallel with it for nearly 250 miles, creeping danger?" asked a bystam

eminence, as compared with the river bed, which enabled it to turn westward through a narrow pass and enter

"I am to lecture this afternoon be-fore the lyceum," he explained in hot indignation. "The audience will have with fertility and supporting a large population. In the time of the an-nual flood a great part of the canal was under water, and then the river's nual flood a great part of the canal was under water, and then the river's current would rush in a more direct course into the pass, carrying with it the rich silt which takes the place of manure and keeps the soil in a state hand hard.

"My little boy is dying," he said to some one who questioned him. "I was telegraphed for. I shall not see him alive." manure and keeps the soil in a state of constant productiveness.

All this, with the exception of the All this with the exception of the that the wheels of the universe had the productive that the wheels of the universe had the productive that the wheels of the universe had the productive that the wheels of the universe had the productive that the wheels of the universe had the productive that the wheels of the universe had the productive that the whole wheels of the passent that the whole wheels of the passent that the whole wheels of the passent that the whole whole whole whole whole who whole who

traditions that Joseph built it, can be verified to-day, and it is not mere supposition or rumor. Until eight years ago it was firmly believed that the stopped because they were delayed in their pursuits of work, one woman sat quiet and tranquil.

She was near the end of a long life

She was near the end of a long life of pain and hardship and wide experience. She had come, too, near enough to the God who rules over all lives to understand how every event and accident, great or little, has its place and purpose in the eternal order, as have motes floating in the sunshine. She was close enough to the gate of the future life to see how little written by Greek and Roman historians, such as Herodotus, Strabo, Mutianus, and Pliny, and reported in monkish legends or portrayed in the monkish legends or portrayed in monkish legends or portrayed in the maps of the middle ages, which agreed with the folk lore of the district.

or even the loss of an hour with the dying child.

"One of the most singular studies in life." says Bouchet. "is to note how

These tales explained that the canal dug by the ancient Israelite served to carry the surplus waters of the Nile into an extensive lake lying south of the Fayoum, and so large that it not only modified the climate, tempering the arid winds of the desert and conthe arid winds of the desert and converting them into the balmy airs which nourished the vines and the olives into a fullness and fragrance unknown in any part of the country, but also added to the food supply of land such immense quantities of fish that the royal prerogative of the right of prevent the country. of the right of piscary at the great weir was valued at \$250,000 annually. This lake was said to be 450 miles round, and to be navigated by a fleet of vessels, and the whole circumference was the scene of great national

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