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#### Abstract

AFGHANISTAN.

By. Mr. Rosest murum, Enemini Post. PARTVII. For the next couple of dnys we trudge Hong together, my companion enlivening th way by Lis reminiscences of formed days, and by arguments on the fierce and desperat clanacter of the poople in the midst of whom we were travelling. I recalled to memorry some of my own recollections of the Atghn in forcign parts, and in return for my comthe weary rome, made an cffort to relate some of them in the erection of a telegraph line along the pose we had sour hundred Asiatics from a West, the Chinese, the Malay, the Hindoo, the Atglan, the Biluch, the Tartar, the Mongo wild Kalmuick tribe. These were ngian di vided into rided into gangs according to nationgility, onc of whom was appointed overseer over eac praty party. To govern this heterogeneocos mass tasy matter, but it was done however, an that by only about six Europeans. Th Atghe three men, was under the overscerfatip of on magnificent-looking man, with hair down to his waist, the beath ideal of a splendid semithisist could be kept quiet, ns on the slightee disagreement between ono of their body and and $\Omega$ general whit gang slos out en mazs But through the bold interfirence of the smanll band of Europanas the tumult would been aroused out of our beds in the dark hours of midnight, nad forced to rulsh into neut risk of our lives, but as it was our onl chances it had to be done, or olse stand th at all events. called Shamel Bunder, on the Indian ocean, between Pusnee and Gwar, where we wer obiged to remain for sereral. ghys awaiting the arrival of supplies, of whiof we were then muchin ned. The gangs not huving much in need. The gange not having much to do, were holding nightly orgies, ench nfter


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inself in his chadar or sheet and rocur nimself upon the cleanest spot in comp, and
lept as sound as if in a feather bed. Fro this couch he was always the eartiest. riser in cans, But there not to neing any particurar
But rival of supplien, we generally got up when clock, we noticed that the onmp had not en swept and cleaned as usual ; bo looking routid we noticed the Hindoo lying down Hoot with usual chadior, while his head rested nd man had overslept thimeself, we approache ight I Even to men of our nerves, who hat
en most of the horrors of the Indian war or en most of the horrors of the Indian war
857, it was something fearfun, especiall when coming so unexpectedly.
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waited unon H - ind informed him of the escape of tho culprit. No one conld tell how arail ; eo the desperado, and nas don no
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nce to awalke bim ance ito awake him. H Mas not in $a$
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William Corkey, the pedestriann, whor. 7 . Tournament (covering 521 miles in six days) has challenged Daniet Cuntry, the American
pedestrian, to compete for the Astley Cham pion Belt of the World won by the latter at the trst tournanient at Iblington. Corkey agree Agricultural Hany. expenses to meet him it American will a accept the challege. Corkey is 47 years of age, stands 5 feet 4
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