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southwest bazaar

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southwest bazaar
the square in old town
santa fe, new mexico
at festival time
under the roof of the plaza
southwest indian women
squat behind large blankets
upon which they have laid out
their handcrafted wares
their soft eyes
gaze blankly
at the long, milky legs
of white women,
tourists who stoop to examine
the fine silver
and turquoise pieces,
who smile and
show off gold bridges
between immaculate teeth,
palefaces boasting of
the dexterity of dentist hands
while indians nod pleasantly
and beseech them
to buy

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