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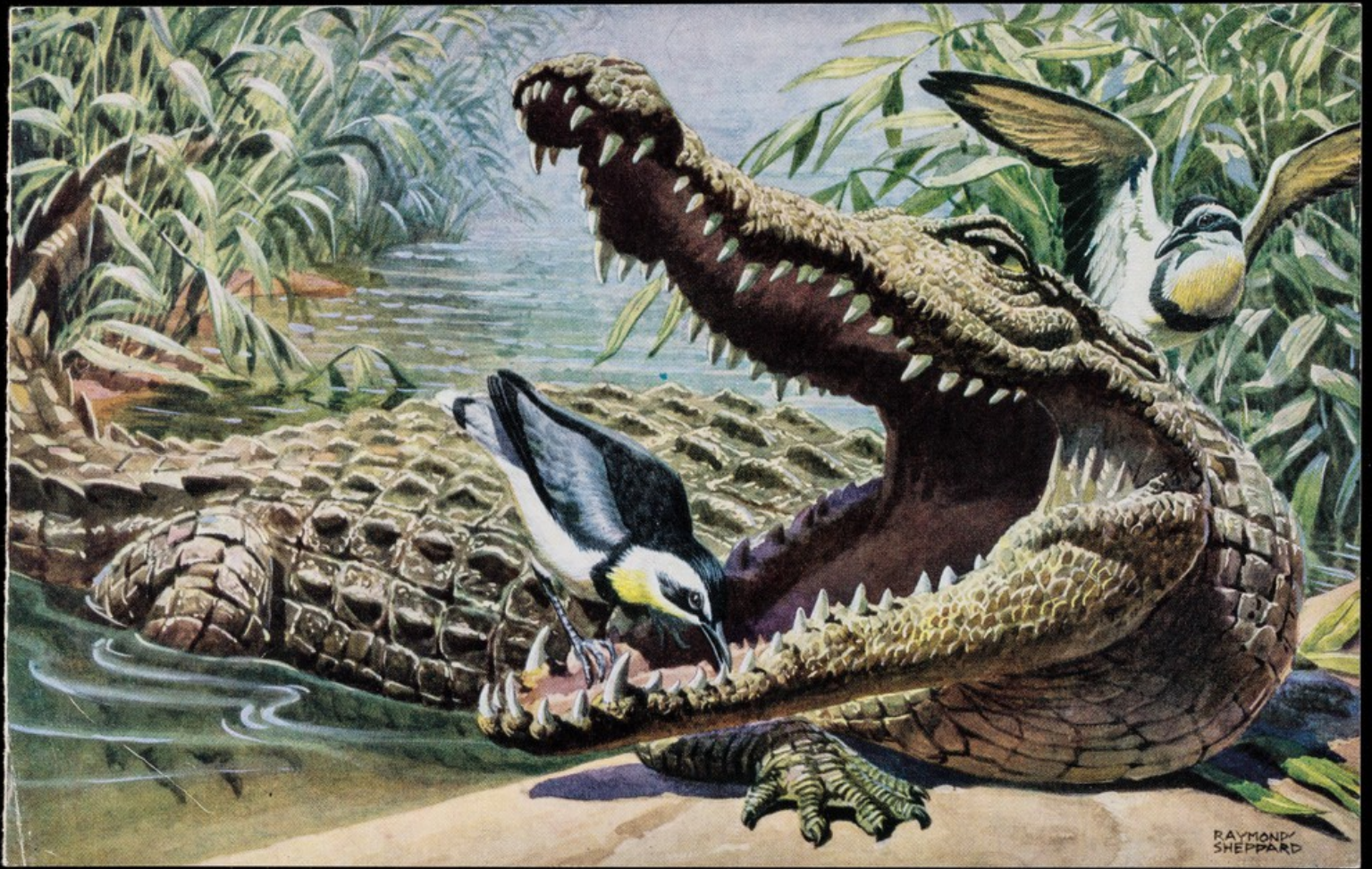
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A collection of white, round, scored tablets is scattered across the page. The background is split into a blue left half and a white right half. The tablets are arranged in a loose, diagonal pattern from the top left towards the bottom right. Each tablet has a vertical score line. They cast soft shadows on the surface they rest on.

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THE EGYPTIAN PLOVER hops in and out of the crocodile's mouth, going about its self-appointed task of mobile toothpick. The value of this operation to the crocodile in terms of dental hygiene explains why it refrains from snapping those death-trap jaws - an unusual degree of tolerance in a creature not noted for its amiability.