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I'm too Busy.

A merchant sat at his office desk. Various letters were spread before him. His whole being was absorbed in the intricacies of his business. A zealous friend of religion entered the office. "I want to interest you a little in a new effort for the cause of Christ," said the good man. "Sir, you must excuse me," replied the merchant. "I'm too busy to attend to that subject now." "But, sir, inquiry is on the increase among us," said the friend. "It is? I'm sorry, but I'm too busy at present to do anything."

"When shall I call again, sir?" I cannot tell, I'm very busy. I'm busy every day. Excuse me, sir; I wish you a good morning." Then, bowing the intruder out of office, he resumed study of papers. The merchant had repeatedly repulsed the friends of humanity in this manner. No matter what the object, he was always too busy to listen to their claims. He had even told his minister that he was too busy for anything except to make money. But one morning a disagreeable stranger stepped very softly to his side, laying a cold, moist hand upon his brow, and saying, "Go home with me!" The merchant laid down his pen; his head grew dizzy; his stomach felt faint and sick. He left the counting-room, went home, and retired to his bed chamber. His unwelcome visitor had followed him, and now took his place by the bedside, whispering, even and anon, "You must go with me." A cold chill settled on the merchant's heart; spectres of ships, notes, houses and lands flitted before his excited mind. Still his pulse beat slower; and his heart heaved heavily; thick films gathered over his eyes; his tongue refused to speak. Then the merchant knew that the name of his visitor was death! Humanity, mercy and religion had alike begged his influence, means and attention in vain; but when death came he was powerless—he was compelled to have leisure to die! Let us beware how we make ourselves too busy to secure life's great end. When the excuse rises to our lips, and we are about to say we are too busy to do good, let us remember we cannot be too busy to die.—Christain at Work.

The world once thought the world was flat, but after hundreds of years we have come to believe, after the teaching of our school geographies, that it is "round like an orange or a ball." Now Dr. Nansen, whose trip "farthest north" has been productive of unusual results comes forward and states that the earth is not round at all. The question will be settled when some explorer goes to the moon and from that luminary takes a snapshot photograph of the revolving sphere, or pear, or whatever it is.—Charlotte Democrat.

Notice! I wish to sell one of my farms on New River. A. J. CRITCHER.

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NOICE.

On Monday, June 7, 1897, I will sell to the highest bidder for cash the interest of the heirs and estate of J. F. Morphey, deceased, in the following described tract of land, to wit: One half interest in the following described tracts lying in Elk township, Watauga county. Beginning on a stake at a white-oak and poplar in J. F. Hardin's line running south with said line 122 poles to a stake in I. T. Calloway's line, then south 55 east with the same 15 poles to a buckeye, his corner, then south 40 poles to a stake in D. Dewis' line near the creek, then south 65 east with his line 70 poles to a stake in C. Watson's, then north 35 east with said line 62 poles to a chestnut oak, his corner, then east with the same 60 poles to a stake, then south 160 poles to a stake, then north 88 east 60 poles to a chestnut-oak in Wm. Hampton's line, then south 30 east 50 poles to a stake in Aley Hampton's line, then north 58 poles to a stake in Wm. Minton's line on top of a mountain, then west with said line 20 poles to a chestnut near a branch, then north 45 west 60 poles to his corner, then north with said line 20 poles to Minton's corner, then east with the same 60 poles to a stake, his corner, then north with the same 120 poles to a stake in R. Mikael's line, then west to and with Cnty. Watson's line 140 poles to a stake on top of a ridge, then a south 20 west with the same 36 poles to a stake, then west with the same 24 poles to a stake, then north 30 west 52 poles to a pine, then north 40 poles to a chestnut-oak, her corner, then east 20 poles to a stake in the Ragan line, then north with said line 25 poles to a stake in the Watson line, then west 50 poles to his corner, then north with the same and Hindel line 220 poles to a sourwood and spanish oak, L. P. Watson's corner, then west 158 poles to a locust and spanish oak, then north with his line 32 poles to a chestnut, then west 22 poles to a chestnut-oak north 35 west 70 poles to a red oak, then west 55 poles to a stake in said line, then south with the same 50 poles to a white oak, then same course 50 poles to a stake in Joe Sanders' line, then south 65 east 130 poles to a pine, then south with said line and Ninie Triplett's line 100 poles to a stake, then east 20 poles to a stake, then south 70 poles to a stake, J. F. Hardin's line, then east with same 50 poles to his corner, then north with same 60 poles to a maple, then east with same 50 poles to a dogwood, then south with the same 60 poles to the beginning.

Also one-third interest in the following tract in same township: Beginning on two chestnuts and a white pine on a ridge, a corner of a tract of land granted to Geo. Watson, but now owned by the heirs of Wm. Minton, running east 26 poles to a stake then south with Eliza Green's line 66 poles to his corner, then east with the same 36 poles to a stake in said line on top of the Elk Ridge, then south 24 east with the heights of said ridge 500 poles to two black and a white pine on the west side of a knob near Joe Town, then west with said ridge 70 poles to two red oaks, then the same course 70 poles to a small chestnut and locust on the bank of the Hall branch, then north 30 west down the meanders of said branch 130 poles to a stake in John R. Hodge's line, then north with said Hodge's and Lewis Hartley's lines 205 poles to a stake, said Hartley's corner, then west with his line 82 poles to a white oak, his corner, then north with the same 12 poles to a poplar, then west 22 poles to a spruce pine, corner of the Keaton tract, then north 22 west 115 poles to a stake, then north 88 poles to a stake in Minton's line, then east with said line 80 poles to the beginning. M. F. MORPHEY, Adm. of J. F. Morphey, deed.

The Secretary of State had a letter from Columbus county, saying some land for which the Mormons wanted a grant was for use as a church site. The Secretary of State says that if the application is regular the grant must be issued, even if were desired as a site for a Buddhist temple.—Recorder.

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It is a waste of time to analyze the alleged logic of a politician who is trying to work himself into another office.—Washington Post.

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Monday June 7th 1897 a valuable tract of land known as the Nooe or Shields land, containing about 240 acres. This property adjoins the lands of Euseb Green on the North and lands of others and is located in Blowing Rock township on the head waters of New River known as Winklers mill creek. Parties wishing any further information will please write or call on me at Statesville N. C. Plots of the land can be seen on the day of sale. Terms of sale three months time with note and approved security. Title retained until purchase money is paid. R. E. Nooe, Comm'r. April 30th 1897.

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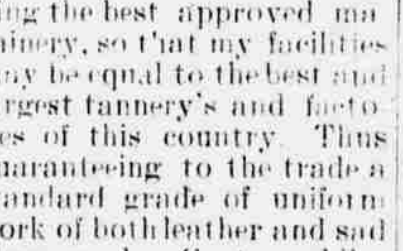
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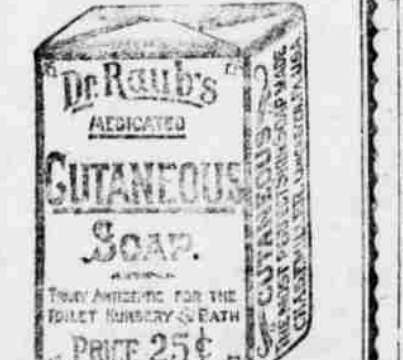


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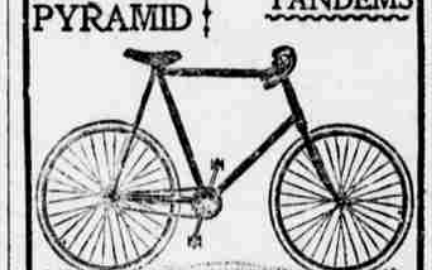
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