

**NOTICE—LAND SALE.**  
By virtue of the authority contained in a certain deed in trust executed to me by J. C. Miller and his wife Mary Miller, of Haywood county, N. C., dated the 11th day of July, 1899, to secure the indebtedness therein mentioned, which said deed in trust is duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Buncombe county, N. C., in book 43, page 15, and default having been made in the payments of the said indebtedness, and having been requested by the holders of the debts secured therein to execute the said power of sale, I will on Monday the 5th day of Feb'y., 1900 offer for sale at the court house door in the city of Asheville, N. C., to the highest bidder for cash the following described lands to-wit: All the right, title and interest of the said J. C. Miller and wife Mary Miller (the same being one undivided fourth interest) in and to a certain tract or parcel of land in Buncombe county, N. C., on the waters of South Hominy Creek near the intersection of the lands of C. W. Howell, Jake Miller and others and being a part of the lands devised to Mollie Miller by J. M. Miller deceased and containing about thirty-five (35) acres more or less.

This Jan. 3rd, 1900.  
**M. L. HOLCOMBE,**  
Trustee.

**NOTICE.**  
By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of the United States in and for the Western District of North Carolina, at Asheville made and entered in a suit now pending in said Court entitled "Joseph C. Pines et al., vs. Citizens' Building & Loan Association, et al." at the May Term, 1899, of said Court, directing the sale of the land hereinafter described and appointing the undersigned a special master commissioner with power to sell said lands, the undersigned special master commissioner will on Monday, the 5th day of February, 1900, at twelve o'clock m. at the front door of the county court house in the City of Asheville, County of Buncombe and State of North Carolina, sell to the highest bidder for cash the lands described in and directed to be sold by said judgment or decree, to-wit:—

That certain parcel of land in the County of Buncombe and State of North Carolina, beginning at a white oak, the N. E. corner of John West's old tract, and runs North one hundred and twenty (120) poles to a Spanish oak and post oak; thence west 200 poles to a white oak on the bank of G. Weaver's creek in John Wilson's line; thence with said line south, passing Wilson's corner 120 poles to a stake; thence east 200 poles to the beginning, containing 150 acres, more or less.

Also one other lot or parcel of land situate in Blitmore and town of Victoria near Asheville, known as lot No. 5 of the plat of S. H. Reed made by W. L. Hume, surveyor, on the 1st day of September, 1891, being the same lot upon which Alexander West of the first part is now building a house, and being the same lot conveyed to Alexander West by S. H. Reed and wife, on the 10th day of Sept., 1891, fully recorded in book 32, page 114, of the Register's office for Buncombe County, to which reference is made for a more perfect description.

Said sale will be made pursuant to said decree and reference is hereby made to said decree for all purposes.  
This the 2nd day of January, 1900.  
**A. Y. BURROUGHS,**  
Special Master Commissioner.

**BANKRUPT SALE—REAL ESTATE**

Pursuant to an order of Hon. H. S. Anderson, referee in bankruptcy, in the matter of Robert Brothers, bankrupts, and of Adolphus Erwin Roberts, bankrupt, and of Douglas Konkin Roberts, bankrupt, of December 12th, 1899 and now on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the United States for the Western District of North Carolina, at Asheville, N. C., I will sell on the premises at the town of Weaverville, Buncombe County, N. C., at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, subject to the acceptance of the Court, on Monday the 15th day of January, A. D. 1900, the following real estate:

All that lot of land lying and being in the town of Weaverville, County of Buncombe and State of North Carolina, bounded and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a stake on main street in said town, in the south east corner of the J. E. Weaver's place, runs with the west (5) five poles to a stake; thence south with the line between A. E. and D. C. Roberts, d. s. the two lots (2) two poles to the west (5) poles to a stake on Main street; thence with said street north (2) two poles to the beginning, containing one acre, more or less, the same being situated on the same valuable property will be sold at Weaverville, N. C., where it is situated, in order to give purchasers a better opportunity of examining it.  
**JOHN P. ARTHUR,**  
Trustee.

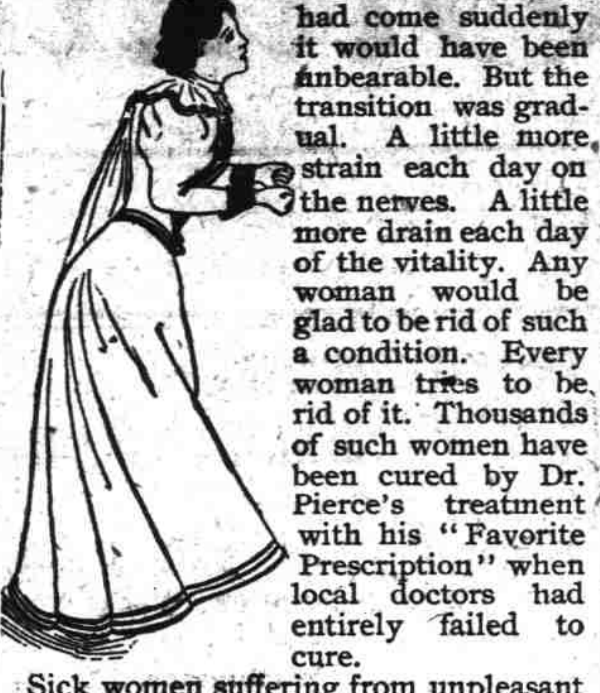
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**JOHN P. ARTHUR,**  
Trustee.

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**Unique Billiard Matches.**

Impossible as it may seem, a billiard match has been played on bicycles, the opponents on the occasion being a prominent Parisian journalist and an equally well known artist. This proved a greater feat of skill than the match between players on horseback, as the bicycle players were compelled to make their strokes while the bicycle was in motion, it being one of the stipulations of the match that if either of the players halted during a stroke or allowed his bicycle to touch the table the score, if any, was to be accredited to his opponent. The artist ultimately won easily and enriched himself by a new bicycle in consequence.

The most unique billiard match on record, that in which a German crack defeated a well known English amateur, the conditions stipulating that the German must not let any of the balls touch a cushion during the game of 200 up on peril of forfeiting the prize. If the balls were left against the cushion, they were to be moved three inches out in a straight line. The German succeeded in winning without violating these conditions, making a break of 67 in the course of the game, a marvelous performance under the circumstances.

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**A SCHOOL FOR WITCHCRAFT.**

A Company of Paris Scientists Have Opened a College for the Instruction of Mystic Science.

From time immemorial France has been a center of occultism and though the words "Satanism" and "Satanist" may be as unintelligible as Devil-worship itself to people who have made no study of this strange freak of the human mind, all they signify and all they imply have long been very real problems, not only to French theologians, but also to French jurists and philosophers.

Books on the occult are frequently published in France and are not only bought and read but are accepted as truth by people of more than ordinary intelligence.

Some idea of the extent of the belief in this occult fad of Parisian society may be gained from the fact that a school has just been opened in Paris, in which all these mysteries are to be taught. The founders of this school are MM. Barlet, Pappus and Sedir, all of whom claim to be the greatest of magicians, and they hold that the time is not ripe for the initiation of others into the mysteries that they have learned after years of study and research.

In the past these secrets have been confined to those who were selected to perform such duties in the world, but now, they say, they have been in-

old alchemists." In this year he will also attempt to grasp the mysteries of hypnotism and a few other simple problems in psychology such as may be shown in the study of "the constitution of man and his hidden forces." During this preliminary stage he is permitted to witness experiments by the great magicians.

In the second year the student begins the study of Sanscrit and continues his reading of the works treating of alchemy. He then has his first opportunity to exercise himself in hypnotism and somnambulism, takes a close look at spirit phenomena and learns, doubtless with growing interest and profit, the practical adaptations of the various arts of divination.

At the end of the third year his studies are completed and if he is not a first class wizard he undoubtedly will have only himself to blame. During this year his initiation into the mysteries of occultism, into the arena of black magic, is made complete. He is taught how to perform all the wonders of which he has read, how to control the elements, how to rule over men. It is then that he learns all about "the action of human thought on the invisible as well as upon the visible world, and many other obscure matters the comprehension of which can only be made possible by his previous training."

It is remarkable that such a bait should catch so many human fish at this time in the world's history, and yet it is what one might expect in a city where Satanism has become a force in every-day life.

SEARCHING FOR TRUTH.  
The occult book, "La-Bas," if it should be translated, would open the eyes of the world to the existence of a secret and powerful sect of which it has never dreamed.

The author, J. K. Huysmans, is a

**THE INITIATED, IN VIRTUE OF THE POWERS TRANSMITTED THEM BY THE MASTERS, REIGN IN HEAVEN, COMMAND ON EARTH AND ARE FEARFUL IN HADES"**



THE PRESIDENT OF THE SCHOOL OF MYSTICISM IN PARIS.

structed to educate others in the mysteries of the "black art," and they hope to be able to send many would-be magicians forth into the world during the next few years.

It seems strange in this age of materialistic tendencies to read such a circular as that which has just been issued by these distinguished exponents of occultism. That they were not mistaken in their judgment of the people, however, was shown by the attendance of applicants during the first few days of the school. There were scores of them, young and old, men and women, all credulous enough to believe that within the walls of this modern building were to be found the wells of secret information from which one need but to drink to be able to rule the world.

faithful Catholic, but he has investigated the subject of the worship of evil from a purely scientific standpoint. During his research, however, he found that while the sect of Satanists had never ceased to exist, there had of late been a remarkable revival of interest in this branch of occultism and that devotion of the prince of darkness might now be found in every part of the world, although the headquarters of the order was undoubtedly at Paris.

He also discovered that the blasphemous service of the black mass was frequently performed and that not only the personality of Satan but the possibility of demonic possession were assured facts.

To such persons, men and women, whose minds have become distorted by the spirit of decadency, who have perhaps read the works of Cornelius Agrippa, with all its infernal liturgies, the elaborate researches of Herr Tuchenmann on "Fascination," or M. Christian's works on black magic, it is entirely possible for a human being to become possessed of this power.

To such individuals the possibility of following in the footsteps of a Paracelsus or a Trismegistus is the highest ambition possible, and they would not be slow to avail themselves of such an opportunity as has now been offered in such glowing language, by magicians of such repute.

**HOPE FOR SUCCESS.**

It is of course to be hoped that they will accomplish their purpose and that they will not eventually discover that they have spent their time and money in the pursuit of the impossible.

According to the statements of these professors in the last arts one is required to spend three years in study if he is to become an adept in all the mysteries of sorcery and witchcraft, astrology and the other hermetic "sciences." To achieve this result will require no little patience on the part of the student, for if he should finally fall of his purpose he would be left in possession of a considerable amount of information that he would not find particularly worth while.

**BAD BREATH**

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**SOUTHERN RAILWAY.**  
IN EFFECT DEC. 10, 1899.

No. 37-11	No. 35			Eastern Time	Nos. 12-38	No. 36
4.30pm	12.05am	Lv	New York	Ar.	12.45pm	6.35am
6.55pm	3.50am	Lv	Philadelphia	Ar.	10.15am	2.56am
9.20pm	6.22am	Lv	Baltimore	Ar.	8.00am	11.25pm
10.45pm	11.15am	Lv	Washington	Ar.	6.42am	9.05pm
6.10am	6.07pm	Lv	Danville	Ar.	11.25pm	1.30pm
12.10am	12.01pm	Lv	Richmond	Ar.	6.40am	6.25pm
9.35pm	9.10am	Lv	Norfolk	Ar.	8.20am	5.55pm
1.10am	2.50pm	Lv	Selma	Ar.	5.50am	12.25pm
2.09am	8.50pm	Lv	Raleigh	Ar.	3.45am	11.15am
5.15pm	6.35pm	Ar	Greensboro	Lv.	11.45pm	8.50am
9.10am	7.40pm	Lv	Salem	Ar.	6.35pm	9.40am
10.12am	8.03pm	Lv	Stokesville	Ar.	5.27pm	8.52am
11.38am	9.01pm	Lv	Newton	Ar.	5.00pm	8.18am
11.38am	9.30pm	Lv	Highway	Ar.	4.41pm	8.01am
12.34pm	10.30pm	Lv	Milton	Ar.	4.22pm	6.52am
2.12pm	12.03am	Lv	Blitmore	Ar.	1.42pm	5.26am
2.20pm	12.10am	Lv	Asheville	Ar.	1.37pm	5.20am
2.40pm	12.15am	Lv	Asheville	Ar.	1.10pm	5.15am
4.02pm	1.28am	Lv	Hot Springs	Ar.	11.45am	4.00am
5.55pm	3.00am	Lv	Morrisville	Ar.	9.50am	2.30am
7.40pm	4.25am	Lv	Knoxville	Ar.	8.25am	1.15pm
11.35pm	7.40am	Lv	Chattanooga	Ar.	4.20am	10.00pm
7.10m	7.10pm	Ar	Memphis	Lv.	9.15am	9.15am
6.40am	8.33pm	Ar	Nashville	Lv.	10pm	9.10am
7.50am	7.30pm	Ar	Louisville	Lv.	7.45pm	7.40am
7.30pm	7.30pm	Ar	Cincinnati	Lv.	8.00pm	6.20am
			New Orleans	Lv.		

**A. AND S. BRANCH.**

No. 14	No. 10			Central Time	No. 12	No. 9
7.05am	2.05pm	Lv	Asheville	Ar.	6.00pm	1.17pm
8.13am	3.12pm	Lv	Blitmore	Ar.	5.53pm	2.30pm
9.58am	3.57pm	Lv	Highway	Ar.	6.05pm	1.42pm
11.58am	5.00pm	Lv	Knoxville	Ar.	5.00pm	12.40am
11.17am	6.00pm	Lv	Spartanburg	Ar.	5.40pm	11.40am
3.20pm	9.35pm	Ar	Columbia	Lv.	11.40am	3.30am
8.17pm	7.00am	Ar	Chattanooga	Lv.	7.00am	11.00pm
			Atlanta	Lv.		
7.15am		Ar	Savannah	Lv.		12.05am
9.25am		Ar	Jacksonville	Lv.		7.45pm
8.00am		Ar	Augusta	Lv.		9.30pm
3.55pm	5.10am	Ar	Athens	Lv.		7.50am
7.40am	8.10pm	Ar	New Orleans	Lv.		7.45pm
7.40am		Ar	Memphis	Lv.		9.00pm
7.10pm	8.30am	Ar	Macon	Lv.		3.00am

**MURPHY BRANCH.**

No. 17*	No. 15*			Central Time	No. 18.*	No. 20.*
9.15am	7.45pm	Lv	Asheville	Ar.	6.30pm	12.05pm
10.38am	8.10pm	Lv	Waynesville	Ar.	4.55pm	10.38am
10.58am	8.30pm	Lv	Burkesville	Ar.	4.30pm	10.10am
12.40pm	9.30pm	Lv	Bryants City	Ar.	2.00pm	8.40am
	9.30pm	Ar	Murphy	Lv.		5.30am

\*Daily except Sundays. \*\*Daily except Sundays.

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