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LEGENDS
& LEAGUES

or, MR. TARDY GOES FROM HERE TO THERE

THIS BOOK
is dedicated to my grandparents,
Edwin & Agnes Bustard
—who, in their day, were quite the
WORLD TRAVELLERS.

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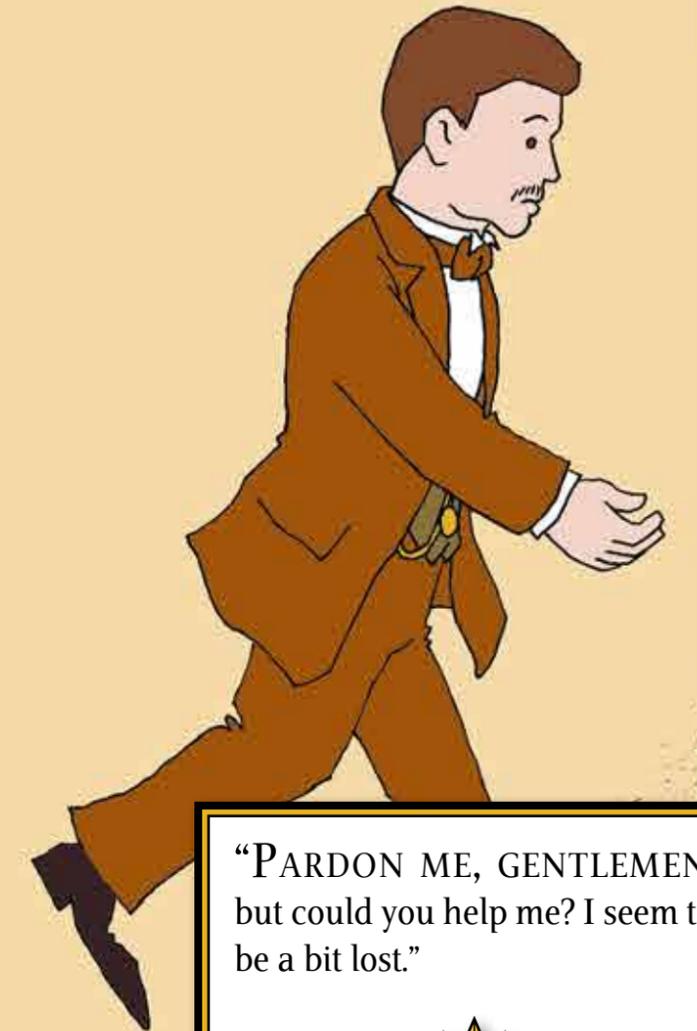
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“PARDON ME, GENTLEMEN,
but could you help me? I seem to
be a bit lost.”



“Please enter, my good man!
You have come to the right place.
Knowing how to get from *Here*
to *There* is our specialty.

Allow me to introduce myself—
I am Mr. Longitude, and my wide
friend here is Mr. Latitude.”

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“Thank you so much for
troubling yourselves. My name is
Elmo Tardy. I seem to be always
losing my way, and therefore I am
always late. Today, for example,
I have an appointment at...”

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“Wait! Wait!” Mr. Latitude interjected. “I find it best not to begin with where you want to end up, but to first find out where you are.”

“I’m right here,” said Mr. Tardy.

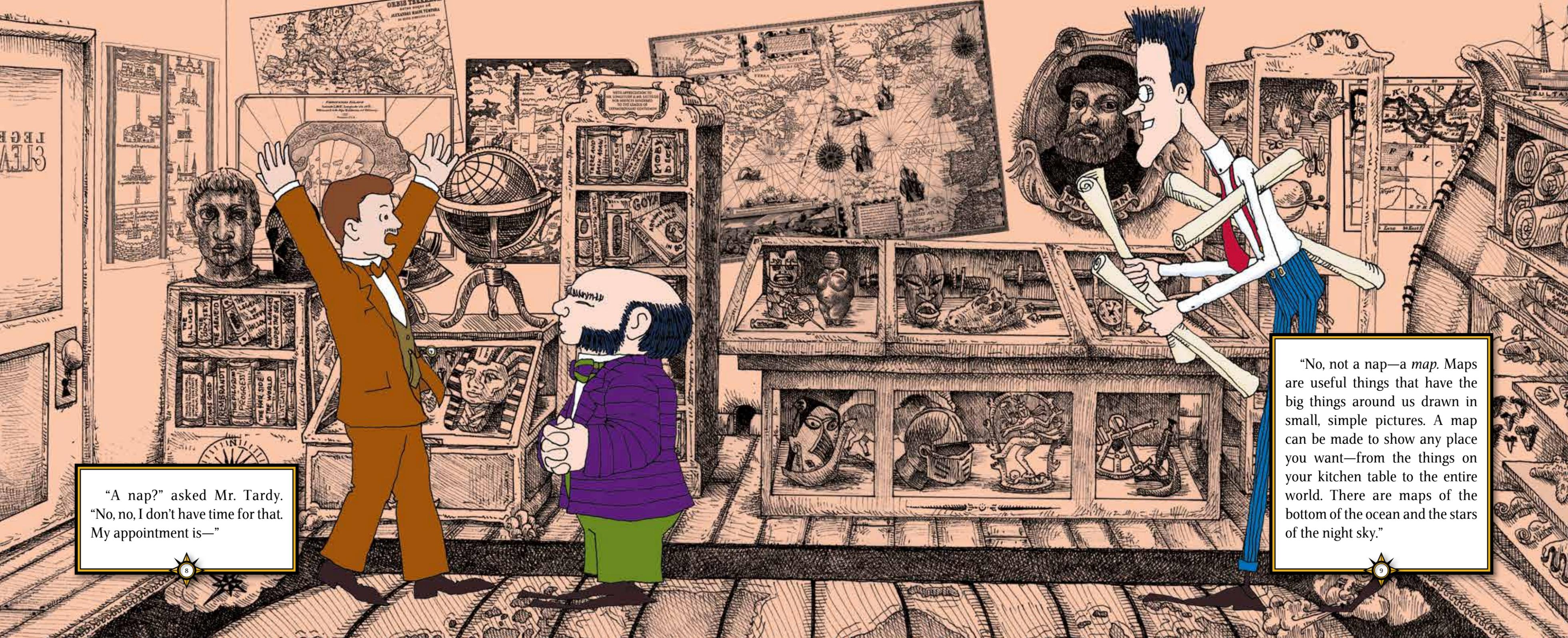
“Of course you are,” said Mr. Latitude. “But if you want to get to places like New York, Paris, or Cairo, you have to know more.”

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“But I’m just going—”

“Indeed,” Mr. Longitude added, “your true location can only be known by where you are in relationship to other things. And the best thing for that is a map.”

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“A nap?” asked Mr. Tardy.
“No, no, I don’t have time for that.
My appointment is—”

“No, not a nap—a *map*. Maps are useful things that have the big things around us drawn in small, simple pictures. A map can be made to show any place you want—from the things on your kitchen table to the entire world. There are maps of the bottom of the ocean and the stars of the night sky.”



“I once tried to make a map that drew everything the same size that it was, but I couldn’t carry it around,” mumbled Mr. Latitude. “That’s when I learned that maps aren’t the same size as the places they picture. Big places are drawn small. The difference between the big, real place and its size on a map is called *scale*.”

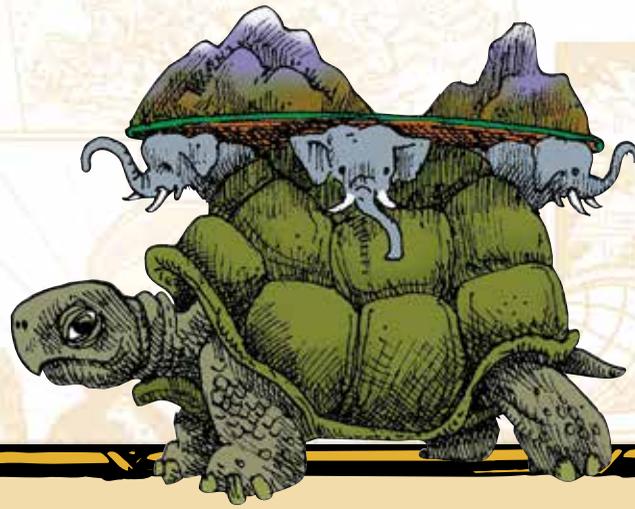
“What do maps look like?” Mr. Tardy asked.



“They come in all shapes and sizes,” answered Mr. Longitude. “There are big maps and little maps, flat maps and round maps. There are city maps and country maps, maps with words and maps with symbols. And there have even been woven and carved maps.”

“Why don’t we show you how to use a map to travel to your destination?” suggested Mr. Latitude. “When using a map, the first thing you need to know is which end is up.”

“But my appointment—”
“Yes, yes, in a moment,” acknowledged Mr. Longitude, “but this next part is important.”



Poor Mr. Tardy is perpetually lost. But one day he providentially stumbles into the office of Mr. Meridian Longitude and Mr. Azimuth Latitude. These two cheery fellows teach Tardy about maps, the points of a compass, geographic formations and more. Students will laugh as Mr. Tardy learns all he needs to know to get from Here to There.

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