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have been incredulous, if not appalled, if I had been told I would still be there twenty-eight years later, still spinning ... faded dreams ... Review(s) of: Peter Simple's Domain, by Michael Wharton, New European Publications, 2003, about \$45.



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