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### Notice.

North Carolina, In Superior Court, Union County, Before the Clerk, Edna Starnes, vs. NOTICE.

Ranso Starnes vs. The above named defendant, Ranso Starnes, will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Union County, for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony now existing between the plaintiff and defendant, and the said defendant will further take notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county, to be held on the first Monday in November, 1909, at the court house of said county in Monroe, N. C., and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint. This the 21st day of September, 1909. D. A. HOUSTON, Clerk Superior Court of said county. A. M. Stack, Plffs. Atty.

North Carolina, In Superior Court, Union County, Before the Clerk, Myers Medlin, Adm. of Lydia P. Medlin, deceased, vs. NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE.

L. Medlin, Amanda Ashcraft and her husband, B.F. Ashcraft, W. E. Carelock and M. B. Carelock, et al. The defendants above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Union County, before the Clerk, for final settlement of estate of Lydia P. Medlin, deceased; and the defendants will further take notice that they are required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior court, at his office in the court house in the city of Monroe, county of Union and State of North Carolina, on the 20th day of October, 1909, and answer or demur to the complaint or petition for final settlement and discharge of plaintiff in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint or petition. This the 18th day of September, 1909. D. A. HOUSTON, Clerk of the Superior Court. Alonzo Medlin, Atty. for Plff., Hamlet, N. C.

## LONGEST IRRIGATION TUNNEL.

Big Scheme that Cost Five Million Dollars - Formally Opened by President Taft.

As the triumphant climax of his visit to Colorado, President Taft opened the gates of the \$5,000,000 Gunnison tunnel, turning the flow of a river into the magnificent bore and the main and distributing canals, and thereby reclaimed to enormous productivity an arid empire of 150,000 acres. The opening of this tunnel marked the completion of one of the most stupendous irrigating projects ever attempted and will transform a desert into fertile farms which will provide homes and good incomes for not less than 10,000 families.

The visit of the President to Monroe and the opening of the tunnel was made the occasion of a great celebration in which practically the entire population of this section of Colorado participated. A programme of "Wild West" contests and amusements, including a race of pretty cowgirls mounted on their own fleet ponies, was carried out for the delectation of the distinguished visitors.

To a ranchman in Delta county, Col., must be given the credit for conceiving the idea of building the longest irrigation tunnel in the world. He knew that the Uncompahgre valley in the southwestern part of Colorado, and in which Delta county is located, was as fertile as any locality in the West if an adequate water supply could be secured. Half a dozen miles away from the valley the Gunnison river was flowing to waste between the walls of a canyon which sometimes ran up as high as 2,500 feet above the river bed, and it seemed impossible that the water could ever be taken out for irrigation purposes.

When this ranchman, Meade Hammond, became a member of the Colorado legislature, he proposed his scheme, which was to build a tunnel six miles long under the mountain range which separated the river from the valley, carrying the water of the river through the tunnel and thence over the valley in irrigation ditches. The scheme at first looked visionary, but \$25,000 spent in preliminary work convinced the State of Colorado that it was feasible. The United States reclamation service was asked for help and it spent four years in investigating before it undertook the work of building the tunnel, which has taken up another four years.

The total cost of the tunnel will be over \$5,000,000, but the peculiar feature is that Uncle Sam only loans this money to the farmers who are to be benefited by receiving water. On all the millions spent by the government in various public improvements, this is probably the first time in history that any of the money has been paid back. The total cost of building the tunnel is to be divided among the farmers, according to the acreage they possess.

It was said that 10,000 families could find homes and good incomes on this land, and the statement was in no way exaggerated. Delta county, in which a greater part of the land is located, is one of the richest fruit producing sections in the West and the biggest in the State of Colorado. Any fruit grower who makes less than \$100 an acre off his land thinks he has had a crop failure, and the profits have run up as high as \$1,200. With an average of \$200, or even less, off a 15-acre tract, it will be seen that the farmer will have a good income. The great fertility of the land was one of the points which determined the government to build the tunnel.

One can get some slight idea of the size of the tunnel from figures. It is six miles long and a cross section is 12 by 18 feet. Every inch of it is cement lined and it delivers 1,300 cubic feet of water every second. As the water flows out into the ditches it will be used to develop electricity to furnish light and power for Delta county. And all built for the interest of \$5,000,000 for ten years, which is the time given the farmers to pay back their money.

In the four years it took to blast out the Gunnison tunnel many thrilling experiences came to the men engaged in the work. It was a long and tireless task, boring through the eternal fastnesses of the huge mountain. For the most part the rock is volcanic in character of the Archean period, tough and obdurate. There were adventures along the route. A few times there were lucky finds in the way of nuggets of gold. Several times they encountered streams of hot water, but more often streams of cold water, some of them highly mineral in character. Sometimes following the heavy blasts millions of gallons of water rushed in upon the workmen, who had to battle for their lives. Near the valley end of the tunnel an old ocean bed was found and in the rock countless numbers of sea shells of different size. Through this rock the work was very dangerous and required constant timbering. In the spring of 1905 the drills ran into an underground stream which caused a cave in and for 48 hours a number of workmen were buried alive. A shaft was sunk from the outside and the men were saved. A number of the men caught in the cave-in were pinned down by rocks, but those who were free to work shoveled up dikes to keep the water away from their injured comrades and thus saved their lives.

**Mr. Dooley's Wise Conclusion About the North Pole.**

WHEN Dr. Cook and Commander Peary announced the discovery of the North Pole, Mr. Dooley (Finley Peter Dunne), the Irish philosopher, expressed the belief that both were telling the truth. "I'll believe any man, Hinnessy," said he, "who has lived on tallow candles and dog for two years." But subsequent "tistimony" has caused Mr. Dooley to change his mind. Hear him:

"The other day, Hinnessy, I told ye that I thought both iv these here intrepid explorers had discovered the North Pole. I've had to change me mind about it. Afther lookin' over th' tistimony iv both gallant souls, studyin' it carefully an' makin' all allowances for typographical errors an' poetic license, I'm forced to say that th' weight iv evidence goes to show that neither iv them was at th' North Pole. It's easy to figure out. Peary is a man iv unblemished character. Ivrybody admits that. He settles Cook. He says Cook never was nearer th' North Pole than th' stove in an Eskymo's home that was named after him. On Peary's unsupported statement I am prepared, Hinnessy, to say that Cook is an impostor. But, on th' other hand, Cook says Peary did discover th' North Pole. He's his principal witness. But Peary says Cook is a liar. An' there ye are.

"Peary has proved conclusively to me mind that Cook was never at th' North Pole. I'd take his word for it alone, but he backs it up with evidence. He'll be able to show that th' speed th' Doek says he made was impossible. He traveled more than half as fast as Peary. He says he'll show he th' evidence iv truthful an' veracious Eskymos that th' Doek was never out iv sight iv land. Who are th' Eskymos, says ye? Th' same reliable witnesses Doek Cook brings forward to establish his claim to be th' first in that great (Anajeeen suburb) No less! Th' very man that accompanied him on that thread journey, his life servants, his faithful companions, who rode over th' frozen seas with him, shot th' muskox an' th' polar bear with him, divided their last gunn drop with him, panted out th' Pole to him an' give him a certificate to take back with him!

"But Doek Cook's indictment of Peary is even more crushin'. Th' malignant spirit iv th' man is shown in his rejoinder. He endorses Peary's claim!

"Well, sir, th' Lord save me fr'm discoverin' anything. If I can believe what both these here gin'rous foes say about each other, th' government ought to stop thim at Ellis island as undesirable immigrants. Doek Cook says, says he: 'I do not wish to say anything for publication about me old commander, but if he don't return th' bag iv blubber an' th' bag iv gum drops he stole fr'm me but last year, I'll go to th' polis about it. Did ye notice his watch! I make no charges but, if he shows an open face silver watch marked with th' initials Doek Cook to show that he's been at th' North Pole, let me know,' says he.

"Says Peary: 'I missed a pair iv rubber boots, a scarf pin, two bar's iv boneless candles an' a bar iv shavin' soap when I come back to Etah. I do not know who stole thim but th' description iv th' man seen lurkin' around me cabin tallies with a certain alleged explorer fr'm Brooklyn.'"

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As to the motive for his confession, his attorney, Mr. Paul Henshill of Chester, had assured him that if he would tell the truth he would not be prosecuted, but he had not been promised immunity from civil suit to recover the money for the State. He had not intended to give back any of the rebates.

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The negro was taken from the Greenwood jail in the daytime. A curious fact in connection with this case is that the ringleader is an ex-convict who was convicted on a former charge of whipping a negro to death. He was sent to the penitentiary, but was pardoned by Governor Heyward, his petition being numerously signed on account of his wife and children.

## FAKER WORKED COTTON FIRM.

Sold One Bale of Cotton to Raleigh Dealers and Got Pay for Eleven.

Bolder than the ordinary forger, risking a term in the State's prison in his daring deed, in imminent danger of detection and committing an act that ordinarily would arouse grave suspicion, an unknown white person who gave his name as C. E. Jones yesterday swindled Barbee & Co., cotton merchants of this city, out of \$599.29, the price of ten bales of cotton. The thief received a check for \$656.44, having really sold one bale of cotton.

A young white man representing himself to be C. E. Jones, a farmer, not giving his address, yesterday morning sold a bale of cotton at 12 1/2 cents to A. P. Upchurch, the street buyer for Barbee & Co., Jones receiving a bid ticket, which had the figure 1 marked in the left hand corner before the word bales. This is the usual course in purchasing cotton on the street. Jones drove to the platform where Mr. Pulley, the weigher, weighed the bale and gave Jones his weigher's certificate, showing the bale to be 449 pounds. Jones then put a figure 1 before the similar figure on the street buyer's bid ticket and a figure 1 before a similar figure on the weigher's certificate, making in both instances 11 bales instead of 1. He also added after the figures representing the weight of the one bale a row of figures representing the weight of ten fictitious bales, ranging from 407 to 504 pounds.

Jones then proceeded to the office of Barbee & Co., on the cotton exchange, where the amount supposed to be due him was worked out by Mr. Claude Barbee, a member of the firm.

Mr. Barbee thought it strange that one man should have picked eleven bales of new cotton, and thought to question Jones, but was pressed for time. He gave the man a check for \$656.44 on the Commercial National Bank, and Jones beat a rapid retreat, having his check cashed immediately. This was at 11 o'clock. A few hours later Mr. Pulley, the cotton weigher, brought his carbon copy of the weigher's certificate, and immediately the forgery was discovered, but too late, as Jones had made away with the money.

An examination of the bale of cotton sold by Jones showed no marks and did not indicate where it had been ginned. This had led the authorities to believe that the deed was done by a sharper.

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