

Notice.
Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Johnnie Taylor all debts indebted to the estate, and expenses required to make the settlement and all just claims against said estate are hereby notified to immediately file the same on or before the 20th day of March, 1928, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery.
W. R. Taylor, R. G. Rivers,
Administrators

Notice.

As commissioner, under an order of the Superior Court of Surry County, in a proceeding entitled W. H. Wolfe and others against Sarah Ziegler and others, I will sell at public auction, on the premises, on Saturday the 14th day of May, 1927, at one o'clock P. M.,

the following real estate lying in Surry County, N. C., adjoining the lands of W. H. Wolfe, R. H. Bedford, Dock Stone, A. L. Bunker, the J. D. Layne lands, F. T. Edmonds and others containing 141 acres more or less, and being known as the W. H. Wolfe lands where he lived and died also formerly known as the Cloud and Hampton lands, said land is being sold for division among the heirs and devisees of said W. H. Wolfe and will be sold in three lots and then sold as a whole. Terms of sale cash. This land is well suited to the growth of wheat, corn, tobacco, and other farm products, also has good timber on it. Has very good dwelling house, tenant house, feed barn and tobacco barns. Also at the same time and place as executor of W. H. Wolfe I will sell the following personal property, being some house property such as beds, bed clothing, bureaus, wardrobes, clock and other things too tedious to mention.

This the 5th day of April, 1927.
W. L. Reece, Commissioner.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

Under and by virtue of authority vested in the undersigned by a certain deed of trust executed the 22nd day of August, 1924, by G. C. Hutchens (payment of same assumed by J. E. Huddle) which deed of trust is registered in the office of the Register of Deeds for Surry County, in book 93, page 182, record of Deeds of Trust, default having been made in the payment of the note secured and at the request of the holder of said note, I will sell for cash to the highest bidder in front of the bank of Mount Airy on

Thursday, the 19th day of May, 1927
at 12 o'clock, noon

the following described lands, to-wit:

A certain lot, tract or parcel of land in Mount Airy township, Surry County, State of North Carolina, adjoining the lands of R. L. Simmons, S. E. Fulton and others, bounded as follows, viz:

Beginning on a stake on the west side of the Hatcher road, R. L. Simmons' corner, and runs north 66 deg. 40 min. west seven hundred and three feet to the branch; thence down the branch as it meanders to pointers just above a maple; thence south 66 deg. 40 min. east seven hundred feet to the Hatcher road; thence with said road 510 feet to the beginning. Containing nine (9) acres, more or less.

Sale made to satisfy a balance of \$2500.00, with interest thereon from January 15, 1927, and costs of sale to add.

This April 19, 1927.
J. H. FOLGER, Trustee.

**Too Much
"Acid?"**

Excess Uric Acid Gives Rise to Many Unpleasant Troubles.

AUTHORITIES agree that an excess of uric acid is primarily due to faulty kidney action. Retention of this toxic material often makes its presence felt by sore, painful joints, a tired, languid feeling and, sometimes, toxic backache and headache. That the kidneys are not functioning right is often shown by scanty or burning passage of secretions. Thousands assist their kidneys at such times by the use of Doan's Pills—a stimulant diuretic. Doan's are recommended by many local people. Ask your neighbor!

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**The
San
Story**

Martha Martin

ABOUT SWANS

"O COURSE," said the Trumpeter Swan, "my voice is interesting. Though I am in the zoo now I cannot say that I have traveled very far in order to reach this spot."

"Of course I belong to a very old family. Trumpeter Swans have been in existence for years and years and years and years and even then a few more years!"

"I am very tame because I was brought here when I was young, and if one is brought up among people when one is young, then one is not afraid."

"Of course, that is provided the people are good to you. They were

kind to me when I was a baby, and

now I am very tame," said the Trumpeter Swan.

And then the Trumpeter Swan gave a loud, trumpetlike call, which showed how well named he was.

"We have a cousin here who is the opposite to us," Trumpeter Swan continued. "Cousin Mute Swan is very quiet, and Cousin Mute Swan is well named. Cousin Mute doesn't believe in noise. No indeed."

"But I'll tell you that you may always tell Cousin Mute because he has a black knob at the bottom or lower part of his bill."

"Cousin Mrs. Mute has lovely little babies—cygnets—they're called."

"Their feathers are dirty looking now, but soon beautiful white feathers will come in place of the dirty ones."

"I suppose Mother Mute thinks it is as well not to dress up the little ones too much."

"Little ones are not apt to take such good care of their finery. And then she knows they will be beautifully dressed later on."

"Ah, yes, she is wise with her children."

"And she likes to have them here with her in the zoo."

Trumpeter made a few more loud sounds and then he went on talking.

"Shocking housekeepers are the Cousin Mutes. They build such careless nests on the ground near the water and the nests are so badly looked after as far as neatness and beauty is concerned."

"But still, what does it matter if one's home is not beautiful when one is so beautiful one's self?"

"I am sure that is the way the Cousin Mutes think about it. Of course, others may feel differently upon this subject."

"Now, I'm not a bad-looking swan," said the Black Swan. "If you're talking about looks you should both look at me and mention me."

"I am from southern Australia," continued Black Swan, "and I have a cousin from Tasmania, which happens to be near Australia, too. You thought for a moment perhaps that it was in another part of the world, eh, Trumpeter? Wasn't that what you thought?"

"No," said Trumpeter. "I hadn't thought that because I never do think a great deal of geography anyway."

"I don't like geography much. I don't like to try to think whether one place is nearer to another than the next place."

"That is queerly worded, but you see the minute I talk about anything that has any suggestion of geography about it I don't speak well, nor do I feel at ease."

"But you asked me to admire your looks. And that I will gladly do. For you are very large and very magnificent and your shiny black feathers are gorgeous and look as differently from those of other swans."

"Of course, I think it is nice most swans prefer white, but you're fine to have by way of contrast—opposite from the rest of us, I mean."

"And you're always much admired."

"Yes, Black Swan, I must say you have many friends and every one likes to see you and gaze upon you. So I will give you both attention and mention on account of your looks for you deserve both, most assuredly you do."

And Black Swan was very grateful as Trumpeter gave a long call of congratulations.

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**THE WHY of
SUPERSTITIONS**

By H. IRVING KING

THIMBLE AT THE TABLE

IF AN unmarried woman places her thimble on the table when she sits down to eat it is a sign that she will be a widow if she marries. Some have it "she will be an old maid."

The thimble was anciently worn on the thumb and from the thumb it takes its name. Also the mystic qualities attached to it are due to its connection with the thumb in former times. And the mystic qualities of the thumb belong to the ancient "science" of chremancy—palistry is the common name for it—as practiced by the Chaldeans, the Egyptians, in fact all the early races of civilization as well as by the Romans. The idea of life and death also appears to have attached to the thumb for the "line of life" has its origin in the "mount of Venus" at the base of the thumb. Also there was the well-known signal of the Roman amphitheater; thumbs up for life and thumbs down for death, in the case of the vanquished gladiator. From the dedication of the thumb to Venus we get the idea of love as connected with the thimble of the unmarried woman and the idea that if she brings her thimble to the table she will be a widow, has evidently to do with the thumb's connection with human life.

Bringing the thimble to the table is evidently a "thumbs down" signal for the future husband. Just why is not so evident unless we may suppose that removing the thimble and placing it on the table is symbolic of separation or sacrifice; or, perhaps, a part of some forgotten ritual having to do with the thumb. The old maid superstition with regard to the thimble has a like origin with the widow superstition of which it is merely a variant.

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How It Started

By JEAN NEWTON

SOFTLY NOW THE LIGHT OF DAY

THIS hymn, which for over three-quarters of a century has been sung all over the English-speaking world and is known affectionately as the "Even-Song," may be said to be a product of contrasts.

The author, George Washington Deane, said of his ancestors that "My forbears were men of war from their youth up and I am strictly in line with them." Being a bishop, however, his fighting was along theological lines. Being also a high churchman during the early Eighteenth century, there was always plenty of fighting at hand!

It was during the height of a battle royal with the broader faction of the church that the bishop returned late one day to his study. Opening the Bible, as he later told of it, in the light of the setting sun, his eyes chanced upon the words: "Let my prayer be set before thee as incense and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice."

The contrast between the erstwhile conflict and the peaceful evening hour, between the calm words in the good book and the turmoil in his own mind impressed him so deeply that he was inspired at that moment to the writing of the immortal hymn:

"Softly now the light of day
Fades upon my sight away."

Before long these words were known wherever English is spoken. And though it was in the '30s that Bishop Deane passed to his rest, they are still sung every Wednesday evening during chapel services at St. Mary's Hall, the well-known school for girls which was founded by their author.

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**Public Utilities**

Waterworks lead public utilities in the percentage of plants under municipal ownership. All of the ten largest cities in the United States own their works. In the second group of ten all but San Francisco and Indianapolis, and every one of the third group of ten have them under public ownership. Next to waterworks in public ownership in the United States stand electric light and power stations.

**The
KITCHEN
GABINET**

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Who does his duty is a question
Too complex to be solved by me.
But he, I venture the suggestion,
Does part of two that photo &
true.

—Lowell

GOOD THINGS TO EAT

There is such a wealth of good vegetables and fruits during the summer that we need not suffer for variety.

Soup of Green Peas. — Shell enough green peas to make a quart; add six cupsful of water and a sprig of mint; cook until the peas are done, then add salt to season. Pour through a colander, add two tablespoonfuls of sugar, one tablespoonful of arrow root or cornstarch, and a little white pepper. Add to the liquor in which the peas were boiled, stir and cook until well done. Have ready a teaspoonful of meat extract dissolved in a little water and stir into the soup when serving. Chicken or veal stock may be used instead of clear water in which to cook the peas, making a more delicious flavored soup.

French Turnips. — Pare, cut into dice and cook until tender, one pint of white turnips. Have ready the following sauce: To four tablespoonfuls of flour, add one teaspoonful of salt, one-fourth teaspoonful of pepper, and four tablespoonfuls of butter; add one pint of milk and stir the whole until it boils. Remove from the fire and add two well beaten eggs; stir until the eggs are set, add one-fourth of a cupful of scraped onion or very finely minced; reheat. Remove from the heat, add the juice of a large lemon. Stir rapidly and pour over the turnips in a hot vegetable dish. Sprinkle with a finely minced tablespoonful of parsley and serve.

Strawberry Venus. — Make a rich biscuit dough, using two cupfuls of flour, four teaspoonfuls of baking powder, two tablespoonfuls of shortening, one-half teaspoonful of salt, and milk to make a mixture to roll. Serve with a sauce prepared by mixing two cupfuls of powdered sugar with three-fourths of a cupful of butter and when well blended add a quart of crushed strawberries. Set in the ice chest to chill and serve with the hot dumplings.

One need not go to any expense for sandwich filling for leftovers of ham, salmon, and various vegetables mixed with mayonnaise will make a variety.

Third Prize. — Two \$2.50 gold pieces, donated by Bank of Mount Airy.

Fourth Prize. — A five-piece child's china set, donated by Mount Airy Drug Company.

Fifth Prize. — A toilet set, donated by Hollingsworth Drug Co.

Sixth Prize. — An ivory soap box, powder box and puff, donated by Turnmyre & Lamm Drug Co., and W. S. Wolfe Drug Co.

First prize winner will also be presented with one-half dozen 5x7 finished pictures free and Eckemrod's Studio will give one tinted portrait, size 16x20. This portrait alone is worth \$50.00.

Notice

The undersigned, by virtue of a letter of credit given for work done and material furnished in the amount of \$67.00 on said property more than 60 days ago, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at

his garage in Dobson, on
the 7th day of May, 1927,
at one o'clock P. M.,
One Ford Touring Car model 1926,
the property of Johnnie Rogers, whose
name is to satisfy said debt and cost
W. L. DRAUGEN

**Pretty Baby Contest
OPENS MAY 5
CLOSES MAY 11**

Auspices of Ladies Auxiliary Trinity Episcopal Church

VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE

ENTER BABIES NOW—Babies from 6 months to 5 years old may be entered as late as 10 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, May 4, by phoning Mrs. Dillon Simpson or Mrs. Raymond Sargent. The entrance fee of 50c entitles each baby to 50 votes. Additional votes may be purchased at 10c each, and each vote counts 10 points. Vote for your favorite early and often.

VALUABLE PRIZES GIVEN

FIRST PRIZE. — Silver loving cup, donated by First National Bank.

SECOND PRIZE. — White gold ring with diamonds, donated by Leonard.

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