

A MODERN DRAWING OF MICKEY MOUSE

FROM

SORCERER'S APPRENTICE

Best known from the best-known sequence in Walt Disney's *Fantasia*, *The Sorcerer's Apprentice* originated as an old folk tale. It was set in poetry by Goethe as "The Pupil in Magic". It was later set to animation by Disney in 1940.

A magician's assistant, having watched his master ply his craft (but not quite closely enough) casts a spell on a

broom to fetch water for his chores. He forgets the incantation to stop the broom, which soon overfills the basin and shows no sign of stopping. Desperate, the apprentice attacks the broom with an axe. Naturally the halves each come to life and continue the chore. Water, water, everywhere. Finally, the master calls the broom to a halt.