The Baby Boomer.

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PART I.

Tara-tara-ra-ra-ra-ra-ra! rang out the shrill tones of the bugle. As far as eye could reach from west to east, from woodland, bog and prairie, a nondescript, feverish, impatient mass of rushing humanity was seen, fully 20,000 strong. The hundreds of United States marshals and troops who had for so many days wearily guarded the coveted territory from trespass sighed with relief when the first notes of the preemption signal were heard. Long before noon the thousands who had started for Arkansas City, who had camped at Ponca, at Black Bear Creek, who had pushed on cheerfully in spite of the swollen rivers, bottomless mud and all the woes incident to an invading army, were ranged along the wire fence that marked the Oklahoma line. Open wagons, prairie schooners, sulkies, buggies, carts pulled by donkeys, mules, oxen and horses of all kinds and every blood were stationed on the line. The great majority of the settlers had staked everything on Oklahoma, and many of these were seated on horses prepared to race for their future homes.

On the dead line, next to a wagon which bore the following words on its canvas cover: "Chintz-Bugged in Illinois, Sicloned in Nebraska, Whitecapped in Indiana, Bald-knobbed in

THE LAND SHARK TURNED.

Missoury, Prohibited in Kansas, Oklahomy or Bust," was a modest and neatly covered wagon. Though filled with a miscellaneous assortment of household utensils and farm implements, this wagon presented a curiously feminine appearance. Harnessed on one side of its pole was a hopefully feeble nag that seemed inspired to pull or die. On the seat was a boy of eight winters. He was not humpbacked, though he gave that unfortunate impression; but the snows of life had somehow shriveled his little form, and he bent like a bow. He clung to the battered reins, while a look of determination was set upon his weazened face.

"Keep a cool head, Bub; after I've staked my claim and dug a spadeful of dirt and put up my shingle, Wee and I will ride back to meet you. No matter what happens, keep straight for the river."

The voice was strong and pleasant. It came from a woman on horseback—Bub's mother, who had mounted the nigh horse to make a surer race for land. In front of her Wee was safely tied, her baby girl, just three years old. Bub was too young and feeble to drive and care for his sister at the same time, so Wee went on horseback with the adventurous mother.

These three people were among the great army of immigrants who had staked all on the president's proclamation opening the new territory of Oklahoma to the public.

Tom Korall, the children's father, had died in the saddle booming somewhere in the Indian territory; and Caddy Korall, his wife, was left in Kansas with the two children. It was in her blood to scramble for new land. Excitement and the hope of a quarter section were tooo strong, and now, mounted on Jerry, she saw land and home waiting for her on the banks of the Cimarron river.

The rustling now became a rushing and a shouting. Yells and shrieks quickened the hoofs of even the most decorous mule. The hour had come. Twelve o'clock was at hand. The bugle blew. At noon precisely, on Monday, April 22, began the desperate race, that all the world has heard of, for Oklahoma land. There was no time for good-byes now. Caddy wanted to kiss her boy again. She couldn't reach him. She kissed her hand instead, and galloped off. Bub urged his horse to the mockery of a trot. The land sharks who but now had made jokes at the boy's expense and tried to chaff the single-minded mother, were off and gone on their fleet bronchos—the Indian ponies. The day was bright and clear. The race could be seen for miles over the rolling prairie. Bub strained his eyes and kept the two flying figures on horseback in sight as long as he could see for tears and dust. He heard men swearing violently and saw many brandish weapons. The untamed emotional natures of the boomers found vent in yelling: "Yahoo! Yahoo!" at the top of their lungs, and in firing shots from revolvers and Winchesters. The mother fled, well in the van, among honest citizens and "parairie toughs," who meant to get land at any cost. I said that Caddy was well at the head?

So she was, Jerry outdid himself on that day. Yet she was not the first. One, who had the bold eyes of a cosmopolitan belle, the assurance of a Texan cowboy, and who kept her saddle like a circus rider, was full a quarter of a mile ahead. She led the race on a magnificent roan. She turned and challenged them all with a laugh and with gestures of defiance. Though she smiled insolently at the men, she looked sympathetically at the pale, slight mother who, with one arm around the child and with the reins in the other hand, urged Jerry by sharp clucks. Close behind Caddy rode the leader of the notorious gang of desperadoes who had done so much to fleece and terrorize the farmer boomers. This man went by the name of "Grizzly Jim." The pace was terrific. The three had turned more to the eastward away from the railroad. Grizzly Jim began to gain on Caddy. For fully eight miles they had run nip and tuck. The desperado could not overtake the leading girl. In his anger the blood surged into his eyes and blinded him. Caddy was not ten rods ahead of him in a direct line. He raised his Winchester, took rapid aim and blazed away. At which of the two had he fired? Alas! which had he hit? Caddy's right arm fell helpless. Jerry gave a desperate plunge in fright. The woman swayed—a faintness seized her, and she fell. With an oath the brute passed her where she lay. Jerry, conscious of a lighter weight, raced onward with the renewed speed.

Now, the bold rider of the yellow hair heard the shot. She looked around and took in the whole scene with her quick eyes. With difficulty she reined her wild horse and tried to intercept the baby's perilous ride. She set her teeth. The wildness of her nature wrestled with the womanly. This was her hour of glory—that she, a girl, should beat thousands of men in the struggle for land. What would she not do to stake the first section on the northern banks of the Cimarron river? She could see the sardonic and cruel smile of Grizzly Jim as he gained upon her in mighty bounds. But behind lay one of her own sex, helpless, perhaps dying.

"I guess I'll have to give it up." The girl turned once more to the southward towards the promised land, and then the adventuress in her yielded to the woman. She rode bravely back to where the heap of mortality lay close beside a scraggly tuft of sage bushes.

"O, you ruffian!" She shook her fist in the astonished Jim's face as she passed him like a flash of yellow light. The land shark turned and saw her tenderly lift the fallen woman's head upon her lap and kiss the tremulous lips.

"Well, I'll be stewed! I didn't think she had it in her; she's no slouch, you bet;" with that semi-colon of admiration he spurred his hard-breathing pony for the home stretch.

Of all the fertile spots in the Cimarron valley, this was the greenest. So at least a jaded horse thought as he cropped the tender grass and pawed joyfully in the dark loam. He was saddled; from a distance a spade could be easily distinguished secured lengthways along his side. A queer bundle seemed to dance in the saddle, and one might almost swear that tiny hands clutched the mane from time to time.

And now from behind a large stump appeared a head. It had on it a broad-brimmed, mouse-colored sombrero, embroidered about the edge, with silk cords dangling from the sides. A fierce, scowling face peered down into that quiet valley. The eyes scanned it and then rested on the peaceful horse. One hand nervously twirled a coarse, black mustache, while the other played with the trigger of a gun. Wonder was expressed in every feature from the arch above the eyebrows to the mouth which puckered itself in a silent whistle. The mouth did not look cruel now. It is strange how the lines of tenderness and cruelty cross each other, and how in some faces there is implacable feud between the two.

"Umph! If any sojer or govn'ment cuss hez got ahead o' me, I'll have the drop on him ez sure as he's a born critter." Presently the look of wonder increased to a curious astonishment:

"If it hain't the bebby! No use for this," he tapped a modern repeating rifle, "to git the land, you bet."

Grizzly Jim stood face to face with Wee, the baby boomer. The child's big violet eyes looked confidingly upon that reprobate.

"Di' me dink-o-watah." The tiny face puckered as if it were going to cry, then controlled itself bravely. "Where's mummer?"

For the firt time the thought of that dastardly shot crossed Grizzly Jim's mind. He was so used to deeds of violence that they did not easily prick his leather conscience. What could he do before a baby? Bravado was useless. He looked into the trusting face of the three-year-old girl. Then he did the only thing he could. He took from his holster a tin canteen, went to the brook and returned.

"Tank oo," cooed the baby. Then after a short pause, during which a hundred expressions indicating indecision passed and repassed the man's dark face, the child went on:

"Take me down, I'se tired."

The strong arms tenderly unstrapped the baby girl and he took her in

HE LOOKED AT THE SLEEPING CHILD IN HIS ARMS.

his arms to set her on the ground; but she clung to his neck.

"You'se a goody man; tiss me."

Why was it that Grizzly Jim unconciously ejected the cud of tobacco from his mouth, and wiped his stained lips upon his sleeve and blushed—yes, blushed—before he touched Wee's peach-like cheek?

"I'se so tired—Jerry jiggled me. Where's mummer? I tink I do to sleep." And there and then Wee laid her curly head upon the rough corduroy shoulder and went to sleep as if upon her mother's breast.

"Wall, Jim, you're euchered this trip, an' no mistake—I wonder whar the boys be!" muttered the man as he carefully sat down upon a stone. He looked at the sleeping child in his arms. In his belt were two pistols and a bowie-knife. At his feet was a rifle. Yet never had he been so disarmed since—since a bady of his own had nestled there—oh, so many years ago. What a wild night that was, when he had kicked his sick wife senseless, for throwing the whisky out of the window; had given his baby girl one last hasty kiss and had ridden away never to return. Afterwards he read in a paper that the baby died in a week. It was twenty years since he had held a baby, and all that time he had never received from any creature a touch of confidence or love.

"I couldn't hev killed this critter's mammy; I never aimed on her." He consoled himself with that thought. At this moment hoofs were heard in the distance.

"The bebby shall hev her claim if I hev to stake it with my life," whispered Grizzly Jim. He laid the child down cautiously upon the grass. He ran for the spade and dug into the rich soil with quick energy. Shouts were now heard: "Yahoo! Yahoo!" They came nearer.

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INDUSTRIAL.

The Philadelphia Inquirer is authority for the statement that the New Jersey Central authorities have refused to issue any statement of the business of the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal company for 1895.

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The January statement of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company shows an increase in net earnings of $43,385; a decrease in fixed charges of $11,816, thus leaving a surplus of $46,501, against a deficit of $55,201.

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The average earnings of persons engaged in manufacturing industries show that in Colorado the average pay is $759 a year; Montana, $722; Wyoming, $768; California, $760; New York city, $550; Philadelphia, $492; Massachusetts, $494; Alabama, $376; Mississippi, $310, and North Carolina, $216.

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A Hazleton dispatch says: The miners in this region are organizing very rapidly. During the past four weeks John Fahey, president of the United Mine Workers of America, established ninety branches of the union in the anthracite region. He expressed himself as very much satisfied with the success he has met.

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The Pennsylvania railroad reports that the quantity of coal and coke originating on and carried over its lines east of Pittsburg and Erie for the year thus far has been 2,662,963 tons, compared with 2,667,619 tons in the corresponding period of 1895, a decrease of 4,116 tons, of which 2,010,330 tons were coal, an increase of 96,474 tons, and 652,563 tons coke, a decrease of 100,590.

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Land in New York city sells for all the way from $50 to $100 per inch on the side streets, while on Fifth avenue from Twenty-third to Forty-second streets, where the millionaires live, it sells for $600 to $700 per inch, and on Broadway, down in the business center, $500 to $1,000 per inch is considered a fair price. The assessed valuation of New York city is over $3,800,000,000.

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The Baltimore Manufacturers' Record says: "Probably nine people out of ten are under the impression that the extent and value of the agricultural products of the United States far exceed the value of the manufactured products. Instead of this being true, the total value of manufactured products of 1890 was $9,370,107,624, whereas the total value of all agricultural products for that year, as reported by the statistician of the United States Agricultural department, was $3,809,000,000."

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The statement of the Lehigh Valley railroad lines in the state of New York for the quarter ended Dec. 31 last has been filed and shows gross earnings from operation, $1,326,364; operating expenses, $856,282; fixed charges, $226,709; net income, $243,392. The net income for the same quarter a year ago was $396,403. The statement includes the operations of the Lehigh Valley railroad, the Lehigh and New York Railroad, Rochester Southern Railroad and the Middesex Valley Railroad companies.

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The rates to be charged in Detroit by a new telephone company will probably be $48 for business telephones and $30 for residences, with the provision that the subscribers who will sign contracts for three years will be furnished telephones at the rate of $40 for business and $25 for residences, per year, in all parts of the city, irrespective of the distance from the central office. They also propose to furnish free telephones to all city offices and for the schools, and to permit the fire and police departments free use of their conduits and poles. The prices of the New Haven, Conn., company will be $2 per month for residences, with two on the same line; $3 per month for a private line to residences, and $3 per month for a business wire, with two on the line, and $4 per month for a private business wire with no looping in.

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Anthracite coal is selling at the full circular figures quote a week ago. Representative officials of the anthracite railroads express confidence over the stability of the present management for managing the industry on business principles. Cutting of prices by individual operators is still noted, but none of the producing and carrying companies is charged with shading or with breaking the agreement respecting the divison of tonnage and restriction of the output. A comparatively small amount of new business is reported, but all such orders have been entered at the full February circular. On the other hand, the old contracts with jobbers at previously ruling figures have been almost entirely cleaned up. Stocks in the hands of dealers have been decreased by the cold snap, but the movement from first hands, as above stated, has been light.

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In Japan the highest wages paid to skilled native workmen are only 40 sen a day, which is equivalent to 20 cents in our money. The lowest wages are 10 sen (5 cents) a day, while in American factories the same labor would be paid from 50 cents to $5 a day. The following statement shows the rates of wages paid:

	Japan.			China (Yokahama)
	Highest.	Lowest.	Average.	per day
Blacksmiths	$0.60	$0.18	$0.30	$0.56
Cabinet-makers	.53	.17	.30	.26
Compositors	.83	.10	.29	.29
Dyers	.60	.05	.25	.29
Farm hands (men)	.30	.16	.19	.65
Farm hands (women)	.28	.06	.19	.64
Lacquer makers	.58	.15	.29	.24
Paper screen, lantern, etc., makers	.50	.13	.29	.38 .72
Porcelain makers	.40	.10	.24	.24
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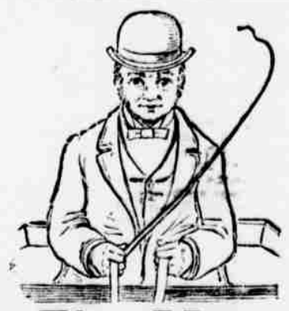
Sauce and preserve makers	.40	.10	.24	.24
Tailors, foreign clothing	1.00	.25	.40	.48
Tobacco and cigar-makers	.50	.11	.26	.24
Weavers	.40	.07	.15	.63
Wine and sake makers	.50	.15	.29	...

The building trades, printing, pressmen, matting-makers, etc., run along at similar rates. Confectioners and bakers get from $1 to $12 per month and so on.



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SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 1896.

By virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias, Levari Facias and Venditioni Exponas, issued out of the court of common pleas of Lackawanna county, to me directed, I will expose to public sale by vendue or outcry, to the highest and best bidders, for cash, at the court house, in the city of Scranton, Lackawanna county, on SATURDAY, the TWENTY-FIRST DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, all the right, title and interest of the defendants in and to the following described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz:

No. 1. All those two certain pieces or parcels of land lying and being in the Sixth ward of the City of Scranton, County of Lackawanna and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: The first being one-half (½) of lot No. One (1) on the town plot of the Borough of Hyde Park, as surveyed by Z. P. Marcy, Sept. 6, 1851, said lot being fifty-two (52) feet in front on Front street (formerly Water, now Third street) and one hundred and four (104) feet, more or less, in depth to bank of Lackawanna River, containing about one-eighth (⅛) of an acre of land and being the same land conveyed by Thomas Coyne and wife to Mary Milcit, now deceased, by deed duly recorded. All improved with a three-story brick house and store, with a one-story brick addition; also barn and shed.

The second piece being the Northeasterly one-half (½) of lot No. fifteen (15) on Joseph T. Fellows' plot of lands, surveyed by said Marcy. Said one-half (½) lot being forty-nine (49) feet in front on Fourth street and one hundred and four (104) feet in depth and being part of lot conveyed to Owen Cusick by the sheriff of Lackawanna County as property of John W. Millett by deed dated the 26th of January, 1887, and recorded in sheriff's deed book, No. 1, page 519, etc.

Coal and minerals reserved to the legal owners thereof by sufficient terms in law. All improved with a two-story frame wood house and outbuildings thereon.

Seized and taken in execution at the suit of Dime Deposit and Discount Bank vs. John W. Millett and Daniel J. Millett, executors of Mary Millett, deceased. Debt, $682.67. Judgment No. 366, March T., 1896, Fi. Fa., to March Term, 1896.

WOODRUFF, Atty.

ALSO,

No. 2. All the right, title and interest of the defendant, S. P. Hull, in and to all those certain pieces of land situate in the Borough of Dunmore, County of Lackawanna and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Being lots Nos. forty-two (42) and forty-five (45) in block "V" on certain plot of lots situate partly in the City of Scranton and partly in the Borough of Dunmore, known and designated as North Park; said lot No. forty-two (42) being forty (40) feet in front on Electric avenue, and one hundred and fifty (150) feet in depth, and said lot No. forty-five (45) being fifty (50) feet in front on said Electric avenue and one hundred (100) feet in depth. Coal reserved to the legal owners by sufficient terms in law. Also, the conveyance of this land is made subject to all the conditions, reservations and exceptions contained in or referred to in the deed of same to S. P. Hull, said deed being recorded in deed book 97, at page 126, etc.

Seized and taken in execution at the suit of Chas. Du Pont Breck, trustee, vs. S. P. Hull. Debt, $797.24. Judgment No. 37, March Term, 1896, Fi. Fa., to March T., 1896.

WOODRUFF, Atty.

ALSO,

No. 3. All the right, title and interest of the defendants, C. S. Wetherell and Sarah Carr Wetherell, in and to all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Borough of Dunmore, County of Lackawana and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a post on the Westerly side of the Drinker turnpike road, at the intersection of said turnpike with a street opened or to be opened; thence north seventy-five and three-fourths degrees west thirteen and one-half rods to a post and stone corner in line of lands now or late of William Parker; thence along line of said Parker lands south twenty-nine and three-fourths degrees, west forty feet to a corner; thence south seventy-five and three-fourths degrees, east in a line parallel with the first course above mentioned thirteen and one-half rods, more or less, to the said turnpike; thence along said turnpike north twenty-nine and three-fourths degrees east, to the place of beginning. Being the same premises conveyed by Edward Millings, by his attorney in fact, and Emily C. Millings, his wife, to Margaret Ann Millard, by deed dated January 10th, 1890, and recorded n the office for the recording of deeds, etc., in and for said County of Lackawanna in deed book No. 4, at page 356, etc. Coal and minerals reserved. All improved with a two-story frame building, outbuildings and fruit trees thereon.

Seized and taken in execution at the suit of B. R. Carr vs. C. S. Wetherell and Sarah Carr Wetherell. Debt, $485.90. Judgment No. 173, Sept. T., 1893, Lev. Fa., to March T., 1896.

HAWLEY, Atty.

ALSO,

No. 4. All the right, title and interest of the defendant, Gertie Batchelor, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the village of Dalton, Township of North Abington, County of Lackawanna and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the north side of the public road leading from Dalton to Waverly Borough in line of hotel lot owned by Emma A. Carpenter and at a corner of William M. Hinds' lot, thence north 57¾ west 50¾ feet to a corner in said line; thence north 38¼ degrees east 101½ feet to a corner; thence south 58 degrees east 38 feet to line of William M. Hinds' lot; thence along his line south 29¾ degrees east 102 feet to the place of beginning. Containing 4,466 square feet of land, more or less. Being the same premises conveyed to Gertrude Batchelor by deed of Oscar Carpenter and Emma A. Carpenter, his wife, bearing date the 6th day of January, 1891, and forthwith to be recorded. All improved with a two-story frame building, octagonal front with show windows, and porch, now or late used as a millinery store. Together with coal-house, water closet and outbuildings; small fruit trees and grape vines.

Seized and taken in execution at the suit of John B. Callahan, trustee, vs. Gertrude Batchelor. Debt, $1,375.60. Judgment No. 587, January T., 1896, Lev. Fa., to March T., 1896.

W. L. BRADER, Atty.

ALSO,

No. 5. All the right, title and interest of the defendant, Reese B. Jones, in and to all that certain messuage or city lot of land situate in Bellevue, City of Scranton, County of Lackawanna and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Commencing at the northeast corner of said lot and on line of Railroad avenue and running thence southwesterly along said avenue 50 feet; thence northwesterly along line of lots numbered 2 and 3 of said estate 128 feet to line of lands of the Lackawanna and Bloomsburg railroad Co.; thence along said line northeasterly 44 feet to a line at right angles with said Railroad avenue; thence along said line 128 feet to the place of beginning. Reserving coal and minerals. Improved with a two-story single frame dwelling house and outbuildings thereon.

Seized and taken in execution at the suit of use of H. G. Marcy, administrator d. b. n., vs. Reese B. Jones. Debt, $3,000.00. Judgment No. 111, March T., 1896, Fi. Fa., to March T., 1896.

RHONE & CREVELING, Attys.

ALSO,

No. 6. All the right, title and interest of the defendant in and to the following described piece, parcel and tract of land situate in the Township of Newton, Lackawanna County and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a post and stones corner on the line of the John Shannon tract; thence south 84¾ degrees east forty perches to a post and stones corner; thence north 30 degrees east one hundred and thirty-five and one-fourth perches to a post and stones corner; thence north 70 degrees west forty-four perches to stones on a rock corner; thence south 20 degrees west one hundred and six and five-tenths perches to a post and stones corner; thence south 70 degrees east six and eight-tenths perches to a post and stones corner; thence south 20 degrees west thirty-nine perches to corner and the place of beginning. Containing thirty-six acres and one-hundred and four rods of land, be the same more or less. It being part of a larger tract of land in the warrantee name of William Moulder and conveyed to Peter A. Smith by deed dated in 1845 and recorded in Luzerne County on the 19th day of February, A. D. 1849, in deed book No. 42, page 629, etc., and afterwards by sundry conveyances the same became vested in James A. Kennedy, by whom the tract herein described was conveyed to the said David Smith by deed duly executed and recorded in Luzerne County. All improved with a two-story frame dwelling house, barn, outbuildings and fruit trees thereon.

Seized and taken in execution at the suit of assigned to Elias Smith vs. David Smith. Debt, $880.39. Judgment No. 126, January Term, 1892, Plurius Fi. Fa., to March Term, 1896.

ACKERLY, Atty.

ALSO,

No. 7. All the right, title and interest of the defendant, Charles P. Welchel, in and to all that certain lot of land situate in the City of Scranton, County of Lackawanna and State of Pennsylvania, described as follows. Being rectangular in shape and fronts on Avenue B, being lot twenty-one (21) in block four (4) on William Merrifield's plot of lots in Keyser Valley, measuring in front and rear forty-eight (48) feet and one hundred and fifty (150) feet in depth. Coal and minerals reserved. All improved with two-story frame dwellings and other outbuildings thereon.

Seized and taken in execution at the suit of Rosie Repp vs. Charles P. Weichel. Debt, $300.00. Judgment No. 212, January Term, 1895, Al Fi. Fa., to March T., 1896.

F. J. FITZSIMMONS, Atty.

ALSO,

No. 8. All the right, title and interest of the defendant, A. L. Dunlavey, in and to all the following described lot of land situate in the City of Scranton, County of Lackawanna and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the corner of lots Nos. 7 and 8 in block No. 12 on the westerly side of Cedar avenue, said corner being 40 feet in a northerly direction from the northerly corner of the intersection of Cedar avenue and Genet street; thence westerly along line of lots Nos. 7 and 8 fifty (50) feet; thence southerly on a line parallel with said Cedar avenue twenty (20) feet; thence easterly on a line parallel with said Genet street fifty (50) feet to said Cedar avenue; thence northerly along said Cedar avenue twenty (20) feet to the place of beginning. Containing 1,000 square feet of land and being part of the northerly half of lot number eight (8) in block number twelve (12). Improved with part of a two-story frame store building. Coal and minerals reserved.

Seized and taken in execution at the suit of M. P. Flynn vs. A. L. Dunlavey. Debt, $1,500.00. Judgment No. 879, April Term, 1895, Al. Fi. Fa., to March Term, 1896.

HOBAN, Atty.

ALSO,

No. 9. All the right, title and interest of the defendant, Patrick McManus, in and to all that certain lot of land with the improvements thereon, situate in the City of Carbondale, County of Lackawanna and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: All the surface or right of soil of said lot No. 252 on tract of land in the warrantee name of Jacob Porter, as appears on a map of out lots of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co. on said tract, said lot containing 12,700 square feet of land, or thereabout: Beginning in the southwesterly line of an angular lane at the northerly corner of lot No. 253 in said tract, heretofore conveyed by said Company to Thomas Toolan; thence by said lot No. 253 south 19½ degrees west 15 feet to a corner; thence by out lot No. 285 on said tract or formerly occupied by Mrs. Timothy Devine, south 66½ degrees west 122 feet to a corner; thence by out lot No. 290 on said tract contracted to be sold to Catherine Boland north 37½ degrees west 56 feet to a corner; thence by irregular lane north 39¼ degrees east 69 7-10 feet to the place of beginning. All improved with a two-story frame dwelling house and outbuildings thereon.

Seized and taken in execution at the suit of James A. Dennis vs. Patrick McManus. Debt, $291.25. Judgment No. 214, Nov. Term, 1895, Lev. Fa., to March T., 1896.

J. F. REYNOLDS, Atty.

ALSO,

No. 10. All the defendant's right, title and interest in and to that certain piece or parcel of land, situate in the Borough of Mayfield, Lackawnna County, Pennsylvania, described as follows: Being lot No. twelve (12) in block No. twenty-eight (28), on the plot of the Hillside Coal and Iron Company's lots in Mayfield, said lot being sixty (60) feet wide in front on Hill street, the same width in the rear and one hundred and fifty (150) feet in depth. Bounded northeasterly by lot No. thirteen (13), now or late of A. Lally, and southwesterly by lot No. eleven (11), now or late of J. Cawley. Improved with a two-story frame dwelling house and outbuildings thereon.

Seized and taken in execution at the suit of Ferguson & Doyle vs. T. M. Burke. Debt, $510.00. Judgment No. 129, November Term, 1895. Fi. Fa. to March Term, 1896.

DEAN, Atty.

ALSO,

No. 11. All the right, title and interest of the defendant, Reese B. Jones, in and to all that certain messuage or city lot of land situate in Bellevue, City of Scranton, County of Lackawanna, bounded and described as follows, to wit: A messuage or city lot of land situate in Bellevue, City of Scranton, commencing on Railroad avenue in line of lot number one of the estate of Sarah J. Davis, deceased, and running thence southwesterly along said street or avenue 100 feet to line of Sixth avenue or Hampton street; thence northwesterly along said street 81½ feet to line of lot number 3 of said estate; thence along said line northeasterly 72 feet to line or lot number one; thence along said line southeasterly 29 feet to the place of beginning. A vacant lot, unimproved. Reserving coal and minerals.

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