

# In The Wyoming Valley

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### SYNOPSIS

#### The story so far:

Enos Baker, a Connecticut boy and an orphan, journeys to the Wyoming Valley in quest of his uncle, James Baker, whose advice he wishes to seek before joining the Continental army in the Revolutionary War. As he enters the Valley of the Wyoming, he is overtaken by a horseman. The lad journeys with the rider to the cabin of James Baker where he discovers that his companion is his uncle.

Distraught by her husband's absence from home (he has been a member of the army for a year) and by reports of possible attacks upon the Valley which is poorly protected because most of the men are at Valley Forge, Mercy Baker, James' wife, gives Enos a sharp and unkind welcome.

Shortly after the arrival of the two travelers, an Indian, Slippery Tim by name, and a settler, Hendrick Van Gordon, both of questionable reputation, enter the yard afoot. After greeting Enos and his uncle, the two strangers, already partially intoxicated, ask for "firewater." It is refused and the two men depart, leaving James Baker apprehensive of future revenge.

That night Enos interrupts one attempt on the part of Slippery Tim to steal his horse, but the morning finds the horse gone, so the boy and his uncle set out for the home of the Van Gordons where they feel sure they will discover the whereabouts of the horse.

As they approach the Van Gordon home, Slippery Tim leaps to the back of Enos' horse and dashes away into the forest. By clever threats, James Baker intimidates Van Gordon, who in turn intimidates the Indian, and the horse is found in the barn when the two Bakers return to the farm. A slender barbed arrow, a possible warning of the future, is found upon the floor of the barn, however.

It is soon forgotten in the activities of the evening for the community gathers at the homestead to welcome Mr. Baker. Enos meets Mary Dana, daughter of one of the best loved farmers of the settlement.

Following the party, James Baker and Enos walk to the blockhouse, standing in its shadow, conversing, they see Slippery Tim and Hendrick Van Gordon pass stealthily.

Suspecting mischief, the two colonists separate and cautiously retrace their steps to the Baker farm. Enos arrives in time to prevent Slippery Tim from stealing his horse, but through the open door, he discovers a blaze within the barn. Now go on with the story.

### CHAPTER IX THE DECISION

Unmindful of everything now, save the peril of the burning barn, Enos rushed into the building, instantly closed and barred the doors behind him to shut off the draught, and then began to work to check the flames. The fire had been kindled in a small pile of hay directly in front of the stalls from which there was a side door that could be lifted or swung open upon its leather hinges, and through which the hay could be thrown into the mangers. This trap door was now open and the two horses were stamping and neighing in their terror as they beheld the small fire before them on the floor of the barn. Disregarding the confusion, Enos took off his thick jacket and throwing it upon the smoking fire tried to stifle the flame. For a moment it died down, but the smoke was blinding and as soon as Enos raised himself the fire threatened to start up afresh. Satisfied that he could not put out the fire in this manner, Enos shouted for help. Tories, Indians, the loss of his horse, were all forgotten in the face of the terrible peril; for if once the fire should gain headway it would mean not only the loss of the barn and its contents but also of the house and all it contained.

He thought of the heavy horse blanket he had left hanging on a near by peg, and flinging his scorched and smoking coat to one side he made a dash for the place where the blanket had been left, and to his delight he discovered it there, and in a moment he had thrown it on the smoking heap, and quickly cast himself at full length upon it.

Once more the blaze died down, but the smoke was stifling, blinding. He did not know that his hands were blistered; he thought only of putting out the fire or holding it down until help should come. Where was his uncle and why did he not come to his aid? In a brief time the flames would burst forth again, and do what he might, he was confident he could not prevent them from spreading to the low loft which was directly over the horses' stalls. Again and again he shouted and called for aid, and soon to his inexpressible joy he heard his uncle at the door of the barn, but the door was closed and he could not enter.

"The barn is on fire," exclaimed Enos. "I'll burn up if you don't come quickly!"

"Open the door! Open the door!" shouted his uncle in his excitement. "I can't! I can't! I'm holding the fire down with a blanket. Run around to the stable. Hurry! Be quick! Oh, he quick! Be quick!"

The smoke was now so nearly stifling that Enos could hardly breathe, and the heat was becoming unbearable. Already there were holes burned in the blanket, but the lad was not yet aware of his own suffering. The stamping and snorts of fear of the horses added to the confusion and for a moment it seemed to Enos that he

must leave his place and rush forth into the open air and get one good breath, be the consequences what they might.

Although the time seemed almost endless to the desperate lad, in reality only a minute or two had elapsed before his uncle had joined him, holding a bucket of water in his hands, which he had secured at the spring which was near the corner of the barn. He too had shouted and called to the house for aid, and now Mercy and the children appeared.

James Baker quickly stationed them in line with Mercy at the spring and then the three pails or buckets which belonged to the barn were swiftly filled by her and passed rapidly from one to another, while James Baker, himself standing near the fire, poured the contents upon the smoking hay as rapidly as he received them.

For a moment thick clouds of smoke rolled up and almost stifled Enos, who still kept his place upon the blanket. All were working with a zeal born of desperation now, and the question would soon be settled. Pail after pail was poured upon the smoking mass, and at last James Baker, telling the children still to pass the water, ordered Enos to rise and open the large door.

As Enos instantly obeyed, his uncle seized a pitchfork and lifting a part of the burning hay upon it rushed with it out from the barn and flung the mass upon the grass outside. Again and again he repeated the task, the children and Enos meanwhile flinging the water from the pails upon the floor and the smoking hay that remained inside. The fire-fighters were gaining now, and at last not a vestige of the burning hay remained within the barn. To cover the scattered hay outside the building with water was a task that was soon completed, and then, for the first time since the peril had been discovered, Enos Baker breathed freely, and became aware of what he himself had suffered.

"'Twas a close call, lad, and had it not been for you we should not only have been without a barn but without a home as well. I had not looked for any such deed as this, for I was satisfied that the rascals would do nothing to stir up our suspicions at such a time. But I was mistaken, as better men than I have been before me."

"I'm glad it's over now," said Enos with a sigh.

"Yes; and we shall not be threatened again tonight. Are the horses all right?"

"Yes, I think so; only mine is gone. Perhaps I can get him though," and Enos placed his fingers in his mouth and whistled shrilly.

In a moment there came a whinny from the forest not far away, and when Enos had repeated his call his faithful horse was heard as he came from the woods and approached the group standing in front of the barn. He was quickly led to the stall he had so recently occupied and then, after looking to the fastenings of the doors, the little party returned to the house.

The expression seen upon the face of Enos, as soon as a candle was lighted, at once betrayed the pain he was suffering from his burns, and in response to his uncle's question he held forth his hands to the light.

With many expressions of sympathy, James Baker proceeded to bind up the blistered fingers, a task in which his wife assisted him, and then, as soon as this had been accomplished and the children had been sent off to bed, the three seated themselves before the fire and James Baker said:

"I have no fear of the rascals returning tonight."

"'Tis well enough for you to say that," said his wife; "but your thinking does not make it so."

"It is not so because I think it, but I think it because it is so," replied her husband calmly. "But I have no desire to belittle the danger, and now that I must go back to the army tomorrow, I know that I must do something for my family before I go."

"To-morrow? To-morrow?" exclaimed Mercy, her voice rising almost to a scream as she spoke. "Oh, James Baker, you will not, you cannot go and leave us here in this way! Oh, my husband do not go! Oh, do not go! What shall I do? What shall I do? The woman's voice now was low and her cry was broken by sobs, while she swayed to and fro in her chair and flung her apron over her head as if she would shut out from the sight of others the agony she was suffering.

"Listen, Mercy," said James Baker in a low voice. "You know I do not go because I wish to, but because I must. I have given my word and no Baker ever yet broke a promise. You would not have me the first to do so, I am sure."

"But—" interrupted his wife.

"Nay, listen to me till I am done. I know it will not be safe to leave you here, though I do believe your peril will be less when I am away than it is while I am here, for it is plain that it is against me these evil deeds are pointed."

"What were the two shots I heard, just before the barn was set on fire?" said Enos quickly. "I had almost forgotten about them."

"I saw the man—I will not name him—creep up to the house, and from his actions I could not tell whether he was trying to break in at the kitchen window or to do what his rascally friend did at the barn. I watched him for a moment and then pulled out my pistol and fired to frighten him off, for I had no thought

of killing him, though he richly deserved it; but as I fired he rose and saw me, for I had stepped out in the road, and then he too fired, but fortunately missed me. He then took to his heels and the last I saw of him he was disappearing in the woods over there by the sweet apple tree. He's gone now, and for good and all, I'm hoping."

"The next time it will be one of the children who will be shot or carried away, as they have already done with others," said Mercy Baker bitterly.

"I do not make light of the danger, Mercy," said her husband solemnly, "and I would that I could stay here to ward it off."

"A man's first duty is to his family."

"Nay, not so. A man's first duty is to God. But, Mercy, I am hoping when I return to camp and explain the peril and danger in which the people of the valley are dwelling, that I can obtain permission not only for myself but for some of my neighbors, who too are there, to come back here and to stay. To-morrow morning, before I start on my long ride, I shall go and see the Danas, and I am sure they will be willing and glad for you to come over there and stay with them. They live near to Forty Fort, and I shall feel better to have you where you can seek the safety and shelter of that, for 'tis by far the strongest of all the forts in Westmoreland, though I still hope that you will not have to use even that. This will not be for long, anyway, as I believe when I go back to camp and have explained just how everything is here, that I can obtain permission, as I said, to come back and fight, if it is necessary, for my own family and my neighbors."

"How long do you think it will be?" inquired Mercy Baker, with more cheerfulness than she had previously shown since her husband's return.

"That I cannot say, but I hope it will be only a few weeks at the longest."

"A few weeks!" groaned his wife. "Can you not come directly back?"

"I cannot promise, however much I may hope. But if there should be a delay and neither I nor any of my neighbors do come, then I shall hope that the committee will send some worthy men to the army to plead for us. Still that may not be necessary."

"But if we go over to the other side of the river and stay with the Danas, who will look after the stock and the place here?" inquired Mercy.

"I have been thinking of all that. There will be but two horses—Enos' and one of ours—and they can be taken over there too. As for the sheep and cattle and pigs, Enos can come over almost every day and look to them, and the nearest neighbors here will help too."

"And not a soul left upon the lake at Harvey's Lake in Lehman Township, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on Rhoads Avenue, same being corner of lot No. 60 on plot of lots hereinafter referred to; thence along line of lot No. 60 South 140 3/4 East, 125 feet, more or less, to line of lot No. 74; thence along line of lot No. 74 South 75 1/2 West, 40 feet to a corner thence North 140 3/4 West, 125 feet, more or less, to Rhoads Avenue aforesaid; thence along said Avenue North 75 1/2 East, 40 feet to the place of beginning. Being lot No. 58 on plot of lots known as 'Rhoads Terrace,' as allotted for the Wyoming Valley Realty Company at Harvey's Lake, Pennsylvania, a map of said plot being of record in Luzerne County Map Book No. 2, page 147.

"All that certain lot of land situate at Harvey's Lake in Lehman Township, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, described as follows: BEGINNING at a point on Rhoads Avenue, same being corner of lot 57 on plot of lots hereinafter referred to; thence along line of lot 57 North 140 3/4 West, 125 feet, more or less, to land formerly of George Wright and Walter Teeter; thence along line of lot No. 61, thence along line of lot No. 61 South 140 3/4 East, 114.60 feet to Rhoads Avenue aforesaid; and thence along said Avenue South 75 1/2 West, 50 feet to the place of beginning. Being lot No. 59 on plot of lots known as 'Rhoads Terrace,' as allotted for the Wyoming Valley Realty Company at Harvey's Lake, Pennsylvania, said plot being of record in Luzerne County Map Book No. 2, page 147.

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"Yes, it was; but it was the last time any Wyoming man will have that opportunity, I am certain."

Enos by no means felt so positive as his uncle appeared to, but he did not express his forebodings, and his uncle continued: "Now I have thought over this whole matter very carefully, and one reason, aside from my promise, why I think it best to go direct, by back to the camp is, so that I may obtain my release, or at least get permission to come home again. They ought to be willing for all of us to do that, for there will be no fighting by the army this winter, or so every one professes to believe, and that will be all the better for us and make it the more easy. Now to-morrow morning early I shall go to see the Danas and a few others, and after I have made the arrangements I have spoken of, I shall go back to the army, though I trust it will be but for a short time."

"It may be, and it may not be," sighed Mercy Baker.

"We'll hope for the best," said her husband cheerily. "And now for bed. It was a long time before Enos closed his eyes that night, for more than by the pain of his blistered fingers was he tormented by his forebodings as to what the following day might bring forth.

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from school grounds for the protection of school children.

By order of School Board, Exeter Twp. School District. (Signed) LUCY N. HOWELL, Sec'y. R. F. D. No. 1, Box 99. Pittston, Penn'a.

### SHERIFF'S SALE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1930, AT 10 A. M.

By virtue of a writ of Fi Fa No. 122, October Term, 1930, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Luzerne County, to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale by vendue to the highest and best bidders, for cash, at the Sheriff's Sales Room, Court House, in the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, the 6th day of September, 1930, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of the said day, all the right, title and interest of the defendant in and to the following described lot, piece or parcel of land, viz:

All that certain tract of land in Franklin Township, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, described as follows:

BEGINNING at a corner in the center of the public road leading from Dallas to Center Moreland; thence in a northwesterly direction along land of T. S. Spencer to a corner on land of Charles Howell; thence in a southwesterly direction along lands of Charles Howell to a corner on lands of Peter Barno; thence in a southeasterly direction along land of Peter Barno to a corner in the center of the public road aforesaid; thence along the center of said public road in a northeasterly direction to a corner, the place of beginning. Containing about six (6) acres of land. Being the same premises conveyed to William F. Tanner by Frank A. Goebel by deed dated the 9th day of June, A. D., 1924, recorded in Luzerne County D. B. No. 601, page 379.

Improved with a frame dwelling house, out buildings, fruit trees, etc., thereon.

Seized and taken into execution at the suit of Wyoming National Bank of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., vs. William F. Tanner, and will be sold by JOHN MACLUSKIE, Sheriff. George L. Fenner, Atty.

By virtue of a writ of Fi Fa No. 178, October Term, 1930, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Luzerne County, to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale by vendue to the highest and best bidders, for cash, at the Sheriff's Sales Room, Court House, in the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, the 6th day of September, 1930, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of the said day, all the right, title and interest of the defendant in and to the following described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz:

THE FIRST THEREOF: Being the same land described in a deed from Edward Tinkelpaugh and Hannah Tinkelpaugh, his wife, to Patrick Kane, dated Feb. 5, 1900 and recorded in Deed Book for Luzerne County, No. 378, page 227. Being the same property conveyed to Patrick Kane to Phillip J. Conway by deed dated Feb. 27, 1912, and recorded in Luzerne County in deed book 480, page 563.

All coal and other minerals in, under, and upon said lots, pieces or parcels of land with the right to mine same, and remove the same, reserved to previous grantors, only the surface or right of soil being hereby conveyed. Improved with a two story frame building.

Seized and taken into execution at the suits of Peoples Savings and Trust Co. of Duryea vs. Benny Zahorsky and Mary Zahorsky, and will be sold by JOHN MACLUSKIE, Sheriff. Leonard D. Morgan, Atty.

SHERIFF'S SALE  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1930,  
AT 10 A. M.

By virtue of a writ of Fi Fa No. 123, October Term, 1930, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Luzerne County, to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale by vendue to the highest and best bidders, for cash, at the Sheriff's Sales Room, Court House, in the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, the 6th day of September, 1930, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of the said day, all the right, title and interest of the defendant in and to the following described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz:

ALL those certain pieces and parcels of land situate in the borough of Kingston, County of Luzerne and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit:

FIRST THEREOF: BEGINNING at a corner formed by the intersection of the northeast line of Market Street and the northwest line of Landon Avenue; thence along the line of Market Street, north twenty-nine (29) degrees fifty-six (56) minutes west forty-five (45) feet to a corner on line between Lots Nos. 5 and 6; thence along said line north sixty (60) degrees four (4) minutes east one hundred twenty (120) feet to a corner on line of Lot No. 42; thence along said line south twenty-nine (29) degrees fifty-six (56) minutes east forty-five (45) feet to a corner on Landon Avenue; and thence along the line of Landon Avenue, south sixty (60) degrees four (4) minutes west one hundred twenty (120) feet to the place of beginning.

BEING Lot No. 6 on plot of lots of Robert H. Garrahan, as recorded in Luzerne County in Map Book No. 2, pages 70 and 71, and

BEING the same premises which Robert H. Garrahan and Julia H. Flasser, his wife, by deed dated December 1, 1924, and recorded in Recorder's Office in Luzerne County in Deed Book No. 615 at page 130, conveyed to David Walkman and Raymond G. Whalen, the Mortgagors here in.

THE SECOND THEREOF: BEGINNING at a corner' on the northeast side of Market Street and in line dividing Lots Nos. 4 and 5; thence along the line of Market Street south twenty-nine (29) degrees fifty-six (56) minutes east, forty (40) feet to a corner in line dividing Lots Nos. 5 and 6; thence along line dividing Lots Nos. 5 and 6, north sixty (60) degrees four (4) minutes west one hundred twenty (120) feet to a corner in line of Lot No. 125; thence along the line of Lot No. 125, north twenty-nine (29) degrees fifty-six (56) minutes west, forty (40) feet to a corner in line dividing Lots Nos. 4 and 5; thence along line dividing Lots Nos. 4 and 5, south sixty (60) degrees four (4) minutes west one hundred twenty (120) feet to a corner in the northeast line of Market Street, the place of beginning.

BEING Lot No. 5 on plot of lots of Robert H. Garrahan, as recorded in Luzerne County Map Book No. 2, pages 70 and 71, and

BEING the same premises which Robert H. Garrahan and Mabel K. Garrahan, his wife, by deed dated

November 8, 1924, recorded in Recorder's Office in Luzerne County in Deed Book No. 612 at page 222, conveyed to David Walkman and Raymond G. Whalen, the Mortgagors herein.

THE THIRD THEREOF: BEGINNING at a point on the northeast side of Market Street of line between Lots Nos. 3 and 4; thence along said line north sixty (60) degrees four (4) minutes east, one hundred twenty (120) feet to a corner common to Lots Nos. 3, 4, 41 and 42; thence along the line of Lot No. 42; south twenty-nine (29) degrees fifty-six (56) minutes east, forty (40) feet to a corner on line between Lots Nos. 4 and 5; thence along said line south sixty (60) degrees four (4) minutes west, one hundred twenty (120) feet to a corner on Market Street and thence along the line of Market Street north twenty-nine (29) degrees fifty-six (56) minutes west, forty (40) feet to the place of beginning.

BEING Lot No. 4 on plot of Robert H. Garrahan, as recorded in Luzerne County Map Book No. 2 at pages 70 and 71, and

BEING the same premises which Andrew J. Simms, widow, by deed dated August 31, 1925, and recorded in Recorder's Office in Luzerne County in Deed Book No. 631 at page 103, conveyed to David Walkman and Raymond G. Whalen, the Mortgagors herein.

Coal and other minerals excepted and reserved as the same have been excepted and reserved in previous deeds in the chain of title hereto.

With the appurtenances. Improved with a one-story concrete block and tile building, garages and shops; together with any and all other improvements and equipment erected on said premises. Said improvements covering said three parcels of land being located on the northwest corner of Market Street and Landon Avenue in said Borough of Kingston.

Seized and taken into execution at the suit of Kingston Bank and Trust Company vs. Raymond G. Whalen, David Walkman, with notice to Whalen & Co., Inc., a Penn'a. Corporation, and to Ray Whalen, one of said Whalen & Co., Inc., terre tenants, and will be sold by JOHN MACLUSKIE, Sheriff. Fells W. Bolowicz, Atty.

SHERIFF'S SALE  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1930,  
AT 10 A. M.

By virtue of a writ of Fi Fa No. 153, October Term, 1930, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Luzerne County, to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale by vendue to the highest and best bidders, for cash, at the Sheriff's Sales Room, Court House, in the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, the 6th day of September, 1930, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of the said day, all the right, title and interest of the defendant in and to the following described lot, piece or parcel of land, viz:

THE FIRST THEREOF: All that certain tract of land on the easterly side of Harvey's Lake, in the Township of Lehman, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, described as follows:

BEGINNING at a butternut tree on the northerly side of a public road leading from Harvey's Lake to Kunkle, said corner being also in line of land of Walter C. Teeter; thence along said Road North 87 1/2 West, eight hundred thirty-seven (837) feet to a corner on the easterly line of a public road leading around Harvey's Lake; thence along said road North 130 49' East, one hundred fifty-six (156.88) feet to a corner; thence along said road North to 36' East, two hundred thirty-five (235) feet to a corner of land now or formerly of George Wright; thence along said road North 75 40' East, five hundred fifty-five (555.73) feet to a corner in line of land of Walter Teeter; thence along said Teeter's land South 85 50' East, two hundred fifty-five (255.36) feet to a corner of lands of Teeter; thence along said Teeter's lands South 30 4' West, five hundred ninety-nine (599.06) feet to the place of beginning. Containing 10.122 acres.

The foregoing description is intended to comply with the right, title and interest in and to all of the land East of Harvey's Lake which is North of the road leading from said Harvey's Lake to Kunkle; also all the right, title and interest to the lake frontage between Harvey's Lake and the foregoing described property and all the riparian rights therein.

The above described real estate has been platted, which plot is known and designated as "Rhoads Terrace" and is of record in Luzerne County Map Book No. 2, page 147.

EXCEPTING AND RESERVING, however, out of the foregoing described real estate the following lots: Nos. 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 33, 32, 33, 34, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 48, 50, 52, 53, 55, 57, 66 and 75. Also parts of Nos. 38 and 40 as described in deed to Charles M. Thomas and wife, recorded in Luzerne County D. B. No. 633, page 50.

Improved with a wall along Lake front, water pumping system and pipe line in streets.

THE SECOND THEREOF: All that certain tract of land in Lehman Township, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, described as follows:

BEGINNING at the yellow oak corner mentioned in the description of the third piece of land described in a deed from E. C. Morgan et al. to Morgan A. Cease, dated July 29, 1905, recorded in the Recorder's Office in and for Luzerne County in D. B. 424, page 463; thence South 30 40' East, 151.2 perches along land of Samuel Pollick to a corner; thence South 50 West, 56.6 perches to another corner of said Pollick land; thence along same north 34 1/2 West 150 perches to a corner in Lake Silkworth; thence North 54 45' East, 56.6 perches to the place of beginning. Containing 53 acres 38 perches of land, more or less. Being part of lot 25 Certified Bedford now Lehman Township.

EXCEPTING AND RESERVING out of the above described piece of land and the following lots: Nos. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, on plot of lots at Lake Silkworth property of Josiah Cease, recorded in Luzerne County Map Book No. 1 at page 159; and also Lots 2, 6, 8, 9; 12 feet of the southwesterly side of Lot No. 10; 11, 12, 13, 14, 23, 49 and 50 on plot known as Cease's Terrace, Lake Silkworth; said plot having been laid out at Lake Silkworth for the Wyoming Valley Realty Company and said map being in the possession of said Company.

Seized and taken into execution at the suit of Wyoming National Bank of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., vs. Wyoming Valley Realty Company, and will be sold by JOHN MACLUSKIE, Sheriff. George L. Fenner, Atty.

SHERIFF'S SALE  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1930,  
AT 10 A. M.

By virtue of a writ of Levari Faciasus Mortgage, No. 133, October Term, 1930, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Luzerne County, to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale by vendue to the highest and best bidders, for cash, at the Sheriff's Sales Room, Court House, in the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, the 6th day of September, 1930, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of the said day, all the right, title and interest of the defendants in and to the following described lot, piece or parcel of land, viz:

All that lot and piece of land in Township of Butler, Luzerne Co., Pa., beginning at a post in corner of land lately conveyed to J. Belhun and C. Koenig to Geo. Grant; thence along land of said Belhun and Koenig north 69 1/2 east fifty four perches to a Post; thence by lands now or late of Peter Rarich north 140 west one hundred and seventy perches to a stone; thence south 69 1/2 east twenty three perches to a stone; thence south 120 east two hundred and fourteen perches to the place of beginning, containing fifty-six (56) acres and eight perches (568.48 sq. ft.) strict measure. About forty acres being farm land improved with a dwelling house, barn and fruit trees and balance being brush land.

Seized and taken into execution at the suit of Edgar W. Walp vs. Tilghman Walp, Norman Walck, Stewart Walck, Robert Walck, Paul Walck and Emma Walck, Guardian of the Person of Paul Walck, Emma Walck, Anna Vassily, Nevin Houseknecht, Howard

Houseknecht, John E. Walp, Administrator of the Estate of Tilghman Walp, Edward Walck, Edith Martini, Helen Depierre, Scott Houseknecht, Nettie Houseknecht, Robert Houseknecht, John Houseknecht, Calva Houseknecht, Nettie Houseknecht, Guardian ad litem of Robert Houseknecht, Nettie Houseknecht, Guardian ad litem of Raymond Houseknecht, and Nettie Houseknecht, uardian ad litem of Claude Houseknecht, and will be sold by JOHN MACLUSKIE, Sheriff. G. J. Clark, Atty. JOHN MACLUSKIE, Sheriff.

NOTICE!  
EXETER TWP. SCHOOL DISTRICT  
A reward of \$100.00 is offered by Exeter Township School District for information leading to the arrest and conviction of person or persons found guilty of removing or destroying the four (4) "School Zone Signs" belonging to School District, the same having been placed at proper distance