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SAFE-GUARDING THE BENCH.

For the honor of the supreme court the people of Pennsylvania should turn down the Republican candidate who is seeking to remain in the high place to which he was appointed by Governor Stone. To jealously guard this sacred tribunal is the imperative duty of every good citizen. Within the past few years there has grown up in the public mind grave suspicions concerning the integrity and fairness of many occupants of the bench. In all parts of the country have been heard complaints against judges who have seemed to waver in the performance of their duty and who have not always held the scales of justice firmly. This is one of the most depressing signs of the times, full of significance and danger. The American people have always, heretofore, held the judiciary in the very highest respect. They cannot permit any lowering of the standard; nor can they tolerate any looseness of personal or official conduct.

Throughout all the partisan and factional conflicts waged in our own state no member of the supreme court, and no candidate for a place therein, has ever been publicly subjected to such a grave charge as that which now confronts Justice Potter. Such flagrant disregard of propriety as this misfit appointee of the present executive is accused of, is unprecedented in the entire history of the court. Such intimate secret relationship between a justice and any other public official is mutually discreditable. In this instance the offense is aggravated on account of Governor Stone's misuse of his official powers to serve himself and a corrupt political organization. It shows Justice Potter to be himself a part of the machine. This is contempt for judicial dignity that words cannot fitly characterize. These revelations surely will make a profound impression upon self-respecting citizens regardless of partisanship.

Under such circumstances, it becomes the duty of all decent Republicans to unite with the minority party in electing Judge Yerkes to Justice Potter's place. Happily, the Democratic reform candidate is a jurist of the highest rank already, so far as ability, character, experience and learning are concerned. For nearly 20 years he has presided over the courts of Bucks county with thorough acceptability to all classes of the people, and has repeatedly been called, in a neighboring way, to fill a gap on the bench in Philadelphia, when judges have been ill. The people of Pennsylvania will make no mistake if they promote Judge Yerkes to the supreme court, but they will be grievously unjust to themselves and greatly imperil their own interests, should they vote to continue in an exalted place in the public service the Allegheny tool of Quayism.

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THE PUBLIC REVOLT

The Issues of the Campaign As Clearly Stated By the Fusion Candidate for State Treasurer.

In his letter of acceptance of the Union party nomination for state treasurer, Hon. E. A. Coray writes to the chairman of the notification committee, as follows:

"Replying to your letter notifying me of my selection by the recent convention of the Union party as its candidate for state treasurer, I desire to say the nomination is accepted and the high honor conferred fully appreciated.

"It was natural to expect that revolt would follow the unspeakable acts of the late legislature. It is the revolt of patriotic citizens jealous of the honor of the commonwealth. It is the revolt of long-suffering taxpayers, goaded to desperation by their plunderers. It is revolt against the machine that writes reform in its platform, proclaims it from the stump and then repudiates it in every political act. It is revolt against the further exercise of power of attorney for a great political party by men who are without pride in its traditions or loyalty to its principles and who constantly humiliate it by their practices. It is revolt against conspiracies to loot the assets of the commonwealth, from the coin of the treasury to the coal in the bowels of the earth. It is a revolt against legislation to pluck the capitalist and rob the laborer of the fruits of his toil. It is revolt against the purchase and sale of legislation. It is a revolt against politics on the bench.

"The machine fears this revolt. It strives to begot the issues. 'Yellow,' it cries at the faithful press that turns light upon its blackness. 'Anarchy,' shout the promoters of stuffed ballot boxes and treasury looters at those who strive to curb their lawlessness. Still the revolt spreads. Thousands of reputable citizens, aforesaid sturdy sticklers for party regularity, are joining the forces of good government—not that they love party regularity less, but decency, the honor of the state, and their own interests as taxpayers more. The revolt is born of the hope of better government in Pennsylvania. It is rooted in righteousness. It must win.

"Regarding the office of state treasurer, I would suggest that it should cease to be regarded as a 'plum tree.' It should cease to be a receptacle for padded pay rolls, or bonds of indemnity. It should not honor vouchers for contingent expenses, unless specifically itemized. It should pay no officers except those elected or appointed in pursuance of law. It should not withhold payment of appropriations for public schools or charitable institutions in the interest of favorite banks. Its transactions, its assets and its accounts should be so open that any citizen of the commonwealth, desiring to do so, may be able to make himself familiar with them.

"In brief, in connection with the state treasury and its management there should be the strictest compliance with the requirements of the law and the constitution—no secrets, no mysteries, no bonuses or 'rake-offs'; no funds for speculators; no fear of attack; no occasion for seeking refuge behind statutes of limitation, or fleeing from the jurisdiction of the state. And if elected state treasurer I pledge myself to conduct the office in harmony with the above suggestions."

AN HONORABLE JUDICIAL CAREER

Judge Yerkes' Eighteen Years' Service On the Bench—A Model Jurist.

Hon. Harman Yerkes was born in Bucks county, in 1843. In early life he became a school teacher and later studied law, under the late Judge Ross, being admitted to the bar in 1865. He at once entered upon a successful practice at Doylestown and was elected judge of the county court, in 1883, and has served continuously since, being now near the close of his second term. Before going upon the bench, he took a very active part in local, state and national politics, serving in Democratic conventions. In 1868 he was elected district attorney, and in 1873 was chosen state senator, being re-elected in 1876. His legislative career was conspicuous for ability and zeal in the performance of his duty. As a jurist, Judge Yerkes has displayed superior ability, winning the highest opinions from all classes of the people. He has been a terror to evildoers and has held the scales of justice evenly between litigants. Near the close of his first term all the members of the bar, irrespective of party, addressed to him a letter urging that he be a candidate for re-election. Unanimously nominated again by the Democrats, he was endorsed by the Republican convention and re-elected. In 1895 he was one of the nominees for the superior court.

In social life Judge Yerkes is a conspicuous figure at his home, in Doylestown. In 1869 he was married to a daughter of Monroe Buckman. He is a member of the vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, and rector's warden. He is a member of the Society of Sons of the Revolution and of the Historical Societies of Pennsylvania and Bucks county and is a past master of the Doylestown Lodge of Masons.

For a long time in advance of the last Democratic state convention, by which Judge Yerkes was unanimously nominated to succeed Justice William P. Potter, on the supreme bench, he was unquestionably the choice of every element of his party for that exalted office. The placing of his name

on the Democratic state ticket, with such enthusiastic unanimity, and the adoption of a platform aiming at the complete fusion which has been effected, was hailed by the independent voters of the state as the forerunner of victory. By Independent Republicans, as well as by Democrats, Judge Yerkes is regarded as the strongest man who could have been selected to head the fight of the people to strengthen and dignify the highest tribunal of the commonwealth.

A MOST FAITHFUL PUBLIC SERVANT

How the Reform Candidate for State Treasurer Has Fought For the People at Harrisburg.

Elisha A. Coray, Jr., is a native of Bradford county, Pa., 43 years of age. He has resided in Luzerne county, at West Pittston, for many years past. After an academic education, he learned the printer's trade and became a reporter on the Pittston Evening Gazette, which he served acceptably for six years. Taking an active interest in politics, he became a member of the Republican county committee, and was also chairman of the legislative district committee. In 1888 Mr. Coray was elected to the legislature and re-elected in 1890. Throughout both terms he was an intelligent and faithful legislator, exerting his influence upon every occasion in favor of honest and desirable legislation and against everything of a dishonest character, no matter from what source it came. After five years of retirement from public life, during which time he established himself in the real estate business, Mr. Coray was returned to the legislature, and at once took a leading position in the house. In the senatorial contest of 1897 he opposed the candidacy of Mr. Penrose. During the session Mr. Coray consistently and earnestly defended the public treasury against all kinds of selfish schemes and unjust bills. He was a thorn in the side of the machine members whenever attempts were made to secure illegal extra pay, through incidentals, special expenses, etc. He continually called attention to the pledges of the Republican state platforms with regard to reform bills and endeavored to secure a more efficient ballot law. Mr. Coray was re-elected to the house, in 1898, and again in 1900. He opposed Mr. Quay's re-election to the senate, and during the last session was particularly vigilant and active in protecting the public interests in every possible way. All the iniquitous measures that came before the house he vigorously opposed. Upon many occasions he called attention to the falsification of the vote, and several times was threatened with personal violence for the stand he took in thus exposing machine trickery. It would require much space to record in detail Mr. Coray's work during the five terms that he has faithfully served the people at Harrisburg. No man in the state has been more courageous in the defense of the honor of the commonwealth, and what he has done makes his nomination as a candidate for state treasurer the legitimate culmination of an honorable and useful public career. A comparison of the votes of Coray and Harris, the Quay candidate for state treasurer, on leading measures, clearly shows who has the largest claim upon public confidence and support. The following statement speaks for itself:

	Coray Voted.	Harris Voted.
Pittsburg Ripper	Nay	Yea
Philadelphia Ripper	Nay	Yea
Philadelphia Fifth Court	Nay	Yea
Street railway franchise	Nay	Yea
Insurance bill	Nay	Yea
Steelman canal grab	Nay	Yea
Erie land grab	Nay	Yea
\$4,000,000 Capital bill	Nay	Yea
Increasing clerk hire allowance Supreme Court	Nay	Yea
Judges \$1,000 to \$2,000 each	Nay	Yea
Garner bill for mine inspectors	Nay	Dodged
Requiring operators to pay miners by ton	Yea	Dodged
Giving miners a check weighman at each colliery	Yea	Dodged
Requiring coal to be weighed to compute miners pay before being screened	Yea	Dodged
Ferrabee bill taxing company stores out of existence	Yea	Dodged
Cooper Label bill amendment to prevent muzzling the press	Yea	Nay
Coray amendment to General Appropriation bill to insure public schools immediate payment of \$1,000,000 Government bonds	Yea	Dodged
Bills creating needless courts in Northumberland and Montgomery counties	Nay	Yea
Coray bill to revoke state warrants for land under streams, and thus block the \$50,000,000 grab	Yea	Nay
The Guffey-Keller Ballot reform bill	Yea	Nay

There seems to be no limit to the audacity of the Quay machine. Its disregard for the honor of the state exceeds anything ever before witnessed. The whole state government has been put to work in a frantic effort to prevent its own condemnation at the polls. Governor Stone has no sense of self-respect or official propriety; otherwise, he would not be going about making stump speeches that are in themselves extremely discreditable. The executive well knows that the odious record of the past three years cannot be successfully defended; hence his feeble attempts to mislead the public, to excite the prejudices of the ignorant, and to arouse partisan feelings. But the people surely have intelligence enough to see through all this, and to understand what it means. The Quay ring would be frightened into spasms if they should wake up the morning after the election and find that the brave Coray had been commissioned to take charge of the state treasury, to open the books and turn on the light. Let no

voter be deceived. There is no party issue at stake. It is simply a battle for honest administration of the public finances and the maintenance of purity on the bench. Let every patriot help to bring out a big vote for Yerkes and Coray.

It is understood that the managers of the Republican state campaign have given instructions to their followers in every county to look sharply after the vote at the coming election. The machine never makes much noise when a state treasurer is to be elected, but it makes sure that its hirelings are at work, all along the line. It takes no risks, and it is not taking any at this time. This fact should be sufficient notice to the people of the importance of the impending contest. Quay's battle for re-election was the hardest fight of his life and cost him and his friends a barrel of money. But he would spend as much more, if needed, to hold on to the public chest, for the special uses of his corrupt machine. There should be a great non-partisan vote this time to turn the rascals out.

TURN ON THE LIGHT.

For many years the honest voters of Pennsylvania have been demanding that the light shall be turned on the transactions of the state treasury. It has been charged times without number that a combination of public men have unjustly profited through the handling of the public funds. It has been clearly shown that a system prevailed whereby great influence was exerted in favor of certain political leaders, rendering their power almost absolute. Every effort has been made, but without success to ascertain how much the state treasury is "worth" to the ring which has so long controlled it. It has been noted that in every contest over candidates for this important office, those specially concerned have been extremely watchful and vigorous, evidently determined not to lose the election under any circumstances. Even when a Democrat was elected, 25 years ago, he was made the victim of a foul conspiracy by these public enemies. At no time since have any chances been taken and none will be taken now. The Quay managers are not making much noise in this campaign, but they are hard at work in every county, and in every election district, on November 5, their friends will be active from morning till night.

What does this mean? The answer is self-evident. There is something to be concealed and a great power to be retained. Under no circumstances can the ring afford to let a man like E. A. Coray get in to the treasury. He could not be deceived, headed off nor corrupted. Therefore, orders are out for his defeat, cost what it may. What will the voters do about it? Surely every Democratic citizen will work and vote for the reform candidate and there ought to be enough virtue and independence in the Republican party to accomplish the overthrow of the treasury combine this time. The issue is so plain that none need be deceived. There is no partisan interest at stake. It is simply a question of honest administration of the public finances, with the turning on of the light, showing all that may be recorded concerning past transactions. Let there be a union of forces at the polls which will rescue the treasury of Pennsylvania from the iron grip of the long entrenched Quay ring.

THE UNION THAT WILL WIN.

In the gubernatorial campaign of 1898 about 120,000 Republicans and Democrats, about equally divided, there is reason to suppose, voted for Swallow. This was an inexcusable waste of reform forces. If these misguided citizens had united with a few thousand stay-at-homes and all had supported Jenks, as honest a man as ever lived, how differently would recent history have recorded itself! There would have been no disgraceful Stone administration, no re-election of Quay, for a reform legislature would have been elected also, and no disreputable doings of any kind at Harrisburg. This year the independent voter will not be tempted to chase any political Jack-o'-lantern, but he has a fair chance to strike an effective blow in the cause of decent politics and good government. What use will he make of this opportunity? The Quay managers are up and doing in all parts of the state. They intend to drag to the polls a great number of unwilling Republicans, and they also propose to work their wiles on all Democrats whom they can in any way influence.

The scheme was openly given away by Governor Stone himself, in a speech in Philadelphia, the other night, when he boldly declared that Democrats should take their choice of Republican candidates. It is hoped in this way to break the fusion lines against Quayism and all that it stands for. This was the excuse under which corrupt Democrats in the last legislature sustained the ring. No honest member of the minority party in Pennsylvania can afford to listen to such sophistry, the transparent refuge of traitors and corruptionists. A vote for the Republican candidate for state treasurer means a vote to vindicate Quayism in its most odious form; a vote to continue management of the public finances for the support of a corrupt combination of bosses and their debauched creatures. The Democrat who is thus led astray is worse than the most degraded tool of the machine.

Every Democrat worthy of the name will work and vote for Yerkes and Coray, and with a hundred thousand or more independent Republicans doing the same thing, the people will win a great victory. Push the battle all along the line.



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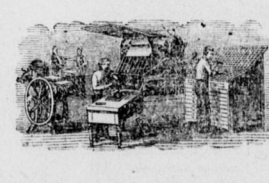
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 8 15 a m for Hazleton, Weatherly, Mauch Chunk, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Philadelphia, New York, Delano and Pottsville.
 9 30 a m for Hazleton, Delano, Mahanoy City, Shenandoah and Mt. Carmel.
 11 42 a m for Weatherly, Mauch Chunk, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Philadelphia, New York, Hazleton, Delano, Mahanoy City, Shenandoah and Mt. Carmel.
 11 51 a m for White Haven, Wilkes-Barre, Scranton and the West.
 4 44 p m for Weatherly, Mauch Chunk, Allentown, Bethlehem, Easton, Philadelphia, New York, Hazleton, Delano, Mahanoy City, Shenandoah, Mt. Carmel and Pottsville.
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 9 30 a m from Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and White Haven.
 11 51 a m from Pottsville, Mt. Carmel, Shenandoah, Mahanoy City, Delano and Hazleton.
 12 48 p m from New York, Philadelphia, Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown, Mauch Chunk and Weatherly.
 4 44 p m from Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and White Haven.
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