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Manoa.....	250,000
Hong-Kong.....	250,000
Swatow.....	200,000
Amoy.....	250,000
Foo-Chow.....	1,250,000
Wan-Chai.....	300,000
Ningpo.....	400,000
Hang Cheen.....	1,200,000
Shanghai.....	1,000,000
Total.....	5,910,000

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Things to be Remembered when You go to the Polls.

We are disposed to regard the unusual calm which has prevailed throughout the present political campaign in this State as a favorable indication. We believe the people of Pennsylvania are quietly thinking over the issues of the day, and preparing to vote intelligently and independently at the coming election. They cannot be carried away by a whirlwind of passion, as they have too often been heretofore. They will not be forced to vote as party leaders may dictate; but will go to the polls in October as freemen should, prepared to break the ties of party, if they believe the best interests of the nation and the State demand it. Believing that to be the present temper of the people of this Commonwealth, we respectfully ask each voter to remember certain prominent facts and political occurrences when he goes to the polls.

REMEMBER,

That the Union is still divided; that its restoration has been delayed for the sole purpose of continuing certain persons in office; that the material interests of the North and the South have been alike impaired by the partisan action of Congress; that the burthens of taxation have been thereby increased; that business in both sections has been prostrated; and that a complication of evils has been produced which has disastrously effected every producer and consumer in the nation.

REMEMBER,

That States which have complied with every demand of Congress, unjust and oppressive as many of them were, are still deprived of representation in the councils of the nation, not only in violation of the Constitution of the United States, but even in violation of the enactments of a Radical Congress.

REMEMBER,

That Grant was no sooner elected than a Radical Congress passed the Fifteenth Amendment, in violation of the pledge given to the country in the second article of the Chicago Platform; that an effort is now being made to force upon the people of this State, by fraud, negro suffrage and negro equality which have been established in the South by military violence; and John W. Geary is responsible for the refusal of the Radical Legislature to permit that question to be submitted to a vote of the people, though thousands of citizens, without respect to party, petitioned for that right.

REMEMBER,

That a host of useless officials have been appointed to eat out the substance of the people, who swarm all over the land, like locusts of Egypt, while the masses pay tithes of their toil to support them in luxurious idleness.

REMEMBER,

That the Secretary of the Treasury has made false exhibits of the national indebtedness for a partisan purpose, declining to count the bonds given to the Pacific railroad as part of it, and manipulating his monthly statements in other respects to deceive the people.

REMEMBER,

That a tariff has been so framed by Yankee monopolists as to greatly enhance the price of the necessities used by the masses, while luxuries for the rich are admitted at comparatively low rates of duty.

REMEMBER,

That Grant has shown utter unfitness for the position that he occupies; that he has disgraced the nation by appointing to the highest offices men who gave him large presents; that he has used his office to enrich his relations regardless of the public interests; that he has spent his time in idleness at fashionable resorts, and in "swinging round the circle" of first-class hotels as a first-class dead head, while grave questions demand the consideration of himself and his cabinet.

REMEMBER,

That the election of Geary and Williams will be regarded as an endorsement of all the acts of the Radical Congress and of the course of Grant.

REMEMBER,

That the present contest involves the most important local issues, and that it ought rightly to be decided upon them.

REMEMBER,

That the expenses of the State Government in all its departments have been vastly increased under Geary, and the money wrung from the taxpayers recklessly squandered.

REMEMBER,

That under Geary's rule the grossest corruption and the most unblushing bribery have prevailed in the State Legislature, the office of United States Senator, and that of State Treasurer has been openly put up at auction and knocked down to the highest bidder.

REMEMBER,

That the Radical newspapers have characterized Geary as a "loafer," denounced him as a "liar," declared him to be a "humbler," and pronounced him to be "lacking in integrity," "the willing tool of the ring," and "wanting in all the requisite qualifications for so high an office."

REMEMBER,

That leading Republican newspapers have charged Geary with having packed the State Convention which renominated him with the tools of the legislative thieves, and that at least one honest and distinguished member of that body refused to vote for a resolution declaring him to be the unanimous choice of the party.

REMEMBER,

That Geary has solicited admission into every secret Order, in hope that he might thus make votes, and for no other or more worthy purpose.

REMEMBER,

That there can be no hope of reform in the State Legislature if Geary should be re-elected, that the chiefs of the ring which packed the State Convention have been renominated, and that they expect to renew their carnival of plunder if their candidate for Governor should be chosen.

REMEMBER,

That Asa Packer pledges his word that he will break up the legislative ring if he is elected, that he is an honest and truthful man, whose word is as good as his bond, and that he will inaugurate an era of economy and reform.

REMEMBER,

That Henry W. Williams, the Radical candidate for Supreme Judge, did not scruple to sit in a case where he had a direct personal interest in the decision, something never done before by any Pennsylvania Judge, and that he is pledged to administer the office of Judge in accordance with the views of his party, and not according to law and justice.

REMEMBER,

That Cyrus L. Pershing adds to great ability the most indubitable integrity and the most incorruptible honesty, and that he will administer justice without fear, favor, affection or partiality.

REMEMBER,

That it has become impossible, since Geary was made Governor, to get any bill through the Legislature without paying for it, and that almost the entire time of that body is devoted to passing the multitude of improper private acts which have swelled the volumes of our pamphlet laws to the most ponderous proportions.

REMEMBER,

That Geary declined to use the veto power to check the mighty and growing end of special legislation; that he signed the infamous Herdic act, by which a judicial district was summarily wiped out of existence, that he appended his signature to a bill increasing the rate of tolls on the canals, which enabled the railroad companies to defy competition, and thus largely increased the cost of transporting grain, coal, groceries, and all bulky commodities; that he approved the calamity bill, which fixes the maximum rate of damages for loss of limb by the negligence of railroads at \$3,000, and for the loss of life at \$5,000; and remember that these are only a few of the more outrageous instances in which he prostituted the power conferred upon him, at the dictation of wealthy men and mammoth corporations.

REMEMBER,

That under his rule, and unrestrained by him, an army of extra pasters and folders has been employed every winter, many of whom, like Ilyus, of Mt. Joy, never did an hour's work, and yet were paid out of the hard earnings of the toiling masses.

REMEMBER,

That Geary confessed in his speech at Troy that he could not check the corruption of the Legislature, or lessen the waste of the public funds.

REMEMBER,

That he has been openly charged by prominent Radical newspapers with being the corrupt tool of the legislative ring, and the candidate of the "roosters" and "pinchers."

REMEMBER,

That Geary has abused the pardoning power so grossly, that prominent Republican newspapers in different parts of the State, have been compelled to denounce him for turning many dangerous criminals loose upon the community.

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That you are in duty bound to vote as sound judgment dictates, regardless of party, and that, if you do so, you cannot conscientiously support John W. Geary and Henry W. Williams at the coming election.

Judge Packer and his Taxes.

To a modest man, like him whose name heads this article, the publication of the following facts is most distasteful, but they are forced into the light by the constant, malignant and willful falsehoods of unscrupulous Radical newspapers and irresponsible Radical speakers. Failing to find any assailable point in Judge Packer's private character, and conceding that his wealth is the result of industry, they now resort to a most unjustifiable and malicious attack upon his integrity as a tax-payer. They do not stop to ask if the assertion is true, but upon the reckless charges of a small sheet, published in the borough of Mauch Chunk, and one individual of as little authority, they base this disgraceful and flagrant violation of truth. We will see, "how plain a tale shall put them down."

It is alleged that Judge Packer sought to evade the payment of taxes, legally assessed against him, and that he only paid them on compulsion. We will now show that this allegation was conceived in falsehood, presented to the public in a spirit of partisan malignity, and adhered to with a persistency that finds no parallel save in the lowest depths of defamation.

In the winter of 1866-67 Judge Packer, being then Vice-President and the largest stockholder of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, determined to make the city of Philadelphia his residence, as the duties of his position in the company, the ill-health of the President, and his own private affairs made his presence a necessity—almost continuously—in this city. This fact was well known at the time to many of his personal friends and business acquaintances. He made efforts to purchase a suitable house during that winter and spring, but finding none to suit him, he made his residence at the Merchants' Hotel, where he had during the past ten years, spent much more than half his time.

In the spring of 1867, the assessor of Mauch Chunk called on Judge Packer for a statement of his property for the purpose of assessment, and was then informed of his change of residence, remarking that the taxes on his personal estate would be paid in Philadelphia, but that his real estate in Mauch Chunk would be assessed there as usual. The assessor very properly, made his return, assessing only his real estate; but the county commissioners, without notice to Judge Packer added his stock in the Lehigh Valley Railroad to the ass