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HON. HENRY K. BOYER was born at Evansburg, Montgomery county, Pa., educated in the public schools and Freeland Seminary, and was admitted to the Bar in 1873. His political career began in the year 1882, when he was elected as State representative of the Seventh Ward,

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Philadelphia. Again, in 1884 and '86, he was returned with increased majorities. His special fitness for legislative work was soon recognized, particularly in his framing of the revenue act, in 1885. Mr. Boyer holds the unique record of having been elected speaker of the House of Representatives on three separate occasions, a fact which speaks volumes for his even-handed justice in discharging the delicate duties of the chair. In 1889 he was elected State Treasurer, which office he very ably filled until May, 1892. As a fitting recognition of his splendid literary abilities, the Faculty of his Alma Mater conferred upon him the degree of Master of Arts, in 1897. In the year 1898 President McKinley appointed him Superintendent of the United States Mint, at Philadelphia, a position he has filled with special distinction and acceptability to the Treasury Department. In addition to the onerous administrative duties of his office, he has rendered valuable services to the department in making the New Mint the model institution of its kind in the world. Mr. Boyer is especially devoted to literature and history, and in addition to his charming social qualities and impressive personal appearance, is a most delightful and forcible speaker.

No man is fit to win who has not sat down alone to think; and who has not come forth with purpose in his eye, with white cheek, set lips and clenched palms, able to say: "I am resolved."—Bulwer.