

by a large majority to the State Senate. As a member of the Senate he took an active part in public measures. It was largely due to his efforts that the Australian ballot system became a law. He wrote a review of the proceedings of the Maryland Legislature which attracted attention from people throughout the entire country, being quoted in all the leading papers of the United States. In 1892 he was a candidate for United States Senator, but withdrew in favor of Gibson, who was elected. In his chosen field, the law, Mr. Wirt is a recognized authority. Learned in the law and well equipped for his profession, he is ready to cross swords with the best. As a public speaker he has been heard with pleasure upon many important occasions. For many years he has been vice-president of the Civil Service Reform Association of Maryland, and is also vice-president of the Maryland State Bar Association. He has often been a delegate to State Congressional and county conventions.

WILMER D. THOMPSON.

Wilmer D. Thompson was born in December, 1865, being a son of the late John Thompson, of Fair Hill. He was educated at the public schools, and at the age of 17 went as a blacksmith's apprentice. For the past ten years he has been one of the head wheelwrights and machinists at Providence Paper Mills. He has never before been a candidate, although always an active Democrat.

JOHN H. JENNESS.

Dr. John H. Jenness is a practicing physician of Rising Sun and a gentleman of excellent standing in his community. He was born in the Sixth district in 1863, and has made his home there since. He is a graduate of St. John's College and of the medical department of the University of Maryland, and is a widely read man. He possesses many qualities desirable in a legislator.

CHARLES COUNTY—Two Members.

JAS. DEB. WALBACH, G.

James DeB. Walbach, G., was born in Charles county in 1863, and is a son of the late T. Elzare Gardiner. In 1885 Mr. Walbach changed his name, assuming the maiden name of his mother—Walbach. He was educated at