

## HIRAM S. HALL, Republican.

Hiram S. Hall, Republican, was born in Columbia county, N. Y., and received a common school education. After learning the carpentering trade, he was employed on the government works at West Point. In 1852, he removed to Jamestown, Chautauqua county. He cast his first vote for General Scott, voted for Fremont in 1856, and for every Republican presidential candidate since. In 1862, he engaged in the manufacture of woodenware, which he continued for twenty-two years. In 1882-4, Mr. Hall invented and patented some machines for making furniture springs. In 1886, he removed to Talbot county and purchased a farm, upon which he resides. He was elected member of House of Delegates in 1897.

## LEVIN H. TULL, Republican.

Levin H. Tull is a native of Caroline county, but has lived in Talbot for the past thirty-five years. Mr Tull was originally a sea captain. He is about sixty-five year of age. He has never before held office, with the exception of being a captain of Talbots police boat. He is a great cultivator of flowers. He was elected member of the House of Delegates in 1897.

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## LEWIS D. SYESTER, Democrat.

Lewis D. Syester is the youngest son of the late Judge A. K. Syester, who was Attorney-General of Maryland. He was born October 20, 1869. Mr. Syester was educated in the public schools, having graduated from the High School, Hagerstown in 1888. Mr. Syester spent one year at Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa. Mr. Syester began life as a newspaper man. He worked for the Hagerstown *Globe and Mail*, and was city editor of the *Herald and Times*. He became city editor of the *Cumberland Times* in 1889, and reported subsequently on the *Philadelphia Times* and *Baltimore Sun*. In 1891-92, he was managing editor of the *Harrisburg (Pa.) Call*. In February, 1893, he was admitted to the bar of Washington county. He is also vice-president of the Antietam Fire Company, Hagerstown, and quartermaster-sergeant of the First Regiment, Mary-