

eighteen to accept a position as clerk in the large mercantile house of George H. Richardson & Brother, of Snow Hill, and was taken in as a partner in the firm while still quite a young man. This firm, now known as Richardson, Smith, Moore & Co., after Mr. Smith became a member of it, engaged largely in the lumber business, both in his county and in Virginia. In 1889 Mr. Smith was elected State Senator for Worcester County. He was elected President of the Senate in 1894. He was re-elected to the State Senate in 1893 and again in 1897. During the session of 1896, Senator Smith introduced and secured the passage of the free school bill.

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*Secretary of State*: GEORGE E. LOWEREE, (Republican,) of Prince George's county.

George E. Loweree, born in New York, removed to Maryland in 1868. Was admitted to the bar and has practiced law in Prince George's county and Baltimore city. Private secretary to Governor Lowndes; appointed Assistant Secretary of State, and upon the resignation of Secretary Dallam was appointed Secretary of State.

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*Comptroller*: PHILLIPS LEE GOLDSBOROUGH, (Republican,) of Cambridge, Dorchester county.

Mr. Goldsborough was born in Princess Anne, Somerset county, Maryland, in 1865. He is a son of Paymaster Goldsborough, U. S. N. He was educated in the public schools of Dorchester county and at the Episcopal High School of Alexandria, Virginia, and was admitted to the bar in Cambridge. Before taking up the practice of his profession he spent two years with his father at the Navy Pay Office, in San Francisco. In 1891 he was elected State's Attorney for Dorchester county, and was re-elected in 1895. He was elected Comptroller of the State Treasury in 1896. He is proprietor of the *Dorchester Standard*.

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*Comptroller Elect*: DR. J. W. HERING, (Democrat,) of Westminster, Carroll County.

Dr. J. W. Hering is a resident of Westminster, and has been prominent for some years in the politics and public life of Carroll county. As a member of the State Senate