

lation of the Board of Trade of that town. He has taken an active interest in county and State politics for a number of years, but has never before held a political office.

ROBERT W. BROOKE, Democrat.

Mr. Brooke is considered one of the best practical farmers and truckers of his section. He has had some experience in legislative matters having held a position in the Legislature of 1894. He is a native Marylander, about forty-one years of age, and was educated in the schools of his county and Washington.

ROBERT W. WELLS, Democrat.

Mr. Wells was born near Bladensburg in 1875. After receiving the degree of Master of Laws from the Columbian University he went to Kansas and was admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court. In 1897 he returned to Washington and is a member of the Bar Association of the District of Columbia, of the Business Men's Association of the District of Columbia and chairman of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trade of Hyattsville, and of various social organizations. He is very much interested in politics, and was an alternate to the Kansas City Democratic Convention in 1900.

JAMES P. CURLEY, Republican.

Mr. Curley, member of the bar of Prince George's County, Baltimore City and the Court of Appeals, represents his county for the first time, never having held political office before. In addition to the practice of his profession he is editor of the *Laurel Leader*, a weekly newspaper. Mr. Curley was born in Rockwood, Pa., in 1871.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY—*Three Members.*

JOHN T. NORMAN, Democrat.

Mr. Norman is a native of Kent Island, and was born in 1832. He received his education in the public schools and by reading at home after he left school. He is considered one of the best farmers in Queen Anne's County. In 1887 and 1899 he was elected to the House by a large majority, and served in the extra session of 1901.

WILLIAM OTHO THOMAS, Democrat.

William Otho Thomas, a democrat of the oldest and purest type, was born on Kent Island in 1859. At the age of twenty