

## Biographical Sketches of State Officers.

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*Governor of Maryland:* LLOYD LOWNDES, (Republican,) of Cumberland, Allegany county.

Lloyd Lowndes was born in Clarksburg, W. Va., February 21, 1845. His father and grandfather were prominent men of Maryland, and the Lowndes family has been identified with the interests of Western Maryland almost from its settlement. Mr. Lowndes was educated in the academy at Clarksburg, in Washington College, Washington, Pennsylvania, and in Alleghany College, Meadville, Pennsylvania, having graduated from the last-named institution in 1865. He studied law in Philadelphia, and, in 1867, graduated from the law school of the University of Pennsylvania. He settled in Cumberland, and soon acquired a large and lucrative practice. He was elected to Congress in 1872. When he entered the Forty-third Congress he was but twenty-eight years of age, and was the youngest member of the House. He was a member of the national convention that nominated James A. Garfield for the Presidency, and was one of the National World's Fair Commissioners for Maryland. Mr. Lowndes was nominated for Governor by the Republican Convention, in Cambridge, on August 15, 1895, and was elected in November following. The family of the Governor includes five sons and a daughter. As Executive of the State, Governor Lowndes has been attentive to the very closest details of his office, making a capable and dignified chief magistrate of the Commonwealth.

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*Secretary of State:* RICHARD DALLAM, (Republican,) of Harford county.

Richard Dallam was born in Belair, Harford county, May 11, 1865. He was educated at the Harford Academy, Belair, and graduated from the Maryland University Law School in 1888. During Colonel Webster's term as collector of the port of Baltimore he received an appointment