

Director U. S. Fidelity and Deposit Company, also Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Montgomery County, and others.

In politics he is a Republican, but not a partisan, desiring to secure the very best men for office.

He is a member of the Society of Friends, his ancestors on both father's and mother's side for over two centuries being consistent members thereof.

In 1861 he married Miss Amanda Amoss, of near Belair. They have four daughters and two sons—three daughters and one son married.

In 1886 he was elected to the House of Delegates, the only political position he ever held.

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*Washington County*—B. ABNER BETTS, Democrat.

Mr. Betts was born January 8, 1852. After a year and a half of service in the store of Mr. A. B. Barnhart he returned home and entered his father's store, clerking in summer and going to school in winter. At the age of twenty he purchased a half interest in the business, and later engaged in the grain and fertilizer business. In 1889 Mr. Betts was elected a County Commissioner, being the only Democrat elected on the ticket that year. In 1891 he was elected a director of the Western Maryland Railroad, serving four years, and is now a director in the Baltimore and Cumberland Valley Branch. In 1895 he again received the nomination for County Commissioner, but was defeated. In 1897 he was elected a member of the Maryland Legislature. He is a member of the Masonic order.

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*Wicomico County*—MARION VERNON BREWINGTON, Democrat.

Mr. Brewington was born in Salisbury December 26, 1866. His great-grandfather, William Brewington, had the honor of being with Washington at Valley Forge. Mr. Brewington was educated at the public schools at Salisbury, and entered the printing business when he was seventeen years old. Starting at the "hell box" he has passed through all the various scenes connected with an up-to-date country newspaper office, and is to-day editor of one of the best known papers in the State, *The Wicomico News*. Mr. Brewington has had a wide newspaper experience, having for years been connected with the Baltimore *Sun* in the capacity of reporter, and also the New York *World*. He is National Committeeman of the National Editorial Association. He is a Mason of high standing, and director of the Farmers and Merchants' Bank at Salisbury, also director and secretary of the Peninsula General Hospital. Mr. Brewington has served one term in the Maryland Senate.