

department of the University of Pennsylvania in 1870, and has been a practicing physician ever since. Dr. Birnie has never married. He is vice-president of the Medical and Chirurgical faculty of Maryland, a member of the Historical Society, also of the Anthropological Society of Washington and of the Alumni Association of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Birnie never held any office in his life, and says that if he had thought there was any chance of his being elected in 1895, he would not have gone on the ticket. He is a leading member of the House, and was the father of the House free school book bill.

He is a member of the committee on rules, chairman committee on ways and means, chairman of committee on public hygiene.

Charles J. H. Ganter.

Charles J. H. Ganter, Republican, was born January 6, 1851, in Manchester. He received his early education at the public schools of Manchester and in the Manchester Academy, and his early occupation was that of a printer, but he gave that up and studied pharmacy, and has been engaged in that business since 1878. He is also extensively engaged in the manufacture of cigars. Mr. Ganter was a candidate on the Republican ticket for county treasurer in 1885. He is now the Mayor of Manchester and chairman of the executive committee of the Maryland State Firemen's Association. Mr. Ganter was assistant postmaster of Manchester for twenty years, and on December 10, 1888, was appointed postmaster, holding the office during Harrison's administration. Mr. Ganter married Miss Sue Chew, a daughter of Wm. H. Chew, formerly of New Windsor, and has one child, Mrs. John F. Miller, of Westminster. Mr. Ganter is also the local editor of the Telephone Messenger, published in Manchester.

He is a member of the committee on revaluation and reassessment, on public hygiene, on corporations, on education.

William F. Cover.

Wm. F. Cover, Republican, was born March 22, 1860, near Sabillasville, Frederick county, but went to Double Pipe Creek, where he resided until the spring of 1892, when he moved to York Roads, Carroll county. He was a farmer until four years ago, when he engaged in the general warehouse business at York Roads. After leaving school he learned the milling business with his uncle, Mr. Thomas F. Cover, but not liking that occupation gave it up and took up bookkeeping. He was married September 24, 1879, to Miss Jennie E. Newman, and has a family of four girls and two boys. August 13, 1893, he was appointed postmaster under a Democratic administration at York Roads,