

has been engaged in farming and dairying at Sykesville. He has been actively identified with his party affairs all his life. He was elected three times to the House of Delegates, namely, in 1884, 1886 and 1894. As a member of the General Assembly, he served on many important committees, including that of the Ways and Means. He was a member of the State Live Stock Board for four years.

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*Cecil County*—AUSTIN L. CROTHERS, Democrat.

Mr. Crothers was born near Conowingo, Cecil County, in 1860. He was educated in the public schools and at West Nottingham Academy. He taught school for a time in Cecil county and subsequently entered the law department of the University of Maryland, whence he graduated in 1890. He served one term as State's Attorney for Cecil county. In 1897 he was elected to the State Senate.

In the session of 1898, Mr. Crothers was the author of the bill to suppress the Agricultural Fair's race course evils of Cecil county, and was the proposer of the bi-partisan police bill for Baltimore, whose consideration resulted in an all-night session of the Senate. The measure failed in the House.

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*Charles County*—GEORGE T. C. GRAY, Republican.

Mr. Gray was born in Charles county in 1855. He was educated at the public schools and afterwards engaged in farming and merchandising. Mr. Gray was a member of the Board of County Commissioners in 1895, and was chosen president of the Board. In 1897 Mr. Gray was elected to the State Senate.

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*Dorchester County*—WILLIAM F. APPLGARTH, Democrat.

William F. Applegarth is a son of the late John E. Applegarth. He was born near Golden Hill, and is about fifty-seven years of age. Mr. Applegarth was educated at St. John's College. He taught school in the county for about fifteen years. He has been engaged in the mercantile business for a long period. He was elected to the House of Delegates of 1894. He is a director in the Dorchester National Bank. He was elected to the State Senate in 1897.

Senator Applegarth is one of the workers of the Senate, and has taken a high standard of legislative excellence for his model.