

## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

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# Members of the House of Delegates, JANUARY SESSION, 1904.

### ALLEGANY COUNTY—*Five Members.*

#### FRANCIS J. DRUMM, Democrat.

Mr. Drumm, since the age of ten years, has worked in the mines of the Consolidated Coal Company. In 1900 he was blacklisted on account of the strike. He then became secretary-treasurer of the W. M. W. of A., District 10, and by reason of his acquaintance among the miners was elected a member of the House for 1902 and re-elected this year. He was born at Vale Summit, June 28, 1869.

#### WILLIAM J. FEAGA, Republican.

Mr. Feaga was born in Cumberland in 1870, and received his education at his home and in the public schools. For several years he served as private secretary to ex-Governor Lowndes at the Second National Bank. In 1895 he became private secretary to Representative G. L. Wellington and retained this position when Mr. Wellington went to the United States Senate. Later he was made secretary to Senate committee to establish University of the United States, serving six years in that capacity. Mr. Feaga returned to Cumberland in March last to take up his present work as secretary and director of the new Storage Warehouse and Real Estate Company, which he helped to organize in the early part of the present year. He has always been active in Republican politics, was an ardent supporter of the late President McKinley and his policies at home and abroad. He is a deep student, and through the training received at Washington is well fitted to make a splendid legislator.

#### JOHN H. LOAR, Republican.

Mr. Loar has been identified with local and national politics for several years. He was born September 7, 1873, and attended the public schools at Vale Summit. He is engaged in mining and farming.