

returned to Maryland in 1882 and engaged in farming and stock raising. In 1889 he left his home and located in Martinsburg, W. Va., moving to Brunswick in 1891, where he is employed in the service of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

CHARLES A. NICODEMUS, Republican—Walkersville.

Mr. Nicodemus was born in Walkersville March 29, 1858, and was educated in the public schools of the village, in James Rippard's school of Westminster, Md., and Pennington Seminary, New Jersey. He is a son of the late John S. Nicodemus, who represented Frederick County in the General Assembly in 1874.

He is a farmer, and also a director of the Walkersville Savings Bank.

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### GARRETT COUNTY—*Two Members.*

CHARLES A. ASHBY, Republican—Crellin.

Mr. Ashby was born near Oakland in 1867, and comes of the oldest family in Garrett County, his paternal ancestors having settled there before the middle of the eighteenth century.

He is about to enter upon his second term in the House, having been a member of the session of 1902. In politics he has always been a strong adherent of the Republican party, but at the same time numbers among his friends a host of Democrats who admire him for his sterling qualities of head and heart, and for a genial disposition, which draws closely to him those who have business or social relations with him. Mr. Ashby was educated in the public schools of his native county, and started in life as a teacher, but later became engaged in mercantile affairs.

And now, in addition to conducting a store at Crellin, Md., he is farming on a large scale, and is president and general manager of the Ashby Lumber Co., a flourishing concern. Mr. Ashby will go back to Annapolis to renew old friendships and form new ones, and will make a valuable working member of the House.

NATHAN R. SELBY, Republican—Selbyport.

Mr. Selby was born in Garrett County in 1869, and has always been a resident of this county. Was educated in public and normal schools of the county. Entered the profession of teaching in 1888. Followed this profession for a period of thirteen years, during which time was principal of one of the leading schools of the county. Since resigning that position he has been interested in the timber business and farming. Has always taken an active part in politics, although he has never sought office before.