

Grace, Third National Bank of Baltimore, the Commonwealth Bank of Baltimore and the American Bonding Company of Baltimore, the National Bank at Port Deposit, a director in the Delaware Railroad and was one of the World's Fair Commissioners for the State of Maryland appointed by Governor Brown in 1892. He is a director in nearly all the incorporated companies located at Havre de Grace, and was Mayor of the city in 1885 and 1886. He wrote the charter which incorporated Havre de Grace as a city in 1878.

Attorney-General: ISAAC LOBE STRAUS (Democrat), of Baltimore City.

Mr. Straus was born in Baltimore on the 24th of March, 1871. His early education was by private instruction and at the Baltimore City College. In 1887 he entered the Johns Hopkins University and graduated there with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1890. Having won a university scholarship, he remained at the university for a post-graduate year, continuing his studies in Roman law and political science. In the meantime he read law in the office of the Honorable Isador Rayner and entered the Law Department of the University of Maryland, where he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1892, when he was admitted to the Bar. In January, 1900, he was appointed General Counsel to the Board of Supervisors of Elections for Baltimore city and held that place until nominated for the General Assembly in the fall of 1901. In November, 1901, he was elected to the House of Delegates and was the leader of that body during the session of 1902. In 1904 he was appointed and served for several months as a member of the Burnt District Commission of Baltimore City. His offices in the Glenn Building having been destroyed by the great fire in February, 1904, Mr. Straus practiced for the year following the fire in the office of the Honorable William Pinkney Whyte. In 1906 he was appointed by the General Assembly as Special Counsel for the State of Maryland in the controversy of the State with the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad growing out of the suspension by the railroad company of the payments of dividends on the State's stock in the Washington Branch of the railroad, and took a leading part in effecting the settlement and preparing the legislative measures whereby the State disposed of its 5,500 shares of the Washington Branch stock to the railroad company for the sum of \$2,500,000. In 1906 the Maryland Agricultural College conferred the degree of Master of Arts upon Mr. Straus.