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S. Gordy, of North Carolina; Henrietta, the widow of Samuel Hopkins, and a resident of Pontico, this county; and B. Harvey. The last-named had very few educational advantages when he was young; in fact, his only education is that which he has gained in the school of experience. From early youth he has engaged in farming and among his neighbors is known as a hard-working, economical and energetic farmer.

In religious belief Mr. Hearn is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. December 1, 1864, he married Mary E. Hearn, daughter of Thomas Hearn, of Delmar, Del. The three children born to them are Marion E., who occupies a farm near the home of his parents; Edith M.; and Lillie E., wife of Irvin Twilly, of Pontico.



WILLIAM J. BARTON is the proprietor of Hall Barton farm, a valuable and desirable homestead, situated in the sixth district of Queen Anne's County. Here he first saw the light of day, and around many of the beautiful spots in this neighborhood his earliest recollections cluster. His father and family were well-to-do people and influential members of the community and held a position second to none in the high regard of a large circle of neighbors and friends, and in an atmosphere of love, harmony and elevated principles and ideals he grew to man's estate, well fitted for the battles that awaited him in the busy world.

Our subject is the third in the direct line of descent to bear the Christian name of William, his grandfather having been William A., and his own father William E. The latter was a native of Caroline County (as was his father before him) and was a farmer throughout life, and a very successful one. He was a leader in the local Democracy, and was a magistrate for years, and also served as a member of the house of delegates at one time. He was a man of correct methods and great devotion to the church with which his lot was cast, the Methodist Episcopal South, in which he was a steward. He married Mary E.

Chance, of Caroline County, daughter of Batchelder C. Chance, and their surviving children were as follows: William J.; B. C., of the sixth district of Queen Anne's County; Lizzie B., wife of Jacob E. Morgan, of the same district and county; and Edward A., of Philadelphia.

William J. Barton was born September 10, 1858, and attended the local schools and a private institution of learning at Hillsborough, until he was about twenty years old. Since that time he has given his entire time and attention to farming and now owns Mulbury Hill, better known as Hall Barton farm, a place of one hundred and seventy acres. He speculates in peaches and makes a specialty of growing seed potatoes and seed wheat, and also is a breeder of thoroughbred Cheshire hogs. He is quite a musician, and gives lessons in the art to a few friends. Like his father he favors the Democracy, and is a steward in the old church with which his elders were formerly identified.

July 28, 1885, Mr. Barton married Loula M., daughter of Hon. C. M. Jump, of Talbot County, and they have five children, viz.: Loula Meta, William Marvin, Mary Augusta Morgan, William Edward and Lizzie Naomi. Mrs. Barton is a lady of culture and refinement, and is a charming hostess, presiding with dignity and grace over her husband's beautiful home.



ROBERT J. JUMP, who for years has been one of the most successful attorneys and prominent public men of Denton, was born near Greensborough, Caroline County, in the second district, December 7, 1833. He is descended from good old Revolutionary ancestors, who were of English and Scotch lineage. In 1700 three brothers of the name crossed the ocean, one of whom settled at Bohemia Manor, Md., another in the south, and the third in Delaware. Succeeding generations attained prominence in the history of their respective localities. One of the family was the pioneer in the raising of peaches in Delaware.

John Jump, our subject's father, was born in Delaware in 1800, and at the age of thirty years he came to Maryland, settling near Denton, where he purchased a farm of six hundred acres. His intelligence and honorable character made him one of the most prominent men of his locality. Appointed collector of taxes, he filled the position wisely. In 1844 he was chosen county sheriff, which was the last office he held. He died in 1847, while still in the prime of life. He had a brother, Robert B., who was prominent as a fruit farmer in Delaware, and who, at the time of his death, was the oldest Mason in his state.

The mother of our subject, Elizabeth Clements, was born in Delaware and traced her lineage to Scotland. Of her children, Robert J. was the only son who attained mature years, the other son, Thomas Henry, having died in boyhood. There are five daughters still living, namely: Mollie E., who resides in Wilmington, Del.; Lydia A., widow of Dr. John W. Canaway, and a resident of Wilmington; Sarah E., widow of William C. Smith, who was a farmer residing near Easton, Md.; Louisa, who lives in Camden, Del.; and Belle C., wife of Joseph E. Wilson, of Barclay, Queen Anne's County, Md., a merchant of that place.

The education obtained by our subject was such as the district schools and academies afforded. At the age of thirteen he became an assistant in the office of the clerk of the circuit court. He read law with J. E. Rochester, the leading attorney of that day, and was admitted to the bar in 1857. During the same year he was elected clerk of the circuit court and held the office for six years, when he declined re-nomination, as he wished to give his attention to the law. In 1864 he was elected comptroller of Maryland, which position he filled for three years and then declined another term. The Republican party made him their nominee for the state senate in 1869. The ensuing years were devoted to the practice of law, which he carried on successfully. In 1891 he was elected state's attorney of Caroline County. In 1896 there was a vacancy in the office of register of wills, caused by the death of James B. Steele, who had occupied the office for

many years, and he was appointed to fill the vacancy, and in 1897 was elected for the term of six years.

In 1855 Mr. Jump married Laura Cochran, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Benson) Cochran, members of prominent Delaware families, and the former for years a merchant of Cambridge, Md. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Jump are as follows: Elizabeth E., widow of Marion Pippin; Alexander, who died at two years; Ella, deceased, formerly the wife of J. N. Todd, an attorney; Robert J., a clerk in New York City; and Charles C., who is city editor of the *Meriden (Conn.) Record*. Fraternally Mr. Jump is a Chapter Mason. He has been identified with the fraternity since 1855, and is now the oldest living past master who is a member of the lodge. In 1885-87 he was inspector of his district. In religious belief he is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was president of the lay conference held in Wilmington, Del., in March, 1876.



FRANK D. HARRISON, one of the representative farmers of the second district, Talbot County, was born on the identical homestead which he now cultivates, on the 17th of April, 1854. His whole life history is intimately associated with this vicinity, as he has never lived elsewhere, and from his earliest years he has enjoyed the peaceful pursuits of agriculture. About 1880 he assumed entire control and management of the farm, which is one of the finest in these parts, and comprises some one hundred and ninety acres.

Joseph H., father of the above-named gentleman, was a native of the village of St. Michael's, in this district, and there grew to maturity. When he had acquired sufficient capital he invested it in the tract of land now in the possession of his son. Here he spent the last years of his busy and useful life, and in time became very well-off in this world's goods. He was a man of considerable influence in this community and was one of the organizers and directors in the Easton