

THE LATE CHARLES J. M. GWINN.

Ex-Attorney-General Gwinn, whose death occurred yesterday, was one of the ablest lawyers in the State, and in spite of advancing years he maintained his place in the front rank of his profession until the end. His knowledge of men and affairs was wide and accurate and his sagacity and judgment profound. His intellect was calm, yet keen and analytical, and as a counsellor and adviser he displayed an unusual degree of ability in matters affecting both public and private interests. In his death the Maryland bar has lost one of its most conspicuous and talented members and the State one of its most prominent citizens. During the long course of his public career he was an important factor in the politics of Maryland and did much toward shaping affairs and marking out lines of policy to be pursued. Perhaps no other individual has accomplished so much in framing the laws of a State as Mr. Gwinn, with respect to the laws of Maryland during the period of his activity. His counsel and advice in such matters were sought even up to within a few days of his death. His superior skill as a lawyer was also widely known and appreciated beyond the local arena, and though he never sought preferment in a broader sphere he was eminently qualified for high position in the national government.

