

sum the State has since continued to pay to the college. But the arrearages claimed of this old annuity under the original contract, exceed two hundred thousand dollars, and never have been paid. It should here be stated that the college realized about \$20,000 by the sale of lottery scheme granted to it by the State, in the law of 1821, chapter 46. This money was afterwards expended towards the erection of some of the buildings on the college premises.

The college failing to obtain these arrearages from the General Assembly, after the decision of the Court of Appeals, instituted legal proceedings to recover them; but the Court of Appeals, held that the college by accepting this partial annuity of \$3,000, under the resolution of 1832 and releasing as was therein required, all claim upon the State, had placed it out of their power to recover these arrearages from the State.

From this decision of the Court of Appeals, the college took measures for an appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States, but pending this proceeding, they presented to the General Assembly, at its last session, a memorial (see page 178 of the House Journal, 22d January, 1866.) In that memorial, they set forth their claims, and state that "to their own feelings as Marylanders, they will be doing violence in seeking redress for the wrongs of the oldest Maryland Literary Institution in a tribunal beyond its jurisdiction and territory; and before they take that course, your memorialists are anxious to do all in their power to repair the losses sustained by the college through the unwise and joint action of their own predecessors, and the predecessors of your Honorable Bodies, in enacting and executing this resolution of 1832, however important or necessary at that time they may have deemed it to be.

This memorial further stated that the Visitors and Governors had secured the services of Henry Barnard, L. L. D., as their Principal, a man well known throughout the country for learning, wisdom and practical knowledge on all subjects connected with education; that under his superintendence and with the liberal aid and assistance which were due to St. John's and collegiate education, and which the memorialists most respectfully sought from the State, they confidently hoped to revive in the future her past history of distinguished usefulness to the State and nation.

In response to this memorial, the General Assembly at that session by the Act of 1866, chapter 101, restored the arrearages of the annuity of \$3,000 which had been suspended during the war, and appropriated to the college twelve thousand dollars annually, on and after the first day of June, 1868, for and during the term of five years.