

CHAPTER 307.

AN ACT for incorporating the Western Maryland College.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a College or general Seminary of learning by the name of the Western Maryland College, be and is hereby established at or near Westminster, in Carroll County, in this State, upon the following fundamental principles, namely: First. The said Western Maryland College shall be founded and maintained forever, upon a most liberal plan, for the benefit of youth of every religious denomination, who shall be freely admitted to equal privileges and advantages of education and to all the literary honors of the College, according to their merit, without requiring or enforcing any religious or civil test or urging their attendance upon any particular place of religious worship or service, other than that in which they have been educated, or which they have the approbation and consent of their parents and guardians to attend, nor shall any preference be given in the choice of a Principal or other Professor, Master, Tutor or Teacher in the said College on account of his or her particular religious profession; but regard shall be had solely to his or her moral character, literary abilities and other necessary qualifications to fill the place for which he or she shall be chosen. Second. When any of the Trustees named or chosen shall die, resign, decline serving, or remove out of this State or the District of Columbia, a just quorum of said Trustees duly assembled, at their annual meeting shall proceed by a new election to fill up the place of such deceased, removed or vacant member; provided, that the same proportionate members of said Trustees as are hereby created and hereinafter named shall always be chosen from among the members of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church from Carroll County and from the State at large.

Establish
seminary.

How founded.

Fill vacancy.

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted,* That Rev. Daniel E. Reese, Rev. James K. Nichols, Rev. Silas B. Southerland, Rev. Lawrence W. Bates, Rev. John