

following as objects specially requiring Legislative assistance: 1. Additional Professorships, the appropriation for which, added to the present State donation, should be made a *permanent* annuity. 2. The Library, Laboratory, Philosophical Apparatus and Cabinet. 3. The extension of the Public Hall and suitable rooms for the Library and Laboratory. 4. The maintenance of two students from each Senatorial District, who shall teach within the State for two years in return for this assistance. The sum required for these purposes might seem large in the aggregate to those who have not observed what has been done for literary institutions by State donation, but compare this with what other States have done, the only means by which they have built up those Colleges and Universities, which are annually drawing off numbers of the sons of Maryland, and it will dwindle into insignificance. The State of Louisiana alone in 1867 appropriated annually \$39,200 for the maintenance of students at the State University, besides \$8,200 of independent annuity, and special appropriations for Library and Apparatus, which amounted to at least \$20,000, within a few years after the reorganization of the University. The State of Maryland has never made any appropriation to the Buildings, Library and Apparatus of this College, and I respectfully submit that the present is a most suitable time for it. In conclusion, on behalf of the Board of Visitors and Governors and the Faculty of the College, I respectfully extend to your Honorable Body an invitation to visit the College, inspect its buildings and grounds, and examine the methods of instruction pursued and the management of its several departments.

Respectfully submitted,

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ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE,  
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Which was read, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Smith presented the petition of Capt. James Todd, and one hundred and forty other citizens of Dorchester county, against changing the time limiting scooping for oysters in Fishing bay and Hongo river, in Dorchester county.

Which was read, and referred to the Dorchester delegation.

Mr. Miller presented the petition of Ephraim Delaplane, and sixty other citizens of Frederick county, protesting