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IX. And be it enafted, That the faid visitors and governors, and their suc-May fue, &c. ceffors, by the name aforesaid, shall be able in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court or courts, before any judge, judges or justices, within this state and elsewhere, in all and all manner of suits, complaints, pleas, causes, matters and demands, of whatsoever kind, nature or form they be, and all and every other matter and thing therein to do, in as full and effectual a manner as any other person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, within this state, or any of the United States of America, in like cases may or can do.

Have a common feal, &c.

X. and be it enacted, That the faid visitors and governors, and their succeffors, shall have full power and authority to have, make and use, one common and public feal, and likewise one privy feal, with such devices and inscriptions as they shall think proper, and to ascertain, fix and regulate, the uses of both seals, by their own laws, and the same seals, or either of them, to change, break, alter and renew, at their pleafure.

Appoint a

XI. And be it enacted, That the faid visitors and governors, and their succeffors, from time to time, and at all times hereafter for ever, shall have full power and authority to constitute and appoint, in such manner as they shall think best and most convenient, a principal and vice-principal of the said college, and professors, with proper tutors and assistants, for instructing the students and scholars of the said seminary in all the liberal arts and sciences, and in the ancient and modern tongues and languages, who shall be severally styled professors of such arts, sciences, languages or tongues, as they shall be nominated and appointed for, according to each particular nomination and appointment; and the faid principal, vice-principal and professors, so constituted and appointed, from time to time, shall be known and distinguished for ever as one learned body or faculty, by the name of "The principal, vice-principal and professors, of Saint-John's college, in the state of Maryland;" and by that name shall be capable of exercifing fuch powers and authorities as the vifitors and governors of the faid college, and their successors, shall, by their ordinances, think necessary to delegate to them, for the instruction, discipline and government, of the said seminary, and of all the students, scholars, ministers and servants, belonging to the same; and the faid principal and vice-principal, professors, students, scholars, and such neceffary ministers and servants as give constant attendance upon the business of the college, shall be exempted from all rates and taxes on their salaries, and from all military duties, except in the case of an actual invasion of the state, and when general military law is declared.

not to exceed

XII. And he it enacted, That the clear yearly value of the messuages, houses. lands, tenements, rents, annuities, or other hereditaments and real estate of the faid college and corporation, shall not exceed nine thousand pounds current money, to be reckoned in Spanish milled dollars, at the present rate and weight; and all gifts, grants and bequests, to the said college and corporation, after the yearly value of their estates shall amount to nine thousand pounds as aforesaid, and all bargains and purchases to be made by the said corporation, which may increase the yearly value of said estate above or beyond the sum aforesaid, shall be absolutely void and of none effect.

Quarterly.

XIII. And be it enacted, That the faid visitors and governors, and their fucmeetings to be ceffors, shall meet at least four times in every year, in stated quarterly meetings, to be appointed by their own ordinances, and at such other times as by their said ordinances they may direct, in order to examine the progress of the students and scholars in literature, to hear and determine on all complaints and appeals, and upon all matters touching the discipline of the seminary, and the good and wholesome execution of their ordinances; in all which examinations, meetings and determinations, such number of the faid visitors and governors duly met, (provided they be not less than seven) shall be a quorum, as the fundamental ordinances at first, or any time afterwards, duly enacted by a majority of the whole visitors, shall fix and determine.