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In order to remedy this defect and get the full advantage from the Morrill fund the last General Assembly authorized the construction of a dormitory which will permit the accommodation of double the number of students and thereby double the usefulness of the most important department of the college. The amount now available for this building is insufficient and an appropriation should be made to complete the building according to the plans proposed.

## OTHER COLLEGES.

It is encouraging to note the increased patronage of the several colleges of the State where State scholarships are maintained.

The Maryland Institute has lately acquired additional quarters in order to accommodate its pupils, who number over 1,200.

A new and handsome building has been added to the group at St. John's College, and the instruments and facilities necessary for instruction in the scientific branches have been augmented.

It is pleasing to note that Washington College, one of the oldest colleges in the State, is enjoying a vigorous old age. The attendance at the opening of the present academic year was the largest in the history of the college, and so large in fact that its resources are severely taxed to find suitable accommodations for all who are anxious to take advantage of its opportunities.

Charlotte Hall, whilst not a large college, is worthy of special consideration, because it is the only institution of its kind in the Southern section of the State. Its location makes it easily accessible to many who might otherwise be compelled to forego the advantages of a more liberal education than the public schools afford.

The management of the Western Maryland College is energetic and progressive. This college is doing most excellent work, and its success is gratifying.

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The General Assembly of 1900 enacted a law, which in the main has been very beneficial in promoting the