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monies or effects, by the gift, grant, or bargain, sale, conveyance, devise, or bequest, of any person or persons whatsoever; Provided, the same do not exceed in the whole, the yearly value of five thousand dollars; and the same messuages, lands and tenements, and other estate, real or personal, to farm let and put out on interest, for the use of the said Academy, in such manner as to them shall seem most beneficial to the institution; and to receive the rents, issues, profits, income and interests of the same, and to apply the emoluments thereof to the proper use and advancement of said Academy.

Vacancies

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That when any vacancy shall happen in the said community of trustees, by the wilful neglect of any one or more of them to attend the meetings of the trustees, for the space of one year, the remaining trustees, or a majority of them, shall elect other person or persons to supply such vacancy; and in like manner shall all vacancies, at all times hereafter, be supplied by said trustees and their successors, or a majority of them, so as to perpetuate the number first chosen.

Legal capacities

Sec. 4. And be it enacted, That the said trustees and their successors, by the name and style aloresaid, shall be capable in law, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court or courts, and before any judge, justice or justices within this State, and elsewhere, in all and any manner of suits, complaints, pleas, causes, matters and demands of whatsoever kind or nature they may be, and all and every other matter or thing to do therein, in as full and effectual manner as any person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, within this State, in like cases may or can do or perform; and the said trustees, or a majority of them, shall have full power and authority to have, make and use one common seal, with such device as they shall think proper, and therewith to pass and authenticate the certificates, acts and orders of the said corporation, and the same seal, at their pleasure, to break, alter and renew.

Employ professors,

their successors, or a majority of them, from time to time, and at all times, shall have power and authority to constitute and appoint professors, teachers and assistants, for instructing the students and scholars of said Academy, in such sciences and branches as they shall think proper to be taught therein; and to make ordinances and regulations for the good government of said Academy, and instruction of youth, and to appoint such number, not less than five, of their

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