

fit them for any sphere in society. According to the means which it was in the power of the state at that time to command, it appropriated handsomely to its support.\* The attempt was seconded by liberal contributions from individuals, which enabled the trustees to procure an admirable scite, erect the necessary building thereon, and obtain a respectable apparatus and library. Deeply is it to be deplored that subsequent legislatures, instead of fostering such a beginning, should have entirely withdrawn the appropriation for its support, and suffered it, as they did, to dwindle into insignificance. A change of feeling and ~~we~~ sincerely hope, of policy, towards the institution has at length taken the place of cold neglect. The trustees of the institution have remained steadily at their posts for more than 20 years, and devoted the means which their reverse of fortune had left them, in the best manner they could to sustain the establishment. They have at present a gentleman at the head of the institution of very respectable talents and strict application. He is assisted by a Professor of mathematics and civil engineering, a Professor of ancient languages, a Professor of modern languages, and a Professor of grammar. The students are also instructed in military tactics, and organized as a corps somewhat similar to that at West

\*Nearly 5000 dollars per annum.