

of Mathematics, Civil Engineering and Military Tactics,) all of which are filled by gentlemen of high standing and character. There are many circumstances connected with the history of this institution—the Alma Mater of many of the most distinguished men which Maryland has produced—that make a strong appeal to the bounty of the legislature. And although its present condition is prosperous, compared with what it has of late been, yet it has not so entirely recovered from its former depression, but that legislative aid to enable the trustees to extend its philosophical apparatus, and increase its library, would be very acceptable, and no doubt highly beneficial.

Of the alterations and amendments of the constitution, proposed by the act providing for the election of the Governor by the People, and for abolishing the Council, it does not become us to express any opinion. It was necessary to enable you to consummate them, that the act should be published for the information of the people, “at least three months” before the last election of delegates. No provision was made by law for the fulfilment of this constitutional requirement; but we deemed it our duty to cause the necessary publication to be made; and it was accordingly done, as we have before stated. You, therefore, possess the power, if, in your wisdom and judgment, enlightened by the opinions and wishes of your constituents,