

preferred against him, &c., manifest a wish to know the causes that led to the election of another gentleman to the place which he had formerly filled.

It is impossible to speak with any degree of positiveness as to the motives of the individual trustees. But those who had been accustomed to attend the meetings of the Board could not have been forgetful of the repeated occasions that Dr. Sparks had been before them for violating the laws of the Institution upon the complaint of both his fellow professors and the students. The excitement in the College which he produced on those occasions, was felt by the Board to be highly injurious to its good order and success. The books which contain the proceedings on these occasions—the same as those already referred to as open for the examination of the members of the Legislature,—were equally accessible to all the Trustees. If any were ignorant or indifferent as to his past conduct, and cared not to inform themselves of it, those who knew it all, had no disposition to press it on their attention.

Those interrogatories are addressed to the Board of Trustees, as such, and are now answered by the committee appointed for that purpose, and not as individual members. Answering then in this delegated capacity we cannot speak with any degree of positiveness of the motives of the different members. But we have every reason to believe, that if they are inquired of as individuals, they will not hesitate to make such explanations of their proceedings on the occasion of the recent re-organization, as will satisfy the committee that their action was governed by a proper regard for the interests of the College, and by no other motives or considerations whatever.

The Senate bill entitled, an act amendatory of an act to incorporate Chesapeake city in Cecil county, passed March 1st, 1850, chapter 271,

Was read the second time, and

Three-fourths of the members concurring, the said bill was read the third time and passed by yeas and nays as follows:

#### AFFIRMATIVE.

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| Messrs. Dorsey,    | Frazier, | Whitby,              |
| Neff,              | Scott,   | Kennedy,             |
| Waters,            | Stubbs,  | Smith of Balt. city, |
| Wilson of Calvert, | Bowie,   | Abbott,              |
| Dowell,            | Rolph,   | Harrington,          |
| Stone,             | Parker,  | Loughridge,          |
| Chilcoat,          | Brengle, | Corby,               |
| Rankin,            | Carper,  | Hall,                |
| Roberts,           | Grove,   | Tower,               |