

al donation of two hundred dollars, not having been granted till the year 1834. The want of a large and liberal donation from the State, has been ever felt as its most pressing necessity. The trustees have never been able, as they desired, to enlarge the facilities and extend the means of its usefulness. But your memorialists would humbly present, that notwithstanding the difficulties under which they have labored, their academy has accomplished, in behalf of education, a very considerable work; and they would earnestly ask the attention of your Honorable body, to a statement of its present position and future prospects, and pray that a larger and more adequate donation may be granted by the State.

This institution has succeeded in building up for itself an honorable reputation in this county, and throughout the State; it has, from year to year, sent forth many pupils, well instructed and well trained, in the different branches of academical learning; it has secured for its school purposes a spacious and substantial stone edifice of two stories height; it has, in order to meet the demand for boarding pupils from a distance, been necessitated, out of its slender resources, and from assistance generously extended by private contribution, to purchase a large dwelling (near the premises of the academy buildings,) to answer for a boarding establishment; it has, for years past, and with few fluctuations, enjoyed a large and increasing patronage, and has now registered on it published catalogue of the last year and its present roll, seventy students—more than half of whom are from the adjoining counties and different sections of the State; it numbers among its present patrons and friends, gentlemen of prominence and high character, here in Maryland, and in the District of Columbia; it has, available for the use of its students, a good chemical and philosophical apparatus; with access to a large and valuable library; above all, the institution stands located in a retired country village, with daily mail and daily access to the cities of Baltimore and Washington; in a section of country which is pre-eminent for its healthfulness, for the intelligence, morality, and agricultural enterprise of its inhabitants; and where all the influences and incitements, intellectual, social, moral and religious, tend directly to the favorable impression and culture of the youthful mind and character. It has, also, for the last twenty-four years furnished gratuitous instruction to two pupils; and has always placed its terms of board and tuition below the average prices for education in institutions of a similar character.

Such is the position, and such the work of the Brookville Academy; and your memorialists, the Trustees, humbly pray your Honorable body to increase the annual donation from the State to this academy, to the amount of eight hundred