

To Travellers... Persons travelling to Baltimore... will find it much the most convenient...

NOTICE... A malicious lie having been industriously propagated... that I had been as low as Huntington...

West River, Jan. 6, 1817. I should not have noticed the above contemptible and groundless falsehood...

John F. Mercer.

United States of America

District of Maryland, to wit: WHEREAS information has been filed in the District Court of the said United States... for Maryland District...

And also against sundry goods, wares and merchandise... to wit: six pieces of check, thirty six pieces of muslin...

And whereas the honorable Judge of the said court... ordered and directed Tuesday fourth day of March next...

Notice is hereby given... that a trial will then and there be for the trial of the premises...

TO THE HONOURABLE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND.

The Memorial of the Visitors and Governors of Saint John's College.

YOUR Memorialists ask leave to recite, in detail, the history of this Institution, and of its claims upon the State. The war which secured to our nation its independence...

Such were the assurances given, and the inducements held out to individuals, in order to raise by subscription ample funds for the erection of necessary buildings...

Your memorialists will not stop here to speak of the prosperity and reputation which Saint John's College once enjoyed...

Your memorialists will not permit themselves to dwell upon the repeated abortive attempts which were made in successive legislatures to destroy this Institution...

The College has been plundered, but the said treasury has not been enriched, and the said fund has not remained in the treasury...

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of entertaining any doubt, whether the State was bound, or could rescind and repeal its own contracts. The State proposed to make the contract with its own citizens...

It perhaps may be thought, that although the Legislature of 1805, which passed this law, was guilty of a violation of the public faith...

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Ought it to be required of your memorialists, or would it be respectful to those to whom they address themselves to show, that what a former Legislature declared is strictly true...

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to wisdom, or that those who are most likely to be the faithful guardians of the public rights, who have the most knowledge of them...

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