

in the vernacular and learned languages, and generally in any kind of literature, arts and sciences, which they shall think proper to be taught, for training up good, useful and accomplished men, for the service of their country, in church and state; and youth of all religious denominations shall be freely and liberally admitted to equal privileges and advantages of education, and to all the literary honours of the college, according to their merit, and the standing rules of the seminary, without requiring or enforcing any religious or civil test, other than such oath of fidelity to the state as the laws thereof may require of the visitors, governors, masters, professors and teachers in schools and seminaries of learning in general; nor shall any preference be given in the choice of any visitor, &c. or of the principal, vice-principal, or any professor or master, on account of his religious persuasions, but merely on account of his literary and other necessary qualifications to fill the place for which he is chosen.—*ibid.* § 4.

5. The said visitors, &c. shall be able in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court or courts, before any judge, judges or justices, within this state and elsewhere, in all and all manner of suits, &c. and all and every other matter and thing therein to do, as effectually as any other person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, within this state or any of the United States of America, in like cases may or can do.—*ibid.* § 5.

6. The said visitors, &c. shall have, make and use, one common and public seal, and one privy seal, with such devices and inscriptions as they shall think proper; and regulate the uses of both seals by their own laws, and the same seals, to change, break, alter and renew.—*ibid.* § 6.

7. 8. The said visitors, &c. shall appoint, a principal, vice-principal and professors, with proper tutors and assistants; who shall be severally styled professors of such arts, sciences, languages or tongues, as they shall be appointed for, who shall be distinguished for ever as one learned body or faculty, by the name of the principal, vice-principal and professors of Washington college, in the state of Maryland, and shall exercise such powers as the visitors, &c. shall delegate to them, for the instruction, discipline and government of the said seminary, and of all the students, scholars, ministers and servants thereof; and the said principal, &c. and necessary ministers and servants shall be exempt from all taxes on their salaries, and military duty, except in case of actual invasion of the state, and when general military law is declared. *ibid.* § 7.

9. The clear yearly value of the messuages, &c. of the said college, shall not exceed 6000l. current money, and all gifts, &c. and all bargains and purchases, which may increase the yearly value of said estate above the sum aforesaid, shall be void.—*ibid.* § 8.

10. The said visitors, &c. shall meet at least four times a year, in stated quarterly meetings, in order to examine the progress of the students