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nances, to the said visitors and governors, and their successors, for the only use, benefit and behoof, of the college and seminary of universal learning for ever.

Visitors may
purchase land,
&c.

VIII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said visitors and governors, and their successors, by the same name, shall be able and capable in law to purchase, have and enjoy, to them and their successors, in fee, or for any other less estate or estates, any lands, tenements, rents, annuities, pensions, or other hereditaments, within this state, by the gift, grant, bargain, sale, alienation, encroachment, release, confirmation or devise, of any person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, capable to make the same; and such lands, tenements, rents, annuities, pensions, or other hereditaments, or any less estates, rights or interests, of or in the same, (excepting the said public lands hereby granted,) at their pleasure to grant, alien, sell and transfer, in such manner and form as they shall think meet and convenient for the furtherance of the said college; and also that they may take and receive any sum or sums of money, and any kind, manner or portion, of goods and chattels, that shall be given, sold or bequeathed, to them, by any person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, capable to make a gift, sale or bequest thereof, and employ the same towards erecting, setting up and maintaining, the said college, in such manner as they shall judge most necessary and convenient for the instruction, improvement and education, of youth, 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.

May sue, &c.

IX. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said visitors and governors, and their successors, by the name aforesaid, 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, complaints, pleas, causes, matters and demands, of whatsoever kind, nature or form they be, and all and every other matter and thing therein to do, in as full and effectual a manner 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.

Have a com-
mon seal, &c.

X. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said visitors and governors, and their successors, shall have full power and authority to have, make and use, one common and public seal, and likewise one privy seal, with such devices and inscriptions as they shall think proper, and to ascertain, fix and regulate, the uses of both seals, by their own laws, and the same seals, or either of them, to change, break, alter and renew, at their pleasure.

Appoint a pre-
sident, &c.

XI. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said visitors and governors, and their successors, from time to time, and at all times hereafter for ever, shall have full power and authority to constitute and appoint, in such manner as they shall think best and most convenient, a principal and vice-principal of the said college, and professors, with proper tutors and assistants, for instructing the students and scholars of the said seminary in all the liberal arts and sciences, and in the ancient and modern tongues and languages, who shall be severally styled Professors of such arts, sciences, languages or tongues, as they shall be nominated and appointed for, according to each particular nomination and appointment; and the said principal, vice-principal and professors, so constituted and appointed, from time to time, shall be known and distinguished for ever as one learned body or faculty, by the name of The Principal, Vice-principal and Professors, of Saint-John's College, in the State of Maryland; and by that name shall be capable of exercising such powers and authorities as the visitors and governors of the said college, and their successors, shall, by their ordinances, think necessary to delegate to them, for the instruction, discipline and government, of the said seminary, and of all the students, scholars, ministers and servants, belonging to the same; and the said principal and vice-principal, professors, students, scholars, and such necessary ministers and servants as give constant attendance upon the business of the college, shall be exempted from all rates and taxes on their salaries, and from all military duties, except in the case of an actual invasion state, and when general military law is declared.

Yearly value
not to exceed a
certain sum,
&c.

XII. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the clear yearly value of the messuages, houses, lands, tenements, rents, annuities, or other hereditaments and real estate of the said college and corporation, shall not exceed nine thousand pounds current money, to be reckoned in Spanish milled dollars, at the present rate and weight; and all gifts, grants and bequests, to the said college and corporation, after the yearly value of their estates shall amount to nine thousand pounds as aforesaid, and all bargains and purchases to be made by the said corporation, which may increase the yearly value of said estate above or beyond the sum aforesaid, shall be absolutely void and of none effect.

XIII. AND