

The following is a list of students at this time under the professor of languages; no boy being admitted into *this* school, until he is prepared, as will hereafter appear, either in the school of English and grammar, or at any other seminary.

Boyle, Annapolis. Brewer, do. Brice, do. Brown, do. Buchanaa, Baltimore. Charlton, Georgia. Claude, sen. Annapolis. Claude, jun. do. Courtenay, jun. Baltimore. Dickenson, jun. Eastern shore. Donaldson, Calvert. Dorsey, sen. Elk-ridge. Dorsey, jun. do. Duvall, Frederick. Fernandes, Charles. Fowler, Annapolis. Grant, Baltimore. Hammett, St. Mary's. Harrifon, sen. Charles. Harrifon, jun. West River. Higinbothom, Annapolis. Jenings, sen. do. Jenings, jun. do. Kerr, Eastern shore. Lomax, jun. Virginia. Owen, Annapolis. Paca, sen. Harford. Potts, Frederick. Rogers, sen. Prince-George's. Rogers, jun. do. Shaw, jun. Annapolis. Smith, jun. Baltimore. Snowden, Prince-George's. Sterett, sen. Baltimore. Stewart, sen. South River. Sterett, jun. Baltimore. Stone, Annapolis. Thomas, 3d. Frederick. Thomas, 4th. West River. Thomas, 5th. South River. Tilghman, Eastern shore. Tootle, Annapolis. Warfield, Elk-ridge. Weems, Calvert. Wilkins, sen. Annapolis. 45.

Professor of English and grammar. The school under this professor is of recent institution. It had been discovered that little boys learning the rudiments of Latin could not be properly attended to in the school of humanity, at that time containing upwards of seventy boys, under the professor, an assistant master, and an usher—It had been lamented too, that boys should be sent to learn the dead languages before they had attained a competent knowledge of their mother tongue; and there was hence an obvious necessity for exercising students in reading English. The trustees accordingly, about six months after the proposition was made, on great deliberation, passed the following resolve, which contains the duty of the professor and the general plan of the school.

Resolved, That there be immediately opened in St. John's college a school for grammar and the English language, under a professor.

That Mr. Hugh Henry M'Kearne be, and he is hereby appointed professor of the said school, and that his duty be to teach the English language grammatically, and to carry students through the Latin grammar, the vocabulary and corderius, so as to prepare them for being placed under the professor of languages.

That every student under the said professor of grammar and English be taught writing in the said school, at stated hours, at the discretion of the professor.

That any student in the said school shall, at the request of his parent or guardian, be there taught arithmetic, and other branches of the mathematics, usually taught in English schools.

That no boy be admitted as a student in the said school until he hath learned the alphabet, and gone through the spelling book or grammar, usually taught in English schools; and that the principal shall, in every case, determine the right of admission agreeably to this rule.

At a subsequent meeting on the 1st day of July last, Mr. John Jacob Tschudy, a young man of Swiss extraction, who had been the first boy received on the foundation, was unanimously elected assistant in the new school. It will hence appear to your honours, that the trustees have been censured, without cause, for appropriating the funds of the college, with which it was for more noble purposes invested, to the teaching children their letters. It is, however, proper to remark, that on account of the institution of this school, the office of usher in the superior school hath been abolished—In the place of this usher, is the last named assistant, with the salary which the usher enjoyed—So that the funds of the college, on account of this school, are to be charged only with the salary of its professor, which is fixed at the sum of £. 200. But as this school hath produced an accession of thirty scholars, who pay £. 150 for tuition, and who would not, without it, have belonged to the college, it is manifest that it hath not occasioned a real additional burthen on the funds of more than £. 50. At this expence then is an institution, which, although it may be common in Great-Britain and Ireland, is, in this country, as novel as it is beneficial. It affords an opportunity to those who are not destined for a complete regular course to attain what is called a common education in perfection. They may here acquire the English language so as to speak and write with accuracy and confidence, together with writing, arithmetic in all its branches, surveying, navigation, gauging and dialling. And, to those of a more liberal destination, the first rugged paths to science are rendered more smooth and easy.

Against the foundation of this school, it was objected, that its benefits would extend no further than to the precincts of Annapolis; but, although it has existed so short a term, it contains scholars from Virginia, and from the country, who have been sent hither to gain that perfection in their native language which they could not elsewhere acquire. It is, moreover, to be considered, that King William's school hath already subscribed £. 2000, and is under engagements to contribute the residue of its funds, amounting to at least £. 1000 more; and that it had always employed a master to teach English—It was conceived then that this city possessed a kind of title to enjoy from the college every advantage which it had possessed before the consolidation of the funds, especially as the real annual charge on the funds, on account of this school, would not, as has been shewn, exceed the sum of £. 50.

The list of students in this school, is as follows: Carroll, Annapolis. Cooke, jun. do. Cox, Eastern shore. Chase, Annapolis. Claude, 3d. do. Davidson, do. Dorsey, 3d. Frederick. Fitzhugh, Prince-George's. Golder, Annapolis. Grammer, sen. do. Grammer, jun. do. Green, do. Hammond, Elk-ridge. Hanson, sen. Annapolis. Hanson, jun. do. Harwood, sen. Calvert. Harwood, jun. Annapolis. Humphreys, do. Jenings, 3d. Annapolis. Lawrence, West-Indies. Maccubbin, sen. Prince-George's. Maccubbin, jun. Annapolis. Mann, sen. do. Mann, jun. do. Mills, do. Murray, jun. do. Nicholl, Baltimore. Paca, jun. Harford. Patterson, sen. Baltimore. Patter-