

and that nearer competition than that of medical schools in other states, could not fail, by diminishing the reward of great talent, to lessen the channel of its being devoted to the University, and through that, to the promotion of the best interest of the community at large.

Your committee in conclusion beg leave to recommend this institution not merely as a medical school, but as an University, where all branches of learning may be taught, to the fostering care and patronage of the legislature. In an University all facilities and accommodations for instruction—such as buildings, books, and apparatus of various kinds, which are beyond the means of individuals, ought to be bestowed by the state, in consideration of the public benefit derived by society from such establishment; but that incentives to exertion, may not be wanting, the teachers ought to depend chiefly, if not entirely upon the fees derived from the students. In the University of Maryland, they depend entirely upon those fees; and they are therefore under the strongest motives of interest, to make their instruction useful and attractive. This principle has never before been sufficiently attended to in the literary and scientific establishments of this state, and promises in the judgment of your committee, to secure in process of time, high reputation to the University of Maryland and great benefit to the public.

By order,

JOS. MAYO, Clerk.

Also, a bill entitled an additional supplement to an act, entitled an act for the benefit of the University of Maryland, which was read the first time and laid on the table.

Also, a bill entitled an act, supplementary to the act entitled an act, for founding an University in the city or precincts of Baltimore, by the name of the University of Maryland, which was read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Miller presented the petition of Edward Alexander, of Cecil county, praying for support, which was read and referred to Messrs. Miller, Orrell and Dickinson.

Mr. Johnson, from the committee, reported a bill entitled an act, concerning mortgages, which was read the first time and laid on the table.

Mr. Johnson, from the committee to whom was referred the bill to introduce a supply of water into the town of Westminster, in Frederick county, reported that the committee had had the same under consideration, and were of opinion that it ought to pass with the following amendment; viz: strike out the 19th section; which amendment was read and assented to; the bill was then read a second, and by special order the third time, passed and returned to the house of delegates.