

ing to the tenor of this act, fix and determine upon some proper place or situation on the said western shore for erecting the said college, which determination shall be by a majority of the whole number of visitors and governors so met, such number being in the whole not less than thirteen; and if such majority shall not, within the time aforesaid, agree upon any one place or situation for the said college, it shall be left for the general assembly of this state, at their first ensuing session, to determine upon the place for building the said college, upon the application of any three or more of the said visitors and governors, setting forth, that they could not agree upon the premises. And a complete list of the subscriptions for founding the said college shall, at the same time, be laid before the general assembly. But if, on or before the first day of June, seventeen hundred and eighty-five, there should not be a sufficient number of subscribers for electing and completing the whole of the said thirteen visitors and governors as aforesaid, the number of visitors and governors that shall be chosen on or before the said first day of June, if they are seven or more, may fix and determine upon the place for erecting the said college, provided seven of them shall agree upon any one place; and if they cannot so agree, they may either leave the same to the determination of the general assembly as aforesaid, or they may call to their advice the six agents above named; and any four of the said agents that can attend, with the seven or more visitors and governors so chosen, may either together, by seven on the whole agreeing, fix and determine upon the place for building the said college, as they shall judge most convenient and satisfactory to the majority of subscribers, and best calculated to secure the success of the design, or if they cannot so agree, the determination of the place shall be still left to the general assembly, at their first session ensuing the said first day of June next. In the mean time, the said agents, and the visitors and governors so chosen, shall use all diligence to increase the number of subscriptions.

VII. **And be it enacted,** That if the city of Annapolis should be fixed upon as a proper place for establishing the said intended college, this general assembly give and grant, and upon that condition do hereby give and grant, to the visitors and governors of the said college, by the name of "The visitors and governors of Saint-John's college, in the state of Maryland," and their successors, all that four acres within the city of Annapolis, purchased for the use of the public, and conveyed on the second day of October, seventeen hundred and forty-four, by Stephen Bordley, Esquire, to Thomas Bladen, Esquire, then governor, to have and to hold the said four acres of land, with the appurtenances, to the said visitors and governors, and their successors, for the only use, benefit and behoof, of the said college and seminary of universal learning for ever.

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, enfeoffment, 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.