

testimonials of such admission, which diploma, if thought necessary, for doing greater honor to such graduates, shall also be signed with the names of the different professors, or as many of them as can conveniently sign the same: *Provided always*, that no student or students within the said seminary shall ever be admitted to any such degree or degrees, or have their name inserted in any mandate for a degree, until such student or students have been duly examined and thought worthy of the same at a public examination of candidates, to be held one whole month previous to the day of commencement, in the said college, by and in the presence of the said trustees or of such number of them, not less than five, as the ordinances of the college may authorise for that purpose, and in the presence of any other persons choosing to attend the same: *And provided further*, that no person or persons except the students belonging to the said seminary shall be ever admitted to any honorary or other degree or degrees of the same, unless two thirds of the trustees, the principal of the college being present, by a mandate under the privy seal, and signed by the hand of two thirds of the said trustees, to the principal, vice-principal and professors directed, have signified their approbation and authority for the particular admission of said persons to said degree or degrees.

Proviso

Further proviso

Sec. 14. *And be it enacted*, That the principal for the time being shall be considered *ex officio* a trustee, and is hereby vested with all the rights thereto appertaining.

Principal *ex officio*
a trustee

Sec. 15. *And be it enacted*, That from and after the passage of this act, and until such time as funds can be raised and suitable buildings erected for the contemplated seminary, the Franklin classical seminary, which has for some time past been conducted by John P. Carter, Esq. in Baltimore county, shall be constituted into the institution intended by this act, and the same is hereby so constituted, and the said John P. Carter, Esquire, continued the principal thereof; also that the teachers at present employed therein may be continued, unless the board of trustees shall in their discretion otherwise order; and the said institution by the name and title of Franklin College, shall immediately have, and is hereby invested with full power to confer on its deserving pupils, collegiate honors, and the degrees of bachelor and master of arts, and have all the privileges and rights, and be subject to all the provisions of this act.

Powers granted to
the present seminary