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elsewhere, in all and all manner of suits, complaints, pleas, causes, matters and demands, of whatsoever nature, kind or form they be, and every other matter therein to do, in as full and effectual a manner as any other person or persons, bodies corporate or politic, within this state, or any other of the United States, in like case may or can do or perform; and the said trustees, and their successors, or a quorum of them, shall have full power and authority to have, make and use, a common seal, with such devices and inscriptions as they shall think proper, and the same seal at their pleasure to break, alter or renew.

Trustees to appoint teachers, &c.

4. *And be it enacted*, That the said trustees, and their successors, or a quorum of them, from time to time, and at all times hereafter, shall have full power and authority to constitute and appoint, in such manner as they shall think most convenient and best, professors and teachers and assistants, for instructing the students and scholars of the said academy in the languages, and such sciences and branches of education as they shall think proper and suitable to be taught therein, and to make all such by-laws, ordinances, rules, orders or regulations, for the good government of the said academy, and the instruction of the pupils as aforesaid, and for the direction, visitation and examination, of the said seminary, and the students or scholars therein, as shall in their opinion best promote the important objects of the institution; provided that the same be not repugnant to the constitution and the laws of this state.

Times of meeting.

5. *And be it enacted*, That the said trustees, and their successors, or a quorum of them, shall meet at least four times in every year, in stated quarterly meetings, to be appointed by their own ordinances, or such other times fixed by their own adjournments, and when so assembled they shall have power to appoint, from time to time, a president, treasurer and secretary, and to do all and every other thing or matter necessary for the government and discipline of the said institution, and the management of its affairs, in the like manner as is usually done for such institutions.

Oath.

6. *And be it enacted*, That before any trustee herein before appointed, or hereafter to be elected, shall proceed to execute the trusts and authorities delegated by this act, he shall qualify himself before any one of the trustees present, who is hereby authorised to administer an oath, or affirmation, as the case may be, that he will well, faithfully and truly, execute and perform the duties of a trustee of the said academy, without partiality or prejudice, according to the best of his skill and judgment.

Four of the trustees to be a quorum.

7. *And be it enacted*, That any four or more of the said trustees shall be, and are hereby declared to be, a quorum, and are hereby empowered to meet from time to time, at the said academy, or any other place within Kent county, previously designated by the said trustees at their last meeting, and when so assembled may, in the absence of the other trustees who do not attend, do any act, matter or thing, which the whole number of trustees, or a majority of them, might do were they present or attending, any thing in any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

Land vested in trustees.

8. *And whereas*, the lot of ground on which the said academy now stands, was purchased from Henry Tilghman, Esq, who

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