security for the faithful Discharge of his Trust and shall thereafter have the care and custody of all such subscription papers and sum or sums of money as may have been Collected thereon and the Receiving and keeping of all outstanding subscriptions subject to the Order of the said Visitors and Governors and the said thirteen or more Visitors and Governors shall at their first meeting or at some other meeting within one month thereafter 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 or will not within one Month after the first meeting as 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 on 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.

The remaining clause of the proposed charter or Act of incorporation are not thought necessary to be Published they being only of common form and the same as in the Act of the General Assembly for the Establishment of Washington College Viz. Power to sue and to be sued to have a common seal constitute a faculty Viz. Principal Vice principal Professor and tutors to hold Quarterly and other meetings for the making Laws Examinations of the Students and the Ordinary Government of the College Conferring Degrees and other Literary honours &c.

N.B. By the Title of the Act above proposed the Idea is held forth of a future union of the two Colleges as one university this is to be done by common consent and is founded on the following clause in the charter of Washington College Viz.

"That it might tend to the advancement of Literature in this "State if the Inhabitants of each shore were best to consult "their own conveniences in founding a College &c. for themselves

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"under the Sanction of Law which two Colleges if thought most conducive "to the advancement of Learning Religion and good Government may "afterwards by common consent when Duly founded and Endowed "be united under one Supreme Legislative and Visitorial Jurisdiction "as Distinct Branches or members of the same State university notwith-"-standing their Distance of Situation.

The Sinate or meeting of the university for a General Government would consits of a Representative body from both Colleges to meet alternately in each College on the commencement day with the Governor of the State as chancellor of the meeting and to exercise such Jurisdiction as might be agreed upon by both Colleges for Increasing a Connection and Cultivating uniformity in manners and Literature between the Two Shores as members or branches of the same common wealth. This Sinate or General Body might also have the superintending care of the County schools commonly called Free schools and the power of Enacting such of them as they may think proper into Academies or Colleges Subordinate to the two mother Colleges on each Shore for the common benefit of those Counties which may be too Remote to receive such Immediate benefit as they might wish from either of the Colleges.

Annapolis December 3d 1784.

At a meeting of many of the Gentlemen Concerned in Promoting this undertaking it was ordered as follows.

That the Reverend John Carroll, William Smith D.D. and Patrick Allison D.D. together with Richard Spragg John Steel and George Digges Esquires be a committee to compleat the Heads of a bill for founding a College on the Western Shore and to Publish the same Immediatly with a proper Preamble for taking in subscriptions and that they and such Persons as they or any two of them shall appoint in the Different Counties of this Shore Proceed Immediately to take in subscriptions upon the Plan to be Published as aforesaid.

We whose names are Hereunto subscribed approving the Liberal Principles upon which by the foregoing plan a College is Proposed to be founded on the Western Shore of this State and Desirious to Promote the speedy Execution of the same for the Benefit of our Country. Do hereby Promise to Pay, or cause to be paid unto the hands of the Treasurer of the Western Shore or any person appointed by him or to the Visitors and Governors of the said

(College,