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## THE COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY.

The visitors of this noble and time-honored institution of learning, assembled at the College on the 14th inst., elected Judge Starburch to fill the professorship of law, made vacant by the death of Judge Tucker.

It must be gratifying to every Virginian to know that this College, the great mother of Virginia mind, and identified with all the past history of the State, is now in a very prosperous condition. And it must be gratifying to every parent to know that at no College will the moral and religious character of his child be more safely guarded than here. It is now every thing that a parent could desire. The President and two of the Professors reside upon the College premises, and their presence must have a strong and salutary influence in restraining from evil, and in promoting good order and propriety of conduct.

The corps of professors, whether we regard their qualifications for their office or their devotion to their work, are everything that could be desired. An elevated moral influence pervades the institution, and the Professors appear to realize the truth, that that education is most unsound and defective, which, cultivating only the physical and the intellectual nature, leaves the moral uncared for.

The accession of Judge Scarburgh to the corps of Professors is a great acquisition. Throughout Eastern Virginia, where he is well known, the appointment gives great satisfaction. He is admired, not only on account of his great legal acquirements, but also for his high moral worth. He possesses one qualification assential to success in every department of life, but more especially in that of a teacher of youth—ENTHUSIASM. Where this is strongly impressed upon the character, students can scarcely fail to catch inspiration, and to imbibe an ardent love for study.

The number of students has greatly increased, and now surpasses the most sanguine hopes of its friends. It is already between forty and fifty.

Judge Scarburgh enters upon his duties immediately, or as soon as he can make his arrangements to go there. And though the law students have been attracted elsewhere, who intended to have gone there during the present session, yet it is understood that several stand ready now to accompany Judge Scarburgh there.

The students there now are a fine band of youths, and their deportment is marked with great propriety.

A PARENT.