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Tuesday December 24. 1816

The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present as yesterday [Mr. Early Senr. Trustee in the chair, Messrs. Paine, Gresham, Clayton, and Meriwether, and Cobb]. ...

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Mr. Clayton offered the following resolution which being read was adopted, To Wit,

Whereas the General Assembly of this State at their last Session, having liberally placed with the powers of the Trustees, the means necessary for conducting the business of the University, with confident hope of Success, Resolved,

That the Collegiate exercises will commence on the first Monday in January next, under the control of and Superintendence of the Honorable Peter Early, appointed as president pro. tem. Until the inauguration of the Rev. Robert Finley, appointed president at the present meeting, and under the immediate instruction of Mr. Professor Golding, and Messrs. Camak and Hull. ...