ed of the nature and cause of the accusation, to be confronted with the witnesses against him, to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favour, and to have the assis-
tance of counsel for his defence.

Art. IX. In suits at common law where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty
dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved; and no fact tried by a jury shall be other-
wise re-examined in any court of the United States than according to the rules of common
law.

Art. X. Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and
unusual punishments inflicted.

Art. XI. The enumeration in the Constitution of certain rights, shall not be construed
to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

Art. XII. The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution nor pro-
hibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively or to the people.

I. Be it therefore enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and it is hereby
enacted by the authority of the same, That the said amendments agreeable to the fifth article of
the original Constitution, be held and ratified on the part of this State, as articles in addi-
tion to and amendments of the Constitution of the United States of America.

CHAPTER XX.

An Act to establish a University in this State.

WHEREAS in all well regulated governments it is the indispensible duty of every
Legislature to consult the happiness of the rising generation, and endeavour to fit them
for an honourable discharge of life, by paying the highest attention to their education:
And whereas an university supported by permanent funds and well endowed,
would have the most direct tendency to answer the above purpose:

I. Be it therefore enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and it is hereby
enacted by the authority of the same, That Samuel Johnston, James Iredell, Charles Johnston,
Hugh Williamson, Stephen Gaboury, Richard Dobbs Spight, William Bouquet, Benjamin
Williams, John Stiles, John Stuart, James Hager, Robert Dickerson, Samuel DeLgate, Fre-
hourable Samuel Asher, Robert Dixon, Benjamin Smith, Honourable Samuel Spencer, John
Hay, James Hogg, Henry William Harrington, William Barry Grove, Reverend Samuel
McCorkle, Adair Osborn, John Stokes, John Hamilton, Joseph Graham, Honourable John
Williams, Thomas Peril, Alfred Moore, Alexander Mabane, Joel Lane, Willie Jones,
Benjamin Hawkins, John Haywood, senior, John Macon, William Richardson Davis, Jos-
eph Dixon, William Landor, Joseph Mc Dowell, James Holland, and William Porter, Es-
quire shall be and they are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate, to be known
and distinguished by the name of The Trustees of the University of North Carolina; and
by that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal; and that they the Trus-
tees and their successors forever, or a majority of them, shall be able and capable in law by the
name aforesaid, to sue and be sued, in the name aforesaid, to sue and be sued, in all
courts of record whatsoever; and they shall have power to open and receive subscriptions;
and in general they shall and may do all such things as are usually done by bodies corporate
and politic, or such as may be necessary for the promotion of learning and virtue.

II. And it is enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said Trustees and their successors,
or a majority of them, by the name aforesaid, shall be able and capable in law to bargain,
fall, grant, devise, alien or dispose of, and convey and assign to the purchasers, any such
lands, rents, tenements and hereditaments aforesaid, when the condition of the grant to
them, or the will of the devisor, does not forbid it. And further that they the said Trustees
and their successors forever, or a majority of them, shall be able and capable in law by the
name aforesaid, to sue and be sued, be sued and impeached, be fined and impeached, answer and be answered, in all
courts of record whatsoever; and they shall have power to open and receive subscriptions;
and in general they shall and may do all such things as are usually done by bodies corporate
and politic, or such as may be necessary for the promotion of learning and virtue.

III. And it is further enacted by the authority aforesaid. That the said Trustees, in order to
carry the said act into effect, shall meet at Fayetteville on the third Monday in the month
of the next General Assembly, at which time they shall choose a President and Secretary;
and shall then fix the time of their next annual meeting; and at every annual meeting of
the Trustees, the members present, with the President and Treasurer, shall be a quorum to
do any business, or a majority of the members, without either of those officers, shall be a quorum
but at their first meeting as above directed there shall be at least fifteen of the
above and in order to proceed to business, and the Trustees at their annual
meeting may appoint special meetings within the year; or in case unforeseen accidents shall
render a meeting necessary, the Secretary, by order of the President and any two of the
Trustees notified to him in writing, shall give particular notice to each Trustee, as well as by
an advertisement in the State Gazette, convene the Trustees at the time proposed by the
President; and the members thus convened shall be a quorum to do any business except
the appointment of a President or prefforers in the university, or the dismissal or approbation of