The Speaker decided that it could not be offered as a substitute; On motion of Mr. Tuck,

Said bi'l was amended by adding at the end thereof, as an additional section the following:

"And be it enacted, That the right is hereby reserved to the Legislature of altering or repealing this law at any time,"

Mr. Nesbitt moved further to amend said bill by inserting as the

third and 4th sections thereof, the following:

Sec. 3. And be it enacted, That all the Banks in this State, out of the city of Baltimore, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to issue from the period of years, ten per centum. on their respective capitals actually paid in, in notes under the denomination of five dollars and not less than one dollar, and the Presidents and Cashiers of the said banks respectively, shall annually report to the Legislature, under oath, during the first week in January, so long as this act shall continue, the whole amount of said small notes so issued, designating the denominations of said notes, and the amount in circulation:

Scc. 4. And be it enacted, That if any of the said banks, shall cause to be issued any greater amount of said notes than that author ised by this act, such bank, or banks, shall absolutely forfeit their charters, and the officer or officers of said banks or banks who shall sign or issue any greater amount of the notes hereinbefore specified. shall be liable to all the pains and penalties of perjury, in conviction,

in a court of law.

Which were read:

Pending the question upon this amendmen;

Mr. Causin moved that the house adjourn,

Resolved in the affirmative,

And the house accordingly adjourned until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock.

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 1841.

The house met. Present at the call of the roll, the following members:

Messrs. Causin, Welch of Kent, Edes, Gantt, Estep, Dorsey. Hellen, Dalrymple, Weems, Bowling, Brent, Holmes, Orrick, Welch of Baltimore county, Randall, Martin, Willis, Jones of Somerset. Williams, Jacobs, Frazier, Tall, Simcoe, Maxwell, Tuck, Maccubbin, Ford, Forman, Hearn, Cathell, Hooper, Richardson, William Lynch, Edward A. Lynch, Hope, Billingslea, Whiteford, Nicols, Orrell, Sullivan, Gallagher, Presstman, Seidenstricker, Le Grand, Nesbit. Weast, Zeigler, Clagett, Gaither, Gittings, Gott, Sprigg of Allegany, Coombs, Thayer, Shower.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The Speaker announced the following bills as having been received from the Senate on yesterday: