

ing discounts, and for repealing the act of assembly therein mentioned, was read the second time and will not pass.

The senate adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1812.

The senate met.—Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Tabbs appeared in the senate.

The bill entitled, An act to repeal all such parts of the acts of assembly of this state, as require the payment of twenty-five shillings for a marriage licence. The bill entitled, An act to repeal an act for the preservation of the breed of fish in Patuxent river. The bill entitled, An act for repealing the act entitled, An act to lay out a certain road in Harford county; and the communication from the executive were sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The clerk of the house of delegates delivers the following resolution:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, Dec. 31, 1811.

*Resolved*, That the treasurer of the Western Shore be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the governors and visitors of Saint John's college annually, or to their order, the sum of one thousand dollars, as a donation to said college.

By order,

JOHN BREWER, Clk.

Which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

The resolution in favor of Notley Maddox, was read the second time, assented to and sent to the house of delegates by the clerk.

The senate proceeded agreeably to their resolution to the second reading of the bill entitled, An act to alter, change and abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government which relate to the time and manner of electing the senate of this state, and the mode of filling up vacancies in that body; and on progression in reading said bill, the question was put, Will the senate receive the following as an amendment, viz:

After the word "Maryland" in the 5th line of the 1st page insert that from and after the 1st Monday of October eighteen hundred and sixteen, the senate of this state shall be composed of 20 members; and for the purpose of electing senators, this state shall be divided into four districts, as nearly equal as can be in population, which shall be determined by adding to the whole number of free persons, three fifths of all other persons, and the enumeration made every ten years by congress shall be adopted for the purpose of this election; and each senatorial district shall be entitled to send five senators, who shall be elected by the voters of the several districts qualified to vote for members of the house of delegates, at the same times and places, and in the same manner as in