

and Friday evenings of this week, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., for the consideration of local bills entitled to a second and third reading.

Mr. Duvall moved to amend by inserting "Saturday evening;"

Determined in the negative:

The question recurring on the order,

It was adopted.

Mr. Alexander offered the following order:

Ordered, That the joint special committee heretofore appointed on public buildings be requested to examine and ascertain whether the State House is safe from the accident of fire by the mode now used to heat this Hall and the Library, and report immediately; and if not safe in their judgment, then to report what safeguards should be adopted;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Spence offered the following order:

Ordered, That the State Librarian be, and he is hereby directed to furnish the clerk of the Circuit Court for Worcester county with a copy of the acts of the General Assembly, passed at December session, 1842, to be kept in the office of said clerk, for the use of the said Court; provided the Librarian is of opinion that the same can be spared from the State Library;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Contee offered the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, The public mind is disturbed, and the harmony of the people of this nation endangered by the existing condition of things in Kansas; therefore,

Be it resolved, by the General Assembly of Maryland, that the early admission of Kansas into this Union, as an independent and sovereign State, is a result greatly to be desired, as calculated to restore peace and harmony to the people of this country generally, and especially quiet, prosperity, and good feeling to those of Kansas.

Resolved, That the constitution formed by the convention at Lecompton was a regular and legal exercise of power by the people of Kansas, and as such, is valid and binding, and should be so recognised by Congress.

Resolved, That we cordially approve of the course of our two Senators, and of those of our members in Congress who favored the admission of Kansas into the Union, under the Lecompton constitution.

Resolved, That inasmuch as the defects and errors, (if any exist) which may be found in said constitution, can be reme-