

Apologies for the "Lost" Resolution. Senator Maxwell's letter of explanation is as clear as mud, concerning the loss of the joint resolution which directed the Attorney-General to prosecute Parker.

Having delivered himself of this confession, Maxwell sincerely hopes that it will "set at rest" newspaper people "from any attempt to black-mail him."

The most fearful earthquakes recorded in history are: At Antioch, in 526, when 250,000 persons perished; at Lisbon, in 1655, which destroyed 60,000 people; the Calabrian earthquake of 1783, which buried 35,000 men, women and children out of sight forever, in one awful hour; and the one at Arequipa, in 1863, which engulfed 40,000 persons.

The place has been visited, within the past few days, by Professor DuPre, a scientific gentleman of Spartanburg, S. C., who has made an examination of the mountain. He says no fears need be entertained of a volcanic eruption, on the general principle that the spot is too far located from the sea to render it probable.

The Athens (Tenn.) Post, of the 20th, says: A heavy shock of earthquake occurred at Chattanooga, between 1 and 2 o'clock Wednesday morning. The disturbance was sufficient to shake the walls of the taller buildings and startle people from their slumbers.

THE I. DIANS.—The border is still threatened with an Indian war. The red man is hungry and must get beef, or he will take it. So far the temper of the noble savage seems to be daily growing more insolent.

The volcanic fires which have been disturbing Bald Mountain, in North Carolina, are reported to have extended to Lookout Mountain, in Tennessee.

EARTHQUAKES.—In view of the excitement at Bald Mountain, N. C., a little earthquake history will, perhaps, be relished. 7,000 is set down as the number of important earthquakes, up to the year 1861, of which we have any reliable account.

Earthquake shocks are not uncommon in America. Many persons now living will remember the terrible shock of 1812, which made the bells in Richmond ring over the frightened city, and shook the houses in Columbia.

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A RAILROAD IN THE CLOUDS.—Our latest advices from Peru announce the approaching termination of one of the most gigantic engineering enterprises of the day. We allude to the railroad which is to connect the Pacific coast with the river Amazon, across the chain of the Andes.

In the United States Court, on the 24th, in the petition of W. H. Carter, in the case of W. T. Sealy, bankrupt, it was ordered that the lien be established for \$1,125, with interest from the 20th of December, 1869.

Mr. Bolin, a prominent graner of Kickapoo, Kansas, was buried on March 7, with the honors of the order. The sisters followed the hearse in full regalia, and the brothers marched next.

Spartanburg and Asheville Railroad Company.

A meeting of the corporators and stockholders of the Spartanburg and Asheville Railroad was held in the rooms of the Carolina National Bank, in the city of Columbia, S. C., on Wednesday, 25th day of March, 1874, for the purpose of organizing the company under the provisions of the charter, due notice having been given, as required by the Act of incorporation.

On motion of Gen. A. Austell, of Atlanta, Ga., Col. T. B. Jeter, of Union, was elected Chairman, and T. Stobo Farrow, of Spartanburg, Secretary.

Capt. John S. Fairley, of Charleston, moved that a committee of three be appointed to examine and report the amount of capital stock subscribed and verify proxies, which was adopted, and the Chair appointed on said committee, Capt. John S. Fairley, of Charleston, Col. D. R. Duncan, of Spartanburg, and Col. John S. Wiley, of Columbia.

Gen. A. Austell then moved that a committee of nine be appointed to nominate suitable persons for President and Directors, which motion was adopted, and the Chair appointed on the committee the following gentlemen, to wit: Gen. A. Austell, of Atlanta; A. Cameron, A. C. Kaufman, of Charleston; John S. Wiley and James E. Black, of Columbia; D. R. Duncan and W. K. Blake, of Spartanburg, and John L. Young, of Union.

For President—Hon. C. G. Memminger, of Charleston, S. C. For Directors—George W. Williams, John S. Fairley, Otter H. Weeters, of Charleston, S. C.; T. B. Jeter, John L. Young, of Union, S. C.; John S. Wiley, Jas. E. Black, of Columbia, S. C.; A. Austell, of Atlanta, Ga.; R. Y. McAden, of Charlotte, N. C.; G. Cannon, D. R. Duncan, John H. Evans, of Spartanburg, S. C.

On motion of A. C. Kaufman, of Charleston, the persons nominated were unanimously elected by acclamation.

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Col. Jeter addressed the meeting, congratulating the company upon the encouraging auspices under which the company was organized, and urging the directors to push the work forward without delay.

On motion, the meeting then adjourned sine die.

T. B. JETER, Chairman. T. STOBO FARROW, Secretary.

SENATOR MAXWELL RISES TO EXPLAIN. Both Republican papers in this city publish the following: MR. EDITOR: I am truly sorry that I am compelled to appear in print again concerning the joint resolution.

CITY MATTERS.—Subscribe for the PHOENIX. Cold but pleasant, yesterday. The Governor has appointed J. T. Moore, of Aiken, a Notary Public.

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STRONG ENDORSEMENT OF THE SPARTANBURG AND ASHEVILLE RAILROAD.—George W. Williams, Esq., one of the shrewdest and wealthiest merchants and bankers of the South, in a letter to A. C. Kaufman, Esq., of Charleston, says that the enterprise of building the Spartanburg and Asheville Railroad has his hearty support.

Persons indebted to the PHOENIX office are earnestly requested to call and settle at once. There is a large amount due—the greater portion in small sums. The indebtedness must be liquidated, or we shall resort to extreme measures.

James Rabb and Frank Rabb, who were convicted at the November term of the General Sessions, in Anderson, of arson—burning Rankin's Mills—and sentenced to ten years' servitude in the penitentiary, have been pardoned by the Governor.

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