

Bill to Be Presented by CONGRESSMAN BARTLETT Will Be of Vast Benefit

◆ Congressman George Bartlett leaves for Washington tomorrow ◆
◆ to sit for the first time as the representative of Nevada in the ◆
◆ halls of congress. Mr. Bartlett is going to introduce a bill to re- ◆
◆ mit the assessment work on mining claims for the year 1907. ◆
◆ There has been considerable controversy about this proposed mea- ◆
◆ sure, and The Bonanza wants to go on record as indorsing the ◆
◆ proposed bill in every particular. ◆

Mr. Bartlett has given a great deal of thought to the measure and had thoroughly digested it before broaching it to The Bonanza, which gave it to the world. Since that time, he

and they have done this in the knowledge that their protests will be given the fullest consideration, for they know that Mr. Bartlett has always been the friend of labor. The arguments of the miners are to the effect that they will be deprived of the opportunity of making money in doing assessment work. How can this argument hold water, in view of the fact that the bill is introduced for the very reason that men have not the money to do the work that is required of them by law? If the work is not done, what occurs? The claims are jumped, and the jumper is given three months in which to do his location work, and

if he does not do it then, he either abandons the claim, or relocates it. In either case there is no work for the miner, so where is his loss? The argument has been advanced that the bill will benefit capitalists, or those who have a great number of claims. That is hardly a sound argument, since there will be others benefited as well. The bill is really intended to benefit the poor man, or the man, who is poor at present since he cannot raise the money to do his work. The capitalist, or man of means, can afford to do his work, and surely will, if his claims are worth it. It has been so urged that the bill will be unfair to those who

have done their assessment work already. This is manifestly so absurd that it is scarcely worthy of note. In this regard Congressman Bartlett says that those who are unfortunate to have had their work already done are to be congratulated, but how a measure to relieve their less fortunate fellows is going to hurt them is beyond his powers of perception. Mr. Bartlett outlines his reasons for the bill as follows: "The bill is designed to protect those who have held and mined property for years, but who, through the present financial stringency are not able to obtain from the banks, or otherwise, money enough to have

that work done this year. It is surely not designed for the benefit of the capitalist—the accepted designation for a man of large wealth—for the man of wealth, the man able to command money, is able to have the work done, and, for the most part, doubtless, has had it done already. In prospecting the measure, I had in my mind's eye the benefit of men who have for a long, long time taken their part in the development of Nevada, and to whom the enforcement of the provision requiring the work done this year would mean practically confiscation of property on which they had expended much money, time and trouble."

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE IS IN SESSION

Railroad Commissioner Wilson Sends in Resignation, thus Avoiding Impeachment Proceedings.

(By Associated Press.)
SACRAMENTO, Nov. 19.—The formal organization, the reading of the governor's message and introduction of special legislation for which the call was issued comprised the first day's work of the legislature which convened in extra session today. The upper house held two brief sessions, while the assembly held a short session in the morning, adjourning until 10 o'clock tomorrow. Companion bills to the measures were introduced in the lower house in the morning for rehabilitation of courts during the special holidays, an extension of time for the payment of taxes during the financial stringency; providing for the payment of the expenses of Adjutant General Lauck incurred during the street car strike in San Francisco last spring, and amending Isais Creek bill for a bond issue. The tidal basin and harbor improvements of San Francisco were not introduced in the senate until the afternoon session. A concurrent resolution was also introduced in the upper house approving four amendments to the charter of San Francisco.

A committee from the board of supervisors arrived at the capitol today and accompanied by the San Francisco delegation to the upper house, called upon the governor to urge calling another extra session at the conclusion of this one, to ratify the other sixteen charter amendments which were adopted at the recent election, which was not included in the governor's call. The governor was non-committal and took the matter under advisement, but in an interview seemed averse to calling another session.

Senator Carter introduced a joint resolution asking California representatives at Washington to urge upon congress to suspend the operation of that section of the revised statutes of the United States requiring the expenditure annually of \$100 in labor on improvements upon unpatented mining claims during the financial stringency, similar legislation having been enacted by congress in 1893.

Just before adjournment of the afternoon session of the senate, Senator Marc Anthony arose to a question of personal privilege. He arraigned and denounced Martin Kelley, former political boss of San Francisco in scathing terms, designating him as an "unconvicted felon, treacherous and degraded," and asked that he be excluded from the lobby of the senate. No notice was taken of Anthony's attack by the senate.

With the possible impeachment trial of Railroad Commissioner Andrew Wilson obviated by receipt of his resignation, and its acceptance by the governor today, it was believed the legislature would finish the work

for which it was called by Thursday night or Friday at the latest, but a serious obstacle was encountered this afternoon when the bills, drafted to enable the courts to resume during the special holiday period and a measure extending time for the payment of taxes reached the respective judiciary committees of the two houses. Much dissatisfaction was expressed, not with the object of the measure, but with its present form. Strong opposition developed and it was impossible to reach an agreement. It was finally decided to ask the governor, Attorney General Webb, E. C. Cooper, private secretary to the governor; L. T. Hatfield, representing the Sacramento chamber of commerce and banks, to meet the committee at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, and to send telegrams requesting Homer King, president of the San Francisco clearing house, President Hellman of the Union Trust company, Everett Brown, district attorney of Oakland, to appear before the committee at the same time, that the committee might learn their views. It is now possible that the session might extend over until next week.

WANING EFFECT OF THE MARKET

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 19.—There was a renewal of liquidation on the stock market today and of a character which carried a formidable influence on the speculative sentiment. The effect for good of the national government plan of relief for the currency situation seemed to have passed away completely, the result being an expansion of yesterday's tendency when the progress of the day's dealings witnessed a steady waning effect of that factor. Prices today got back generally below the closing level of last week and in some instances reached the lowest prices of the year. Bonds were weak.

QUAKE DAMAGES DOZEN VILLAGES

(By Associated Press.)
REGGIO DI CALABRIA, Italy, Nov. 19.—About a dozen villages were damaged by an earthquake which was felt in this province yesterday, several houses collapsed but no lives were lost. The people are still camping out in the open. Torrential rains adds to the discomfort.

BIG EXODUS OF MINE OPERATIVES

TACOMA, Nov. 19.—The general shut-down at the mines and smelters of the Bonduy district, which is attributed to the prevailing low price for copper and an overproduction of the metal, is now practically complete, and about 2000 men heretofore employed in this district have received their wage checks, and are to a large extent, scattering. The Granby company alone let out about 900 men at its mines and smelter, the number at the mines being about 550. Some 150 men at the Snowshoe mine were all paid off about the same time, and there was an exceedingly heavy draft on the bank at Grandforks, which had no notice of the close down and had made no preparations for paying out over \$100,000 in currency. Manager Hood, however, got to work, and by drawing on other near-by banks, was able to meet the draft. Every train on both railways is crowded with men going out, the bulk taking the Great Northern to Spokane and other points.

DOUBLES ORDERS FOR COAL BARGES

VALLEJO, Nov. 19.—In addition to twelve coal barges, that will be built at Mare Island navy yard, to cost the government \$144,000, authority has been received here to increase the order to twenty-four barges, the additional carriers to be used at the local station. This will mean the expenditure of nearly \$250,000 and the employment of a big force of ship fitters for the next eighteen months. Word has been received that the cruiser Milwaukee will come here for docking about New Year if the transport Sheridan is released from the dock by that time. An effort is being made to hurry up the Sheridan job, as the coming of the Milwaukee would mean the expenditure of a large sum here.

REDUCE DUTY ON WORKS OF ART

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Nov. 19.—A commercial compact between Great Britain and the United States was signed today under which works of art will henceforth be admitted to the United States at one-quarter less than the present duty. American commercial travelers' samples will be admitted free at British ports.

ACTRESS IS BANKRUPT.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 19.—An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in the United States district court today by creditors against Mrs. Leslie Carter Payne, an actress. The claims of the creditors amount to over \$11,000, and the total assets are estimated at \$4000.

SLIGHT SHOCK.

(By Associated Press.)
PUNTA ARENAS, Nov. 19.—A slight earthquake shock was felt here this morning. Several houses were damaged.

Rumor has it that the Selby Smelting and Lead Company will erect a large smelter somewhere in Nevada, the site not having yet been made public.

PRESIDENT'S POLICY MEETS WITH APPROVAL

SAYS HE KILLED THE WRONG MAN

WEBB CITY, Mo., Nov. 19.—"I killed the wrong man," Henry Lacey, foreman of the American Beauty mine, told the coroner's jury that held him for slaying W. W. Parker, a young miner who boarded with Mrs. Lacey. "I thought that I was shooting at another man and I intended to kill both him and my wife."

Parker was killed at Lacey's home Friday night. About dusk Lacey, who is suffering from tuberculosis, passed a miner smoking at his gate. "I'm going into the house and raise a little smoke he said. Then he opened the front door and fired a revolver. Parker fell dead. Immediately Lacey told the neighbors that he had killed his man. When later told he had slain Parker he broke down and wept. "I wouldn't care what they would do to me if I had killed the right man," he said.

STOLEN GOLD AT THE CARSON MINT

CARSON CITY, Nov. 19.—Proceedings were instituted here today to recover a large amount of gold from the United States mint by the Round Mountain Mining company. This is supposed to be the gold that was recently stolen from the company's works at Round Mountain. It was expressed to the mint here for N. Peterson, from Austin, Nevada, by a supposedly fictitious person of the same name, as the agents in charge of the matter have so far been unable to locate him.

WITHDREW DEMAND FOR AN INCREASE

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Nov. 19.—The switchmen's union today withdrew its demand on the western railroads for an increase of wages amounting to 6 cents an hour. The general managers sent a letter to Grand Master Hawley of the switchmen's union, declining to grant the advance. The switchmen decided to abandon the matter for the time being and withdrew the request.

PROJECT FOR AN INLAND WATER WAY

(By Associated Press.)
PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 19.—Delegates from seventeen New England, middle and southern states met today to further a project for an inland waterway along the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts to North Carolina. Senator Newlands of Nevada, vice president of the inland waterways commission, was the first speaker.

[By Associated Press.]
WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—Communications which came to the treasury department approving the financial policy adopted by the president and Secretary Cortelyou and subscriptions which were received for the Panama bonds and one year certificates were the subject of discussion at a meeting of the cabinet. It afforded general gratification and it is believed both loans will be over-subscribed, but the details have not yet been made public.

JAMES J. HILL WAS SPEAKER

(By Associated Press.)
KANSAS CITY, Nov. 19.—James J. Hill of St. Paul, executive head of the Great Northern railroad, was the principal speaker at the thirteenth annual banquet of the Commercial club tonight. Hill discussed the commercial development of the Mississippi valley, and gave a comprehensive history of the review of industrial conditions as they exist today. Judge Pollock of the United States district court of Kansas, Henry Allen, editor of the Wichita Beacon, also spoke.

SAN FRANCISCO RECEIVES MONEY

(By Associated Press.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 19.—The sub-treasury today received by telegraph \$432,000 for three local banks. General satisfaction is expressed over the financial outlook.

WALSH USED BANK'S MONEY

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Nov. 19.—Approximately \$2,000,000 which it is charged by the federal prosecutors had been transferred by John Walsh from the vaults of the Chicago National bank to the coffers of his several enterprises was traced by means of entries in the books of the institution when National Bank Examiner Moxey stepped from the witness stand at the adjournment of the Walsh trial today. Moxey occupied the witness stand throughout the morning and afternoon sessions of the court, and identified all told eighteen entries which is claimed by the prosecution are proof positive of misapplication of funds as charged.

STEVE ADAMS IN HIS OWN BEHALF

(By Associated Press.)
RATHDRUM, Idaho, Nov. 19.—Steve Adams was on the stand almost the entire day giving testimony in the case in which he is charged with having killed Fred Tyler.

MRS. BRADLEY ON THE STAND

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—Mrs. Annie Bradley, after being on the stand about four hours today, relating the details of her acquaintance and intimacy with former United States Senator Brown, of whose murder she stands accused, Judge Stafford, in whose court the trial is progressing, gave orders at 3 o'clock for an adjournment until tomorrow morning. The events directly connected with the tragedy in which Brown was killed had been reached, but were closely approached. They will be the subject of the first testimony tomorrow.

BRITISH STEAMER A TOTAL WRECK

SANTIAGO, Chile, Nov. 19.—It is reported that the British steamer Hazel Branch, from the west coast of South America for England, is a total wreck in the straits of Magellan. The steamer carried a valuable cargo of metals.

ARMED MEN ROB GREEK LABORERS

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 19.—Seven armed men entered the quarters of eight Greek laborers at the Rock Island yards in Kansas City, Kansas, tonight with drawn revolvers, held the laborers at bay, searched their bunks and secured \$700 in cash. The Greeks had pay day today and were holding a native jubilee when surprised by the robbers.

MANY DELEGATES IN ATTENDANCE

MUSKOGEE, Ok., Nov. 19.—Over 1500 delegates were present today when David Francis, former governor of Missouri, called the eighteenth annual meeting of the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress to order. In a few well chosen words he welcomed Oklahoma into the Union, and declared the meeting formally opened. Speaking in his native tongue, Maty Tiger, one of the chiefs of the five civilized tribes, delivered an address of greeting. President Loveland then delivered his annual address.

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