# The Comstock Mines---Influence of Stock-Gambling upon the General Prosperity of the State

## How Merchants are Fleeced by the C. P. Railway, and the Legislature Controlled by a Railroad-Lobby.

San Francisco Correspondence Chicago Tribune.

Nevada is pre-eminently a mining state. Nearly the whole of its area being in the Great Basin, the greater part of its surface is an elevated plateau; and this, ribbed by numerous nearly parallel chains of mountains, is divided into valleys of great elevation and length. Owing to the general absence of water for irrigation, the dryness of its climate, the nakedness of the mountains, and the extensive salt and alkali plains, the greater part of the state is irreclaimably barren; and only along the scanty streams is agriculture carried on with any degree of success. Take away the mines from Nevada, and from Utah to California there would remain a wide and desolate region, traversed by the Central Pacific railroad, but with few other traces of civilization, and inhabited only by a few Mormon settlers, cattle dealers and Indians.

THE STATE GOVERNMENT.

The population at present is about 62,000. During the last ten years it has not varied much from 50,000. Although scattered over an area of 105,125 square miles, the entire number of inhabitants is scarcely greater than that of an obscure city in the east or Europe, and the present agricultural and mining outlook hardly betokens any material increase in the near future. The present constitution of the state was adopted seventeen years ago, and the number of officers as compared with the population is somewhat astonishing. The governor is elected for a term of four years, and receives a salary of $6,000 per annum, and is also allowed a secretary at a salary of $2,400 per annum. The lieutenant governor receives annually a salary of $3,600, and during the session of the Senate receives $10 per day as the ex-officio president of that honorable body. In addition, the state chooses every four years a secretary of state, treasurer, controller, surveyor general and attorney general, each with an annual salary of $3,6000, and a superintendent of public instruction with a salary of $2,500. The first four named officers have also deputies, each with a salary of $3,000. The legislative department consists of twenty-five senators and fifty assemblymen,—the pay of each being $10 per day, and mileage, during the biennial sessions,—and with a score of clerks and other officials in addition. The judiciary consists of a supreme court, district courts and justices courts; and the officers of the first consist of a chief and two associates, each with a salary of $7,000, the term of office continuing six years. There are no less than nine judicial districts, the salaries of the judges varying from $3,000 to $7,000 per annum, and they, like the state officers, being elected by the direct vote of the people. The state sends one solitary congressman to Washington, yet boasts of as many United States senators as Pennsylvania or New York; and added to all this are fourteen county governments, each with its full complement of officers, and supported by a direct tax upon the products of the people. Verily, the 62,000 good people of Nevada may not only pray the good Lord to deliver them from outside barbarians, but also from the small army of tax-gatherers and office-holders within their own borders.

ECCESSIVE TAXATION.

The revenue of Nevada is obtained from a poll-tax, a property, tax, and a tax on the proceeds of the mines. The entire assessed value of the real estate last year was only $27,568,658, upon which a state and county tax was levied amounting to $728,092, or about $1 for every $40 of taxable property. The expenses of the government in 1879 were $2,276,050, or more than $25 for every man, woman, and child then in the state; and this year according to the report of the Controller, the rate cannot be less than $1.18 on the $100 valuation. It is not to be wondered that an outcry against official extravagence is being every heard from the Wahsatch range to the Sierra, and a poposition to return to Territorial form of government is being seriously discussed.

Although the business of stock-raising has increased largely during the past five years, and thousands of cattle are now annually shipped to San Francisco, yet mining still continues to be the most important industry of the state, and from this source the main wealth of the people is derived. Scarcely more than a score of years have elapsed since the entire region was inhabited only by the Indians and a few Mormon settlers in Carson valley, yet during this time over $350,000,000 in gold has been produced by the Nevada mines, more than two-thirds of which has been produced during the last decade. In 1877 the most productive year yet known, the bullion shipments amounted to $51,368,917; while during the seven years preceding 1880 the consolidated Virginia and California lines alone produced no less than 1,286,156 tons of ore, valued at $109,066,561, of which $50,792,478 was gold and $58,374,083 was silver. In spite of such enormous yields in former years, the big bonanza mines can now be purchased entire in the San Francisco boards for $1,890,000, and the value os all the mines on the Comstock on the 1st of May was only $14,030,050, as against $13,378,600 on the 1st of May, 1880, $42,066,700 in 1879, $36,261,000 in 1878, $38,334,300 in 1777, $371,059,200 in 1875, when the excitement was at its height; and $4,696,700 in 1870 just before the Crown Point bonanza was discovered.

THE MINING OUTLOOK.

In proportion to the population no other community has ever furnished a product so large in value in so short a time. Successive bonanzas in Cholar, Jacket, Norcross, Crown Point, Belcher, Consolidated Virginia, and the civilized world; and in a score of years such an advance has been made in mining that science finds itself almost powerless to suggest further improvements. Twenty years have changed a wild and desolate region into a state in the American union; the prospecting hole of the pioneer is now a magnificent three or four compartment shaft, 2,500 to 3,000 feet in depth; the miner's pick is supplanted by powerful drills and giant powder; the bailing-bucket is transformed into the gigantic pump; the windlass has given way to the engine in hoisting; the old fashioned arastra has passed into the huge quartz-mill; and the palace of the millionaire now stands on the spot once occupied by the miner's cabin.

The Nevada mines have erected the finest buildings in San Francisco. They have made millionaires of Mackay, Flood, Fair, O'Brien, Mills, Keene, Sutro, Ralston, Sharon, and thousands of other men have made a comfortable competence. While this is true of the past, yet at no time have the the mining industries languished more than now, and no prominent developments in the future are likely to be made. "It would be useless to disguise the fact," says the curator of the state museum in his late report, "that confidence in the Comstock lode, heretofore considered the backbone of mining in Nevada, has greatly diminished. Attention is being turned therefrom to other mineral veins, almost everywhere in the state; and there are those who think that, even if the Comstock should fail, Nevada will still be, for an indefinite period, conspicuous for her great wealth of resources in the precious metals."

SOCIAL PECULIARITIES.

Mining being the great industry, the people here can scarcely be expected to conform to the social rules of the older states. In Virginia, Eureka, and other of the largest towns, gambling and other evil practices are carried on in broad daylight, and a public outcry against such proceedings is seldom made. There are many good and true people in thr various towns and mining camps of the Sagebrush state—men and women who have left homes of luxury in the east, and who are true as steel to themselves and their God; but society in general is crude and disorganized; skepticism is popular at the expense of religion and morals, and saloons and bawdy-houses are more largely patronized than reading-rooms and churches. Everybody deals in stocks, from the mining millionaire to the bootblack or common laborer on the street; and the fashionable young lady can converse as intelligently about the lower levels of the Comstock mines as about the character of the toilets worn at the last public ball, or the fearful responsibility resting upon bachelors who do not marry. If stocks be up, then business is lively in Carson, Reno, and other towns; stores are patronized, saloons are filled with customers, and a general time of rejoicing on every hand is apparent. But, if the market be depressed, then trade is dead, luxuries are countermanded, old clothes are worn, clerks and barkeepers are idle behind their counters, lamentations against fate are heard, and from White Pine to Washoe gloom and despondency everywhere prevail. The state is then steeped in mourning, and nothing but the opening of a new bonanza will bring about again a lively state of affairs.

THE TRANSPORTATION MONOPOLY.

"When the Bonanza kings and the Central Pacific railway officials in Nevada join hands in the pursuit of any particular object, then the devil takes the cake," said a Sagebrush statesman not long since to a friend; and the statement, though crude, is true in its way. The influence of bonanza gold in buying up the legislature, and thereby regulating the tax on the proceeds of the mines, has more than once been acknowledged; and none the less powerful is that other monster monopoly which regulates the carrying trade of the entire Pacific coast, and which leaves no means untried to gain a desired end. Nevada is even more cursed than California by an unjust system of transportation. In the matter of freights and fares, extortionate rates are charged between the various points within the state; and to points without the state rates are regulated more in reference to the amount the people will bear than according to just and upright transportation rules. Recognizing the truth of the old adage, "A penny saved is a penny earned," the people within the state can often make more than they can earn by walking when circumstances compel them to travel from one point to another; and the old "pack mule" and "go cart" methods of transportation are even now used to advantage on roads running side by side with the railroad.

It is a well known fact that goods shipped from the east to Nevada are charged through full rates to San Francisco, and then excessive local rates back; and this in spite of the fact that the goods are not carried beyond the Sierra A car load of coal oil and candles for example, from New York to Elko, is charged $300 through rate to San Francisco, and $500 local rate back to Elko—being a charge for 1,236 miles over which the coal-oil and candles do not travel. A car load of machinery from New York to Peno costs $218 more than the same to San Francisco; while to Winnemucca a car load of clothing costs $596 more than to California, a greater distance of several hundred miles. A car load of dry-goods in boxes is charged from New York to Winnemucca the enormous sum of $1,619; if it go a consideaable distance further; to Reno, the charge is reduced to $1,436; and if it cross the Sierra, and is landed at San Francisco the entire charge is only $1,200. This same extortion is not confined to the class of goods mentioned above, but extends to every kind of merchandise capable of transportation; and the result is, the people of Nevada are oppressed by a system of robbery which would not be tolerated in an eastern state. Nor is this all. If the Nevada merchant wishes to send goods to Utah or the east, he is charged a higher rate than would be charged for the same goods from California; and this notwithstanding that the Sierra lie between.

THE INFLUENCE OF THE LOBBY.

Time and again have the people sought to have these evils remedied. [illegible] campaign both republicans and democrats have inserted planks in their platforms favoring the regulation of freights and fares; and have declared unequivocally that all discriminations and excessive charges by railroad corporations should be prohibited by appropriate legislation. Legislature after legislature has been pledged to carry out the wishes of the people; but, under the influence of Central Pacific gold, these pledges have ever disappeared, like thistle-down before the wind or snow in the sunlight. A powerful railroad lobby, headed by Steve Gage, is ever at Carson during the biennial session; and every suspicious bill is carefully scrutinized and rejected.

To confuse the legislators is always the plan of the railroad-lobby. "We are protected in our rights now," they argue; "let us stave off legislation, and all will be well." They introduce numerous bills, and then confuse men who desire to do right. They are quick, wiry, and strategic. They are not frank, open, and manly. Success is their high-priest and god. They take the law-makers aside, jingle gold in their pockets, whisper words of sophistry in their ears, and tell them that any bill from the people will work great injustice to the roads. The question of freights and fares, they say, is a very intricate one at best, and such questions only great minds like their own can comprehend. Ask them a few pertinent questions about the transportation tax from California; charge the corporation which they represent with blackmail, with deliberate extortions, with conspiracies to corrupt the representatives of the people, with discriminations, and the other evils of the railroad calender, and immediately you are confronted with such a mass of subtle logic that you can do little else than listen and applaud.

Perhaps some day in Nevada a legislature will convene, a majority of whose members will not consider it the square thing to vote each of the Central Pacific directors a gold medal; perhaps men will not then forget their manhood, and will remeber that God helps those who help themselves; perhaps the ills of the people will then have a patient hearing, and laws will be enacted for their relief; but, until such a legislature convenes, business will be paralyzed, cruel extortions and discriminations will be practiced, and the railroad monopoly will continue a policy which will rob every poor miner in the state, which will destroy industry and which will promote wholesale poverty and distress.

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"I think it is very good," said the advertising man, "but they would like you better at The Tribune office."

"Do you think they would?"

"Yes, sir. I think they would pay you about $100 a week."

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U. S. LAND OFFICE, NORFOLK, NEB. } May 18th 1881.

Concerning N. W. ¼ Sec. 5, Township 16, North of Range 11, East of 6th Principal Meridian.

To William Corbett, ——— Morrel, Thomas Boyers, J. B. Whittier, Elijah M. Hobbs, and to all whom it may concern.

You are hereby notified that on the 5th day of September A. D. 1857, one William Corcett, filed his Declaratory Statement, No, 5969, upon the N. W. ¼ of Section 5, Township 16, North of Range 11 East of the 6th Principal Meridian, and on the 11ht day of same month located thereon Military Bounty Land Warrant No. 80,171, act of 1847, which warrant was found to have been located at Council Bluffs, Iowa, October 1st, 1859 on land in that land district. The "location" was canceled by letter of Hon. Commissioner of the General Land office, dated July 29th 1860, and the counterfeit certificate returned to the local office, and the officers instructed to notify Corbet of the action taken; and that as his pre-emption right had been approved, he would be permitted to locate said tract with a valid and legally assigned warrant, or to substitute cash in payment therefor; that no legal notice of the said action of the commissioner was brought home to said Corbett, or to any party or parties who succeeded to his rights, and it appearing from the records of Douglas county, Nebraska, that J. B. Whittier, and Elijah M. Hobbs, are the legal successors of said Corbett to the title of said N. W. ¼ Sec. Town. 16, North of Range 11 East of 6th P. M. The Hon. Commissioner of the General Land office has under date of May 4th, 1881 decided that the said Whitter and Hobbs are entitled to locate the said tract with warrants, or to substitute cash in payment therefor; as follows, to-wit J. B. Whittier for the E½ of N. W. ¼ 5-16-11E Elijah M. Hobbs for the W½ of N. W. ¼ 5-16-11E

Thirty days from the date of the first publication of this notice are allowed, in which an appeal from said decision may be filed in the local land office.

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