

## MESSAGE

FROM THE

# PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

*A petition from miners working in coal mines in the Indian Territory asking for the appointment of an inspector under the act approved March 3, 1891, for the protection of the lives of miners in the Territories.*

FEBRUARY 17, 1892.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

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*To the Senate and House of Representatives:*

There was passed by the last Congress "An act for the protection of the lives of the miners in the Territories," which was approved by me on the 3d day of March, 1891. That no appropriation was made to enable me to carry the act into effect resulted, I suppose, from the fact that it was passed so late in the session. This law recognizes the necessity of a responsible public inspection and supervision of the business of mining in the interest of the miners and is in line with the legislation of most of the States.

The work of the miner has its unavoidable incidents of discomfort and danger and these should not be increased by the neglect of the owners to provide every practicable safety appliance. Economies which involve a sacrifice of human life are intolerable.

I transmit herewith memorials from several hundred miners working in the coal mines in the Indian Territory, asking for the appointment of an inspector under the act referred to. The recent frightful disaster at Krebs, in that Territory, in which 67 miners met a horrible death, gives urgency to their appeal, and I recommend that a special appropriation be at once made for the salaries and necessary expenses of the inspectors provided for in the law.

BENJ. HARRISON.

EXECUTIVE MANSION,  
February 16, 1892.

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*To the President and members of the House of Congress, Washington, D. C.:*

We, the undersigned, practical miners, working in the Indian Territory, do respectfully petition that for the better safety of our lives and for the proper regulation of the mines of this Territory, that an inspector be appointed under the bill passed at the last session of Con-

gress known as H. R. 3839, report 2588, being a bill introduced by Mr. Lacey for the protection of the lives of miners in the Territories.

The recent great disaster at Krebs has shown the necessity of a Government supervision through a properly appointed inspector, and believing the conditions of the act above quoted, when enforced by a competent inspector, will give us the necessary protection, we do hereby respectfully petition that an inspector be immediately appointed under said act and be required to enter upon his duties at once.

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