MANY RESOLUTIONS

Mining Congress Has its Hands Full Winding Up Business.

AN INDEPENDENT DEPARTMENT

Of Mines and Mining at Washington Will be Petitioned to Congress.

THE RESOLUTION PRELIMINARIES DEBATE.

Not the Friends of Such a Governmental Department: Extra Out Visitors to the Park.

There were many things done after President Pilgrim called to order the International Mining Congress this morning. Today was one of resolutions and many of them were quite wide reaching importance and dealt with subjects in which nearly everybody is interested.

AT TO SERVICES.

Mr. Fowkenning of Colorado introduced the following resolution, which was referred to the appropriate committee:

"As it is a well known fact that the law now permits the locator of any mining claim to enter upon it before securing his title, and inasmuch as this law is used largely for the purpose of stealing valuable mines and to enable unscrupulous and ignorant people to secure valuable property, thereby creating some litigation, and as it is a well known fact that a number of mines have lost much time and have been and are to continue arising from this very fact of providing service, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the Congress of the United States be requested to enact a law compelling the locator of a claim of any kind to take that such locator should not be charged with the work on or actually exercised and occupied.

FACETIOUS RESOLUTION.

Tom Smith, Esq., of New Mexico presented the following resolution, which was likewise referred to the committee on resolutions:

"Whereas, the Congress of the United States has to do its work, and the court of private and claims created thereby and acting thereunder has declared that all mineral found on and private land grants shall remain the property of the United States, the surface only being granted to the grantees and their assignees; and

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