

BLIND BILLETDO

Another Blow Given to the Advocates of the White Metal.

COINAGE OF SILVER SEIGNIORAGE DEAD

President Cleveland Announces to Congress His Disapproval of the Measure.

HE STATES HIS REASONS AT LENGTH

Belief that Such a Law Would Greatly Endanger the Public Good.

IT WOULD ALSO ROB US OF OUR GOLD

So Loosely Had the Bill Been Drawn That Its Provisions Would Be Constructed in Many Ways—Another Chance for Bonds.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The president today sent to the house of representatives the following message vetoing the Bland bill.

To the House of Representatives: I return without my approval house bill No. 4596, entitled "An Act Directing the Coinage of the Silver Bullion Held in the Treasury, and for Other Purposes."

My strong desire to avoid disagreement with those in both houses of congress who have supported this bill would lead me to sign it if it could be thereby endangered and that such action on my part would be a proper discharge of official duty.

Inasmuch, however, as I am unable to satisfy myself that the proposed legislation is either wise or opportune, my conception of the obligations and responsibilities attached to the great office I hold forbids the indulgence of my personal desire and inexorably confines me to that course which is dictated by my reason and judgment and points out by a sincere purpose to protect and promote the general interests of our people.

The bill, which was passed by the house of representatives on the 27th of March, is in its provisions and its operation in its several parts, and its consequences, so far as they relate to our financial ability and a lack of confidence in our fiscal policy.

Among those who attempted to assign causes for our distresses are those who have proposed the issue of a provision of law then in force which required the government to purchase monthly a large amount of silver bullion for its use in the redemption of its currency.

This led to the repeal of the act of November, 1883, of the statutory provision. We had, however, fallen so low in the depths of depression and timidity and apprehension had so completely gained ascendancy in our minds that our rapid recuperation could not be reasonably expected.

Our recovery has, nevertheless, steadily progressed, and though but few months have elapsed since the repeal of the mischievous silver purchase requirement, a wholesome improvement is unmistakably apparent.

Confidence in our absolute ability to support our existing debt and faith in our disposition to adhere to sound financial methods is so far advanced that we are now in a position to encourage results both at home and abroad.

WHEELS OF INDUSTRY IN MOTION. The wheels of domestic industry have been slowly set in motion and the tide of foreign trade is beginning to rise.

Our recovery being so well under way, nothing should be done to check our convalescence, nor should we forget that a return to the old stage of depression would reduce us to a lower stage of financial distress than that from which we are just emerging.

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MAINTENANCE OF THE PARITY BETWEEN THE TWO METALS.

NECESSITY OF A STABLE CURRENCY. If both gold and silver are to serve as a medium of exchange...

REPUBLICANS CONTINUE THEIR FILIBUSTERING TACTICS—MANY ANGRY DILOGUES BETWEEN MEMBERS ENDS AND PERSONAL ENCOUNTERS AT TIMES NARROWLY AVERTED.

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Mad Scenes in the House Follow an Attempt to Take Up the Election Cases.

PARTISAN FEELING AT A HIGH PITCH

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