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appropriating the public money where it properly belongs...

At this point Mr. S. L. Keitt asked how about the loan to the cotton exposition at New Orleans...

Senator Butler replied that he was glad that question had been asked...

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What would you think of a proposition to lend money out of the State treasury at 2 per cent. to the people...

There are three classes of people. One class never borrows nor lends...

Another class has made money and does not care to invest it in lands and land...

There is still another class, to which unfortunately I belong...

This latter class may be divided into three classes. First a man may find that he can money by speculating and pay 10 to 15 per cent. for it...

Second, another man borrows, say at 8 per cent. and his fortune overtakes him and prevents him returning it, although he is honest and wants to return it but can't...

At this point Mr. J. L. Keitt asked Senator Butler if the government didn't lend money to national banks at one per cent.

Butler said: "No, sir. National banks buy their circulation from the government. The 1 per cent. is a tax in addition to the privilege already paid for their circulation."

Senator Butler then gave a brief history of national banks and the necessity for their establishment under the then existing circumstances. He said they were organized to meet the necessity of emergency precipitated by the war. Personally he was opposed to national banks because he believed, being organized during the prosecution of the war, they were intended to subserve a temporary purpose. At this juncture Mr. Keitt again

renewed his question, and Senator Butler becoming a little riled, replied that he could furnish the facts but he could not furnish the understanding to comprehend them. My friend says that 60 million dollars of gold have been taken out of the treasury and sent to foreign countries, and that the treasury is depleted and that this money has been sent off to keep from paying the bonds that mature in September. I say to him that the cause of the depletion of the treasury is the extravagance of the last Congress in appropriating one billion dollars to pay pensions, and other appropriations. That is the cause of the shrinkage in the treasury.

Senator Butler then said that he had some suggestions to offer as a remedy for the disease that was admitted to exist.

First. As an amendment to the sub-treasury bill he would offer a substitute the striking out after the enacting clause all the provisions and the substitution of the Mills bill, which provided a reduction of taxation of from 57 to 60 per cent. ad valorem to something like 40 per cent.

The Alliance had their men up there at Washington to look after the bill, but no man ever approached me and asked me to amend it, and it never came up before the Senate and I had no opportunity of offering any amendment. Some of our said tariff didn't hurt. The Senator replied that the duty on cottons had been raised from about forty to 102 per cent. ad valorem.

The second remedy he would offer would be a reduction of the expenses of the government. Instead of spending one billion dollars as the last Congress did he would reduce the expenses just one half and the government could get along admirably with that amount.

The third remedy offered by Senator Butler was the repeal of the ten per cent tax on State bank issues and let State banks be established, and this was no new idea of his, but he had advocated it as one of the first official acts of his life as United States Senator.

He would go one step further, if he had the authority, although that could not be done by statute, he would not permit but ten acres of cotton planted to the acre, and would require the farmers to raise their own provisions at home for the next three years and in that time, under his policy, they would have the whole country at their knees. The farmers would be the happiest, most independent and contented people in the world. If the farmers are not in such condition it is their own fault.

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After being on exhibition some time, a car was specially prepared to transport it to Chicago. This was done by cutting a slot in the center of a flat car, in which stirrups were placed. The plank was placed on edge in the slot, its lower edge being within about a foot of the ties.

The plank was cut on the lands of the Elk River Mill and Lumber Company, in Humboldt County, Cal. It is on exhibition in Detroit, Mich., whence it may be sent to East Saginaw and elsewhere, to finally bring up in Chicago at the world's fair. The plank shows evidence of growth, with richness of figure, and a finish such as the highest quality of material and the

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The flea's manner of breathing is still undetermined, but it is thought to be through two small holes at the end of the palpi.—St. Louis Republic.

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