

FREE SILVER ABANDONED.

STARTLING ACTION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

Free Coinage of Silver Discontinued and the Gold Standard Introduced.

LONDON, June 28.—In the House of Commons the Earl of Kimberley, Secretary of State for India, announced that the India Council had passed an act for the immediate closing of the Indian mints to the free coinage of silver.

The Earl of Kimberley further said that it is intended to introduce the gold standard in India, but that the gold in the mint will not be made the sole legal tender.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Gladstone gave information similar to that given in the House of Lords by the Earl of Kimberley. He added that gold would not be made a legal tender at present.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—The President, Secretary Carlisle and the financial officers of the government generally received their first authentic news of the startling action of the government of India in suspending silver coinage.

The circumstances are regarded as serious to permit of any authentic expression of opinion as to the policy of the United States until all the facts are fully digested.

WASHINGTON, June 27.—One effect of the action of the government of India has been to renew the demand for an early session of Congress, and this has been the subject of discussion presented to Secretary Carlisle this morning by many of his Congressional callers.

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to give money commodities a fictitious value, but the time had arrived which to remain inactive was impossible.

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SENATOR BUTLER'S POSITION.

He is Working to Restore Harmony and Good Feeling Among the Democrats of South Carolina.

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HISTORIC WOMEN OF CAROLINA.

The following sketches were read at the recent memorial exercises of the Winthrop Normal College:

Mrs. Behethland Foote Butler.

Among the women of Revolution deserving remembrance, there is one whose name is not generally known, but who was one of the most admirable persons in the world.

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