

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON

Jan'y 3, 1884.

Dear sir:

I have your favor with the enclosure, and while I have, I confess, but very little hope of succeeding with anything at the present session of Congress, I see no objection to this proposition of Mr. Holmes. Of course I do not abandon my old bill. I have been thwarted in my efforts for the last two or three years in