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## The Do-Nothing Oongrees.

 Probably since Congresses first assembled at Wasanington ther never
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nity than the Fify fourth Congesto
afford the country helpfulul legrstation, or which more atterly failed to grasp
its opportunity. It would have greatly
diminished te Republican Congress and Presiden
in November if tiis Congress had fol
. lowed the recommendations of the
President with regard to financial
legislation. It would legistation. It would have been almost
as hazardous sto have adopted some
temporary measure, like a beer tax, a tax on coffec or tea, or a slight tax on
sugar, to cover the lessening deficit
in the Federal revenue But notwith. in hee ederal revenue. But notwith-
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revenue was an immediate necessity revenue was an immediate necessity,
partisanship overbore every other onsideration. Speaker Reed a nounced at the beginning of the ses.
son that it would be a donothing
Congres. He has made good his
prophecy. Nothing has been done except to make heary appropriations,
and by negetect and celay to prolong
a season of industrial distress and an prehension in the hope therefrom to reapp political advantage.
These are hard words true. If they need words, onfirmation be. their face the confirmation is to be
found in the admissions of Republican leaders that their inactivity has been
deliberate. They have only attem ed such general legislation as they knew could not receisice the sanction passed by hoth of houses, could not or
recive the atproval of the eceive the approval of the Executive.
This may be grand politics, but it is This may be grand politics, but it is
death to trade and industry. - Phila.

The sixth new battleship of $t$ United States navy, the Oreghip of the has
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peed trial of the Pacific coast The speed trial off the Pacific coast. The
latter vessel made the remarkable hour; but the preliminary dispatches credit the Oregon with an achieve-
ment of 16.78 knots-more than a ment of 16.78 knots-more than Datteship of the Cramps. The hack
official record may prove to be less but at present the pre oregon to be less ;
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her the se to have won for her builders, the Union ium of $\$ 175,000$. The East doffs
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describing that eeformers and the difce between the The exes and the so-called bosses. he nomination the men the nuat don't get of reform movement whichs will put them
back. The superr. the incompetent, the disappointed, that become reformers when they get who are in, and reform is the men $\underset{\substack{\text { who } \\ \text { short }}}{ }$

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