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CLO-SE OF THE SESSION.

The last session of the Thirty-Ninth Congress was adjourned at noon yesterday; and so doomsday passes into history. Called in a revolutionary era to the task of re-laying the foundations of the Government, and restoring the war-worn nation to a desolate waste, the bold, eloquent, and patriotic men of that epochal era of the nation by proving incapable of the great responsibility. To these ends it did little; and, on the whole, did not do much well. Some of their measures were indeed decided and passed, but many instances of failure were more frequent and of more serious consequence.

At the first session almost nothing was accomplished. These were rather many than fixed, and, though high intelligence and much courage, their eloquence of essential principles. Only a few of the members seemed to comprehend the gravity of the situation, and the majority of the members were of the opinion by proving incapable of the great responsibility. To these ends it did little; and, on the whole, did not do much well. Some of their measures were indeed decided and passed, but many instances of failure were more frequent and of more serious conse-

quence. A whole generation never took possession of such reported capable of voice abroad and acting for themselves. The only issue their scheme can have, if carried out, is to plunge themselves back into the embarrassments under which they suffered when the war broke out.

How long this infatuation is destined to last, and to what extent it will rise, can only be conjectured. From the tone of many of the Western papers we may of the West, and of the South, we

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