

The public expressions of sorrow in the south over the death of Jefferson Davis emphasize the fact that they still have in their hearts of hearts a slumbering grief for the fate of the Confederacy.

Democratic house and secondarily by a Republican senate, as approved finally by a Democratic president, were met there probably by no surplus at all, properly so called—that is, no more money in the treasury than the exchequer of no great a surplus as ours ought to contain.

The non-partisan Bankers Monthly, which stands aloof, as becomes a magazine devoted to banking matters, from the contentions of political economists, has the following comment on the surplus, made all the more significant by its independent position:

The net surplus can not be said to be extravagant as a reserve for a first class power. It is not desirable just now either to begin borrowing again or to draw on the banks, for with a fixed volume of currency we can not get any more money.

The present session of congress will be a very important one for Eastern Oregon. The people desire liberal appropriations for the locks and for the boat railway between this city and Collio, and the forfeiture of the Walla Walla land grant.

THE SILVER QUESTION.

We expected a full discussion of the Silver question in Bradstreet's, as it is considered the financial exponent of the best national interests; but our surprise can well be imagined when the following non-committal paragraph was published on November 30th:

A convention called for the purpose of influencing public opinion on congressional action in reference to silver was in session at St. Louis for three days this week. A number of resolutions were brought before the convention, but the gist of the convention's propositions was summed up in the closing resolution adopted on the report of the committee on resolutions.

This question of an extra coinage of silver will come before the present congress, and we hope the Republican will follow the course advocated in the message of ex-President Cleveland. However much we disagree with the Democratic executive on the tariff we believe he followed the only sound policy on the silver question.

The Eastern Oregon Republican has outlined the federal appointments for Oregon, with what degree of certainty we know not. It gives J. C. Leasure, of Pendleton, the position of prosecuting attorney and John W. Minto, U. S. Marshal. The editor may have the ear of the Oregon Legislature and of President Harrison, but we doubt this very much.

That among Canadians there is some dissatisfaction with the home government cannot be doubted. The descendants of the French will always be opposed to any form of government which is dictated from London, and there are other classes which are equally discontented.

TELEGRAPHIC.

STRIKE OF THE NORTHERN PACIFIC. Tacoma, Dec. 9.—Traffic business on the Cascade division of the Northern Pacific railroad is paralyzed by a strike of the engineers and switchmen.

RED BLUFF SALOON-KEEPER DROWNED. Red Bluff, Dec. 11.—C. T. Jones, proprietor of the rooms and well-known saloon at Red Bluff, was killed while attempting to cross the bridge over Reed's creek.

CLIMAX OF THE STORM. Bradstreet, Cal., Dec. 10.—The heaviest snow yet recorded in the state, a windstorm in the forenoon was followed by a heavy rain that ran through the streets like a cloud burst.

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CHILDREN CRY FOR PITCHER'S MURDER.

Singing hymns on the streets is not any more discordant than other practices which are common in cities, and if any good is accomplished by such means they should be tolerated at least.

A Canadian customs official who has just returned to Ottawa from the Pacific Coast, says the S. F. Bulletin believes that opium smugglers annually rob the United States of about one million dollars in duties, but he forgot to mention that it is Dominion principles and practice, which renders this robbery possible, and that Canadian refiners profit by it.

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THE INDIAN DELEGATION.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The five chiefs of the Unalakleet Indian reservation, accompanied by Agent Northouse and an interpreter, were up to the capital to day and had a "big talk" with Senators Dolph and Mitchell and Representative Herman in Mr. Mitchell's committee room.

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All our 40 inch all wool ribbed and striped, 62 1/2 cts. per yd., now 50 cts.

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All our Men's Suits, former price, \$10, selling now at \$7.50. All our Men's Suits, former price, \$15, selling now at \$11.00. All our Men's Suits, former price, \$20, selling now at \$15.00.

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