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Light Behind the Clond.

No people, perhaps, in the whole his-tory of civilization were ever more sud-denly overwhelmed with sorrows than denly overwhelmed with sorrows than were our Southern people at the close of the late war between the two great sections of the Union. There was hard-ly a household in the Confederacy on which the shadow of death had not unexpectedly fallen-scarcely a family in which there was not a member Missing. And these loved and lost were not the aged, gathered to the grave as the rip-emed grain is gathered in the garner-not the infirm who were standard from earth because their earthly days from earth because their county the ro-were out; they were the young, the ro-bust, the buoyant, the pillars of the house the luste, trusty youth, the stal-wart men in the morning of manhood, upon whom fathers and mothers, sister and brothers of tender years, rep in hope, in confidence, in affection, and in pride. And, added to all the anguish of agonizing grief arising from this deep, bitter and sacred source of sorrow, our people were prostrated in a moment from plenty to poverty. Every-body was sad; almost all of us were despondent: and it was reasonable; it was natural; it was inevitable that we should be so.

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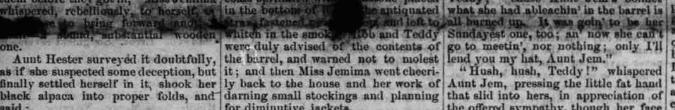
Seven years have passed since then, and although the Southern people are still far from having retrieved their fortunes, they have managed to live, and right rapidly they are moving forward to health and strength, prosperity and happiness again. We have cause to congratulate one another ; we have reason to hope on and toil on. And be-yond all, above all, we ought to feel

noisy, boys. Don't you see Annt Hest, ter is hor?' answered Annt Jeen, in dugent but distressed.
"Yes; that's what we don't want to come in for?' answered Teddy, with the mill or a lise height the most full to make it prosents that the retresting frunkness. "Wort'y you preserve the distresses as a stat for yision sand was prepared for the speech that came next.
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ought it necessary to make, for she tered without the formality of a ock, seated herself in the rocking-nir, or attempted to do so, but im-diately resumed her feet again. "Hum! I advise you to put that hair out of the way, Jemins. One an't be always remembering that the ottom is broken out," she remarked, sidering you werely, "unless, indeed, you intend She was as a strap to eatch your friends in." and so in a "If that was the object,"I'd get it she had a stoutside the gate, and try to catch closely-co-coals sprin in the obligently to harmely in the ball

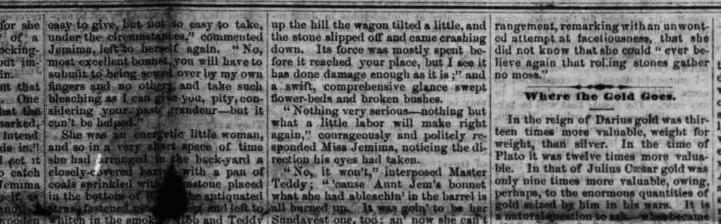
ou were getting on."

Aunt Hester."



"I thought I would call and see how

ou were getting on." that spring morning, and she stole some effort to betray no discomposure. It did occur to Jemima that if she glances at it now and then through the "No, sir; there's not much harm done.



the offered sympathy, though her face for diminutive jackets. Theout-of-door world was very lovely grew suddenly rosy, and it required

had known of her coming she would have got so far on as to be out of sight; "About as usual we are, thank you, Aunt Hester." "About as usual we are, thank you, Aunt Hester." "Aunt Jem! Aunt Jem!" cried Rob and Teddy, making a rush from the yard, getting terribly mixed up in the doorway, and each trying to explain the other's marks before he had made any. "Deed, Aunt Jem, we won't hurt it any—a rumbreller to build a barn with; 'cause we can't put our horses whom Jemima scanned more closely man some thirty, three or four years. Sional passers-by on the road beyond. These last were not many, for it was only a quict village road; but present-ly there passed a team with an unusual load—a large, heavy millstone. The driver walked beside it as it moved slowly along, and following it a short it any—a rumbreller to build a barn whom Jemima scanned more closely Here he closely and the felt tolerably certain that they had not been conjured out of a barrel. nowhere; and we want it top o' the chicken-coop. Say, may we?" — a man some thirty-three or four years "Yes, dear, yes; but don't be so noisy, boys. Don't you see Aunt Hes-gray. There was nothing very re-sold, and fancied that most ladies bought er is here ?" answered Aunt Jem, in- markable in his appearance ; neverthe- them. Brewing them at home, in bar-

of the gold and silver? A paper read before the Polytechnic Association by

Dr. Stephenson, recently, is calculated to meet this inquiry. He says of our annual gold product, fully fifteen per cent. is melted down for manufacture; thirty-five per cent. goes to Europe, twenty-five per cent. to Cuba; fifteen per cent. to Brazil; five per cent. direct to Japan, China, and the Indies;

leaving but five per cent. for circula tion in this country. Of that which goes to Cuba, the West Indies, and Brazil, fully fifty per cent findes, and Brazil, fully fifty per cent finds its way to Europe, where, after deducting a large per centage used in manufactur-ing, four-fifths of the remainder is exported to India.

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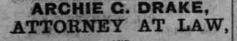
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