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Lndge of York Masons. As to onf
being a Mason, we are surprised, as
SALISBCRY, N. C., DECEMBER 14, 18 Stonewall Jackson had lived; that Vicks-
burg wonld not have fallen if Pember war might have lasted much longer, pe Johnston had not been removed from command at Allanta ; that if our peopl sned a different policy, or Mr. Malroy
had possessed any capacity for the Na possessed the hearts of our people, or
had foreign Nations intervened, or if our ecrip had remained at par, or specula other thing had, or had not happened ac cording to the peculiar beet of the party,
the Confederacy might have been estab lished. Have these parties who prate si
glibly about the capses that induced fail ure, ever examined their own private re
cords? If so, do they find no fant witl themselves? Do they answer to them-1
celves honestly and truly, "I did my par and iny whole part in the late struggle.
Some on the other hand treat the lat struggle in its isception and in the inflo
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machinery; its destruction at sudden and complete, as to shrond th is the direct will of God, then as ador believing that He caused everything t happen for the best, we should feel pro
foundly thankful. We hope those who believe in special diepensalicns of prov-
denee, will inculcate the idea in all it bearings, it does, not satisfy the reason ways; if He specially ordered the end did the beginning, if each were equally the end, but be thankful that "His will
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$$ THE "KEY-STONE" AND BOGUS A friend has kindly placed at our dis posal the December No. of this valuable

and interesting periodical. It shonld meet with the patronage of the craft.
The editor sees fit to comment, not ex actly in a Masonic spirit, we regret, some time since under the caption of
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