

Poet's Corner.

Owns that the heavenly influence of the sun...
(WRITTEN FOR THE SOUTHERNER.)

The Lost Cause.

The wind sweeps by with a desolate shriek...
Must we sit while and listen still...
A mother weeps with a mother's grief...

The Iron Vault.

I live in San Francisco, and am a lock-smith...
I believe I told you, madam, I should not...

lodged. Thinking of burglars, sprang out of bed...
"Who's there?" I enquired, raising the hammer...
"Rather past business hours, I should say, but who are you?"

"Disguise is useless; I presume you recognize me?"
"Believe I told you, madam, I should not soon forget your face. In what way can I serve you?"

"What is the condition?" I asked.
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"Certainly, madam, if you desire it.—If I cannot forget your face, I will at least attempt to lose the recollection of ever seeing it there."

About 2 o'clock in the morning, in the latter part of May following, I was awoke by a gentle tap upon the window of the little room back of the shop in which I

evidently an underground basement, stopped beside a vault and removed the handkerchief from its eyes.
"Here is the vault—open it," said she, springing the door of the dark-lantern, and throwing a beam of light upon the lock.

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I entered the shop, and the purse of gold was the only evidence I could summon in my bewilderment, that all I had just done and witnessed was not a dream.

A month after that, I saw the lady and gentleman taken from the vault walking leisurely along Montgomery street. I do not know, but I believe the sleeping husband awoke within the vault, and his bones are there today.—The wife is still a resident of San Francisco.

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