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Dear Sir: The question you ask is one of the most difficult I am ever called upon to answer, for this reason: the information you desire is not to be found in any specific columns, but is rather a part of the general history of the country.

The "industrial" and "educational" condition of the South is chiefly to be found in statistical reports. The census, reports of State Superintendents of the Peabody Fund, and the different Church Societies having Missionary work in the South. I have never seen any work giving anything like a fair or comprehensive account of the educational condition of the South. There have been a good many scattered articles of positive value.

The "industrial" condition of the South is still more difficult to obtain a knowledge of. You can learn the increase of railroads and manufacturing industries, but of the conditions of labor which I suppose to be what you want, I know no reliable guide. It must be gotten by personal here and there.

The "Memorial of a Southern Planter" is interesting and to me who knows how to allow for the "personal equation" instructive. Cable's "Case in Equity" presents one phase — the weak apparent one of the ~~the~~ Freedmen's condition but in some re-

spects it is very enlightening.

I think my "Appeal to Caesar" in one sense may offer much that you want. It has more essential facts than any other work on the subject. Hot Plowshares - is a contrast of Southern and Northern ideas before the war. You will find it meaty and the story won't hurt you. "Eighty-Nine" (Curello, New York) is a powerful presentation of contrasted conditions in both epochs. A work just published by Ford, Howard Hulbert New York, entitled "An Appeal to Pharaoh", is by a Southern man who advocates deportation of the blacks. I might name a hundred more but there are none on the particular subjects you ask about. You must remember that the things you wish to know are mainly matters of inference and daily life. Our general history from 1830 to 1860 was mostly made up of pro- or anti-Southern thought. In like manner our political history since that time, has in the main been a history of the "Southern Question".

The facts and opinions are scattered through
thousands of newspapers, magazines and books.
Our whole literature is replete with them; but after
all no man can find a book to guide
him in its deliberation. Nor does he need
any. The basic facts are few. The ordinarily
informed reader has them in hand, and
he must determine for himself their tendency.

Yours very truly