

Hester. He is speaking if we listen. He has his prophets. Let us welcome them.

And with the gloomy times that are upon us and the gloomier times perhaps to come let us hold fast to the truth our minister has long taught us : God is not afar off. Out of sorrow the day of glory will arise. It does seem as if Mr. Parker's words were to come true that we are to enter into a fraternal struggle ; we of the North are to lock horns with the South. God pity us both, and when the strife is over forgive us both and bless us.

The great word of our minister stands forth for us now, and is to be our sun and shield : " God is good."

How precious ! How strong !

Affectionately,

Dorothy.