

in whose house you  
h and low, but she  
remotest idea what  
were."

, in astonishment.  
thought of coming

else," said Josiah,  
ere, they knew this  
d be, so I persuaded  
they would find you  
e added, turning to  
se young redskins?

Nance indignantly;  
party, — for we met  
they insisted upon  
they've been a great

as far as I can see,"  
believed any of the  
hadn't been for the  
't have been any."  
ly.

see what I've been  
e've been home ten  
horse and the cow  
y shy at first, but

I've managed to tame them so they'll follow me now,  
and you'll find them both in the barn."

"You didn't see anything of the chickens or the  
pig, did you?" asked Jerry.

"I didn't see anything of the chickens," said Nance,  
"but I was out in the woods one day, and I heard a  
noise, and looked up and there was our old grunter.  
He eyed me for a time as if he half remembered some-  
thing about me, but when I moved he started off for  
the forest, and I've not seen or heard anything of him  
since. But come out here, I want to show you what  
I've done."

The brave girl led the way to the clearing and  
showed her brothers what she had done in the way of  
ploughing and planting, alone and unaided.

"You're a great girl, Nance," said Tom proudly.  
"I think Old Hickory would have been glad to have  
had you in his army."

"Yes, I presume he would," said Mrs. Curry. "I  
haven't any doubt that he wasn't satisfied with hav-  
ing only the men, but that he would take the women  
and the children too if he could. All he wanted  
was to kill off these poor Indians and make a name  
for himself. I know all about such men, and I don't  
feel very well about your leaving me all alone through  
these months, and not knowing what was going to  
happen to us any minute."

"I'll tell the general the next time I see him,"