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now in exisence within the limit of those
States, coustitational governments? And this is a question which we very much doubt
the capacity of the supreme Court to pass
 tions to the nation, as a participant tin the
goverument therof, we po not think it ana
and of the nation, legaily expressed through. its
Represeatotatives in Oongress assembled. We
do not think it can be restored of its own motion, or by a decision of the Supreme
Court,or by the flat of the Executive. There
are no preceedents to gulde us. The question lights we can obtain. The doctrine that a
State may discard all its constlutional oblwage war against the nation for years, and
When, by the mere fact of its being overcome, thoroughly whpped, and subiugatad, be entit.
tled, of right and without conditions, to resume its old political power in the Govern-
ment it has attempted to destroy, is to us and aburrd-tho very essencer ot anarchypreme Court of the United States holds it
untll compelled to do so by an "absolute The present State Govermments of the late tive, goten up by hiut to supply the phice of
the old State Governments, which he forcibly overthrew. So far as Justice Nelson's argu-
nent goes, it bears yery strongly against the egalily of these Executive State Governoverthrown predeecesos.0. Congesrativie logic State status teands to the same conclusion Indeed, neither upon the conservative theory
nor upon the radical theerr can
noe fended. The war was waged to establish constitaonal relations between the revolted States
and the United States. That is what the Republican party is trying to accomplish, and would have accomplished long ere thil the President, in attempting to create State Goveraments and give them a standing in the Union, blocked up, the way and prevented the
Theyllotally misapprebend the spirit of the great Union organization who suppose that it
would permannenily exclude the late Rebel States from participation in the Goverument. Such is not its purpose. But it does intend n restoring these states to power in the Way and upon such a basle es will in such a fights of all classes of citizens at the South the perils ot fuature rebellione country agains by totally destroying those antl-republican Seatures of sociely and govermment out on
Which they leviltably grow. Upou the




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