
The Daughter of the Confederacy.

The life of Varina Anne Jefferson-Davis, or Winnie Davis, as she was more commonly called, began amid the storms of war, June 27, 1864, in the White House of the South, in Richmond. Miss Davis was educated in France and Germany, and became her father's companion and secretary, and assistant in his literary work.

In social work Miss Davis took the rank to which her birth, natural talents, and education entitled her. According to a writer in Harper's Bazar, she was gracious in manner, kindly in disposition, and counted her friends by the score, without regard to lines, sectional or geographical. At an early age she showed marked literary talent inclinations, and this tendency in later life she



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turned to active use. Her first novel was *The Veiled Doctor*, a story of Southern life, which showed elements of strength and dramatic power. The book was well received; and her second one, *A Romance of Summer Seas*, which appeared two months ago, shows a great advance in story-telling power, and is marked by a sprightly style and an undercurrent of humor often verging on wit. Miss Davis was just making for herself a position in the field of literature, when death stopped the busy pen. But the love which was hers in life goes beyond the grave, and holds in tender recollection one who combined in her person all that was noble, gentle and true in Southern womanhood.