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produced which are likely to arouse race prejudice. I have not seen a copy of the bill, but will try to obtain one, and will send it to you. As I understand it, power has been given to the City officials to stop any play which in their opinion is likely to arouse race prejudice. It is a good deal of responsibility to put on the City officials, and a great deal depends on the calibre of the men in office.

I am extremely sorry to learn that you have been called to Malden, West Virginia, on such a sad errand. I hope that you will accept my sincerest sympathy. Sincerely yours,

Charles E. Mason

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To Marcus Mosiah Garvey

[Tuskegee, Ala.] April 27, 1915

My dear Mr. Garvey: I have yours of April 12th advising of your proposed tour of this country and of your plan to visit Tuskegee Institute while in the South.

I am very glad indeed that you have decided to come here and it will give us all very great pleasure to make your stay as pleasant and as profitable as we can. Certainly I shall do what I can to help you while in this country.

I thank you for sending me the statement outlining the aim and purpose of the Negro Improvement Association. Yours very truly,

Booker T. Washington

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From Jesse H. Harris

Boston Mass. May 3rd 1915

My dear Mr Washington — You have heard of our fight here against “The Birth of a Nation.” We are still fighting and the best thing of all