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titude towards Social Equality"; "By What Name shall we call Our Race"; "The Negro's Progress for 1905" and "The Negro's Program for 1906." Prof. Wm. Pickens and Mr. Charles W. Chesnutt are to write on Social Equality. Dr. Bowen will give us a contributed article on what name the Negro race should be called. Professors W. S. Scarborough and Kelly Miller will write on "The Negro's Program for 1906." Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois is to write on the Niagara Movement. He will recommend that the united support of the race be given to this Movement. We are very anxious to have a consensus of opinion from the leading thinkers of the race on the proper attitude the Negro should exercise towards educational questions, towards property getting, towards political affairs and towards national racial organizations. We want to give all sides free scope in our Magazine to discuss the questions we have just named. It is not our desire — and never has been — to appear one-sided and narrow. Of course, if the press of business is so great that you will not have time to prepare the article, we will have to state to the public that you were invited, but were not able to give us the article because of pressing duties, but we very much prefer that you give us an article, although it be ever so brief. Yours very truly,

J. Max Barber

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To Jesse Max Barber

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Dear Mr. Barber: Your letter has been received. I regret very much that I was not able to send you more than an appreciative statement regarding the President's visit. The fact is that I must fulfill some of my back promises in the way of articles before I attempt to make new pledges. I am under obligation for articles long since promised to several magazines, and besides, am under promise to write one or two books which have not been finished. Aside from all this, I have to raise money each month to pay the salaries of 151