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My dear Sir:

I am your debtor for the very warm and appreciative letter of the 20th inst. You have before this time received the second article of the series. You will see from that what my feeling is. It seems quite unconceivable to me that our people should be so apathetic. The sense of justice seems to have been thoroughly squeezed out of us, as a people, in the mad rush for wealth. I suppose something better will come but I fear there is much to be apprehended of peril before that. You will observe that the Tribune, had nothing to say about these articles. They go too far - they regard the Negro as something more than a political football, to be kicked about as the interests of this or that party may demand. The Inter-Ocean of Chicago has for some time round. I have two columns a week in its Saturday issue (there were also in the weekly price \$1.00) in which I discuss such subjects, ^{very} generally ^{this} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~some~~ ^{some} ~~phase~~ ^{phase} of this one, every week. I think

there is a decided gain upon the matter in
public sentiment. The book of poems en-
titled Pauculus Prince, which will be out
in a few days, treats of the subject
very extensively. It is published by
Correll Publishing Co. New York
price \$1.00. You will see in that
some phases of the question I
could not touch in the Tribune
Monday, May