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My dear Judge:

For some such  
medium as the Forum you  
could make a telling ar-  
ticle on the Freedmen's progress  
to be shown at the Atlanta  
Exposition, so it occurs to me.

J.R.H. has arrived in Kerry,  
free trade England. I have been  
down to Rogers, Pet & Co. and  
bought two pairs of shoes  
at one dollar per pair  
to celebrate the event in  
this tax oppressed country.

Frank Smith has gone to Bet-  
lehem (N.H.) What a change  
from Chicago to Bethlehem!  
I also hear that Harris  
Gage is revisiting Sheffield.

Read me. I can visit only  
by letter.

With compliments to your  
family I remain, as ever

Yours sincerely

Geo. S. Hulbert

One of the buildings at the Atlanta Fair is to be devoted to the negro, its display illustrating his educational, industrial and business development after thirty years of freedom. No such exposition was made at Chicago, nor has any ever been made anywhere, and the present one will attract the most curious and sympathetic attention. In every State of the South the colored people are preparing for their exhibit with enthusiasm, and it bids fair to be of unique interest as an illustration of the industrial and social development of a race. Taking into account the short period of their enfranchisement they have made more rapid and substantial progress than any people in history, of which the forthcoming display will give token. It will be one of the most interesting features of the fair, which is now in the final months of preparation, and which promises to be as splendid and successful as the most ardent Atlantean or Georgian or Southerner at large could hope for.