

THE FORUM,  
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January 5, 1889.  
Judge A. W. Tourgée.

Dear Sir:

I can now see far enough ahead to give the word for the article to be written on the future of the Negro. I enclose a proof of the article on the opposite side that is to appear before yours. Yours, however, is not to follow this immediately, for between Senator Morgan and you is to come Prof. Scarborough, of Wilberforce University, Ohio, invited in accordance with the request of a considerable number of

regret that their race might  
be represented in the discussion.

I should like to have your  
MS. by February 25, and  
should prefer that it be  
not completed before Feb-  
ruary. It is important that  
the length do not exceed  
4100 words.

Since the series began  
I have been desirous that  
it should be conducted  
throughout with all moder-  
ation. The writers have  
generally refrained from  
extreme or irritating  
expressions, though her-

haps Senator Morgan comes  
very near offending in that  
direction. Papers of the char-  
acter of those by General  
Sherman and Mr. Ross-  
ter Johnson, threatening  
war and bloodshed, have  
excited ridicule rather than  
awakened serious consid-  
eration of the problem. In the  
Forum papers none of the  
writers seems to realize the  
danger that appears to me  
to be imminent, of a  
race war of serious mag-  
nitude at no distant  
date.

Yours very truly,  
L. S. Metcalf.