

My dear Sir: I have your letter
with enclosures which are
herewith returned. Miss Wells
is a brave woman who bids
fair to be of inestimable service
to her race.

The petition is admirable, short
concise, pointed and with no
sprinkles & eagle in it. I take feathers
in a serious dish.

The letter from Douglas and
his suggestion of a month of
brawling at a "Congress," does
not commend itself to me.
I do not think the effect
would be good. It is easy
for a man to make an ass
of himself if he has a little
too much time. Extend the

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and suitably untrifling the
numbers and you have the sum
you to a race or class.

Let the colored people put out
a strong, brief, compact yet
comprehensive pamphlet in a
~~do~~ two or three languages, cir-
culate it freely at the Fair
and then let the matter
alone.

If this is done and
the 31st of May observed
as "Supplication Day" the
race will make a signifi-
cant and impressive protest
against injustice. I think
the truckling spirit is going
to prevail and the 31st
of May allowed to

will send into ~~the~~ indistinguishable
circulation. Please. If it does, I will say to you
privately, that my confidence in the
future will be greatly revived. The power and
indignation to number wrong and reward
justice is the only guaranty of substantial or
racial distinctions, and reform.
I will write the pamphlet if desired, though
it is a difficult matter and will take a good
deal of time - especially as it should be short
yet comprehensive. It should be printed and cir-
culated so as to be read in the churches on
"Supplication Day" which should be the
convention days.

what the Passover ~~is~~ is to the
 Jew — the feast of remembrance
 of the wrongs done to his people.

It is this spirit of religious
 resentment that has saved
 the Jew from extinction and
 only the same spirit can
 save the Negro. I whooped
 it up last year and got
 it well started. I own a
 little short of steam this
 year — especially because
 I think the race ought to
 be willing and able to go alone
 along a road so steadily blazed.

Yours truly
 William D. Boyce