Dear Daisis:

Coming later to the conference suggested for the holidays, I desire first to ask that you consider the advisability of calling now a conference, representing all the various national organizations, to compare notes and formulate plans for concerted action to preserve and protect the civil and political rights, privileges and immunities of colored men in all their varied and varying phases, and to make united campaign against their infringement and denial. I know that you have your hands full, but I could wish that you might be the first to issue such a call, sounding first the horns of the different organizations and defining in your own way the ends to be aimed at. It might be well to have both this combined conference and our own mid-winter meeting about the same time.

Respecting the N.Y. meeting, the more I think of it, the more I adhere to the composition intimated in my last letter, unless it be that our meeting is to suggest plans for the general good of all the people, in which event, should it not be composed of the best minds among our membership regardless of headship of any department? A brief talk with Bonner at lunch the other day strengthens my belief that a conference of the executive committee and the head of departments for the purposes indicated in Bentley's letter would simply put in doubt what is well settled and fixed.

The talk of again taking up Mass. matters is out of the
question as is that sillier suggestion of choosing for our delib-
erations a presiding officer rather than the president, no matter by
what name called. Of course the revival of the notion of election
of state secretary rather than the appointment, made the author
of the whole scheme so apparent that the ablest man could name him.

If gentlemen desire an inquiry into their own State mem-
bership they should have it, but Mass. has settled and closed the
incident so far as her membership is concerned.

The holidays last but a day about Boston. The courts
suspend for Christmas but take up the day following. If it neces-
sary to have a conference during that time, you will have your plan
and purposes so well laid out and defined that they may be carried
out without needless delay or expenditure, I am certain.

It might well be doubted I ought to say, that the writ-
er either of the so-called protest or of Murray's printed slip, go-
ings out of its way to meddle in Massachusetts matters and slur Mass
sen, is a suitable person for membership in a conference, not to de-
vote plans for the good of all rather than to gratify individual
whims or caprice. Better no conference than a discordant one.

To refer again to our annual meeting it was deemed well
not to incluse in the account such matters as the Mayor's having
the proper officers waive the $25 charge for Faneuil Hall, and the
contribution of provisions by other friends about which you were
informed while here. Kindest regards to all in Atlanta from all
here. Sincerely yours,

Clement G. Morgan.