Dear Friend:

A meeting of the District of Columbia Branch of the NIAGARA MOVEMENT will be held at the PLYMOUTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 17th and P Streets, N. W., Friday evening, August 7th at 8 o'clock.

Among other things to be considered is the representation of this Branch at the Annual Meeting of the Movement to be held at Oberlin, Ohio, August 31, and September 1 & 2.

The Niagara Movement stands for "freedom of speech and criticism," and during the three years of its existence has done the following things:

1. Defrayed the expense of two suits involving the legality of "Jim Crow" Cars, both of which were a vindication of the Principle of equal and identical accommodations for interstate passengers.
2. Defeated the incorporation into the Railroad Rate Bill of matter that, in effect, would have nationalized "Jim Crow" cars by federal legislation.
3. Opposed Baal-worship, false swearing, surrender and submission.
4. Gave a new birth to Garrisonian principles.
5. Honored the memory and sacrifice of John Brown.

These five things stand out clear and distinct. Everyone is saying that the race is facing a crisis. Few enumerate the elements which constitute it. If the race has courage, intelligence and integrity of character the scales will tip one way; if it has cowardice, superstition, and corruption of character they will tip the other way.

"Don't give up the ship," don't abandon a good cause. Come out to the meeting.

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