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THE MAGAZINES.
Current Literature for October contains a story called "The Storm," by "Zack" the very gifted new English writer, whose real name is Guendoline Keats; "About the Philippines," by J. E. Stevens, and a great many other articles, selections, poetry, etc., amounting probably to one hundred. It is supplied at \$3 a year, or 25 cents a number. It contains more reading than any American monthly at any price. Published at 55 Liberty street, New York City.

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The wickedest, the most unnatural, the most nonsensical, the most malicious proposition ever offered to men of fair sense is that 34 per cent. of negro tax payers shall levy the taxes and run the government and boss generally the white tax payers who pay 96 1/2 per cent. of all the taxes levied. An asylum of lunatics would turn out a better job than that. It is so utterly foolish as to be below the standard of average lunacy. And yet Sambo and Josh and the other fools say it must be so, and if the whites will not agree to it then they must have war made upon them. They are sowing a big crop of Dragon's teeth.

Porto Rico, now owned by the United States, is 105 miles long and forty wide. It has a mixed population of 800,000. It has fewer Spaniards than Cuba has in proportion to population. It is much poorer than Cuba is, and is less fertile. The whites and blacks are about equally divided, but the majority is composed of many sorts—mulattos, quadroons, octaroons, and several other kinds to compose "the mixtry." But the statistics are not considered reliable and numbers are often changed. The island possesses one large and good harbor, San Juan, and several small ones, including Port Jubos, Port Guanica, Port Real and Culebra. It is surrounded by islands owned by the French. Sugar, tobacco, coffee, guano and iron are its chief products. Its entire commerce aggregates \$26,000,000 a year. San Juan, the chief city, is considered the best example of a Spanish city in the new world. The houses in the city have handsome iron balconies, and those in the suburbs are often set in very pretty gardens. There are practically no sewers, and during the wet season the odors or malodors are numerous and very perceptible. There is also much malaria and fever during this season.

But do not mistake. There is no purpose "up north" to bring these things to pass among themselves, and Dancy and company are dreaming dreams when they count on it, as one of the negro writers in the Dancy publication is. He need not take the flattering notice to his soul. It is very mean, we grant, in the negro sympathizers "up there" being willing to curse the south while resolving not to curse their own people by administering the same physic. This is true. Some times, so there were race discriminations made at several places of assembly and entertainment. The New York Sun is a northern paper, republican, and not so friendly to the south. It is a northern newspaper with northern ideas. It said this some few years ago, and we have preserved the statement until now, having come across it while preparing matter for today's issue of the Messenger: "White people refuse to go where they will be brought in contact with large numbers of negroes, whether it is a church, theatre, or a watering place. That is the fact, and enfranchisement and the civil rights bill have in no respect altered it. Hotel keepers would not object to entertaining colored people if it was profitable for them to do so, but they know that they might almost as well admit a smallpox patient as a negro. Ninety-nine white people out of a hundred, and at the north, too, would be indignant if they were put next to him at a table, and leave the house, never again to set foot in it. So it is in theatres. The colored people must be cooped up by themselves in a grand gallery, and if they were so numerous here as to crowd the public conveniences the white race would rise upon rebellion against the carrying of them. Do we see negroes occupying conspicuous seats in fashionable churches, and if they did occupy them, what would be the effect on the prosperity of the churches?"

There is not a sober white man in Wilmington who in any way favors a race conflict. There are a thousand or so who will meet it bravely if it comes. Unfortunately it may be precipitated by rowdies and fellows loaded with mean whiskey any day or night. The only thing left for the men of peace to do is to make all possible preparation and courageously abide the issue. Mr. Foster speaks like a man of observation and a friend of peace when he expresses the following view: "Taking into consideration the determined will and set purpose of the citizens who represent the class of our citizens who pay 95 per cent. of the taxes, to take control of affairs, I have remarked to quite a number of people, and am still of the opinion, that it would be best at this time for the republicans not to put a ticket in the field. I think that the representatives of 95 per cent. of the taxes paid ought to control. They ought not to be deprived of their privilege of controlling the administration of their affairs. I want no citizen deprived of any of his rights or privileges to which he is entitled by reason of his intelligence and moral worth, yet I am heartily in favor of the control of affairs by the intelligence, character and property interests of any community." We verily believe that there is not a man of either race who is fit to cast a ballot who will not endorse that view. A fellow who is so ignorant, so hoodwinked, so bossed, so malicious as not to see it is past redemption and should be forever deprived of the right to vote in North Carolina or any where else. The Messenger reporter says that Mr. Foster "added that in giving the advice about not putting a republican county ticket in the field and expressing the views above, he fully believes that he is acting in the best interest of the colored man."

Mr. Alex. Peace, of Oxford, is a populist. He is a quiet, decent sort of a lawyer, and we are surprised that he hangs on to the populists now when they are divided, and a part have naturally and politically returned to the support of the old democracy of which he was once an ally and worker. He ought to see the wisdom and necessity of uniting to help save the state from farther misuse and threatened anarchy. He is reported in the Messenger's Raleigh letter as saying more republicans are coming up to the help of the White Man's party than populists. If true it is very commendable in them and very disgraceful to the populists. He seems to be well pleased that his set are deeply hardened and cannot agree to leave the pie counter. Mr. Peace should reflect and court wisdom. George White is smart and bumptious. He has a very consequential air and believes in George with all his might. Some of his party would like to swap him off or set him aside, but George is stubborn and defiant and will not "down" at the bidding of any wire-pullers. George will make the race. If he can be beaten it will be a glorious victory and a blessed deliverance. George is intemperate and has much bravado in his make up. Beat him at the polls.

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BREVITIES.
The coast line of the United States, including recent conquests, is 16,000 miles long. It is second in length only to that of the vast British empire. The more coast line the more cost and risk. The Spaniards are giving trouble in Paris. They do not understand real American sentiment. They are hard to deal with, but the American Commissioners are firm in their demands. The rich Duchess of Southernland was unwise enough to carry in a satchel \$150,000 worth of jewelry. She is that much poorer now, and the thief is that much richer. She lost it on a train in France. It is a remarkable statement that not a stone or any thing else marks the grave of James G. Blaine, who was the greatest republican in his day. His widow at last will erect a marble monument. It is strange his many worshippers and party friends had not done this long ago. The Dingley tariff robber tax is not equal to expenditures in producing revenues. No robber ought to prosper in his iniquity. The republican party is built on robbery and wrongs. Up in New England manufactures are talking of either cutting wages further or suspending work for a month. Profits now low. We hope there is some mistake in the cartoon in the Washington Post of Thursday. It is headed "A Democratic Prodigal." A fellow in rags is sitting on a tub in a hog pen, labelled "Fusion Fold," and it pictures W. C. F. Drexler, threatening to return to the democracy with confession of sins. Oh, no, remain where you are. There is "eternal fitness."

IN DEFENSE OF REV. J. H. PAGE.
Mr. H. A. Gililand, an Honest Populist, Resents the Insolent Attack of a Negro Upon the Good Minister, and Calls Upon the Men to Steer Clear of Traffic in the Street.
(Charlotte Observer.)
I am an old man, a peaceable man and always have lived an honest man. Never in my life have I taken any active part in political affairs and I should not do so now if it were not in defence of my dear old pastor, Jesse H. Page, whom I see him assailed as a negro has come in your town, and feeling that I am partly to blame for it, I feel that I would be a mean man to sit still and do nothing to say in defence of my dear old brother, whose name will live in the hearts of his people, and in defence of his country, long after such negroes, as the one who wrote such insulting language (calling him a liar, etc.) are gone. I wrote to another Page myself to know the truth of negro rule in the eastern counties. I had his first letter to me published without asking his consent. Knowing the man as I do I felt that every word is true. I felt that I wanted my friends to see and know for themselves what was the truth, having thought of any reasonable unprejudiced man, who knows Mr. Page, that do not believe him, yet I find many letters from him which I did not have published from the fact that there is such a howl over the first one, so I concluded I would not be instrumental in bringing up another howl, and thought I would keep quiet and let the office-seekers do the fighting, but, lo and behold! Up turns a vicious negro and calls my brother a liar, insolently demanding that he stop the "rot" and "lies," etc., and yet this negro calls himself a preacher! What kind of love do you call that? How many souls will be instrumental, in the hands of God, in saving?

HOME FOLKS.
Have you registered? It is your last chance today. It is your duty to do so if a White Man, and help to save civilization, preserve peace, defend society from the rule of anarchists, and prevent any farther detriment to North Carolina. Quit you like men who love your country and glory in the White Race.
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"Johnny get your gun" and put a load in it."
"Millions for defence, but not a cent for tribute." An old maxim good now.
The gathering at Tarboro of White Men was large and inspiring. The speaking was good and to the point. Let the fine old county of Edgecombe be redeemed from the rule of the negro and ruin.

Counting Chickens Too Early
While some negroes are jubilant over the fine prospect of social equality of the negroes in this country (see Dancy's Quarterly) there is a profound radical prejudice in the north as well as in the south. He must be a very superficial reader or a very ignorant man who has not seen much of race antagonism in the northern states. As the Messenger has said many times, so it repeats with all due emphasis, the honest and most sincere friends of the negroes are the southern whites. They have proved this not by empty words or long range sympathy, but by practical, every day illustrations—by acts, by repeated kindnesses. In the north there is a negro-phobic element that has been prone to force a standard upon others they would not receive themselves. They have been

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