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M.A. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, JANUARY 2017

Third Semester

Faculty of Language and Literature

Branch I: English

LEN 03 PC 11—AMERICAN LITERATURE

(2012 Admission onwards)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Weight: 30

Part A

- I. Answer any five of the following, each in about 50 words:
 - 1 Transcendentalism.
 - 2 Harlem Renaissance.
 - 3 Pilgrim Fathers.
 - 4 Memory play.
 - 5 Black American literature.
 - 6 Twentieth Century American Drama.
 - 7 Ethnic Literature in America.
 - 8 Expressionist Drama.

 $(5 \times 1 = 5)$

Part B

- II. Write short essays of about 100 words on any five of the following:
 - 9 What are the nostalgic elements in the poem 'Birches'?
 - 10 Write down the stylistic features of the poem 'Cherokee Rose'.
 - 11 How did the raven appear before the poet?
 - 12 Write down the structure of 'some portrait at 28'.
 - 13 What does the poet mean by 'some details' in 'Try to Remember Some Details'?
 - 14 Discuss how did huck help the slave to escape?
 - 15 What are the symbols used in 'The Old Man and the Sea'?
 - 16 Write down the theme of William Faulkner's story 'Bear'.

 $(5 \times 2 = 10)$.

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Part C

- III. Write essays of about 300 words on any three of the following:
 - 17 Discuss the structure of Nathaniel Hawthorne's story "Young Goodman Brown".
 - 18 What is the theme of Herman Melville's short story 'Bartle by the Scrivener'?
 - 19 Discuss 'Sea' as the real protagonist in 'The Old Man and the Sea'.
 - 20 What are the human rights envisaged by WEB Du Bois in "Human Rights for all Minorities"?
 - 21 Huckleberry Finn's journey is between the jungle and civilisation—Dsiscuss.
 - 22 Discuss the apocalyptic vision in 'Grapes of Wrath'.

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