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The Free Schools.

The present free school system is a shame and a monstrosity. We are in favor of popular education by the State; but the puny, emasculated fraud called the school system of North Carolina is a disgrace to our civilization. Let us have a rational system or none. School-officers without either salaries or power cannot be efficient. School teachers who will work for 18 or 20 dollars a month cannot be efficient. In consequence, the tax-payers are being robbed for no other purpose than to promote a general diffusion of robust and self-asserting ignorance. The State gives 15 cents this year per capita to the school children. Last year the counties were obliged to wrestle with the schools single-handed. Away with the miserable statutory lie.

It strikes us that Dr. York's proposition to apply the internal revenue tax on spirits to the school fund is only another subterfuge to retain the tax and the abominable system of collecting it. For the Federal Government to collect money from the people of North Carolina or Kentucky to be distributed to the schools of Maine and Kansas, would be unjust. The system is so radically bad that it cannot be adjusted so as to operate fairly or honestly under any circumstances but those of absolute necessity arising from national peril, and even then only upon the same principles which justified the Russians in burning the city of Moscow. Our sentence is for open war upon the whole thing. Abolish the system and the tax. If the States see fit to tax spirits let them do so.

Thomas Jefferson said, "Preach a crusade against ignorance; establish and improve the laws for educating the common people; the tax that will be paid for this purpose is not more than a thousandth part of what will be paid to kings, priests and nobles who will rise up among us if we leave the people in ignorance."

A Cauger's Shriek.

A tune was born in my head last

Out of a Revenue-gauger's shriek, And the tune has haunted me day and night

ill I've set it to words which ! now indite.

"The law allows three dollars a day For gauging of spirits, I've heard them say;

I only get half the "Revenue Cutter" all

He gives me the bread, but swallows the butter.

"My whole sad life is a life-long lie Signed and sealed so I cannot deny.

Starvation approaches and Cerebas growls,

Yet my cries for justice are answered with scowls.

The revenue spider-web, ah! ah me!

What a place for a man with a family!

They steal half you earn, and then bind you to swear

That things are transacted there perfectly fair."

Newberne Nutshell: A white shad—the first of the season—was brought to our market to-day, having been caught near Newberne.

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Lugs, bright common.	9 00 a 10 50
Lugs, good,	11 00 a 18 00
Lugs, fine.	13 00 a 18 0o
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Rich waxy fillers,	14 00 a 25 00
Leaf, fine,	18 00 a 20 00
Cutting Leaf,	12.60 a 15 00
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Lard,	15cts
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Green Hides.	7 cente
Dry Hides,	5 cents 10 cents
Roge.	15 a 20 cents
Chickens,	15 a 30 centa
Irish Potatoes	85 a 1 25 cents
Sweet Potatoes,	40 a 95 cents
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