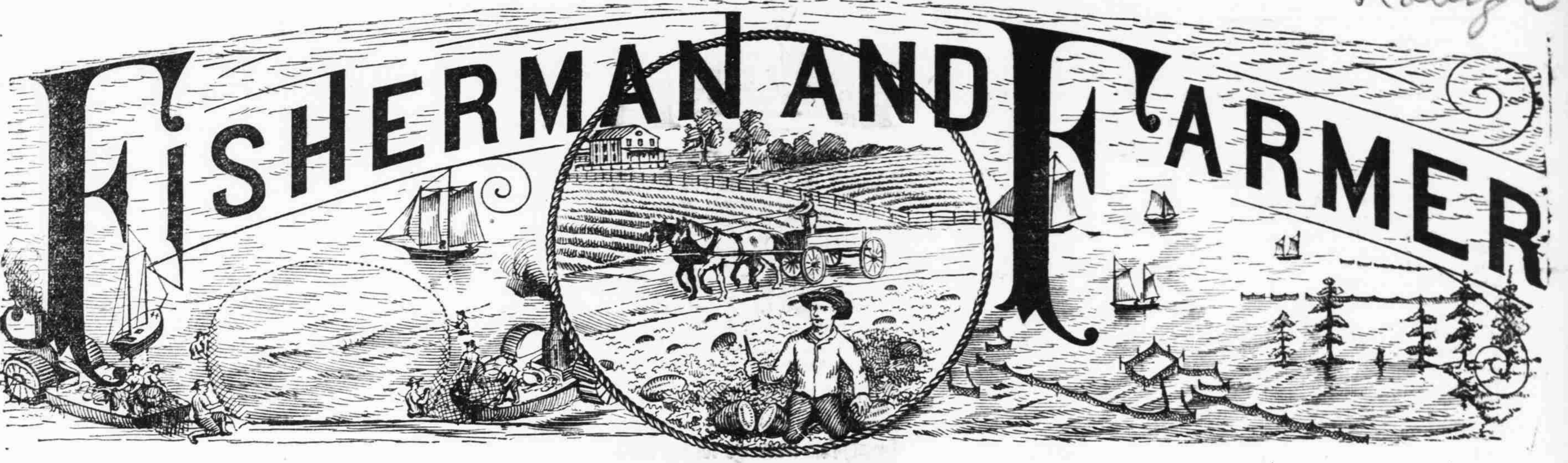


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**HIS PROPOSAL.**  
To thee, fair maid, I'll write a line,  
To tell thee that my heart is thine.  
Please don't say no, 't will cause me grief  
I'll say no more—my time is brief.  
  
But one more word I'll have to say,  
'Tis thus, that you may name the day,  
When we as man and wife shall be,  
It to be mine you will agree.  
  
HER REPLY.  
Dear sir, your letter just received,  
I must confess I feel relieved.  
Content yourself, be undismayed,  
And on the old man make a raid.  
  
I'll tie the bull-dog in the cellar,  
And hide my father's new umbrella;  
The field thus clear, you may have hope,  
If he says no, we will elope.

**MORE PAY NECESSARY TO  
EFFICIENCY IN OFFICE.**  
  
COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS, A NECESSITY.  
  
The recommendation, made by the  
State Superintendent of Public Instruction  
in his report to the present Legislature,  
to the effect that the County  
Superintendents be made, ex officio,  
keepers of the school fund, is good only  
in so far as it was intended to increase  
the pay, salary or remuneration of officers  
who are, beyond all question, the  
poorest paid people engaged in public  
service. The salaries of persons filling  
this high and very responsible position,  
especially in the smaller counties of the  
State, amount simply to a trifle and  
thus being or, continuing, inefficiency  
will soon find its way to places now  
filled by men of competency and learning  
who have contributed more to  
bring about the present state of educational  
advance than all other agencies  
known to the public service.

Should fit men be driven from the  
field and inferior persons allowed to  
occupy their positions, the standard  
of education will be lowered in most  
instances and persons of meagre qualifications  
will occupy the school rooms,  
while the public money will be wasted,  
yea, worse than wasted, especially if  
it be true now, as ever, that "A little  
learning is a dangerous thing." It is  
surprising to see how many persons  
aspire to teach and it is still more  
surprising to observe the absolute  
unfitness of many who thus aspire and  
who would teach but for the tests to  
which they are subjected by competent  
County Superintendents. Three well  
dressed and imposing individuals came  
before the Superintendent of this county  
a few days ago for examination and  
spent, two of them, two days each upon  
a simple examination and most signally  
failed. The Superintendent was asked,  
by a gentleman who chanced to be  
present, how they came out or, what  
grade they got and his reply, quick  
and conclusive, was: "They couldn't  
train a 'possum dog,' though bred for  
the business, in ten years." Frequent  
applications, we understand, are made  
by parties who come well recommended,  
some, who have been away to  
school, bring pleasing certificates from  
their preceptors but, when subjected to  
plain unvarnished tests, when they are  
brought down to the substratum of  
all proper training and qualification  
they are found, most decidedly, wanting.  
A teacher, a man who had been  
holding a teacher's certificate, in the  
years of the past and in a county some  
distance removed from this, was asked  
the other day, upon examination in  
Chowan, "Where was the source of  
the Roanoke river?" and his answer

was Pennsylvania and when told that  
was wrong, he said Ohio. This is  
only one instance of many which are  
constantly occurring, we dare say, here  
and elsewhere, throughout our State.  
As soon as a negro learns to write a  
fair hand and read without stopping to  
spell the hard words he sees no dignity  
in labor and looks upon a corn field as  
a place of last resort. The school  
house, the teacher's chair he looks to  
and, with the presumption of a whole  
drove of asses, he presents himself as a  
worthy applicant for the high moral  
and intellectual position of a licensed  
school teacher in the county in which  
he lives. Many such would be in the  
school houses of the State were it not  
for sound men who, under our present  
laws, are chosen by discreet and well  
selected Democrats, as Justices of the  
Peace and County Commissioners to  
whom is given the power to elect,  
jointly with the Board of Education, a  
Superintendent of the educational interests  
of the county.

The Superintendent's place in the  
county is a responsible one and, in  
every instance where duty is fully  
done, a very laborious one. Therefore,  
and upon the principle that "A laborer  
is worthy of his hire," and we do not see  
why the salary of the office should not  
be made entirely commensurate with  
the dignity, demands and public benefits  
of the position.  
Think of it, the salary of the Superintendent  
of Chowan county, in which  
are 27 School Districts and in which,  
last year, \$39,434.77 was spent for educational  
purposes, is, this year, less  
than \$150. Is there a man in North  
Carolina with impudence enough to  
ask an educated gentleman to work for  
him a whole year and board himself  
for so small an amount of money? Ah,  
but it is said, in justification, that  
Superintendents do not work the whole  
year, not much of the year time is consumed.  
If they do their duty their  
time will be well consumed and to do  
their duty they cannot because unable  
for want of proper compensation.

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Is one which is guaranteed to bring  
you satisfactory results, or in case of  
failure a return of purchase price. On  
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King's New Discovery for Consumption.  
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case, when used for any affection of  
Throat, Lungs or Chest, such as Consumption,  
Inflammation of Lungs,  
Bronchitis, Asthma, Whooping Cough,  
Croup, etc., etc. It is pleasant and  
agreeable to taste perfectly safe, and  
can always be depended upon. Trial  
bottles free at Dr. W. J. Leary's  
Drugstore.

**HONORING BOODLE ABOVE  
BRAIN.**  
  
A millionaire vice-president, nominated  
sawedly on boodle considerations  
is enough of that sort of thing  
for an administration to carry. The  
addition of a cabinet officer without  
any record of public service at all,  
lifted over the heads of all the  
trained statesmen of the party, and  
solely on account of service in raising  
\$400,000 for the campaign, would put  
boodle influence in a more conspicuous  
position than it has ever held in  
any administration.—Ex.

**OCTAVIUS COKE FOR COMMISSIONER.**  
  
Cor. of the News and Observer.  
The history of parties is largely  
the history of its public men.  
The chairman of each party gives  
tone and temper to his organization,  
and is, in no small degree, held responsible  
for its failure or success.  
Measured by this rule, we propose  
to the legislature the name of Octavius  
Coke for railroad commissioner.

The Democratic party has had as  
its chairmen since 1865—Fowle, Cox,  
Ashe, Coke, Battle, Whitaker. We  
do not assert for Mr. Coke a superiority  
over the other gentlemen, but  
we do declare that to him North  
Carolina democracy owes as much  
for its stalwart and true manhood as  
to either of these distinguished gentlemen.  
If ever a man worked with more  
vigor unceasing, or more skill, in  
season and out of season for democratic  
principles than Mr. Coke we  
know him not.

It is a well known fact that not  
only his time, but his substance was  
at the service of his party, whose  
principles he values beyond money  
and beyond price. To such a degree  
did the democracy of the State  
esteem him that, in 1884, from all  
parts of the State, came friends  
enthusiastic in his behalf, who voted  
for him as a candidate for Governor  
of the State.  
The Coke who deserved and received  
the plaudits of many just men  
in 1884 is the Coke of 1889, save for  
the four years of wisdom which have  
been added, and which have caused  
those who know him to be grappled  
to him as friends, yea, even with  
hooks of steel!

Since the year 1868 the eloquent  
voice of Mr. Coke has been heard in  
the land, sounding the charge of the  
democratic hosts, for the white man's  
government, for the hopes of his  
people!  
In years yet to come, the democrats  
of North Carolina will recall  
with thankfulness the efforts of Mr.  
Coke in their behalf. Yes, when  
time has past, and many of us are  
forgotten, will the name of Octavius  
Coke be cherished.

As a true Democrat, and as a true  
man, yea, even as a man who would  
suffer martyrdom for his principles,  
we know him.  
Whoever knew Octavius Coke to  
turn a deaf ear to the cry of democracy?  
Whoever knew Octavius Coke to  
turn his face from a friend or his  
back to an adversary? If there be  
such a one, let him stand forth!  
While we depreciate the efforts or  
the claims of no man, we yet do say  
and do earnestly insist that if party  
faithfulness, and success as a party  
leader, and a spending of one's self  
and substance be the measure of a  
man's claims to office, then in every  
deed is Capt. Coke almost without  
a peer in North Carolina.  
Let the legislature elect Mr. Coke  
as one of the railroad commissioners,  
and party fealty and party faithfulness  
will be at a premium, and from  
all over the State will go up a cry  
of thankfulness that another faithful  
servant has been rewarded.  
DEMOCRAT.

**THE EDENTON  
GRADED SCHOOL.**  
  
The next Fall Session will begin  
Monday, Sept. 17th, 1888.  
PROF. L. A. WILLIAMS, Principal.  
MRS. R. F. CHESHIRE, Assistant  
MISS MYRA L. DARDEN, Teachers.  
Other teachers of high standing and  
experience will be employed in  
due time.

The well known ability and worth of  
the teachers employed to conduct the  
School, and its record during past  
Sessions, are a warranty that its pupils  
will receive the best and highest education  
to be had in this locality.  
The Trustees invite the co-operation  
and patronage of all citizens.  
Pupils from other districts are invited  
to enter the School.  
Those who desire to pursue the higher  
classics, or to prepare for college, will  
find special arrangements for their  
benefit.  
RATES: ANNUAL: QUARTERLY:  
First Grade, - \$10.00, - \$3.00.  
Second " - \$16.00, - \$4.50.  
Third " - \$20.00, - \$6.00.  
Fourth " - \$30.00, - \$8.00.  
TERMS:—Half at beginning, and  
balance at middle of each Session.  
Charges will be made on all bills for  
date of entry of each pupil to the end  
of the quarter, except for those entered  
under special arrangements to the contrary.  
Deductions will be made only  
in cases of protracted illness.  
Resident children who are dependent  
upon the Public School Funds for education  
will be received into the School  
without charge. Those entitled to this  
benefit, will be promptly notified.  
Good Board can be had at moderate  
prices.  
For further information address or  
apply to the Principal or the Trustees.  
By order of the Board of Trustees.  
B. F. ELLIOTT, President.  
T. C. BADHAM, Secretary.  
Edenton, N. C., Sept. 15, '88.

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F. P. HALL, - PRINCIPAL.  
The Next Term Begins  
**OCTOBER 1, 1888.**  
No guarantee is needed by those who  
patronized this school during the past  
year for its thorough work and rigid  
discipline in the future. It aims at  
something higher in education than a  
mere accumulation of facts—at bringing  
all the powers of the mind into vigorous  
exercise and teaching the pupil to reason  
and think for himself—at laying a solid,  
substantial for higher education, and  
fitting its students for the practical  
duties of life. Only a limited number  
will be admitted this term so that every  
pupil may be under the immediate care  
of the Principal.  
Reports will be sent out monthly, as  
usual, bringing the standing of each  
child in review before the parent.  
As the school will be limited to 36  
those wishing to attend had better apply  
at once to J. R. B. Hathaway,  
Committee—W. D. Pruden, J. R. B.  
Hathaway, Jno. C. Bond, T. B. Bland,  
Edward Wood.  
Edenton, N. C., Aug. 10, '88.

**AUCTIONEER.**  
I am appointed by the County Commissioners  
as regular auctioneer of  
Chowan county, and will be pleased to  
serve the public when called upon.  
TERMS: On real estate 1 1/2 per cent. On  
chattel property and live stock 2 1/2 per  
cent. Mileage 5 cts. extra.  
I will be found at my store on Main  
street at any time. Call on me. I will  
treat you right.  
May 17, 1888. A. J. BATEMAN.