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NO ROOM FOR DOUBT.

There are those who are now saying that the school tax will not require a majority of qualified voters in its favor, but only a majority of the votes cast. We see no room for difference of opinion, as that part of the law reads as follows: "If a majority of the qualified voters shall decide in favor of the special school tax, the same shall be immediately levied by the board." &c.

The registration books contain all the names of qualified voters at an election, therefore it amounts to a simple comparison of the votes cast "for school," with the number of registered voters to determine whether the special tax has carried.

If we understand the law (and we think we do,) those opposed to voting the tax need not cast a vote that slanders them by saying on their ballots "against schools," but can stay away from the polls when the law does not allow them to vote a ticket expressing their real sentiments. The result will be the same.

A gentleman informs us that the ants are eating chinch bugs and that in some fields the destructive bugs have been destroyed by the ants. That is indeed good news. If Solomon lived now he would probably have still higher regard for the busy little ant.—Monroe Inquirer.

SUSPICION ALLAYED.

The case of the lamented Mrs. Cocke of Asheville, who died by her own hand called forth the deepest sympathy for her bereaved husband. What was the shock to sympathizing friends when it was announced that the body was to be exhumed on last Saturday to substantiate or explode the theory that it was not suicide but the work of a murderer and that too of her own husband.

A jury of inquest was formed and heard evidence and reviewed the circumstances, all of which they declare furnish not one scintilla of evidence against the distressed husband but to the contrary proved that it was the purpose of the unfortunate woman to do just what every circumstance surrounding the case say that she did do. It is distressing enough that injudicious whisperings from suspicious as foul as the dead suspected should ever have made an investigation necessary.

Wake county has 18 townships beside Raleigh. If all these should vote "for schools" and not more than 82 others in the State would do so, the county would get \$9,000 from the State.

Thus do the prophetic jokes of the humorists come true. A wedding of cyclists took place at Epsom the other day. The bride and bridegroom, the witnesses, the two families and the attendants rode to the church and stacked the wheels outside the sacred edifice. When the happy pair presented themselves before the clergyman, he looked from one to the other in a puzzled way. Both were dressed exactly alike. They wore the same coats, the same waist-coat, the same breeches, the same shirts and collars, the same short hair, the same smooth face in each case. The embarrassed ecclesiastic was forced to say, "Excuse me, but which is the bride?" Here is equality of man and woman turned into identity.—New York Sun.

EDUCATIONAL PARAGRAPHS.

The census of the children of school age under the new law will be taken this fall, and the apportionment made to the townships on that basis.

Townships voting the tax for schools will have longer terms than those not voting the tax.

Remember that the vote on local taxation for the public will not affect the school law.

With better school facilities land owners ought to secure better tenants.

Better schools with longer terms would have a tendency to increase the value of land and the general wealth of the county.

The mothers of the children of the county ought to feel an interest in the election on the 10th of August.

A Card.

We desire to express our most heartfelt and sincere thanks to our dear neighbors and loving friends for their deeds of kindness and words of tender sympathy in the time of our trouble, for which words are inadequate. May Heaven's richest blessings attend one and all.

Respectfully

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The Terms "Sit" and "Set."

Many people are apt to confound one of these words with the other: The courts sit; the judges sit; the jury sits; our hens sit, and birds sit. We may set a hen, as we set a chair at the table; but the hen sits, after we "set" her in her nest, and we, or another, may sit in the chair which we set at the table.

A similar difficulty occurs with most careless writers in using the word "lay" for "lie," or vice versa. We say (properly) the hens lay eggs, because something is deposited, or laid, by our hens in their nests. The meaning of the word lay is to place. The boys are said to "lay abed," in the morning; but they lie abed. The little child's prayer is, "Now I lay me down to sleep," &c. This is admissible because the pronoun "me" follows "lay." Otherwise it should read: "Now I lie down to sleep." We should write "lies abed," the dog lies in the porch, the boy lies on the couch, &c.—Ex.

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