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Common Schools.
OFFICE OF THE LITERARY BOARD,
RALEIGH, November 4th, 1857.
The President and Directors of the Literary Fund, having made distribution of the net income of said Fund, for the year 1857, among the several Counties of the State for Common Schools, have directed the following tabular statement to be published, showing the Spring and Fall Distribution to each county, and the sum total distributed during the year.
The amount of the Fall Distribution will be paid to the persons entitled to the same on application to the Treasury Department.
The counties of Jackson, Madison and Polk will receive their portion out of the amount distributed, from the counties out of which they were respectively formed, there having been no report from said counties under the law of the 1st General Assembly.

COUNTIES.	Fed. Pop.	Spring Dis.	Fall Dis.	Total Dis.	Deduct for Deaf & Dumb.
Alamance	10,166	\$ 1,249 92	\$ 1,219 92	\$ 2,469 84	150 00
Alexander	5,009	600 36	600 36	1,200 72	
Anson	10,756	1,200 72	1,200 72	2,401 44	75 00
Ashe	8,529	1,024 68	1,024 68	2,049 36	
Beaufort	11,710	1,405 92	1,405 92	2,811 84	
Bertie	9,673	1,196 76	1,196 76	2,393 52	
Bladen	8,024	962 88	962 88	1,925 76	
Brunswick	5,951	714 11	714 12	1,428 24	
Buncombe	12,338	1,480 54	1,480 56	2,961 12	
Burke	6,819	830 28	830 28	1,660 56	
Calhoun	8,674	1,040 81	1,040 81	2,081 76	
Catawba	5,836	700 3	700 32	1,400 64	
Chatham	5,174	629 8	620 88	1,249 64	
Charlotte	12,161	1,459 3	1,459 32	2,918 64	
Caswell	8,834	908 1	908 00	1,816 00	
Catawba	5,836	1,026 6	1,026 00	2,052 60	
Chatham	10,555	904 3	804 34	1,608 72	
Cherokee	9,703	630 2	630 24	1,260 48	
Chowan	5,252	1,163 64	1,163 64	2,327 28	
Cleveland	9,997	1,163 64	1,163 64	2,327 28	
Columbus	5,308	636 96	636 96	1,273 92	
Craven	12,829	1,479 48	1,479 48	2,958 96	
Cumberland	10,934	1,276 06	1,276 06	2,552 12	
Currituck	6,257	750 84	750 84	1,501 68	
Davidson	14,124	1,694 76	1,694 76	3,389 52	
Daviess	6,998	839 76	839 76	1,679 52	
Duplin	11,111	1,333 32	1,333 32	2,666 64	
Edg. combe	10,018	1,302 12	1,302 12	2,604 24	
Forsyth	10,627	1,275 74	1,275 74	2,551 48	
Franklin	9,510	1,141 20	1,141 20	2,282 40	
Gaston	7,226	867 36	867 36	1,734 72	
Gates	6,878	825 36	825 36	1,650 72	
Granville	17,803	2,076 36	2,076 36	4,152 72	
Greene	5,320	638 52	638 52	1,277 04	
Guilford	18,480	2,217 60	2,217 60	4,435 20	
Halifax	13,007	1,500 84	1,500 84	3,001 68	
Harnett	7,089	850 70	850 70	1,701 40	
Hawthorn	6,907	828 84	828 84	1,657 68	
Henderson	6,883	825 00	825 00	1,650 00	
Hertford	6,650	791 72	791 72	1,583 44	
Hydell	6,585	790 20	790 20	1,580 40	
Irwell	13,062	1,567 44	1,567 44	3,134 88	
Jackson	11,149	1,337 92	1,337 92	2,675 84	
Johnston	9,895	472 20	472 20	944 40	
Jones	6,181	741 84	741 84	1,483 68	
Lenoir	6,924	830 88	830 88	1,661 76	
Madison	5,741	688 92	688 92	1,377 84	
McDowell	6,169	740 28	740 28	1,480 56	
Martin	9,961	835 32	835 32	1,670 64	
Mckenburg	11,724	1,406 88	1,406 88	2,813 76	
Montgomery	4,160	739 54	739 56	1,479 12	
Moore	8,552	1,026 24	1,026 26	2,052 52	
Nash	7,965	948 57	948 58	1,897 16	
N. Haver	14,236	1,708 32	1,708 32	3,416 64	
Northampton	10,731	1,287 7	1,287 72	2,574 44	
Onslow	7,050	844 81	844 80	1,689 60	
Orange	14,957	1,794 84	1,794 84	3,589 68	
Perquimans	7,768	924 36	924 36	1,848 72	
Person	6,030	723 60	723 60	1,447 20	
Pitt	8,825	1,059 00	1,059 00	2,118 00	
Polk	10,745	1,289 40	1,289 40	2,578 80	
Randolph	15,176	1,821 12	1,821 12	3,642 24	
Richmond	7,936	952 32	952 32	1,904 64	
Robeson	11,08	1,320 00	1,320 00	2,640 00	
Rockingham	12,363	1,483 56	1,483 56	2,967 12	
Rowan	12,329	1,479 48	1,479 48	2,958 96	
Rutherford	12,388	1,486 56	1,486 56	2,973 12	
Sampson	12,311	1,477 32	1,477 32	2,954 64	
Stary	6,348	761 76	761 76	1,523 52	
Stokes	8,490	1,018 8	1,018 80	2,037 60	
Surry	8,132	975 84	975 84	1,951 68	
Swain	4,552	534 24	534 24	1,068 48	
Tyrrell	9,258	1,110 96	1,110 96	2,221 92	
Union	21,123	2,534 76	2,534 76	5,069 52	
Wake	10,366	1,243 92	1,243 92	2,487 84	
Warren	4,780	573 60	573 60	1,147 20	
Washington	3,348	401 76	401 76	803 52	
Wayne	10,317	1,238 09	1,238 09	2,476 18	
Wilkes	11,642	1,397 04	1,397 04	2,794 08	
Wilson	6,754	710 45	710 45	1,420 90	
Yamhill	9,511	1,141 32	1,141 32	2,282 64	
Yancey	8,062	968 16	968 16	1,937 32	
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POETRY.
What's Trumps?
There are so many cards to play,
So many ways to choose,
In Love and Politics and war,
That forwarding our views
With ladies fair, with statesmen wise
Or men of lesser bumps,
Before we lead our strongest suit
'Tis well to know what's trumps.
Once, worshipping at beauty's shrine
I knelt in bon-lagu sweet,
And breathed my vows with eagerness
And offered at her feet
My soul, well stored with Cupid's wealth—
A love cemented lump;
A king of diamonds won the trick;
My heart was not a trump.
Raving to see my rival win
Upon a single rub,
As he played the paces with me,
I followed with a clus.
Two days within a station house
Reflecting on my sin,
I found, as others may have done,
Clubs very seldom win.
Grown wise by sad experience,
I ceased to deal with maids;
I shuffled youthful follies off,
And turned up JACK OF SPADES.
Yet still I find as dust is scarce
And smaller grow the lumps,
That though the Spade's an honest card,
It is not always trumps.
But in a world of outside show,
Where mammon rules the throng;
To ease the little jills of life,
And smoothly pass along;
To find an antidote for care,
And stern misfortune's thumps,
One card is very sure to win;
DIAMONDS are always trumps!

Laudford Outwitted.
A correspondent of the Philadelphia Press relates the following anecdote of one of the citizens of Lock Haven, Pa. Ben W. Morrison is the person spoken of, and is said to be one of those free and easy good hearted, humorous fellows, that are always ready to crack a joke or perpetrate a "sell."
Some fifteen years ago Ben was travelling in Butler county on professional business. The roads were intolerably bad and worst of all, the stage drivers and the landlord at a certain hotel where they stopped for dinner, had an understanding with each other something like this. The passengers were to be taken in to dine, and when cleverly seated, the coach would furiously dash up to the door, and the driver would call for his passengers, stating that he could not delay a minute, on account of leaving his meals half finished, for fear of being left. For the half finished meal they were charged half a dollar. The victuals were kept for the next load of passengers when the skinning process was repeated.
Ben had heard of this place, and when he arrived at the hotel he set his wits to work to see if he could not get the full value of his money. The bell rang for dinner and the coach tumbled in. They had scarcely got pleyably seated, when the coach reined up at the door, and the driver vociferously shouted, "Passengers all aboard—can't wait but five minutes."
A general rush was made, but Ben sat still, and ate his dinner very composedly. The stage drove off and left him, but he seemed to care very little about it.
Having disposed of his dinner, he was enjoying the luxury of a long-nine in the side room, when the landlord approached him saying, "I beg your pardon, sir; but did you see a set of silver spoons on the table when you went in to dinner."
"Well, they are missing—they can't be found."
"Ah, yes," replied Ben, "one of the passengers gathered them up. I saw him do it."
"Would you know him again," gasped the landlord.
"Certainly I would," replied Ben with great coolness.
"Will you point him out to me if I hitch up my horse and buggy and overtake the stage."
"Certainly I will."
Boniface was ready in a few minutes, and getting Ben in with him, drove like Juba for seven miles, till he overtook the coach. He drove up alongside and hailed the driver. The coach stopped, the driver looked frightened and every body wondered to see the landlord covered with mud and his horses frowning with sweat.
Ben jumped out of the buggy and got into the stage, when the driver, thinking that he had hired the landlord to bring him after, he was on the point of driving off, when the latter yelled out, "Is that passenger in there?"
"Yes," replied Ben.
"Are you sure?"
"Yes sir," he shouted at his bachelor friend.
"Which one is it?"
"In me," replied Ben with a grin.
"You, thundered Boniface, 'what the devil do you do with them spoons?"

A STEAMBOAT NEWSPAPER.—Among other innovations which the mammoth steamer Great Eastern is about to inaugurate, will be the publication of a daily paper on board for the benefit of the travelling public—the regular "patrol" of travellers—whom she may be bearing across the ocean. But this startling feature is anticipated on the western waters of the New World, for the New Orleans and St. Louis packet steamer James E. Woodruff now sails equipped with the force and material for the publication of a regular daily paper on board during her trips up and down the river, with a job office attached for the printing of bills of fare and other work.

The New York Herald of the 6th inst. says, We have letters from Hayti down to the 14th ultimo, which contains very interesting news. Captain Jas. A. Leet, of the American barkentine A. C. Washburn, belonging to Bristol, Rhode Island, had been thrown into prison for driving a local trader of foreign seamen from off his vessel when engaged in tampering with his crew. Captain Leet was very harshly dealt with, and official appeals to the minister in behalf met with no consideration. The Emperor refused to see the acting consul of the United States on the subject, which had produced great excitement.

OYSTER SOUP.—To one quart of oysters with their juice, put two quarts of cold water, half a pint of milk, and a heaping spoonful of salt; let them boil one minute; skim out the oysters and add half a tea cup of crackers rolled fine, half a tea cup of butter, and a little pepper; let it boil again; then pour over the oysters.

TO CURE A COLIC.—Take the juice of two lemons, three-quarters of a pound of loaf sugar, simmer it for half an hour, then add two table-spoons of paragaric. Dose—tea-spoonful three times a day.

CURING HAMS.—Rub salt all over them as soon as laid on the table; the next day brush it off and pack it in a cask; put on a pickle as follows: One quart salt to one gallon water, to six gallons water, half gallon molasses and three ounces saltpetre. Let the hams remain in six or eight weeks, according to size. Smoke to suit, and pack away in salt in a cask, and put in a cool dry place, and they will keep good all summer.

The National Chess Congress was brought to a close in New York on Thursday evening. Messrs. Paul Morphy, of Louisiana, and Louis Paulsen, of Iowa, were the contestants for the honor of the first prize. The winner of the first five games was to be the conqueror. The score stood, Morphy 5, Paulsen one, and two drawn. The members of the Chess Association are confident that Mr. Morphy is not only the best chess player in America, but in the world; and are willing to test the matter by a match for from one to five thousand dollars.
Mr. Morphy is only twenty years of age; Mr. Paulsen twenty-four.

The cause which led to the loss of the steamship Central America are to be investigated before a committee in New York. The following is a complete list of the names of the gentlemen who compose the tribunal: Cong. Edmund M. C. Perry, Chairman; Capt. Ezra Nye, Capt. Charles E. Marshall, Mr. F. S. Lathrop, Mr. John D. Jones, Mr. Alfred Seton, Mr. A. A. Low, Capt. Alex. V. Fraser, Secretary; Mr. J. H. Upton, Recording Secretary.