Local Taxation for Schools.

A Splendid Argument for This Method of Building Up Model Country Schools, Than Which a Community Can Have No Better Advertisement.

for any community than to have it benefited in a general way alike. recorded that its citizens are interested enough in building up home interests to vote for a school of longer term and better grade. The idea of a special tax grows in popular favor where it is adopted, and it also gains favor by discussion.

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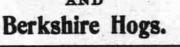
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