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## STRONG ARGUMENT

Presented by Mr. James F. Post in Favor of Voting the School Tax—Writes at the Request of a Number of Citizens.

Wilmington, N. C., May 21, 1909.  
Mr. James F. Post, City.

Dear Sir: In view of the great interest you have always taken in the Public Schools of our City, and as you were for many years an honorable member of the Board of Education of New Hanover county, we the undersigned citizens feel that you, from your large experience in educational work, are most fitted to give the people light upon the great question that now confronts us, that is, the increasing of taxes for the support of the public schools, and hence we respectfully ask that you kindly give us your views concerning the approaching election to be held on the 26th instant, through the columns of our daily papers.

Your very respectfully,  
BISHOP ROBERT STRANGE.  
J. B. FALES.  
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J. T. SHOLAR.  
R. W. FARMER.  
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J. J. BELL.  
T. B. WILLARD.  
R. P. McCLAMMY.

Wilmington, N. C., May 21, 1909.  
Rt. Rev. Robert Strange, J. B. Fales, Geo. H. James and others.

Gentlemen:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of even date and to thank you for the kind words expressed therein, and also for the implied confidence in my ability to, in any way, enlighten you on the question of the propriety of levying a public school tax. While I have always been averse to rushing into print, and have endeavored to keep out of the public eye, yet if it is possible for me, in any way, to be of benefit to my friends and neighbors I do not care to stand idly by. It by the expression of an opinion, public or otherwise, I may help a cause that really needs no defense at the hands of anyone. So, in reply to your letter, I would state that, as a general answer, it would be a public calamity if we did not do all in our power, individually and collectively, in every legitimate way possible, to support our public institutions; especially one which we all must agree has unquestionably accomplished more for good citizenship and the material growth and welfare of our community than any other factor that has ever received the support of our citizens.

So much has been said recently, in a public way, about the subject-matter of your letter that the argument, seemingly, has been exhausted, but the argument in defense of a righteous cause, which has been championed for nearly a hundred years, can never be exhausted.

When Thomas Jefferson had almost reached the end of his notable life he wrote these words. "My last work shall be as my first was, to establish a system of public schools for the State of Virginia, where all children of the rich and poor alike may come together into their common schools and there learn the eternal principles of democracy and the brotherhood of mankind."

If the immortal Jefferson could live today and witness the product of his handiwork he would marvel at the glorious result of his beneficence.

This is a day of problems in education; all over this broad land our individuals are vying with each other in endowing educational institutions and making gifts to universities. It is considered a privilege by men of wealth to contribute largely of their means to found colleges and build schools.

Universal education by the State is the solution of the problem. This was the doctrine of Jefferson, and this principle is now embodied in the constitutions and laws of every State in the U. S.

In 1850 Herbert Spencer, the great apostle of universal education, said: "Let there be light in every nook and corner in the educational world. Without this universal education how can we expect to keep up the civilization of today? For as the civilization of today is the product of that of yesterday, so the civilization of the future will be the outgrowth of that of today. It has been said that taxation is one of the chief characteristics of civilization, and the savage pays no tax."

I have read with some considerable interest the many things that have been written lately about levying a tax for the support of public schools in New Hanover county, and am heartily in accord with all public-spirited citizens who have been giving their time to the advocacy of the tax being levied. I do not know of any measure that has ever been presented in this or any other community that should sooner receive, at the hands of the people more unanimous endorsement.

We have presented to us ever and anon matters that affect the public good, and we are often honestly divided in our opinions as to the expediency of giving the cause our support, and we conscientiously differ with our friends as to the benefit to be derived and whether it is the business of the State or city to assume the responsibility of spending the public moneys for its maintenance. But here is a question on which there should be no division of sentiment; a question that is so vital in its significance, and so

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### Educational Rally.

A very successful educational rally was held in the Fifth Ward last night. Mr. D. J. Fergus presided and among the speakers were Messrs. Thos. D. Meares, Jr., B. G. Emple, Woodus Kellum, Wm. H. Sprunt, Rev. A. D. McClue, Rev. G. A. Martin, Rev. J. S. Crowley and others.

New lot Elastic Belts, latest thing in grape design buckle, 25c value for 15c, at Gaylord's.

### A Woman's Idea of Summer Comfort.

To every woman, especially the woman who keeps house, the topic of summer comfort in the home is one of never-failing interest.

This is particularly true where comfort in the kitchen is concerned, as it is in this one room that the most trying part of the work is done, such as cooking, baking, ironing, and heating water for wash-day purposes. Even in cool weather such work is not altogether welcome, but it becomes drudgery on days when the mercury is trying to jump through the top of the thermometer, aided by a hot stove that diffuses its almost unbearable heat through the kitchen.

But such days are past. With the New Perfection Wick Blue Flame Oil Cook Stove, kitchen drudgery becomes kitchen comfort, for this wonderful stove is so constructed that it not only produces quick results, but does it all without perceptibly raising the kitchen temperature.

All this means real comfort to the woman who works in the kitchen, especially when considered with the added advantages in the saving of time; in the doing away with all carrying of coal, wood and ashes; in having a stove that can be turned on or off, high or low, as required; and in not having to keep it lighted when not in use.

Then there is the saving of fuel to be considered; and it is here also that the New Perfection excels. Although equipped with three burners it has but one reservoir, thus reducing three separate filling operations to one.

Besides all this, the "New Perfection" is the only oil stove built with a cabinet top. Its commodious top shelf is particularly useful for warming plates and keeping food hot after it is cooked. In addition there are two drop shelves on which may be set the teapot or coffee pot and small cooking utensils. Also has two racks for holding towels.

Altogether the "New Perfection" is a stove of wonderful utility, its extremely handsome appearance sets off any kitchen to full advantage. It is superior to the hot coal range no matter what the point of comparison may be—or whether regarded as a summer stove only or as a stove for year round use.

Another household article of unusual convenience is the Rayo Lamp, a scientifically constructed lamp that will adorn any room—whether library, parlor, dining-room or bedroom. The Rayo Lamp gives a mellow steady light that does not tire the eyes. Its center draft burner of the latest design and its fine porcelain shade make it a lamp of combined usefulness and beauty.

The New Perfection Wick Blue Flame Oil Cook Stove and the Rayo Lamp constitute two household articles that will meet any woman's idea of home comfort. In the thousands of homes in which they are already used they are making things cheerful because of their absolute safety, great simplicity, and wonderful convenience.

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