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May 1, 1886

TO THE
FRIENDS OF EDUCATION,
IN DURHAM, N. C.

The Supreme Court of the Commonwealth has declared our Graded School unconstitutional, which stops the collection of those taxes by which the school has been so successfully and satisfactorily run for the last four years, scattering its undying benefits among the rich and poor, to hundreds of our children. Shall the School be continued, or shall it be closed, and the 530 children now storing their little minds with useful knowledge be turned adrift without the means of education? Feeling that there can be but one answer to this question, we submit that it can be continued only by the **Liberal** subscription of our citizens, (as individuals.)

One of our leading citizens, COL. W. T. BLACKWELL, has most generously come forward and offered to supply the deficiency that may be necessary to run the school for the next term, on condition of our accepting the management.

We will accept the trust, and willingly give our time and attention, besides our subscriptions; *Provided*, The citizens of Durham, **especially the Patrons of the School**, shall liberally subscribe to the fund necessary to run the school, and that COL. BLACKWELL shall not be left to bear the whole burden. Be just to him, generous to your children and honorable to yourselves.

It will take about **\$6,000** to carry the school thirty-eight weeks; so you must subscribe all you can. Your subscription will be called for in four instalments: First, September 1st, 1886; Second, November 1st, 1886; Third, February 1st, 1887; Fourth, May 1st, 1887. In order to retain our present efficient teachers these subscriptions must be made before June the first, as others have offered them places.

Please sign the coupons below and hand them to any member of the committee. Coupons can be had at the Bank of EUGENE MOREHEAD & Co.

Believing that this call will be promptly responded to, we are

Very Respectfully,

EUGENE MOREHEAD,
E. J. PARRISH,
S. F. TOMLINSON,
R. F. WEBB.

COUPON, DUE SEPTEMBER FIRST, 1886.

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On September 1st, 1886, I promise to pay to DURHAM GRADED SCHOOL COMMITTEE, or order,

Dollars,

At Bank of Eugene Morehead & Co.

COUPON, DUE NOVEMBER FIRST, 1886.

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On November 1st, 1886, I promise to pay to DURHAM GRADED SCHOOL COMMITTEE, or order,

Dollars,

At Bank of Eugene Morehead & Co.

COUPON, DUE FEBRUARY FIRST, 1887.

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On February 1st, 1887, I promise to pay to DURHAM GRADED SCHOOL COMMITTEE, or order,

Dollars,

At Bank of Eugene Morehead & Co.

COUPON, DUE MAY FIRST, 1887.

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Dollars,

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