

In my judgment, the schools are in better condition than ever before, yet there is room for improvement, and much to be done that is needed, ere the schools of the county are what they should be.

We have had difficulties, financial and otherwise, to contend with, but, notwithstanding all this, there has been great improvement in school management, teaching, interest taken, etc., in the last two years.

New Buildings.--Eleven new frame houses have been built on school lots owned by the Board, and furnished with good seats, desks and blackboards. No more rude log school houses, with puncheon seats in Wakulla.

County Graded School.--Last, but not least, we have established a County Graded School at Crawfordville, the county site. The building contains three nicely furnished rooms, and cost \$1,200. It is now under the principalship of Prof. Geo. W. Camp. I hope it will be a grand success.

County Institutes.--We hold regular County Institutes, though not as well attended as they should be, still, great interest is manifested by those who attend, and excellent work is being done along these lines.

Examination Law.--I favor no further legislation on the State Uniform Examination Law. In my opinion the law cannot be improved upon, except in one particular. I would like to see the clause allowing County Superintendents to hold Special Examinations and grant temporary certificates, struck out.

Reason for the Amendment.--There is a certain class of old-fogy teachers opposing the Examination Law, drifting from one county to another, trying to get into the ranks of the teachers, by climbing up some other way. I favor forcing them to come in at the door of the fold; otherwise, they are thieves and robbers. The State has plenty of teachers who are willing to be ground through the right mill.

Our Plan.--We have been doing our best to run the schools on strictly business principles, and will continue on these lines.

On the whole, the schools have done fairly well, considering that the county has been so badly handicapped for want of funds.

In conclusion, I desire to thank you for the continued kindness and counsel extended to me at all times.

S. M. REVELL,
County Superintendent.

WALTON COUNTY

The last two years have witnessed two reforms in school operations in this county.

1st. The establishment of school district lines. Formerly, notwithstanding the clear requirement of the law, the patrons sent hither and thither, at their own sweet will. The rule now is, that they must patronize their own district schools. Yet, the rule is flexible, to this extent, for good reason, for example; if the teacher is of so low a grade that he cannot teach an advanced pupil, then such pupil may attend another school, by getting the