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My dear Mr. Editor:

I have read the article signed "W. C. Werth" which appeared in your paper last week and in which the writer echoes agreement with a writer from Middleburg that there should be a m "change in school managers". I am, apparently, singled out by Mr. Werth as the "school managers". I request space for this reply.

Mr. Werth's statement is fairly clear to me in the respect that he thinks this county should have another superintendent. The question naturally arises whether he is competent to serve as a judge. I call upon him to give the facts, note opinions, supporting this indictment. From Middleburg there emanated the complaint that I had not installed a furnace in the school building. Neither have I at Hillsboro.

I ask Mr. Werth these things.

- 1. What specific acts or omissions of mine have led you to your conclusion that the county should have another superintendent?
- 2. What have I "evaded" at Hillsboro?
- 3. What is this so-called "buck" which I passed?
- 4. To whom was this so-called "buck" passed.
- 5. What is your exact meaning when you use the phrase "temporary kink in the superintendent's mental apparatus"?
- 6. What "consideration" have I placed "above that of the daily comfort and health of the children"?

Yours very truly,

O. L. Emerick,