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¹² This computation is in error. The total is actually \$7,078.80.

¹³ Benjamin N. Hatcher, thirty-one years old in 1860, was a local manufacturer. He was a partner of John Cardwell Ferguson in the tobacco-manufacturing firm of Ferguson and Hatcher, reported in the census of manufactures in 1860. The firm hired forty slave men and four slave women and produced 160 pounds of chewing tobacco in the fiscal year 1859-60. The two partners also owned a blacksmith shop.

¹⁴ James Wright, a near neighbor, was listed as a sixty-five-year-old farmer in the 1860 census.

¹⁵ This may have been Thomas M. Holland, a near neighbor, twenty-five years old in 1860, teacher of the local common school, or possibly Thomas Holland or Thomas N. Holland, members of the Halesford Sons of Temperance in 1851. (Minutes of meeting, Jan. 4, 1851, document in possession of Sarah Dinwiddie, Halesford, Va.)

¹⁶ Clerk of Franklin County.

Charles Wheeler Sharp¹ to John Kimball²

Charleston, West Va., Sept. 20/67

J. Kimball, Esq., Supt of Schools:

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Malden Township — The school districts, and the enumeration of scholars are as follows:

District No. 2 — Scholars — 11	These two districts lie near together and could send scholars to the same school.
" " 3 — do — 16	
<u>27</u>	
<i>Tinkersville</i> ³ — District No. 4 — Scholars — 79	
<i>Oakes Furnace</i> — " " 5 — " — 41	
<i>Camel's Creek</i> ⁴ — " " 8 — " — 31	
<u>178</u> — Whole number.	

I met the Board of Education in this township and submitted to them the proposition of the Bureau, and urged the matter as discreetly and forcibly as possible. I presented their own interest in building now, the necessity of some better provision than the present in order to [have?] good schools, the state and national policy of educating every class and condition, and met all their objections. The only point of any account