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annul the law creating the system, and this was prevented at the last session only by the most vigorous exertions. The valid objection to the system lies in the fact that it has deprived the schools of a local town supervision—an authority nearer to the districts and the people. In order to save the county system, which is doing an incalculable good, it is apparent that concessions will have to be made in favor of a town supervising officer, who can oftener visit and inspect schools, and come into closer relations with the teachers and the scholars while engaged in their work.