will be to expose your property, here to damage and loss.

Nevertheless, as they say, "Nothing风险, nothing gained,"
it may be wise to shut up here in order to open with a
new stock of goods & a new set of salesmen. This is for you
to determine.

Another plan is to appeal to the legislature for aid either
by invested funds or by an annual donation. Here again
success will depend on the confidence felt in the Trustees
in the Faculty, as well as on the felt necessity of such
an Institution as this ought to be. There should be a Sup-
pose there will be after a while a common school system
in N. C. free to all its citizens. To such a system one such
an Institution as this will be indispensable. The State ought
to support a University even if its fundamental laws did not
require it so to do. But the difficulty is to get men to do
their duty. The fear of God & the love of Man only will do
this great work. How shall we supply these motives to our
Legislators? especially at this time? These two plans are
evidently not contradictory of each other. But for either to be
successful (of course for both) it seems that they to them
the funds collected are to be entrusted must be esteemed
trustworthy by the public. It seems to me that we ought to
be so esteemed. If we are not those funds is it?

A third plan is to wait either with open doors, or with
closed doors for the funds for the Agricultural School, of-
fered by Congress. Now if we should be able to float the old
Ships till those funds come, perhaps they will come with the
condition that you take on board as passengers or as crew
men of all colors, in our State. If the funds are accepted
with such a condition that good will they be in the pre-
sent diseased condition of the public mind? How many
of our youth will come to a "nigger school" as this will be called?