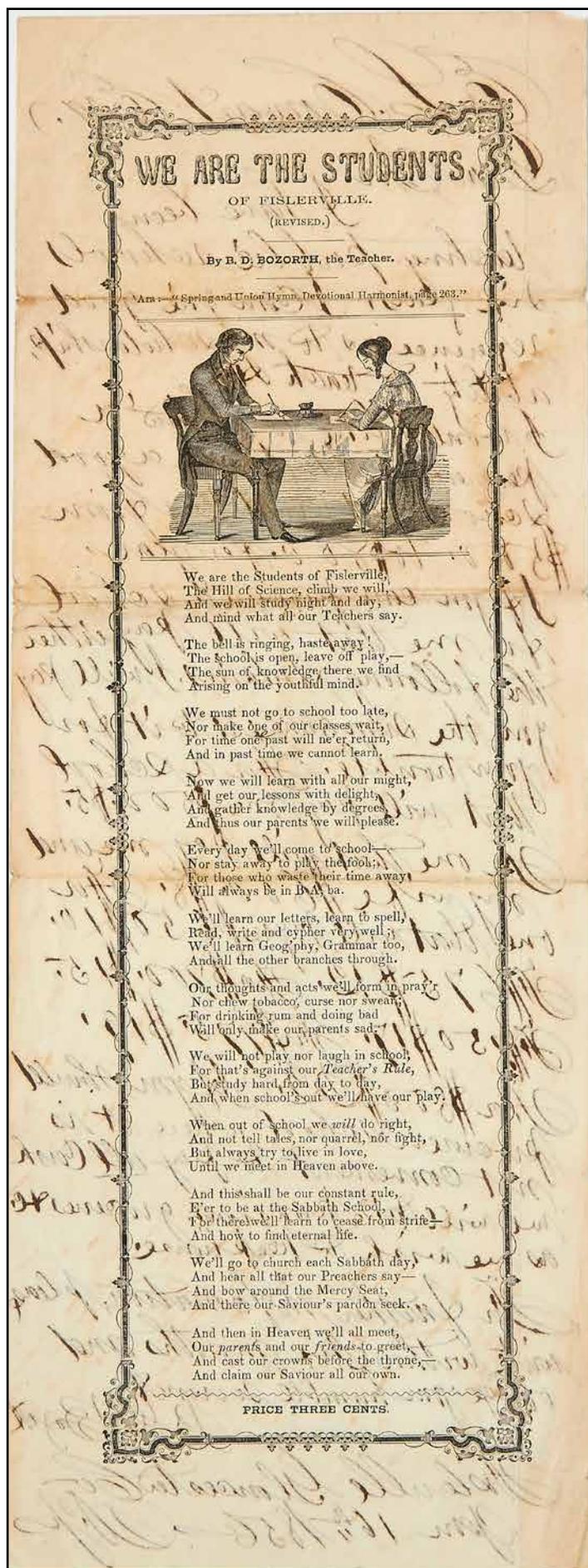


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## **B.D. Bozorth, The Teacher** *[Broadside]: We Are The Students of Fislerville. (Revised)*

[No place - Fishkerville, New Jersey?: B. D. Bozorth circa 1856] **\$800**

Broadside. Approximately 6" x 16". Woodcut vignette of a teacher and student at the top. Old slightly irregular horizontal folds, possibly as mailed, tiny tears at the edges of the folds, an attractive very good example. A 48-line poem (apparently intended to be sung to a specified devotional hymn) that the author priced "Three Cents" in type at the bottom, about the students of Fislerville (now Clayton), New Jersey, at that time a center of glassmaking situated between Glassboro and Vineland. The poem is an anthem for students wherein they pledge themselves to scholarly industry and demeanor, as well as pledging good behavior:

*Our thoughts and acts we'll form in prayer  
Nor chew tobacco, curse nor swear;  
For drinking rum and doing bad  
Will only make our parents sad.*

E. L. Cowart Esq.

Dear Sir

I have been teaching public schools six years. I can give good reference as to my scholarship, ability to teach &c.

I would like to obtain a permanent situation in a good school that would pay from \$300. to \$800. per year.

If you can procure a school for me that will pay either the following salaries, I will pay you the sum annexed to it for your trouble. If a school that will pay me \$500. \$5.

If a one that will pay me and my wife \$600. \$8. If a one that will pay us \$650. \$10.

If \$675. \$12. If \$700. \$15.

If \$750. \$17. If \$775. \$19.

If \$800. \$22. If you should procure a school where it is not convenient to pay all Cash we will take provisions, groceries &c as we wish to keep house.

In further information, please write within six months and oblige your humble servant

B. D. Bozorth

Fislerville Gloucester Co.  
Jan 16<sup>th</sup> 1856

On this particular copy, Bozorth has used the entire verso of the broadside to write a letter from "Fislerville, Gloucester Co., Jan. 16th 1856" to E. L. Cowart, asking for his assistance in finding a better paying teaching position, offering to pay him a commission dependent on the salary he can secure for Bozorth, and asking Cowart to contact him within six months. Benjamin D. Bozorth (1826-1892) spent his life as a teacher in New Jersey, the 1880 census found him still working as a teacher in nearby Maurice River. He died in Porchtown in 1892. The recipient of the letter, Enoch L. Cowart was a prominent farmer and merchant in Freehold, N.J., where he owned a farm on the Revolutionary War site of the Battle of Monmouth. OCLC locates no copies of this broadside. [BTC#404994]

# WE ARE THE STUDENTS

OF FISLERVILLE.

(REVISED.)

By B. D. BOZORTH, the Teacher.

Air:—"Spring and Union Hymn, Devotional Harmonist, page 263."



We are the Students of Fislerville,  
The Hill of Science, climb we will,  
And we will study night and day,  
And mind what all our Teachers say.

The bell is ringing, haste away!  
The school is open, leave off play,—  
The sun of knowledge there we find