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The Pittman Hospital, Tarboro, N. C., has several vacancies in corps of nurses. Application blanks will be sent on request. Apply to Miss M. NORTHWOOD, Superintendent.  
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REGULAR SERVICES—Elders W. B. Strickland and W. H. Leggett will preach at the old male academy regularly on the Second and Fourth Sundays at 4 o'clock, p. m.

DR. BLACKWELL COMING.—Rev. C. S. Blackwell, D. D., of Norfolk, Va., will assist Rev. G. T. Lumpkin in a meeting in the Baptist church next week. Dr. Blackwell will commence his work Tuesday night.

KEEP THE PREMISES CLEAN.—One knows it as well as another, perhaps, but it is in order to call attention to the fact that this is an important season to keep the premises clean. It is a service we owe to ourselves and to the public.

Weather Report.  
Following is the weather report for Scotland Neck for week ending Aug. 9: Temperature, mean maximum 81; temperature, mean minimum 71. Highest 85 on the 6th; lowest 69 on 7th. Rainfall 1.73 inches.  
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TAKES LESS WEARS LONGER.—DeLancy Gregory of Fort Plain N. Y. To Longman & Martinez, Paint Makers, N. Y.

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## PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

The Coming, Going and Whereabouts of Our People and Other Folks.

Mr. W. T. Clement, of Enfield, was here Saturday.

Mr. C. L. McDowell spent last week at Virginia Beach.

Mr. R. H. Pittman, of Crowells, was here some days ago.

Mrs. R. L. Simmons, of Enfield, visited relatives here this week.

Dr. R. M. Johnson spent Tuesday night in Williamston on business.

Mr. Frank Bowers, of Washington, came up Sunday and returned Monday.

Mr. Alex. Neal, of Richmond, has been here some days on a visit to his father.

Mrs. N. Biggs and Miss Emily Biggs have returned from a visit to Winston-Salem.

Mr. L. E. Pope, of Crowells, spent Sunday here with his brother, Mr. W. W. Pope.

Mrs. Wakefield, of Richmond, is here visiting her sister, Mr. S. B. Kitchin.

Mrs. G. E. Edwards and Miss Fannie Edwards returned some days ago from Battleboro.

Miss Lucy Camp accompanied Miss Florence Ayers home to Rocky Mount this morning.

Miss Mary Lily King, of Leakeville, is here on a visit to Misses Kate and Resie Futrell.

Mrs. A. McDowell and family and Miss Annie Kitchin have returned from Ocean View.

Mrs. G. L. Bell, of Suffolk, Va., has been here some time visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. Whit Bell.

Mr. Harvey Vann, of Raleigh, came some days ago on a visit to the sons of Mr. G. W. Bryan.

Miss Huldah Josey has been at Franklin, Va., some days on a visit to Miss Jessie Brewer.

Mr. D. H. Mangum, of Henderson, spent Sunday here visiting his mother, Mrs. Lucy Mangum.

Misses Bruce Evans and Daphney Carryway, of Wilson, are here visiting Miss Jennie Leggett.

Miss Florence Avers, of Rocky Mount, has been here some days on a visit to Miss Lucy Camp.

Mr. J. D. Stewart arrived some days ago and has commenced work on the cotton seed oil mill plant.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Jones have gone to Thelma to spend some days on a visit to Mrs. Jones' relatives.

Mrs. Susan Salsbury with her little grand children, Lucy and Susie Bracy, has gone to Hassell on a visit.

Miss Marie Walker, of Portsmouth, Va., and Miss Elise Vincent, of Greenville, are visiting Mrs. G. S. White.

Mr. W. L. Vaughan who has spent some time in Raleigh attending the Summer School, has returned home.

Mrs. C. H. Bell, of Portsmouth, has been here some time on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. I. Ailsbrook.

Mr. E. J. Proctor, of THE COMMONWEALTH force, is away this week at Norfolk and Virginia Beach, taking a rest.

Mrs. J. D. Johnson who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. G. E. Edwards, has returned home to Battleboro.

Prof. L. R. Mills, of Wake Forest, is here on a visit to his children, Mess. J. G. Mills, Luther Mills and Mrs. Claude Kitchin.

Mr. E. L. Whitehead, of Halifax, was here Monday looking after the interests of his excursion which he runs to Norfolk-to-day.

Misses Lou and Lizette Hill and Mr. J. Norwood Hill of Halifax have been here this week on a visit to relatives and friends.

The Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligence says that Miss Mary Lou Josey of Scotland Neck is at Rocky River Springs.

Mr. F. M. Pope, of Newport News, spent some time here last week visiting his father and brother, Mess. J. A. and W. W. Pope.

Miss Beesie Futrell returned Friday from Raleigh, where she has been taking a special course in music at the A. & M. College Summer School.

Mr. R. L. Fleming, from Enfield, was here Saturday and said he observed much improvement in the town since he was here two years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Worsley, of Rocky Mount, came over last week on a visit. Mrs. Worsley is remaining some time visiting her mother, Mrs. P. J. Madry.

Mrs. W. J. Woodward, of Norfolk, with her little son William, has been on a visit to her sister, Mrs. A. J. Outerbridge. She returned home a few days ago.

Mr. J. L. Bell, of Windsor, the efficient agent of the Wellington & Powellsville, railroad, spent Sunday here on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Whit Bell.

Mr. T. N. Hill, of New York has been here some days on a visit to his relatives and friends. He has many friends here who are glad to see him.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bulluck returned to their home at Conetoe a few days ago. Mr. Bulluck had been visiting her mother, Mrs. Madry for some weeks.

Dr. and Mrs. Bryan, of Atlanta, were here last week visiting Mrs. R. M. Johnson, Mrs. Bryan's sister. They have gone to Tillery to visit Mrs. J. T. Howell.

Mr. J. S. Bowers and family returned a few days ago from a summer outing at Asheville and Wade Mecum Springs. They say Wade Mecum is a great place and they enjoyed their stay there very much.

Miss Sadie Perry came up from Greenville some days ago and is spending some time here visiting her friends. She will go to Raleigh soon to be present at the opening of the Baptist University for Women in which she is professor of Latin.

Charity and Children, published at The Thomasville Orphanage, says: "Mrs. Noah Biggs and Miss Emily Biggs are among our very welcome arrivals this week. Mrs. Biggs is the wife of a well known Orphanage benefactor and Miss Emily was some years ago one of our number. We have nothing in the round world too good for either of them."

**On the Diamond.**  
On August 3rd Weldon crossed bats with Scotland Neck on the latter's grounds.

The first inning proved a Waterloo for Scotland Neck. With the help of a hit and three errors, Weldon crossed the rubber three times. The second was a blank for both sides, but in the third Weldon began her mad career again and added two more runs to her score. One run in the fourth inning served to give Scotland Neck some spirit and the fifth she tallied three times. The sixth is indented by one run for Weldon. After this neither side was able to score.

**Umpire—A. P. Kitchin.**  
**THE SCORE:**  
Scotland Neck 0 0 0 1 3 0 0 0—4  
Weldon 3 0 2 0 1 0 0—6

**Batteries—Riddick and Clark. Whitaker and Cochrane.**  
**ANOTHER GAME.**  
On the 16th of this month there will be a very interesting game of ball between the "Has Beens" and "What Ares." Gate admission 15c.

**HENRY T. CLARK.**  
**OF St. Louis.**

Mr. F. P. Shields is one of the most generous of men. He has given the overseers to his various farms a free trip to St. Louis. They left Tuesday morning.

The six employees of Mr. Shields to whom he gave a free trip to the Exposition are: Mess. W. E. Whitmore, E. A. Lilly, M. W. Perry, Wiley Barnhill, J. Whit Bell and Ed. Fleming.

It is very considerate in Mr. Shields to give his employes this trip, and they highly appreciate it.

Mr. G. K. Moore also left with the company, and Jim Davis, a colored man, a good farmer of the community, also went.

**A Pleasant Excursion.**  
The excursion which was run from Scotland Neck to Norfolk last Thursday by Mess. A. F. Hancock and S. B. Kitchin was well patronized here. It was said to be an orderly and pleasant excursion and all who went had a good time. Mr. Hancock expressed appreciation that the electric light people kept on the lights until the train arrived at Scotland Neck on their return. It was easy for the people to find their way along the streets and the thoughtfulness of the electric light people helped the excursionists out generally.

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**Killed By Accident.**  
A colored boy about 18 years old, son of Philip Bynum, was accidentally killed a few days ago. He was sitting on a shelf in the porch swinging his feet with a gun between his legs with muzzle up. His feet in some way struck the hammer and the gun fired. The load went through his chin and tore away the front of his head and killed him instantly.

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## CORN HILLING DINNER.

In the long ago we heard much about corn hilling dinners. They no longer "hill corn" as they did in the olden time, but now and then they have the dinner.

On last Friday Mr. F. P. Shields gave such a dinner, and a most bounteous dinner it was. It was given at the Hall farm near Cotton's store where were gathered the overseers from his several farms and a large number of hands. The dinner was given under the management of Mr. W. E. Whitmore who is a prince at entertaining.

A large number of Mr. Shields' friends from town and the neighborhood had been invited and were present to enjoy the occasion. Full preparations had been made and at dinner time the long table under the wide-spreading shade was laden with a veritable feast of good things. The dinner consisted of barbecue and Brunswick stew. It had all been cooked to perfection and the dinner was greatly enjoyed by every one. The Managers had thoughtfully arranged to have coffee prepared in the house and whoever desired a cup of coffee could have it. After dinner watermelons and canteloupes were cut and all partook to satisfaction.

All told, perhaps a hundred and twenty-five persons partook of the bountiful dinner and all pronounced it equal to any they had ever seen and one man who is authority on "good eating," said it was the finest barbecue he had ever tasted. All joined in a vote of thanks to Mr. Shields for the dinner and to Mr. Whitmore, Mr. Lilly and others for the fine preparation and the perfect service.

**Mrs. J. A. Coppedge Dead.**  
Mrs. J. A. Coppedge died at her home, at Cedar Rock, in Franklin county, Thursday August 4, 1904, age 42 years and 8 months. She was the daughter of the late Oscar Camp and wife, Virginia, was born and reared in this community. On Nov. 4, 1879 she was married to Mr. J. A. Coppedge of Cedar Rock, where she has lived ever since. She leaves her husband and four children, three boys and one girl. Besides these she leaves other relatives in this community, her three sisters—Mrs. Annie Lawrence and Mrs. B. F. Tillery of this place and Mrs. W. D. Tillery, of Roanoke Rapids and her aunt, Mrs. Lucy Mangum.

Mrs. Coppedge had been in declining health since last October, and so marked were the changes during the past few months her death was no surprise. In June she came to Scotland Neck and spent a few weeks in the hope of recuperation, but she grew worse instead of better.

For years she had been a devout and consecrated member of the Baptist church, and her life is a monument to her service to the Lord in her own personal piety and her good deeds to others. All who knew her were impressed with her noble christian character and her unselfish devotion to every cause that was helpful to others.

None knew her but to love her, and her hosts of friends, admirers and loved ones in this community join those about her home in sympathy for her devoted husband and children in this their dark hour of sadness and sorrow.

**To the Patrons of the Graded Schools:**  
At the close of last session the following text-book proposition was submitted:

To each pupil who will hand in to us, in good condition, a complete set of the books used during the past year we will furnish all the text books needed next session on the payment of the following fees: First, second and third grades \$1.00 each. Fourth, fifth and sixth grades \$1.50 each. Seventh, eighth and ninth grades \$2.00 each. Fee payable at opening of session.

A large number of our patrons accepted this proposition and sent in the books at the close of last session. Any one who did not accept it then but desires to secure the benefits of it for the coming session will please send in the old books Friday the 12th inst. at nine o'clock. Graded School Building.

**C. W. WILSON,**  
For the School Board.  
August 11, 1904.

**Capt. Day Better.**  
A special from Raleigh to the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot says that Capt. W. H. Day has so much improved from his stroke of paralysis that he has gone to Lincolnton.

**The Crop Prospect.**  
Perhaps we have not seen in many years such a crop prospect as we have now, judging from the growth. Cotton is unusually large and corn is well grown. Of course it cannot be told yet what the probable yield will be, but the crops are certainly promising.

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