

House against fall Go they have a School. we also in-
 couraged them to concentrate all in to one if possible
 after dining with a friend close to the Mtg house we walked
 3 1/2 Miles to Wessham J Perkins to spend the night, who
 had been very layed down three weeks since. They attempt-
 ed to shoot him. The gun misfired & they then
 shot him down cut one of his ears nearly off, cut his
 throat & knocked out several of his teeth & broke off
 several. Thinking they had killed him he signified death.
 They robbed him of 1200 dollars, also many valuable
 papers. After they had left him they returned to him
 turned him over he still showing no symptom of life
 left him for dead. but through the mercy of God his
 life was spared, and he so far revived as to be able to
 walk 1/2 Mile to his father's, where he lay for two weeks
 part of the time out of his head. He has been at home
 for nearly a week with every prospect of recovery.

We had a deeply interesting time at the reading this eve-
 ning in his family. where I felt the Spirit of prayer &
 did earnestly intercede for the preservation of our dear
 friend & his family. & that this dispensation might be

beneficial to him, their & our goods.

19th Wednesday Morning visited a school near by taught
 by a Member who H J Perkins had engaged, and was respon-
 sible for her salary. She had twenty one on her list fifteen poor
 children. I told her we would assist her in paying the
 Mary Perkins the teacher. She had been teaching a few
 months.

We were informed there were thirty six children members
 & ten who were entitled to the same privilege within the
 limits of Robbinston Monthly Mtg.

after dining with our aged friend Samuel Perkins his
 son Barney started with us for Goldsboro where we took
 the train at one o'clock A.M. for Endfield. on arriving
 their we found our friends who I had written to had been
 there one week ago. we hired a carriage to take us 18 Miles
 to the Roanoke river. on arriving there we found the river
 was very high & still raising. we were obliged to leave
 our baggage with the ferryman who took us across the
 river in a canoe. and after we got across the river we
 had to be ferried across a large flat which the water had
 covered, being safely landed over all the water we walked