

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

1204.—The Pope laid the churches of England under an interdict. King John in retaliation, banished the bishops that obeyed.
1304.—Clement VIII. issued his bull regarding Cranmer's sentence, and confirming Henry VIII's marriage with Catherine, in consequence of which the Pope's authority was abolished in England, and the King declared the supreme head of the Church.
1797.—The French under Doga, entered Trieste, the most important seaport town of Austria; at the same time another French army took possession of the mines of Yria.
1804.—The Governor of Cuba prohibited French privateers from carrying American products into any part of the island.
1805.—Congress ordered the clearance of all armed merchant vessels.
1820.—The extensive salt water ponds of Key West were examined with a view of using them for the manufacture of salt.
1830.—Peace concluded between Buenos Ayres, Santa Fe Entre Rios, and Corrientes.
1840.—William Maclure, a distinguished naturalist, formerly of Philadelphia, and twenty years president of the Academy of Natural Sciences in that city, died near the city of Mexico. He was one of the geology of the United States and the West Indies.
1840.—Charles Albert, King of Sardinia, in consequence of his defeat by the Austrians, abdicated his crown in favor of his eldest son, the Duke of Savoy.
1851.—A treaty of commerce concluded between Commodore Perry of the United States Squadron, and the Emperor of Japan.
1855.—Twenty-three persons lost their lives in the fire which destroyed the steamer Bulletin on the Mississippi river, near Vicksburg.
1862.—Battle of Winchester: the Union forces engaged was a part of the "Iron Brigade" army, and numbered about 8,000, commanded by Col. Kimball. The fight commenced at 10 o'clock in the morning and lasted until 3 in the afternoon. The Confederates were finally defeated and retreated to Strasburg, leaving their dead and wounded upon the field. The Union loss was 103 killed and 410 wounded.
1875.—The Ohio Senate passed a bill forbidding railroad officials or employees from being connected with so-called "fast-freight" or transportation companies.
1884.—Six Chicago ministers preached in reply to Robert G. Ingersoll, the Rev. Little calling him a "dangerous cyclone," and the Rev. William Cuthbertson, a "charlatan."
1885.—The German Reichstag adopted a measure providing for the subsidizing of steamship companies.
1894.—"Gen." Coxey was flooded with bogus drafts and checks to pay the expenses of his "army," which was then preparing to march on Washington, D. C.

BOY GIVEN TO FATHER

Returning From West, Gaffney Negro Institute Habeas Corpus Proceedings to Proclaim Son Whom He Had Given to White Man.
Special to The Observer.
Gaffney, S. C., March 22.—An interesting case was tried before Judge G. W. Spear and Magistrate M. B. Scruggs this morning in the latter's court. The case was a habeas corpus action brought by Henry Clark to recover his 12-year-old son from Mr. Thomas Clark, to whom he had given the boy when he left the county some years ago for the West. He has returned to the county now and desires the boy which Mr. Clark does not care to surrender, the latter alleging that Clark, who is a negro, was to give him money for keeping him in the event of his claiming him again. The trial was rich, as the dialect of the old negro, in protesting that his boy be given back to him, when he was excited, was very amusing to the spectators. The boy was in jail until the dispute could be decided, but the magistrates decided to give the boy to his "daddy" and the happy old negro departed for the jail to get his offspring.

Back to the Wash Tub

Washington Post.
It was a common thing for the company of Johnny Rebs of which I was one to gamble away what little means they could get during their incarceration at Fort Leavenworth, said Capt. W. G. Teague, of Mississippi, an ex-Confederate officer, at the Shoreham.
Of course, no actual money we had scarcely any, and so we had recourse to our sutters' alms, using them instead of cash. Now and then one of the prisoners more energetic than the rest would make a little stake washing the clothing of his comrades. I remember one fellow from Alabama who, after some weeks of toil, accumulated sutters' orders to the extent of \$25, which was a huge sum in those circumstances. Straightway he undertook to build up his capital by setting up a check-a-bank game. His yell to me to come and make the first play, so as to give the game a start.
I had only three postage stamps, worth 3 cents, and he gave me the best of them by allowing me 10 cents for them, in the shape of two of the sutter tickets. On the first turn I found my capital doubled again; then, with a remarkable streak of luck, kept on till, inside of 15 minutes, I had won every cent the bank possessed.
I shall never forget the expression of disgust that came over the countenance of the "blasted" gambler. "Throwing up his hands, he exclaimed: 'Back to the wash tub, by—, I've enough gambling to last me all my life.' In vain I tried to give him back his money. He wouldn't have it that way, and, moreover, he stuck to his vow. In course of time he became a man of prominence, but never in his subsequent career was he known to make a bet of any kind."

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THE DEATH RECORD

* Mrs. Marcus Ball, of Durham. Correspondence of The Observer.
Durham, March 22.—Mrs. Marcus Ball, of Mangum township, died this morning at 10 o'clock. She was 77 years of age and had been in declining health for several months. The funeral will take place from Mt. Bethel church to-morrow afternoon at 1 o'clock, (conducted by Rev. J. B. Thompson, of Roxboro) and assisted by Rev. G. H. Fisher, of this city, after which the interment will take place at the church. Mrs. Ball was a sister of Mr. F. J. Tilley, of this city, he being the only member of the family now living. She left a husband, who is 84 years of age, and six children, four sons and two daughters.

John V. Barringer, of Rowan. Correspondence of The Observer.
Salisbury, March 21.—John V. Barringer, Esq., who lived almost his four score years, died this morning at Chestnut Hill, after a long illness. He is survived by his wife and ten children. Mr. Barringer was a native Cabarrus man and lived a portion of his life in that county and also in Ireland. He was a splendid citizen, a good church member, and from the Methodist church to-morrow morning he will be buried at 9 o'clock. He has been in active life for several years and had been known recently to few people here.

CRUSHED BETWEEN CARS

Edward Brekham Ground to Death at Chester—A Young Railroad Man of Promise.
Special to The Observer.
Chester, S. C., March 22.—Edward Brekham, of Lancaster, a flagman on the Lenoir & Chester Railway, was badly crushed while coupling cars at the Southern depot in this city this morning, and died at Magdalene Hospital a few hours later. The wounded man received the best treatment that medical science could afford, but his injuries were too serious to respond to treatment. Young Brekham is said to have been a railroad man of much promise. He did his work promptly and well and his employers regarded him highly. Col. Leroy Springs, president of the road, came over on his motor car as soon as informed of the accident, bringing with him the young man's wife. The remains will be taken to Lancaster this evening. Young Brekham was widely connected throughout Lancaster county and has relatives in this county. The fellow members of his crew speak in the highest terms of their dead comrade.

MR. MOORE AT SHELBY

President of Cotton Growers' Association Addresses Large Audience and Infuses New Life Into County Organization.
Special to The Observer.
Shelby, March 22.—Mr. C. C. Moore, president of the State Cotton Growers' Association, met the farmers and business men here to-day. He delivered a plain, practical talk to a large crowd in the court house. He infused new life into the county association and many new members were added to the rolls. Mr. Moore is no orator, but is a plain, practical man, one who has the confidence of his fellow-citizens. The county organization here under the management of the president, R. M. Gidney, is in a prosperous condition. The farmers are still holding their cotton, some 4,000 bales, for higher prices and, since Mr. Price is now bulling the market, they may realize their fond expectation.

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