THIS DAY IN HISTORY

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A Hilled at the siege of Chains, in France. He commenced his career by rebellion against his father. On ascending the throne of England, he plundered and massagned the Jews, and set sail for Palestine with the bravest of his subjects. Taking the lead in the crusade, he gained a series of victories over the Moslems. On his way home he was seized and imprisoned and ransomed by his subjects with 150,000 marks. He was preparing for another crusade, wehn his career was suddenly terminated by a wound from a cross-bow, in the 42nd year of his age.

33.—The French army evacuated Antwerp and Mons, in Belgium, and retreated towards Valenciennes and Lisle.

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—The French took Oneglia, in Sardinia, where they captured two frigates and a few galleys. 1814.—The French provisional gov-ernment proposed, and the conservative senate adopted, the form of a constitution; a limited monarchy, founded on the French and American constitutions, and declared Louis XVIII,

-New York newspapers were advertising a "grand Spanish bull fight," to be given in Tammany Hall.

-Oxen were used for the first time on the Santa Fe trail. 1854.—The Spanish government made an explanation of the attack up-on the American ship Black Warrior.

1855.—The ship canal at St. Mary's, Mich., opened. 2.—The Confederates, under Gen. Johnson and Beauregard, attacked Gen. Grant's army at Pittsburg Landing. The Union forces were driven back to the river and a number of prisoners captured.

1863.—Gen. Mitchell, with 300 cavalry, dashed into a Confederate camp near Nashville, on a sabre charge, capturing 5, killing 15, and capturing all their tents, rms, horses and equipments.

—Confederate prisoners in Camp Douglas, Chicago, amused them

selves with flying kites inside 1865.—The testimony in the so-called Chicago conspiracy trial before a military court at Cincinnati,

1875.—A bill, withdrawing State grants from the Roman Catholic clergy, given a third reading in the Prussian Diet.

-Louis Riel, the leader of the half-breed rebellion in the North-west, joined by the Sioux Indians, who were pillaging country about Prince Albert.

5.—The decision of the United States Supreme Court, riddling tax, was down.

ATTEMPTED CRIMINAL ASSAULT.

Davidson County Negro Arrested at Instance of White Women—Syste-matically Robbed Cotton Mill— Candidates Are Few

Correspondence of The Observer. Lexington, April 5.-Henry Eller, a 17-year-old negro, has been landed in fail here, charged with a serious crime. It seems that a few days ago Eller went to the house of a Mrs. Benson, in this county, and demanded admission. It being in the night time, and living there but Mrs. Benson and her daughter, the inmates demand-ed who was there, and refused him admission. Eller, according to the wointo the house. and spent the night there. The wo-men say they were very much frightened and commanded the negro to leave in vain. Mrs. Benson and her daughter say that the negro attempted to assault them. The negro claims that he was under the influence of liquor and did not know where he was, that when he awoke next day he left quietly and no complaint was made. The prosecutors are white women, and served on the negro at Winston. A preliminary hearing will be had to-morrow before Magistrate John H. Moyer, of this place.
This morning before Magistrate Moy-

er, Robert Lindsay was committed to jail in default of bond on a charge of stealing numerous bolts of cloth from the Wennongh Cotton Mills. Lindsay admitted taking the cloth and walved examination. He was caught by Policeman Hepler at Greensboro Tuesday and brought here. One Rans Lonard, also indicted for the same of-fense, has not been arrested, having left without leaving any address. The men are to all appearances the boldest robbers this place has seen in some time. They were chased all over town a few nights ago by the local police, and in their flight dropped a bolt of cloth, which, being traced, gave them away and indicated that they have been stealing systematically from the Wennonah Cotton Mills. It is supposed that they traded the cloth for liquor

t some of the local blind tigers. Rev. S. D. Swaim, who comes to Lexington from Cooleemee and Jerusalem Baptist churches to serve Piney, Reeds and Holloway churches in this county, has purchased a tract of land from Capt. F. C. Robbins and will erect a dwelling thereon at an early date. Davidson county has always hereto-fore been on the doubtful list politically, the spring time does not bring out a large crop of candidates for of-fice. So far there has been only one, The many friends of Col. G. F. Hankins will insist upon his being returned to the State Legsilature on the Demo-cratic ticket. Mr. Hankins has repre-sented Davidson in an able and efficient manner during the past two

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Green, of Thousand Isles Park, N. Y., are here spending a few days. Mr. Green is a real estate man, and is viewing this community as a probable location.—Miss Lucy Holt, of Norfolk, Va., is the guest of Mrs. Z. I. Walser for a few weeks.—Mrs. John Axford and little pson have arrived from Caro, Mich., to joint Mr. Axford, who has opened a store here.

NEW HOTEL FOR SANFORD.

It Will be Erected on Site of Old Graded School — New \$10,000 School Building to be Constructed —Town May Buy Light Plant,

Correspondence of The Observer. Sanford, April 5.—The Sanford Real Estate Loan & Insurance Co., has pur-chased the corner lot by Still and Wicker streets to which they will move the graded school building. move the graded school building, which they bought recently. They will convert it into a modern hotel. This will be done as soon as the school This will be done as soon as the school closes. May 2. The new graded school building, coating \$10,000 will be built as soon as the old one is removed.

There is some talk as to an loe plant being creeted here in the near future, also a furniture plant which will extract turpentine, rosin, old and tar from light wood.

The town is contemplating purchasing the electric light plant, which is owned by Mr. H. I. Thompson, who has moved to Florids. It is to be toped that the town will purchase the plant and give more light.

INCREASE IN ACREAGE REPORTS SHOW IT TO BE SLIGHT

The Increase, However, Does Not Overbalance Decrease of 1905 in Cotton Acreage Planted—Co-Operation of Bankers and Growers Continues With Greater Zeal—Crops Are Diversified, the Farmers Are in Good Shape and the Old Credit System Has About Been Abandoned. Correspondence of The Observer.

Baltimore, April 5.—Summarizing 15 pages of letters on the cotton acreage outlook from several hundred bankers in North Carolina. South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisisana, Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory, the States practice by supposition the cotton. Oklahoma and Indian Territory, in-States practically embracing the cot-ton belt of the South. The Manu-facturers' Record says this week:

"The replies indicate a tendency to-ward a slight increase in acreage for the cotton belt as a whole, an in-crease, however, not overcoming the

crease, however, not overcoming the decrease in 1905 from the acreage of 1904, and a tendency to be restrained by certain natural factors. The repiles show steady advance in diversi-fication of crops, a firmer purpose than ever on the part of bankers and farm-ers to stand together for the common good and a greater degree of comfort among the growers.

"There is a general purpose apparent all along the line for the bank ent all along the line for the park-ers and the growers to continue, even with greater zeal, the policy of co-ope-ration which worked out so successfully during the past season. This does not, of course, imply less acreage as a whole in 1906 than in 1905, although such a reduction is promised in a number of localities. Nor does it imply that the acreage in some States will not be increased. New lands in Texas, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and Arkansas, and, indeed, in such older Arkansas, and, indeed, in such older States as Georgia, South Carolina and Missessippi, are being opened up and are going into cotton. In sections like the Deka of Mississippi, where no fertilizer is yet used, or where it is really cheaper to buy supplies than to raise them with cotton at 10 or 12 cents, a moderate increase in acreage may be expected and many individuals. may be expected and many individuals will plant from 5 to 10 per cent. wider than last year. But in the main the bankers are not ecouraging any great expansion, but, on the other hand, are standing by the wisdom of the past 12 months and are receiving from the farmers hearty support. Some farmers are still holding, not because they ex-pect much better prices, but because they do not need the money, and those who may not be satisfied with the price at the time they gin the coming crop are assured that they will have no difficulty in obtaining accommodations from banks and merchants who are backing up the growers in legitimate plans to make their crop a paying one. At the same time a voice of caution is raised against any combination to get really excessive prices, to be applied to lengthening the pubthat being held as censurable as are lic school term. No. 8 distorict, Dafew planters really favor a permanent eight-cent basis for the staple.

"The reddiness with which the growers favor conservatism in planting this year and their determination to work town, was here to-day with a very along with the banks are due to the steadily increasing comfort of the many. The day of the old credit sysmany. The day of the old credit sys-tem is passing, and now the growers are found in various stages of pros-perity, from ability to pay off old debts and to life mortgages to ability and to life mortgages to ability to lend money themselves. Their bank accounts are greater than ever before and they are investing their surplus in permanent forms. They are buying more land and bringing their present holdings to a high state of culti-vation. New homes with modern conveniences are being built and old ones are being improved. Up-to-date implements and machinery are being pur-cased, a better grade of live stock is appearing, some farmers are invest- with all necessary tools for making ing in town property and moving in a new organ if necessary and started so that their children may enjoy bet- out early Monday morning. When he ter school facilities, the farms be- arrived at the church the courteous ing rented, and more bank stock and musician escorted him into the choir cotton mill stock and cotton seed oil box of the church and told him the mill stock are being held by the farm-ers, while better school buildings and his fingers over the keys one time better churches in divers country when he located the trouble on top of neighborhoods bear witness to the instrument, where several hat prosperity growing out of better prices for cotton, and to the increasing ability to maintain a policy insuring even greater prosperity in the future.

some energies from cotton growing in-to the raising of other crops, is giving place to deliberateness in following the policy, as this stronger financial con-dition of the farmers permits them to enlarge upon the wisdom of not depending upon one crop. Diversifica-tion, which implies more fertilizing and greater attention given to the crops, began primarily for thousands of growers in carrying out a "hog-and-hominy" campaign—that is, in living on one's own farm, in making supplies at home. The growing in certain favored sections of early vege-tables and fruit for Northern markets, the tobacco crop, as much a staple in some section of the South as cotton is in others, and rice and sugar planting have, of course, engaged the attention of many persons for years. How tracts once devoted to cotton, or that ordinarily might have been planted in cotton, are beind given over to a greater amount of tarium at Salisbury very much imcane, tobacco and rice, while in many proved in health. localities more and more attention is being given to peaches, cantaloupes, being given to peaches, cantaloupes, melons, tomatoes, potatoes, peanuts, sorghum, beans, cowpeas, alfalfa, corn, wheat, hay, grapes, oats, pears, apples and berries, more cows and chickens and horses and more live stock generally for home use or for the market, as immigration is becoming more needed.

immigration is becoming more needed to meet the demand for labor and as a larger and larger number of farm-ers are perforce driven to handle crops that they may work themselves. "Even where there might be a desire to depart from the safe and sane policy of last year and to yield to the temptation to plant more cotton, under the impression that a greater crop would not affect the price, it faces the possibility that the supply of labor will be insufficient to make even a crop equal to that of last season. From every one of the States come complaints of a searcity of farm labor, Oklahoma joining in the chorus. The younger negroes especially are loath to follow in the courseps of their parents, and are either rendering in-

parents, and are either rendering in-ferior service or are quitting the farms entirely for idleness or desultory work in the towns and cities. Lumber mills, in the towns and cities. Lumber mills, the naval store industry, mining, railroad building, dam construction and building operations generally offer higher wages than the farms, and, in the case of whites, the demands of the cotton mills are having somewhat similar crippling effect upon farm operations, in spite of the inclination moted here and there for operations under the spur of fair prices for cotton to attempt to make a little crop of their own. Indeed, such is the activity in lumbering that not a few farmers, as is reported from Louisiana, are following the field hand to the lumber camp and are turning out their cotton acreage for the year.

"Another influence against extensive expansion in acreage is the backward-

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ness of the season in the Carolinas and Georgia, as well as in Texas and Oklahoma, the ground being still wet and cold, or the crop of corn, the success of which will largely determine the acreage of cotton, not ing sufficiently advanced to give a batoo, the boll-wevil is regarded as a deterrent, though one correspondent takes a jocular view of the power of the cotton boll-wevil against the cotton bear.'

SPECIAL SCHOOL TAXES.

Iredell Townships to Hold Elections— Hat Pins in Organ Cause Trouble -Mooresville News Notes and Personals.

Correspondence of The Observer. Mooresville, April 4.-School district No. 3 of this, Coddle Creek township, will shortly vote, by a special dispensation, for a tax of 20 cents on the \$100 and 60 cents on the poll, the funds efforts of Wall street bears to depress vidson township, will also vote for a Here and there; where ex- tax for the same purpose, the levy perience has not taught wisdom, the to be 30 cents on the \$100 and 90 cents all-cotton idea is abroad, and some on the poll. Mooresville, as is well on the poll. Mooresville, as is well known, will vote on the graded school question on the 24th instant. Thomas Winecoff, a young white

man who lives several

ugly wound in his right foot, having cut it the full length of an axe blade while chopping a tree on the planta-tion of Mr. J. C. Neal last Saturday. Charles Shealey, the clever young representative of a music house of Hickory, who has been here for the past few months, had a very interestexperience Monday. During Christmas his house sold an organ to a church about 10 miles from this point, and for several weeks the instrument made queer noises as if something was loose on the inside. The organist made complaint to the the instrument, where several that pins were lying. He gathered up the weapons and gave them to the organist who found no further trouble. The organ is one of the fellows that "Necessity to diversify, to divert make things quiver when certain

stops are open. Miss Ella Summey, of Charlotte, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Goodman to-day, returning from Asheville. -Mr. L. E. Field is here from Hudson, where he has made his home during the winter months.-Miss Lela Caldwell, who has been teaching at

Sharon, has returned home. Mr. R. M. Gray, principal of the academy will close his school on the 18th of May.

Mr. Tom Bailey, of Amity, is in a

right serious condition with a bad ly, and will probably be brought to his home this week.

Mrs. R. L. Weddington has return-ed from the Whitehead-Stokes Sani-

An Ejectment Suit. Correspondence of The Observer,

Asheville, April 5 .- A suit for ejectment was commenced in United States Cirucit Court to-day. It is entitled W. M. Ritter Lumber Company against D. F. Franklin, Salem Franklin and William Beam. The action will involve many interesting points. The plaintiff alleges that the defendants are committing depredations on its property by cutting and removing timber. It is for the purpose of bring-

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A NEWSPAPER CHANGE.

The Carolina Citizen Purchased by New Concern and Will be Moved From Cheraw to Jefferson, S. C. Correspondence of The Observer. Cheraw, S. C., April 4.—The Carolina Citizen, which has been published in Cheraw for the past two and a half years, will, after this week, be pub-lished in the thriving town of Jeffer-

son, in the western part of Chester-field county. The plant and good will of The Citizen has been purchased by the Jefferson Printing & Publishing Company, capitalized at \$1,500. At a meeting of the stockholders, held in Jefferson yesterday, the following were named as a board of corporators to make application to the secretary of State for a charter: F. M. Welsh, Rev. C. C. Harris, J. T. Mechan and G.

Wells Vaughan.
Mr. Meechan, who established The Carolina Citizen at Cheraw, will have charge of the paper at Jefferson. He announces this week that it is not without a feeling of deep regret that he gives up his residence in Cheraw, "but," he adds, "we go to a town which, for natural beauty, is not sur-passed by any town in the Statewhere the people are among the best of God's creation—a town that is filled to overflowing with progressiveness and is bound to grow and prosper." This leaves Cheraw with but one paper, The Chronicle, owned and operated by Mr. J. N. Stricklin, an ex-perienced newspaper man well known throughout the State. Interested in the Jefferson Print-

ing & Publishing Company are some of the best citizens of Chesterfield county, men who will spare no pains or money in making The Citizen one of the best weekly newspapers in the State.

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