

COTTON MEN MEET IN N. Y. PLANS FOR MAY CONFERENCE

Representatives of Four Associations of Cotton Growers and Manufacturers, including Southern Cotton Association, meet in New York and discuss plans for conference to be held in Washington May 15-16.

New York, Jan. 24.—At a conference held here to-day between the representatives of the New England Cotton Spinners Association, the Southern Cotton Association and the National Cotton Manufacturers Association...

PROJECT ENDORSED

Wilmington Chamber of Commerce Supports Movement for Establishment of New Steamship Line Between That City and Baltimore.

MARSHALL FIELD'S WILL

Specific Bequests Aggregate \$28,566,000, including \$9,000 for Field Museum, and Predeceased Son Is Heir to Residue.

CONTRACTOR'S BODY IN RIVER

Body of Young Edward L. Condon Found in River at Knoxville, Tenn. Jan. 24.—The body of a young railroad contractor was found floating in the Tennessee river at Concord to-day by two rivermen who were engaged in securing logs from the flood.

HOUSE MACHINERIES VICTOR

Joint Statedhood Proving of the Administration Is Adopted by Vote of 185-100, 43 Voting Vainly With Democrats to Gain Control of the Rules—Debate Previous to Vote Was at High Tension and Galloped.

LODGE ON DOMINICAN TREATY

President's Course in This Matter and With Reference to Moroccan Conference Is Defended by Massachusetts Senator—Cannot Allow Approaches to Canal to Be Held by Foreign Powers.

JEERS AND YELLS FROM FLOOR

Representative Tawney of Minnesota Admitted That, After a Trip West Last Summer, He Was Convinced That the Bill Was All Wrong, but Said He Would Stay to Support It.

NEGRO STUDENTS STRIKE A NEW

Disruption of Talladega College May Result from Continued Refusal to Work Under Southern Board Superintendents—Faculty Standstill.

JAB FROM WHITE HOUSE

Black Eye for Organization of the Republican State Organization Got a Swift Jab Direct from the White House, to-day when the President transmitted to the Senate the name of Cyrus P. Frazier for postmaster at Goldsboro.

BY W. A. HILDEBRAND

Observer Bureau, 1417 G St., N. W., Washington, Jan. 24.

SHIP SAID TO HAVE BROKEN UP

Reports From One of Steamers Ineffectually Endeavoring to Get in Reach of Wreck of the S.S. Beater, British Columbian Coast Is That the Vessel Went to Pieces With 25 Passengers Clinging to Rigging—Only 15 Survivors Heard From.

DEATH LIST PROBABLY 140

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 24.—Although the latest news from the wreck of the Valencia is conflicting, it is probable that 140 lives were lost, while only 15 persons were saved.

TOWN TOPICS BLACKMAIL

Former Magazine Editor Is Again a Witness in Today's Session, While Harry Lehr and a Baltimorean Tell How They Were Bled by Editor Mann—Newport Correspondent Is a Telegraph Operator, Who Furnishes Information Gained Through Connecticut—Another Newport Contributor—Servants of Fashionable and Clubmen Also Retained.

MRS. WADE HAMPTON A CONTRIBUTOR

Mc. Wayne gave the names of contributors to Town Topics, saying that Mrs. Wade Hampton contributed articles about Southern people in New York.

MISS WEBSTER TO BE FREED

Gaffney Young Lady Who Masqueraded as Man Not to Be Prosecuted—A South Carolinian Comes to Her Rescue.

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SCHOOL BOOK QUESTION

Approach of Expiration of State Contracts With Publishers Influences State Officers to Study Text Books With View to Meeting of Commission in July—New Athletic Park for Raleigh—Selma Connection Case to be Heard in Washington—Insurance, Re-Rating Does Not Apply to Entire State, but Only to Wilmington—Homer Placed in Penitentiary—News Notes From State Capital.

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FIVE MILE RECORDS FALL

Autos Go Like Cannon Balls—New and Extraordinary Time for the Distance—Made in the Grand Old Every Heavy Car That Has Ever Gone Under Former World's Record, and Three Cars Suffer Serious Accidents—Strong Wind and Hard Course Aid to Racers—Frenchman Henry Hales, One and Disqualified From All Further Participation in Tournament.

OLSEN DEFEATS McDONALD

Montana Cowboy Downs Texas Man in Best of Three—Audience Hissed When Hales' Tactics Were Resorted To—A Brilliant Contest.

CHARLOTTE'S TONNAGE HEAVY

In Solid Car Shipments Charlotte Fourth in South—An Interesting Exhibit of the following figures are worthy of consideration by those who are interested in the prosperity and growth of Charlotte.

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