

SOME STARTLING DISCLOSURES MADE

Bribery of Government Officials by the Pneumatic Tube Service Company.

EXPOSED IN THE HOUSE.

Appropriation for the Service Stricken from the Postoffice Bill—Hawaiian Civil Government Bill and Other Matters in the Senate.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—After a brief debate to day the Senate agreed on the conference report on the Hawaiian Civil Government bill.

The provisions relating to the right of franchise and imprisonment for debt having been amended to conform to the ideas of the Senate.

Mr. Moody disclaimed any intention of reflecting upon the Postoffice Commission when he died out Mr. Moody's appeal to the House not to endorse this sort of a transaction.

Mr. Moody said he had been appealed to by commercial bodies of Boston to aid in the extension of this service, but he refused to close his eyes to his duty in this matter.

Mr. Cannon, chairman of the Appropriation Committee, opposed the bill. An amendment offered by Mr. Moon, Tennessee, providing for the entire elimination of the paragraph, was adopted—57 to 60.

OHIO REPUBLICANS

State Ticket and Delegates as Named by Hanna—Platform Adopted as It Came from Washington.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBUS, O., April 25.—The Republican State Convention here to day was of national importance.

The delegates and alternates at large are close personal as well as political friends of the President, and the platform is just as it was in Washington.

WIND-UP CONVENTION.

House of Representatives.

The House to day put its heel upon the pneumatic tube service now in operation in New York, Boston and Philadelphia, and if its action stands the whole service will be crushed out.

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DEMANDS ON TURKEY.

Russia's Alleged Intention to Oppose Any Attempt to Enforce Payment.

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LONDON, April 25.—The Constantinople correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

PAIN'S CELERY COMPOUND

THE SPRING MEDICINE

gives new life and substance to the nerve and muscle tissues, restores strength and vitality to the human system.



Care and constant strain of work has first effect upon the nerves. Without strong nerves, the stomach, liver and kidneys are weakened, the blood is impoverished, the energy of the body is wasted, and disease is liable.

GEORGE H. GRAVES, La Crosse, Wis., writes:

"Paine's Celery Compound is the greatest spring medicine on the face of this earth. I am taking it this spring with even better results than ever before. It will do all you claim for it; in fact, Paine's Celery Compound is the only tonic medicine that will cure the nervous and broken down."

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NEW YORK, April 25.—Flour was inactive although firmer in tone and wheat was steady.

Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 79 1/2c. Options were strong and active all day.

Closed strong at 7 1/2c net higher. The advance was impelled by foreign buying, higher cables and unfavorable weather conditions abroad.

In addition to these factors, seaboard clearances were large, local sentiment bullish and May light.

Options closed 73 1/2c; July 75 1/2c; September 74 1/2c. Spot—Strong; No. 2 48 1/2c. Options displayed positive strength and a good advance.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at \$1.85 per barrel for hard, \$3.20 for dip, and — for virgin.

RECEIPTS.—Spirits turpentine, 23 bbls; Rosin, 75 bbls; Crude turpentine, 14 bbls.

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COMMERCIAL

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STAR OFFICE, April 19.

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT

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The following quotations represent wholesale prices generally, in making up small orders higher prices will be charged.

RAISING.—No. 1, 7 1/2c; No. 2, 7c; No. 3, 6 1/2c; No. 4, 6c; No. 5, 5 1/2c; No. 6, 5c; No. 7, 4 1/2c; No. 8, 4c; No. 9, 3 1/2c; No. 10, 3c.

PEANUTS.—North Carolina—Prime, 70c; extra prime, 75c; fancy, 77c@80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN.—Firm; 53 to 55 1/2c cents per bushel for white. ROUGH RICE.—Lowland (tide-water) 85c; upland 50c@60c.

Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel. N. C. BACON.—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

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