

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Thursday, Oct. 12-3 P. M.

The stock market was strong at the first session of the open board this morning, and firm at the regular board, Northwestern preferred being the leading favorite.

At the open board at 10 o'clock the market was active, but at 11 o'clock lower under the operations of the bears and exaggerated statements regarding the supply of money.

At the second regular board there was further depression, and New York Central closed 1/2 lower than at the first board; Erie 1/4, Hudson River 1/2, Reading 1/2, Michigan Southern 1/2, Cleveland and Pittsburg 1/2, Northwestern 1/2, preferred 1/2, Rock Island 1/2, Fort Wayne 1/2, Erie 1/2, preferred 1/2, and coupon five-cent bonds 1/2.

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The demand for money for good houses was brisk, and generally met at seven per cent, the supply being in excess of the requirements; but there were a few complaints from weak firms of some little difficulty in borrowing at the current rate on miscellaneous collateral.

The money market showed increasing ease at the day advanced, and the doubts respecting its immediate future gave place to a more confident feeling when it was seen that all the capital required could be freely procured by good houses at seven per cent.

At the former private parties there is ten per cent on the banks, and a 1 1/2 per cent mortgage outside.

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The gold market was steady, the opening price was 145 1/2, following an advance to 145 1/2 and a relapse to 145 1/2—the closing quotation.

Foreign exchange was dull at 100 1/2, but leading bankers were unwilling to draw below 100 1/2. It may be that the export of breadstuffs will be stimulated to a limited extent after a short time by the causes which are at present operating against it.

THE EARNINGS OF THE MICHIGAN WESTERN RAILROAD FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AMOUNTED TO \$10,383.

Table with columns for Stock Exchange, Erie, Hudson River, Reading, Michigan Southern, Cleveland and Pittsburg, Northwestern, preferred, Rock Island, Fort Wayne, Erie, preferred, and Coupon five-cent bonds.

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PARIS FASHIONS FOR OCTOBER.

From La Folle. We have now arrived at the trimming season, and the costume for the season, being more suitable than any other.

Simplicity in the trimming of dresses is now very much adopted by ladies, and the trimmings cost frequently double the price of the dress; but, although many more tailors and dress-makers are made plain, it will be a favorite trimming, nor is it surprising when we see in what beautiful designs it is made.

The Princess make of robe is much in vogue. It is especially becoming for small figures, who made in thick material and the trimmings are very much worn, and is very frequently made of the same material as the under-skirt.

A dinner or soiree dress of gros-grain; white ground, with turquoise blue spots. A very long, trimmed round with a blue collar, above the bust, a trimmings of blue and white, with a blue and white striped skirt.

A dress of white alpaca, the skirt trimmed with fifteen very large pieces of sky blue taffeta, upon which is a large guipure of blue and white, with a blue and white striped skirt.

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PROPOSAL FOR FUNDING THE DEBT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 28, 1895. The Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 27th inst.

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SALES AT AUCTION.

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THE WEEKLY HERALD.

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