

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

A Decline in the Prices of Stocks.

GETTING DOWN TO HARDPAN.

The Irregular Course of the Market for Several Days Productive of Evil.

THE FOLLY OF INFLATION.

More Gold Coming to America from Europe.

THE MONEY MARKET STEADY.

Government Bonds Strong in Europe and at Home.

At the close of business was \$385,000,000, showing an issue of \$2,360,000,000.

The stock market has recently been in an artificial condition; that its values are entirely out of proportion to those existing elsewhere; that it is a species of balloon which has been inflated at will for the benefit of a few; that it means disaster to the dupes of rising prices, was fairly illustrated to-day.

Laborers are discharged from workshop and field, enterprise is halted, checks have taken the place of money, private currency circulates in the place of public currency, banks confess their weakness, the government confesses its inability to afford relief and the best paper of the best firms in the metropolis meanwhile goes a begging at a discount of twenty-four per cent per annum.

As indicated in the opening paragraphs, the stock market indicated less activity and strength than yesterday. The propelling power being removed, even the favorites, which have hitherto carried other stocks up by sheer force of example and sympathy, failed to stir the general depression, and the market closed very much as if prices would now progress towards a healthier and more stable base of operations.

The following are the latest quotations—Missouri 1892, 1894, 1896, 1898, 1900, 1902, 1904, 1906, 1908, 1910, 1912, 1914, 1916, 1918, 1920, 1922, 1924, 1926, 1928, 1930, 1932, 1934, 1936, 1938, 1940, 1942, 1944, 1946, 1948, 1950, 1952, 1954, 1956, 1958, 1960, 1962, 1964, 1966, 1968, 1970, 1972, 1974, 1976, 1978, 1980, 1982, 1984, 1986, 1988, 1990, 1992, 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2002, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2020, 2022, 2024, 2026, 2028, 2030, 2032, 2034, 2036, 2038, 2040, 2042, 2044, 2046, 2048, 2050, 2052, 2054, 2056, 2058, 2060, 2062, 2064, 2066, 2068, 2070, 2072, 2074, 2076, 2078, 2080, 2082, 2084, 2086, 2088, 2090, 2092, 2094, 2096, 2098, 2100, 2102, 2104, 2106, 2108, 2110, 2112, 2114, 2116, 2118, 2120, 2122, 2124, 2126, 2128, 2130, 2132, 2134, 2136, 2138, 2140, 2142, 2144, 2146, 2148, 2150, 2152, 2154, 2156, 2158, 2160, 2162, 2164, 2166, 2168, 2170, 2172, 2174, 2176, 2178, 2180, 2182, 2184, 2186, 2188, 2190, 2192, 2194, 2196, 2198, 2200, 2202, 2204, 2206, 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