

THE STATE OF TRADE.

PRICE OF MONEY AT HOME AND ABROAD.

What the Manufacturers in All Departments are Doing and at What Rates.

AVERAGES OF THE CORN CROP OF THE WEST.

The General Outlook Still a Very Cheering and Satisfactory One--The Country Prosperous.

SPECIAL TO THE APPEAL.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., November 1--The week's business has shown a slight falling off. The cause was the effort to advance prices. The result is consumers, jobbers and manufacturers have simply stayed in doors. The general sentiment is there is no legitimate occasion for an advance in prices; that the market is in excess of the demand, and that any advance is likely to create a reaction and dependency. The consumption capacity is at its highest limit, and railroad builders, house, shop and mill builders, and the building interests generally, are beginning to contract operations. Material of all kinds is abundant. Nails are \$2 1/2 @ 10; merchant iron, \$1 70 @ 2; steel rails, \$2 1/2 @ 3; plate iron, \$2 1/2 @ 2 1/2; pig iron, \$1 00 @ 20. The furnaces are all over acid. Mill mills can make very few orders for this year's execution. Rolling mills generally are crowded.

The week's development in the coal trade shows an enormous improvement in all quarters preparatory for cold weather. The November anthracite output will be 3,600,000 tons. A bituminous output of 10,000,000 tons is expected for the same period. The coke output is heavy and 2,000,000 tons will be built soon. The latest lumber news from Chicago and Savannah shows all mills crowded with orders. The Georgia mills a call up to January 1st, and extra scarce between idewater and Lake ports.

A general outlook of 65,000 textile workers in Philadelphia, because one employer employing 100 hands, men and women, refused to discharge a loom boss against whom certain accusations are made by a portion of the hands, the workers are in a state of business is a little slack, and the employers would just as soon stop a few weeks, and at the same time break up the organization of the employes. Orders for expensive textile, mining and rolling mill machinery have been enormous since October. The machinery shops are better situated than for years. Last week shipments of boots and shoes from New England factories were heavy. Receipts of the trade at Boston this year, \$2,125,586; last year, \$1,764,490. The leather market is very active every where, and the winter preparations for the boot and shoe trade never looked better. The railroad projects of the past week foot up 800 miles in short lines that will be built early next spring as feeders to three of the trunk lines. All kinds of railroad materials are in demand, and the price market indicates a declining tendency in prices. Flour, corn, pork and meat of all kinds are in abundant supply. The export trade is dragging, and speculators are dejected over the prospects. The carpet factories will resume full time operation in October. The manufacturing have been running 49,000 hands full time in New York and Philadelphia all fall. The hosiery and knit goods manufacturers are crowded with orders. The market's well supplied with cotton goods. Large orders for all kinds of textile goods from Philadelphia up to silk, will be crowded in next month.

BANK STATEMENT.

BOSTON, MASS., October 31--The following table, compiled from special dispatches to the Post from the managers of the leading clearing houses in the United States, gives the gross exchanges at each point for the week ending October 30, 1886, and the percentages of increases or decreases as compared with the gross exchanges of the corresponding week in 1885: New York, \$7,288,000; inc., 10.3. Boston, \$7,443,134; inc., 0.6. Philadelphia, \$5,282,510; inc., 16.7. Chicago, \$4,948,000; inc., 1.4. St. Louis, \$13,428,000; dec., 1.7. San Francisco, \$1,931,044; inc., 10.5. Baltimore, \$1,554,889; inc., 11.8. Cincinnati, \$9,200,000; inc., 14.3. New Orleans, \$1,787,707; dec., 20.9. Pittsburgh, \$8,543,709; inc., 13.9. Kansas City, \$5,664,678; inc., 16.5. Louisville, \$3,980,646; inc., 3. Providence, \$4,482,100; dec., 1.7. Milwaukee, \$4,741,000; inc., 14.2. Omaha, \$4,075,874; inc., 65.4. Minneapolis, \$3,477,381; dec., 8.8. Denver, \$3,142,465. Galveston, \$1,825,986; dec., 26.2. Detroit, \$2,964,573; inc., 0.5. Cleveland, \$2,980,499; inc., 39.1. Indianapolis, \$2,728,215; inc., 98. Memphis, \$2,039,990; inc., 33.9. Columbus, \$1,861,420; inc., 3.2. Hartford, \$1,529,649; dec., 3.2. New Haven, \$1,088,433; inc., 10.9. Peoria, \$927,149; dec., 0.9. Portland, \$1,090,000; inc., 5. Springfield, \$819,200; inc., 14.7. St. Joseph, \$801,560; inc., 15. Worcester, \$617,910; dec., 29. Lowell, \$594,915; inc., 23. Syracuse, \$544,611; inc., 14.9. Totals, \$924,782,877; dec., 5.3. Outside of New York, \$296,634,813; inc., 7.1. Denver and Galveston not included in totals.

FOREIGN MONEY MARKETS.

LONDON.

LONDON, October 31--There was an active inquiry for discount at 3 1/2 @ 2 per cent. The Stock Exchange loan rate was 6 1/2 per cent, under the heavy settlement, the subscription for business shares also increasing the demand. Business on the Stock Exchange was dull and most exchanges downward. There was a persistent decline in American railroad securities early in the week, owing to sales by wire operators for a rise. The fall seemed to have been checked after Wednesday, but yesterday the depression was renewed and most changes were adverse. The recent rise in cable shares is collapsing under a report that final overture made by the pool at the instance of the French Company to the Commercial Company have been rejected. Anglo have fallen 3, and Anglo preferred and deferred 2. Gold mine shares closed with a general decline on the day of 1/2. The warning from the Premier of Greenland has decisively checked the boom in gold mine shares, affecting also mines in other countries.

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CHICAGO, ILL., October 31--A conflagration on the loss of nearly \$250,000 and probably several lives occurred in the Knight and Leonard six story building, Nos. 109 to 111 East Madison street, between 4 o'clock and 5 o'clock this morning. The flames of the dozens of gambling houses in the vicinity were unaware of the fire at the outset and it made such rapid headway that none had fled from the tables until the lives of some of them were imperiled. Then a wild stampede occurred. The proprietors hurried their gold and greenbacks into satchels, others shoveled ivory chips into bags, a few rushed downstairs loaded with roulette wheels, faro tables and gambling paraphernalia of all descriptions. But these were the exceptions. The majority of dealers, lookouts and players rose together and came tearing out the building, clinging to railings over the stock of the Goodyear Rubber Company. Suddenly there was a terrible crash, followed by a dense wave of smoke and sparks, which pulled out into the street. The roof and top floor had fallen through to the basement, burying the men of the insurance patrol in the building, eluding tarpaulins over the stock of the Goodyear Rubber Company.

THE CROP SITUATION.