

Council Bluffs Loan and Trust Company.

First Mortgage Loans Negotiated, Commercial Paper and all Good Securities dealt in. 39 Pearl Street, and 408 First Avenue, Council Bluffs.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, March 18.

Money—Easy at 1 1/2 per cent; closing at 2 per cent.

Prima Paper—@ 95 per cent.

Exchange Bills—Firm at 4 7/8; demand, 4 7/4.

Governments—Steady.

Stocks—The stock market opened strong and during the first two hours of business prices rose 1 to 1 1/4 per cent for the general list and 2 per cent for Rock Island, which

sold up to 124 1/4; Northwestern rose 1/4 per cent to 119; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 2 per cent to 134 1/2. The improvement was due to a belief that railway managers at their conference at Chicago would conclude a satisfactory settlement of existing difficulties. Near midday there was a reaction. The market became quiet and remained so until after 2 o'clock, when low prices started to improve. Denver & Rio Grande was bid up rapidly to 21, but subsequently reacted to 18 1/2 at which price it closed. Southwestern was bought steadily throughout the day and Texas Pacific advanced to 2 1/4. Kansas & Texas to 2 1/4, and Wabash preferred to 2 1/4. The market left firm, although some shares showed a little reaction. As compared with last night's closing prices Rock Island is 1/4 per cent higher, Denver & Rio Grande & Texas 1/4, and other active shares @ 1/2.

OUTRIPS.

Table with 2 columns: Trip name and price. Includes American Express, Erie, Great Rapids & Northern, etc.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

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GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

CHICAGO PRODUCE.

CHICAGO, March 17. Flour—Dull, without quotable change; soft spring wheat, 4 00/100; Minnesota baker's, 4 00/100.

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DRY GOODS MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Exports of domestic cottons the past week 9,743 packages, value \$551,747.

OMAHA MARKETS.

Wholesale Prices.

Office of THE OMAHA BEE, Tuesday Evening, March 18.

The following prices are charged retailers by jobbers, wholesalers and commission merchants, with the exception of grain, which is quoted at the prices furnished by the elevators and other local buyers:

GRAIN.

WHEAT—Cash No. 2, 70 1/2 @ 71 1/2; No. 2 red, 70 1/2 @ 71 1/2; No. 2 hard, 70 1/2 @ 71 1/2.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Cash No. 1, 10 1/2 @ 10 3/4; No. 2, 10 @ 10 1/2; No. 3, 9 1/2 @ 9 3/4.

Flour and Millstuffs.

WINTER WHEAT—Best quality, patent, 3 25 @ 3 40; No. 1, 3 20 @ 3 35.

General Produce.

APPLES—Very low in market. Gentians, 83 1/2; Ben Davis, \$4 50; Winesap, \$4 25.

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