

FENANCIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

—A semi-annual dividend of 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cent. on the stock of the Keokuk and Western Railroad has been declared, payable Oct. 10 at the office of Cuyler, Morgan & Co., 44 Pine Street, New-York.

—The Directors of the P. Lorillard Company have declared a 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cent. dividend on the preferred stock of the company, payable Oct. 20. Books close Sept. 20, and reopen Oct. 2.

—The Directors of the Western Union Telegraph Company have declared a quarterly dividend of 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ cent. payable Oct. 16. Books close Sept. 20, and reopen Oct. 16.

—Mr. J. A. Davidson, lately with Spencer Trask & Co., has secured an interest with the banking firm of H. Amy & Co., members of the New-York Stock Exchange.

—A dividend of 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cent. on the preferred stock has been declared by the Standard Gaslight Company of the City of New-York, payable Oct. 2.

ST. PAUL DIVIDEND.

President Miller Thinks that the Railroads Will Do Better This Fall.

Although the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad, like most of the other Western roads, has been suffering severely from decreased earnings this Summer, the Directors, who assembled in this city yesterday, declared semi-annual dividends of 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the preferred and 2 per cent. on the common stocks, payable Oct. 20. These dividends, it is announced, will be paid in cash out of the balance of \$4,522,400 which remained at the end of the last fiscal year after the payment of fixed charges.

President Roswell Miller said yesterday afternoon: "I think we have seen the worst of the bad times. The indications are that we shall have better business this Fall. Crops along our line are about as good this year as they were last year, and I think that the St. Paul Road will have about as much grain to move. Nobody, however, can prophesy what the coming year's business is going to be. Everything depends on financial conditions.

"It is true that of the large number of factories closed or suspended in our territory only a few have as yet resumed operations. But money is much easier, and I believe that the farmers will be able to get sufficient funds to move their crops to market."

A Big Train on the Erie.

CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—It took ten locomotives to draw the train into the Polk Street Station yesterday. The train was the Erie No. 1, bringing passengers from Eastern points, but mainly from New-York and Boston. It was made up of twenty palace cars and one hundred ordinary coaches and baggage cars. The train was divided up into ten sections of twelve cars each. From eighty to ninety persons traveled in each car, but allowing the lesser number for each would give the total of 9,600 passengers for that one train alone. This is a fair example of the way Eastern roads are carrying World's Fair visitors these days. The Western roads are all doing a heavy business, though not equal to the excess now being done by the Eastern lines.

The World's Fair travel on the Northwestern is heavier than at any other time. The twenty-two through trains on that road that came in yesterday carried over 16,000 people. The travel from Wisconsin territory is increasing rapidly.

The Suit Against the Denver and Gulf.

DENVER, Sept. 14.—Ex-Gov. Evans's suit for a receiver for the Union Pacific, Denver and Gulf Railway Company has been transferred from the District Court to the United States Circuit Court. Affidavits are presented to the effect that after the transfer of the road to the Union Pacific it ceased to do business as an independent line. E. B. Arthur, formerly secretary to Manager Meek, in his affidavit says that the Union Pacific simply made of the Denver and Gulf a side-track for its main line. W. G. Evans also deposes that at a meeting of the Directors of the road a resolution which he offered, instructing the Directors to see that the new contract was carried out, was voted down by Union Pacific proxies.

Evansville and Terre Haute.

At a meeting of the Evansville and Terre Haute Railroad yesterday a resolution was passed changing the date of the annual meeting of stockholders from the third to the first Thursday in October. It was also resolved that next year the Board of Directors should consist of nine instead of thirteen members.