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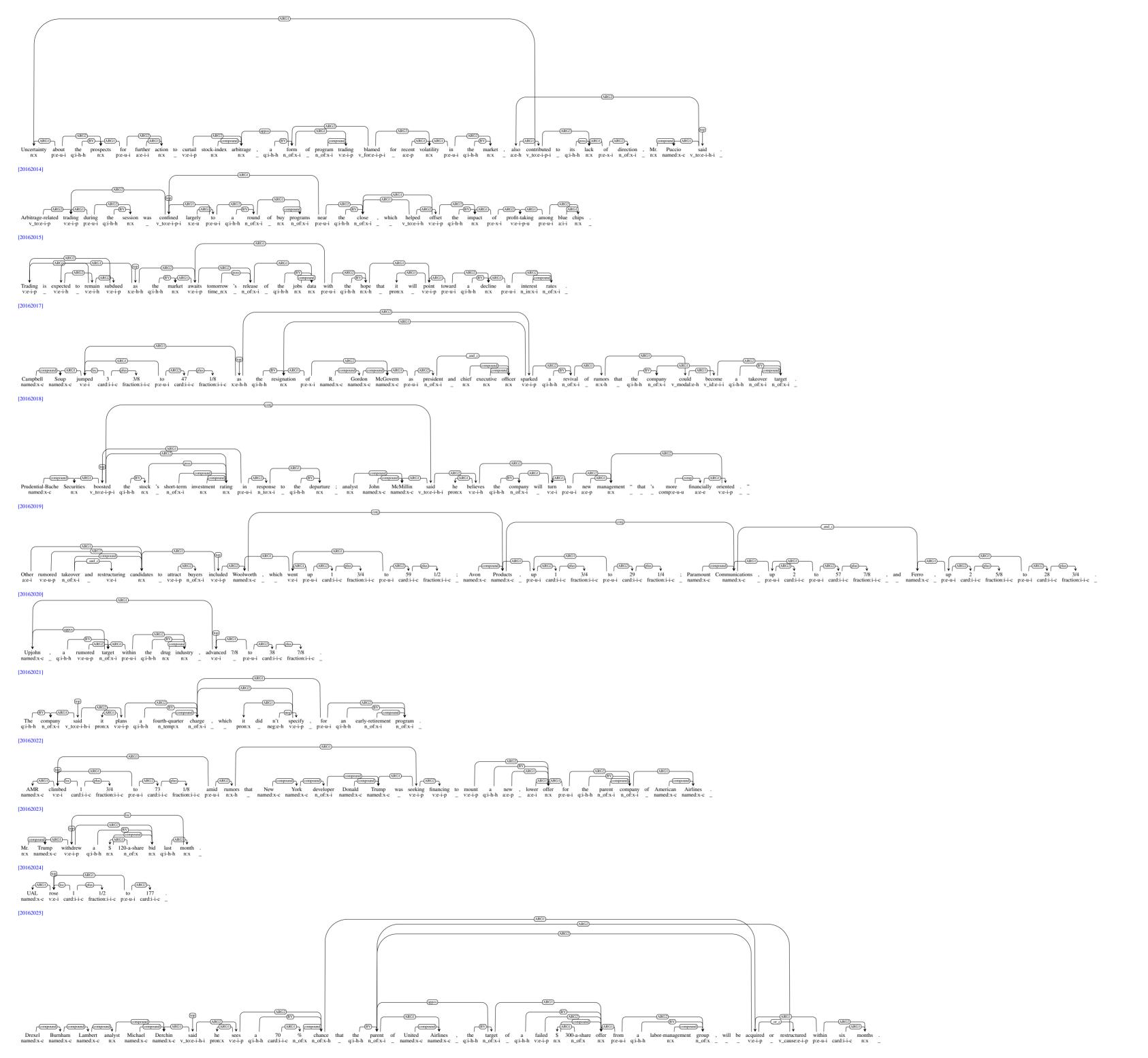
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        While renewed optimism about the outlook for takeover activity boosted several so-called deal stocks , traders said profit-taking weighed on the market , with blue-chips bearing the brunt of the selling x:e-h-h v:e-i-p n:x p:e-u-i q:i-h-h n:x p:e-u-i n_of:x-i n:x v_to:e-i-p-i a:e-p n:x n:x v_to:e-i-h-i v:e-i-p-u v_on:e-i-i q:i-h-h n:x v:e-i-p q:i-h-h n:x v:e-i-p
 The Dow Jones Industrial Average , which had jumped 41.60 points on Tuesday , drifted on either side of its previous close and finished with a gain of just 0.82 at 2645.90 q:i-h-h named:x-c named:
            Standard & Poor 's 500-Stock Index added 0.84 to 341.20 ; the rise was equivalent to a gain of about six points in the industrial average named:x-c _ 
        The Dow Jones Equity Market Index gained 0.99 to 319.75 and the New York Stock Exchange Composite Index went up 0.60 to 188.84 q:i-h-h named:x-c n
          Advancing stocks led decliners on the New York Stock Exchange by 847 to 644

v:e-i n:x v:e-i-p n:x p:e-u-i q:i-h-h named:x-c named:x-c n:x n:x p:e-u-i card:i-i-c interval_p=nd:i-i-i card:i-i-c
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              Big Board volume amounted to 154,240,000 shares , down from 176.1 million Tuesday named:x-c named:x-c n_of:x-i v_to:e-i-i _ card:i-i-c n_of:x _ p:e-i p:e-u-i card:i-i-c card:i-i-c dofw:x-c
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   The October survey of corporate purchasing managers , as expected , provided evidence that economic growth remains subdued . q:i-h-h mofy:x-c n:x p:e-x-i a:e-p v:e-i-p n_of:x-i _ x:e-h-h v:e-i-p _ v:e-i-p n_of:x-h _ a:e-p n_of:x-i v:e-i-h v:e-i-p _ v:e-i-p n_of:x-h _ a:e-p n_of:x-i v:e-i-h v:e-i-p _ v:e-i-p n_of:x-h _ a:e-p n_of:x-i v:e-i-h v:e-i-p _ v:e
     An index of economic activity drawn from the survey stood last month at 47.6 %; a reading above 50 % would have indicated that the manufacturing sector was improving q:i-h-h n:x p:e-x-i a:e-p n:x v:e-i-p-h p:e-u-i q:i-h-h n:x p:e-u-i card:i-i-c n_of:x - q:i-h-h n_of:x-i p:e-u-i card:i-i-c n_of:x v_modal:e-h v:e-i-h-i q:i-h-h v:e-i-p n:x - v:e-i
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 But with the index proving somewhat better than expected and the widely anticipated report on October employment scheduled to arrive tomorrow to ci-i-i p:e-u-i q:i-h-h n:x v_to:e-i-h x:e-u a_at-for-of:e-i q:x-h-h v:e-i-p q:i-h-h n_of:x-i = v:e-i-p n_of:x-i-p n_of:x-i = v:e-i-p n_of:x-i-p n_of:x-i = v:e-i-p n_of:x-i-p n_of:x-i-
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"This market 's still going through its pains , " said Philip Puccio , head of equity trading at Prudential-Bache Securities q_dem:i-h-h n:x _ a:e-e v:e-i p:e-u-i q:i-h-h n_of:x-i _ v_to:e-i-h-i named:x-c n
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