

MARKET NEWS

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Table listing various stocks such as American Beet Sugar, American Can, American Locomotive, etc., with columns for High, Close, and other market data.

SHARP REACTIONS IN N. Y. COTTON.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—An early advance was followed by sharp reactions in the cotton market today. December contracts made a new high record for the season...

Table showing cotton market data with columns for Open, High, Low, Close, and Spot prices for various months.

N. Y. MARKET SHOWS STRENGTH.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The authoritative statement of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York...

CHICAGO MARKETS.

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Can Desperate Germany Break Through?

Germany's profest contempt for America's war preparations is somewhat belied by evidences of her desperate determination to win before our soldiers arrive in force.

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Turning the Light On Our War Activities

Editorial Opinion Upon The Charges Before Congress of a Lack of Efficiency in Our War Administration

Is the U. S. Government Competent to Run the Railroads? Germany's Deep-Laid Plot Against U. S. When the Germans Awake Building Cities While You Wait Wanted: A Clothes Administration Daylight in the Workshops Fooling the Enemy's Eye Christmas in the Redeemed Jerusalem India's Christians for Free India News of Finance and Industry

A Revenue Tax That Passeth Understanding Fixing the Blame for the Halifax Tragedy German Wails Over Submarine Failure Transportation Evils and Remedies (Prepared by the U. S. Food Administration) The Best Food to Fight On Good Results From Poor Fuel Heifetz: New Wizard of the Violin When the Soldier "Goes West" Best of the Current Poetry

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