

COTTON VALUES ADVANCED.

TRADE GAINED CONFIDENCE ON FAVORABLE FEATURES.

'Shorts' Covered Actively in View of Holidays—Receipts Show Sharp Reduction—Better Spot Demand.

AT THE CLOSE:

Liverpool, 3-64d lower. New York, 3 to 6 points higher. New Orleans, 5 to 10 points higher.

SPOTS:

Liverpool, 1-32d lower. American side, unchanged.

The bulls breathed easier in yesterday's session of the cotton market. It can not be said that sentiment was as pronounced as the genuine optimist would like, but the trading spirit was uppermost and the 'shorts' eroded a considerable willingness to cover all commitments anterior to the three days of closure which Easter Sunday will bring.

The cotton market has had a complete liquidation and it must be seen that a 'short' interest is now among the features of the situation. With the passing of the holidays, therefore, the laws of trade are only a sound basis on which to operate.

Liverpool held its place upon the fence. Sales on the spot amounted to 7,000 bales at quotations 1/32d lower. Contracts finally made a decline of 3/64d. The fears of the English market with regard to exhaustion are amply gauged by those of America.

COTTON MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Table with columns for New York, Houston, and New Orleans. Rows include Open, High, Low, Close for various grades like Middling, Good Middling, etc.

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IT APPEARED TO BE A PROFESSIONAL AFFAIR.

The Threatened Strike of the Anthracite Coalers Had a Very Widespread Influence.

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