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LITTLE ANIMATION SHOWN FIRMNESS OF LIVERPOOL AND DECREASE IN THE WORLD'S VISIBLE THE CAUSE. Liverpool was the chief factor in the decline of the day—Bradstreet's decrease in the visible also had much to do with strengthening prices—Corn was easier—Wheat was a bit weaker.

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