FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL houseman's Journal tells us, "has recently been patented in France, and has been Live Stock Markets.

Dec. 31.—Receipts of cattle for the vear 1885 were 358,725 hore, 257,090; sheep, 1.785,090; seeing an increase of 145,000 cattle as compared with last year; the decline in the cat le trade its been entirely in through business; local trade in all classes of live stock has been good; the amount of stock slaughtered in Buffale during the year; gestimated—Cattle, 10,570; hogs, 814,296; sheep, 125,000; the range of prices of Canada lambs dering 1895 was as follows; January, 25,25 to 36,25; May, June, and July, no sales; August, 35,75 to 36,25; May, June, and July, no sales; August, 35,75 to 36,25; May, June, and July, no sales; August, 35,75 to 36,25; Nevember, 35,75 to 36,55; Nevember, 35,75 to 36,55; Nevember, 35,75 to 36,55; Nevember, 36,75; October, \$5,10 to 36,25; Nevember, 36,75; October, \$5,10 to 36,25; Nevember, 36,75; October, 35,75; Octobe secured for the United Kingdon by Messrs.
Coombe, Barbour and Coombe, and Mr.
Dunbar M'Master, both of Belfast. It is
well known that after steeping the flax is
submitted to the scutching process, in
which operation it has hitherto been treated by very crude machine colled there. eff cars of sale stock to-oas, if cars of western sheep and lambs, and two cars of Canada lambs; tharacet opened slow; mastern reports were not favorable; the sales made here to-day ranged from 25 to 50c lower than yesterday on all but two cars Canada lambs which being extra quality sold fully no to yesterday's prices; about all the offerings were disposed of, and market closed slow; sales, Canadas, 73 lambs, average 90 lbs. at \$0.50; 94 do. extra, average 10s lbs, at \$6.75; 95 sheep, appearse 139 lbs. at \$4.25. Higs-27 cars fresh male stock were received to-day, nothing holding over from yesterday; offerings were fair for swerage quality; demand from local packers good, and medium grates chanced hands at range of \$4.55 to \$4.20 to \$4.25 for hest. New York.

Live Stock Markets,

good, and medium grates changed hands at range of \$4.15 to \$4.25 to \$4.25 for beet; New York buyers were out of the market, and the sale of York weights were to be call dealers and to fill a few orders for out of town butchers, at arange of \$4.10 to \$4.15 to \$4.20, a few light mixed pics and Yorkers selling at \$3.50 to \$4. fair to good selected heavy ends, \$6.77 to \$4.65; coarse, rough and commons, \$3.10 to \$3.32, best quality; the market closed with a week feeling.

During last year bees in Ohio gathered

1,731,005 pounds of honey, estimated to be

worth \$276,975, while the fowls produced

33.602,321 dozen of eggs, valued at \$4.890,348. The value of the eggs was nearly equal to that of the wool produced in the States.

Canada in England.

From the Canadian Gazette. Botanists will learn with interest that a consignment of smilaz plants has been shipped to London by some leading florists of Winnipeg This plant is reared with considerable difficulty in this country, but flourishes generally in Manitoba, and the consignment will form a useful addition to English florists' collections.

MONTHEAL.

Bec. 32.—The supply of cattle offered at the demand was very slow, as ocal bribers have not a number of indicate from 3c to 3d; on the difference of the first and produces: the demand was very slow, as ocal bribers have not as number of to 3d; on the difference of the first and produces: the demand was very slow, and second from 3c to 3d; on the difference of the first and good quality of latter from 3c to 3d; of sheep and lambs were for vale, the first and sellers complain loudly of the unsatisfactory returns. But to \$6c, per 1b.

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on the diminished turnover is insufficient to keep things going.

At the House Dinner of the St. George's Chib last week, under the presidency of Sr Pailip Cunliffe Owen, the toast of the evening, "The British Colonies," was responded to by Sir Charles Tupper. In the course of his remarks the High Commissioner referred to the significant fact that during the recent electoral struggie the British public however much they differed on certain questions, were all agreed as to the importance of maintaining in its in-Latest Notes by Telegraph and Mail. on certain questions, were all agreed as to the importance of maintaining in its integrity the indisvoluble union between tagrity the indisvoluble union between tagrity the indisvoluble union between tagrity the colonies. Sir Ambrose Sheat was amongst the guests present on the octories indulges too much, doesn't was amongst the guests present on the octories. \$2,000,060 for the Palace Hotel at San Francisco, and were prepared to pay \$2 500 000,
but finally concluded that the investment
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England the colonies. Sir Ambrose Shear
was amongst the guests present on the ocsion, whilst Sir John A. Macdonald, Sir
Alexander Galt, and others wrote exwould be an unwise one at the present

New York Commerc'al Advertiser Dutchesse lace is made up in full jabot Beaded collars show Byzantine effects. Boucle cloth has stripes of plush or

Evening silks have superb brocade de The official figures of the recent census for Berlin, thus far published, show a pop-Shell cameo and painted brooches will Velvet for panels are brocaded with rich

ulation in the German capital of 1,316,382, which is about 198,000 more than in 1880. The Dresden census gives 245,515, against 221,618. Leipsic, 170,076, against 149,081 and Chemnitz, 110,693, against 95,123 in Evening reception and dinner dresses bave long train Visiting and house dresses are made with Railway bridges and visducts will have

to be strengthened to bear the weight of demi-trains. the four halfe cannons which the Krupps are now making for the Italian Govern-

ODDS AND ENDS

Fresh Facts, Pun and Fancy.

It is made of tin and brass.
And they say it measures gas
With its dia;
If you think it is not classed
With the fastest of the fast,
Make a triel.

True, it has its "fastest days,"
When the hand with distance plays
Very rough:
But, as each observer knows,
On the slowest days it goes
Fast enough. If you burn a lamp at night
To decrease the cost of light,
You will find
That your bill for gas is less
Than it was before—oh, yes,
In your mind!

It will be a dollar more
Than it was the month before;
You may boil,
Hut it is the meter's way
To get square with those, they say,
Who use oil.

When it makes your wallet weep Silver tears to pay the steep Bill for gas. Think what might that grief have been If the meter had less tin And more brass.

Captain — "Have just bought a fine watch." Lieutenant—"Does it go well?" Captain—"Go well? Splendidly! Fire! Blood! Makes an hour in forty minutes!"

Newspaper reporter to President of company:—"Has your company taken any steps yet to pay its taxee?" "Why, certainly, sir. We have made two protests against the constitutionality of the law."

THE WIFE SWEARS OFF. I'll firt no more, for it's clear
She is no model wife who firts.
I swear besides I'll sew next rear
The buttons on my husband's shirts.
I'll be his leving helomate, too—
And one more vow I'll make and keep,
His pockets I'll no more go through
For chinck at night when he's asleep.

They were talking of Mrs. Bonton, wi affects the extremest of evening dress. "I always heard," said Fogg, "that Mrs. B. was very fond of dress. I should say on the contrary, she has a decided distaste

Sauce for the Goose. -Dick:-I've chose demi-trains.

Velvet and plushes have fine gold threads running vertically.

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12—Guitar Case, No. 11—Usnai size; wood, black; varnished; hooks and locks; lined black; varnished; hooks and locks; lined black; varnished; noe.

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10-inch
8-Flute, No. 9-Coccawood, German silver
tipped. tipped
9-Violin Case, No. 4-Wood, spring claspe
and lock
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