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THE WORLD MOVES.—The progress of the Japanese is simply marvelous, and it is impossible to say when or where they intend to "check up with a short turn." A bill will, at an early day, be offered, making it legal for any citizen of the realm to appropriate—to pirate—the invention of any foreigner, and patent it in Japan.

EXTERMINATION OF WOLVES.—Thirteen hundred and eight wolves were killed last year in France, mainly on the border lands of Belgium and Germany. The rewards paid by the French Government for these animals vary from \$10 for a wolf who has attacked a human being, to \$8 for a cub, and amounted to \$20,760. France is making vigorous efforts to keep the wolf from its doors.

PATERNAL.—We see by our late Russian ex-

changes that the Czar has promulgated a ukase forbidding the circulating libraries from issuing the works of Darwin, and a more recent imperial decree puts those of Agassiz, Huxley, Lubbock, Adam Smith, Lowes and Spencer on the same list. (The latter is, perhaps, ostracised for his uncomfortable opinions expressed of us—the U. S.) The new list is not confined to English and American authors, for Moleschott, Buchner, Vogt, Roelus and others are considered unsuitable for Russian readers.

CURIOUS WATCH.—The museum of Lord Londesborough contains a curious watch, formed after the semblance of a duck. It is of fancy silver, with feathers chased, and is of the time of Queen Elizabeth. The lower part opens, and the dial plate, which is also of silver, is encircled with a

gilt ornamental design of floriated scrolls and angels' heads. It has no maker's name. It is preserved in the original case of thin brass, covered with black leather, and ornamented with silver studs, forming, altogether, a very unique specimen of the early ingenuity of the watchmaker.

FRENCH PATENT LAWS.—Article 1, of the Law of July 5, 1844, concerning patents, requires that the designs accompanying applications for patents, shall be traced with ink and according to the metric system. In place of these designs, inventors have generally accompanied their applications with photographs, or designs produced by photographic means. These photographs or designs are liable to become indistinct with age, and the Minister calls attention to several clauses of the law, one of which says that a patent shall be refused to any applicant not complying with the provisions of the law.

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