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patent.
C. G., of Ohio-We cannot distinguish any patentable feature in your method of constructing gates ;
we should understand it better from an examination we should understand it better from an examination
of a sketch and a further description, which you can send.
R. F., of Ct.-The ball and socket principle has been applied to almost every machine known, and the ad
A. F. S., of Ga.-We cannot well attend to procu-
ring an ear trumpet for you; itis not exactly in our Hig an ear trumpet for you; itis not exactly in ou C. W. M., of vt.-Gates so constructed as to open at the approach of a train of cars, and close af-
ter they have passed highways, \&c., have been often ter they have passed high ways, \& c., have been often
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could be obtained. could be obtained.
U. B. V., of Pa .-The device represented in your's
of the 5th inst. is well known of the 5th inst. is well known and could not be pa-
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J. W., of Mass.一There is no possibility of getting a patent, for the same plan is old and well known. G.
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the one patented by H. W. Bertholf, Esq., of Sugar Loaf, N. Y.
T. J. C., of S. C.-We are unable to inform you
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