To Ascertain the Weight of Live

are not experienced judges by the eye to have some means besides the scales of ascertaining the weight of cattle while living, and by following these approved directions this can be done within a mere trifle.

Take a string, put it around the reast, stand square just behind the breast, stand square just behind the shoulder blade; measure on a foot rule the feet and mehes the animal is in circumterence; this is called the girth; then with the string measure from the bone of the tale which plumbs the line with the hinder part of the buttock; direct the line along the back to the fore part of the shoulder blade; take the dimensions on the foot rule as before, which is the length; and work the figures in the following manner: Girth of the bullock, say six feet four inches; length five feet three inches; which multiplied together make 31 square superficial feet; and that multiplied by 23 (the number of pounds allowed to each superficial seven and more than five feet in girth), making 713 pounds Where the animal measures less than nine and more than seven in girth, 31 is the number of pounds in each superficial foot Again suppose a pig or any small beast should measure two feet in girth, and two along the back which multiplied together, make four square feet; that multiplied by 11, the number of Lounds allowed each square foot of cattle measuring less than three feet in girth, makes 44 pounds. Again suppose a call, a sheep, &c., should measure four feet six inches in girth, and three feet nine inches in length, which multiplied together make 151 square feet; that multiplied by 16 the number of pounds allowed to all cattle measuring less than five feet and more than three in girth, makes 265 pounds. The dimensions of the girth and length of back in cattle, sheep, calves, or hogs may be as exactly taken this way as it is at all necessary for any computation or any valuation of stock, and will answer exactly to the four quarters, sinking the offal, a sum which every man who can get even a bit of chalk can easily figure .- Rural New Yorker.

TIN FROM EARLY BRITAIN .- The amount of tin required in ancient times, when Egypt, Greece and Italy were, one after another, in the full glow of their prosperity, must have glow of their prosperity, must have been great. During preceding times -during what is called the bronze age -we may pass over all inquiry about the use of it, as bronze was then confined, probably, to the making of small ornaments or weapons for the chase of war. But when, not to speak of all kinds of vessels for domestic use, larger HARDWARE, works were undertaken, ranging in size from the Colossus of Rhodes down to a statuette for a banqueting room, and in number reaching to the extraordinary amount of 3,000 statues in more than one single town in Greece, the demand for tin must have been enormous, for, as Mr. Fortnum tells us in his excellent introduction to the catalogue of bronzes in the South Kensington museum, "the general recatalogue of bronzes in the South sult of analyses of several examples of Greek and Roman bronze has shown a composition of 88 or 90 parts of copper to 12 or 10 of tin." * * * There seems to be little doubt that the chief district whence the Phænicians got their tin in Britian, lay in the neighborhood of Mount's bay, in the country between Truro and the Land's End. From a well known passage in Strabo it would seem that the tin in his time after being melted and refined, was carried to St. Michael's Mount, there to be purchased by the foreign merchants, who then carried it to the neighboring continent and conveyed it "across Gaul for about 30 days to the outlet of the river Rhone."- The Athenseum.

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