



SLIVER LAP MACHINE

consequently the thickness of the sliver, as deposited in the coiler can, may vary to a certain extent, and it is the function of the Drawing Frame to make the sliver as uniform in thickness as possible.

The Sliver Lap Machine.—Generally 16 or 20 cans are put to this machine, 8 or 10 on each side, the slivers passing from the cans over spoons connected with a stop motion, thence through three pairs of drawing rollers, and forward to a series of calender rollers which press the slivers into a sheet, and form them into a lap. The firm are also makers of the **Ribbon Lap Machine**, where this is preferred.

Combing.—The better class of yarn, known as fine numbers (say from 80's to 250's or upwards), is, after carding, usually combed on the Combing Machine to eliminate all short fibre, which is an indispensable