

ference has been made in previous issues* to the experiments made with reference to the growing of two-rowed barley for the English market. These experiments have, so far, resulted unfavourably, various causes having militated against their success; sufficient care was not taken with the earlier shipments to Great Britain to have them properly graded and properly cleaned, and an unfavourable impression was thereby created, which was only strengthened by the grain sent over in the following year (1892) when the season in this country was a most unfavourable one for barley. A prejudice exists at present in England against Canadian six-rowed barley, partly on account of colour, to which exception is taken, and also because the process of malting adopted in England does not suit this class of barley, and it will be necessary for English maltsters to understand how to handle this grain, before any remunerative market for it can be established in that country. Altogether the trade so far has been unprofitable, and many dealers have withdrawn from it.

Shipments in 1892. 467. The shipments of barley of the crop of 1892 have probably not exceeded 100,000 bushels, this quantity being about equally divided between the two kinds.

Barley production of the world. 468. The total production of barley in the world is, it has been stated, about 825,000,000 bushels, of which Europe contributes about 640,000,000 bushels; and the following table shows the average production of the principal barley-growing countries:—

AVERAGE BARLEY PRODUCTION OF THE WORLD.

Country.	Bushels.	Country.	Bushels.
Russia	129,250,000	Canada.	20,000,000
Germany	93,500,000	Norway and Sweden.	22,000,000
Great Britain.	90,750,000	Denmark	20,650,000
Austria-Hungary.	88,500,000	Roumania.	19,250,000
Spain	77,000,000	Bulgaria	15,125,000
Algeria.	60,500,000	Turkey.	13,750,000
United States.	55,750,000	Holland.	4,400,000
France.	49,500,000	Belgium	3,665,700
Egypt.	27,500,000		

Production of barley and oats, 1882-1891. 469. The following table gives the estimated area under cultivation and the production of barley and oats in Canada for ten years, together with the net quantity exported in each year:—

*Year Book, 1890, p. 293, and 1891, p. 281.