

Six-rowed
barley.

397. One good result has, however, already been obtained, and that is that the attention of English buyers has been attracted to the excellence of Canadian six-rowed barley. Formerly, the only kind sent over was refuse barley, hardly saleable even for feed, and this was taken as representing the quality of Canadian barley; but when the better kinds arrived their good points were noticed immediately, and all the grain sent over sold readily at good prices. It is highly probable that so soon as English maltsters understand how to handle Canadian six-rowed barley, a constant demand for this grain will be created, and a permanent and profitable market established. Over 500,000 bushels of six-rowed barley were shipped to England *viâ* Montreal during the season of navigation in 1891.

Barley
production
of the
world.

398. 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.....	25,000,000
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		

Imports of
stock from
Europe.

399. The importation of stock from Europe for breeding purposes was, with the exception of sheep, less than in 1890, as shown by the following figures:—

NUMBER OF CATTLE, SHEEP AND PIGS IMPORTED FROM EUROPE—1884-1891.

YEAR.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Pigs.
1884.....	1,607	473	26
1885.....	1,356	255	37
1886.....	601	328	16
1887.....	162	488	10
1888.....	229	2,016	86
1889.....	150	609	70
1890.....	15	1,902	68
1891.....	14	3,023	10