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NOTES BY THE WAY.

Pig-food.—A rather curious result has been found to follow certain experiments made on pigfeeding, at the Minnerota Station. Where *barley* was made the predominant factor in their food, the appetite of the pg was found to weaken if that ration was continued to be exhibited for too great a length of time.

Now, we have had a considerably extended experience in fatt ning pigs for the London market; we have often sent thither more than a hundred pigs in a season. These pigs were always fed on barley-meal, with no other food added but -kimmilk and buttermilk, from their weaning till their slaughtering, and we never found their appetites fall off in the least.

But, on the other hand, we agree very heartily with the deduction made by the experimenters at the same station as to the effect of making *oats* the predominant factor in a pig-ration. They found that the grain in question did not cause a profitable increase in the pigs, either while they were growing or while they were being fattened.

The true way of dealing with swine depends entirely upon the age of the animals. If it is desired to market them as "small roasting pork," i. e., at from 60 to 68 pounds carcase-weight, pigs should have nothing but barley-meal, and, perhaps, a little corn-meal if to be extra fat, with as much skimmi'k, buttermilk, or whey, as can be easily come by. If for bacon-hogs, fatten them