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supple and alert. It is one thing to feed a hunch of hegs for slaughter and quite another thing to fit them for prize winners. I might go further and say it is one thing to be able to fit a herd well yet it is quite another thing to its dimension to all each mother a herd well yet it is quite another thing to intelligently tell others how to do it, as in all work of fitting animals there is a constant watch-fulness necessary that cannot well be here a second the second terms of the second here a second terms of the second terms of the second here a second terms of the second terms of the second here a second terms of the second terms of terms of

The first thing necessary is to get the best foundation stock possible (after selecting the breed or breeds one's choice). Breed these so as have pigs as near the age limit fair time as possible. Then lect the straightest and smoothest pigs in the litters, keeping in view length cf side specially among, the thicker breeds because the ten-

in order to keep their feet and legs in good shape; the best of feeding is a failure if the pigs are allowed to go down on their feet. Green feed such as alfalfa or raye should also be kept regularly before the pigs. If it is not eenvenient to pasture them in it the green stuff should be thrown ince their solutions. them in it the green stuff should be thrown into their plot where they can get it. If plenty of shade can-not be supplied throughout the whole summer they should be kept in a shady place for a few weeks prior to the fairs, so that their skine will not be subburned, harsh and scurfy, but en the contrary be mellow and oliable. pliable. Last, but not least, don't get the

has, but not least, don't get the pigs too fat. Anyone can fatten a hog, but it takes an expert to bring them out well developed, finished and smooth, without undue flabbinose

Rape Valuable for Hogs

Rape pasture for hogs has been thoroughly tested by the Wisconsin experiment station. It has proved to experiment station. It has proved to be most valuable when grain is fed in connection with it. The results of the experiments on rape pasture are summarized as follows: 1. With pigs from four to ten months old, representing the various

breeds of swine, an acre of rape when properly grown has a feeding value, when combined with a ration of corn



The Champion Yorkshire Sow at the Calgary Fair, 1910

Note the even arch formed by the back of this animal, also the length from the shoul-der joint back as compared with the length from that point to snout.

dency in those breeds is to shorten and up; this tendency is not so liable pour to occur among the bacon breeds. feed Guard against the hogs with narrow, an a weak loins, razor-shaped necks, long necks, open shoulder blades, cr slack heart girths.

CARING FOR THE SELECTS

Having selected a few extra ones for emergencies in case of accidents and sc forth, let the pigs stay and sc forth, let the pigs stay with their dams as long as possible up to nine or twelve weeks if they are doing well; at the same time it are doing well; at the same time it is very important to teach the little follows to feed at a trough by them-selves while sucking since they can be forced more while nursing than they can safely be forced for two months after weaning. They should be kept on a grass plot and liberally fed with middlings and skim milk or priven when quite alongy. After weaning is the time that re-juires the most patiene and care

uires the most patience and care since a pig overdone at that age is never likely to make an A1 show hog. It is, therefore, better to err by undercrowding rather than over-crowding if we cannot just hit the crowding if we cannot just hit the happy medium. As the pigs get more age the alops can be thickened with middlings or low grade flour; barley chop is an excellent feed that can be fed dry in conjunction with the aforementioned feeds.

It is very necessary to keep the pigs on the ground during this time

shorts, equivalent to 2.346 pounds of a mixture of these grain feeds and a money value of \$19,49

an acre an aree. 2. Rape is a better green feed for growing pigs than good clover pas-ture, the pigs fed upon rape having made on the average 100 pounds of gain cn 35.5 pounds less grain than was required by the pigs fed upon clover nasture. clover pasture. 3. Pigs are more thrifty, have

Prize are nore thrifty, have better appetites and make corre-spondingly greater gains when your put in a rape pasture in con-junction with their grain feed than when fed on grain alone.
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5. Rape is the most satisfactory and cheapest green feed for swine fee in the experiment. 6. Hogs should not be turned upon

6. Hogs should not be turned upon a rape pasture until the plants ar-at least 12 to 14 inches high, and they should be prevented from rooi-ing white in the rape field. 7. Rape is not a satisfactory feel when fed alone, when it is desire! to have any live weight gain made in hegs, though it has been found that theleway it about maintain then-relevase without loss cf weight on this feed alone.

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