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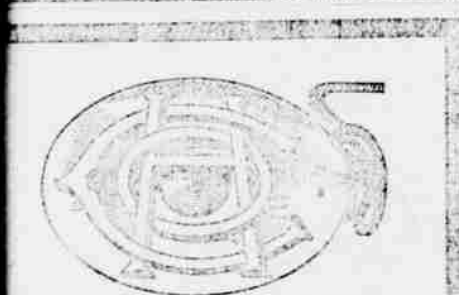
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Beware of  
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## ILLINOIS CORN GROWER WINS W. K. KELLOGG NATIONAL TROPHY.

R. A. James, of Charleston, Ill., is The 1910 Winner of The  
\$1,000 Cup. Grows Best Ear in The 3,125,713,600  
Bushels of Last Year's Bumper Crop.

R. A. James, of Charleston, Ill., has the record distinction of having  
grown the best ear of corn in all  
3,125,713,600 bushels of last year's  
bumper crop. At the National Corn  
Show just held at Columbia, Ohio,  
this gentleman was awarded the  
W. K. Kellogg National Corn



The W. K. Kellogg National  
Corn Trophy  
Trophy, donated in 1909 by W. K.  
Kellogg, president of the Kellogg  
Toasted Corn Flake Co., of Battle  
Creek, Mich.

Thousands of ears of corn from all  
parts of the country and of all  
varieties were entered in the competition.  
The selection of the grand champion  
Seven states and the award of the  
Kellogg trophy were made on general  
points of superiority.

The ear of corn grown by Mr.  
James of Reid's Yellow Dent variety.  
It is 10 inches long, 7 1/2 inches  
in circumference, and has 20 rows  
of kernels, 6 to the inch in the row,  
average 3/4 of an inch in depth, and  
5-13 of an inch in width. It is in-  
deed a very correct type of yellow  
dent corn.

Mr. James, the winner, is a vigor-  
ous farmer about 40 years of age  
and of pleasing personality, a man  
who has given careful study to corn  
culture, and who has achieved his  
success as a grand champion winner  
only by years of hard work and  
painstaking seed selection and careful  
breeding from season to season.

Illinois growers are especially

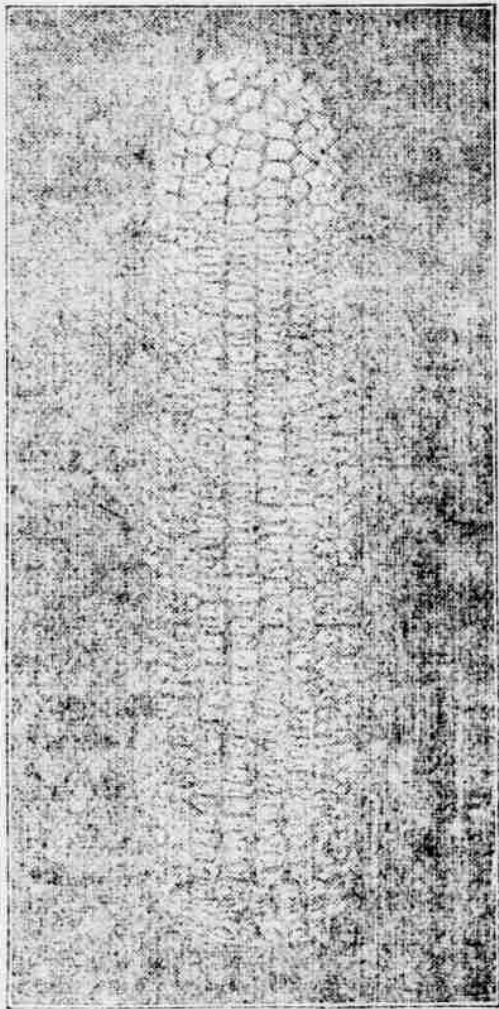


R. A. James, Winner of W. K. Kellogg  
National Corn Trophy for 1910

elated over the result for the reason  
that this is the first time in four  
years that the honors have been  
conferred from the State of Indiana.  
Last year's Champion ear, the first  
winner of the Kellogg trophy, was  
grown by Mr. Fred C. Paine, of  
Newton, Ind. It was also of Reid's  
Yellow Dent variety, crossed with  
Alexander Gold Standard. Last  
year's prize winner is the most per-  
fectly formed ear of the two, though  
it requires a careful judge to dis-  
tinguish the points of superiority.

The trophy awarded to Mr. James  
was made by Tiffany, of New York,  
for Mr. W. K. Kellogg, at a cost of  
\$1,000. It is made of sterling silver,  
bronzes and enamels, and is a truly  
artistic creation. It stands 30 inches

in height. Mr. Kellogg's interest  
in corn growing can be understood  
when it is stated that the Kellogg  
Toasted Corn Flake Co., of which  
he is president, has an output re-  
quiring 10,000 bushels of corn a day,  
raw product, for its manufacture.  
A peculiar feature is that while the  
Kellogg product is made exclusively  
from selected white corn, the  
Kellogg trophy has been won each  
time by a yellow corn exhibit. The  
trophy is offered for annual com-



World's Best Ear of Corn  
for 1910

petition until won twice by the  
same grower.  
The National Corn Show at which  
the award was made, was an event  
of tremendous magnitude. At one  
of the sessions President Taft was  
present and delivered an address.

### Prepare Land Well Before Planting.

Sometimes we become impatient  
to get the seed in the ground and  
fancy we can not afford to take the  
time to more thoroughly prepare the  
land, but this is a mistake. It is not  
best to plant the crops too early, be-  
fore the soil is warm, although as a  
general rule, the earlier crops are  
planted after the soil and weather  
are fit, the better; but a crop plant-  
ed on a well-prepared soil will soon  
catch up with one planted much ear-  
lier on a soil not properly prepared.  
We can much better afford to be a  
little late in planting than to plant  
before the soil is in first-class con-  
dition. When the plants come up  
they are in the way of large imple-  
ments and cultivation is expensive;  
therefore, as much cultivation as  
possible should be done before the  
plants come up and get in the way.  
It is astonishing how much cultiva-  
tion of the crop can be saved by the  
thorough preparation of the land be-  
fore planting.—Raleigh (N. C.) Pro-  
gressive Farmer.

### A 50-cent bottle of

## Scott's Emulsion

given in half-teaspoon  
doses four times a day,  
mixed in its bottle, will  
last a year old baby near-  
ly a month and four bot-  
tles over three months,  
and will make the baby  
strong and well and will  
lay the foundation for a  
healthy, robust boy or  
girl.

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our beautiful Savings Bank and Child's Sketch-  
Book. Each bank contains a Good Luck  
Penny.

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### Conditional Pardon.

It is admitted by all thoughtful  
students of the subject that we have  
not as yet arrived at an ideal con-  
dition of affairs with regard to the  
punishment inflicted for violations of  
the law. Although we have travel-  
ed far in the direction of the golden  
mean between justice and mercy  
since the days of our great-grand-  
fathers, there remains no inconsid-  
erable number of problems awaiting  
adjustment. We have come to put  
within the discretion of the Gov-  
ernor of the State the tremendously  
important matter of granting par-  
dons, and this power, wisely admin-  
istered except in a few instances,  
has done much to mitigate the mis-  
takes which are inevitable in the  
most enlightened court rooms. Par-  
ticularly beneficial is the device  
known as the "conditional pardon." A  
man may have been justly senten-  
ced and yet the best interests of so-  
ciety demand that he be given a  
chance to reform and make a useful  
citizen of himself. One criminal  
turned from his ways and brought  
back into harmony with society is  
worth all the service a State can  
possibly derive from all its con-  
victs—and immeasurably more than  
this.

Care must be taken, however,  
that the "conditional pardon" is not  
abused by its recipients. The mo-  
tive for its issue originates in a be-  
lief that the man freed will endeavor  
to the best of his ability to conform  
to the laws thereafter. In a number  
of cases such action on his part may  
be discounted in advance. Not in-  
frequently a sentence to the peni-  
tentiary or the roads serves as a  
kind of temporal purgatory in which  
the sufferer gets a more accurate  
view of himself and the world and  
the mutual interrelations existing  
between the two than he has ever  
known before. Such men frequently  
live down their errors and win the  
respect of their communities.

There are other beneficiaries whose  
pardon operates very differently.  
Not long ago Mecklenburg county—  
or rather a section of it—was  
troubled by a conditionally pardon-  
ed man who showed no inclination  
whatever to amend his ways. More  
recently the town of Hendersonville  
has been through very much the  
same experience. The violations of  
law in neither instance were un-  
usually outrageous, but the fact that  
they occurred on the part of a man  
who was enjoying his liberty upon  
probation constituted a grave ag-  
gravation. They should be dealt  
with in such a way as to serve no  
purpose upon all other conditionally  
pardoned prisoners but the State's  
clemency must be accepted in good  
faith or become forfeit. It is a  
travesty on the original intent to  
allow this executive power to be in-  
voked in favor of law-breakers  
whose every inclination upon re-  
gaining liberty is to break the law  
whenever and wherever their con-  
venience suits.—Charlotte Observer.

### Saved His Mother's Life.

"Four doctors had given me up,"  
writes Mrs. Laura Gaines, of Avoca,  
La., "and my children and all my  
writings were looking for me to die,  
when my son insisted that I use  
Electric Bitters. I did so, and they  
have me a world of good. I will al-  
ways praise them." Electric Bitters  
is a priceless blessing to women  
troubled with fainting and dizzy  
spells, headache, nervousness, weak-  
ness, debility, constipation or kidney  
disorders. Use them and gain new  
health, strength and vigor. They  
are guaranteed to satisfy or money  
refunded. Only 50c. at E. T. White-  
head Company.

### He Was Badly Twisted.

Dr. Muster, of the Jefferson hos-  
pital, was talking to a reporter the  
other day about persons who come  
to the hospital hurt, some with  
slight pains, but who think they are  
dying. The doctor related the fol-  
lowing story:

"A short time ago an Irishman  
and his wife were asleep in bed,  
when the wife thought she heard a  
noise down stairs, which she imagin-  
ed was burglars, and awakening her  
husband, she said: 'Wake up, Pat;  
there are burglars down stairs.'  
"So Pat arose and hastily dressed  
himself. But in dressing he put his  
trousers on backward. Quickly  
grabbing a lamp he started down the  
stairs, but, owing to his trousers be-  
ing tight, he reached the first step  
and tripped. He fell down the  
whole flight.

"His wife heard the rack and went  
to the top of the stairs."  
"Are you hurt?" she asked.  
"Pat arose, and feeling himself to  
ascertain if he was hurt, found the  
way he wore his trousers."  
"No, darlin', I'm not hurt in the  
least. But I gave my body one  
dickens of a twist."—Philadelphia  
Times.

### WAS SPEAKING IN JOGULAR VEIN.

Congressman Kitchin Had no Intention  
of Offending Colleagues.

Washington, April 19.—Represent-  
ative Claude Kitchin, of North  
Carolina, to-day denied any intention  
whatever of offending those mem-  
bers of the State delegation who had  
seen fit to vote against reciprocity  
and free lumber. "What I said  
about being ashamed of those of my  
colleagues who were opposing re-  
ciprocity, was said in such a good-  
natured, smiling way that I had no  
idea anyone would take it seriously.  
If you were in the press gallery  
while I was speaking you will recall  
that I was smiling when I made the  
jocular remark."

"Did you have in mind the cam-  
paign which your brother, Governor  
W. W. Kitchin will wage against  
Senator Simmons for his seat in the  
United States Senate when you re-  
ferred to the senior Senator's  
speeches on reciprocity and his vote  
on lumber?" he was asked.

"Positively not. Such a thing  
never occurred to me while I was  
speaking."

### WILL INCLUDE PEANUTS.

Mr. Kitchin was asked about the  
peanut interest of his district, an in-  
dustry which is a large factor among  
his constituency and he replied  
frankly that he would be willing to  
put peanuts on the free list. "Why,  
I had nothing to do with the fram-  
ing of the reciprocity measure. It  
is not what we want, but a small  
step in the right direction."

Mr. Kitchin said that he had no  
doubt but that the "free list bill,"  
which puts farming implements on  
the free list, and in a measure will  
compensate them for the free en-  
trance to this country of farm pro-  
ducts, would pass the Senate, nei-  
ther did he believe that President Taft  
would dare to veto the measure  
when it comes to the President for  
his signature.

### Five Hints for Corn Growers.

You want to make a paying corn  
crop this year, of course. Here,  
then, are a few of the things to do:  
(1) Plant only on land which will  
make at least a fair crop; if you can't  
afford to try to grow corn in a field  
which you know will not make more  
than 10 or 15 bushels to the acre.  
(2) Prepare the land well before  
planting; don't get in a hurry and  
plant the corn among clods, or on a  
hard-baked soil. (3) Use good seed  
even if it cost you a little extra.  
(4) Cultivate often and to a depth  
of not more than three inches; keep  
the turning plow out of your corn  
field. (5) Don't pull fodder and so  
waste labor and reduce your yield of  
the crop.—Raleigh (N. C.) Progress-  
ive Farmer.

Constipation brings many ailments  
in its train and is the primary cause  
of much sickness. Keep your bowels  
madam, and you will escape many  
of the ailments to which women are  
subject. Constipation is a very sim-  
ple thing, but like many simple  
things, it may lead to serious conse-  
quences. Nature often needs a lit-  
tle assistance and when Chamber-  
lain's Tablets are given at the first  
indication, much distress and suffer-  
ing may be avoided. Sold by all  
dealers.

Dentist (after examination)—And  
you will have gas, madam?  
Nervous Patient—You don't sup-  
pose I'm going to let you tinker with  
my teeth in the dark, do you?  
—London Tatler.

In cases of rheumatism relief from  
pain makes sleep and rest possible.  
This may be obtained by applying  
Chamberlain's Liniment. For sale  
by all dealers.

And many a man is his own hoo-  
doo.  
Lame Shoulder is nearly always  
due to rheumatism of the muscles,  
and quickly yields to the free applica-  
tion of Chamberlain's Liniment.  
For sale by all dealers.

Men who shake hands the hardest  
are the hardest to shake.—Chicago  
News.

### Never Out of Work.

The busiest little things ever made  
are Dr. King's New Life Pills.  
Every pill is a sugar-coated globe  
of health, that changes weakness in-  
to strength, languor into energy,  
brain-fag into mental power; curing  
constipation, headache, chills, dys-  
pepsia, malaria. Only 25c. at E. T.  
Whitehead Company.



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**Absolutely Pure**  
**Makes Home Baking Easy**  
Royal Baking Powder helps the housewife to  
produce at home, quickly and economically,  
fine and tasty cake, hot biscuit, puddings,  
the frosted layer cake, crisp cookies, crullers,  
crusts and muffins, fresh, clean, tasty and  
wholesome, with which the ready-made food  
found at the shop or grocery does not com-  
pare. Royal is the greatest of bake-day helps.

ROYAL COOK BOOK—800 RECIPES—FREE  
Send Name and Address.  
ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

### Politeness in Business.

Politeness is regarded as one of  
the virtues. It is not generally  
enough recognized as an important  
business asset. "I'll never go into  
that store again," declared a gentle-  
man as he came from a store where  
the salesman had been discourteous.  
The proprietor may wonder why his  
trade falls off while that of his  
neighbor increases. He may think  
that he does not advertise enough or  
cut prices enough; but the custom-  
er who was driven away came to  
him first because of his advertising  
and then went to his rival and paid  
more money for the desired article,  
for no other reason than that he  
wanted polite treatment. The latter  
merchant had a business asset which  
was of more value to his trade than  
the display advertisements and cut  
prices of his neighbor.—Christian  
Herald.

"Had dyspepsia or indigestion for  
years. No appetite, and what I did  
eat distressed me terribly. Burdock  
Blood Bitters cured me."—J. H.  
Walker, Sunbury, Ohio.

She—I would like that lovely pearl  
necklace. Look what beauties they  
are. He—It's better not to have  
suck large pearls, my dear. People  
always think they are false.—Jour-  
nal Amusant.

"Our baby cries for Chamberlain's  
Cough Remedy," writes Mrs. T. B.  
Kendrick, Kaskas, Ga. "It is the  
best cough remedy on the market  
for coughs, colds and croup. For  
sale by all dealers.

A woman can rule her husband  
without being able to do it to the  
children.

Don't let the baby suffer from  
eczema, sores or any itching of the  
skin. Doan's Ointment gives instant  
relief, cures quickly. Perfectly safe  
for children. All druggists sell it.

A foolish woman and her money  
are soon married.

Constipation causes headache,  
nausea, dizziness, languor, heart  
palpitation. Drastic physics gripe,  
sicken, weaken the bowels and don't  
cure. Doan's Regulets act gently  
and cure constipation. 25 cents. Ask  
your druggist.

### NO REASON FOR DOUBT.

A Statement of Facts Backed  
by a Strong Guarantee.

We guarantee complete relief to  
all sufferers from constipation. In  
every case where we fail we will  
supply the medicine free.

Rexall Orderlies are a gentle, ef-  
fective, dependable and safe bowel  
regulator, strengthener and tonic.  
They re-establish nature's functions  
in a quiet, easy way. They do not  
cause any inconvenience, griping or  
nausea. They are so pleasant to  
take and work so easily that they  
may be taken by any one at any  
time. They thoroughly tone up the  
whole system to healthy activity.

Rexall Orderlies are unsurpassable  
and ideal for the use of children,  
old folks and delicate persons. We  
cannot too highly recommend them  
to all sufferers from any form of  
constipation and its attendant evils.  
Two sizes, 10c. and 25c. Remember,  
you can obtain Rexall Remedies in  
this community only at our store—  
The Rexall Store. E. T. Whitehead  
Company.

### Drawbacks.

There is no rose  
Without its cruel thorn.  
No pleasure grows  
Without some grief to fill us,  
In words of bliss  
In every still lurks tones of scorn—  
Hides some doggedon bacillus!  
—Milwaukee News.

### Bad Roads Cost Us \$200,000,000 a Year.

Just a few figures:  
Wagon roads in the United States  
—2,151,570 miles.  
Improved (faced with gravel or  
something better)—176,429 miles.  
Per cent of improved roads—8.2.  
Each year 265,000,000 tons of  
farm and forest products are hauled  
to market or to railway stations  
over American roads.  
This hauling costs \$432,000,000 or  
32 cents per ton per mile.  
It costs about 10 cents per ton per  
mile to haul freight over an im-  
proved road.  
Thus, if all our roads were im-  
proved, it would mean a saving of  
\$200,000,000 a year in hauling alone.  
It will cost fully \$3,000,000,000 to  
put all the mud roads in America in  
shape—to make them merely good  
gravel roads.  
Three billion dollars is a big sum  
—yet \$200,000,000 per year for fif-  
teen years would settle the bill.  
This country of ours is the richest  
in the world—yet the poorest, most  
tax-burdened country in Europe can  
boast of better roads than can we.  
Odd, isn't it?—Rural Weekly.

### UPSET STOMACH.

Mi-o-na Stomach Tablets  
Drive Away Stomach Dis-  
tress in Five Minutes.

Belching of gas; heaviness sour  
taste in mouth, dizziness, bilious-  
ness and nausea occurs simply be-  
cause the stomach is not properly  
digesting the food.

MI-O-NA Stomach Tablets give  
instant relief to upset stomachs, but  
they do more; they put strength in-  
to the stomach and build it up so  
that it can easily digest a hearty  
meal.

Sick headache, nervousness, sleep-  
lessness and bad dreams are all  
caused by fermentation of food.

Stop the fermentation: renovate  
the stomach and make it clean, and  
sweet and half of the ills of the  
human family would probably dis-  
appear.

If you have stomach trouble of  
any kind don't overlook the fact  
that MI-O-NA is a doctor's prescrip-  
tion, and that it's as good a pre-  
scription as any doctor will write  
for years to come.

E. T. Whitehead Company sells  
MI-O-NA stomach tablets and so  
leading druggists everywhere. They  
are rigidly guaranteed to cure any  
case of stomach trouble, or money  
back.

A large box of MI-O-NA stom-  
ach tablets costs but 50 cents. They act  
so quickly that after dinner distress,  
heaviness and belching disappear in  
five minutes. Give MI-O-NA a trial  
on money back plan. Free trial  
treatment of MI-O-NA will be sent  
to any reader of The Commonwealth  
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