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Pike's Peak or Sibley Hard Shell. Just as good a keeper as the Hubbard.

Mammoth White Bush Scallop. Best early summer squash.

Pure Hubbard. Standard winter.

**Tomato**—Dwarf Upright Champion. Undoubtedly best.

Golden Sunrise—Yellow variety. Unsurpassed.

**Turnip**—Purple Top. Strap Leaf. Best garden turnip for either early or late.

**Watermelon**—A luscious new variety called The White Gem.

Jordan's Gray Monarch—A large sort; deep red in color and of very fine quality.

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J. W. WILSON:

I have just come in from my two corn fields, where the men are finishing cutting up corn. The field of that sort marked Robinson's Seedling, in package sent you to-day, is a very superior corn. You see the dates on the cards, showing time of growth—and the King on new ground is No. 1; not as early as the Robinson on older ground. The first three hills of the latter which I stepped up to test had three stalks in each hill, and there were nine ears on the three hills, every ear as fine as the two sent you (10 inches long). I came near sending the nine ears, but decided to get two of the King that you might examine and compare. The Robinson has been raised on my place now for four years and will be the only kind planted next year. Of course as we have not begun husking I can only estimate relative amounts, but it seems to promise at least 25 per cent more yield than the King. If you wish to use on seed list let me know, as I can select choice seed and dry it well.

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**King** of the Earlies, one of the best and most prolific of the earliest Yellow Dent varieties of corn.

Extra Early Barlettia, or English radish.

**Egg Plant**—New Jersey Improved Large Purple. The best beyond question.

**Leek**—The New Giant. Unparalleled.

**Lettuce**—Old reliable Black Seed Simpson. Fine quality.

Charter's Mammoth Head. Fine quality.

**Cucumber**—We offer one variety of cucumbers only this year; it is called Thurn's Ever Bearing; it will produce the entire season.

**Cress**—Fine Curled. Crisp and choice.

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**Mangel**—Golden Giant, a great prize taker.

The newest and best. Has weighed 34½ lbs.

**Muskmeon**—New Superior. A Cantelopé of extra fine quality.

Little Gem. Popular in Chicago market.

**Onions**—Yellow Globe Danvers. Standard crop.

The Prize Taker. This is an American grown seed; immense size.

Extra Early Barlettia, or English radish.

**Parsnip**—Improved Guernsey. The best.

**Pear**—The Strategem. This is, perhaps, the most prolific pea in existence.

American Wonder. The earliest and best crinkled dwarf varieties.

Early Prize. A fine new sort. Extra choice.

**Pepper**—Mixture of the very best sorts—the Ruby King, Red Etna and New Celestial.

**Pumpkin**—Quaker Pie. It is early and keeps late.

Dunkard Winter. It will keep good nearly all winter.

**Radish**—White Tipped Scarlet Ball. Extra early.

Improved Charlier. Best market radish.

**rutabaga**—Yellow Purple Top. The best yellow variety.

White Sweet German. For table use.

### Feeding Hogs for Quality of Meat.

(Purdue University Agricultural Experiment Station.)

An inquiry has recently come to the Indiana experiment station from one of our well known swine breeders, Mr. I. N. Barker, relative to the most desirable food for preparing pigs for the market.

The market to-day demands pork with a fair admixture of lean meat, such as can not be produced as a rule by a pure corn diet. The best results will be secured by using two or more kinds of grain, and also skim milk, if it can be obtained. The general run of feeding experiments in this country have shown that where corn meal and shorts were fed, the meat showed more lean, than when corn was fed alone. At the Wisconsin experiment station, a mixture of 431 lbs. corn meal and shorts, half and half, fed wet, produced 100 lbs. of grain, as compared with 784 lbs. whole corn or 517 lbs. corn meal, to make 100 lbs. gain.

The shorts are muscle forming foods, and where these are used, a more vigorous pig usually results. Ground barley or oats may also be fed with corn to great advantage. There are many farmers in Indiana who grow oats extensively, besides corn, who could feed them to stock hogs, with corn, to far greater profit than selling them at 13 cents per bushel.

In a letter to this station, Mr. Barker says: "My own experiments in feeding hogs to produce the best quality of meat, have been similar to those you speak of and those of Prof. W. A. Henry, only I did not feed as much meal or corn. I fed ground wheat and oats in equal parts, and not more than one-fourth corn. I also fed skim