

found there. A visit to the nursery is necessary in order that one may be convinced of what may be accomplished in six years.

From prairie land, or rather, land which had once been cultivated and later allowed to go back to prairie, has been developed in that time a most beautiful and well-equipped forest tree nursery. Attractive and well built farm buildings have been erected, and a handsome brick residence for the superintendent occupies a choice location in the park-like surroundings.

Primary Object

While the grounds and drives are laid out in artistic manner and garden shrubs and flowers are to be found in vast profusion, and a visit to the farm would furnish a valuable object lesson in landscape gardening, the primary aim of the nursery station is to supply free trees for rural home decoration, and to assist farmers in checking soil-drifting by the use of tree plantations. By tree-planting moisture in the soil is conserved, protection is given to fruits and vegetables which, without such protection, cannot be grown successfully, and the farm generally, through beautification and material benefit of plantations, takes

on an added value. Any garden will give better results when protected from the wind, while the growing of strawberries, white, red and black currants, rhubarb, plums and asparagus is made possible in the most exposed sections of prairie when shelter belt plantations are used.

Forest Trees Only Supplied

Only forest trees are grown at the nursery for shipment, including maple, ash, Russian poplar and caragana, which are distributed free except for transportation charges, and Scotch pine, lodge-pole pine, jack-pine, and white spruce, which are supplied at the nominal cost of two cents per tree, in addition to the transportation cost.

Maples are shipped at the end of one year's growth, ash at two years', caragana at one to two years, and evergreens at from three to five years, an average of two million trees per year being the output since the founding of the station.

Distribution Over Wide Area

Trees have been sent to applicants throughout the three prairie provinces, and to districts ranging from Portage la Prairie on the east to Peace River on the west. All points which can best be served by railways out of Saskatoon receive their shipments while those which



Cabbages, carrots and mangels grown prolifically on the farm of Andrew Anderson, Alsask, Sask. Mr. Anderson owes his vegetable crops to the shelter obtained from belts of trees.