## PRIZE COLLECTION OF VEGETABLES FROM PINE GROVE GARDENS, ORILLIA,

AT EAST SINCOE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY'S EXHIBITION, 1900.



Pic. 2234.

of vegetables from Pine Grove Garden has been awarded 1st prize and diploma at the East Simcoe Horticultural Society's Fall Exhibition. In 1500, in addition to the collection of vegetables, 33

other prizes were awarded to vegetables from these gardens, three of them being for collections, viz., capsicums, tomatoes and cabbages, and 30 for other entries.

The gardens consist of 25 acres, situated in the west ward of Orillia; one-third of the land is of very light sand, one-third of clay loam and one-third of deep black muck. When 15 years ago it came into possession of the present owner, Mr. McKinnell, it appeared a most unlikely spot for a garden. During the first year or two, the seed was

blown out of the ground in one place, men and horses mired in another, and hundreds of tons of boulders had to be buried or otherwise got rid of from another. By filling up the sand and gravel pits, thoroughly draining the swamp tonce a menace to the health of the neighbors) by extensive cultivation and fertilizing, aided by a good system of irrigation, it has been converted into one of the most productive 25 acres in Canada, shipping many car loads of the finest vegetables

annually to the lumbermen and miners of the northern districts of Ontario. Special attention is given to the following crops, viz.: Tomatoes, onions, celery and strawberries; of the last named 10,000 quarts were sold during the last season.

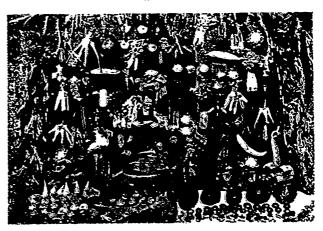


Fig. 2235.

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