

to sound them for him, to gain any notoriety by pulling or tickling the ear of the public. He has simply done his duty, and that not always a pleasant or a popular one, and has allowed himself to be judged by the public on the merits of the work done. His work speaks for him, and the agriculturists and others of this province know that the Ontario Agricultural College embodies the life work of President Mills and the many

energetic workers by whom he has surrounded himself during the past twenty-four years. Since Dr. Mills has been given full control of the College things have become settled into systematic methods, and one can see evident marks of progress in every department. Since the college opened last September more than seven hundred students have been enrolled.

FLORICULTURE FOR WOMEN.

RAISING flowers in greenhouses for market is a profession for which women are proving themselves especially adapted. It is a business that has to be learned like any other, but with a little experience added to natural qualifications, such as perseverance, energy and common sense, one is sure to succeed. The plant I own and am running at the present time was started on \$250, and I have built up a large, well-paying business. Given an acre of land, the first requisite, of course, is a greenhouse. A modest one can be built for \$100 and a rough heating apparatus put in for \$50. The cost of plants and seeds is slight, and other expenses, such as tools, fertilizers, cold frames for starting the plants, etc., would amount to little on so small a scale. The secret of success is to utilize every inch of space. In a vegetable house the tables can be filled with lettuce, cucumbers or tomatoes, while rhubarb and mushrooms can be grown on the ground underneath. A good head for planning is a necessity, and no time must be wasted between crops.

The best location for such a venture as this is a small town or community of pros-

perous people. In a prosperous community you do not have to market flowers; customers will come to you for them. I sell all my flowers at my greenhouses. The profit is in decorating and set pieces rather than in cut flowers. A great advantage in this profession is that there is so much room in it for originality and taste. A branch in which a great deal of money can be made is in the sale of plants. All kinds of bedding plants are wanted in May and June for lawns, parks, cemeteries, cottages at the seashore, vases and wayside nooks. Pots filled with two or three California violet plants in bloom brought seventy-five cents in this city last winter. Pansies are in demand in their season. Ferns, palms and orchids grace your dining rooms, churches, etc. The filling of window boxes, designing new effects in jardinières and hanging baskets is a line in which a woman can be very successful. The rose in all its colors is one of the most profitable flowers to grow under glass. The demand is great and people must have them. —*M. E. Cutler before Massachusetts Horticultural Society.*