

posed farm house here and in quite uncared-for condition there has bloomed for many years a Marechal Niel rose, with the most gorgeous golden blossoms, a sight indeed. The beautiful Reine Marie Henriette blooms four times in the year. The Gloire de Dijon is a common climber on cottages, and hundreds of others run riot; shrubs make wonderful growth and flower profusely. All the old familiar garden flowers are at home. Perennials are as plants glorified, so great is their size and so fine their coloring. In the floral line, perhaps the greatest happiness, is in the length of time flowers stay in bloom. Herrick's lines on blossoms are inappropriate here. They do not "haste away so soon." They live on for weeks, a joy to the eye and heart. In a comparatively short time, moreover, a garden will realize one's hopes. Trees, shrubs, vines and flowers make great growth and bloom early. A garden here five years old is more finished in appearance than a garden in the east twice its age. There is no tiresome waiting for a place to grow. Houses take on the mellowed look in so short a time that there is never the distressing appearance here of newness, so characteristic of the middle West.

Gardening.—Gardening is a delight for all times of life and is one of the healthiest occupations. It is good for the



"Happiest Memories"

Photo by Mrs. Watt

children, too, to grow up in a garden. Parents who, through carelessness, do not give their boys a garden of flowers and fruit, such as they can easily have here, are depriving them of present pleasure and happiest memories.

The love of flowers, early implanted, will give a life-long interest. It is wholesome and uplifting and will be for ever a good influence.

Here we can enjoy the garden all the year round and find something new every day. Winter is no barrier to garden work. Frost has no terrors. Generally speaking, the cold frame work begins with the new year, and, as has been said, planting goes on all winter. Seeding in open ground is in March. By April it is all done, except the succession crops. These are planted until July. It is another charm of this climate that