

few of the plants were started in window boxes in the school, but most of the seed was sown in the open ground.

The coming of autumn frosts did not end the enjoyment of the flowers : as the heating did not permit window gardens at the school, the school flower garden was transferred to the pupils' homes. In October some of the more easily growing winter-blooming bulbs, such as paper white narcissus, Roman and Dutch hyacinths, and freesias, were potted at the school garden. These the pupils took home, and, treating them according to directions, they were soon able to report a fine lot of flowers. The pupil gardener was often so proud of his home-grown flowers that he would wrap up the pot and bring it to school to exhibit his success.

A most convenient size for the individual vegetable plots was found to be 4 x 10 feet for the younger pupils, and 8 x 10 feet for the older ones. Each pupil eight years old or over, was given a plot and allowed much freedom in choosing what should be grown in it; but radishes, lettuce, carrots, beans, cabbages, cauliflowers, beets and turnips have been most satisfactory. At the back of the garden, in an extra space, larger and more ambitious pupils grow corn, potatoes, squashes and cucumbers. All the produce of the individual plots is the property of their pupil owners and is removed and disposed of as each particular boy or girl decides, a wise restriction being that it shall only be removed when the instructor is present.

"But how," you may say, "is the school garden work done?"

While it is still winter, plans are made for the spring planting. These plans may be drawn to scale by the older pupils and will provide a good drawing lesson. Then, as warm days indicate the approach of spring, boxes of soil are placed in the windows and seeds are sown so that the plants may be well grown when spring has really come. This is also the best time to study the germination of seed and the growth of young seedlings; for, when the time for planting out of doors arrives, with it will come a profusion