

GARDENERS' PIPE DREAM COME TRUE.

How to grow high grade flowers and vegetables without *any* soil is the discovery of S.R. Mullard, famous radio pioneer. The chemical food on which his plants thrive is the outcome of much experiment~~er~~. It supplies everything that is found in good soil, and is fed in regulated quantities to beds of shingle. Tomato, plants, for example, are put in ~~the prepared shingles~~, properly spaced, and with the certainty that first rate tomatoes will ^{K up} ~~be the result~~. This is gardening with the back-ache, weeds and pests taken out.... And of course there's no dirt. Perfect lettuces ^{are} can be taken ~~from~~ *out of* the shingle Almost clean enough for the table.

Carnations are one of the specialties here. Glass wool is laid round the young plants to keep them moist. Then little sheets of asbestos complete the bed clothing and the flowers grow with exactly the amount of moisture they require. When more labour is available this experiment in cultivation will be extended. It may be that as the result this country ^e may become completely self-supporting.