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Forgotten Books, United States, 2016. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from American Gardens It must, however, be remembered that almost no trace is left of the famous gardens of antiquity. We know where many of them were situated, we know the dimensions and some of the details of others, but to gain an idea of their effect we must always draw largely on our imaginations. Contemporaneous litera ture aids us a little; 3 knowledge of the ora of the country helps us to finish off the picture; but the whole must in the end be, necessarily, a fabric of the imagination. The formal garden had its beginning many centuries ago. Owing to the admirable pictorial descriptions of the ancient Egyptians, we have a fairly accu rate idea of their gardens six thousand years back. Maspero, in his Dawn of Civilization, tells about a garden a description of which is carved on the tomb of Amten, an important Egyptian nobleman who lived four thousand years before Christ. He built, says Maspero, upon the remainder of the land a magnificent villa, of which he has considerately left us the description. The boundary wall formed a square 350 feet on each face, and consequently con tained a superficial area of square feet. A well-built dwellinghouse, furnished with all the necessaries of life, was surrounded by ornamental and fruit bearing trees, - the common palm, the nebek, fig trees, and acacias, - several ponds, neatly bordered with greenery, afforded a habitat for aquatic birds; trellised vines, according to custom, ran in front of the house, and two plots of ground planted with Vines in full bearing supplied the owner with wine every year. An interesting drawing, found in a Theban tomb some forty centuries...

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