



THE TACACO, A COSTA RICAN VEGETABLE (*POLAKOWSKIA TACACO* PITTIER).

These fruits are borne on a rapidly growing vine resembling other cucurbit vines. They are picked green, boiled in water, and form a favorite addition to vegetable soups, or are pickled. It is a near relative of the chayote (*Chayota edulis*). Natural-size photograph (P6119FS), by E. L. Crandall, of S. P. I. No. 28243, November 19, 1909. (See S. P. I. No. 36592.)