



**A CLUMP OF THE TULDA BAMBOO IN PANAMA (BAMBOS TULDA, S. P. I. No. 44240).**

A Wardian case filled with plants of this species of bamboo was sent to Washington in the spring of 1907 from Sibpur, near Calcutta, India, by Maj. A. T. Gage, superintendent of the Royal Botanic Garden there. Two years later plants were sent to Panama and central Florida, and some of these have grown into beautiful clumps; there is one at Mr. Nehrling's place near Gotha, Fla., and this clump in the Canal Zone. Later, thousands of seedlings from imported seeds were distributed. This species is ranked as one of the most useful plants of Bengal. Its culms are imported to America and used in the making of split bamboo fishing rods. (Photographed at Culebra, Canal Zone, 1917.)