



THE BARAJILLO, A NEW LEGUMINOUS SHRUB FROM SALVADOR. (MEIBOMIA RENSONI PAINTER; S. P. I. No. 55446.)

The use of leguminous plants as green cover crops and soil builders is becoming universal. The one here shown, *Meibomia rensoni*, has recently been called to the attention of horticulturists by Dr. Carlos Renson, of San Salvador. Under favorable conditions of climate and soil it reaches 18 feet in height. Its purplish flowers are borne in terminal racemes. The large roots penetrate deeply into the soil. Like other leguminous plants, *M. rensoni* gathers nitrogen from the air and stores it in nodules upon the smaller roots. (Photographed by Dr. Carlos Renson, San Salvador, Salvador.)