



THE BASKET WILLOW OF MADEIRA AS A SNOW FENCE ON LONG ISLAND.

A row of willows grown from cuttings of S. P. I. No. 19856, *Salix viminalis*, at the Experimental Farm of the Long Island Railroad at Medford, N. Y. Rows like this were planted along the line of the Long Island Railroad by Mr. H. B. Fullerton, and because of the fact that this species of willow grows just the right height and forms a dense mat of branches, it has proven to be an excellent snow fence. According to Mr. Fullerton, the railroad is now planting considerable stretches of its road with this willow, depending upon it to prevent the snow from drifting into the cuts. It takes the place of the board snow fences. This willow, which was secured by Mr. Fairchild in Funchal, is grown extensively in the island of Madeira, and many kinds of furniture are made from it and shipped all over the world. It forms one of the important industries of the island. Photograph by Mr. H. B. Fullerton, Medford, N. Y.