NEAR VIEW OF 6-YEAR-OLD CLUMP OF EDIBLE BAMBOO IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

(*Phyllostachys pubescens* Houzeau. See S. P. I. No. 47370.)

This grove has withstood a temperature of 2° F. and is apparently as vigorous as any groves of equal age in Japan. Its young shoots, produced in March or April, are a delicious vegetable, much prized by foreigners in the Orient. They remind one of sweet corn in flavor and are in great demand by the Chinese restaurants of this country. (Photographed by David Fairchild, Anderson, S. C., November 14, 1918; P24592FS. Near view of the grove shown in the preceding plate, which see.)