



THE IMBU TREE AT HOME.

In the dry interior of northeastern Brazil the imbu (*Spondias tuberosa* Arruda) is one of the most important fruits. The tree grows wild throughout the dry lands or catingas and produces abundant crops of golden yellow fruits the size of a plum. It can nearly always be distinguished from other plants on the catinga, even at a distance, by its broad, spreading form. The specimen here shown is growing near the town of Bom Fim, in Bahia state. A native has taken advantage of the shelter from the sun's rays offered by this tree and built his hut close to the trunk. Brazilian Expedition Photo No. D 2097, taken at Bom Fim, Bahia, Feb. 27, 1914.