



FIG. 2145. CASINO AND BOATHOUSE.

The new Casino and Boathouse on the south bank of Delaware Park Lake is a very picturesque structure. It is three stories high, the first being built of limestone and the other of white brick. Over the first story is a loggia. This building contains a restaurant, a lounging room, amusement halls, and a place for the storage of boats. It was built by the City of Buffalo at a cost of \$30,000.

ent new fruit in several of the state collections. In the New York State exhibit we noticed, (August 15th), Clyman, Marianna, Wild Goose, Kerr, Ogon, Paul's Early (very dark purple) and Red June, the two latter shown by Mr. S. D. Willard. Climax and Shiro were shown by Cornell University, the former measured about $2 \times 1\frac{3}{4}$ inches, color a deep red, and Shiro about $1\frac{1}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$, color yellow. In the measurements the first is the length, the second the breadth.

The most interesting exhibit of these plums was made by Mr. Theodore Williams of Benson, Nebraska, in the exhibit of that state. This gentleman has produced over 200 varieties of plums (mostly Americana hybrids) during the past twelve years, all at his own expense. His aim is to produce hardy and productive varieties for northern sections. Only recently has the importance of his work been recognized by the state, and his productions are only now being brought into public notice. Forty varieties were shown, of which we noticed and tested.

Zee, (Cheney \times Botan) which bore a full crop after the severe winter of 1899, proving it to be both hardy and production. It is sweet and agreeable. Early Americana (Wild Goose \times Sand Cherry), Goosfine, (Wild Goose Seedling) sweet and good; Summertint, (Botan \times Cheney) healthy and hardy; colors and cooks well before it is ripe.

Two apricots were also shown which were claimed to be very profitable, viz., Sweletta and Nectarine, varieties which ripen between the 16th and 30th of July and have endured a temperature of 30° below zero.

The Rathbun blackberry was shown August 15th along with Wilson's Early in the New York State exhibit, and certainly it appears to be a marvellous berry. The samples measured fully one and a half inches long by one broad, and would be very captivating in a market.

The New Chautauqua blackberry was also shown in this exhibit, a small berry, not very attractive, but said to produce the immense yield of 18,000 quarts per acre.

Simon's plum, quite ripe; Red June, small,



FIG. 2146. THE BRIDGE OF THE THREE AMERICAS.

The new granite bridge over the neck separating the Park Lake from the North Bay in Delaware Park was built by the City of Buffalo at a cost of \$50,000. It is 138 feet long, with a roadway 53 feet in width, and two footpaths, each 11 feet wide. It is in the form of three arches. For the purpose of the Exposition each of the Americas is represented by an arch, and it has been given the name of the Bridge of the Three Americas.