



FIG. 2199. A GROUP OF TROPICAL PLANTS IN QUEEN VICTORIA, NIAGARA FALLS PARK, DURING THE SUMMER OF 1901.

THE EULALIAS.

IN a late number of your journal you proposed securing for your members *Rudbeckia purpurea*. I tried to grow it at the Falls and failed. I blamed it to the plant being rather tender; if so here, then it would not give satisfaction in other parts of the province. How do others find it? It may be that the excessive moisture here does not suit it.

In place of *Rudbeckia purpurea*, I would recommend some of the *Eulalias*, of which there is a number of varieties, and I am sure all that went to the Pan American this summer could not fail to take notice of the beautiful bed of them there. In my estimation it was the best bed on the grounds, and it contained *Eulalia zebrina*; *Eulalia nica*; *E. Japodica variegata*, and *E.*

geacillinia; *Gynerium argenteum* or Pampas grass of South America: also *Arundo donex*, of which there is a variegated variety. (See Fig. 2200.) I inclose you a photograph of the green one if worthy of notice. The above bed was bordered by the beautiful *Pennisetum ruppelianum*, which is grown from seeds in the early spring, although they can be kept in a greenhouse and divided by the roots in the spring. There are other similar plants that could be added to this collection, such as the Bamboos—the common, the golden and the variegated—and even the sugar cane and many others. Again what is more beautiful than a few individual plants of the above standing or planted here and there on any lawn?

Niagara Falls.

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