

picturesque garden of twenty and a half acres by the landscape gardener to whom Paris owes the Bois de Boulogne. The gardens are skilfully laid out, and, being close to the hotels, are a useful resort by day for those who cannot take active exercise; but after sunset they are liable to be damp, in consequence of the perpetual watering of the ground and the presence of a small lake. Grass grows with difficulty in Cairo, and the *Lippia nodiflora* is made to take its place. There is a good restaurant, which is in great request during the summer, when military bands play in the gardens after dinner. There are very few trees or shrubs with which we are familiar in English gardens, but ivy may be seen with the cactus clinging to stately palms. Australia has furnished the she-oak and the beef-wood tree; there are *sparmannia* from the Cape of Good Hope; and from South America, clumps of cocos trees, silk cotton trees, and *habrothamnus*. Among the most noticeable trees are the blue flowering *Jacaranda mimosifolia*, the *Erythrina cristogalli*, and the pepper-tree from Brazil; the lovely orange-red flowering flamboyant (*Pointciana regia*) from Madagascar, which is now planted in some of the Cairo streets; the mossy-cupped oak from Constantinople; the Malabar nut, frangipanni, red bean tree, and pudding-pipe tree from India; the