

unbounded supply of the valuable, the ornamental, and the beautiful descriptions of timber which our woods produce, is too well known to require more than a passing comment. In an Essay on the Vegetable World, as contributing to the Great Exhibition, Professor Forbes, of King's College, London, says, "The Black Walnut of North America is a rich purple-brown hue, but little used by cabinet-makers in this country. Its capabilities are well shown in the chairs and tables made of it, exhibited by the Canadians, and highly creditable to their taste and skill." It can be obtained in very large planks, and he might have added, in very great abundance, as in the western portion of Canada West, there are tens of thousands of acres, having a very large proportion of woodland consisting of trees of this kind of timber, of immense growth, especially the country of Lambton and the Huron tract. Latterly, the Americans have been very anxious to procure it, not having any of their own, and it is so abundant, that they can procure it at about £3 for every 1000 superficial feet, counting the foot twelve inches square, and *one* inch thick, and the export of it is likely to become a very extensive trade. Our best and most beautiful furniture in Canada is made of it, and it even supersedes mahogany.

The *Hickory* is also a tree of the walnut tribe, remarkable for its excellence and toughness, though not, perhaps, for its beauty. It was exhibited at