



FIG. 436—A BLACK WALNUT TREE.

BLACK WALNUT TREES FOR LUMBER—I.



OW that the older plans of farming operations, too long persisted in in this province, are slowly but certainly giving way to more intelligent systems, the present appears to be a seasonable time to again draw the attention of land-owners to the advisability of tree planting, as one of the best means of increasing the productiveness of the soil, and thereby securing greater prosperity to the farming community in the near future, with a certainty of greater pecuniary reward at a more remote future.

During the past twenty years, when so many new ideas, methods and plans have been advanced solely in the interest of the owners and tillers of the soil, no other proposition has been received with so much approbation and with so few objections as that of the necessity and the desirability of tree planting, as a means towards public prosperity; and yet but little or nothing has been accomplished. The principal cause of this inactivity seems to be that the immediate pecuniary advantages to be derived from this source is obtainable