

THE GRIMSBY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.



FIG. 1198.—MR. CHARLES VANDUZER,
EX-SECRETARY.

the ground with fine fruit, but this year it is almost barren. Among his other specialties are Bartlett pears, peaches and grapes, a share of which he proposes to furnish for the experimental export trade to Great Britain. In addition to his orchard, Mr. VanDuzer has opened up a business in fruit shipping, and may always be found at the G.T.R. station ready to pay a price for all kinds of fruits, in order to fill his orders.

Our frontispiece shows Mr. VanDuzer's home, near Grimsby Park, with tennis court and front yards. The large tree in front is the common locust (*Robinia pseudoacacia*), a favorite tree with the early settlers about Grimsby; the clipped trees in front are Norway Spruces, and the dense foliaged trees on the side are Horse Chestnuts, a tree that succeeds well in the Niagara district on high well drained soil. But the great charm of the yard is the beautifully kept hedges of Arbor Vitæ, which are a

proof of the great desirability of this slow growing evergreen for making an ornamental hedge.

At the last Annual Meeting one of the lady vice-presidents was elected to the office of president, viz, Mrs. Edgar J. Palmer, the wife of Grimsby's leading merchant, who has lately retired from business. The daughter of a practical horticulturist herself, she takes a special interest in the Society, and frequently calls sociable little meetings of the directors at her own house. She also excels in her own garden in growing early vegetables, as well as with many of the choicer floral treasures. One bed in a side garden is most attractive in May with Crown Imperials, and again in July with white lilies (*L. Candidum*). We were surprised at the height of the latter this season, many of the stalks standing six feet high, and showing from eight to ten blooms each.



FIG. 1199.—MR. E. H. READ, Secretary.