

which the progress of the Province so much depends, and from which the Government derives such a large proportion of its revenue.

THE CHESTNUT AS A SPROUTER.

The Chestnut (*Castanea dentata*) is almost unrivalled as a sprouter, and this marked and valuable characteristic is well illustrated by the accompanying reproduction of photographs furnished by Prof. Judson F. Clark, all taken in Southwestern Ontario. In No. 1 the sprouts are about 12 years old. No 2 shows three fine trees, 14 to 18 inches in diameter, springing from one stump. These would make excellent ties or telephone poles. No. 3 illustrates sprouting from a living tree. The stump of the mother tree, which was cut a few years ago, is about five feet in diameter and the sprouts are about 15 to 18 inches in diameter. The chestnut, on account of its straight splitting and desirable quality when used in contact with the soil, is in great demand for fence posts and similar purposes.

Henry John Elwes and Augustine Henry are about to publish "The Trees of Great Britain and Ireland," and judging from the prospectus and the specimen illustrations which accompany it, their work will be one of inestimable value to everyone interested in Forestry or forest trees. Five years have been given to the preparation of this work, which is published privately by the authors. The first volume has already been issued, the second is in the press and the other three volumes will appear shortly. The object of this work is to give a complete account of all the trees which grow naturally or are cultivated in Great Britain, and which have attained or seem likely to attain a size which justifies their being looked on as timber trees. About 300 species of trees will be described and figured, several illustrations in many cases being necessary to show one tree. The illustrations are beautiful reproductions of photographs or paintings, many of them made specially for this work.