

AN ATTRACTIVE RUSTIC VASE.



SIMPLE and inexpensive devices for the decoration of lawns are often more attractive and beautiful than conventional urns or lawn vases, no matter how elaborate or costly they may be. It is true that such vases often possess more grace of form than is usually imparted to rustic work, but the artistic effect produced by the soft coloring of natural woods more than compensates for this. The illustration shows the promotion of a prosaic lard barrel from the depths of a grocer's cellar, to a conspicuous place on the writer's lawn, where its use is obvious and its beauty appreciated. There is, I find, a great lack of



FIG. 698.—AN INEXPENSIVE FLOWER STAND.