

THE WATERLOO FRUIT AND FLOWER GROWERS.



FIG. 1276. --WATERLOO PUBLIC PARK.



THE above sketch presents a good view of the Waterloo public park, sloping down gently to the "lake," not very far from the waters of the Grand River, whose majestic flow adds much to the natural beauty of the country between Waterloo and Berlin. The town itself was founded in 1806, and became a town in 1876, but even as far back as 1840 there was sufficient aesthetic taste to lead to the purchase of 60 acres to be reserved as a public park. What an example to many other towns in Ontario, which with perhaps even more favored surroundings, have never yet made a move toward a public park for the rest and recreation of their industrious inhabitants. No finer site could have been chosen, for natural position and beauty, with its wooded eminence of beech and maple, its splendid bicycle track and sporting grounds.

The Horticultural Society of Waterloo takes a deep interest in the improve-

ment of this park, and hopes to make it one of the best inland parks in Canada. In 1895 the Society planted

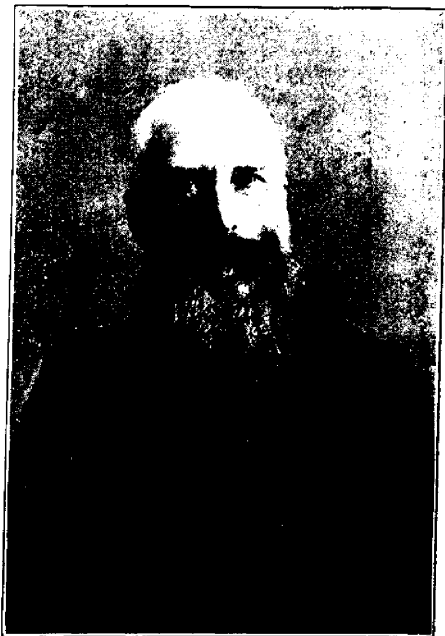


FIG. 1277. --MR. JAS. LOCKIE.