

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## REPORT ON MOORE'S EARLY GRAPE.

MR. SECRETARY,—I have much pleasure in reporting on the Moore's Early Grape, which was distributed by the Fruit Growers' Association in 1881. It fruited for the first time this year, and is within a day or two as early as the Champion. The berry is much larger than that variety, in fact larger than the Concord. Its flavor and general appearance is quite superior to the Champion in every respect, and will sell better in the market, even to parties who do not know the doubtful qualities of its rival. I consider the Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario have done a wise and beneficial thing to the people of this Province in disseminating this plant, and I, for one, would tender my sincere thanks for the boon conferred.

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## RIGHT TO THE WATER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST.

DEAR SIR,—Regarding the questions asked by Mr. Aylesworth, page 198, in the September number, as to the right to use the water of a stream for the purposes of irrigation, it appears that he may do so so long as he does not unreasonably diminish the quantity of the water. I quote from a legal writer on this point, which will give him an idea of how the law is at present:—

"Each riparian proprietor has a right to the ordinary use of the water flowing past or through his land, for the purpose of supplying his natural wants, including the use of the water for his domestic purposes, and for his stock. He has also the right to use it for any other purpose, as for irrigation or manufactures; but this right to the extraordinary use of the water is in-

ferior to the right to its ordinary use; and if the water of the stream is barely sufficient to answer the natural wants of the different proprietors, none of them can use the water for such extraordinary purpose as irrigation."

"The right to such extraordinary use of flowing water is common to all the riparian proprietors. It is not an absolute and exclusive right to all the water flowing past their lands, but it is a right to the flow and enjoyment of the stream, subject to a similar right in all the proprietors, their privileges being in all respects equal."

The use of the stream for this purpose must be reasonable, and not materially affect the application of the water by the other proprietors, and each proprietor's right depends upon the circumstances of the case.

Yours, &amp;c., LEX.

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## A WORD ABOUT ROSES.

Many are fond of roses, and many more ought to be; many, also, have been so disappointed in their best efforts to grow this beautiful flower to their satisfaction that they have given up the job, some in despair, others in disgust.

One of the chief difficulties in the way, I am satisfied, is the improper selection of varieties. It is well known that some varieties do well, even under adverse circumstances, while under the most skilful care others do not give satisfaction.

Six years ago I purchased and set out a dozen Hybrid Perpetuals. I lost a few the first summer; but I have yet *La France* (a hybrid Tea) usually classed among the Perpetuals, *Charles Lefebvre*, *Marie Baumann*, *Ferdinand de Lesseps*, *Mrs. Elliott*, *Comtesse Cecile de Chabrilant*, *Miss Hassard*, and *Alfred Colomb*, all of which have proved hardy, without the slightest protection, and have been almost constant bloomers from early