

Ontario. If practised in July or August, no wonder that this notion should prevail. Vineyards have been almost ruined for the season's crop by such injudicious treatment.

We would advise our correspondent to wait now until the fruit is off, then he may give his vineyard a thorough pruning and next June begin early to keep them in proper bounds, by pinching.

"Practice what you preach," many will say to the editor. "Your own vineyard was not pinched back last June." Pardon, dear critic! While you ask, consider whether you did all you ought, last June. Were you not much of the time confined to the house or barn, by constant rains, anxiously waiting a dry day, in which to do many of the things you should have done.

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### STOCK FOR BUDDED ROSES.

No. 481.

SIR,—My hobby is hybrid and tea roses for out-door planting. Anything upon roses will especially interest me. I would be glad to have your opinion as to the best kind of budding stock for our climate, whether Dog rose, Briar or Manetti; and your reasons therefor.

Geo. O. GOODHUE, *Danville, Que.*

*Reply by Webster Bros., Florists, Hamilton, Ont.*

Replying to your enquiry as to rose stocks: The Manetti is the most desirable stock upon which to bud all hardy varieties of the rose. The Dog rose is but little used for that purpose now, the Manetti having almost entirely displaced it. The Briar is desirable as a stock only for standard or half standard roses, but neither of those forms are suited to our Canadian climate. Roses budded on the Manetti stock are worked as low as possible, and when planted where they are to bloom are set with the bud three or four inches below the surface, thus rendering protection in winter an easy matter. We doubt, however, if budded roses will ever become as popular in America as they are in Great Britain and the Continent.

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### APPLES AND PEARS STUNG BY CURCULIO.

No. 482.

SIR,—I do not find from my reading that the curculio attacks apples. I send you some samples that have very plainly been stung by it. A neighboring orchard could furnish many more affected samples.

G. M. AYLESWORTH, *Collingwood, Ont.*

We have long recognized the injury done apples and pears by the curculio, which is responsible for so many knotty and ill-shapen specimens. On page 219 of our journal for 1889, is a reference to the knotty specimens of Bartlett pears,