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AND FUTURE

James Simpson, 1519 Blancha Roses, the beloved flower of ev everyone, gentle or simple! compare with it, so varied ape, in fragrance; it varies ofter ove qualities several times in on iff, hard and fast flower this, as are; but a flower that for art lor and fragrance, that at its b ual in the floral world; its varie ost endless and the multitude of a at are being produced by the isers engaged in that pleasant occ arvelous, showing that the wonder arverous, showing that the wonder zing the various species are now n derstood than formerly. Where ell grown a grand treat is in sto rtunate owner of the rose garden blessing to the rose-growing wor varional Rose Society of Britain b rose-growers! the standard of through its efforts being so raised finest roses in the world are exhib shows. This great society in 1909 new members to its list, making it

only. It is the writer's wish, and will b pose, to make of Vancouver Island Britain in regard to roses, hence he w to give his impressions of the past of far as he has seen it in Victoria, a about twenty years he was a memb a competitor at all the best shows o tional Rose Society of Britain, du time, and moreover a very success petitor, he trusts his advice may be f

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petitor, he trusts his advice may be a ful to many. It was while acting as judge at toria rose show in 1908 that he saw necessity for a forward stride of the rose-growers, as 99 per cent of th shown would scarcely have been lool a National judge, the blooms being old, flimsy and out of color. Thank to Providence for sending a hard fros uary, 1909, and so necessitating a har early pruning of roses, the rose show toria of 1909 was infinitely superio previous year, there being a great ma good blooms and some which could oned first class, showing that with cultivation what good results can b Victoria. The trouble here is that y Victoria. The trouble here is that y get a hard frost every winter; but have a very efficient substitute in a ge with a good knife, who knows wha when to do it, and does it. Therefore benefit of rose lovers in Victoria I w vise them to prune hard, prune early, severely; and don't be afraid. I know very difficult for some people to take vice, they knowing next to nothing on vice, they knowing next to nothing on ject, and the majority of people they vice from and believe in know as little a selves; and so the poor roses are cod with heaps of manure, in some cases high, with branches of trees, etc., etc which tends to keep the poor roses s from damp, stagnant air, and so star growth the excitable red indica blood so many of our best roses, this, with pruning so frequently and so foolis dulged in, making thus a poor, sickly

ened plant, with its life blood let out by ish man's or woman's knife in March of and then they wonder why their rose much vermin and mildew on them, and

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en so poor in flower and foliage. I wo vise all such to keep all protection aw especially to keep all manure away fr necks of the plants. Roses are now s into growth, and should be pruned at of this is the most dormat period of the this is the most dormant period of the By practicing as above the future of

growing would be immensely forward the beauty of Victoria would be added fold. I don't know any place in it when improvement could not be made. Of the best results cannot be got in one y some foolishly imagine, but good pract good cultivation must be done yearly; trouble is so small and the results so that growers would find no flower so pl profitable and so little trouble as a go of two of roses, treated as they should Here I may state that I am only pre what I have practiced for many years, the climate of cold Scotland, which, whole, is much worse than in Victoria. by practicing the advice here given oses never excelled in Britain, as the go silver medals awarded amply testify, in cases it being startling to Southern grow ind, as frequently happened in a comp for the best rose in the show, that the j difficulty was between two roses only both were in the Scotsman's box.

In Victoria to date I have pruned a roses, including all my own, and have away all protection, as I found all the beginning to move, and wished to give all the air and sunshine possible; and I no doubt whatever but that this year show at the rose show far better roses I did last year, and which were so favo Victoria can be pruned later than the fi larch without suffering severely in uence.

FRESH-AIR POULTRY HOUSES

Without fresh air it is impossible to ealthy poultry. The principal reason some strains of poultry develop a tenden delicacy is because the fowls are kep nouses in which there is not enough fresh The process of breathing in animals or sts of taking into the lungs oxygen

