

Origin of the New Race of Austrian Hybrids.—Persian Yellow, a rose with a wonderful golden yellow colour, is one of the parents of the new race of roses which are now deservedly attracting considerable attention. This rose was introduced by the late Sir H. Willecock in the year 1838. As a plant, this rose makes an attractive sight when in bloom. It blossoms, however, but once in early summer, and the flowers are small and not suitable for cutting—good reasons for a limited popularity. For all



The Lyon Rose, in vase, another rose of the race of Austrian Hybrids.
Mde. Segond Weber on the table.

these years since its introduction it has just existed, but after sixty-two years of life it justified its right to our regard and respect by becoming the parent "par excellence" of a new race. Why so? Well the virtues of "Persian Yellow" are handed on to the offspring, but none of the faults. As Mr. Dickson says: "Did M. Pernet-Ducher, when he crossed Antoine Ducher and Persian Yellow, with all his skill and experience anticipate anything so beautiful as the Lyons Rose or Rayon d'Or, as possible consequences?"