

or there is no out-door grape superior to it, either for table or for wine, and I find it to yield more juice than any other variety. I got twenty gallons pure juice from ten vines. Of the Rogers' red varieties, I find the Lindley (No. 9) to be the best. I have Nos. 3, 9, 15, and Salem. No. 3 always bears well with me, and the bunches are fairly compact. No. 9, which is reported as straggling in its bunches as a rule, forms large compact bunches. The Agawam has a large berry, but I find it to be a poor bearer. Salem is late and very apt to mildew and has done so this year, though I like its flavor. I only grow the Herbert among Rogers' black varieties. It is late, but is a handsome, good flavored grape. The Brighton's bear well and is an excellent grape, productive, and, when ripe, is difficult to surpass. The Vergennes succeeds well with me, and this year I had some very large, handsome bunches. One vine had at least fifty bunches on it, more than half of which were very large; it is a good keeper and I like its somewhat unusual flavor. I have had them in March or April. I merely put them in the ordinary grape baskets, with newspapers between each layer, and hang them up in a cool cellar. My good opinion of this grape grows the longer I have it. The Creveling, I find to be a first-class table and wine grape, and difficult to be beaten. I know the books to say that it very seldom sets its bunches, and for that reason is an unreliable variety. My first experience agreed with this. I had two rows of them, each vine ten feet apart each way. Each had two arms, each arm ten feet. Being dissatisfied, I took out every alternate vine and planted with other varieties. To fill up the vacant spaces in the mean time, I extended the Crevelings so that each had forty feet of bearing wood. Since this was done my Crevelings have had the largest and handsomest bunches in the garden. The crop has been enormous, probably fifty or sixty pounds to a vine, and scarcely a bunch not well and closely filled. One of my Lindleys is forty feet long and bears, the whole length, well-formed, large, handsome bunches and bears better than one (ten feet from it) which is only twenty feet long. I have come to the conclusion that some of our varieties require long pruning, and to get them in perfection you require to give them ample space. If so, there is no reason why a Rogers should not bear one hundred good sized bunches. The above is my experience, perhaps another might not find it to be so. A friend told me the handsomest Isabella grape he ever saw was one which had been allowed to cover a large space and bear heavily.

At page 303 of the October HORTICULTURIST the Elvira is recommended for the amateur's garden. I have grown this variety for years, but, if I had only room for a few, would never dream of growing it. I have it for covering sheds. It is hardy, has large leaves, is of rapid growth, a heavy cropper but very late, and not at all a table grape; when ripe it drops fearfully.

I have not been successful with the Concord blood; have had to throw away Moore's Early, Lady Pocklington, etc., and have a poor opinion of them all, but, in other localities, they may be better. I suppose what one seeks is