

Orange blossoms	1,475,000 lbs.
Rose	530,000
Jasmine	100,000
Violet	75,000
Cassia	45,000
Geranium leaves	30,000
Tuberose blossoms	24,000
Jonquil	5,000

Not to mention lavender, which yields a produce of £30 an acre.

It requires 10,000 rose plants or 80,000 jasmine plants to cover an acre. The violets are incapable of bearing the terrible sun, so are planted in the shade of walls, or close under the lemon or orange trees.

‘Les pentes qui s’inclinent vers la mer de Nice de manière à recevoir en plein les rayons bienfaisants du midi sont beaucoup plus semblables aux versants septentrionaux de la Maurétanie qu’elles ne le sont aux contrées situées immédiatement au nord et séparées seulement par l’épaisseur d’une chaîne de montagnes. Aussi des géologues et des naturalistes, frappés par la grande analogie des climats, des roches, de la faune et de la flore, ont-ils pu dire avec raison que le littoral du sud de la Provence et celui du nord de l’Atlas constituent, avec les côtes méridionales de l’Espagne, une partie du monde distincte, intermédiaire entre l’Europe et l’Afrique.’—*Élisée Reclus*.

Those who spend a winter at Cannes often in the spring make a three days’ excursion in the mountain villages behind Grasse, and may sleep either at (15 k.) S. Césaire or (12 k. from Grasse) S. Vallier de Thyéis (the ancient *Castrum Valerii*), a bleak village drearily situated near the source of the Siagne. If we follow the gorge of the river from hence, at about 5 k. from S. Vallier, we shall reach the spot where it flows beneath the very curious natural arch called *Pont-à-Dieu*.

S. Césaire is a curious old town, with a simple church of XIII. c., above a ravine of great picturesqueness, which contains the caverned fountain called *La Foux*, whence the water issues which supplies Cannes and Vallauris. 5 k. distant to the W. is the well-preserved tunnel *de Roquetaillade*, formed by the Romans for the canal of Fréjus.

Another excursion from Grasse, which may also be made in the day from Cannes, is that to the *Saut de Loup*, a waterfall in the fine rift of the mountains, which is so great a feature in the views from Cannes, and which is known as the *Gorge de Courmes* or



LE PONT À DIEU.

de S. Arnoux. The rocks here rise abruptly to 400 mètr. above the torrent. In the upper part of the gorge are the village of *Gourdon*, with the *Fontaine Sainte*, rising in a cave, and the rock-built *Hermitage of S. Arnoux*. The scenery is very wild and striking.

One of the most striking gorges in the hills, which may be