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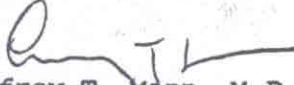
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Dear Mr. Longbottom:

This will acknowledge your letter of May 4. I reviewed your problem and we have cut a number of rose stems about the size that you indicate. We have no previous experience with this but if the stem was fairly dry and the force applied as a result of the fall was great, I think there is a possibility that what you suggest is possible. I would point out, however, that missiles such as bullets are very difficult to find in this area and I wonder if an X-ray was taken to eliminate the possibility of a hidden bullet.

I'm afraid I've not been very helpful, but perhaps somebody you have corresponded with has had more experience with this sort of thing than I have.

Very sincerely yours,

  
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