has consented to take this work in hand, and carry it on in a much more vigorous manner than we have been able to to do. We feel sure that this plan will be a fresh inspiration to all our societies.

Already Mr. Creelman has prepared and sent out the following letter:

Dear Sir,—At the request of the Ontario Fruit Growers' Association, and with the consent of the Hon. Minister of Agriculture, the lecture work in connection with the Horticultural societies of the province has been transferred to the Department of Farmers' Institutes.

I understand that it has been the custom of the Association in the past to send a speaker to address your meeting once every year, and it is the duty of your association to supply a comfortable hall and advertise the meeting sufficiently to ensure the delegates an interested and representative audience.

I should be glad to hear from you at once whether you wish to continue this practice. I can arrange to have a speaker attend the meeting in your town in March or April, and as a number of your members are also members of our Farmers' or Women's Institutes, it might be possible for us to arrange for one of our lady delegates to accompany the gentleman who will address your meeting. This lady would be prepared to speak on subjects connected with the home, and together with such local talent as you have in your society, would, I think, make a very attractive programme.

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It might also be arranged to have the delegate, or delegates, address the school children in the afternoon of the day on which they are to attend your meeting. Besides pleasing and instructing the children, it would be a means of supplementing your advertising, and through them the adults at home would be reminded of the entertainment at night.

Hoping to hear from you at an early date, I am, Yours very truly,

G. C. CREELMAN.

Hyacinths and Narcissi—A subscriber in Ingersoll kindly encloses to us an amateur

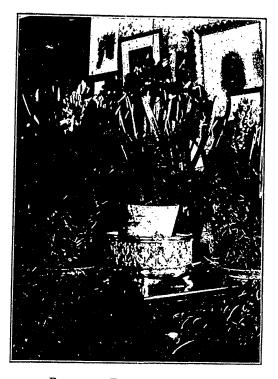


FIG. 2044. TULIPS AND NARCISSI.

photograph of these bulbs in bloom, grown by him in pots without a greenhouse. There were twelve large blooms of Von Sion in the fern dish, and four large spikes of miniature hyacinths in the left. He writes, "I very much appreciate the advertising columns of the Horticulturist, because I have been anxious to have the names of good Canadian firms. I consider Mr. Hunt's articles excellent."

QUESTION DRAWER.

Lawn Grass.

1209. Sir,—I wish to make a lawn in the spring. The soil is fairly good clay loam, having been levelled and put in as good condition as may be last fall; what kind of seed should one sow, and should it be put on thickly and at what time; would a dressing of some fertilizer be beneficial; if so, what kind, and when applied? By answering above you will confer a favor on

Chatham. Subscriber.

Maynard, in his Landscape Gardening, replies to these enquiries very well. Only those grasses, he says, which make a fine spreading growth, give good results in lawn making. "The best kinds for general purposes are the bent grasses, and June grass, which spread rapidly by underground