

placed on bulbs or roses would smother these comical-faced fellows right out. A slight covering of leaves with a few branches to keep the wind from blowing them away, will be best. Branches of hemlock or spruce are about the best unless they may be in a cold frame, in which case the sash may be over them and a few boards over that again.

#### GLADIOLI AND DAHLIAS.

If not already housed attend to them at once. They should be well dried; the first-named may be placed in paper bags, and hung up in frost-proof closet or cellar. The dahlias will do wherever potatoes will keep nicely.

#### PETUNIAS, STOCKS, &c.

For flowering in the house during winter take up a few old plants of Petunias, ten week or Crompton stocks; cut away a good quantity of the old wood, especially the petunia, and pot in nice rich soil and place in a sunny window.

#### OLD GERANIUM PLANTS

that have been flowering during the summer will now, if taken in, cutting away some of the old growth according to the size, flower nicely during the winter.

#### HURRY IN THE SPRING

may be avoided to a great extent by preparing the beds in the fall by digging in a liberal quantity of well-rotted manure, spent hops or leaves. Beds thus treated are much better than if left till spring.

#### A CARD.

To the Subscribers of *The Canadian Florist and Cottage Gardener*.

For more than a year past I have found that my business as Seedsman and Florist was increasing so rapidly that to make it a complete success I must devote my whole time to it, and I have therefore made arrangements that the *Canadian Horticulturist* should be sent for unexpired term to

the subscribers of the *Canadian Florist and Cottage Gardener*. I trust that at the end of the year, or before, all the friends and subscribers of the *Canadian Florist* will become permanent subscribers to the *Canadian Horticulturist*, for which magazine I will, under the heading of "Floral Notes," contribute monthly such matter as will, I trust, be helpful to its readers. Any questions that may be asked or information wanted in the care or treatment of plants will be gladly answered by me in this department, and I intend to do all in my power to make the *Horticulturist* the best magazine of its class in America.

FRANCIS MASON.

Peterborough, 14th Sept., 1887.

#### TO THE SUBSCRIBERS OF THE "CANADIAN FLORIST."

It is with pleasure that we greet the friends of the *Canadian Florist*. In sending you the *Canadian Horticulturist* for the balance of the year we hope to amply fill up the contract you have made with the former paper. In the meantime we hope to so merit your good will, and to be so useful to you all, that whether you grow fruit or flowers, you will wish to have this journal continue as a monthly visitor to your homes.

Another Noted Pomologist has passed away. On Thursday the 8th of September, Charles M. Hovey, died at his home, at Cambridge, Mass., at the age of seventy-seven. Hybridization of flowers and fruits was a favorite occupation of his, of which the Boston Pine, and Hovey's seedling strawberries are instances. He is also well known as editor of the *Magazine of Horticulture*, which he founded in 1835 and conducted for a period of thirty four years. He was President of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society from 1863 to 1866 inclusive.