



## British Violets: A Monograph (Classic Reprint)

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By Mrs E S Gregory

Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.Excerpt from British Violets: A Monograph The genus *Viola*, which Mrs. Gregory has been assiduously studying for many years, offers in many ways exceptional difficulties to the systematic botanist. In the first place, its excessive variation, in part and perhaps chiefly owing to hybridisation, and also to the varied habitats they occupy, has been a stumbling block to botanical authorities. The history of these variations, notwithstanding the teeming binomials in which the genus abounds, has hitherto been but very imperfectly understood, and the influence of soil and environment has not been adequately appreciated. Even now, as the authoress would be the first to admit, there is an immense work to be done in studying the life history of the various species, in artificially producing the numerous hybrids, and in careful comparative cultivation; this monograph by Mrs. Gregory has, however, distinctly advanced our knowledge of the genus, since the various forms described have been carefully studied, not only on the sheets of Herbaria, but in living specimens both in the field and in cultivation. A few details of...



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