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THE GRIMSBY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.



FIG. 1197 -

*Yours truly  
John H. Grout*

THE affiliated Society at Grimsby was formed in 1895, with Mr. J. H. Grout as president, and C. W. VanDuzer, secretary; and ever since the interest in its work

and in its floral shows has been constantly increasing.

Mr. John H. Grout is one of the most prominent citizens of Grimsby; he is proprietor of the Grimsby Agricultural Works, and the Grimsby Basket Factory, but nevertheless takes a deep interest in floriculture. For two years he filled the position of president with credit to himself and to the Society, and then he resigned, believing it was for the best interests of the Society to have a frequent change in officers.

Mr. Charles VanDuzer was the first secretary, and faithfully discharged the duties of his position for two years also, working up the membership from 56 to 67, a good number for a village society. A successful fruit grower and one all his life engaged in the practical work of fruit growing, Mr. VanDuzer was eminently fitted to be the secretary of a society whose members are as much or more interested in fruit growing as in floriculture. His fruit farm is in a fine state of cultivation. He grows the finest Champion Quinces in this section, and his immense Blenheim Orange apples always command a high price. His Red Astracan orchard was last year loaded to