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| 82 | 4896 | Tecoma fulva. |
| 74 | 4383 | Tetrazygia elæagnoides. |
| 72 | 4239 | Theophrastus Jussiei. |
| 81 | 4868 | Thermopsis barbata. |
| 77 | 4566 | Thibaudia macrantha. |
| 73 | $43+4$ | -- Pinchinchensis, $\beta$.ulabra. |
| 73 | 4303 | - pulcherrima. |
| 75 | 4441 | Thyrsacanthus bracteolatus. |
| 84 | 5062 | - Indicus. |
| 81 | 4851 | - Schomburgkianus. |
| 74 | 4378 | -_ strictus. |
| 85 | 5124 | Thunbergia coccinea. |
| 83 | 4998 | - Harrisii. |
| 83 | 4985 | - laurifolia. |
| 84 | 5082 | - Natalensis. |
| 73 | 4288 | Tillandsia bulbosa; var. picta. |
| 72 | 4249 | Toreuia Asiatica. |
| 72 | 4229 | - edentula. |
| 86 | 5167 | -- hirsuta. |
| 80 | 4780 | Torreya Myristica. |
| 84 | 5079 | Tradescantia discolor; var. variegata. |
| 81 | 4849 | - Martensiana. |
| 86 | 5188 | - Warszewicziana. |
| 80 | 4820 | Trichodesma Zeylanicum. |
| 81 | 4857 | Trichopilia coccinea. |
| 78 | 4654 | --suavis. |


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| 4335 | Tritonia aurea. |
| 4245 | Tropæolum creuatiflorum. |
| 4385 | - Smithii. |
| 4323 | -_ speciosum. |
| 4337 | -_umbellatum. |
| 4955 | Trycirtis pilosa. |
| 4505 | Tupa crassicaulis. |
| 4908 | Tupidanthus calyptratus. |
| 4137 | Turnera ulmiflora. |
| 4999 | Tydæa amabilis. |
| 4617 | Ullucus tuberosus. |
| 5009 | Uroskinnera spectabilis. |
| 4688 | Vaccinium erythrinum. |
| 4732 | - ovatum. |
| 4612 | - Rollisoni. |
| 4487 | Valoradia plumbaginoides. |
| 4304 | Vanda cristata. |
| 5189 | - gigantea. |
| 5174 | - suavis. |
| 4432 | - tricolor. |
| 4512 | Veronica formosa. |
| 4275 | Victoria regia. |
| 4415 | Vricsia glaucophylla. |
| 5108 | $\qquad$ psittacina; var. rubrobracteata. |
| 4382 | - speciosa. |
| 4584 | Wallichia densiflora. |
| 4830 | Warrea discolor. |
| 4766 | - quadrata. |
| 4893 | Weigela amabilis. |
| 4396 | - rosea. |
| 4777 | Wellingtonia gigantea. |
| 4155 | Whitfieldia lateritia. |
| 4813 | Whitlavia grandiflora. |
| 4575 | Wigandia Caracasana. |
| 4722 | Xanthorrhœa Hastile. |
| 4989 | Xanthosoma sayittifoliun. |
| 5055 | Xiphidium floribundum. |
| 5201 | Yucea canaliculata. |
| 4493 | Zauschneria Californica ; var. latifolia. |
| 4451 | Zieria macrophylla. |



# GRAMMATOPHYLLUM speciosum. 

Showy Grammatophyllum.

Nat. Ord. Orchidee.-Gynandria Monandria.

Gen. Char. Grammatopityllem, Bl. Perianthium explanatum, patens, sepalis petalisque subæqualibus. Labellum cum colunna articulatum, nanum, trilobum, cucullatum. Columna arcuata, erecta, semiteres, basi callosa. Anthera subbilocularis. Pollinia 2, globosa, basi sulcata, in extremitatibus glandulæ arcuatæ sessilia.-Herbæ cpiphytre, caulescentes. Caules simplices, incrassati. Folia linearia, disticha, striata. Pedunculi radicales, longissimi, (v. terminales?) multiftori. Flores speciosissimi. Lindl.

Grammatophyllum speciosum ; scapo multifloro pseudobulbisque longissimis, foliis distichis patenti-recurvis basi dilatatis equitantibus, bracteis herbaceis, sepalis petalisque patentissimis subobovato-oblongis undulatis obtusissimis, labelli lobis obtusis intermedio rubro-lineato, lineis ciliatis.
Grammatophyllum speciosum. Bl. Bijdr.p. 377. Lindl. Gen. et Sp. Orchid. p. 173 (in part.). Bl. Rumplia, v. 4. p. 47. t. 191. Paxt. Fl. Gard. t. 69 (imperfect specimen).

Great was the surprise of botanists and horticulturists when the first knowledge of this gigantic Orchideous plant was placed before the European public in the 'Rumphia' above quoted, and expectations were not disappointed when the living plant was introduced by the late Messrs. Loddiges, and at length flowered, though imperfectly, in their stoves at Hackney, which happened in 1552 , when the figure above quoted was published in Paxton's ' Flower Garden.'

The specimen now before us exceeds in size all that was anticipated by the most sanguine, and this under the skilful management of Mr. Carson, gardener to W. G. Farmer, Esq., of Nonsuch Park, Ewell, in October, 1859. It was taken from a plant of which the old pscudobulbs, or stems, were from nine to ten feet long, and the scape six feet, throwing out its noble flowering scape from the base. The species is a native, Blume tells us, of Java and other islands in the Indian Ocean (Mr. Finlayson detected it in Cochin China), and from its vigorous vegetation,
and the remarkable size of the flowers, it richly merits the title of the "Queen of Orchidcous plants."

Descr. Stems, or pseudobulbs, clustered, erect, five to eight and ten feet high, tereti-compressed, striated below, and a few, large, appressed scales there take the place of leaves. These latter occupy the rest of the stem, and are distichous, one and a half to two feet long, from a broad, sheathing, equitant base, lorate, acute, coriaceo-membranaceous, striated. Scape nearly the size of one's finger, and from four to six feet long, radical, erect, many-flowered, terete, quitc glabrous. Flowers distant, expanding from the base upwards on the panicle, each with a large, broad, ovato-lanceolate, concave, greenish bract, full an inch long. Ovary pedicelliform, as long as the flower is broad, thick, fleshy, terete, four to six inches, almost white : flower-bud two and a half inches long, independent of the ovary, clavate. Expanded flower nearly six inches across. Sepals and petals much spreading and slightly reflexed, undulated, broadoblong or subobovate, yellow, richly spotted and blotched with deep- red-purple. Lip small for the size of the flower, threelobed, an inch and a half long; the lobes obtusc, the side lobes convolute over the column ; the disc sulcated, with three plates more elevated in the centre, marked with red streaks, and where the red streaks are, the lines are ciliated: middle lobe entire. Column curved a little downwards, scmiterete, partially spotted with red.

Fig. 1. Front view of the lip. 2. Column. 3. Pollen-masses and caudicle: —magnified.

## Тав. 5158.

# STATICE Bonduelli. 

Bonduelle's Statice.

Nat. Ord. Plumbagine.e.-Pentandria Pentagynia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 3776.)

Statice (§ Ptcroclados) Bonduelli; foliis radicalibus patentibus pubescentihirsutis ciliatis spathulatis sinuato-runciuatis, lobis rotundatis terminali subrhombeo longe mucronato, scapis teretibus, ramis angulatis dichotome cymosis, pedunculis obpyramidalibus trialatis, floribus glomeratis (flavis), bracteis interioribus patenti-spinosis, calycis limbo demum campanulato 5dentato.
Statice Bonduelli. Lestib. in Annal. des Sc. Nat. ser. 3.v. 16. p. 81. t. 17.

This pretty yellow-flowered Statice was received at the Royal Gardens of Kew from Mr. Thomson of Ipswich, and proves to be a species described and accurately figured by Lestiboudois in the 'Annales des Sciences Naturelles' above quoted, under the name of $S$. Bonduelli. It was detected in North Africa, in the desert of Djebel-Amour, on the banks of the Mzi, between Tagemont and El-Aghouat, by M. Bonduelle, chirurgien aidemajor, after whom it is named. It is one of the prettier of a very pretty genus, and is among the few of the yellow-flowered species known to us; is easily cultivated in a greenhouse, and flowers readily during the summer months.

Descr. Perennial. Leaves radical, spreading, three to five inches long, spathulate, sinuato-lyrate, hairy and ciliated, terminated by a subulate point, tapering below into a short, winged petiole: lobes of the leaves oval or rounded, separated by obtuse simuses; terminal one larger than the rest, subrhomboid. Scapes a foot and more tall, several from the same root, branched upwards in a compoundly dichotomous manner, rounded, hairy; the branches triangular, moderately spreading: bracts two or three together, linear, half an inch to an inch long, below the branches and at the bases of all the dichotomies, uppermost ones subulate : ultimate branchlets, which may be considered the
peduncle, broad, obpyramidate, an inch long, ancipitate, trialate, forked at the apex, slightly hairy. Flowers inserted at the base of the fork of the peduncle, clustered, surrounded by scariose bracts, of which the interior are furnished with hard, green, spreading spines, some subulate, others semi-hastate, all very sharp. Calyx at first cylindrical, at length infundibuliform, yellow, the limb campanulate, scariose, five-toothed, and minutely crenulated. Petals five; the long claws approximated into a tube, longer than the clayx, the lamine spreading, obovate, bifid, pale-yellow. Stamens and style included.

Fig. 1. Peduncle, with flowers. 2. Flower, with an inner bractea. 3. Calyx, after the fall of the corolla:-magnified.


## ТАв. 5159.

## LLAVEA cordifolia.

## Cordate-leaved Llavea.

Nat. Ord. Filices.-Cryptogamia Filices.

Gen. Char. Pinne steriles et fertiles in eadem fronde. Sori lineares vel oblongi in venas pinnularum transmutarum siliquiforminm. Incolucrum e marginibus incurvis membrauaceis dilatatis pinnularum soros tegentes.-Filix Mexicana. Candex brevis, crassus, squamosus. Frons subampla, tripinnata, elegantissima.

Llavea cordifolia.
Llavea cordifolia. Lagasca, Gen. et Sp. Plant. p. 33. Dict. Sc. Nat. v. 27. p. 89. Hook. Sp. Fïl. v. 2. p. 12 डू.
Ceratodactilis osmundioiles. J. Sm. in IIook. Gen. Fil.t. 36. Fée, Gen, Fil. p. 228.

Allosores Karwinskii. Kize. in Linnrea, v. 13. p. 138. Benth. Plant. Harlv. p. 54. Kize. in Schkulir, Fil. Suppl. p. 7. t. 4. Hook. Ic. Plant. Rar. v. 4. t. 387, 388.

Botryogramme Karwinskii. Fée, Gen. Fil.p. 166. $t .15$ C.

One of the most beautiful, and, in a state of cultivation, rarest of Ferns, native of Mexico, with a very peculiar habit; for, with a fructification in many respects resembling that of our well-known Cryplogramme crispa, Br., it bears on one and the same frond two kinds of pinnules; the lower portion consists of sterile pinnules only, the upper portion forms a graceful drooping panicle of pod-shaped fertile pinnules. No fern-collection suitable to a warm greenhouse should be without this charming plant. It is a solitary species of the genus.

Descr. Caudex or rhizome short, thick, mostly concealed underground. Fronds tufted, including the stipes, from a foot and a half to two feet long, moderately broad, tripinnate, lower pinnæ sterile, the rest fertile. Pinnules of the sterile pinnæ an inich or more long, ovate or cordate-ovate, petiolate, between coriaceous and membranaceous, firm, delicate, bright-green, somewhat acute, serrated with subspinulose teeth, the margins slightly thickened. Veins pinnately two to three times forked, ultimate veinlels terminating within the margin, and clavate. About the
upper half of the frond forms a panicle of fertile, linear, pedicellate, pod-shaped, torulose pinnules, which are generally acute; the margins revolute upon the back of the pinnæ, the edges meeting there and forming the involucres to the sori, which are in lines upon the branches of the veins. Capsules numerous, crowded, pedicellate. Stipes a span or more long, clothed, and thickly at the base, with subulate, falcate, delicate, whitish, membranaceous scales. Rachis free from scales, slender, flexuose.

Fig. 1. Portion of a sterile pinna, showing the venation. 2. Fertile pinna, seen from beneath, showing the margin rolled in and constituting the involucre. 3. Portion of the fertile pinna, with the involucre forced back, showing a sorus :
-magnified.


## Тав. 5160.

# BEGONIA frigida. 

Frigid Begonia.

Nat. Ord. Begoniaceze-Mongcia Polyandria.
Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Tab. 4172. )

Begonia frigida; suffruticosa erecta glabra, foliis longe petiolatis inæqualiter oblique cordatis brevi-acuminatis brevissime sinuato-lobatis serratisque, lobis acutis supra intense viridibus subtus rubro-roseis, stipulis ovatis acuminatis roseis integerrimis, pedunculis axillaribus folia excedentibus bis dichotomis, floribus parvis albis, masculis 4 -sepalis quorum 2 ovatis 2 multo minoribus linearibus, staminibus 9 erectis, fæmineis sepalis 4-5 æqualibus lineari-oblongis, capsula membranacea 3 -alata, alis 2 majoribus.
Begonia frigida. Hortul. Alf. De Cand. in Ann. des Sc. Nat. 4th Ser. v. 11. p. 51.

The foliage of this small species of Begonia, which we received from Continental gardens under the name here adopted, is more attractive than the flowers, which are unusually small and insignificant, and quite colourless ; but our artist, Mr. Fitch, while making the drawing, detected a curious morphological structure, in the fact of one of the flowers having an inferior perianth of four very unequal sepals (such as are indicative of a male flower) ; and above their point of insertion are four stamens (apparently perfect), alternating with four superior, free, ovate ovaries, each with a short style, and two, downy, linear stigmas. It is to be regretted that no section was made of these ovaries, which from situation and in form so little resemble the threecelled, inferior fruit of Begonia. Indeed, all the flowers had an imperfect appearance, a weak and starving aspect, as if likely to prove abortive; for they are not only small, but the stamens were few in each flower, never more than nine: in the female flower the petals vary from four to five, and the fruit was in one instance four-sided and four-winged.

De Candolle, in his admirable "Mémoire sur la Famille. des Bégoniacées" in the Annales, l.c., makes brief mention of this species as cultivated in the garden of M. Boissier at Geneva, and refers it to a section, "Dasysteles," whose character is "Flores
masc. disepali, dipetali. Stamina libera, antheris oblongis, filamento longioribus. Fl. fem. lobis tribus, æqualibus. Styli tres, liberi, bifidi, a basi usque ad apicem ramorum undique papillosi, ramis erectis "inearibus. Placente integræ. Capsula subæqualiter trialata."

Descr. Stem, in our plant, not more than a span high, glabrous, as are the leaves, which are from three to five inches long, long-petioled, unequally cordate, shortly acuminate, sinuate at the margin with small, sharp angles or lobes, and serrated, slightly pilose; upper side dark coppery-green, beneath deep rose-red, especially upon the veins. Stipules half an inch long, membranaceous, pale rose-colour, deciduous, ovato-acuminate. Peduncles longer than the leaves, twice dichotomous. Ftowers white, small. Male flowers with four, spreading sepals, two oval, and two very small linear ones. Stamens nine. Female flowers larger. Sepals four to five, equal, oblong-oval, spreading. Capsule with two large and one small and very narrow wing.

Fig. 1. Male flower. 2. A stamen. 3. Female flower. 4. Transformed hermaphrodite? flower :-magnified.


Тав. 5161.

# DIDYMOCARPUS primulafolia. 

Primrose-leaved Didymocarpus.

Nat. Ord. Cyrtandracee.-Didynamia Angiospermia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 4757. )


#### Abstract

Didymocarpus primulafolia; acaulis, folis radicalibus patentibus ovalibus obovatisve obtusis serratis in petiolum longum alatum decurrentibus rugosis supra pubescentibus subtus tomentoso-albidis, scapis axillaribus folia equautibus apice dichotome cymoso-paucifloris, calycis villosi lobis lineari-oblongis erectis obtusis, corollæ tubo curvato subtus præcipue insigniter inflato limbi lobis 5 patentibus æqualibus.


Didymocarpus primulæfolia, Gardn. Contrib. to Fl. of Ceylon, p. 18.

Raised from seeds which were sent from Ceylon by our excellent friend Mr. Thwaites, to the Royal Gardens of Kew, where it flowered in November, 1859. It was well named by the lamented Gardner, " primulafolia," for not only the leaves, but the front view of the flower calls to mind some or other of the Primrose tribe. The colour of the leaves however, from the copious down, is peculiarly hoary, almost white. It is an inhabitant of shady rocks, in forests, on the Hantane range, near Kandy. A near ally of this is D. Humboldtiana, of Gardner, figured at our Tab. 4757. That has much broader leaves and shorter petioles.

Descr. Herbaceous, stemless. Whole plant covered with hoary down or short hairs, thicker (quite tomentose) on the under side of the leaves. Leaves (the blade) three to four inches long, all radical, elliptical or subobovate, patent, rugose with strongly reticulated veins, crenato-serrate, tapering at the base into a long, winged petiole, longer than the blade. Scapes about as long as the leaves, erect or nearly so, dichotomously divided at the apex into a few-flowered cyme of moderately sized, pale-lilac-coloured flowers, soon passing into white. Calyx monophyllous, cut into five, deep, nearly erect, linear-oblong,
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obtuse, very hairy lobes. Corolla short, with the tube at first curved downwards, then upwards, singularly broad, and inflated or ventricose beneath; limb of five, spreading, nearly equal, rounded segments, crenated at the margin. Stamens two, perfect, quite included, inserted near the base of the tube; filaments short; anthers yellow, reniform, applied to each other face to face, and slightly conjoined: there are besides in our plant three filiform abortive stamens. Ovary oblong, pubescent and glandulose. Style as long as the tube of the corolla. Stigma subcapitate, depressed.

Fig. 1. Flower. 2. Calyx and pistil. 3. Corolla, laid open, showing the stamens. 4. Pistil :-magnified.


# Тав. 5162. 

# STATICE brassicéfolia. 

Cabbage-leaved Statice.

Nat. Ord. Plumbaginef.-Pentandria Pentagynia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, ТАв. 3776.)

Statice (Pteroclados) Urassicefolia; basi suffrutescente, foliis parce et brevissime velutinis margine ciliatulis petiolatis lyratis lobo terminali maximo ovato-rotundo sæpe irregulariter lobato obtusissimo cuspidato basi subcordato lateralibus 2-4-auriculæformibus parvis rotundatis alternis basi sæpe confluentibus, scapo angulato superne paniculato-corymboso, ramis bialatis alis latissimis grosse undulato-lobatis subdichotomis in auriculas amplas abeuntibus, spiculis bifloris $2-3$ ad ramulorum apicem fasciculatis, ramuli floralis alis tribus a basi sursum dilatatis glabris in auriculas breves falcatas acutiusculas cujus altera sæpe obsolete abeuntibus, bracteis duabus inferioribus rufo-membranaceis ovatis acutis puberulis, interiore triplo majore rubello-coriacea dorso coriacea elevatim plurinervi glabra apice angustissime albo-membranacea ciliatula, calycis tubo glabro limbo obtusissime 5 -denticulato-sinuato. Boiss.
Statice brassicæfolia. Webb in Bourg. Plant. Canar. Exsicc. n. 136. Phyt. Canar. v. 3. p. 181. t. 195. Boiss. in De Cand. Prodr. v. 12. p. 637.

A very pretty new Statice, recently detected by M. Bourgeau in the Canaries, but only in the island of Gomora, and at a spot called El Risco de las Sulas, Lugar de Agulo, flowering in great perfection carly in April : with us, even in a cool greenhouse, blossoming early in August. It evidently belongs to the same group of the extensive genus Statice with the well-known $S$. arborea of Willdenow, and of Bot. Mag. t. 3776 ; but very different, and of a more humble character in point of size. In this group of the genus, Teneriffe and the adjacent islands are extremely rich.

Descr. The root or rhizome is stout and woody, and sometimes rises above the surface of the ground, but never to the extent of becoming a subarborescent stem, as is the case in $S$. arborea. Leaves all radical, roughly hairy, with small setæ, varying much in size, from six inches to a span and more long,
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lyrato-pinnatifid, or even below subpinnate. The terminal lobe very large, broadly obovate, somewhat waved, tipped with a long subulate bristle; below that lobe the petiole is winged and sinuato-lobate, the lobes small, subtriangular, and the lowest ones wide apart and distinct. Scape a foot or a foot and a half high, dichotomously panicled above, very singularly and broadly winged, as seen in the figure, and as is, together with the inflorescence, sufficiently amply described in the above specific character.

Fig. 1. Flowers and outer bract. 2. Inner bract. 3. Calyx, separate from the rest of the flower. 4. Portion of a leaf, to show the setæ:-all more or less magnified.


ТАав. 5163.

# FOURCROYA flavo-viridis. 

Yellow-green Fourcroya.

Nat. Ord. Amaryllidaoee.-Hexandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Perigonium corollinum, superum, deciduum, hexaphyllo-partitum; foliolis æqualibus, patentiusculis. Stamina 6, epigyna; filamenta basi cuneatodilatata, æstivatione erecta, sub anthesi inclusa; antherre ovatæ, medio dorso affinæ, erectæ. Ovarium inferum, triloculare. Ovula plurima, in loculorum angulo centrali biseriata, horizontalia. Slylus triqueter, basi strumoso-incrassatus, subexsertus, cavus, apice pervius. Stigma obtusum, fimbriatum. Capsula coriacea, trilocularis, loculicido-trivalvis. Semina plurima, plano-compressa.Herbæ in America calidiore cis œquatorem indigene, longreve, semel forentes; caudice interdum giganteo, apice folioso; scapo terminali, paniculation ramoso, suultifforo. Endl.

Fourcroys favo-viridis; acaulis, foliis pallide flavo-viridibus subsesquipedalibus bipedalibusve lanceolatis carnosis acuminatis subtortuosis spinosis, spinulis mediocribus falcatis, scapo subbiorgyali apice laxe racemoso-paniculato, floribus subaggregatis nutantibus 3 uncias longis, perianthio infundibuli-formi-hypocrateriformi, tubo viridi, limbo flavescente 4 uncias lato, staminibus limbi laciniis lanceolatis 3 interioribus latioribus brevioribus, filamentis infra medium valde dilatatis, stylo staminibus brevioribus basi erecto-trilobis.

The brief account we have of Fourcroya tuberosa might be considered sufficiently to correspond with our present plant to justify us in attaching the name to it, were it not for the absence of a swollen base or rhizome from which the roots spring. We have plants that have not yet flowered, which in that particular better correspond with $F$. tuberosa, and I am bound to consider a new species, which Mr. Repper sent, twelve or' fourteen years ago, along with Cereus senilis and other Mexican succulents, from Real del Monte. It may be considered a Fourcroya gigantea in miniature ; the flowers however being quite as large and of the same structure as F. gigantea, already given in Bot. Mag., Tab. 2250.

Descr. The root is coarsely fibrous, without stem or caudex. Leaves all radical, more or less spreading, and some-
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what tortuose, about two feet long, lanceolate, pungently acuminate, pale-green, very smooth and even, spinulose at the margin: the spines or teetl falcate, sharp; superior ones pointing towards the apex, inferior ones the reverse. Scape twelve to fourteen feet high, naked below but bracteated above, forming a long lax racemose panicle; pedicels aggregated on short bracteated peduncles, drooping ; bracteas ovato-lanceolate, long-acuminate. Perianth pale-yellowish-green; the tube incorporated with the obtusely triangular ovary. The spread of the limb is nearly four inches; three outer sepals narrower, three inner subcorolloid and a little waved. Filaments, as in the genus, singularly dilated below the middle, and the style has at its base three large erect lobes, characteristic of the genus Fourcroya.

Fig. 1. Apex of a leaf,-nat. size. 2. Stamens. 3. Pistil. 4. Transverse section of ovary :-magnified.
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## Тав. 5164.

# sPIRAA Fortunei. 

Fortune's Spirca.

Nat. Ord. Rosacef.-Icosandria Di-Pentagynia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, ТАв. 4795.)

Spirea Fortunei; frutex erectus, ramulis glabratis, foliis lanceolatis longe acuminatis grosse subduplicato-serratis supra glabris subtus glaucis glaberrimis v . pilosulis, cymis laxis, ramis pateutibus calycibusque pubescentibus, calycis lobis patentibus tubo intus tomentosis disco glandulis suberectis ornato, ovariis glaberrimis.
Spirea Fortunei. Planchon, Flore des Serres, v. 9. p. 871.
Spirexa callosa. Lindl. et Paxt. Fl. Gard. v. 2. p. 113, cum ic. xylogr.

This handsome shrub is evidently the $S$. callosa of Lindley, a native of North China and Japan, but whether of Thunberg or not appears doubtful, for the latter author describes the leaves as eglandular, whereas this and all its allies have the serratures tipped with a gland. Planchon, who points out this difference, adds that the $S$. callosa has much smaller, somewhat pilose leaves, and larger callosities (axillary buds) at the base of the petiole. Notwithstanding these differences we suspect this will prove to be Thunberg's plant, for the leaves vary extremely in size, as do those of its allies. There are sometimes a few hairs on the leaves beneath. Our specimens have the large callosities alluded to, and we cannot but suspect some error in regard to the eglandular serratures. We have a cultivated specimen, introduced from Japan to this country by T. Lobb, in which the inflorescence and calyx are nearly glabrous.

The $S$. Fortunei flowered this year in the Royal Gardens, Kew ; but we have figured in preference the specimens sent by Mr. Noble, of Bagshot, for reasons which will be stated under $S$. Nobleana (hereafter to be figured). As a species it is very nearly related to some forms of the Himalayan S. bella itself, a a most, variable plant, but in which the glands of the disc are always much larger.

Descr. A straggling slrub, three to five feet high, with reddish glabrous branches and puberulous branchlets. Leaves
three to six inches long, rather membranous, elliptic-lanceolate or oblong-lanceolate, with a long acumen, irregularly acutely serrate; the serratures tipped with a gland ; deep green, glabrous above, glaucous and glabrous or obscurely pilose beneath. Inflorescence a lax cyme, with slender patent branches. Calyx tomentose with spreading lobes and hairy tube inside. Disc with a row of suberect small glands. Stamens not very long. Ovaries quite glabrous.-J. D. $H$.

Fig. 1. Flower. 2. Ditto, with petals and stamens removed. 3. Portion of calyx, gland, and stamens :-all magnified.


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## 'Тав. 5165.

## CEANOTHUS velutinus.

Velvety Ceanothus.

Nat. Ord. Rhamnee.-Pentandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, ТАв. 4660.)

Ceanothus velutinus; frutex, ramis erectis, foliis coriaceis orbiculari-ellipticis cordatisve obtusis glanduloso-crenatis supra glabris intense viridibus vernicosis subtus canescenti-tomentosis trinerviis, paniculis pedunculatis axillaribus, floribus densis albis.
Ceanothus velutinus. Douglas, in Hook. Fl. Bor. Am. p. 125.t. 45 . Torrey and Gray, Fl. of N. Am. v. 1. p. 265.

This is a plant of which the figure makes very little show upon white paper, for there is nothing gay and no variety of colour; but in a garden it proves to be a very handsome evergreen ornamental shrub, derived from the Oregon Territory, with leaves whose upper surface is very dark green, rendered glossy by apparently an aromatic resin, which the plant exudes in hot weather, the under side velvety with whitish down, or sometimes slightly ferruginous. It was first detected by the lamented Douglas, and has been lately reared from seed by Messrs. Veitch and Sons, Exeter and Chelsea Nurseries, with whom it flowered in the open air in the early winter months. It may be expected to be quite hardy, for it is found among the Rocky Mountains at considerable elevation above the sea.

Descr. Shrub, eight to ten feet high on its native hills, with nearly glabrous, terete branches, and rather long-petioled leaves of a singularly dark and vernicose green above, pale and canescent or sometimes subferruginous with velvety down, beneath; the largest of them are nearly three inches long; their form is elliptical-rotundate or elliptical-cordate, the margin glandulosocrenulate; there are three principal lougitudinal nerves, which are prominent beneath. Peduncles axillary, bearing erect, thyrsoid panicles of dense white flowers, overtopping the leaves, with
a pair of bracteas where the branches commence. Calyx small, five-lobed. Petals long-clawed, cucullate. Stamens with incurved filaments; anthers subglobose. Disc very conspicuous. Fruit a capsule, about the size of a small pea.

Fig. 1. Flower. 2. Pistil and hypogynous dise :-magnified.
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# Heterocentron Mexicanum. 

Mexican Heterocentron.

Nat. Ord. Melastomacee.-Octandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Heterocentron, Hook. et Arn. Flos tetramerus. Calycis dentes triangulari-acuti, tubum campanulatum subæquantes. Petala obovata. Stamina 8, alternatim inæqualia, haud omuino conformia ; antheris lineari-oblongis, 1porosis, loculis undulatis; 4 majorum connectivo infra loculos longe producto et ultra filamenti insertionem in appendices duas rectas calcariformes conniventes antice porrecto; 4 minorum connectivum brevissime ante vix productum sed infra locnlas bituberculatum. Ovarium costis 8 parum conspicuis basi adhærens, superne liberum, apice setis coronatum, 4-loculare. Stylus filiformis, stigmate punctiformi. Capsula 4 -valvis. Semina cochleata.-Suffrutices fruticesve Mexicani, noonticole, erecti, ramosi, inter Melastomæas foliis multiplinerviis et fere omnino penninerviis memorabiles ; floribus paniculatis, albis ante roseis. Naudin.

Heterocentron Mexicanum; suffruticosum pilis scabriusculum, caule ramisque tetragonis, foliis ellipticis obtusis penninerviis obtusis integerrimis in petiolum longiusculum decurrentibus, panicula foliosa ampla terminali multiflora, calycis tubo globoso echinato-tuberculato.
Heterocentron Mexicanum. Hook. et Arn. Bot. of Beech. Voy. p. 290. Naud. Melast. Tent. p. 248.
Melastoma subtriplinervium. Link. Ic. Pl. Rar., p. 47. t. 24 (flore albo).
Heteronoma subtriplinervium. Hort.

A very beautiful Mexican Melastomaceous plant, inhabiting mountains about Xalape, at altitudes of six to eight thousand feet, and although hitherto kept in the stove with us, there is no doubt of its succeeding well in a cool greenhouse. It has been circulated, judging by the appellation which we have received with it, as "Heteronoma subtriplinervium,"-the genus of which is quite different; and the specific name implies a character, common to most of the Order Melastomacere, but quite at variance with the species and the genus to which our plant belongs. Our plants have flowered in the autumnal and early winter months, and prove exceedingly ornamental at that unfavourable portion of the year. We owe the possession of our
living plants to Messrs. Hugh Low and Son, of the Clapton Nursery.

Descr. Suffruticose. A foot and rather more high, with four-anguled stem and branches, and opposite leaves, slightly scabrous above, with short setæ, elliptical in form, obtuse, entire, penninerved, tapering at the base into a moderately long petiole. Panicle very compound, terminal, spreading, formed of the numerous flowering branches, each of which forms a corymb of many flowers, of a bright rose-colour, nearly an inch in diameter. Tube of the calyx globose, tuberculato-muricate; limb of five, spreading, ovate, large, at length reflexed segments. Petals four, spreading, rhombeo-orbicular, a little concave, shortly unguiculate. Stamens of two kinds : four smaller ones, with a very minute connectivum and an erect anther; four longer ones, with a long connectivum, as long as the anther, bifid at the base, attached transversely to the apex of the filament, and remarkably deflexed. Ovary quite concealed within the muricated calyxtube, four-celled.

Fig. 1. Calyx, with the capsule bursting at the apex. 2. Fruit (and calyxtube), cut through transversely. 3. One of the four lesser stamens. 4. One of the four larger ones :-all more or less magnified.


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# 'TORENIA hirsuta. 

Hairy Torenia.

Nat. Ord. Scrophulariacef.-Didynamia Angiospermia.

Gen. Char. Calyx tubulosus, plicatus v. alatus, apice oblique 5 -dentatus v. bilabiatus. Corolla ringens, labio superiore emarginato vel bifido, inferiore trifido majore. Stamina postica fertilia, antica arcuata antherifera, basi appendice dentiformi vel filiformi aucta. Antheree per paria arcte approximate vel cohærentes. Stylus apice bilamellatus. Capsula oblonga, calycem non excedens.-Herbæ gerontogere, tropicre, vel parce ex orbe veteri allata etiam America tropica vigentes. Folia opposita. Racemi breves, pauciflori, fasciculaformes, vel rarius elongati, terminales vel ramo excurrente falso axillares, vel in dichotomia ramorum siti. Benth. in De Cand.

Torenia hirsuta; diffusa, foliis petiolatis ovatis serrato-crenatis basi subcordatis, calycibus, elongatis 5 -costatis exalatis basi obtusis, corolla calyce vix duplo longiore, filamentorum anticorum appendice subulata. Benth.
Torenia hirsuta. Lamb. Illust. t. 523.f. 2. Benth. in De Cand. Prodr. v. 10. p. 410.

Torenia cordifolia. Benth. in Wall. Cat. n. 3954 (non Roxb.).

From the stove of the Royal Gardens of Kew, where it was received from Messrs. Hugh Low and Son, of Clapton, who appear to be the first who have introduced the plant to our stoves. It certainly has many points in common with T. Asiatica, figured at our Tab. 4249, and is perhaps more beautiful than that favourite plant. The flowers are equally large, as well as more highly coloured, and more inclined to a reddish than a blue purple. The plant is not so straggling, but more compact, the leaves shorter, less acuminate, less sharply serrated ; and they, and the whole plant (and even the corollas), are hoary with fine, short, canescent hairs. The calyx is considerably different in shape, both in the state of bud, and after its full expansion, much less acuminated at the apex ; more obtuse at the base, and the upper lip is always deeply bipartite (as accurately represented in the otherwise indifferent figure of Lamarck), which seems never to be the case with T. Asiatica. It flowers at dif-
ferent seasons, and requires the protection of a stove. Our drawing was made in December, 1859.

Descr. Stem herbaceous, four-sided, and, as well as the foliage, hoary with copious short hairs. Leaves opposite, shortpetiolate, cordato-ovate, crenato-serrate, shortly acuminate. Peduncles solitary, axillary in the upper leaves, longer than they, single-flowered. Flowers inclined, large. Calyx oblong; angular, scarcely winged, downy, blunt at the base, two-lipped, upper lip deeply bifid, lower lip trifid, segments acuminate. Corolla more than twice as long as the calyx, tube gibbous above. Corolla rich purple; upper lip entire, lower lip three-lobed, lateral lobes very deep purple, middle lobe white, with a purple margin. Stamens and pistil included : their structure the same as that in T. Asiatica.

Fig. 1. Portion of the leaf. 2. Corolla, laid open. 3. Calyx and pistil. 4. Pistil, with its hypogynous cup or dise :-magnified.

# NARTHEX Asafgetida. 

Asafotida.

## Nat. Ord. Umbellifere.-Pentandria Digynia.

Gen. Char. Calycis margo obsoletus. Petala oblonga, apice una inflexa. Stylopodium urceolatum. Styli recurvi. Fructus a dorso plano-compressus, margine dilatato ; mericarpia jugis primariis 5, 3 intermediis filiformibus, 2 lateralibus obsoletioribus margini contiguis immersis. Vitte in valleculis dorsalibus; plerumque solitarix (lateralibus nunc $1 \frac{1}{2}-2 \frac{1}{2}$-vittatis) ; commissuralibus $0-6$, variis. Semen complanatum.-Herba gigantea Tibetica; radice crassa, fibris intertextis rigidis coronata; caule robusto, ramoso; foliis bipinnatis, laciniis linearioblongis, obtusis, integerrimis v. serratis, glabris v. pubescentibus, petiolo lato, amplo, vaginante, inflato; umbellis compositis; involucris 0 ; floribus flavis, interdum unisexualibus $v$. sterilibus.

Narthex Asafeetida.
Narthex Asafotida. Falconer in Linn. Soc. Trans. v. 20. p. 285.

A plant as rare as it is interesting, for the opportunity of figuring which we are indebted to Professor Balfour, who published the following record of its introduction and flowering in the Edinburgh Garden in the 'Gardeners' Chronicle' for June 1859, p. 487. "This season another of the Asafoetida plants, Narthex Asafoetida, raised from seeds sent home by Sir John M‘Neill and Dr. Falconer, has produced a flowering stem. The specimen was planted out in front of the houses in the garden about five years ago. It began to show symptoms of developing a flowering stem at the end of February and beginuing of March; none of the large radical leaves were produced, but the flowering axis shot up at once from the under-ground stem. At the time when this took place none of the other specimens in the open ground of the garden had shown any leaves. Warned by the untimely fate of the plant last year, which was suddenly destroyed by an intense frost on 13th April, when the thermometer fell to $22^{\circ}$, Mr . M'Nab secured the present specimen from injury by getting a glazed wooden frame about eight feet high erected around it, and connecting it with the adjoining stove so that a moderate degree of heat might be supplicd in the event of severe frost
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occurring during the night. In this way the plant has been completely protected from the effects both of very high wind and of cold. It has progressed vigorously and rapidly. On the 13th April its height was seven feet eight inches. This height has been reached in about forty-five days. The last thirty inches of growth have been accomplished in eleven days, i.e. from 2nd to the 13th of April. The first anther expanded at eleven A.m. on the 7th of April, and in the course of that day the anthers appeared by hundreds: the plant has flowered well, and promises to bear fruit. At present there are forty-five compound umbels on it, some of which are five or six inches across."

The plant here figured for the first time from perfect specimens is one of the several now known to yield the well known fetid gum-resin asafoetida, though whether it be, as Falconer supposed, $A$. Disgunensis, indicated by Kæmpfer and figured in his 'Amœnitates Exoticæ' (p. 535), is still a disputed point. That it yields excellent asafoetida in the form of a copious milky juice, which is collected and exported to Europe in great abundance, is clearly made out by Dr. Falconer, who discovered it in western Tibet, north of Kashmire, in 1838, and sent seeds to the Royal Botanic Gardens of Edinburgh in 1839, where the plant flowered and ripened its fruit last year.

It would be impossible to discuss here the vexed question of the history of the origin of all the Asafoetidas, nor would the discussion be very profitahle; it is certain that Kæmpfer had two plants (species or varieties) in view, from different countries,that his descriptions and drawings and specimens (in the British Museum) do not tally,-and that though Dr. Falconer considers his plant one of Kæmpfer's, other botanists do not. Just now too we have received at the Museum of the Royal Gardens superb specimens of a very different gigantic Umbellifer from the Imperial Academy of St. Petersburg, as a true Asafcetida of commerce; it was collected by M. Borsczhow in sandy places on the steppes east of the Caspian, where it attains a height of nine feet! and yields abundance of excellent asafoetida. Professor Bunge has called this plant Scorodosma foetidum (characterized generically by the absence of vittæ), and M. Borsczhow, who recently visited this country, informs us he believes it to be the Khorassan plant figured by Kæmpfer, and of which fruits are in the British Museum. The same gentleman kindly informs us further, that he considers the Tibetan plant to be quite distinct (in which we entirely concur), and that the Scorodosma is probably also found in eastern Persia.

Referring to our herbarium, we find various plants (varieties, genera, or species), all yielding the asafoctida of commerce or an entirely similar gum-resin :-(1) Dr. Falconer's plant (leaves,
fruit, and root), from Tibet. (2) A very similar one, collected by Drs. Falconer and Thomson in the southern damp valleys of the same mountain (and elsewhere in Kashmire) in whose northern dry valleys Falconer obtains his Narthex, also by Dr. Thomson in Piti ('libet). (3) A flowering specimen, gathered in Turkistan by Dr. Lord (19th April, 1838), and given to Dr. Falconer : it is much injured by insects. (4) Leaves and roots of a quite similar plant sent by Dr. Stocks, from Doobund, in Beloochistan, as, certainly, the Asafœetida of commerce. (5) Another similar plant from the banks of the Zenderad, in the Baktiyari mountains of Persia, collected by the late W. Loftus (June 7, 1S52), of which excellent specimens are in the British Museum. (6) The Scorodosma of Bunge, of which we know the fruit, root, and stems, but have not seen leaves. Lastly, we have imperfect fragments of Oriental Umbellifers from Aucher-Eloi and others, which may belong to some of the above.

It remains to observe that the characters upon which Narthex and Scorodosma have bcen separated from Ferula secm to us unworthy of generic importance. The number and length of the vittæ vary extremely in the Edinburgh and native spccimens. The habit of the species is entirely the same with that of varions Ferulas, which themselves vary greatly in habit and vittæ. We may add that the individual species or varieties further differ in the smoothness or pubescence of the leaflets, their entire or serrated margins, in the shape of the mericarps, and in the position of the smaller umbels of male flowers, which are often extra-alary. Plants growing in arid climates (and, like the Narthex, on the borders of moist ones) are eminently variable, both as to sensible properties, form of organs, and habit; and we suspect that the discrepancies between the specimens and descriptions of several of the above enumerated plants (excluding the Scorodosma) may be attributed to climate.

We have to express our obligations to various gentlemen for the trouble they have taken to obtain specimens and information on this interesting subject, to Drs. Falconer, Balfour, Christison, to M. Borsczhow and Mr. Hanbury, and especially to Mr. Bennett, of the British Museum, who has further aided us in examining the specimens; and he considers the characters of the vittro of little value when unaccompanied with others of importance.

Fig. 1. Flower. 2. Ovary. 3. Transverse section of mericarp. 4. Ripe fruit (all from the Edinburgh Garden plant). 5. Fruit of native specimen, collected by Falconer. 6. Transverse section of ditto. 7. Fruit of Scorodosma foetidum:-all but 4, 5, and 7 maynified.


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# SPIRÆA Nobleana. 

Mr. Noble's Spircea.

Nat. Ord. Rosacee.-Icosandria Di-Pentagynia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Tab. 4795.)

Spirem Nobleana; frutex erectus, ramis cano-puberulis, foliis lineari-oblongis oblongo-lanceolatisve acutis grosse subduplicato-serratis supra glabris subtus dense pubescentibus, paniculis brevibus densifloris pedicellis calycibusque tomentosis, calycis lobis patentibus tubo intus glabro, disco glandulis instructo, ovariis glabris.

In the summer of $1859, \mathrm{Mr}$. Chas. Noble sent us numerous fine specimens of three Spiræas, S. callosa, S. Douglasii, and the present, with the following remarks:-"The third must, I believe, be a hybrid between the two above named: the history of it is this. I had callosa and Douglasii growing side by side. I raised young plants from the seed of $S$ Douglasii, supposing them to be true; but their growth and flower appear to be exactly intermediate between the two; and what appears remarkable is, that the whole of the bed, containing several hundreds, are quite the same." A careful examination of the specimens seemed in many respects to confirm Mr. Noble's view, the supposed hybrid having the leaves precisely intermediate, approaching Douglasii in shape and pubescence, but callosa in toothing and green under-surface; the inflorescence is intermediatc between the long thyrsus of Douglasii and broad cyme of callosa. The calyx has the patent lobes of callosa and glabrous tube inside of Douglasii; and the flowers have the evident ring of glands of callosa, but the colour and stamens of Douglasii. On referring to our herbarium, however, we find the wild specimens from William Lobb of the supposed hybrid from the mountains of California, where S. callosa (a native of Japan) has never been found; and what is more remarkable, the specimens bear the same number (391) as Lobb las attached to S. Douglasii. The question hence arises, may not the secds of both have arrived in one packet, and been sown, and their differences not

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having been observed, those of the present alone may have been collected and raised? The plant is, on the whole, very much nearer to Douglasii than to callosa, showing no approach to the lanceolate leaf of the latter; and the inflorescence, though so much shorter than in Douglasii, is by no means cymose. Such are the facts of this curious case, which we must leave to the future to decide. We have figured these species from Mr. Noble's specimens, and must own that were it not for the patent calyx-lobes and evident series of glands, we should have regarded this as a variety of S. Douglasii.

Descr. An erect shrub, intermediate in habit between S. callosa and Douglasii. Brancles and branchlets reddish, puberulous. Leaves two to five inches long, linear-oblong, acute, coarsely duplicato-serrate from below the middle upwards, serratures tipped with minute glands; upper surface deep-green, glabrous, under paler, densely pubescent. Inflorescence a broad, short, subconical thyrsus of densely-crowded flowers, very similar to, but rather deeper coloured than S. Douglasii. Calyx-lobes patent, the tube glabrous within. Disc with a series of small, suberect glands. Ovaries glabrous. J. D. II.

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# ANGRECUM eburneum; var. virens. 

Ivory Angrecum; greenish-flowered variety.

Nat. Ord. Orchnee.-Gynandria Monogynia.
Gen. Char. (Vide supra, TAB. 4761.)

ANGRECUM eburneum; caule simplici elato, foliis coriaceis lucidis apice obliquis 7-10-striatis, spicis multifloris clongatis sccundis, labello orbiculari-cordato cuspidato basi jugo elcvato cristatis, calcare sepalo supremo parallelo et dimidio longiore, ovario scabro.
Angrecum eburneum. Thouars, Orchid. Afric. t. 65. Hook. Bot. Mag.t. 4761 (which see for synonyms and description).
Var. $\beta$. virens; floribus minoribus, labello cordiformi medio virescente. Angrecum virens. Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1847 ; under t. 19, in Paxt. Flower Garden, v. 1. p. 25.f. 9, 10. (ТАв. Nostr. 5170. )

This plant having blossomed in the Royal Gardens at the same time as, and in the same stove with, Angrecum churneum (see Tab. 4761), the differences to be seen are so trifling that we dare not venture to give it as a species. Indeed, Dr. Lindley, on first describing it from very imperfect materials, observes that "it is very like a small state of Angracum cburneum ;" and "it is published chiefly to draw attention to its locality, which is said to be Serampore; but whether it is really a native of the continent of India, or a plant received from the old Botanical Garden of that settlement, as is more probable, I do not know." Again, in describing and figuring the A. virens in Paxton's 'Flower Garden,' along with a very accurate figure from Bourbon specimens, the chief characteristic mark is made to depend upon colour; " the sepals and petals and spur are greenish, and the lip itself, though white, is nevertheless conspicuously tinged with green in the middle ;" not however to such a degree as in the plant which flowered with Mr. Loddiges, and which gave rise to the name which this plant bears. We may then safely consider it a variety and a less beautiful form of the noble Angracum eburneum, and further, that the statement of the plant being a native of Serampore originated in error.

Fig. 1. Column and anther,-slightly magnified.


# CHAMABATIA foliolosa. 

Leafleted Chamcbatia.

Nat. Ord. Rosacee.-Icosandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Calycis tubus turbinato-campanulatus; limbus persistens, laciniis 5 æstivatione valvatis. Petala 5. Stanina numerosa, pluriseriata, ad faucem calycis inserta. Ovarium in fundo calycis unicum, erectum, liberum: stylus ex apice ovarii erectus, latere interiore fere ad medium fissus et stigmatifer. Ovula 2, erecta, anatropa. Achenium siccum, calyce inclusum. Semen unicum, erec-tum.-Frutex Californicus, ramosissimus, foliis tripinnatisectis, segmentis ultimis confertis numerosissimis; stipulis lineari-lanceolatis; floribus cymosis, albis. Torrey.

Chamebatia foliolosa.
Chamebatia foliolosa. Benth. Plant. Harto. p. 308. Torrey, Plante Fremontiane, p. 11. t. 6.

This is certainly one of the most remarkable of Rosaceous plants, in its flowers resembling a shrubby Potentilla, but with leaves more resembling the very compound foliage of some species of Milfoil (Achillea). It is a native of the "higher parts of the Sierra Nevada, as well as the sides of the foot-hills (in great abundance), and the mountains of the Sacramento, in California, and was first discovered by Colonel Fremont, in 1844," afterwards gathered by Mr. Hartweg and Mr. Shelton; and Messrs. Veitch and Sons, of the Exeter and Chelsea Nurseries, have the credit of importing living plants, sent by their collector from California, which there is every reason to believe will prove hardy in our gardens and shrubberies, and assuredly highly ornamental. In our figure the flowers alone are taken from dried specimens. The genus is allied to Cercocarpus and Purshia.

Descr. "A shrub, growing from two to three feet high, of an agreeable balsamic odour, with very smooth bark, and numerous upright branches." Leaves broad-oval or elliptic, nearly sessile, very closely and compactly tripinnatifid, the margin ciliated; primary lobes approximate, linear, oblong, obtuse, patent;
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ultimate segments oval, acute, tipped with a glandular mucro, sometimes having a similar small lobe at the inferior base. Stipules minute, subulate, adnate to the short petiole. Peduncles terminal, on the branches cymose, glanduloso-hirsute, few-flowered, bracteated; the bractece toothed or pinnatifid. Flowers white, half an inch wide. Calyx quinquefid, externally glandu-loso-pilose; tube turbinate; segments reflexed. Petals obcordate, shortly unguiculate. Stamens numerous. Ovary single, free, hairy, with one erect ovule; style erect, glabrous. Stigma with a cleft on one side.

Fig. 1. Portion of a leaf. 2. Flower. 3. Calyx laid open, showing the stamens and pistil. 4. Stanen. 5. Pistil. 6. Vertical section of ovary :-all magnified. 7. Flower-bud,-nat. size.


# SCHOMBURGKIA Lyonsi. 

Mr. Lyons' Schomburgkia.

Nat. Ord. Orchide.e.-Gynandria Monandria.

Gen. Char. Sepala et petala conformia, patentia, omnino libera, basi æqualia. Labellum difforme, membranaceum, trilobum, semicucullatum, basi cum margine columnæ connatum, supra basin tumidum (intrusum) : venis lamellatis. Columna alata. Pollinia 8.-Rhizoma repens, nudum, annulatum, pseudobulbigerum. Pseudobulbi magni, elongati, bi-triphylli. Folia coriacea. Scapi terminales, vaginati. Bracteæ magnce, sicce, spathacece. Flores speciosi, racemosi, congesti. Lindl.

Sсномburgkia Lyonsi; sepalis petalisque ovatis obtusissimis crispis, labello indiviso conformi unguiculato concavo margine crassulo, costis quinque subæqualibus acutis, anthera bicornuta. Lindl.
Schomburgkia Lyonsi. Lindl. in Gard. Chron. September 2, 1853, p. 615.

The spike of this Schomburgkia was sent to us by Messrs. Rollison and Son, of the Tooting Nurseries, in August of last year (1859). Dr. Lindley considers it "the prettiest of the genus." It is remarkable for the great length of the reflexed bracts, the uniformity of the sepals and petals, and the copious purple spots on the generally pure-white ground; and these spots arranged in parallel lines. In our specimen the lip is equally white with the sepals and petals, and scarcely spotted at all : in the specimens described by Dr. Lindley from Mr. Lyons' plant, the lip was dull-violet, with a yellowish edge, and decp-crimson ribs. At the time that description was published its native country was not known; but Dr. Lindley has since seen a native specimen in Dr. Alexander Prior's herbarium, which that gentlcman had gathered from "the trunk of a tree brought down from hills in St. Ann's parish, Jamaica."

Descr. The foliage of this species has not been seen by us, but Messrs. Rollison describe it as exactly resembling that of S. crispa, Brocklehurstiana, and marginata. The scape is sheathed with bracteas. The spike a span and more long: bracteas, the lower oncs at least, more than thrce inches long, membranacc-
ous, convolute, acuminate, refracted. Pedicels (with the ovary) of the same length as the bracts. Flowers nearly two inches across: sepals and petals spreading, nearly uniform, ovate or ovate-lanceolate, crisped, obtuse, white, prettily marked with lines of purple spots, leaving a broader white line down the centre. Lip larger than the petals, recurved, acute, and apiculate, much crisped at the margin, white, scarcely spotted, the disc with elevated longitudinal lines or plaits. Column curved, bidentate. Anther-case hemispherical, with two, conspicuous, curved horns.

Fig. 1. Column and anther. 2. Lip :-magnified.


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# CENTROSTEMMA multiflorum. 

Many-flowered Centrostemma.

Nat. Ord. Asclepiadef.-Pentandria Digynia.

Gen. Char. Calyx 5 -partitus. Corolla 5 -fida, abrupte reflexa, laciniis oblongolanceolatis, fauce annulo piloso ornata. Gynostegium inferne angustatum, sulcatum, corollæ faucem longe supcrans. Corona staminea summo gynostegio inserta, 5 -plylla, foliolis dimidia superiori parte gynostegio adnatis stigma superantibus, infer. in cornu calcaratum productis. Anthere parvæ, membrana ovata stigmati adpressa terminatæ. Massæ pollinis erectæ, oblongæ, basi et apice obtuse, compresse. Stigma subdepressum, papilla acutiuscula. Styli elongati. Folluculi læves, oblongi, attenuati. Semina comosa.-Frutices Moluccani, volubiles; folia opposita, coriacea; umbellæ interpetiolares v.terminales, pedunculate, multiflore; flores majusculi, pedicellis gracilibus habituque proprio. Decaisne.

Centrostemma multiflorum ; foliis oblongis vel lineari-oblongis acuminatis basi in petiolum attcnuatis, corollæ fauce annulo barbato albo cincta, coronæ stamineæ foliolis arcuato-recurvis acutis lobis superioribus brevioribus stigma super acutis. Decaisne.
Centrostemma multiflorum. Dcne. in Ann. Sc. Nat. 1838, v. 9. p. 272, et in De Cand. Prodr. v. 8. p. 634. Bl. Mus. Bot. Lugd. Bat. p. 45.
Hoya multiflora. Bl. Cat. Hort. Buitenz. p. 49.
Cyrtoceras reflexum. Benn. in Plant. Jav. Rar. p. 90. $t .21$.
Cyrtoceras Lindleyanum. Dcne. in De Cand. Prodr. v. 8. p. 634.
Cyrtoceras floribundum. Maund's Botanist, v. 4. t. 178.
Hoya coriacea. Lind. Bot. Reg. 1839, t. 18 (not Bl.).

Drawn from a fine plant which flowered at Messrs. Hugh Low and Son's Nursery, Clapton, in July, 1859, having been received from Borneo. The leaves seem to be subject to a little variation; those on the specimen represented by Mr. Bennett being longer and narrower, and especially attenuated from near the middle to the base: but the three figures I have quoted seem all to belong to one and the same species, though published under as many different names. Yet Decaisne records two supposed species, and Blume as many as four, apparently established on very slight grounds. The genus, itself but
slightly differing from Hoya, appears peculiar to the Malay Islands.

Descr. A glabrous climber, with terete stems, and opposite, subcoriaceous, oval or subelliptical, penniveined leaves, shortly acuminated at the apex, and more or less attenuated at the base. Petiole short. Peduncles interpetiolary and terminal, shorter than the leaves, bearing a moderately spreading, many-rayed, slightly drooping umbel: the pedicels or rays as long as the peduncle. Calyx small, five-parted. Corolla rotate, white, deeply five-lobed; lobes linear-oblong, singularly deflexed, tipped with buff-colour, the margins revolute. Gynostegium and folioles of the corona staminea as in the genus.

Fig. 1. Flower. 2. Folioles of the corona staminea:-magnified,


ТАв. 5174.

## VANDA suavis.

Fragrant Vanda.

Nat. Ord. Orchidef.-Gynandria Monandria.

Gen. Char. Sepala explanata, omnia basi æqualia et angustata, seppius petaloidea. Petala sepalis conformia, sæpius basi torta. Labellum basi saccatum vel calcaratum, e basi columnæ apodæ continuum carnosum, sepius sepalis multo brevius, subtrilobum aut integrum, ante calcar sæpius callosum, auriculis nanis v. obsoletis. Columna crassa, nana, libera, apoda; clinandrio verticali. Stigma transversum ; rostello obtuso v. retuso. Pollinia cereacea, plano-convexa, gcminata, v. 2 alte bipartita; caudicula lorata aut cuneata, pollinis longiore; glandula magna, subrotunda vel triangulari. Anthera ovata, bilocularis, valvulis. semiliberis.-Herbæ epiphyte Asiæ tropicæ. Folia coriacea, disticha, apice obliqua. Flores sepius racemosi, conspicui. Pedunculi laterales. Lindl.

Vanda suavis; foliis loratis flaccide recurvis apice oblique dentatis, racemis laxis elongatis, sepalis petalisque spathulatis retrorsis convexis valde undulatis sublobatis apice rotundatis, labello convexo trilobo lacinia media angusta alte bifida 3 -costata lateralibus longis ovatis acutis patulis, auriculis erectis rotundatis. Lindl.
Vanda suavis. Lindl. in Gard. Chron. 1848, p. 351. Paxton's Flower Garden, t. 42.f.3. Reichenb. Xenia Orchid. v. 1.p. 26. t. 12. Lindl. Folia Orchid. part 4. p. 5 (excl. var. B flava, according to Reichenbach).

An extremely lovely Orchideous plant, the flowers richly blotched and spotted with blood-purple on a pure white ground, so clear and distinct that they look as if they were made of porcelain. Dr. Lindley refers to it my Vanda tricolor (Bot. Mag. Tab. 4434) which I had taken to be the $V$. tricolor of Lindley, but which that author makes var. flava of his more beautiful $V$. suavis. Dr. Reichenbach, on the other hand, maintains that it is the true tricolor. The differences in fact are more in colour than in structure; so that the description at our Tab. 4434 may answer for the present species. Here the ground colour of the flower is pure china-white, the exterior spotless : the inner face of the sepals and petals is streaked and spotted with purple. The lip is deep purple in the lower half, with three white lines or streaks on the disk; the rest of the lip is paler purple, the whole destitute of spots. The species imhabits Java, but is yet, we believe, rare, and much prized, as it deserves to be, in collections.

Fig. 1. Column and lip, magnified.


## ТАв. 5175.

## ASTELIA Cunninghamil.

## Allan Cunningham's Astelia.

## Nat. Ord. Juncee.-Diecla Hexandria.

Gen. Char. Flores polygami, dioici. Perianthium subglumaceum, campanulatum v. rotatum, 6 -partitum. Stamina 6. Ovarium trigonum, 1-v. 3-loculare; ovulis paucis v. plurimis; stylo brevi v. sub-0; stigmate trilobo. Semina plurima v. pauca ; testa crustacea, atra, nitida; embryo brevis.- Herbæ sepe magne, plerumque sericea, insulis Australasie et maris Pacifici incolentes.

Astelia Cunninghamii ; foliis elongato-subulatis utrinque sericeis, paniculis se-riceo-villosis ; masc. effusis, ramis elongatis, perianthii glabrati laciniis subu-lato-lanceolatis, antheris late oblongis; fem. panicula subcoarctata, ramis brevioribus, ovario globoso 1 -loculari, placentis parietalibus, stigmate sessili 3-lobo, bacca globosa perianthio persistente suffulta, seminibus 6-8 curvis teretibus atris.
A. Cunninghamii. J. Hook. Flora of New Zealand, v. 1. p. 259.

The curious half-hardy plants, of which one sex only is figured here, was introduced by Dr. Sinclair, R.N., late Colonial Secretary of New Zealand, to the Royal Gardens, where it flowered last February. Though boasting no brilliancy of flower, this forms a beautiful object from the copious long bright silvery hairs with which all its parts are clothed. Without the female flowers it is almost impossible to name the New Zealand species of this genus accurately, but we have little hesitation in referring the present to $A$. Cunninghamii, which is common throughout the Northern Island, usually forming cnormous masses on the branches of gigantic forest-trees.

Descr. A tufted silky perennial, with long, linear-subulate, acuminate leaves, and large, almost woolly panicles of greenish flowers. Perianth, in the male plant, of six equal lobes that are subulate, lanceolate, and finally reflexed, silky when young, glabrous when old, bearing on their bases six crect stamens, with short filaments and anthers. Ovary trigonous, globose, with a short, three-lobed stigma.

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# RICHARDIA hastata. 

Halbert-leaved Richardia.

Nat. Ord. Aroidee.-Mongecia Monandria.
Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 5140. )

Richardia hastata; foliis subflaccidis hastato-ovatis amplis immaculatis, venis opacis, spatha viridi-lutea apice erecta intus basi atro-purpurea, petiolis glandulosis.

At our Tab. 5140 we published one of two kinds of Richardia, received by Messrs. Veitch from the Cape, allied to, and yet very distinct from, the well-known Richardia, or Calla, Lthiopica. Under the first of these we showed the differences between it and R. Aethiopica. Our present plant, from Natal, has been received by others, as well as by Mr. Veitch, as a "red-" or a "yellow-flowered Calla," but in reality the flower, or rather the spatha, is a greenish-yellow, with no tinge whatever approaching to red. It is indeed too closely allied to our $R$. albo-maculata above quoted. The spathas are rather dirty yellow-green instead of white, broader in the tube, and also in the limb; the petioles are here glandular in their lower half; the male portion of the spadix is longer than the female, and the leaves are destitute of the peculiar white pellucid spots so characteristic of R. albomaculata. But I cannot say how far these characters are constant; if they are not, it would be better to unite the two under the name here given, and constitute the var. albo-maculata of the other.

The present kind has proved hardy in the Messrs. Veitch's Nursery, at Exeter.

Fig. 1. Column or spadix of flowers. 2. Stamen. 3. Pistil. 4. Transverse section of an ovary with two, and 5 , one with three cells :-all but fig. 1 magnified.


# CEANOTHUS Oreganus. 

Oregon Ceanothus.

Nat. Ord. Rhamnee.-Pentandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. (See above, Tab. 4660.)

Ceanothus Oreganus ; fruticosa glabriuscula, foliis firmis ellipticis obtusis nunc basi subcordatis longiuscule petiolatis 3 -nerviis junioribus subtus leniter pubescentibus serratis, paniculis lateralibus, ramis corymbosis thyrsoidcis.
Ceanothus Oreganus. Nutt. MSS. Torrey and Gray, Fl. N. Am. v. 1. p. 205.
Ceanothus sanguineus. Hook. Fl. Bor. Am.v. 1. p. 125 (not of Pursh, according to Nuttall).

Here is another hardy Ceanothus, allied to, but very distinct from, C. velutinus, figured at our Tab. 5165 , recently imported to our gardens and shrubberies by Messrs. Veitch of the Exeter and Chelsea Nurseries, from the Oregon territory, through their collector, Mr. William Lobb. It was first detected by Douglas in woods of the Oregon, frequent from the Blue Mountains to the sea; found there also by Nuttall and Tolmie, and Dr. Scouler. I had mistaken it, in my Fl. Bor. Am., for the C. sanguineus of Pursh, an indifferently described plant, and a native, it appears, of more southern latitudes, near the Rocky Mountains, on the banks of the Missouri, and which is said to resemble considerably the C. Americanus. C. Oreganus flowers in May, and bears copious lateral panicles, which are entirely white.

Descr. A shrub, four to twelve feet high, with branches glabrous, much tinged with red on one side. Leaves alternate, firm, subcoriaceo-membranaceous, two to two and a half inches long, petiolate, elliptical, obtuse, three-nerved, rarely subcordate at the base, serrated at the margin, paler beneath, where the young leaves are slightly pubescent. Petioles half to threequarters of an inch long, pale green, with a pair of deciduous stipules at the base. Panicles axillary, often appearing quite lateral from the deciduous leaves; their branches form dense
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corymbs, and the collected corymbs a compact thyrsus, three to four inches long, of numerous, white, rather long-pedicelled flowers. Calyx with five segments inflexed upon the ovary, between which the spreading, spathulate, long-clawed petals, with the laminæ very concave and emarginate, are protruded. Ovary depressed, half-sunk in a glandular disk or ring. Style short, with three branches, each crowned with a capitate stigma.

Fig. 1. Flower. 2. Pistil and glandular ring :-magnified.


## Тав. 5178.

## AZARA Gilliesir.

Dr. Gillies' Azara.

Nat. Ord. Bixinee.-Polyandria Monogynia.


#### Abstract

Gen. Char. Calyx 4-6-partitus, laciniis æstivatione imbricatis. Petala nulla. Stamina numerosa, calycis fundo inserta. Filamenta filiformia. Anthera didymoglobosæ, biloculares, latere dehiscentes. Ovarium superum uniloculare. Stylus simplex. Stigma obtusum. Bacca coriacea stylo apiculata, unilocularis polysperma. Semina subretunda, placentis tribus parietalibus horizontaliter affixa.Frutices Chilenses. Folia gemina, inaqualia. Popp. et Endl.


Azara (§ Almeja) Gilliesii ; foliis geminis longe petiolatis majoribus ellipticoovatis coriaceis rigidis remote spinoso-serratis minoribus rotundatis sæpissime deciduis, pedunculis axillaribus solitariis petiolo brevioribus, floribus densis capitato-racemosis, calycibus 4 -5-fidis intus dense barbatis ad basin glandulis 4.
Azara Gilliesii. Hook. et Arn. Bot. Misc.v. 3.p. 144. Gay, Fl. Chil.v. 1.p. 193. A. intermedia, ejusd. p. 195.

The handsomest perhaps of all the species of Azara, a genus of shrubs peculiar to Chili, and remarkable for having in the normal state geminate leaves, extremely unequal in size, the lesser one stipuliform. Our living plant of this species, however, does not exhibit, nor do some of our native specimens, these stipulary leaves: others are furnished with them. The leaves have the colour and texture of the Holly, and like them are evergreen ; the flowers are minute, but collected into oblong or elliptical heads, resembling golden catkins, from the numerous rich orange-coloured stamens. The species was many years ago communicated to us from Chili by the late Dr. Gillies, and we further possess specimens from Bridges, gathered at Valparaiso and Quillota, and from the Cordillera of St. Iago, gathered by M. Ph. Germain. Seeds were received at the Royal Gardens from Mr. Bridges, and plants have for some time flowered with us in the winter months, and from one of these our figure is made. With us it is kept in a cool greenhouse, but it is quite likely it will bear the open air in a sheltered situation in the middle, especially the south, of England.

[^2]Descr. A slrub, said to attain a height of ten to fifteen feet in its native country, with terete, suberect, glabrous branches, richly tinged with red. Leaves of two kinds on some specimens, in pairs, long-petiolate, the larger ones two and a half to three inches long, broad-ovate elliptical subtruncate at the base, acute, dark glossy-green, with strong, distant, subspinose serratures; petioles half to three-quarters of an inch long, red; the smaller leaves nearly orbicular. Peduncles solitary, axillary, shorter than the pedicels. Flowers small, numerous in very dense, amentiform, elliptical heads. Rachis stout, fleshy, to which the short pedicels are attached. Flowers diœcious? or polygamous. Calyx four- or five-cleft, woolly within, and having four conspicuous fleshy glands. Corolla none. Stamens numerous. Filaments long, and, as well as the anthers, golden-orange. Ovary oblong, one-celled, with two or three parietal receptacles. Style slightly tapering. Stigma minute.

Fig. 1. Flower. 2. Calyx, showing the four glands and pistil (abortive ?). 3. Section of a flower. 4. Anther. 5. Gland. 6, 7. Ovaries, cut through transversely :-magnified.


# GRAMMATOPHYLLUM Ellisin. 

Mr. Ellis's Grammatophyllum.

Nat. Ord. Orchidacere.-Gynandria Monandria.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 5157.)

Grammatopitylum Ellisii; pseudobulbis angulatis clavato-fusiformibus polyphyllis, foliis lato-loratis recurvis basi canaliculatis, racemo multifloro recurvo, sepalis patentibus acutis lateralibus gibbosis, petalis duplo brevioribus oblongis obtusis erectis apice revolutis, labello petalis æquali mobili basi sacculato trilobo jugo medio elevato ultra isthmum 3-lamellato lineisque 3 elevatis arcuatis utrinque, lobo medio ovato acuto lateralibus brevibus subfalcatis, anthera tuberculo pedicellato cristata. Lindl.
Grammatophyllum Ellisii. Lindl. MS.

The Rev. William Ellis, in a letter addressed to Dr. Lindley, from Hoddesdon, dated August 23rd, 1859, writes:-"Among the plants which I brought from Madagascar was a large-bulbed plant, something like Anguloa Clowesiana, only the bulbs are square instead of being round. I found it growing on a branch of a tree about the size of a man's leg, and stretching over a river at about twenty-five feet above the water. The roots were abundant, but short, white, fleshy, and matted together, a little larger than the roots of Anselia Africana. The bulbs were seven or eight inches long, and one and a quarter inch square, but last year it made a bulb eleven inches long and nearly two inches wide on each of the four sides. The leaves are one and a half to two feet long, about the size, but not so curved as those of Angracum sesquipedale, and less fleshy than the A. eburneun, but, like all the Angræcums, growing on opposite sides of the crown of the bulb : each bulb has five or six leaves. The flower-spike, as in the case of the Anguloa, comes up with the young growth, and this year two young bulbs were accompanied by a flower-spike; each one damped off, but the other reached about two feet in length, and at the end furthest from the bulb bore between thirty and forty flowers. The flowers began to open three weeks ago, and as they opened slowly, I thought it would last longer, but on my return on Saturday from the country I found the flowers fading rapidly. I have therefore cut the may $1 \mathrm{st}, 1860$.
spike, and send it to you; some of the flowers are, I hope, yet in a state of sufficient preservation to enable you to determine its species. Mrs. Ellis has also made a coloured drawing of some of the flowers, and a sketch of the whole plant." Such is the first notice of this fine plant on its blossoming in Mr. Ellis's Orchideous house; and from the spike there mentioned, aided by the very beautiful drawing of Mrs. Ellis, the accompanying plate has been executed; the dissections are by Mrs. Crease; and I am indebted to Dr. Lindley for the specific name and character and the following remarks:-
"The genus Grammatophyllum is so nearly allied to Cymbidium that the two may possibly be united hereafter. They differ, however, first, in the presence of a sac at the base of both the column and lip; and, secondly, usually in the pollen-masses of Grammatophyllum being attached towards each extremity of a lunate gland. The first of these characters is the more important; the second can only be regarded as subordinate. It is in the first that the plant before us corresponds with Grammatophyllum; in the second it approaches Cymbidium. As to habit, the first of these two genera includes very dissimilar plants; G. speciosum (see our Tab. 5157) being caulescent, this and $G$. multiflorum being pseudobulbous; a circumstance exactly analogous to what occurs in the great genera Dendrobium, Epidendium, Oncidium, etc.

As a species, G. Ellisii is very distinctly characterized by its broad leaves, short petals, gibbous lateral sepals, and smooth lip, which has one stout median rib, separating at the isthmus into three short slender ridges. The anther is moreover crested with a small pedicellate tubercle.

Fig. 1, 2. Oblique and front view of a flower, with the sepals removed. 3. Labellum, laid open :-nat. size. 4. Front view of the column. 5. Pollenmasses (one cut through transversely):-magnified.


## Тав. 5180.

## COCOS plumosa.

Feathery-flowered Cocoa-nul.

## Nat. Ord. Palme.-Monecia Hexandria.

Gen. Char. (essentialis). Monoica in codem spadice. Spatha simplex. Flores sessiles, bracteolati. Masc.: Caly.x triphyllus. Corolla tripctala. Stamina 6. Rudimentum pistilli. Foom.: Caly.x triphyllus et corolla 3-petala, convoluta. Ovarium triloculare. Stigmata tria scssilia. Drupa monospernna, putaminc basi triporo. Embryo in albumine cavo, intra porum basilaris. Mart.

Cocos plumosa,* Hook. ; elata ; candice 30-40-pedali et nltra crassiusculo cylindraceo annnloso-articulato, articulis pedalibus et ultra, frondibus 12-14pedalibus, pinnis sesquipedalibus solitariis vel $2-4$-aggregatis lincaribus acuminatis apicibus deflexis, petiolis incrmibus basi dilatata amplexante fimbriato-fibrosa, spatha bi-tripedali fusiformi sublignoso, spadicis ramis longis pendentibus, floribus copiosis sessilibus.

This truly noble Palm, long cultivated at Kew, produced its blossoms in the summer and autumn of 1859, probably for the first time in Europe, and was received many years ago from Messrs. Loddiges as a Brazilian species to which Von Martius had given the name of Cocos coronata, equally a native of Brazil, but whose character assuredly does not accord with the specific character given by Martius of that Palm : for we do not find the base of the petiole "spinescent" at the margin, nor does the caudex at the setting on of the persistent petioles become "crasso-capitate," nor are the branches of the spadix "erect," but singularly and gracefully drooping. Nor does it accord with any other described species of the genus; so that I am compelled, as it were, against my will, to give it a new name, and to notice it as a new species, to which I give an appellation characteristic of the beautiful and elegant branches of the panicle.

Descr. The Palm, now under consideration, forms a striking feature in the Palm-stove of the Royal Gardens, where it has, including its crown of leaves, attained a height of between fifty and sixty feet. The caudex, or trunk, forms a graceful erect

[^3]column of about forty feet high, and ten to twelve inches in diameter, more slender upwards, jointed as it were with annular scars of the fallen leaf-stalks; these rings are a foot to fourteen inches apart. Crown of leaves or fronds extremely beautiful; each leaf is twelve to fifteen feet, petiolate, lanceolate, pinnate, recurved; pinnæ numerous on the rachis, solitary, or more usually two to four aggregated, springing from near each other. Petiole subtriangular at the base, very much dilated, of a greyish-brown colour, keeled, at the margin fimbriatedly fibrous, amplexicaul. Spadix axillary; two spadices during the autumn arose from axils of the leaf-stalks, substipitate, two and a half to three feet long, ligneous at first, at length bursting open laterally, concave and fusiform, almost woody, very erect, rigid, firm, dark dirtygreen externally, within tawny, acute and apiculated. As this spatha bursts longitudinally on one side, the spadix emerges. This is nearly as long as the spatha, and clothed with numerous, long, gracefully drooping, wax-like branches, loaded with flowers of two kinds, which are sessile on the branches: some female, but mostly male. Flowers in bud conical: the sepals compactly imbricated. Sepals six, three outer (calyx), three inner (petals) ovate, concave, moderately patent, with minute bracteas at the base. Male flowers with six, oblong, yellow anthers on short filaments. Female with a short downy ovary, crowned with three stigmas. Fruit a dull orange-flowered apiculated drupe, about the size of an acorn of the English Oak.

Fig. 1. Flowering specimen of Cocos plumosa, Hook.,-greatly reduced. 2. Spatha and spadix of flowers, also much reduced. 3. Portion of a drooping flowering branch,-nat. size. 4. Nale flower, -magnified. 5. Female flower unexpanded. 6. Pistil from the female flower,-magnified. 7. Drupe,-nal. size.


# CALLIANDRA hematocephala. 

Red-headed Calliandra.

Nat. Ord. Leguminose.-Polygamia Polyandria.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Tab. 4238.)

Calliandra hematocephala; frutex, stipulis e basi lata acuminatis nunc subfalcatis adpressis persistentibus, pinnis unijugis, foliolis 7-10-jugis oblongolanceolatis acuminatis basi inæquilateris subcordatis binerviis acercscentibus, pedunculis petiolo communi longioribus folio multo brevioribus, floribus dense sanguineis, calyce corollæ quartam partem longo, legumine subfalcato recto e basi angustissima sensim apicem versus dilatato glaberrimo nitidissimo, valvis subcoriaceis, seminibus 4-5. Hassk.
Calliandra hæmatocephala. Hassk. in Retz. v. 1. pp. 216, 144. Walp. Ann. v. 4. p. 654. Hassk. Hort. Bogor. v. 1. p. 260.

Inga hæmatoxylon. Hort. Calcutt.

A most lovely shrub with us, but eventually forming a tree thirty to forty feet high, according to Hasskarl, the native country of which does not appear to be known. We have specimens in our herbarium from the Calcutta Botanical Garden, with the unpublished name of Inga hcematoxylon. Hasskarl received it at the Botanic Garden of Buitenzorg from the same source and under the same name; and has rightly referred it to the genus Culliandra. It has been sent to the Botanic Gardens of Kew, by Mr. Duncan, from the Mauritius Garden, in 1857, and produced its lovely heads of flowers, for the first time in the stove, in February, 1860. Hasskarl speaks of its affinity with C. macrophylla and C. nitida, and still more with C. Surinamensis, Benth., which differs in the pubescent branches and petioles, and in the more obtuse and smaller leaflets.

Descr. Shrub, with glabrous, terete, green branches, and copious petiolate unijugate leaves: each pinna is about five inches long and pari-pinnulate, with seven to ten pairs of opposite pinmules, the lowest and shortest an inch long, gradually enlarging upwards to one and a half inch long, all of them more
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or less spreading, oblong-lanceolate, scarcely acuminate, twonerved, the base unequally sided; some of them, especially the superior ones, slightly falcate. Stipules small, green, from a broad base subulate. Petioles about an inch long. Peduncles as long as the petioles, bearing a capitulum of small flowers, of which the calyx and corolla are almost concealed by the quantity of rich coloured flaments of the stamens, which radiate from a centre and form a ball of scarlet threads. Calyx minute, fivelobed. Corolla small, infundibuliform. Stamens united into four bundles. Anthers minute, abortive. Ovary oblong. Style a little longer than the stamens.

Fig. 1. Flower. 2. Portion of a bundle of stamens. 3. Pistil :-magnified.


# BEGONIA Bowringiana. 

Bowring's Begonia.

Nat. Ord. Begoniacee.-Mongecia Polyandria.
Gen. Char. (Vide supra, TAB. 4172.)

Begonia (Diplochonium) Bowringianum; caule herbacco erecto ramoso, foliis late inæqualiter cordatis inæqualiter irregulariter 5-7-lobis, lobis latis brevibus acutis dentatis lobatisve supra hispidulis subtus ramulisque novellis rufo-lanatis, pedunculis folio brevioribus paucifloris, capsulæ alis 2 angustis tertia elongata. Benth.
Begonia Bowringiana. Champ. in Benth. Florul. Hongk. Kero Gard. Misc. v. 4. p. 120.

The present species of Begonia is very deficient in brightness, as compared with many of the species with richly-coloured foliage, which are such favourites with cultivators of stove plants of the present day ; and yet it is so nearly allied to a very handsome species, namely the B. laciniata, Roxb. and of this work (Tab. 5021), that I was at first disposed to believe the two were specifically identical. The latter-mentioned Begonia is, however, remarkable for the variegated foliage, both on the upper and under side, the larger white petals, with the outer sepals rufotomentose, the peduncles longer than the leaves, bearing more numerous flowers, and the very hispid fruit. The present is the only species of the genus yet detected in Hongkong, where it was discovered by the late Colonel Champion; and seeds were sent to us by Mr. Wilford in 1855 .

Descr. Rhizome "thick fleshy;" the stem short, nearly as thick as one's finger, flexuose, jointed, tinged with red, slightly woolly, swollen at the joints. Leaves rather large, six to ten inches long, four to six inches broad, very unequally cordate, petiolate, green, and slightly hairy above, dull rufous and somewhat woolly beneath, the pubescence deciduous, the margin very irregularly cut into acute or acuminated lobes, and, besides, unequally serrated: petioles longer than the leaves, terete, thick, woolly, especially on the anterior side below the blade. Stipules large, mernbranaceous, reddish, cordato-ovate, acuminate. Peduncles much shorter than the petioles, axillary, reddish, woolly, bearing three or four flowers, of which the majority are male.

Bracteas resembling the stipules. Perianth pale rose-colour. Male flower large; sepals four, two large and broad, two (opposite ones) oblong and narrow, all spreading and subtomentose at the back. Female flowers smaller than the male, of five, spreading, equal, obovate sepals. Fruit villous, at length glabrous, with two short and one very long, oblong, deflexed, striated wings.

Fig. 1. Stamen, magnified. 2. Female flower, nat. size. 3. Fruit, ditto. 4. Transverse section of the capsule, ditto.


## TAb. 5183.

# PTERIS quadriaurita; cum vars. 

Four-eared Brake; with vars.

Nat. Ord. Filices.-Cryptogamia Filices.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Tab. 3247.)

Pteris (\$ Eupteris) quadriaurita ; caudice brevi repente, frondibus ovatis ovatocordatisve acuminatis sepe amplis subcoriaceo-membranaceis pinnatis, pinnis 5-21 magisve sæpe oppositis lanceolatis profunde fere ad rachin pinnatifidis, rachide supra spinulosa, segmentis oblongis obtusis subintegerrimis terminali elongato, pinnis infimis (rarius pluribus) bipartitis quandoquidem latere inferiori iterum pinnatis, venis furcatis, stipitibus elongatis stramineis fuscisve levibus $\mathbf{v}$. scabriusculis.
Pteris quadriaurita. Retz, Obs. v. 6. p. 38. Willd. Sp. Pl. p. 383. Ag. Sp. Gen. Pterid. p. 24. Hook. Sp. Fil. v. 2. p. 179. t. 134 B. (which see for copious synonyms and remarks).
Var. argyraa; viridis, linea lata centrali alba.
Pteris (Pyrophylla) argyrea. T. Moore in Gard. Chron. Aug. 1859, p. 671.
Var. tricolor ; intense purpurea demum viridis, linea lata centrali alba vel rosea, rachibus costisque rubris.
Pteris tricolor. Linden in Gard. Chron. Feb, 1860,p.123. T. Moore in Gard. Chron. March 1860, p. 217.

Pteris quadriaurita of Retz, the species here figured, is one of the most common of tropical Ferns, in Asia, Africa, and America, Pacific Islands, etc., and two very interesting varieties arising from the peculiar colouring of the foliage have been lately introduced to our Ferncries by Mr. Linden, of both of whioh we have here given as much as can be fairly represented in so small a plate. One has the ordinary green colour of Pteris quadriaurita, except that a broad white line runs through the centre of all the pinnæ. This Mr. T. Moore raises to the rank of a species, under the name of Pteris argyraa. Of it we possess native specimens in our herbarium from Nilghiri, gathered by Mr. M'Ivor (his n. 22); from Moulmein, communicated by the Rev. C. S. P. Parish (his n. 141), and we have beautiful living plants from Messrs. Veitch. The other, and infinitely the most beautiful, is
of a deep rich brown-purple colour, with a similar central broad line or band to the one just mentioned, but instead of being white is of a rich rose-colour. This is the only state in which I have myself seen this variety, and such as is here figured, from a recent specimen sent to me by Mr. Linden : but this colour undergoes a change. It would appear that "the fronds are of a beautiful red colour, and when fully developed a rich deep-green, with attractive silvery markings along the sides of the midribs, which are red."

The Pteris aspericaulis of Wallich, a name which has been given to this in some gardens, is a very trifling var. of $P$. quadriaurita, with a rough surface to the stipites, a character not apparent in any specimens of the coloured varieties, though as likely to be found in them as in the ordinary green state of the plant. No species can be more variable in size than this, from five or six inches to three feet in length.

Our Plate represents a small specimen of $P$. quadriaurita, var. argyrca, and a young one of var. tricolor. Fig. 1. A lateral fertile pinna of the green or ordinary state :-all nat. size. 2. Portion of a fertile segment,-magnified.

'ТАв. 5184.

# PHALENOPSIS grandiflora. 

Large-flowered Indian Butterfly-plant.

Nat. Ord. Orchidef.-Gynandria Monogynia:

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 4297.)

Phalenopsis grandiflora; foliis longis, sepalis lateralibus internum phyllum supremum non tegentibus apice mucronatis, labello phyllis lateralibus externis multo breviori, lobo medio lineari-hastato, lobis lateralibus oblique cuneatis obtusangulis, cirrhis flavis. Lindl.
Phalenopsis grandiflora. Lindl. in Gard. Chron. 1848, p. 39, with a woodcut of the flower. Walp. Ann. Bot. v. 3. p. 561.

Dr. Lindley first distinguished this as a species from the wellknown and universal favourite, Phalanopsis amabilis, in the 'Gardeners' Chronicle,' above quoted, and we cannot do better than transcribe his remarks thereupon:-"A small plant of this noble epiphyte was exhibited on the 7th of September, last year (1847), before the Horticultural Society, by J. H. Schroder, Esq., - of Stratford Green, when it received the silver Banksian medal. It was not supposed at that time to be a distinct species from the Phalconopsis amabilis, but was regarded merely as a fine variety. Upon a comparison of it with the Manilla species, it proves however to possess so many points of difference, that no doubt can be entertained of its being really distinct. Its flowers are four times as large, the petals do not overlap the back sepal, nor have they the small point which is invariably present in Phalanopsis amabilis; the lip is very narrow, much shorter than the lanceolate sépals, and its chief lateral lobes are somewhat wedgeshaped, with the angles rounded off. The distribution of colour, too, is different; there is a large stain of deep yellow on the front edge of the chief lateral lobes of the lip, and the cirrhi are yellow, not white."

Such are the distinguishing characters given by the botanist who has made the Orchideous plants almost the study of his life, june 1st, 1860.
-to which he adds, in the specific definition, "the longer leaves mucronated at the point." Whether these marks are permanent or not, the Phalanopsis grandiffora is eminently deserving of a figure in the pages of this Magazine, the more so as no coloured figure of it has yet been published. It is a native of Java, and said to have been introduced to Europe by Messrs. Veitch and Sons, of the Nurseries, Exeter and Chelsea. Our figure is taken from a fine flowering specimen in the Royal Gardens of Kew.

Fig. 1. Lip,-magnified.


## Тав. 5185.

# SCUTELLARIA incarnata, var. Trianui. 

Flesh-coloured Skull-cap, var. Trianai.

Nat. Ord. Labiate.-Didynamia Gymnospermia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 4268.)

Scutellaria Ventenatii; perennis erecta ramosa, ramis obtuse tetragonis, foliis sublonge petiolatis crassiusculis ovato-lanceolatis acutis grosse serratis penninerviis vix reticulatis atro-viridibus, racemis terminalibus elongatis subsecundis, bracteis valde deciduis, calyce parvo, corollis elongatis incarnatis calyce multoties longioribus, labio superiore quadrilobo.
Scutellaria incarnata. Vent. Choix des Pl.t. 29 : upper figure. Benth. Lab. p. 429. De Cand. Prodr. v. 12. p. 416. Hook. Bot. Mag. t. 4268.
$\beta$. Trianai, foliis minoribus, floribus intense roseo-coccineis.
Scutellaria Trianai. Planch. et Lind. in Lind. Cat. for 1855, n. 10. p. 6.

The red-flowered Scutellarice recommend themselves to cultivation by their beauty, and they are, I believe, chiefly natives of tropical America. Some are already in cultivation in our stoves, and greatly admired from the rich colour of their corollas. The present species has been introduced to our collections from Bogotá, and circulated under the name of S. Trianai of Klotzsch and Linden, and under that name is mentioned in Linden's Catalogue, but unfortunately without any specific character. We fear, however, it is merely a highly coloured variety of $S$. incarnata, Vent., and of this work, Tab. 4268 ; and that, Mr. Bentham, whose knowledge of the extensive family of Labiate entitles his opinion to great respect, believes may not be truly distinct from S. Ventenatii (Bot. Mag., Tab. 4271); and his own S. Hartwegi he thinks may be the same also.

The present variety chiefly differs from $S$. incarnata in the smaller glabrous foliage, and the much richer rose-scarlet of the corollas. It flowers in the spring in the stoves of the Royal Gardens of Kew.

Fig. 1. Flower. 2. Corolla, laid open. 3. Calyx, including the pistil. 4. Ovary, on its large receptacle (or gynophore), with part of the style :-magnified.
june 1st, 1860.


## Тав. 5186.

## CHYSIS bractescens.

Bracteated Chysis.

Nat. Ord. Orchidefe.-Gynandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Sepala paulo connata; laterali pedi producto columne adnato et calcar simulantia. Petala sepala conformia. Labellum trilobum, patulum, venis basi callosis. Columna marginata, canaliculata, mutica. Anthera subrotunda, opercularis, glabra. Pollinia 8, in laminam luteam semifusa; quatuor exterioribus tenuibus, quatuor interiora crassiora abscondentibus. Rostellum laminatum, convexum.-Herbæ epiphyta, occidentales ab arboribus pendule; caulibus Cyrtopodii depauperatis ; foliis nervosis, basi vaginantibus ; racemis lateralibus multifloris. Lindl.

Chysis bractescens; bracteis cucullatis venosis foliaceis ovario longioribus, sepalis petalisque ovatis obtusis, labelli lobis lateralibus obtusis intermedio minore carnoso bilobo hypochilio plicato, lamellis 5 carnosis subæqualibus parallelis basi pubescentibus, columna latissima carnosa cymbiformi antice pubescente. Lindl.
CHysis bractescens. Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1840; Misc. n. 131; et 1841, t. 23.

Chysis bractescens is a Mexican plant introduced by Mr. George Baker, with whom it blossomed in 1840. So many intermediate forms exist between this and the original C. aurea, on which the genus was founded, that we cannot but question if the two are really distinct. The main character of this is made to depend on the "large, white, not yellow, flowers, and the great leafy bracts" of the plant now figured, whence too the specific name; but the bracts are certainly variable in different individuals, and the colour of the sepals and petals no less so. Our C. bractescens has the flowers much larger and of a purer white than Dr. Lindley's figure represents, but the labellum is more yellow than his figure exhibits them; and we have given a figure of a very deeply coloured C. aurea at our Tab. 4576 , of which we were uncertain whether it should be referred to that or to the present species. Our very noble specimen here figured was drawn from a plant in the Royal Gardens of Kew, in 1847.

Fig. 1. Front view of the labellum. 2. Column. 3. Pollen-masses :-magnified.
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# AMORPHOPHALLLUS dubius. 

Smooth-headed Amorphophallus.

Nat. Ord. Aroidere.-Mongecia Monandria.

Gen. Char. Spatha basi convoluta; limbo plano, patente. Spadix inferne continuo androgynus, genitalibus rudimentalibus nullis, appendice sterili elongata lævigata v. depresso-dilatata granuloso-verrucosa. Antherce distinctæ, filamento brevissimo, loculis duobus oppositis, apice poro duplici dehiscentes. Ovaria plurima libera, bi-tri-quadrilocularia. Ovula in loculis solitaria, basilaria, anatropa. Stylus distinctus v. nullus. Stigma capitatum, indivisum vel emarginatoaut depresso-lobatum. Bacce mono-oligospermæ. Semina albuminosa (?). Embryo (?).-Herbæ Indicce; tubere radicali, carnoso ; scapo radicali, brevi; foliis serotinis, subsolitariis, bipinnatifido-decompositis. Endl.

Amorphophalles dubius; spathæ lato-infundibuliformis limbo subpatente obliquo acutiusculo undulato-crispato, spadice subcylindraceo infra apicem dilatato, appendice conico-rotundato lævi.
Amorphophallus dubius. Blume, Rumph. v. 1.p. 142. Schott, Synops. Aroid. p. 38.

Dracontium Zeylanicum ramoso folio caule ex viridi et flavo variegato aspero. Herm. Parad. Bat. p. 89.
Schena. Hort. Malab. p. 35. f. 18.

This is a very singular Aroideous plant, which we owe to our friend Mr. Thwaites, who sent the tubers from Ceylon. It will be at once seen that in all essential generic characters it accords with the still more remarkable species of this family which we published under the name of Arum campanulatum, at Tab. 2812 of this work, now Amorphophallus campanulatus, Bl. As a species, our present plant is abundantly different; (1) in size, for our figure of $A$. campanulatus, though reduced to one-fourth its natural size, greatly exceeds the natural size of this ; (2) the floral portion of the spadix is here broad spindle-shaped, there singularly dilated upwards; and (3) the terminal appendage, there forming an enormous wrinkled expansion, is here conicoglobose, quite smooth and even on the surface. A second species of this genus (for all of the others attributed to it now belong to Conophallus, Bl.) is derived from Rheede, in Hort. Malabaricus, above quoted, which agrees well enough with our plant to justify

[^5]me in considering it the same, $A$. dubius, Bl. : and that is also a native of Ceylon. Our plant flowered in a warm stove in June 1858, and gave out so abominable a stench as almost to render the atmosphere of it insupportable.

Descr. From a rounded depressed tuber, about four to five inches in diameter, the flowering portion first arises. A very short stem or scape, bearing four to five membranaceous, green-ish-brown bracts, is terminated by a somewhat funnel-shaped spatha, six inches long and four wide at the oblique mouth, green, clouded with dull-purple, the limb somewhat expanded, undulato-crispate, subacute. Spadix two and a half inches long (not including the terminal appendage), subcylindrical, but a little dilated below the apex, the greater portion densely covered with oblong yellow anthers, opening by two pores, and one-third of the base with globose ovaries, bearing a long style and a peltate subplicate stigma. Terminal appendage (or flowerless portion of the spadix) twice as broad as the spadix, conico-subrotund, of a reddish-brown colour, quite smooth on the surface. The flower is succeeded by a large petioled compound solitary leaf, exactly, except that it is smalller, like that described under A. campanulatus above quoted.

Fig. 1. Flower plant,-nat. size. 2. Spadix, ditto. 3, 4. Anthers. 5. Section of an anther. 6. Pistil. 7. Section of ovary :-magnified. 8. Leaf,-very much reduced.

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# TRADESCANTIA Warszewicziana. 

## Warszewicz's Spiderwort.

## Nat. Ord. Commelynee.-Hexandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Flores regulares. Sepala 6, libera, patentia; tria exteriora navicularia, persistentia; tria interiora majora, petaloidea, breviter unguiculata, marcescendo persistentia. Stamina 6, subhypogyna, omnia fertilia. Filamenta libera, plerumque barbata. Anthere conformes; loculis reniformibus, connectioo varia forma distinctis, interdum tres sepalis exterioribus opposite robustiores, loculis replicatis extrorsæ filamentisque brevioribus sustentatæ. Ovarium sessile, triloculare; ovula in loculis 2, superposita. Stylus 1. Stigma simplex, obtusum, infundibulare vel peltato-ampliatum. Capsula trilocularis, trivalvis, valvis medio septiferis. Semina bina, superposita, angulata.-Herbæ Americanc, erecto vel diffusa, sæpe repentes. Folia indivisa. Vaginæ integre. Pedunculi axillares et terminales, solitarii, gemini vel plures, apice umbellato-pauci-multiflori, sape brevissimi, subnulli, folioque duplici, involucrati. Kth.

Tradescantia Warszewicziana; caule robusto erecto subarborescente dichotomo, ramis dense foliosis, foliis lato-lanceolatis acuminatis striatis basi vaginatis, pedunculis axillaribus foliis multo longioribus subpaniculatim ramosis ramis bracteatis, floribus bracteatis in racemis secundis scorpioideis dispositis, sepalis petalisque lilacinis, staminibus conformibus, filamentis imberbibus, stigmate obtuso.
Tradescantia Warszewicziana. "Kunth et Bouché, Index Seminum in Hort. Bot. Berol. 1847, p. 11." Walp. Ann. Bot. v. 1. p. 886.

This is really a handsome stove-plant, and deserving a place in every collection, especially when it is old enough to form a dichotomous, subarborescent, stout stem, with recurved leaves, having a good deal the appearance of an Aloe, still more of some Dracena; and the flowers are not only numerous and of a bright purplish rose-colour, but by the constant succession of flowers, the blossoming (in the spring and early summer) is of long duration. It is said to be a native of Guatemala, and is of easy propagation by cuttings.

Descr. Stem in our plants a foot or foot and a half long, stout, forked, terete, having a subarborescent character, and marked with the scars of fallen leaves. The branches are leafy, chiefly towards the apex. Leaves a span to a foot long, from

[^6]an entire sheathing base, broad-lanceolate, acuminate, striated, recurved. Peduncle axillary, one to one and a half foot long, terete, purplish above, forming a not very copiously branched panicle of purple-lilac densely crowded but small flowers: bracts are at all the divisions and subdivisions of the panicles, large and broad, sheathing in the lower ramifications, small, and more coloured (lilac) at the base of the pedicels, where they are densely imbricated in secund scorpioid racemes. Pedicels lilac. Sepals and petals uniform, the latter the largest. Stamens all uniform, beardless.

Fig. 1. Reduced figure of an entire plant. 2. Leaf,-nat. size. 3. Panicle,nat. size. 4. Flower. 5. Stamen. 6. Pistil:-magnified.


# VANDA gigantea. 

Gigantic Vanda.

Nat. Ord. Orchidee.-Gynandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Sepala explanata, omnia basi æqualia et angustata; sæpius petaloidea. Petala sepalis conformia, sæpius basi torta. Labellum basi saccatum v . calcaratum, cum basi columnæ apodæ continuum, carnosum, sæpius sepalis multo brevius, subtrilobum aut integrum, ante calcar sæpius callosum, auriculis nanis $\mathbf{v}$. obsoletis. Columna crassa nana, libera, apoda; clinandrio verticali. Stigma transversum ; rostello obtuso vel retuso. Pollinia cereacea, plano-convexa, geminata $v .2$ alte bipartita; caudicula auriculata $\mathbf{v}$. cuneata; glandula magna, subrotunda v. triangulari. Anthera ovata, bilocularis, valvis semiliberis.-Herbæ epiphyte Asice tropice. Folia coriacea, disticha, apice obliqua. Flores sapius racemosi, conspicui. Pedunculi laterales. Lindl.

Vanda (§ Fieldia) gigantea; foliis late loratis apice obtusissimis emarginatis subæqualibus, racemis foliis duplo brevioribus, sepalis petalisque oblongoobovatis obtusis æqualibus, labello incurvo canaliculato dolabriformi obtuso, callo conico in medio, auriculis nanis rotundatis. Lindl.
Vanda gigantea. Lindl. in Wall. Cat. n. 7326. Gen. et Sp. Orchid. p. 215. Folia Orchidacea, part 4, Vanda, p. 2.
Vanda Lindleyana. Griff. Notul. part 3. p. 353.

We are indebted for a splendid specimen of the rare Orchidaceous plant here figured to Messrs. Veitch and Sons, in whose Orchid House, King's Road, Chelsea, it produced its noble pendent spike of golden-yellow blossoms, we believe for the first time in Europe, in April of the present year, 1S60. Mr. Griffith observes of it: "It is the only plant of its kind I have hitherto seen capable of rivalling the American Vandece." Dr. Lindley remarks that "this is surely an exaggeration ;" probably judging only from dried and shrivelled specimens or from imperfect drawings, for to our mind few even of the Malayan Orchidaceous plants, so famous for their size and beauty, can vie with this in richness of colour, "deep-yellow," as Dr. Lindley says, "with cinnamon-brown blotches." Of the truth of this some notion. may be formed from the portion here represented. The large, copious, distichous, rich-green leaves set off these large golden flowers to great advantage. It would need an imperial folio june lst, 1860.
plate to do justice to the whole plant. It is an inhabitant of the Burman Empire, growing on Lagerstromia Regina, on the banks of the Tenasserim river, near Barlavo, according to Griffith.

Descr. A large species, with copious foliage growing in a distichous manner. Leaves broadly lorate, recurved, a foot and a half long, very obtuse, and deeply and unequally emarginate at the apex. Raceme large, drooping. Flowers three inches long in their greatest diameter, golden-yellow, richly spotted and blotched with cinnamon-brown. Column and lip white, the the latter small in proportion to the petals, thick and fleshy. Column short.

Fig. 1. Side view of the column and lip. 2. Front view of the column and anther. 3. Pollen-masses :-mannified.


# ALOCASIA metallica. 

Bronze-leaved Alocasia.

Nat. Ord. Aroidee.-Monecia Monandria.

Gen. Char. Spathe tubus persistens; lamina cucullato-cymbiformis. Spadix appendiculatus, spatha paulo brevior, inferne ovariis (ovaridiisque interdum), medio floribus neutris, infra apicem synandriis dense obsitus. Ovaria subastyla (an semper?). Stigma depresso-hemisphæricum. Synandria breviter stipitata, loculis sub vertice aperientibus. Fructus spathæ tubo irregulariter disrupto et revoluto involucratus. Bacca rotundato-obovata (rubra). Semen depresso-hemi-sphæricum.-Rhizome plerumque elatum, arborescens, approximato- tenuiterque cicatrizatum. Folia juvenilis plantce peltata, vetustioris sape ad petiolum usque bipartita. Costa et venæ utrinque elevato-prominentes. Pedunculi breviusculi plures ex una axilla. Spadices suaveolentes I-Indicce. Schott.

Alocasia metallica; acaulis dense cæspitosa, foliis longe petiolatis cordatoovatis peltatis subbullatis cuspidatim brevissime acuminatis sæpe viridiæruginosis nitore metallico nitidissimis subtus intense purpureis, scapis rubris bracteatis petiolo subduplo brevioribus, spathæ lanceolatæ subcylindraceæ dimidio inferiore (seu tubo) oblongo, lamina cucullato-cymbiformi anguste sublonge acuminata, ovariis laxiusculis, stylo distincto, stigmate 3-4-lobo.
Alocasia metallica. Schott, "Gstr. Bot. Wochbl. v. 4. p. 410." Syn. Aroid. v. 1. p. 46.

In former days plants for horticultural purposes were valued in proportion to the beauty of the flowers : now, none are more highly prized than those which possess richness of colouring in the foliage or some other parts of the plant, whether that colouring is the normal state or condition, or to be reckoned among the freaks and sports of Nature, as is presumcd to be the case with the now numerous varieties, depending on colour, of the well-known Caladium bicolor among Aroidea. The plant we have now the gratification of describing and figuring belongs to that family of plants, but exhibits a foliage and hue which nothing of the kind can exceed, if it can equal, and to which the pencil even of our accomplished artist, Mr. Fitch, can scarcely do justice; for there is a degree of metallic lustre of the leaves on the ample foliage which must be scen to be understood; and
this, too, is accompanied by a rich and very different colouring (rich red) in the scapes that rise copiously beneath the foliage, but never overtóp it. We think we cannot be mistaken in referring this noble plant (which in all Europe is perhaps only in possession of Messrs Low, of the Clapton Nursery, who received it from Borneo) to the Alocasia metallica of Schott, equally a Bornean plant, notwithstanding some discrepancies in the specific as well as in the generic characters. Our plant has a very distinct style to the ovary, and the stigma is not "depressohemisphæricum," but clearly three- or four-lobed.

Descr. From a large underground tuber or rhizome a cluster of foliage springs, of which the petioles are two feet long, rounded, and green, but with the sheaths tinged with rose-colour. The blade of the leaves is from twelve to eighteen inches long, a foot wide, with a firm, somewhat succulent texture, and of a form, so common in Aroideous plants, ovato- or elliptico-cordate, peltate, waved at the margin, somewhat bullate on the surface, suddenly and somewhat mucronately acuminate at the apex; the upper surface of a rich bronze-colour, extremely glossy and metallic, exhibiting a beautiful play of light and colour, while the under side is a very dark purple, and equally glossy ; veins pinnatcd, exceedingly prominent, falcately curved, springing from a very stout costa: from the point of attachment of the petiole, two stout veins take a downward direction towards the sinus of the blade, an inch and a half apart, and send out four or five spreading and curved side-veins. Scapes, several arising from the axils of several of the petioles, much shorter than they, red rosecolour. Spatha five inches long, the base or tube cylindrical, purple-red, the lamina (there is a constriction between the tube and it) cucullate or cymbiform, much acuminated. Spadix included, shorter than the spatha: from below, for about one-third of the length, occupied with the somewhat scattered pistils. Ovary globose; style thick, as long as the ovary ; stigma three or four-lobed. The middle of the spadix is occupied by a compact mass of stamens, except at the base, where are some abortive bodies (stamens or ovaries, or both?). The apex of the spadix is formed by the fleshy appendage.

Fig. 1. Plant in flower, on a very reduced scale. 2. Spadix,-nat. size. 3. Stamens,-magnified. 4. Single stamen,-more magnified. 5. Pistils and two abortive bodies (imperfect stamen and pistil). 6, 7, and 8. Sections of ovaries. 9. Ovule :-all magnified.


## Тав. 5191.

## ACACIA Drummondif.

## Drummond's Acacia.

Nat. Ord. Leguminose.-Polygamia Polyandria.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Tab. 4306.)

Acacia (Pulchellæ) Drummondii; inermis, ramis pedunculis petiolisque tenuiter puberulis, stipulis subulatis, pinnis bijugis, glandulis verruceformibus sæpe obsoletis, foliolis 2-6-jugis oblongo-linearibus glabris, spicis cylindricis folia superantibus. Benth.
Acacia Drummondii. Benth. in Lindl. Sio. Riv. Bot. p. 67; in Hook. Loml. Journ. of Bot. v. 1. p. 3s8. Walp. Rep. Bot. Syst. v. 1. p. 908.

In foliage the present species (one of a very extensive genus) very much resembles the Acacia Cycnorum (of our Tab. 4653); but there the branches and rachises of the leaves are densely patenti-hirsute, and the flowers are collected into globose, deepyellow heads. Here the flowers are in cylindrical spikcs, and of a pale lemon-yellow colour. The leaflets, too, are here much broader. It forms a good-sized bush, and flowers copiously in the early spring months. This and its numerous allies are not encouraged in our ornamental greenhouses so much as they deserve to be, for they render them gay at a season when comparatively few other plants are in blossom; and as soon as they have done flowering, they may be removed to the open air, which will greatly strengthen and benefit them; and they give place to the more gaudy summer flowers: so that by means of plants of temperate regions of the southern hemisphere in the winter, and those of the northern hemisphere in the summer, a perpetual flowering season may be maintained through almost the entire year. Acacia Drummondii is a native of Swan River.

Fig. 1. Leaflet. 2. Flower:-magnified.


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# CALLIXENE polyphylla. 

Many-leaved Callixene.

## Nat. Ord. Smilacef.-Hexandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Flores hermaphroditi. Perigonium corollinum, sex-partitum, patens, deciduum, laciniis æquilongis, tribus interioribus basi biglandulosis. Stamina 6 , basi laciniarum inserta; filamenta libera, basi dilatata, antheræ ovatæ incumbentes. Ovarium triloculare. Ovula in loculis pauca, amphitropa. Stylus crassus, trisulcus; stigma obsolete trilobum. Bacca trilocularis, pulposa. Semina in loculis subterna, subglobosa, testa membranacea, tenui, cum nucleo connata, umbilico ventrali punctiformi. Embryo excentricus, in basi albuminis carnosi respectu umbilici semi-transversus, extremitate radiculari centripeta.-Suffrutex Magellanicus, ramosus, basi nodosus, triphyllus, squamatus, superne foliatus; foliis alternis, semi-amplexicaulibus, ellipticis, nervosis, coriaceis, margine crassioribns; floribus terminalibus solitariis, folio stipatis, pedicellis brevibus, basi squamis 2-4 cinctis. Endl.

Callixene polyphylla; elata valde pinnatim ramosa, foliis numerosis oblongis acutis mucronatis distichis 5-7-nerviis transversimque (sub lente) venosis subtus glaucis, pedunculis folium subæquantibus infra medium bracteatis, floribus pendentibus petalis acutis (siccitate maculatis).
Callixene polyphylla. Hook. Ic. Plant. t. 684. Hook. fil. Fl. Antarct. v. 2. p. 355.

Luzuriaga erecta. Kth. En. Plant. v. 5. p. 280.

The first species of this very pretty genus (Callixene marginuta) being detected by Commerson, on the inhospitable shores of the Magalhaens Strait, was appropriately named Callixene, from $\kappa а \lambda \lambda о s$, something beautiful, and $\xi_{\text {evos, }}$ a stranger. All the known species inhabit high southern latitudes of South America : and the present seems to be confined to the extreme south of Chili ; Cape Tres Montes, where it was discovered by C. Darwin, Esq., Isle of Huaffo, Dr. Eights, an officer in the United States' Service, and Valdivia, where it is called "Asajur," Mr. Bridges. It belongs to the same natural family as our well-known Lily-of-thevalley, and is generally seen running over the trunks of trees near the ground, enlivening them with bright-green, Box-like leaves, glaucous beneath, and the gracefully-drooping flowers of the same pure white as the Lily-of-the-valley, but much larger, and instead of being of one piece, cut into six eventually spreading
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petals. We owe the possession of this plant at the Royal Gardens to Mr. Standish. It may be kept in a cool greenhouse in an ordinary frame or pit.

Descr. The root seems creeping. The stem slender, angled, copiously branched in a pinnated manner, a foot or a foot and a half long. Leaves very numerous, oval or oblong, mucronate, striated, glaucous beneath. Peduncles single : flowers one from the axil of each leaf, pendent, and these in a measure concealed by the foliage. The anthers are curious, sagittate, opening by a pore at the base of each cell, bent down upon the filament, so that the base of the anther becomes superior.

Fig. 1. Leaf and flower. 2. Stamens and pistil. 3. Pistil. 4. Section of ovary. 5. Single stamen :-all more or less magnified.


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## Тав. 5193.

# ONCIDIUM longipes. 

Long-stalked Oncidium.

Nat. Ord. Orchidef.-Gynandria Monandria.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Tab. 4824.)

Oncidium (Tetrapetala, Macropetala) longipes; pseudobulbis ovalibus diphyllis, foliis angustis tenuibus, scapo bi- (pluri-)floro foliis æquali, pedunculis elongatis, sepalis lateralibus elongatis pendulis basi connatis dorsali breviore latiore refracto, petalis oblongis planis, labelli lobis lateralibus parvis obtusis intermedio transverso apiculato sinu convexo serrato, crista pubescente depressa basi simplici truncata papilla utrinque adpressa apice 3 loba, columnæ alis minimis sinuatis. Lindl.
Oncidium longipes. Lindley, in Paxton's Fl. Garden, v. 1. n. 76. Folia Orchid. Oncid. p. 15. n. 45.
Oncidium Janeirense. "Reickenb. fil. in Bonpl. Ap. 1, 1854."

A Brazilian plant, reared by Messrs. Loddiges from pseudobulbs received from Rio Janeiro. Dr. Lindley considers it identical with his Oncidium longipes; but its flowers are so much brighter, and attractive for the size of the plant, that it is quite worthy of cultivation. It differs moreover in the form of the crest of the lip, which is accurately represented at our figure 2. Its flowers appear in April, and continue long in blossom.
Descr. From a creeping caudex, about as thick as a writingpen, pseudobulbs arise in clusters, oblong, tapering upwards, sheathed with brownish scales, bearing two, linear, apiculated, somewhat fleshy leaves, linear-oblong, tapering much at the base, apiculate at the point, bright green. Peduncle or scape slender, arising from between the leaves, bearing a raceme, three to four inches long, of several long-pedicellate flowers. Sepals and petals all spreading, dark, almost blood-red-brown within, brownish-green on the outside; superior or dorsal sepal spathulate, the margins waved and reflexed, lateral sepals narrower, united at their base, deflexed. Labellum large in proportion to the size of the flower, bright, almost golden yellow, with a broad blood-coloured ring at the base surrounding the crest, three-
lobed, lateral lobe small rounded, terminal one large and twolobed; the margin fimbriated between the principal lobes. Crest a slightly downy, elevated, oblong, fleshy disc, lobed at the margin, whitish, and spotted; the apex with three teeth or small lobes, the two inferior curved and subspiniform. Culumn rather short, with two small wing-like lobes beneath the anther.

Fig. 1. Front view. 2. Lateral view of a flower :-magnified.


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Тав. 5194.

## pteris Cretica, $L$.

Cretan Pteris.

Nat. Ord. Filices.-Cryptogamia Filices

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Tab. 4925.)

Pteris (Eupteris) Cretica; fronde circumscriptione ovata subcoriaceo-membranacea pinnata, pinnis $3-24$ remotis digitalibus ad spithamæam sterilibus lanceolatis spinuloso-serratis fertilibus oblongo-linearibus apice serratis infimis bi- rarius tri-partitis, venis plerisque furcatis approximatis horizontaliter patentibus, involucris marginalibus angustis, stipite elongato.
Pteris Cretica. Linn. Mart. p. 130. Sio. Syn. Fil.p. 96. Willd. Sp. Pl. v. 5. p. 374. Schk. Fil.t. 90. Ag. Pterid.p. 9. Hook. Sp. Fil. v. 2. p. 160.

Pteris semiserrata. Försk. Descr. 186.
Pteris serraria. Sio. Syn. Fil. p. 96. t. 289.
Pteris pentaphylla. Willd. Sp. Pl. v. 5. p. 362.
Pteris heterophylla. Poir. (fide Deso.)
Pteris nervosa. Th. Fl. Jap. p. 332. Wall. Cat. n. 96.
Pteris vittata. Bory in Belanger Voy.
Pteris multiaurita. Ag. Pterid. p. 12 (taller form, with numerous pinnce).
Pteris triphylla. Mart. et Gal. Fl. Mex. p. 51 to p. 81 (var. with three pinnce only), not of Agardh.
Var. stenophylla; frondibus digitatis vel digitato-pinnatis, pinnis 3-5 subintegerrimis. Hook. Sp. Fil. v. 2. p. 160.
Pteris stenophylla. Hook. et Grev. Ic. Fil.t. 130. Ag. Sp. Pterid.p. 11.
Pteris digitata. Wall. Cat. n. 91.
Pteris tæniosa. J. Sin. in Hook. Journ. Bot. v. 3. p. 40 ŏ.
Var. albo-lineata; pinnis linea media lata alba. (Tab. Nostr. 5194.)

Pteris Cretica is far from being peculiar to Crete, as its name would seem to imply ; on the contrary, few Ferns have a more extensive geographical distribution, from Turcomania in Uralian Siberia throughout the south of Europe, the Mediterranean and its islands, Arabia, and Abyssinia. It is frequent in various parts of India, and there generally quite maintaining the European july 1st, 1860.
form, from the hot plains to the Himalayas, at elevations of 6000 feet ; Bourbon, Penang, Java, Luzon, Ceylon. We possess specimens from the Sandwich Islands, from the Feejces and Loochoo. It appears in the United States, upon rocks on the Apalacha river (very rare), south through Mexico to Guatemala. In South America it has been detected at Entre Rios by Mr. Tweedie. It is no wonder that a plant which is so widely diffused should vary from its genuine type, and have given rise to the notion that there are several distinct species. The most interesting state of the plant, however, is that which we have here represented, where the whole length of the centre is white, with a jagged edge, bordered on each side by dark-green. This, we believe, has never yet been recorded. We were lately favoured with healthy living plants of this from our valued correspondent, Mr. Binneudyk, of the Buitenzorg Botanic Garden, Java, in which country it is a native.

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# Тав. 5195. <br> CYRTODEIRA cupreata, var. viridifolia. 

Coppery Cyrtodeira; green-leaved var.

Nat. Ord. Gesneriacee.-Didynamia Angiospermia.

Gen. Char. Cyrtodeira, Hanst. Calyx parvulus, foliolis anguste lanceolatis patentibus v. recurvatis. Corolle tubus basi postice gibbus, sursum dein deorsum curvatus, leviter ampliatus. Annulus et glandula. Stigma stomatomorphum. Fïlamenta inter se et cum corolla basi connata. Hanst.

Cyrtodeira cupreata; repens stolonifera undique pubescenti-hirsuta, foliis cllipticis petiolatis serratis reticulatim venosis (cupreatis $\mathbf{v}$. viridibus), pedunculis axillaribus solitariis unifloris petiolo longioribus, calycis laxi profunde 5partiti laciniis lineari-spathulatis subsecundis, corollæ tubo calycem subduplo superante curvato, ore fimbriato-glanduloso, limbi patentis lobis rotundatis planis crenatis, staminibus styloque inclusis.
Var. cupreata; foliis cupreatis.
Achimenes cupreata. Hook. Bot. Mag.t. 4312.
Cyrtodeira cupreata. Hanst. Gesn. in Linncea, v. 26. p. 207. t. 2.f. 39.
Var. viridifolia; foliis viridibus. (Tab. Nostr. 5195.)
Tapina (Achimenes) splendens. Triana, in Lind. Cat. 1857 (name only).

The Natural Order of Gesneriacee has recently occupied the attention of Dr. Oersted and Dr. Hanstein, and the result of their studies has been the establishment, in the view of the latter author, of sixty-seven genera, divided into two principal, and twelve sub-tribes. These are accompanied by well executed figures of the flowers of each genus. Our Achimenes cupreata (Bot. Mag. Tab. 4312) there constitutes a new genus, with the character given above. That plant, native of New Grenada, is remarkable for the coppery colour of the foliage. Our present plant, from the same region, differs, and differs only from it in the much larger flowers, and in the absence of the coppery tinge to the foliage. I cannot therefore agree with M. Triana, who has constituted of it a new species, and who has referred it to the genus Tapina, Mart., with which it does not correspond. Mr. Linden observes of it (for there is no specific character or de-scription),-"Cette jolie plante rappelle par le port l'Achimenes cupreata, dont il diffère toutefois par la teinte argentée des algust 1 st , 1860.
feuilles, et par des fleurs d'un éclat peu commun dans le règne végétal, et dont le vif écarlate trouve à peine une comparaison dans la fleur du Pelargonium zonale." Our plant, which flowered copiously in the hothouse, in the spring of 1860, was received from the nursery of Messrs. Henderson, Wellington Road.

Superior as this is to our Achimenes cupreata above referred to, in the size and beauty of the flowers, and different as is the colour of the leaves, they nevertheless are the only differences.

Fig. 1. Corolla, laid open. 2. Pistil and gland. 3. Ovary and gland:magnified.


# HABENARIA Salaccensis. 

Salakian Habenaria.

Nat. Ord. Orchidee.-Gynandria Monandria.

Gen. Char. (§ Ophrydeæ). Perigonii galeati foliola subæquilonga, exteriora cum interioribus multo angustioribus integris bi-trifidisve conniventia. Labelliem elongatum, pendulum, integrum v. bi-trifidum, elongato-calcaratum. Anthera erecta, loculis solutis, basi divergentibus, canalibus stigmaticis adhærentibus, rostello plano, antheræ adnato, processubus duobus stigmaticis, variis sæpius ori stigmatis adnatis. Polliniarum glandule nudæ.-Herbæ habitu Orchidis, majuscula, inter tropicos totius orbis obvia; in America, ubi etiam in extratropicis utriusque hemispherii occurrunt, frequentiores; in Asia temperata rarce. Endl.

Habenaria (§ Erostres) Salaccensis, foliis lanceolatis acuminatis striatis, racemo laxo plurifloro, bracteis membranaceis lineari-subulatis ovario longissimo pedunculiformi brevioribus, labello tripartito, laciniis linearibus, basi biglanduloso, calcare filiformi recurvo ovario multo breviore, sepalis ovato-lanceolatis herbaceis.
Habenaria Salaccensis. Bl. Bijdr. p. 403. Tabell. Orch. f. 13 (flower only). Lindl. Gen. et Sp. Orchid. p. 308.

A rare and apparently little-known species of Nabenaria, found by Blume on Mount Salak, in Java, and lately sent to the Royal Gardens of Kew, in a living state, by M. Binnendyk, of the Botanic Garden of Buitenzorg, Java. It flowered with us, in the stove, in April, 1860. Dr. Lindley only knew it from Blume's figure of the flower and the very brief specific character above referred to.
Descr. The root, in our living specimen, consists of a large (for the size of the plant), fusiform, fleshy tuber, and three or four shorter yet thick fleshy fibres. Stem twelve to fourteen inches high, at the base partially clothed with two to three sheathing scales, leafy upwards; lower leaves four to five inches long, lanceolate, acuminate, striated, the superior ones becoming gradually smaller, bracteiform. Raceme ovate, five to six inches long. Pedicels short, clothed with two or three narrow-lanceolate bracts; ovary elongated and resembling the pedicel, but angled and aUgust 1 st, 1860 .
slightly twisted. Sepals spreading, ovato-lanceolate, acuminate, green. Petals reddish, very narrow, linear-subulate, bipartite at the base. Lip elongated, tri-partite, segments narrow-linear, middle one longer : at the base are two, large, oblong, fleshy glands. Spur reflexed, narrow, almost subulate, tipped with orange, shorter than the ovary. Column short. Base of the anther-cells long and divergent.

Fig. 1. Base of the stem, with root,-nat. size. 2. Side view of a flower. 3. Front view of ditto:-magnified.


## Тав. 5197.

## IXORA jucunda.

Mr. Thwaites's Ixora.

Nat. Ord. Rubiacef.-Tetrandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 4325.)

Ixora jucunda; foliis glabris lanceolatis $\mathbf{v}$. ovato-lanceolatis acuminatis hasi angustatis petiolatis, corymbis primariis elongatis, bracteolis parvis acutis, segmentis calycinis truncatulis ovario brevioribus. Thwaites.
Ixora jucunda. Thwaites, Enum. Plant. Zeyl. p. 155.

Ixora is a genus of plants almost peculiar to tropical Asia, of which thirty-four kinds are enumerated by De Candolle, in the fourth volume of his 'Prodromus,' which appeared in 1830. Many additions have been since made by Wallich and Wight and Bentham, etc. But it must be confessed that many of the species are so described that they are very difficult of determination. It is very fortunate therefore when, as in the present instance, we have the discoverer and describer of the species as the authority for the name. This is one of the many interesting plants of Ceylon we have received from our valued friend Mr. Thwaites. Of it he enumerates two varieties, differing in the breadth of the leaves, and much more remarkably in the length of the tube of the corolla, sometimes only two to three lines long; sometimes, as in our plant, fourteen lines long. It is not an uncommon species, attaining on the hills an elevation of 4,000 feet. It first produced its flowers with us, in the stove, in May, 1860.

Descr. A slrub, with much the aspect of Ixora acuminata, Boxb. ; in its native country from ten to twenty feet high, with subcoriaceous, opposite leaves, three to seven or eight inches long, and, according to Thwaites, one to four inches broad, obscurely penniveined, broad-lanceolate, but varying from narrow-lanceolate to ovato-lanceolate on the same or on different specimens, rather abruptly acuminate, tapering below into a short petiole
scarcely two lines long. Stipules ovate, sharply acuminate, reddish. Corgmb terminal, short-peduncled, trichotomous, pedicels very short. Flowers very compact, erect. Calyx small, slightly downy, subtended by a minute, oblong, acute bracteole, at the base of the inferior ovary : limb of four, close-placed, small, erect, lanceolate teeth or segments. Corolla white, or rather inclining to cream-colour in our plant, long, hypocrateriform : tube very slender, terete, fourteen lines long : limb spreading, almost threequarters of an inch in diameter, of four obovate, rather acute lobes. Anthers subulate, quite exserted. Style as long as the tube of the corolla. Stigma bipartite.

Fig. 1. Flower. 2, Pistil:-magnified.



## Тав. 5198.

# PENTAPTERYGIUM RUGOSUM. 

Rugose Pentapterygium.

Nat. Ord. Vacciniacere.-Decandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, TAB. 4910.)

Pentapterygium rugosum ; ramis foliisque glabris, ramulis petiolisque junioribus pubescentibus, foliis coriaceis subsessilibus lanceolatis V . ovato-lanceolatis acuminatis basi cordatis serratis superne rugoso-venosis subtus pallidioribus, floribus in corymbos foliis brevioribus breve pedunculatis aggregatis nutantibus, pedicellis pilosulis, calycibus glabris, lobis late ovato-triangularibus obtusis subfoliaceis corolla alba transverse purpurco-fasciata ter brevioribus.
Vaccinium rugosum. Hook. et Thoms. Ms.

This remarkable and beautiful plant was originally detected by Griffith in the temperate regions of the Khasya mountains, where it has since been gathered by Drs. Hooker and Thomson, who have distributed it in their Indian Herbarium under the name of Vaccinium rugosum. It was also found by Dr. Hooker in the Sikkim-Himalaya mountains, and by Mr. Booth in the Bhotan Himalaya. The plant here figured was sent by Mr. Thomas Lobb to Messrs. Veitch and Son, with whom it flowered in May of the present year. It succeeds well in a common greenhouse. At Tab. 4910 will be found figured another species of this genus, together with some observations on its congeners, including this. The beautiful transversely fasciated colouring of the corolla on a white ground, exactly recalls that of the Thibaudia macrantha (Tab. 4566), but the colour of the flower probably varies, as we find that it is described in the notes to the wild specimens as varying from deep-red to purple.

Descr. A glabrous shrub, often epiphytical, forming a large tuberous rhizome or caudex on the trunks of lofty trees. Branches covered with circular pale pustules. Leaves almost sessile, subcordate at the base, very coriaceous and rugose, almost lacunose on the under surface, lanceolate or ovate-lanceolate, acuminate, serrate, deep bright-green above, pale beneath, the young ones

[^8]purplish. Flowers pendulous, in few-flowered corymbs, about an inch long. Calyx and base of the pedicel deep-red, lobes of the calyx almost membranaceous. Corolla with a strongly fiveangled tube, having a prominent rib at each angle, nearly white, beautifully marbled between the angles with slender, waving, transverse, purple or blood-red bands, giving it an exquisitely beautiful and china-like appearance, the mouth contracted and greenish. Anthers with minute spurs at the back, about the middle. Berry fleshy, insipid. The calyx-lobes vary a good deal in length and breadth, and the peduncles and pedicels also in length.

Fig. 1. Flower. 2. Calyx-tube and ovary, style and stigma. 3. Anthers:all magnified.


## Тав. 5199.

CALADIUM bicolor, var. Neumannii.

Two-coloured Caladium; Neumann's var.

Nat. Ord. Aroidef.-Monecia Monandria.

Gen. Char. Spatha ventricosa, basi convoluta. Spadix apice omnino staminifer, quandoque mucronatus, mucrone nudo, medio glandulosus, basi tectus germinibus. Antherce sessiles, in spiram dense dispositæ, peltatæ, sub pelta ad ambitum multiloculares vel pluries sulcatæ, sulcis pollen concatenatum emittentibus. Glandule seu anthera steriles multiplici serie adnatæ spadici, inæquales, oblongæ, angulosæ, obtusæ, ad ambitum sulcatæ. Germina numerosa, sessilia, subrotunda, depressa; styli nulli; stigmata umbilicata, viscoso humore referta. Vent.

Caladium bicolor; foliis peltatis ovato-sagittatis, lobis profundis paululum divaricatis bicoloribus, spatha erecta basi subglobosa medio coarctata apice ovato-acuminata.
a. foliis disco rubicundo.

Caladium bicolor. Vent. Pl. Nouv. t. 30. Willd. Sp. Pl. v. 4. p. 488. Ait. Hort. Kew. ed. 2. v. 5. p. 311. Kerr, in Bot. Mag. t. 2כ̆43. Hook. Ex. Fl. t. 26. Schott, Syn. Aroid. p. 54.
Arum bicolor. Ait. Hort. Kero. v. 3. p. 316. Sims, Bot. Mag. t. 820.
$\beta$. foliis maculatis maculis roseo-sanguineis ocellatis ocellis limboque albis. Caladium Neumannii. Ch. Lem. in Fl. des Serres, 1860, p. 104.

In proportion as the cultivation of plants peculiar for coloured foliage increases in favour with the public, so, it would appear, do their varieties; and among the more beautiful of them will rank numerous Aroidece. Ventenat first described what is assuredly the normal state of this species of Caladium (that indeed on which the genus itself is founded), bicolor, peculiar in the rich red colour of the dise of the leaf, and running up, as it were, along the principal veins, and disappearing at some little distance from the margin. Here, in a plant no ways differing specifically, we have the red collected in spots of unequal sizes and forms over the whole disc of the leaf, but never touching the margin; and these spots are of a deep rose-red, freckled and margined with aUgust 1st, 1860.
white. It is a plant that loves heat and plenty of moisture, and the offsets should be frequently removed : indeed it succeeds best in a warm stove, with the pots standing in a pan of water.

Fig. 1. Spatha, laid open. 2. Anther. 3. Pistil. 4. Vertical section of the ovary. 5. Transverse section of the ovary :-magnified.


## Tав. 5200.

## ROSA sericea.

> Silky-leaved Rose.

Nat. Ord. Rosacee.-Icosandria Di-Pentagynia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 4030. )

Rosa (§ Caninæ) sericea; ramis villoso-glandulosis, aculeis validis stipularibus e basi dilatata compresse subulatis rectis, foliolis 7-9 parvis ovalibus serratis, floribus plerisque tetrapetalis, fructibus turbinatis calycibusque externe pubescentibus.
Rosa sericea. Lindl. Monogr. Ros. p. 105. t. 12. Royle, Fl. Himal. p. 208. t. 42. f. 1. De Cand. Prodr. v. 2. p. 613. Wall. Cat. p. 695.

Ross tetrapetala. Royle, l. c. p. 23.
Rosa Wallichii. Trattin. Ros. v. 2. p. 193.

A white-flowered, usually tetrapetalous Rose of Himalaya, first detected by Dr. Wallich at Gossam Them, but since found abundantly in northern India. Dr. lindley speaks of it as "a Rose which, together with $R$. macrophylla, found in the same district, exhibits the nearest approach among Indian Roses to those of Europe." Introduced by Dr. Hooker and Mr. Strachey into our gardens, where it proves perfectly hardy, and is best treated by nailing against a wall. Thus situated, its blossoms are abundant in the early summer.

Descr. A moderate-sized bush. Branches numerous, stout, green when young, at length brown, clothed with copious, rather short, spreading, glandulose hairs or setæ ; the glands clammy, and yielding an aromatic odour. Prickles rather distant, large, strong, dark purple, from a very broad dilated base, laterally compressed, subulate, very pungent, straight, generally appearing below the base of a stipule. Leaves about four inches long, long-petiolate, petiole with a pair of lanceolate stipules, decurrent, and forming a broad wing to the base of the petiole. Leaffets seven to nine, small, from half to three-quarters of an inch long at the utmost, oval or subobovate, strongly serrated AUGUST 1 ST, 1860 .
at the base, silky, or rather glanduloso-hirsuta in our specimens, beneath. Flowers solitary, upon the peduncles a little drooping, moderately large in cultivated specimens, small in native ones. Peduncle and calyx-tube villose, the hairs tipped with a gland; the limb of four, rarely five, ovato-lanceolate, acuminated segments, shorter than the petals, pubescenti-villous on the outside. Petals broad-obcordate, four, rarely five, spreading, white. Fruit globoso-turbinate, rather small, glandular, crowned with the persistent calyx-segments. Stamens numerous. Styles free.

Fig. 1. Flower, from which the petals are removed,-magnified. 2. Fruit,nat. size.


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YUCCA canaliculata.

Channel-leaved Yucca, or Adam's Needle.

Nat. Ord. Liliacer.-Hexandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Perigonium hexaphyllum ; foliola æquilonga, interiora latiora, cam-panulato-conniventia, ima basi connata, marcescendo-persistentia. Stamina 6, perigonii foliolis basi inserta; filamenta brevia, plana, apice latiora. Ovarium triloculare. Ovula in loculis plurima, horizontalia, biseriata, anatropa; stigmata 3, sessilia, basi subconnata, apice patentia. Capsula oblonga, obtuse hexagona, subbaccata, vertice primum forata, demum loculicido-subtrivalvis, trilocularis, $\mathbf{v}$. septis secundariis incomplete sexlocularis. Semina plurima, biseriata, horizontalia, obovata, compressiuscula. Testa coriacea, nigra. Embryo axilis, dimidio albumine breviore, extremitate radiculari umbilico proxima.-Plantæ in America tropica cis aquatorem et in boreali calidiore indigena, caudice srepius arborescente, interdum hypogeo; foliis in apice caudicis confertis, lineari-lanceolatis, crassis, rigidis, margine scepius spinuloso-serratis; scapo efoliorum centro bracteato, paniculato. Endl.

Yucca canaliculata; caule sesquipedali crasso, foliis densis bipedalibus lanceolatis crassis supra basin latioribus sensim spinoso-acuminatis rigidissimis insigniter concavo-canaliculatis subtus asperis superne lævibus marginibus integerrimis rubro-subcartilagineis, panicula ampla compacta densiflora, floribus sulphureis, perianthio globoso, foliolis late ovatis acutis concavis acutiusculis basi subito angustis.

We were much struck with the beauty of this Yucca in the cool greenhouse of W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., Hillfield, Reigate, in the summer of the present year. His flowering specimen had been purchased at the sale of the collection of the late Robert Bevan, Esq., of Bury St. Edmund's; name and locality unknown. A young plant of the same kind had been received by Mr. Saunders, from Paris. It appears to be quite undescribed, and is probably of Mexican origin. It belongs to the section "foliis margine integerrimis," and may rank next to Yucca gloriosa, Linn., differing however renarkably from that in the form and colour of the flowers, and still more in the singularly straight, rigid, very concavo-canaliculated foliage. We know of

[^9]no species, either, with such densely flowered panicles. The plant is probably of considerable age, and has perhaps attained its ordinary size.

Descr. Stem erect, eighteen inches high, three to four inches in diameter, unbranched, transversely marked with the scars of fallen foliage. Leaves nearly two feet long, spreading on all sides, numerous, twenty to twenty-four inches long, closely imbricated on the trunk, lanceolate, firm and hard, coriaceous, subglaucous, contracted at the base, then dilated and gradually tapering to a rigid spinulose point, very concave in its whole length (canaliculato-concava), almost semicylindrical, asperous beneath, smooth above, the margins entire, with a subcartilaginous and red-brown line at the very edge of the younger leaves. Panicle terminal, a large compound raceme, each branch thickly clothed with large, sulphur-coloured, drooping, globose flowers. Folioles or sepals subconnivent, broad-ovate, scarcely acute, contracted at the very base. Stamens and pistil as in the genus.

Fig. 1. Flowering plant,-much reduced. 2. Portion of a leaf and of a panicle, —nat. size. 3. Pistil. 4. Stamen:-magnified.


## Тав. 5202.

## CATASETUM atratum.

Dark-flowered Catasetum.

Nat. Ord. Orchidere.-Gynandria Monandria.
Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 4792.)

Catasetum atratum ; racemo decurvo, sepalis petalisque patentibus ovatis acutis, labello carnoso cucullato margine tenui-pectinato apice rotundato reflexo crasso denticulato. Lindl.
Catasetom atratum. Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1838 ; Misc. n. 114 ; and same volume, t. 63.

A singular species, imported by Messrs. Loddiges from Brazil more than twenty years ago, and of which Dr. Lindley candidly says: "Had this been known when the now-abolished genus Myanthus was proposed, that error would not have been committed, for the species is neither exactly a Myanthus nor exactly a Catasetum." It flowered in the Royal Gardens of Kew in May, 1860.

Descr. Fully-formed pscudobulbs of this Catasetum are about five inches long, oblong, jointed, partially sheathed with white striated membranaceous scales. Leaves terminal, three, broadlanceolate, tapering downwards, submembranaceous, striated, dark-green above, paler below, and there having three prominent ribs. Scape from the bottom of a young pseudobulb, bracteated, pendent, as is the raceme of large numerous flowers, of which the ground-colour is a lurid green. Sepals and petals equal, spreading, ovate, acute, concave, blotched with copious, transverse, oblong, purple-brown spots, which are sometimes confluent; externally these spots are faint and obscure. Lip about as long as the sepals and petals, fleshy, ovate, cucullate, but the deep cavity is confined to the centre of the lip; the margin is not only open, but spreading, and somewhat reflexed, beautifully fringed with brown bristles, and marked with a few brown spots; the apex is pale yellow-green, spotless, and much reflexed. Column semiterete, acuminate, pale yellow-green.

Fig. 1. Column and lip,-slightly magnified.


## Тав. 5203.

# BESCHORNERIA yuccoides. 

Yucca-leaved Beschorneria.

Nat. Ord. Amaryllide.f.-Hexandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Tab. 4642.)


#### Abstract

Beschohneria yuccoides; foliis pedalibus sesquipedalibusque lanceolatis inferne angustatis basi dilatato-vaginatis apice acuminatissimis, scapo 3-4-pedali gracili bracteato racemoso-paniculato corallino, ramis gracillimis elongatis floribusque pendentibus, bracteis roseis, sepalis clausis rectis.


Beschorneria yuccoides. Hurtul.

Some years ago Lord Ilchester distributed seeds of a Beschorneria, which was considered to be different from the only described one, B. tubiflora (see our Tab. 4642), and which we have since understood bears the name of B. yuccoides in gardens. A plant of this was in perfection in the succulent-house of our friend Mr. Wilson Saunders at the same time with the Yucca canaliculata, given in the present number. The accompanying figure will show better thau words can do how very different this is from B. tubiflora. It is indeed a most striking plant, distinguished by the long, slender, coral-like scape and panicle, with its gracefully slender drooping branches, of the same colour, bearing racemes of large pendent green flowers, in shape not much unlike those of some long-flowered Fuchsia, but of a dark yellow-green colour, tinged with red. It is a highly ornamental plant, and continues a long time in blossom. It requires a cool greenhouse, and is probably a native of Mexico.

Descr. Leaves radical (but the falling away of the older ones at length causes an imperfect stem to appear, thick and short), a foot to a foot and a half long, subcoriaceous, glaucous-green, lanceolate, narrowed below the middle, dilated at the very base, the apex pungently and narrow-acuminated, asperous beneath and at the margin. Scape three to four feet long, the upper balf forming a panicle of slender drooping (as it were from the weight september lst, 1860.
of the flowers) branches, of a rich coral-red colour. Bracteas membranaceous, lanceolate, acuminate, deep rose-colour. Flowers pendent, nearly three inches long, including the inferior ovary, which is cylindrical, narrower than the perianth. Sepals linearoblong, dark-green, with a yellow tinge, straight, approximating so as to form a tube. Stamens scarcely exserted. Filaments subulate. Anthers linear. Style filiform, dilated, and trisulcate at the base.

Fig. 1. Very much reduced figure of a flowering plant. 2. Leaf. 3. Portion of a panicle :-nat. size. 4. Stamen. 5. Pistil:-magnified.


## Тав. 5204.

# PSAMMISIA penduliflora. 

Pendulous-flowered Psammisia.

Nat. Ord. Ericacee.-Decandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Psammisia. Calyx urceolato-campanulatus; limbo cupulæformi, breviter et late 5-dentato. Corolla tubulosa, basi ventricosa, limbo 5 -fido. Stamina 10, distincta, inclusa, æquilonga. Anthere biloculares, oblongo-lineares, apice breviter bifidæ, dorso supra medium affixæ, basi liberæ, scabræ, alternatim latiores, subinde ad apicem connectivi dentibus 2 divergentibus auctæ, angustiores semper edentulæ ; tubulis lævibus, anthera ipsa brevioribus, apice foramine dehiscentibus. Filamenta lata, brevia. Ovarium 5-loculare, loculis multi-ovulatis. Stylus filiformis, strictus, plerumque exsertus. Stigma obtusum. Bacca coriacea, subexsucca, 5 -locularis, calycis limbo cupulæformi 5-dentato coronata, loculis polyspermis; placentis in axi centrali versus apicem sitis, pendulis.Frutices Americani, ramosi; foliis coriaceis, 3-5-7-plinerviis, magnis; racemis axillaribus, robustis, corymbosis, solitariis, tegmentis destitutis; pedicellis robustis, sensim incrassatis, apice articulatis bractea parva squamaformi suffultis; calycis limbo cupulaformi, coriaceo. Kl.

Psammisia penduliffora; ramis teretibus, foliis breviter petiolatis ellipticis acuminatis subdistichis glabris $3-5$-plinerviis, racemis axillaribus subcorymbosis pendulis, corolla coccinea infra apicem subito contracta viridescente.
Psammisia pendulifora. Kl. in Linnca, v. 24. p. 43. Decaisne, in Revue Horticole, 18j4, p. 5. $t$. 1.
Thibaudia penduliflora. De Cand. Prodr. v. 7. p. 562.

Most of the South American Vacciniacea which have been arranged under Thibaudia, are considered by Dr. Klotzsch to be sufficiently distinct to constitute a separate genus, to which he has given the name of Psammisia (from Psammis, a king of Egypt): and he enumerates no less than seventeen species, of which one, Ps. Hookeriana, Kl., has been figured in this work, Tab. 4344, under the name of Thibaudia Pichinchensis, var. $\beta$ glabra, Hook. The species are eminently handsome, and worthy of cultivation in a warm greenhouse. We owe the possession of our present plant to Mr. Linden, who received it from the mountains of Caraccas. In some collections it bears the
name of Ps. sclerophylla, but that is a very different species, and is figured in the 'Flore des Serres,' tom. viii. t. 82Ј.

Descr. An evergreen shrub, with terete, green branches, tinged with red. Leaves about four inches long, glossy-green, shortly petioled, elliptical, very entire, much and rather finely acuminated, subdistichous, the base obtuse, three- to five-nerved, faintly reticulated between the almost parallel nerves, dark glossy-green, the older ones tinged with brown. Racemes solitary, axillary, many-flowered, secund, and drooping. Pedicels thick, clavate, eventually red, with two small bracteas. Calyx with its base articulated upon the pedicel, scabrous; tube globose, limb of five broad acute segments. Corolla large, rich scarlet, pitcher-shaped, suddenly contracted into a greenish five-lobed apex. Stamens ten, included. Ovary incorporated with the calyx-tube : an annular disc surrounding the base of the filiform style, which is a little longer than the corolla. Stigma obtuse.

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## Тав. 5205.

# CRINUM giganteum. 

Large-flowered Crinum, or Cape-Coast Lily.

Nat. Ord. Amaryllidee.-Hexandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Perigonium superum corollaceum; tubo elongato, gracili; fauce haud ampliata; limbo 6 -partito; laciniis subæqualibus, multinerviis, erectis, patentibus vel reflexis. Stamina 6, summo tubo inserta, elongata. Filaménta filiformia, patentia vel declinata. Anthere lineares, versatiles. Ovarium inferum triloculare ; ovula plurima, in loculorum angulo centrali affixa, biseriata, horizontalia, anatropa. Columna stylina filiformis, erecta vel inclinata. Stigma obtusum, obsolete trilobum vel trifidum. Capsula membranacea, depresso-sphærica, tri-vel abortu 1-2-locularis, irregulariter rumpens. Semina pauca vel solitaria, angulato-subglobosa, sæpe in bulbillos carnosos mutata.-Herbæ bulbiferce, scapigerce; bulbo tunicato, columnari vel spherico. Folia multifaria. Scapus solidus, umbellato-multiflorus. Spatha diphylla. Flores pedicellati vel sessiles, bracteis linearibus ramentaceis interstincti. Endl.

Crinum giganteum; sessiliflorum, foliis plurimis oblongo-lingulatis obsolete striatis undulatis margine scabris, floris limbo nutante obsolete bilabiato tubo breviore.
Crinum giganteum. Andr. Bot. Repos. t. 169. Redouté, Liliac. t. 181. Herbert, in Bot. Mag. sub fol. 2121. Schultz, Syst. v. 7. p. 85̆4. Kunth, Enum. v. 5. p. 569.

Crinum petiolatum. Herb. App. p. 22. Var. 1. spectabile, Herbert, Amaryl. p. 260.

Amaryllis gigantea. Ait. Hort. Kero. ed. 2. p. 226. Gazol. in Journ. of Sc. v. 3. p. 368. t. 44.f. 8, 14, 15.

Amaryllis ornata, $\beta$. Gawo. in Bot. Mag. t. 923 (leaves very unlike those of our plant).
Amaryllis candida. Traut. Tabul. t. 488.
Amaryllis latifolia. Lam. Encycl. v. 1. p. 41.

This fine plant has been long known in England, but much misunderstood ; and no figure (though there are not a few) has yet done justice to the large and delicate texture of the flowers ; among the worst of the figures is that given by Mr. Gawler, in this work, under the name of Amaryllis ornata, $\beta$. It is a native of Sierra Leone, and no doubt other parts of the coast of tropical Western Africa. Bulbs were sent to us recently by

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Capt. Babington, from Sierra Leone. The late Mr. Herbert can hardly have seen a fair or well-cultivated specimen or he would not have cavilled at the original name and changed it to C. petiolatum.

Descr. Bulb very large, a fully grown one being as big as a child's head. Leaves one to two and even three feet long, four inches wide, lingulate, broadest above the middle, obsoletely striated, but having a strong central rib and two depressed lines between the costa and margin. Scape two to three feet long, plano-convex, erect. Spatha two-valved, ligulate. Umbel of from five to thirteen sessile flowers. Tube of the perianth eight to nine inches long, terete, green. Flowers six to seven inches across, inclined. Sepals broad, ovato-concave, white, tinged with yellow-green externally. Filaments four to five inches long, declined, then ascending. Anthers one inch long, dark-purple. Ovary oval. Style filiform, curved upwards. Stigma obscurely three-lobed.


## Тав. 5206.

# ERODIUM pelargonitflorum. 

Pelargonium-flowered Stork's-bill.

Nat. Ord. Geraniacer.-Monadelphia Pentandria.

Gen. Char. Sepala 5, æqualia, in calcar seu tubum nectariferum nulla producta. Petala 5, regularia aut irregularia. Stamina decem, filamentis basi monadelphis, 5 antheriferis, 5 alternis sterilibus. Glandulce 5 ad basin staminum sterilium. Carpellorum ariste intus barbatæ, demum elastice spiraliter torte.-Herbe aut suffrutices, foliis variis, pedunculis sapius multi-rarissine 1-floris. De Cand.

Erodium pelargoniifforum ; perenne viride totum pilis papillaribus nitidis conspersum viscidulum, rhizomate squamis petiolaribus et stipularibus vetustis vestito, caulibus fragilibus adscendentibus elongatis ramosis, foliis teneris radicalibus longe petiolatis ovato-cordatis obsolete 3 -lobis indivisisque acutiuscule dentatis, stipulis bracteisque oblongis oblonge acuminatis valde hispidis albo-membranaceis, pedunculis umbellatim 8 -10-floris, pedicellis longe hispidis flore triplo longioribus, sepalis oblongis albis viridi3 -5-lineatis ad costas longe papilloso-ciliatis mucrone eis dimidio breviori terminatis, petalis obovatis basi subciliatis albis 2 inferioribus macula purpurea in 5 lineas ramulosas superne extensa insignitis, carpellis parce et adpresse hirsutis, cauda adpresse hirsuta eis quadruplo longiori. Boiss.
Eronrum pelargoniiflorum. Boiss. et Heldr. in Pl. Exsic. Anatol. 1846; et in Diagnos. Plant. Orient. Nov. v. 8. p. 118. Walp. Aunal. v. 2. p. 234. v. 4. p. 395. Regel's Garten-Flora, v. 1. p. 195. t. 19.

From the collection of W. Wilson Saunders, Esq., Hillfield, Reigate, where the shelves of a very cool, airy greenhouse were enlivened by its sparkling blossoms. In the days when the Geraniaceer were cultivated extensively as botanical objects, this would have been very much prized; but that time is gone by, and their place is taken by the "General Tom Thumb," the "Golden Chain," and others, which render our flower-beds, in summer, objects of such universal admiration. The present is a recently-discovered species, by Heldreich, of the Erodium genus, in Anatolia, growing on shady rocks and among caves between Karaman and Ermenek, at an elevation of 3,000 feet above the level of the sea. It may therefore be expected to suc-
ceed in the open air in summer, but at its period of rest in the winter the roots will require protection. The above specific character of Boissier may well be considered to serve for a description also.

Fig. 1. Lower leaf, showing the stipules,-nat. size. 2. Flower, from which the petals are removed. 3. Pistil:-magnified.


## Тав. 5207.

## CISSUS velutinus.

Velvety-leaved Cissus.

Nat. Ord. Ampelidee.-Tetrandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 4763.)

Crsses velutinus ; caule scandente angulato ruberrimo, foliis petiohatis cordatooblongis obtuse acuminatis denticulatis supra purpurco-viridibus ad venis sepissime albo pictis, subtus eximie sanguineis, pedunculis petiolo duplo triplove longioribus cymisque laxis ruberrimis.
Cissus velutinus. Linden, Cat.

In specific character the present species nearly approaches the Cissus discolor of Blume, to which, perhaps, it is too nearly related, and is scarcely inferior to it in beauty. It wants, indeed, the warm, deep purple glow which prevails in the young foliage of the latter plant : but, on the other hand, the inflorescence is larger in the present species, and of the same coral-red all over, instead of the cymes and flowers being white, as in C. discolor. The leaves, though frequently marked with white lines following the course of the veins, often lose them in age; and they are never spotted with transverse blotches, so conspicuous in discolor. Of its native country we are ignorant; probably the Malay Islands. It flowers at various seasons of the year in a warm stove, and readily increases by cuttings. The specific name is better merited in the young shoots of the plant, which are clothed with a soft velvety pubescence, but which is deciduous, and in age the foliage is generally quite glabrous.

Descr. Habit and mode of growth entirely that of C.discolor (see our Tab. 4763). Leaves the same in form, but considerably different in colour and markings. The deep purple hue is almost entirely wanting, and the white blotches of C. discolor give place to broad lines of white following the course of the costa, veins, and veinlets, yet becoming obsolete in age. The chief distinction resides in the length of the peduncle, which is twice at least that of the other in the larger and laxer cyme, and in the flowers being of the same intense coral-red as the peoстober 1 st, 1860.
duncle, and as that of the stem, the cirrhi, and the under side of the foliage.

Fig. 1. Flower, with the petals spread open. 2. The same, from which the petals have fallen. 3. Ovary, cut through vertically :-magnified.


## ТАв. 5208.

# ANCECTOCHILUS setaceus, var. inornatus. 

Fringed Anrectochilus; var. Nat. Ord. Orchidea.-Gynandria Monogynia.<br>Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 4123.)


#### Abstract

Anectochilus setaceus; subrepens, foliis rotundato-ovatis velutinis plerumque aureo-reticulatis subtus discoloribus, sepalis extus ovariisque glandulosohirsutis, labello medio ad marginem longe fimbriato apice bilobo, lobis oblongis obtusis patentibus, sacco labelli apice bifido. a. aureo-reticulatus; caule bracteisque subcarneo, foliis supra pulcherrime aureoreticulatis. Anectochlus setaceus. Blume, Bijdr.v. 1.p.412. Tabellen, 15. Lindl. Bot. Reg.t. 2010. Gen. et Sp. Orchid.p. 499. Hook. Bot.Mag.t.4123. Wight, Ic. Ind. Or. v. 5. t. 1731. Chrysobaphus Roxburgii. Wall. Tent. Fl. Nepal. t. 17. Folium petolatum. Rumph. Amb. v. 6. p. 93. t. 41.f. 3. $\beta$. inornatus; caule bracteisque viridibus, foliis supra purpureo-cupreis (venis aureis omnino obsoletis). (Тав. Nostr. 5208.)


The ordinary state of this plant, with its beautiful golden network on the upper side of the leaves, is familiar to all cultivators of rare Orchideous plants, as well as to such as frequent the gardens of those that are curious in them, for it is one of the most interesting of the family ; a native, too, of very extensive regions in the East Indies, both on the continent and in the islands. In Ceylon its foliage is so attractive that the plant is known by the native name of Wana Rajah, or King of the Woods. Rumphius, in Herb. Amboyn, accurately describes the leaves as "cordiformia quasi, crassiuscula sed flaccida, mollia ad tactum instar serici densioris, ac quodammodo splendentia, quam elegantissime picta, lete rubentibus et intricatis flavis lineis distincta, ita ut cancellata sint, atque ignotos referant characteres, ac si penicillo a perito pictore picta essent, inferius folia rubent, seu purpurascunt sine characteribus."

But this is not always the condition of the foliage. In a valuable case of plants lately received from the Botanic Garden of october 1st, 1860.

Java was the present remarkable variety, in which the leaves, though of a rich coppery hue and velvety character, are wholly destitute of reticulations. The structure of the flower is the same in both.

Fig. 1. Side view of a flower. 2. Front view of a flower:-magnified.


Тав. 5203.

# SALVIA scabiosefolia. 

Scabious-leaved Sage.

Nat. Ord. Labiate.-Diandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, ТАв. 4874.)

Salvia ( $\S$ Eusphace) scabiosafolia; caule herbaceo, ramis diffusis piloso-lanatis, foliis pinnatisectis segmentis subgeminis, integris bisectis vel pinnatisectis oblongis linearibusve acutis integerrimis, racemis simplicibus, verticillastris 6 -10-floris distinctis, foliis floralibus lancenlatis ovatis vel ovato-rotundatis acuminatis, calycibus ample campauulatis striatis villosis, labio superiore brevissime trideutato, inferiore bifido, dentibus ovatis acutis, corollis calyce duplo longioribus, labio superiore bifido. Benth.
Salvia scabiosæfolia. Lam. Journ. Hist. Nat. n. 14. p. 44. t. 27.
S. pinifolia. Pall. Ind. Taur.
S. Tauricæ. Habl. Phys. Beschr. Taur. p. 207.
S. scabrosa. Pers. Syn. Pl. v. 1. p. 29.
S. Habliziana. Willd. in Schrad. Journ. Bot. v. 1. p. 289. t. 2. Jacq. Fil. Ecl. v. 1.p. 9. t. 3. Bot. Mag. t. 1429. Ait. Hort. Kew. ed. 2. v. 1. p. 53.
S. vulnerariæfolia. Willd. Sp. Pl. v. 1. p. 149.

A remarkable-looking Sage, now rare in our gardens, but introduced from Tauria into the gardens of Kew as early as 1798 , by John Bell, Esq., and published under the name of S. Habliziana. It was not till after our plate was engraved that I discovered that this plant, recently received under the correct name of S. scabioscfolia, was the same as the Habliziana already given in an early volume of this work, as above quoted. Our subscribers, however, will here find a more accurate representation, with analysis; and we have profited by Mr. Bentham's synonymy and remarks in his monograph of the extensive genus in De Candolle's ' Prodromus.'

Descr. " Stems diffuse, one to one and a half foot high, patently hairy or woolly at the base, subglabrous above, often purplish. Leaves numerous, sometimes almost glabrous, often hoary and pilose; segments three to five pair, often geminate or ternate, but opposite, and thence apparently whorled. Raceme four to остоber 1st, 1860.
six inches or more long. Lower floral leaves ovato-lanceolate, longer than the calyx ; superior ones broader and shorter. Fructiferous calyces seven to eight lines long, shortly pedicellate, erect, softly piloso-pubescent, with abbreviated teeth. Corolla beautiful white ; the tube within furnished with a hairy ring. Style shortly inserted. The species varies with the leaves often very narrow and more glabrous, the verticillastra sometimes all six-flowered, sometimes ten- or more flowered; also in the size and form of the floral leaves." Benth. l. c.

Fig. 1. Flower. 2, Stamen. 3. Pistil and hypogynous gland :-magnified.


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## ALOE albo-cincta.

White-margined Aloe.

Nat. Ord. Asphodelee.-Hexandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Corolla tubuloso-6-fida vel hexapetalo-partita, carnosula, basi nectarifera, in tubum connivens; limbo regulari, patulo, vel recurvo-bilabiato; laciniis ligulatis, exterioribus interiores æquales vel longiores imbricatim obtegentibus. Stamina hypogyna, assurgentia, tubo æqualia, vel exserta. Stylus exsertus v. subnullus, trisulcus. Stigma simplex, v. 3, minuta, replicata. Capsula membranacea, scariosa, rotunde vel acute trigona, 3 -locularis, 3 -valvis, valvis medio septigeris. Semina numerosa, biserialia, subrotundo-complanata, v. trigona, alata angulosave. Gavel.

Aloe albo-cincta; caule 2-3-pedali subarboreo erasso simplici, foliis magnis 12-16-uncialibus lato-lanceolatis sensim acuminatis crassis integerrimis cartilagineo-rubro- $v$. albo-marginatis glaucis obscure striatis lineari-maculatisque, pedunculo seu scapo subbipedali apice paniculatim patenti-cymoso, bracteis ad basin ramorum, floribus racemosis omnibus etiam aute anthesin pendulis clavatis rubro-aurantiacis basi ventricosis.
Aloe albo-cincta. Haworth, Suppl. Pl. Succul. p. 43. Reem. et Sch. Syst. Veget. v. 7. p. 698. Kth. Enum. Plant. v. 4. p. 525.

If the African Aloes have lost caste among cultivators of the present day, there are few, we think, who could have seen the present species, as we saw it in the summer of the present year, in MIr. Wilson Saunders's succulent-house at Hillfield, who would not deem it highly deserving of a place in their greenhouse. It is the handsomest we know of the genus by far, striking in its foliage, and still more so in its drooping flowers, which form a spreading, compound, almost umbellate cyme, of a rich yellowish-red colour. Our friend has long had it in cultivation under the name here given, and it seems quite correctly so; but this is the first instance known of the flowering of the plant. Had Haworth been acquainted with the inflorescence, he would never have made the remark, "Fortasse est mere junior A. striate (A. paniculatæ, Jacq.)." Mr. Wilson Saunders OTCOBER 1st, 1860.
has lately received young plants from his collector Mr. Cooper, found in Algoa Bay.

Descr. The stem forms a cylindrical trunk two and a half feet high, and stout. Leaves few, spreading, a foot to eighteen inches long, and six inches wide, almost an inch thick at the base, quite entire at the margin, and there cartilaginous and white or tinged with red. The green of a glaucous hue, faintly striated, and marked with obscure, whitish, elongated spots. Scape or peduncle elongated, compressed, panicled at the top, bearing numerous racemes, arranged in a broad, flattened cyme, of drooping flowers, an inch and a quarter long clavate, and singularly inflato-globose at the base. Stamens scarcely exserted. Ovary oblong; style as long as the stamens; stigma obtuse.

Fig. 1. Flowering plant, much reduced. 2. Apex of a leaf. 3. Portion of a panicle :-nat. size. 4. Flower. 5. Pistil :—magnified.


## TAв. 5211.

## SONCHUS radicatus.

Long-rooted Sow-thistle.

## Nat. Ord. Composite.-Syngenesia EQualis.

Gen. Char. Capitulum multi- vel pauci-florum. Involucrum inloricatum, basi ventricosum demumque spongiosum. Receptaculum nudum. Achenia com-presso-tetragona, ovato-oblonga, longitudinaliter striata, plerumque transverse muricato-granulata, rarius glabra, alutacea, brunnea v. nigrescentia, erostrata, vel rostro brevi robusto terminata, basi plerumque promincritiis 4 notata. Pappus persistens v. caducus; setis vero basi non in annulum ut in Picridio concretis, vel singulis vel pluribus basi connatis, niveis, mollibus, digitis facile adhærentibus, distanter breve antrorso-extrorso-denticulatis v . subsimplicibus (saltem sub lente, magis auctis vero denticulis confertioribus munitis quam setæ crassiores), inæqualibus, intimis nempe pluribus, certeris crassioribus, rarissime subæqualibus. Schultz.

Sonchus radicatus; fruticosus glaber glaucus, foliis fere omnibus radicalibus lyratis lobis rotundatis superficialiter et minute sinuatis, caulinis paucis cordatis, auriculis rotundatis, pedicellis subnudis, involucri subimbricati squamis exterioribus ovatis, interioribus linearibus, receptaculo favoso, acheniis brunneis glabris striatis, pappi subuniserialis caduci setis falcatis. Webb.
Sonchus radicatus. Ait. IIort. Kero. ed. 1. v. 3. p. 116 ; ed. 2. v. 4. p. 436. Willd. Sp. Pl.v.3. p. 1511. De Cand. Prodr. v. 7. p. 188. Webb, Plytogr. Canar. v. 3. p. 436. t. 128.

No less than sixteen species of Sonchus or Sow-thistle, besides the present one, inhabit the Canary Islands. But we must not judge of them from the weedy nature of our British species, for in the subgenus Dendrosonchus of Mr. Webb, to which our plant belongs, are some which are described as arboreous, and which, from their size and peculiarity of form, constitute striking features in the landscape. Our present species is of a much humbler character, yet shrubby, and remarkable for the deeply lyrate leaves, very hoary, or as it were frosted with short down, and for the large size of the flowers. S. radicatus was introduced into Kew Gardens by Masson in 1780. Plants were reared, from seed sent by Mr. Webb, in his garden at Milford; and it has been, through Dr. Bolle, very recently imported by
october lst, 1860.

Mr. Wilson Saunders, in whose greenhouse at Hillield our drawing was made by Mr. Fitch, in July, 1860.

Our Plate represents the apex of a stem, with leaves and a portion of a flowering peduncle,-nat. size. Fig. 1. Floret. 2. Apex of a style, and stigmas. 3. Hairs of the pappus :-magnified.


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## Тав. 5212.

# PHALENOPSIS rosea. 

Rose-coloured Phalænopsis.

Nat. Ord. Orchidee.-Gynandria Monandria.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 4297.)

Phalenopsis rosea; foliis oblongis coriaceis acutis apice recurvis, scapo cernuo ramoso tortuoso subclavato, floribus subcarnosis, sepalis ovatis, petalis ovalibus paulo latioribus, labello ascendente tripartito, laciniis lateralibus linearispathulatis lunatis, intermedia crista lunata rotundata depressa emarginata (cirrhis nullis). Lindl.
Phalenopsis rosea. Lindl. in Gard. Chron. 1848, p. 671 (with woodcut of flower), and in Paxt. Fl. Gard. v. 2. t. 72.
Stauroglottis equestris. Schauer, in Act. Acad. Nat. Cur. v. 19. Suppl. p. 432.

Phalenopsis equestris. Reich. Fil. in Linnea, 1849, p. 864.

The name Phalanopsis, from our long familiarity with the wellknown species $P$. amabilis (see our Tab. 4297), and its close affinity with P. grandiffora (Tab. 5184), which we have lately ventured to consider scarcely different from amabilis, leads the mind to flowers of large size and of the purest whiteness. T'o those who thus form their ideas the present species will prove a disappointment. The flowers are small, the whites are not clear white, and the rose tints are not bright-rose. The organic structure of the flower is however the same, wanting indeed the cirrhi to the lip, which is so remarkable in them ; and the foliage bears a great resemblance to that of P. amabilis. It was imported from Manilla into England, by Messrs. Veitch and Sons, of the Exeter and Chelsea Nurseries, through their zealous collector, Mr. Thomas Lobb, who describes the spike of flowers from twelve to eighteen inches long. It does not appear to attain such a size with us. We are indebted to Mr. R. Bullen, gardener to John Butler, Esq., of Woolwich, for the opportunity of figuring this still rare species from that gentleman's collection.

Descr. From a very short stem or caudex, attached to its place of growth by a few stout vermicular fleshy fibres, there arise a few (three to four) oblong, thick coriaceo-carnose leaves,
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which spread in two opposite directions; these are of a dark, full-green colour, and unequally notched at the apex. Scape springing from the base of the short stem and from the axil formed by the persistent base of a fallen leaf, dark purplishblack, terete, slightly thickened upwards, bearing a few, remote, small, appressed bracts; this scape is about a foot long, and is terminated by a spike or raceme of twelve or fourteen fleshy flowers, the largest of them not an inch and a half in their broadest diameter. Buds ovate, greenish-yellow, with a red line at the suture of the sepals. Sepals and petals patent, nearly uniform in size and shape, subovate, obtuse, and in colour white, tinged with pink in the centre. Lip rose-colour, scarcely larger than the sepals, spreading, three-lobed: lateral lobes small, lunate ; middle one exactly ovate; at its base is a downy, fleshy, prominent, furrowed gland. Pollen-masses two, attached to a long caudicle, with a gland at its base.

Fig. 1. Side view of column and lip. 2. Front view of lip. 3. Pollenmasses :-magnified.


## Тав. 5213.

## AGAVE yuccefolia.

Yucca-leaved Agave.

Nat. Ord. Amaryllidacere.-Mexandria Monogynia.
Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 4934.)

Agave yuccafolia; trunco erecto brevi, foliis glaucis coriaceo-carnosis loratoattenuatis supra canaliculato-concavis subtus obtuse carinatis marginibus cartilagineo-serrulatis, exterioribus recurvis, scapo longissimo ( 20 -pedali) bracteato, spica terminali solitaria cylindrica multiflora, perianthio viridi, tubo medio contracto, limbi lobis patentissimis, staminibus corolla duplo longioribus.
Agave yuccæfolia. Red. Pl. Liliac. v. 6. p. 328. t. 328 et 329. Haw. Suppl. p. 41. Willd. Enum. Suppl. p. 19. Schult. Syst. Veget. v. 7. p. 725. Kth Enum. Pl. v. 5. p. 830.

This very distinct species of Agave, long cultivated in the Royal Gardens of Kew, but whose native country is hitherto unrecorded, was received by us from the Rio del Monte district, Mexico, and is remarkable for the great length of the flowerstem or scape in proportion to the rest of the plant,-so tall, that long before the flowers began to expand, we were obliged to remove the plant from a greenhouse fifteen feet high to a loftier building, and support the continually elongating scape against the wall. The flowers did not expand till this had attained a height of twenty feet. The distance of the flowers from the spectator renders them inconspicuous; but when more closely inspected, they are by no means insignificantly small, of a bright yellow-green, with much exserted yellow large stamens, whose filaments and anthers are partially tinged with red. Its flowers are produced in a cool greenhouse, in the summer months.

Descr. Stem or caudex in our plant short, erect, about two to three inches thick, scarred with the persistent bases of fallen foliage. Leaves numerous, outer and older ones curved, inner and younger ones more erect, one to one and a half foot long, nearly two inches wide in the broadest part, lorato-acuminate, coriaceo-carnose, glaucous, canaliculato-concave above, very ob-
tusely keeled beneath, the margin cartilaginous and minutely denticulate ; scape rising from the centre of the foliage, gradually elongating till it has attained a height of twenty feet, one and a half or two inches diameter, erect, but not strict, clothed all the way with subulate, leafy scales, the lowest ones passing gradually into leaves. Spike cylindrical, terminal, oblong, simple, six to eight inches long. Flowers often two together, numerous, erect, subtended by small bracts. Perianth about an inch long, infundibuliform, green: the tube a little contracted above the ovary ; limb of six, spreading, oval, obtuse segments. Stamens inserted some way down the tube, yellow, tinged with red : flaments twice as long as the perianth, stout, erect; anthers large, versatile.

Fig. 1. Much reduced flowering-plant. 2. Portion of a leaf. 3. A flowering spike:-nat. size.


## Тав. 5214.

# ONCIDIUM PHYMATOCHILUM. 

## Warted-lipped Oncidium.

Nat. Ord. Orchidee.-Gynandria Monandria.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 4824.)

Oncidium phymatochilum; racemo subpaniculato, sepalis lincaribus acuminatis apice recurvis lateralibus longissimis, labelli auriculis convexis dilatatis crenatis, lobo intermedio unguiculato ovato acuminato basi multituberculato, columna alis semicordatis acuminatis. Lindl.
Oncidium phymatochilum. Lindl. in Paxton's Fl. Gard.v. 1. p. 78. n. 123, and under $t$. 18 (woodcut of flowers only), and in Folia Orchidacea, Oncidium, p. 54. n. 191.

The present elegant and delicate species of Oncidium seems to have been introduced nearly at the same time (1847) both by the late Mr. Clowes and Messrs. Loddiges, and, it is suspected, from Mexico; but of that there is no certainty. It is rather a free flowerer in the stove, and our drawing was made at Kew from Mr. Clowes's plant, in May, 1860. The lip is pure white, the rest of the flower pale yellow-green, spotted with orange-red on the upper side, chocolate-brown beneath.

Descr. Pseudobulb broad-fusiform, four to five inches long, purplish-brown, somewhat compressed, having at the base four, large, distichous, imbricating, carinated, and subequitant scales, of the same colour, the longest of them the length of the pseudobulb. This latter bears a large, membranaceous, solitary, obo-vato-lanceolate, acute leaf from its apex, twelve to fourteen inches long, and three inches broad, striated, with prominent veins on the under side. Scape rather slender, a foot and more long, terete, green, arising from the base of the pseudobulb, and within the larger scale, bracteated with appressed, green, acuminated scales. Panicle more than a foot long, pendent, slightly compound; main rachis zigzag, slender. Flowers moderately numerous. Petals and sepals nearly uniform in shape and colour, linear-subulate, very delicate and flaccid, sometimes a little twisted, the two side sepals the longest, and subfalcate, all of
them pale-green, with blotches of deep-orange on the upper side, dull chocolate-colour on the under. Lip moderately large, but much shorter than the sepals and petals, trowel-shaped, threclobed, two lateral lobes forming small, spreading, rounded auricles; there is a contraction and thickening of the substance between these lobes and the terminal lobe, and that portion is tubercularly crested, yellow, spotted with orange : terminal lobe broad-ovate, finely acuminated, spotless. Column small and narrow, its auricles semicordate, and often cut or laciniated. Antlier-case conical.

Fig. 1. Column and lip,-magnified.


# DIANTHUS Seguieri; var. Caucasicus. 

Seguier's Pink; Caucasian Var.

Nat. Ord. Caryophyllefe.-Decandria Digynia.

Gen. Char. Calyx tubulosus, 5-dentatus, basi squamis 2-4 oppositis imbricatis. Petala 5, longe unguiculata. Stamina 10. Styli 2. Capsula 1-locularis. Semina compressa, hinc convexa, inde concava, peltata. Embryo vix curvatus.

Dianthus (§ Caryophyllum) Seguieri; caule superne bifido, floribus subfascicu-lato-aggregatis v. paniculatis, floribus laxe dispositis, squamis calycinis membranaceis ovatis (præsertim inferioribus) abrupte in acumen lanccolatosubulatum tubum æquans vel eodem duplo triplove brevius altcrnatis, bracteis lanceolatis, foliis oblongo-linearibus linearibusve attenuato-acuminatis sub-3-5-nerviis cauleque scabris glabrisve, vaginis folii latitudinem subæquantibus. Ledeb.
Dianthus Seguieri. Vill. Delph.v.3.p. 594. Koch, Syn.p. 96. Ledeb. Fl. Ross. v. 1. p. 277.
a. floribus fasciculato-aggregatis. Ledeb. l.c.
D. collinus, Waldst. et Kit. Pl. Rar. Hung. v. 1. p. 36. t. 8. D. collinus ruthenicus, Fisch. Cat. Hort. Gorenk. 1808, p. 26. D. asper, Willd. En. Hort. Berol. p. 466. De Cand. Prodr. v. 1. p. 357. D. Fischeri, Spreng. Cat. Hort. Hal. 1810. De Cand. Prodr. v. 1. p. 365.
$\beta$. floribus brevius pedunculatis approximatis non vero fasciculato-aggregatis. Ledeb. l.c.
D. montanus, Bieb. Fl. Taur. Caucas. v. 1. p. 328, v. 3. p. 299. De Cand. Prodr. v. 1. p. 359 . D. discolor, Sims, Bot. Mag. t. 1161. D. collinus Caucasicus, Fisch. Cat. Hort. Gorenk. 1808, p. 96.
$\gamma$. floribus solitariis longius pedunculatis laxe dispositis paniculatis. Ledeb. l.c.
a. squamis calycinis tubum dimidium superantibus v. totum æquantibus. Ledeb. l.c. p. 278 (under this Ledebour includes the following names with references).
D. ruthenicus, Reem. in Poiret, Encycl. D. Caucaseus, Sims, Bot. Mag.t. 795 ? D. Caucasicus, De Cand. Prodr.v. 1.p.363. Bieberst. Fl. Taur. Caucas. v. 1. pp. 227, 299. C. A. Meyer, etc. D. involucratus, Pallas in Herb. Willd. n. 8526. D. guttatus, Bieberst. Fl. Tauric. Caucas. v. 1. p. 382, v. 3. p. 300. De Cand. Prodr. v. 1.p. 358. D. pratensis, Bieberst. Fl. Tauric. Caucas. v. 1. p. 328, v. 3. p. 300. De Cand. Prodr. v. 1.p. 358. D. chloroleucus, D. tataricus and D. ochroleucus of Fisch. D. ibiricus, Willd. De Cand. Prodr. $v .1 . p .363$. D. Willdenovii, Link, etc.
$\beta$. squamis calycinis tubum dimidium æquantibus v. brevioribus. Ledeb. l. c. p. 278. (Tab. Nostr. 3215.)
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D. deltoides, Georgi. D. versicolor, Fisch. De Cand. Prodr. v. 1. p. 358. D. dentosus, Fisch. et Reichenb. Pl. Crit. v. 6. p. 32.t. 546. Ledeb. Fl. Alta. v. 2. p. 134. Karel. et Kiril. Enum. Pl. Fl. Altaic. n. 144, etc.

This very pretty species of Pink is not uncommon in gardens, but it has gone under so many different names, that it is difficult to say which is its most correct one. It is a native of the south of Europe, and especially of a great part of Russia and Siberia. I here adopt the specific character and synonymy of Ledebour, and must refer to him for a more perfect list of the latter than I have thought it necessary or convenient to give here. My own herbarium contains authentic specimens from numerous authors which amply justify Ledebour in uniting so many species into one. The chief differences consist in the more or less compact flowers, and the relative length of the bracts and the calyx.

Fig. 1. Petal. 2. Pistil:-magnified.


# Тав. 5216. 

# METHONICA grandiflora. 

Large yellow-flowered African Metlonica.

Nat. Ord. Uvularief.-Hexandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 4938.)

Methonica grandiflora; scandens, floribus diametro 8-pollicaribus, petalis anguste lanceolatis vix undulatis primum reflexis rectiusculis demum horizontaliter patentibus, styli ramis elongatis unciam longis.

At our Tab. 4938 we gave a figure of an African species of Methonica, Herm. (Gloriosa, Linn. and some authors), M. virescens, Lindl., which we cannot but regard as distinct from the well known Gloriosa superba, derived from extratropical Africa, which, after long cultivation, and in the same stove as the $M e$ thonica superba of India, retains all its characters, and these are mainly to be sought in the shape and direction of the petals, as explained in the description of the plate just referred to.

We have now the pleasure of representing a second (but tropical) African species, of which specimens and living roots were sent to us in the spring of this year (1860) from the island of Fernando Po, by our energetic plant-collector there, M. Gustav Mann. The growth from these tuberous roots has been very rapid, and the rafters of the stove were soon clothed with the leafy branches and the copious flowers, such as are here represented, from the month of July till the end of September. These flowers are as distinct from M. virescens as that is from M. superba. Indeed, this very western species agrees in the general structure of the flower better with the latter than with the former ; but in our cultivated plant it is nearly twice the size of either of the other species, and the petals (totally different in colour) altogether want the remarkably crisped character of those of M. gloriosa. Here, too, the branches of the style are singularly elongated. Future researches may teach us whether the
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three are or are not in reality forms of one and the same species.

The following notes, derived entirely from native samples in my herbarium, may help to clear up some of the difficulties attending the discrimination of the species, if, as I am inclined to believe, they be really such.

1. Methonica superba, Lam. (Gloriosa superba, Linn.).-All my Indian specimens, and the species seems to be exclusively Indian, and from various parts of that extensive region, Ceylon and the Madras Peninsula in the west, to Bengal and the Malay Peninsula, Tavoy (Wallich), Siam (Schomburgk), Banjermassing, Borneo (Motley) in the east, and to Kumaon (elev. 4,800 feet, in the north, Strackey and Winterbottom); all, without a single exception, exhibit the very narrow, refracted, and yet tolerably straight, deeply undulato-crispate petals, so characteristic of this species.
2. M. virescens, Lindl. (see our Tab. 4938).-Of this my decided native specimens, with quite spathulate petals, scarcely undulated, and never crisped, as in M. superba, are from South Africa, viz. Albany and Natal. My others are cultivated specimens from native roots; but all agree in the broad superior part of the petal, with the apices recurved over the centre of the flower. These petals are seldom seen in a horizontal position, in this respect agreeing with M. superba.
3. M. Abyssinica, Achil. Richard, from Abyssinia, as its name implies.-I have received this, with the above name attached, from the Mus. Herb. Paris ( $n .346$ ), and also from Dr. Hochstetter, under the name of Clinostylis speciosa, Hochst., in "Flora, 1844, p. 46." The height of each of my two specimens, including the rather long and stout tuber, is under two feet, and there appears no disposition to branch* or to be scandent; the leaves appear to be nearly all opposite, and the upper ones alone are cirrhiferous, with small and very weak tendrils. Can this be due to a dry soil and burning climate? The petals are very broad-lanceolate, (not dilated upwards,) apparently of a uniform orangecolour; one of the flowers has the refracted petals with recurved apices, as in M. virescens. But the stamens and style and anthers are shorter; and I may have erred in considering this a form of M. virescens, under our Tab. 4938.
4. M. grandifora, Hook.-Specimens in my herbarium, which I would confidently refer to this, and agreeing with the characters here given, are from tropical, and chiefly tropical Western, Africa; Fernando Po, n. 72, M. Gustav Mann; Sierra Leone, Mr. Morson, from the Herb. of Robert Brown; Great Bassa

[^11]river, $D r$. Vogel; very fine specimens, with all the flowers apparently yellow, but aceompanied by the remark of Vogel, "flowers red; when young yellow." Good specimens from the late Mr. Barter, $n .164$, from Aboh, with flowers apparently all over deep red; and again, $n$. 1517, "Niger," with rather smaller flowers; petals, with the lower half and more, yellow, the rest deep red, and a red line down to the base; and they are accompanied by this remark,-" A very variable plant in size and in the colour of its flowers, but the differences appear to be dependent merely upon the place of growth; thus, in deep shady ravines, the plant grows twelve feet high, with flowers pale yellow or almost green. In hot sandy plains it does not attain four feet in height, and the flowers are deep erimson. In gencral, however, the flowers are yellow, and not unfrequently have a crimson line up the eentre. Negro girls place this flower in their hair with very pretty effect." Lastly, I possess, from Mozambique, on the east coast of tropieal Afriea, speeimens gathered by Forbes, of whieh the flowers seem to be yellow, and which I ean in no way distinguish from the $M$. grandifora here figured. Even should these not prove permanently distinet, all the kinds are eminently deserving of eultivation. They are ready flowerers, and the foliage, as well as the differently coloured petals, render them highly ornamental.

Descr. General habit of the plant and foliage resembling the other speeies of the genus, but the growth is with us more vigorous and rampant. Flower-buds before expansion full three inehes long. Petals, soon after the bursting of the bud, elosely refracted and nearly straight, but before they attain their full size they fall into a horizontal position, and remain so at least for a day, at whieh period the flower seems to be in its most perfect state, measuring eight inehes across, all over of a sul-phur-yellow colour, green only at the broad elaws: in withering the petals become tawny, and are mareeseent. Their shape is narrow-lanceolate, seareely waved at the margin : at the superior base is an elevated fleshy elongated nectary, deeply ehannelled and very downy. The filaments are more than two inches long, the anthers three quarters of an inch. Style three inches long; its branches one inch long: these are, both in M. gloriosa and M. virescens, very short. An unripe capsule measures three inehes in length, and is deeply trisulcate.

Fig. 1. A leaf from an older part of the plant,-nat. size. 2. Pistil,-slightly magnified.


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# SARCANTHUS Parishif. 

Mr. Parisl's Sarcantlus.<br>Nat. Ord. Orchidee.-Gynandria Monandria.<br>Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Tab. 4693.)

Sarcanthus Parishii; foliis loratis apice oblique bilobis obtusis, spicis simplicibus, sepalis petalisque breviter oblongis obtusis planis aureis vittis 2 parallelis rubris, labelli calcare ovario æquilongo curvato obtuso in labellum brevissimum subtrulliforme roseum producto.

Sent by the Rev. C. S. P. Parish, of Moulmaine, toMessrs. Low, of the Clapton Nursery, with whom it flowered in August of the present year.

Descr. Plant small, with the stem short, and apparently not tending to elongate, as in its curious terete-leaved congeners, $S$. filiformis and $\mathscr{S}$. teretifolius. Leaves distichous, spreading, or recurved, four to five inches long, three-quarters of an inch broad, rather firm and fleshy, deep-green, keeled at the back from being somewhat longitudinally complicate, the apex very unequally and bluntly bilobed, with a shallow acute sinus. Spikes as long as the leaves, slender and flexuose, quite simple in our plant, shortly peduncled. Flowers rather loosely disposed, small, brightly-coloured, about one-third of an inch across. Sepals and petals shortly oblong, blunt, plane, golden-yellow, with two broad longitudinal red bands that do not extend beyond two-thirds of their length. Lip short, small, of irregular figure, pale rosecoloured, produced anteriorly into a short, broad, rather concave, trulliform lamina, and posteriorly into a curved, stout, cylindrical spur as long as the ovary.-J. D. $H$.

Fig. 1. Front view of a flower. 2. Side view of the column and lip. 3, t. Front and side view of the pollen-masses:-magnified.


Тав. 5218.

# CYRTANTHUS (GASTRONEMA) sanguineus. 

Red-flowered Cyrtanthus.

Nat. Ord. Amaryllidacee.-Hexandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Perigonium superum, corollaceum, elongato-tubuloso-infundibulare, limbo 6 -fidum curvatum, interdum parum ventricosum; laciniis brevibus, subæquilongis, multinerviis; exterioribus calloso-acutis ; interioribus latioribus, obtusis. Stamina 6, supra medium tnbi libera, recta (in Gastronemate conniventia, 3 deflexa), inclusa, alterna longiora. Antheree lineares, dorso infra medium affixæ, mobiles. Ovarinm inferum, trigonum, triloculare ; ovula in loculis crebra, biseriata, funiculata, horizontalia (in sicco adscendentia, Endl.). Columna stylina filiformis, erecta vel declinata, stamina superans, exserta. Stigma leviter trifidum. Capsula trigono-ovata, trilocularis, loculicido-trivalvis. Semina plurima, paleaceocompressa, testa nigra.-Herbæ Capenses, bulbiferce, scapigerc. Bulbus tunicatus. Folia elongata, angusta, plana vel subcanaliculata. Scapus teretiusculus vel compressiusculus, fistulosus. Spatha 2-polyphylla, uni-multiflora. Flores pedicellati, bracteis linearibus scariosis interstincti, sape penduli. Kth.

Cyrtanthus (Gastronema) sanguineus; foliis solitariis lineari-spathulatis obtusis viridibus, caule unifloro longioribus, spatha diphylla tubo perianthii æquali, flore sessili vel pedunculato suberecto, tubo tereti in faucem obconicam ampliato, limbi patuli recurvi laciniis oblongis æqualibus concoloribus. Lindl.
Gastronema sanguineum. Lindl. in Journ. of Hort. Soc. of Lond. v. 3. p. 315 (with a woodcut).

This is, as Dr. Lindley says, who first named and described it, a very handsome plant, deserving general cultivation, even in the most select collections. It is a native of Caffraria, and was imported by Messrs. Backhouse, the eminent nurserymen of York, and presented by them to the Horticultural Society of London in 1846. Dr. Lindley adopts the genus Gastronema of Herbert, which scarcely differs from Cyrtantlus but in the "filaments of the stamens being connivent, of which two are deflexed;" so that it is now generally considered a section of Cyrtanthus. It flowered in the greenhouse at Kew in August of the present year (1860).

Descr. The bulbous root we have rot seen. The leaves are dark green, scarcely glancous, radical, lanceolate, tapering into a december 1 st, 1860.
rounded petiole, slightly keeled at the back, and with a depressed line in front. The stem or scape is terete, subglaucous, hollow, three to four inches high, supports a solitary flower, and bears at its summit two long, whitish, linear, membranaccous bracteas. Peduncle (in our plant; wanting in the figure given by Lindley, where the ovary is sessile) two or more inches long, one-flowered. Perianth large, infundibuliform, tubular at the base, the limb very broad, of six oblong, spreading, recurved, mucronate segments, bright orange-red within, externally yellowish, with six red streaks. Stamens six, inserted at the throat, three longer than the rest, all connivent. Ovary oblong, dark-green. Style as long as the tube. Stigma three-cleft, the segments linear.

Fig. 1. Flower, laid open. 2. l'istil:-magnified.


Тав. 5219.

# SONCHUS gummifer. 

Gum-bearing Sow-thistle.

Nat. Ord. Composite.-Syngenesia Aqualis.

Gen. Char. (Vide supra, Тав. 5211.)

Sonchus gummifer ; fruticosus glaber glaucescens; foliis subpectinato-pinnatipartitis, pinnis cum lobo terminali oblongo-triangulari acutis dente uno alterove munitis, radicalibus (seu inferioribus) minute auriculatis, caulinis parvis cordato-auriculatis; corymbi compositi (vel pauciflori) pedicellis subnudis (apice insigniter dilatatis spongiosis coloratis), capitulis post anthesin cernuis; involucri imbricati squamis exterioribus ovatis acutis interioribus linearibus, receptaculo areolato floribus glabris, acheniis striatis glabris, pappo caduco niveo subuniseriali. Webb.
Sonchus gummifer. Link (ex Webb, qui specimen herbarii Berolin. comparavit) in Buch. Canar. p. 146 et 164. Webb, Canar. t. 129. Spreng. Syst. Veget. p. 647. De Cand. Prodr. v. 7. p. 188.

This is another of the fruticose Soncluses, which appear to be almost peculiar to the Canary Islands, and which our friend Mr. Wilson Saunders has lately introduced to his and other English gardens. The Sonchus radicatus of Aiton is given at our Tab. 5211 : the present species is very different in its foliage, and in the much taller shrubby stem. I refer it to the S. gummifer of Link and Webb with some degree of doubt, for the flowers are larger, and fewer upon a panicle, and there is at the apex of the pedicels a remarkable coloured expansion of a spongy nature, somewhat resembling the apophysis of a Splachnum, which is neither figured nor described by Webb. In all other respects the two appear to be identical, and the distinct presence of this apophysis may be due to the specimen from which our figure is taken being a living one. It flowered in Mr. Saunders's greenhouse at Reigate in July, 1860. It was received by that gentleman from Dr. Bolle, who found it in rocky places. In regard to the specific name of gummifer, Mr .

Webb observes, l.c.: "Omnes Cichoriacea vulneratæ succum fundunt lacteum, in gummi sic dictum coagulans, præcipue Sonchi, non vero præ aliis species nostra, quare nomen Linkii specificum non characteristicum.".

Descr. Stem fruticose, but greenish, two to three feet high, erect or flexuose, nearly as stout as one's finger. Leaves approximate, broad-lanceolate, glaucous green, lanceolato-runcinato-pinnatifid rather than pinnate, winged below, auriculate, and semiamplexicaul; the segments subovate, acute, often deflexed, here and there irregularly toothed. Panicle terminal (in our specimen few-flowered). Pedicels two to three inches long, foliaceobracteated at the base, just beneath the flower expanding into a large spongy red-brown, turbinate or hemispherical apophysis, which supports the capitulum. Involucre small, of a few imbricated green scales, with a whitish margin, outer ones short, interior ones oblong. Florets all uniform, yellow. Corolla with the tube pubescent. Ovary narrow, oblong, crowned with a white silky pappus. Style downy. Branches of the stigma long-linear, revolute.

Fig. 1. Floret. 2. Hair from the pappus. 3. Apex of style:-magnified.


## ТАв. 5220 .

# GUZMANNIA tricolor. 

Three-coloured Guzmannia.

Nat. Ord. Bromeliacee.-Hexandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Perigonii liberi sexpartiti lacinia exteriores calycinæ æquales, basi cohærentes, spiraliter convolutæ, interiores petaloideæ, inferne teneriores in tubum convolutæ, apice firmiores, erectæ, basi intus nudæ. Stamina 6, hypogyna; filamenta basi perigonii laciniis interioribus agglutinata, superne latiora, apice connata; anthere dorso affixæ, utrinque acutæ, in cylindrum coalitæ. Ovariam liberum, triloculare. Ovula in loculorum angulo centrali prope basim plurima biseriata, adscendentia, anatropa. Stylus filiformis; stigmata 3, linearia, brevia, erecta. Capsula cartilaginea, oblongo-cylindracea, trilocularis, loculicido-trivalvis, valvis endocarpio mox soluto duplicatis, explanatis vel tortis. Semina plurima, e basi dissepimentorum erecta, oblonga, acuminata, pilis papposis stipata.Herba Americana tropica; foliis radicalibus lineari-ensiformibus cartilagineis, planis, basi involutis; scapo inferne squamoso, floribus spicatis inter bracteas latentibus. Endl.

Guzmannia tricolor.
Guzmannia tricolor. Ruiz et Pav. E7. Per. et Chil.v. 3. p. 38. t. 261. Lodd. Bot. Cab. t. 462. Lindl. Coll. Bot. t. 8. Hook. Erot. Fl. t. 163 (bis). Reem. et Schult. Syst. Veget. v. 7. p, 1231.
Pourrettia sympaganthera. Ruiz et Pav. Syst. p. 82.

When in flower this is a very gay-coloured and handsome Bromeliaceous plant, and deserves the name quadricolor as much as or better than tricolor, for it exhibits in its inflorescence four very striking and different colours; the numerous and large closely imbricated bracts are, below, yellow-green, deeply and longitudinally streaked with purplish-black; the superior bracts are bright red, and the flowers are pure white. It was first described as a native of Peru, but has since been found in Guayaquil, in St. Domingo, and in Jamaica. It is easily cultivated in a moist stove, and blossoms in the summer months. Only one species of this pretty genus is known.

Descr. This quite resembles a Tillandsia or Bromelia in its mode of growth, and is everywhere glabrous. Leaves all radical, broad, linear-ensiform, involute, and broad and concave at the
sheathing base, the rest broadly channelled, minutely striated, the margin quite entire, the apex rather apiculate than acuminate; colour a full green; their length varies from one to two feet. Scape as long as the leaves, central, erect, almost resembling, with its young inflorescence, a head of Asparagus, below, at the very base, clothed with long, sterile, acuminated bracteas, above with short, ovate, acute, closely imbricated fertile ones, these of a bright and pale yellow-green, richly streaked with blackishpurple; towards the apex of the spike they are tinged with red, and at the very apex they are rich scarlet. Calyx deeply cut into three oblong segments, rigid and white, erect. Corolla white. The other parts of the flower are as described in the generic character.

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# CHAMEROPS Fortunei. 

Mr. Fortune's Chamœrops.

## Nat. Ord. Palme.-Polygamia Diecta.

Gen. Char. Flores polygamo-dioici (alii hermaphroditi, alii masculi in eadem vel in diversa stirpe), in spadice spathis (2-4) incompletis cincto, sessilcs, vel breviter pedicellati, bracteati.-Masc. Calyx exterior 3 -partitus; interior 3 -sepalus; prefloratio valvata. Stamina 6-9; filamenta basi connata; antheree lineari-oblongæ, basi cordatæ (ovatæ v. oblongæ, Endl.). Ovaria tria, rarius plura, distincta. Stigmata subulata, sessilia (subsessilia, Eudl.). Bacce tres, rarius plures, interdum abortu pauciores, 1-spermæ. Albumen corneum, irregulariter rumi-nato-variegatum. Eimbryo dorsalis.-Plantæ subacaules vel caudice donatre, mediocri, irregulariter cicatrizato, et frondium basibus persistentibus coronata. Frondes palnato-multifida, rigidula: laciniis induplicatis, apice fissis, filis interjectis nullis; petioli margine aculeis patentibus serrati vel denticulati, basi in fibrillitiem sape amplum extensi. Spatha coriacea, oblique aperta. Spadix simpliciter vel com-posito-ramosus, dense floriger; ramis spathellatis. Flores flavi v. flavo-virescentes. Baccæ olivaformes vel subglobose, flavescentes, fuscidula aut cyanere; carne'spissa, parca. Nuclei fusci, numerus partium floris, haud raro anctus, loco ternario quaternarius, quinarius vel senarius. Kth.

Chayerops Fortunei; polygamo-dioica, caudice mediocri frondium fibrillitie panniformi caudice appresso, petiolis margine inermibus aut denticulatoscabriusculis, laminæ digitato-multipartitæ laciniis apice pendulis linearibus obtusiusculis bidentatis v. breviter bifidis, spadice paniculato-ramoso, ovariis hirsutis.
Chamerops excelsa of English gardens.
The Palm above described is now well known as "Mr. Fortune's Chusan Palm," and has attracted considerable attention on account of its comparative hardiness. It is indeed the most hardy of all these princes of the vegetable kingdom that is as yet known to us, and the only one that has been proved to stand almost unprotected throughout the last ten winters in the latitude of London. In the Isle of Wight, under the shelter of the Royal residence of Osborne, it has attained a height of ten fect in the open air, six feet being the height of the stem below the foliage, and its diameter fourteen inches at one foot from the ground; it has blossomed for the last three years, with no protection during the winter.* Our plants at Kew were introduced by Mr. Fortune, in 1849, and have attained eight feet in height; the finest are moved into a conservatory during the winter, but others receive no other protection than a matting in the severest winter months.

We have taken great pains to determine the name and affinity

[^13]of this interesting plant, which certainly approaches very closely indeed to the C. excelsa, Mart., a species discovered and described by Thunberg, figured by Martius, and of which a noble specimen, twenty-eight feet high, received from Japan, through Dr. Siebold, flourishes in the Palm house at Kew. To this we were strongly inclined to refer Mr. Fortune's palm, notwithstanding that the $C$. excelsa was never supposed to be even halfhardy, both because of its near resemblance and because Thunberg states C. excelsa to be a native of China and only introduced into Japan. Mr. Smith, however, has always considered them different, and after a close comparison we are disposed to agree with him, on the following accounts :-C. Fortunei is a more robust species, with more compact and appressed matted network of fibres amongst the bases of the petioles, much stouter shorter petioles, less glancous more shining foliage, far broader segments of the leaves, and pendulous apices to these. The flowers of the two are nearly alike, and the fruit of C. Fortunei is unknown; that figured for it at Figs. 6 and 7 of our Plate was introduced by error, and should be expunged.

Descr. The caudex or stem, in its native climate, cight to twelve feet high (exclusive of the crown of leaves), the lower portion marked transversely with the numerous scars of the fallen leaves, the upper portion exbibits the bases of the petioles of the old leaves, mixed with a good deal of coarse transverse fibre, which also abounds among the perfect foliage. Fronds forming a handsome, more or less spreading crown to the caudex. Petioles a foot and a half or more long, convex below, nearly plain above, the margin quite unarmed, or very obscurely toothed, in which respect it differs widely from the better-known Ch. Iumilis. Lamina semiorbicular, flabellate, a foot and a half long and broad, deeply plaited, cut for about a half or more of the way down into numerous linear segments, which are $\frac{3}{4}-1$ inch broad, pendulous towards their apices. Spadix small in proportion to the plant, and consequently not very conspicuous, emerging from several imbricating leafy bracts, forming the spatha, and constituting a dense thyrsoid panicle, more than a span long, and clothed with yellow flowers, scarcely so large as those of the Lily of the Valley. Peduncles and primary branches thick : ultimate branches pubescent. Flowers sessile, rarely perfect, mostly male or female. Calys small, of three sepals. Corolla of three orbicular petals. Stamens inserted on the base of the petals. Ovaries three, ovate, hairy, tapering upwards into a thick subulate style.

Fig. 1. Very reduced figure of flowering plant. 2. Spatha and spadix :natural size. 3. Female flower. 4. Petal and stamen. 5. Ovaries. (N.B. Figures 6 and 7 are fruits of another plant, unintentionally introduced, and are to be cancelled):-all but Figs. 1 and 2 magnified.


# SOLANUM runcinatum. 

Runcinate-leaved Solanum.

Nat. Ord. Sulanacee.-Pentandria Monogynia.

Gen. Char. Caly.x 5-(rarius 4-6-10-)partitus, fidus, dentatus crenatusve atque ctiam integer. Corolla rotata, cupularis vel patellaris, tubo brevi, limbo plicato, 5-(rarius 4 vel 6 -)fido, partito vel angulari. Stamina 5, rarius 4 vel 6, corollæ fauci adnata, plerumque exserta; filamenta brevissima, æqualia vel rarius inæqualia. Anthere liberæ, apice poris geminis dehiscentes, couniventes, rarissime connatæ, æquales vel interdum inæquales, loculis lateribus connectivo non conspicuo adnatis. Ovarium 2-(rarius 3-4) loculare, placentis dissepimento insertis adnatis multiovulatis. Stylus simplex. Stigma obtusum. Bacca 2(rarius 3-4)locularis. Semina plurima, subreniformia, compressa. Embryo periphericus, spiralis, albumen carnosum includens. Dunal.

Solanem (§ Pachystemonum) runcinatum ; caule herbaceo procumbente anguloso succoso fragili, foliis puberulis pinnatifidis 5-7-lobis, lobis sinubusque obtusis, corollis revolutis 5 -fidis, laciniis late ovatis acutis, baccis parvis globosis.
Solanga runcinatum. Ruiz et Pav. Fl. Peruv. et Chil. v. 2. p. 36. Rom. et Schult. Syst. Veget. v. 4. p. 579 in not. Spreng. Syst. Veget. v. 1. p. 678 (sub S. quercifolium). De Cand. Prodr. v. 13. P. 1. p. 70.

The genus Solanum, notwithstanding it is now shorn of many of its original species, still, on account of the numerous recent additions by the researches of botanists and travellers, includes, under two primary sections and numerous subsections and divisions and subdivisions, no less than $\S 34$ species, according to Dunal, in De Candolle's 'Prodromus.' Our present species, in that work, ranks under the first section, Pachystemonum, and the third subsection, Dulcamara, the same to which our Bittersweet belongs. It is a native of Chili, and was raised at Kew, from seeds sent from Cnquimbo. It is a really ornamental species, and well deserving of cultivation in a greenhouse, continuing a long time in flower during the summer months. The corollas are of a bright purple-colour, with five blood-red starry points radiating from the base of the lobes, while the large anthers are yellow, from between which the green clavate stigma is protruded.

Descr. The plant is herbaccons, yet peremial. The stemss more or less procumbent or ascending, angled, green, slightly glanduloso-pubescent. Leaves alternate, two to three inches long, with five or nine undulate segments, waved at the margin, but otherwise entire : these segments are oblong, obtuse, five to seven on each leaf. The flowers droop and form a compound cyme, with slender pedicels. The corolla as large as and the shape of that of $S$. tuberosum, of a rather bright colour, with five rays of dark blood-colour. The anthers oblong, bright, almost golden-yellow, and very conspicuons : filaments very short. Ovary glabrous, oval ; style thick, flexuose, pubescenti-villous. Stigma large, club-shaped, green.

Fig. 1. Stamen. 2. Pistil:-mugnified.


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[^1]:    Fig. 1. Male flower. 2. Ovary of ditto :-both magnified.

[^2]:    april 1 st, 1860 .

[^3]:    * Cocos plumosa of Lodd. Cat. (without character or description). C. comosa, Mart.

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[^7]:    Fig. 1. Portion of a sterile pinna. 2. Portion of a fertile ditto :-magnified.

[^8]:    august list, 1860.

[^9]:    SEPTEMBER $1 \mathrm{st}, 1860$.

[^10]:    Fig. 1. Flower. 2. Calyx and pistil. 3. Stamens:-magnified.

[^11]:    * I find among a collection of Abyssinian plants, lately the property of Mr. Kobert Brown, a specimen evidently of the same plant, gathered by Dr. Rohr, at Alia Amba, which is branched and subscandent.

[^12]:    Fig. 1. Bract, with its flower. 2. Corolla, laid open. 3. Pistil.

[^13]:    * Chamarops humilis is also flourishing in the open air at Osborne, but requires a little protection in the severest weather.

