

71. PLEUROTHÁLLĪS aphthósă.

P. aphthosa; folio ovali coriaceo subtùs discolore cauli carinato triquetro æquali, spathâ bivalvi pauciflorâ, floribus subsessilibus tomentosis carnosis fragilibus, sepalis oblongis convexis subæqualibus intus papillosis lateralibus basi connatis, petalis ovatis acutis glabris subdiaphanis, labello ovato carnosio obtuso antice papilloso basi excavato glabro, columnâ petalorum longitudine, clinandrio cucullato crenulato.

A Mexican species of this extensive genus, for which I am obliged to Mr. Bateman, who received it from the Birmingham Botanic Garden, without a name. Its leaves are between three and four inches long, dull purple at the edge, and brighter underneath; the flowers are dull yellow,

tomentose externally, and scarcely longer than the two-valved spatha. The sepals are very thick and brittle, smooth inside, and covered at the end and towards the edges with little elevated purple warts; the petals are almost transparent and a very light dull yellow; the labellum is fleshy, and dull deep purple.