

137. ACINETA DENSA. An epiphyte from Costa Rica, with a pendulous short close raceme of yellowish, somewhat fragrant flowers. Blossomed in July, in the nursery of Messrs. Lane and Son, of Berk-hampstead. (Fig. 63.)

*A. densa*; racemo oblongo denso nigro-furfuraceo, bracteis ovario duplò brevioribus, labelli hypochilio concavo intus versus apicem dente obtuso tomentoso aucto, metachilii lobis lateralibus truncatis basi angustioribus appendice plano ovato subtridentato angulis posticis sinuatis, epichilio lineari-oblongo basi verrucoso, columnâ dorso tomentosâ.

This is one of M. Warezewitz's collection, imported in 1849 by Mr. Skinner. It was found at Turialba, in Costa Rica, and is very near the Barker Acinete,

notwithstanding the appearance of dissimilarity caused by its dense, not long and narrow, raceme.

The flowers are pale yellow, slightly spotted externally with crimson. The lip is yellow at the point, spotted with broad blotches on the lateral lobes, deep crimson in the space between the lobes occupied by the appendage. As regards structure, this Close-flowered Acinete differs from the Barker A. in having a more concave hypochil, the tooth of which is not notched at the point;

an entire epichil remarkably warted at the base, and the lateral lobes of the metachil not at all rounded, with the posterior angles of the intermediate appendage sinuous, and not extended into a long subulate process.

