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## \* EPIDENDRUM Skinnéri.

*Mr. Skinner's Epidendrum.*

GYNANDRIA MONANDRIA.

Nat. ord. ORCHIDACEÆ, § EPIDENDREÆ.  
 EPIDENDRUM.—*Suprà, vol. 1. fol. 17.*

E. *Skinneri*; foliis distichis lanceolatis acuminatis, caule apice longè aphylo squamoso, racemo cylindræo multifloro, floribus cernuis, sepalis lineari-lanceolatis, petalis ovalibus acutis, labello ovato acuminato integerrimo basi callo sulcato cristato.

E. *Skinneri*. *Bateman's MSS.*

Caulis erectus, teres, distichè foliosus, apicè aphyllus vaginatus. Folia 5 poll. longa. Bracteæ lineari-lanceolatæ, pedicellis capillaribus paulò brevioribus. Flores pallidè purpurei, 1½ poll. lati. Labellum cum columná semiconnatum, concavum, basi luteum, cuniculatum.

For this beautiful species of *Epidendrum* I am obliged to James Bateman, Esq. jun. in whose hot-house at Knypersley it flowered last January. He states, "that it was sent to him in the summer of 1835, from the neighbourhood of Guatemala, by his most excellent friend G. U. Skinner, Esq., to whose enthusiasm in the cause of science he is already indebted for many new and interesting plants. *Ep. Skinneri* is among the most free-flowering of its tribe; every one of its shoots, both great and small, having been invariably succeeded by a spike of flowers."

The perfect state of the specimens, so short a time after the importation of the species, attests the skill of Mr. P. N.

\* See fol. 1415.

Don, Mr. Bateman's gardener, in the management of these curious plants.

The species is in the way of *E. elongatum*, and I presume requires the same management as that plant. I have also received it from Messrs. Loddiges.