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***Campylocentrum hondurense* Ames sp. nov.** Herba parvula, epiphytica, radicibus longe patentibus. Caules multo abbreviati. Folia disticha, approximata, oblongo-ligulata, coriacea, apice inaequaliter bilobulata. Pedunculi

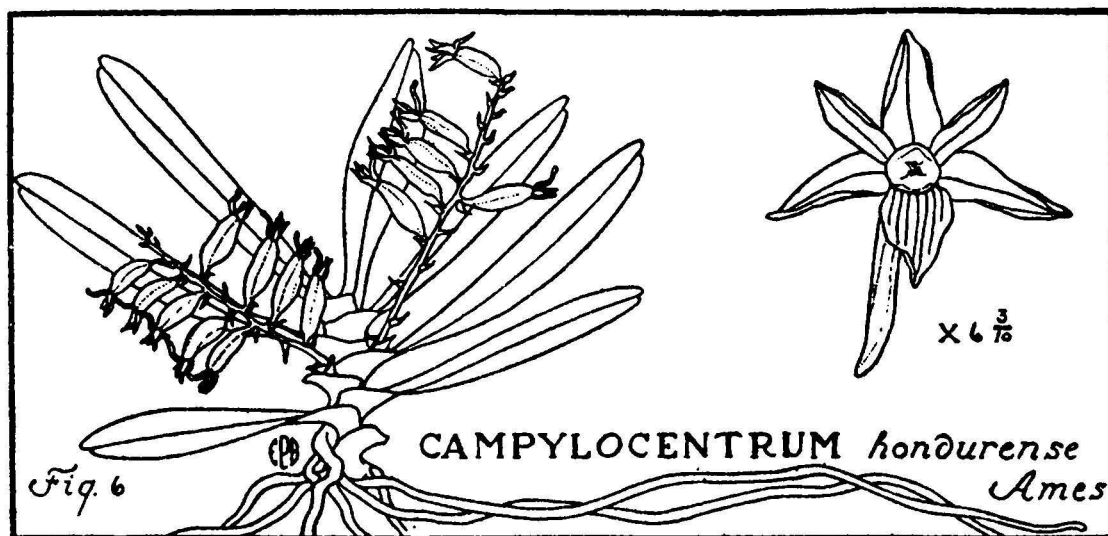
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ex axillis vaginarum orientes, folia aequantes vel subaequantes, distichiflori, rachide glanduloso-scabridula. Flores albidi, breviter pedicellati. Bracteae inflorescentiae pedicellos excedentes, triangulares, concavae, acuminatae, acutae, rigidae. Sepala petalaeque conniventia. Sepala lateralia usque ad basim libera, longe triangularia, acuta, uninervia, extus leviter carinata per medium, membranacea, labello longiora. Sepalum dorsale triangulare, subacutum, uninervium. Petala lineari-oblonga, acuta, uninervia. Labellum triangulari-trulliforme, acutum, basi concavum in calcar leviter sigmoideum productum. Calcar sepalis longius, teres, utrinque attenuatum, valde elongatum, vix scrotiforme, apice obtusum. Columna valde abbreviata. Anthera permagna. Capsula ellipsoidea, sexangularis, sparse glandulosa.

Roots fibrous, up to 15 cm. long, spreading, longitudinally sulcate. Stems 8 mm. long, complanate, concealed by the sheathing imbricating bases of the leaves, erect or ascending. Leaves about seven, distichous, up to 2.7 cm. long, 3.5–5 mm. wide, broadest above the middle, oblong, ligulate, articulated with a conduplicate base which is 2.5 mm. long, unequally bilobed at the tip, mid-vein prominent beneath. Peduncles with the raceme 1.4–2.7 cm. long, arising from the axil of the leaf-sheath. Raceme 1–2 cm. long. Bracts of the inflorescence 1.75 mm. long, exceeding the pedicels of the flowers, rigid, triangular, acute, concave. Flowers about ten, white, distichous, 3 mm. apart on the glandular-scabridulous rachis. Lateral sepals 2 mm. long, about 1 mm. wide at the base, triangular, acute, 1-nerved, carinate along the middle on the outer surface, connivent. Dorsal sepal 2 mm. long, triangular, subacute, 1-nerved. Petals 1.75 mm. long, linear-oblong, 1-nerved, acute, membranaceous, parallel with the upper sepal. Labellum hardly 2 mm. long, .75 mm. wide near the base, triangular-trulliform or lanceolate, acute, membranaceous, produced at base into a slender spur, ecallose. Spur 3 mm. long, terete, lightly sigmoid, attenuated at the ends, obtuse, more or less porrect. Column stout, abbreviated. Capsule 5 mm. long, ellipsoidal, 6-angled, sparsely glandulose.

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A very distinct species without any near allies in the Central American flora. The elongated spur and abbreviated stems are characteristic. [Fig. 6.]



SPANISH HONDURAS, Lancetilla Farm near Tela, Ames II 210, March 16, 1923. On small tree overhanging the Tela River. 250 feet altitude. (TYPE in Herb. Ames No 25261.)