

74. *CATASETUM WARCZEWITZII*. (*aliàs* Warczewitzia, *Skinner*.) A most fragrant terrestrial Orchid from Panama. Introduced by Mr. Skinner. Flowers pale green. Discovered by Warczewitz; blossomed at Penllergare' in April with J. D. Llewelyn, Esq. (Fig. 29.)

*C. Warczewitzii*, (*MONACHANTHUS*) *racemis brevibus densis pendulis, sepalis petalisque subrotundo-ovatis patulis incurvis, labelli galeâ anticâ basi compressâ apice ventricosâ lobis membranaceis planis lateralibus parvis serratis intermedio bilobo laciniis divaricatis fimbriatis, columnâ muticâ.*

This has found its way into cultivation under the name of *Warczewitzia*, Mr. Skinner having supposed the genus to be new, and desiring to give it to the bold and indefatigable naturalist who discovered it. We quite agree with Mr. Skinner that if patience, and unwearied industry, courage that never quails before danger, and enthusiasm which despises difficulty, should give a naturalist a claim to a genus, Mr. Warczewitz most eminently has one. But he must wait for another opportunity, the plant that was given him being undoubtedly a *Catasetum*, and nearly related to *C. discolor*. As a species it is perfectly distinct from all others; the flowers which grow in a close pendulous raceme, consist of roundish ovate sepals and petals, and a helmeted lip which spreads into a thin 3-lobed limb, the middle lobe of which divides into two diverging fringed halves. They are pale green, with bright emerald green veins, and though not gaudy are extremely pretty. Their charm consists, however, in their delicious fragrance, which is quite equal to that of *Aërides odoratum*.

