EPIDENDRUM (OSMOPHYTUM) STANGEANUM, n. sp. ‡

A striking botanical curiosity. A tiny plant, 5-6 inches high, with rigid semiterete canaliculate blunt leaves, and a small few-flowered shorter inflorescence of very small green flowers, like those of Epidendrum diffusum. It is one of the rare instances in this vast genus wherein the sepals and ovary are covered with short hairs. It comes from Panama, and was introduced by Mr. F. F. Stange, once the Orchid grower of the late Consul Schiller, now one of our most industrious nurserymen, and who is very famous for growing at his place, Wandsbecker Chaussee, 211, Hamburgh, the most curious Ferns, leaf plants, and last, not least, Disa grandiflora, in any quantity, just as if it were Asparagus. The plant was kindly given to the Hamburgh Botanic Garden, and brought afresh to flower by Mr. Donat. H. G. Rchb. f.

‡ Epidendrum (Osmophytum) Stangeanum, n. sp.-Pseudo-

bulbo tereti monophyllo; folio carnoso semitereti subulato canaliculato stricto; racemo paucifloro; bracteis linearilanceis ovaria pedicellata subæquantibus; ovariis sepalisque extus hispidulis; flore obliquo, sepalis triangulo lanceis; tepalis linearibus acutis, labello basi adnato cordiformi acuto basi ecalloso; androclimo simplici integerrimo antice utrinque angulato. Ex Panama inta. cl. Stange cui dicatum, H. G. Rehb. f.