140. ACROPERA ARMENIACA. An epiphyte from Nicaragua, with rich apricot-coloured flowers in pendent racemes. Belongs to the Orchids. Flowers in July. Introduced by M. Warczewitz. (Fig. 66.)

lateralibus obliquis apice rotundatis, petalis liberis columna duplò brevioribus, labello calceato carnoso apice libero ovato plano acuminato intus pone basin cristà tuberculatà aucto.

For this curious and really pretty species we are indebted to Sir Philip de Malpas Grey Egerton, Bart. It differs from the A. Batemanni in its petals being much shorter than the column, and perfectly distinct from it, and in the point of the

lip being undivided, free and flat. There is nothing peculiar in its habit; but its large flowers, coloured like the sunny side

of a ripe apricot, are very remarkable.

A. armeniaca: racemo laxo multifloro, sepalis apiculatis