Habenaria Lankesteri Ames sp. nov. Herba terrestris. Caules prope basim foliosi. Bracteae supra folia vaginantes. Flores virides, in racemum subdensum dispositi. Sepala lateralia deflexa, ovato-oblonga, concava. Sepalum dorsale erectum, late ovatum, valde concavum. Petala oblongo-triangularia, antice prope basim in dentem abbreviatum producta. Labellum tripartitum, divisionibus subaequalibus, lineari-oblongis. Calcar dependens, ovarium subaequans.

Terrestrial herb 12-18 cm. tall. Leaves approximate, more or less basal, 4-5 cm. long, about 7 mm. wide, narrowly elliptic-oblong, tapering gradually toward both ends, acute, obliquely ascending, two of the leaves well developed, passing gradually into the acuminate bracts that sheath the upper part of the stem. Bracts of the stem two, alternate, closely appressed, 1.5-2.3 cm. long. Raceme 3-4 cm. long, five or more flowered. Bracts of the raceme about 1 cm. long, closely appressed to the ovary, lanceolate, acuminate. Pedicels very short, the ovary nearly sessile. Flowers green when alive, becoming brownish when dry. Lateral sepals slightly exceeding 4 mm. in length, about 2 mm. wide, pendent, ovate-oblong, strongly concave, fleshy, obtuse, somewhat thickened at the tip. Dorsal sepal 4 mm. long, elliptic-ovate, strongly concave, erect, the margin overlapping the petals. Petals 3.5 mm. long, about 1.5 mm. wide, triangular-oblong, subacute, fleshy, with a short obliquely ascending tooth at the base on the anterior margin. Labellum fleshy, tripartite, the divisions subequal and linear-oblong, the laterals slightly shorter than the middle one, from base of labellum to tip of middle division 4 mm. long; lateral divisions subparallel to the middle one, 3 mm. long, hardly 1 mm. wide; middle division slightly exceeding 3 mm. in length, twice broader than the lateral divisions. Spur pendent, about 1 cm. long, slender. Stigmatic process prominent.

Allied to Habenaria repens Nutt., but differs in the structure of the labellum and petals.

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