

MASDEVALLIA CALURA, n. sp.†

This has appeared with *Masdevallia Reichenbachiana* in Mr. F. Sander's establishment at St. Albans. It has, however, nothing to do with that species, but it is very near *Masdevallia marginata*, excepting in colour. There are, however, very strong characters in the inner surface of the outer perigone, and in the shape of the petals and lip. The outer perigone has a nearly obliterate chin, the cupula is well developed, the single triangle is very short, the lateral triangles are much larger—all of a fine bluish-purple, nearly of the tint of *Masdevallia cucullata*. The tails surpass the length of the floral body. The inner surface is covered with obtuse warts. The petals and lip are brownish-purple and quite distinct in shape; the petals very broad and plump, with a very short stalk and irregular blunt angles and a marginal obscure keel inside. The base of the lip is very broad, nearly rhomboid, the anterior part narrower and abruptly acute. This is quite distinct from what occurs in *M. marginella*. Column white with numerous purple freckles on the anterior base. The leaves are very thick and very distinctly stalked. The plant is rather nice, though not grand. *H. G. Rehb. f.*

† *Masdevallia calura*, n. sp.—Aff. *Masdevalliæ marginellæ* cupula bene evoluta; mento subnullo, perigonio externo intus verrucoso, triangulo impari brevissimo, triangulis paribus melius evolutis, setis triangula bene excedentibus; tepalis ab ungue irregulariter hexagonis, latis, carina una lateralis intus; labello a basi latissima rhombea obtusangula ligulato acuto obscurissime bicarinato; columnæ androclinio supra antheram bidentato. *H. G. Rehb. f.*