13. Cycnoches barbatum.

C. barbatum; racemo ascendente longissimo (bipedali) multifloro (50-80), labelli trilobi basi barbati laciniis lateralibus erectis triangularibus acuminatis inæquilateris intermediâ rhombeo-lanceolatâ acuminatâ, ovario hirsuto.

Native country, New Grenada.

The first information I had concerning this very pretty plant was from M. Linden, of the Luxembourg Nursery, who, in May, 1849, sent me a specimen, with the intimation that he had obtained it from New Grenada, and that its long graceful drooping racemes bear in that country from fifty to eighty flowers. In the Exhibition of the Society, a small specimen excited universal admiration for the delicacy of its texture, its curious form, and its graceful habit. I have also received it from J. J. Blandy, Esq., of Reading. I understand that it has the pseudo-bulb of a Gongora rather than the taper stem of a Cycnoches. Its flowers are of a soft delicate flesh-colour, spotted with deeper red; the whole of the parts are so thin as almost to deserve the name of membranous; and in the middle of the 3-lobed stalked lip is a broad tuft of long half-transparent hairs.