
CCLI. PTERICHIS.

Flores ringentes. Sepala ovata, herbacea ; lateralia postica, libera, erecta, basi æqualia, dorsale anticum, pendulum. Petala unguiculata, dilatata, patentia. Labellum posticum, coriaceum, galeatum, acuminatum, columnam abscondens, intra marginem verrucosum. Columna nana ; stigmatis semicircularis bilabiati labio exteriori brevi rotundato, interiore acuto. Anthera deflexa, in clinandrio cucullato, altè excavato, marginibus membranaceis inflexis, abdita.——Herba terrestris, Peruviana, *Sarcoglottidis* minoris habitu.

This singular genus has the habit of *Spiranthidæ*, but the structure of *Cranichidæ*. It approaches *Cryptostylis* in the structure of the flowers, especially in the column, but the remainder of the flower is quite different.