

TRICHOPILIA KIENASTIANA (*Rchb. f.*), *n. sp.*†

An old acquaintance of mine. It was February, 1873, when I first saw a single flower of this, kindly forwarded by Mr. W. Bull. I got no further information about bulb, leaf, and origin, and the flower, as well as my sketch and notes, was kept in my herbarium. Finally, in June last, Herr Consul Kienast, Zölly (Zürich, Rämistrasse) sent me not only several inflorescences, but even—*ex præcordiis*—a bulb and a leaf.

I learn that this ardent collector found a tiny plant at Mr. F. Sander's labelled "Chestertoni." The poor dwarf was treated with the greatest love, and now it is a stately plant, flowering in profusion. It is a pleasure to dedicate it to its benevolent saviour, who is inferior to nobody in love and genial management of Orchids, and at once with Mr. Ortgies the *facile princeps* of growers of *Pescatoreas* and *Bolleas*.

Our plant stands near *Trichopilia suavis*, Lindl., and *Backhousiana*, *Rchb. f.* Bulb and leaf look much like those organs of the species just named, and the shape of the flower is comparable to, though the lip is not so stately as in *T. suavis*, Lindl. The peduncle would appear to be usually two-flowered. Sepals and petals are linear-ligulate, blunt, acute, straight, or nearly so. Lip three-lobed, lateral lobes median, obtuse angled; anterior lobe porrect, wavy, emarginate, the adherence of the claw to the lip goes very high on the column and is linear, where it is very broad triangular in *Trichopilia suavis*, and short and square in *Trichopilia Backhousiana*. The rather slender and long column has an oblique membranous hood at its back, with small teeth (no fringes, as in *Trichopilia suavis*). The anther is broad and acute over the front. The flowers are white, with a few yellow lines or spots on the disc of the lip. It is a very good species. *H. G. Rchb. f.*

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† *Trichopilia Kienastiana*, *n. sp.*—Pseudobulbo late ligulato apaco (bipollicari); folio oblongoligulato acuto (spithamæo); racemis porrectis bifloris; bracteis oblongis acutis ovaria pedicellata non æquantibus; sepalis tepalisque cuneato-ligulatis obtuse acutis; labello longe cum columna connato cuneato dilatato trilobo lobis lateralibus obtusangulis; lobo antico porrecto crispulo emarginato, plicis nullis; columnæ androclinio breviter membranaceo denticulato. *H. G. Rchb. f.*