

***Tropidia Robinsonii* Ames sp. nov.** Herba terrestris, erecta, foliosa, nonnihil simplex, plerumque ramosa. Caules graciles, teretes, foliis in vaginis tubulosis nervosis sessilibus. Folia linearia, acuta, superiora plus minusve conferta, inferiora inter se satis distantia, alterna, graminea, oblique ascendentia, demum recurvata. Inflorescentia terminalis. Racemus parvus, e vaginis foliorum terminalium erumpens, pauciflorus. Bracteae racemi plus minusve rigidae, basi concavae, ovario longiores, nervosae, virides, persistentes. Ovarium pedicellatum plus minusve sulcatum. Sepala lateralalia oblonga, usque ad apicem angustata, apice breviter carinata, basi cohaerentia, mentum breve obtusum formantia. Sepalum dorsale cymbiforme, sepalis lateralibus multo angustius. Petala triangulari-oblonga, usque ad apicem angustata, valde curvata. Labellum ventricososaccatum apice valde decurvatum. Columna generis.

Terrestrial herb 30 cm. or more tall, simple or commonly branching above, with the branches 10-16 cm. or more long. Stems terete, hardly 2 mm. thick, erect, leafy. Leaves 4-8 cm. long, 3-6 mm. wide, linear, grass-like, narrowed toward the ends, sessile on the tubular sheathing bases which conceal the stem. Racemes terminal from the axils of the uppermost leaves, with the abbreviated peduncle 1-1.5 cm. long, few-flowered, with the flowers crowded. Bracts of the raceme about 5 mm. long, rigid, persistent, triangular, concave, nervose. Ovary shortly pedicellate, about 4 mm. long, longitudinally sulcate. Lateral sepals 8 mm. long, 2 mm. wide, oblong, narrowed to a shortly carinate tip, united at base, forming a distinct obtuse pientum which conceals the base of the labellum. Dorsal sepal 8 mm. long, cymbiform, arching forward over the column, acute. Petals 7 mm. long, 2.5 mm. wide, triangular-falcate, acute, protuberant on the anterior margin at the base. Labellum including the strongly deflexed tip, 8 mm. long, ventricose-saccate, distinctly bilobed at the base, sulcate beneath where it is longitudinally thickened, with a prominent keel within near the base and with a distinct keel on each side above the middle; the deflexed apical portion is somewhat cucullate at the obtuse tip. Column about 4 mm. long.

Tropidia Robinsonii is distinguished from the closely allied *T. gracilis* Schltr. by its broad triangular floral bracts and large flowers.

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