

NEW OR NOTEWORTHY ORCHIDS

**Hetaeria leyensis Ames sp. nov.** Herba terrestris. Caulis herbaceus, simplex, ascendens, basi repens, inferne glaber, foliosus, superne breviter albido-villosus, foliis squamiformibus vaginantibus praeditus. Folia triangular-lanceolata, acuminata, variegata, basi in petiolum abbreviatum canaliculatum ima vaginantem attenuata. Racemosus erectus, plus minusve gracilis. Ovarium glandulosum. Sepala lateralia ovato-lanceolata, subacuta. Sepalum dorsale basi valde concavum, supra medium triangulare, obtusum. Petala inaequaliter ovato-lanceolata, subacuta, sepalo dorsali adhaerentia. Labellum valde concavum vel ventricosum, basim versus cum tuberculis recurvis duobus instructum, supra medium utrinque incrassatum deinde valde constrictum, in apicem triangularem productum. Columna erecta, rostello valde bifido, utrinque stigmatifera. Anthera sagittata.

Terrestrial herb up to 20 cm. tall from a creeping rhizome. Roots 2-4 cm. long, hairy. Stems smooth below, leafy, pubescent above, with bract-like leaves which de-

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crease in size. Leaves 5.5–7 cm. long, up to 2.2 cm. wide near the base, triangular-lanceolate, acuminate, with canaliculate petioles which sheath the stem. Leaf-like bracts 1–2 cm. long, closely appressed. Raceme 3–4 cm. or more long, slender. Bracts of the raceme equaling or exceeding the flowers. Ovary and abbreviated pedicel about 8 mm. long, glandular. Lateral sepals about 3 mm. long, ovate-lanceolate, subacute, membranaceous. Dorsal sepal about 3 mm. long, strongly concave at the base, somewhat ovate in outline when spread out, obtuse. Petals agglutinated to the dorsal sepal, 3 mm. long, 2 mm. wide below the middle, unequally ovate, acute or subacute. Labellum 3 mm. long, ventricose-saccate, with two hooked appendages within near the base, one on each side, thickened in front near the anterior margin of the sac where it is narrowed into an isthmus; apical portion of the labellum triangular, .75 mm. long and broad. Column about 2 mm. long with the rostellum deeply bifid. Anther sagittate.

Allied to *Hetaeria micrantha* Bl., from which it differs in the foliage, in the petals and in the shape of the labellum.

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