



LILIES AND ORCHIDS

A SERIES OF DRAWINGS IN COLOR OF
SOME OF THE MORE INTERESTING AND
BEAUTIFUL SPECIES OF THESE FAMILIES
TOGETHER WITH DESCRIPTIVE TEXT

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FOREWORD

In this little book I have endeavored to set forth an informal sketch of three flower families growing in the United States, east of the Rocky Mountains, and in Canada, together with a few stray relatives from the Pacific slope, illustrated by faithful color studies of the more prominent examples.

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PLATE I

WOOD LILY

Lilium Philadelphicum

LILIES

THE Family of Lilies is one of the most interesting and one of the handsomest flower groups which we possess. At first it was very large, for many closely connected species were included; but it is so well known that the botanists were forced to subdivide it more and more, until now it is comparatively small. The main division (which every one has not yet adopted) is the separation of the Bellflowers, Bell-leaves, Blazing-star and a few others in the Bellflower Family; the Gentian-flowered and their closest relatives in the Solanum Family; and the Begonias, Adonis's Seed and those others in the Liliacae of the former Family. At present it is only with the latter and with the Lily Family Proper that we will concern ourselves.

THE LILY FAMILY

The Lily Family Proper is made up of hairy-attenuated herbs, growing from bulb or corm. The leaves are always parallel-veined and simple. The flowers are regular and generally perfect, having a perianth of six even segments, sometimes numerous; six stamens, with two-celled anthers, growing from the base of the segments; and a three-celled ovary with a generally three-lobed stigma, at the end of a long style. The fruit is an oblong capsule. The root differs according to the variety.

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Name. *Lily*, *Star Lily*, *Yellow Star-of-Bethlehem*,
Root. — A bulb of three scales. **Stem.** — Simple, 1¹/2'-3'
Leaves. — Linear, glaucous, pointed, or entire. **Flowers.**
— Regular, always sweet, 5-petaled, mostly yellow and orange. **Pistil.** — Of three lobes, sometimes numerous before completion of ovary. **Stamens.** — Six, each with
two-celled anther. **Seeds.** — Long, with pointed wings.

This is one of our most showy and beautiful Boxes. It grows in dry woods and old meadows, from Canada to North Carolina, from June to August. A large plant with very small spikes, not over 5' high, on Nantucket Island.



PLATE I. - Selected work of Leon L'Hermitte.

Red Lily, *Lilium Philadelphicum*.

PLATE III.
TURK'S CAT FISH
Turicichla septentrionalis

PLATE IV

Yosemite Twin-Lily., *Lilium parvum* (Kelleng.).
Root.—Bulbous and fibrous. **Stem.**—Nearly 2'-3' high. **Leaves.**—Oval, pale green, thinner than other lilies, in whorls or alternate leaves. **Flowers.**—Stout, 2'-3' long, several-flowered, on long, thickening flower-stalks, wavy and recurved, prostrate. **Petals.**—Of oral segments, slightly recurved. **Stamens** (6).—Dark red. **Pistil** (6).—With a broad-style stigma.
Buds.—Flat.

The small, green-like flowers of this beautiful twin-lily, waving on their long stalks, are particularly attractive. I found them in early August on the upper trails of the Yosemite Valley, growing amid tall grasses and small shrubs.

*See *Glory's Lily*, A. Gray, seems to be either like the last, with larger flowers and stiffer leaves. It blooms in July and August, on the peaks of Virginia and North Carolina.*

Two genera, not immediately recognizable as lilies, follow.

GRASS-HYACINTH., *Muscaris* (arypnoides), is an herb with long, grass-like leaves from the root, and a short, thick raceme of very small, thin, slightly fragrant flowers. The leaves have a glaucous, translucent perianth, with six small veins. The cluster much resembles a bunch of grass, hence the name.

FRANCIA GRASS-HYACINTH., *M. camassoides*, is similar, with narrower leaves and older, star-shaped flowers. Both these plants are European escaped from gardens, and bloom in spring.

STAR-GRASS., *Carex* (Brown), *Asteria* (Jussieu), has a tuft of pale, lanceolate leaves at the root and a tall scape topped by a long panicle of small, starry-looking, bell-shaped flowers, erect, roughish, red-white, with a star-shaped, two-petaled perianth. This plant grows east of the Mississippi in early summer. A yellow form of it sometimes appears South.

YELLOW CAREX., *A. varia*, is similar. It has shorter leaves and shorter yellow flowers. It blooms south from New York in early summer.



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OXALIS. *Oxalis* sp. var. *versicolor*
Haworth. Flora Ind. Brit. 1816. p. 100.

PLATE V
WADDESDALE LIAS
Litostrea Waddingtoniana

PLATE V

Wax-moss Lily, *Allium Washingtonianum*, Radd.—An other lily. **Stems**.—Simple, 4'-5' high. **Leaves**.—Small, in whorls or alternate above. **Flowers**.—Large, in a terminal cluster, white, thick-clad with purple and pink. **Petaloid**.—Of various colors, blue, greenish, somewhat recurved. **Stamens** in **Petaloid**.—With a bent-like stigma.

These charming white flowers on their tall, will seem as much more delicate than the *Bromeliad* like as the Turk's-Cap are than the *Tigridia*. I found them growing in the pruned stems of the *Magnolia* in California, a job.

Dwarf Lily, *Allium schoenoprasum*, together with the **Yellow Lily**, *A. flavum*, are common springtime escapees from our gardens. They have large, greenish, channeled, rose leaves, and numerous small yellow flowers, growing several on a scape.

The **GARLIC** or *Onion* also belong to the **Lily Family**. They all have round or oval, whitish heads, two-leaved, and small, opposite, segmented leaves growing at the summit of a scape or a more slender stalk. Beneath are 2-3 membranous leaves. They are not attractive plants.

Wild Onion, *Allium canadense*, has elliptic, early fading leaves and white flowers. It blooms in early summer, and of the Mississippi and north of North Carolina.

Covered Wild Onion, *A. schoenoprasum*, is a Northern variety, with hollow, linear leaves and pink flowers.

Common Wild Onion, *A. canadense*, has nodding, white, rose or purple flowers and flat, channeled, linear leaves. It ranges over most of the United States and Canada.

Prairie Wild Onion, *A. stellatum*, is much the same, with rose-colored, star flowers. It blooms in summer, in the Western plains.

White GARLIC, FIELD GARLIC, CROW GARLIC, *A. sativum*, is a troublesome weed from Europe, naturalized in the Middle States. It has hollow leaves and purple and green flowers, sometimes replaced by bell-like, tipped with a long hair-like appendage.



PLATE 5. *Stemmed lily* (from Linné's
Magnum Opus, Liliaceae. *Working drawings*)

PLATE VII

A

SUTTALL'S MARSHMALLOW
Cochlearia Suttallii

B

GOVINDARAJ'S MARSHMALLOW
Cochlearia Govindarajii

purple; or purplish green flowers with separate segments. It blooms in early summer, from North Dakota and Wyoming westward.

PLATE VII, A

Nuttall's Mariposa Lily, *C. Nuttallii*. **Root.**—A corm. **Stem.**—Branched, slender, 3'-4' high. **Leaves.**—Linear like grasses. **Flowers.**—Large, showy, white. **Perianth.**—The three outer segments (or sepals) are lanceolate, greenish-white; the three inner (or petals) are narrow wedge-shaped and pointed, white or lavender, with a yellowish base, above which is a purple spot. **Stamens** (2).—Arrow-shaped. **Pistil** (1).—With a three-lobed stigma.

So graceful and elegant is this fair flower, swinging on its slender stalk among the tall grasses, that it seems almost unearthly. It blooms from South Dakota west to California, from June to August.

PLATE VII, B

Graham's Mariposa Lily, *C. Grahamii*. **Root.**—A corm. **Stem.**—Often simple, as above. **Leaves.**—As above, with incurved edges. **Flowers.**—Large, showy, white. **Perianth.**—The sepals as above, the petals white or lavender, with a purple band across the center within, yellowish and hairy below. **Stamens** (2).—With oval anthers. **Pistil** (1).—With a three-lobed stigma.

This plant is much like its Mariposa sister. It grows as far south as New Mexico and blooms in midsummer, as does the other. I found it in a ravine in the Canyon of the Grand, near Glenwood Springs, Colorado.

Another Western genus is the Yucca, which has hollow, spike-like leaves, with fibrous threads hanging from their margins. The flowers are large, creamy-white, have separate segments, and droop from a tall, dense, terminal cluster. They bloom in spring and early summer.

Spathe Bayonet, *Faucaria luciae*, is the largest. It is sometimes 8' high. Its flowers are very large and its fruit edible.



FIGURE XII. Drawing about 3 from life size.

a. Donisthorpe's Mariposa Lily, Calochortus donisthorpei.
b. Stamen & Mariposa Lily, Calochortus canescens.

BRAZ-GRASS. *F. glauca*, is smaller and much shorter. This plant both grows on the dry Western prairies, AND IN TEXAS, *F. glauca*, has broader, flat leaves. It is common, and has escaped in places. It grows wild in Florida, Louisiana, and Texas.

LILIES-OF-THE-VALLEY

THIS Lili-of-the-Valley Family grows from rock crevices, over limestone rocks. The leaves are smooth, pointed toward and basal, narrow in the Acuminated and its allies, where there are inclined to them, curved like scales with their broadest at the ends. The flowers grow in clusters, nodding, pendant or semi-pendant; they are regular and perfect. The perianth is often divided into four or six segments, or is in one piece, with six lobes or teeth. The stamens grow from the perianth. The pistil has a true, bearded ovary, and a style with a generally oblique stigma. The fruit is a dry, stiff, oval, one-celled drupe.

Small members of this group we might resemble the Lily Family Proper, but at first sight it is difficult to distinguish them.

PLATE VIII

YELLOW CLOVER. *Chionodoxa lutea*. **Root.**—A slender rhizome. **Stem.**—A single scape, 6'-8' high. **Leaves.**—Large, 2'x1', oval, smooth. **Flowers.**—Lily-like, pale yellow, drooping, greenish-yellow. **Petal.**—With six rounded segments. **Stamens** (6)—six. **Pistil** (3).—With a two-celled ovary. **fruit.**—A bright blue berry.

The pale-yellow bells and bright leaves of the Chionodoxa deserve many more woodlands, from Newfoundland south to North Carolina and west to Minnesota, during May and June. Sometimes a flower is borne on the scape, below the cluster.

WHITE CLOVER. *C. sordidula*, is rather taller



PLATE VII. Botanical sketch in form like No.
Yellow Clematis. (Clematis lutea.)

PLATE IX

A

FALSE SAWYER'S SEAL.

Taymora racemosa (*Smilacina racemosa*)

B

STAR FLOWERED SAWYER'S SEAL.

Taymora collata

and woody, with smaller, white, purple-dotted, erect, adenos flowers, a small leaf on the scape, and black, round berries. It ranges from New York to Georgia in May and June.

ASPARAGUS, (*Asparagus officinalis*), is a native of Europe, escaped from cultivation in various parts of the country. The young shoots make the delicious vegetable, which we all know. The small, sword-like leaves of the plant do not look like the lily tribe, but the bell-like, drooping, greenish flowers, with their six small segments, point the way. The fruit is a scarlet berry. The plant blossoms in early summer and ages in autumn.

PLATE IX, A

FALSE SOLOMON'S SEAL, WILD SPURGE, VAGRANT SPURGE (*Asclepias speciosa*). **Root**.—A thick, woody rhizome. **Stem**.—Cane-like, simple, 1'-2' high. **Leaves**.—Oval, sessile, alternate, dark green. **Flowers** (♂).—In a densely branched, terminal spike; small, creamy-white. **Perianth**.—Of six oblong segments. **Stamens** (6).—Six. **Pistil** (1).—White. **Fruit**.—A red berry speckled with purple.

These feathery tassels of creamy flowers grow profusely, from May to July in rich woods or thickets, across the continent.

A. speciosa is similar, with drooping leaves and a longer style. It grows westward.

PLATE IX, B

STAR-FLOWERED SOLOMON'S SEAL, V. solida. **Root**.—A short, fleshy rhizome. **Stem**.—Short, erect, 8"-10" high. **Leaves**.—Vine, sessile, somewhat clasping, silvery beneath. **Flowers** (♂).—In a few-flowered, terminal raceme, star-shaped, larger than *V. recurvata*, white. **Perianth**.—Of six oblong segments. **Stamens** (6).—Six. **Pistil** (1).—White. **Fruit**.—A black or green berry with six black stripes.

This plant is shorter and less graceful than its sister, *V. recurvata*, but its star-like flowers are more attractive.



PLATE XI.—Illustrated varieties of *Polygonum* from China.

- A. *White Bohemian's* *Polygonum*, *Polygonum avicinatum*.
B. *Star-diamonded Bohemian's* *Polygonum*, *Polygonum avicinatum*.

PLATE XI
SILK CUCUMBER AND
Melothria Fungivora

PLATE XII
SILICE TERRACE
Daliborus grandisquam

down in flowers. The long stigmas of the later give them an insect-like appearance.

PLATE 21

WHITE TRILLIUM, *Trillium grandiflorum*. **Root.**—A short, scarred rootstock. **Stem.**—Nodding, erect, 8-18" high. **Leaves.**—Broadly ovate, base in a whorl at the center of the stem. **Flower.**—Bell-shaped, large, white or purplish-pink. **Perianth.**—4-5 thin green, broadened sepals and three white, numerous, erect, spreading petals. **Stamens.**—None. The stamens longer than the perianth. **Pistil.**—With a two-lobed ovary and three apical stigmas. **Fruit.**—A round, black berry.

The large, fragrant blossoms of these trifoliate brighten many acres of woodland, during the time among the Adirondack and Adirondack's basin, in May or June, east of the Mississippi. It becomes rare of this, willow-leaved form, more found in Michigan.

SOUTHERN TRILLIUM, *T. cuneatum*, is slender, with a smaller, white, nodding flower. It follows over the same range a little earlier.

PAINTER'S TRILLIUM, *T. candidissimum* (*T. luteovariegatum*), is slightly larger and follows over the same time and range as the last. It has an erect, white flower streaked with purple or red.

EARLY TRILLIUM, *T. wherryi*, is much smaller, with pedicellate leaves and an erect, white flower. It appears in early spring, from Pennsylvania to Minnesota and south to Kentucky.

FRASER'S TRILLIUM, *T. recurvatum*, is a little larger, having a nodding, white flower, with rounded sepals and frequently blushed leaves. It ranges south from Minnesota through the Middle States.

BROWNE'S TRILLIUM, *T. acutum*, has sessile leaves and flowers. The leaves are often blushed, and the flowers are purple or greenish and fragrant. It ranges from Pennsylvania south and west to the Mississippi.

WALKER'S TRILLIUM, *T. recurvatum*, has a purple-red or pink or greenish, unpleasantly fragrant flower on a stalk exceeding the sessile leaves. It ranges east of the Mississippi.



PLATE XI. Larch.

With Petals. *Pinus grandis*.

PLATE XIII
DRAWN BY
Catolobus capillatus

THE ORCHIS FAMILY

THIE orchids are most nearly related to the Iridaceæ than to any other family. In fact, their roots, stems, and leaves might often be mistaken for that tribe. The leaves are always parallel-veined, never compound, frequently grass-like, and are sometimes reduced to scales.

The form of the flower is the distinctive feature of the orchid. The calyx and corolla are very irregular and it is often difficult to distinguish them. They are divided into six segments, three equal, and three pendulous. One of the petals is called the lip and is generally more showy than the others. Sometimes this lip is flat or fringed, sometimes it is furnished with a spur, and often it is most grotesque in form and color. The most characteristic thing about the flowers however, is the Column. This is the stony, immovable part of the orchid, bearing the anthers and the rest of the organs (or rather some of the organs) balanced underneath the corolla, or just above it. The pollen of the orchid grows in sticky masses. When disturbed by an insect, it is projected in one piece and deposited on the stigma of a neighboring blossom. The spur is long and generally twisted and the seeds are very numerous and dust-like. The orchid is especially adapted to cross-fertilization.

PLATE XIII

COREOPSIS Root, *Coreopsis cordifolia*. Root,
Flower, root-like. Stem, 1' or more. Leaves.—Reduced to a glaucous, thin, stiff, purple,
small, linear, awl-shaped. Flowers.—Glaucous—yellow-purple,
single, in raceme. Lip, long, pale-yellow. Petiole.—
Of the narrow awl-shaped petioles and a short, thick, wrinkled
lip with a short spur. Column (L.)—Inconspicuous, winged above. The awl-shaped awl-shaped lip. Ovary (R.).
The irregular dark bark ranges over most of the
United States. Bloom from May to June.

WILDFLOWER Root, C. Wahlenbergia. Many
varieties. Coreopsis Root, C. multiflora, and Stiffened
Coreopsis, C. glauca, are much the same, but larger,
with slightly more showy lips.



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PLATE XV
CONTINUATION
Anthonae bullatae

LIGNEOUS TROCHAEA, *G. silvatica*, are described by their names.

LITTLE LADY' TROCHAEA, *G. simplex*, and SAWDUST TROCHAEA, *G. gracilis*, are smaller and have 2-3 early falling non-leaves and have only bracts.

CALYPTRIS, *Calyptris bulbosa*. Root.—A bulb. Stem.—Simple, 5'-6' high. Leaves.—One, sessile, with a heart-shaped base. Flower.—Solitary, terminal, showy, variegated purple, pink and yellow. Perianth.—Of five, erect or spreading sepals and petals, the lip unshaded, drooping, with a patch of yellow wavy. Column.—Petal-like above, with a lid-like awl-like spur above the stigma.

A fascinating little nymph who appears in early summer, in bogs, from Labrador to Vermont and west to California and Arizona. At first sight it resembles a small lady's-slipper.

PLATE IV

AKETHEA, *Akethea bulbosa*. Root.—A bulb. Stem.—Simple, 5'-6' high, rather stout, set with bracts. Leaves.—Terminal, linear, appearing after the flower. Flower.—Solitary, terminal, large, showy, rose-purple. Perianth.—Of usual sepals and petals, erect or arched over the column. The lip is whitened, fringed, streaked, and creased with yellow or white, hairy ridges. Column (C).—Petal-like, upright and curved above with the stamens set and drooping, which are borne on its lower edge. Ovary (O).

This dainty orchid, suspended in the eastern bogs, in May or June, reminds one of a modified *Acetosella*. See its twin sister, *acutifolia*. It ranges from Newfoundland to South Carolina and west to Indiana, but owing to its inconspicuous character, the flower-pot men, it has become rather rare.

HELLBOWTH, *Rhipsalis versicolor*, is a woody herb, 1'-2' high, with coarse, clasping leaves and a branched raceme of greenish purple or yellow flowers. It has an undulating lip and pointed sepals and petals. It blooms near Toronto and in western New York in July and August.

PLATE XVI

GRANDE PECHE

Fimbrorium adhesum (*Calepogen pulchellus*)

CRANE-FLY ORCHID, *Tripolium leptola*, is a rather tall little summer orchid, with purplish-green, long-spurred, terminal flowers. It bears one leaf after the flowers.

PETTY-KNIFE-ADAM AND EVE, *Aphyllon spicatum*, is a Western spring orchid, with rather large, yellowish-brown and purple flowers and an aerial leaf.

PLATE XIII

GLASS-PINE, CALYCANTHUS, *Lindleyanum luteum* (Cole-pine palustris). **Root.**—A coarse, solid bulb. **Stem.**—Slender, simple, 1'-1½' high. **Leaf.**—One, grass-like. **Flowers.**—Yellow, in a two-flowered, terminal raceme, two-petaled. **Petiole.**—Of ovate sepal and petals, and no stipe, subtending the leaf, with a tuft of yellow hair. **Column.**—Pistil-like above, winged, spreading horizontally. The anther tip is attached to the back of the column. The stigma is broad, hairy (at). This distinct plant ranges the Alleghenies among the tall grasses of the wet meadows, from June to July, from New England to Florida and west to Minnesota. This orchid's popularity is not large which is not natural, as conceptually, the tip is on the upper instead of on the lower side of the flower.

RATTLESNAKE PLANTAIN, *Polygonatum repens* (Gentian repens), is a small orchid, with a tuft of ovate, green and white banded leaves at the base of the stem, and a one-sided spike of small, greenish-white flowers, with a six-shaped lip. DUSTY RATTLESNAKE PLANTAIN, *P. pubescens*, is similar, with a thicker spike (not one-sided).

These two range on the Atlantic coast and west to Minnesota.

MENZIES' RATTLESNAKE PLANTAIN, *P. Menziesii*, is sometimes without the white banding. It has a swelling, pointed tip (not six-shaped), and the spike is somewhat one-sided. It grows in Canada, south on the Western coast.

These all bloom in July and August and are inconspicuous except for their showy flowers.

Snowy Orchid, *Orchis spicata*. **Root.**—Filiform. **Stem.**—Slender, two angled, 1'-1½' high. **Leaves.**—Large,



PLATE XXXI.—*Habenaria* sp. in flower. Lindley.

Drawn from a living specimen.

two from near the base of the stem, oblong, clasping.
Flowers.—Showy, in a well-flavored, terminal raceme,
whorl-shaped, pink and white. **Perianth.**—Sepals joined
in an arch, pointed forward, the whitish and sparsal.
Column.—Visible at the back, with the stigma between
the two anthers.

This is the earliest of the orchids. It grows in rich
woods in the eastern half of the continent.

Small Raccoon-Orchid, *Coeloglossum* (*C. reticulatum*), is
more slender, with smaller blossoms and white flowers
and one oval leaf. It blooms in early summer, in the
shady woods of Canada and the Northern States.

White Anna's Moth, *Adonis vernalis* monophylla, and
Green Anna's Moth, *A. vernalis*, are two small
orchids with insignificant flowers and one roundish leaf.
They bloom in woods in July. Usually the first in the
North, the second in the South also.

PLATE XXV

Rose Pogonia, **Snow Moth**, *Pogonia sphacelata*. **Root.**—Fleshy.
Stem.—Simple, 8-15' high.
Leaves.—1-2, pale, lanceolate, acute. **Flowers.**—Large,
solitary or in pairs, terminal, nodding, having a leaf-like
bract beneath, pale rose-pink. **Perianth.**—With oral,
equal sepals and petals. The lip fringed, crested, and
streaked with yellow and purple. **Column** (A and B).—
Club-shaped, with a lid-like anchor (a) capping the
stigma (c). Ovary (e).

A dainty, fragrant flower growing in swamps and
meadows with the wild Cranberry and the Calopogon.
It blooms in June or July.

Scarlet Pogonia, *P. divaricata*, is somewhat the
same, but larger; the sepals are linear and dark-colored
and larger than the flesh-colored, lanceolate petals. We
find it in swamps in July.

Northern Pogonia, *P. scutellifera*, is smaller, with
little, ovate, alternate leaves and pale-purple, drooping,
axillary flowers. It appears in late summer.

Woodland Pogonia, *P. cornuta*, bears its leaves in
a whorl, above which is the drooping flower, with its



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PLATE XXII - Botanical sketch of *Fragaria Virginiana*

From Dugensis, *Fragaria virginiana* Linnæus

PLATE XIX

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ORCAK. MOUNT. AND BRS.

Habenaria clavellata (*Habenaria involucrata*)

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SHRIMP-FRESHED. OAK HRS.

Habenaria lacera

June to August from Quebec to New York (according to Miss Sibley). I found it in the Yosemite Valley, California.

Tall White-Box Orchis, *H. dilatata*, is much like this, says that the flowers are white. It grows all summer in the northern half of the United States and Canada.

Three more Northern summer orchids are: First, ROSTED-LACEY'S ORCHIS, *H. aristata*, with its greenish-white, recurved sepals. Second, HAWKINS' ORCHIS, *H. Hawkesiana*, with its bristly, greenish-yellow, drooping sepals. Both have long narrow leaves, springing from two round, flat leaves. Third, SHELL-BOX ORCHIS, *H. dilatata*; with yellowish-green flowers and a single leaf.

Two small Southern summer orchids are: SOUTHERN WHITE ORCHIS, *H. nivea*, with long spurred flowers and plant-like leaves; and SOUTHERN YELLOW ORCHIS, *H. integrifolia*, with three spikes of orange-yellow flowers and lanceolate leaves.

PLATE XIX, A.

GARDEN WOOD ORCHIS, *H. clavigera* (*H. dilatata*).
Stem.—Angled, 2' to 3' high. Leaves.—One, large, oblong-lanceolate, several bracts above. Flowers.—Small, in short, dense raceme, greenish. Perianth.—Of six sepals and petals, with a diversified lip and a very long, incurved, shall-shaped spur. Column.—Anthers (2) above the stigma (1), which has three clublike appendages.

This very insignificant flower is perhaps the most common of the genus. It blooms east of the Mississippi in July and August.

Another small like this, with a shorter spur and more hairy stem, is TUBERELLED ORCHIS, *H. Juncifolia* (*H. pumila*).

The names of many of these orchids have been changed to other, and they were so much alike, that it is rather difficult to identify them. The insignificance of these flowers causes the layman to consider, when told that they are orchids; or the general idea, of this family, seems to be a gorgous alembic.



PLATE 212.—Illustrated by Frank L. Goss.

- A. Green Wood-Orchid, *Habenaria Americana*.
B. Ragged Fringed-Orchid, *Habenaria arcuata*.

PLATE XIX, A

ELONGATED-FRinged ORCHIS, *H. Jacobii*. **Stem.**—Slender, 1'-3' high. **Leaves.**—Linear-lanceolate, glaucous, becoming smaller above. **Flowers.**—Small, in a terminal raceme, greenish-yellow. **Persianth.**—The upper lip smooth; the upper one being round. The lower linear. The lip smooth, three-lobed, deeply fringed, with a short spur. **Column.**—The anthers are distinct by the wings (C). Ovary ill.

This is the prettiest of the green orchids, the deeply fringed lip giving the raceme a decidedly frisky effect. It flowers east of the Mississippi in June and July.

PLATE XX, A

WHITE-FRINGED ORCHIS, *H. Mephitoglossa*. **Root.**—Small fibrous. **Stem.**—1'-2' high. **Leaves.**—Linear-lanceolate, the upper ones smaller. **Flowers.**—Pure white, shiny, in a terminal raceme. **Persianth.**—Smooth round. Petals smaller, smooth. Lip broadened, fringed, with a very long spur. **Column.**—The wings extending the anthers (C). Ovary ill.

The blossoms of this flower almost follow every one's leaves. It frequents hill-slopes, marshes, ranging from Newfoundland south to North Carolina and west to Minnesota.

CREAM-FRINGED ORCHIS, *H. Antennaria*. Is much the same, but pale yellow, with a less fringed lip and shorter spur. It is probably a hybrid of the foregoing and following varieties.

PLATE XX, B

VERMILION-FRINGED ORCHIS, *H. ciliata*. **Root, Stem.**—The same as in *H. Mephitoglossa*. **Flowers.**—A little larger than the White-Fringed Orchis, with a more deeply fringed lip and a bright orange-yellow. Very shiny. **Persianth and Column (C).**—As above.

This gorgeous flower grows in company with the White-Fringed Orchid. Its flaming colors doubtless attract the necessary insects, but unfortunately, they also guide the ruthless flower-picker, so the inevitable closure of the variety.



W-175 E.E. Drawn by Anna Love Page

- A. White Fringed Orchis *Habenaria leucostachys*
B. Yellow Fringed Orchis *Habenaria obscurata*

PLATE XXI
LARGE PURPLE-FRANGING ORCHID
Habenaria grandiflora

CREEPER-YELLOW Orchis, *H. avicula*, is much the same, but smaller, with tiny orange flowers.

PALMETTO WHITE FRinged Orchis, *H. Anacamptoides*, is a larger variety, with fragrant, white flowers sometimes tinged with green. The lip is divided in three parts and is much fringed. It blooms on moist prairies in July from western New York to the Mississippi. It is very showy and beautiful.

The flowers of this group remind one of tiny damsels poised for the ball, or a swarm of fairies ready for flight.

PLATE XXI

LADY PRIMROSE Orchis, *H. primulina*.
Root. Fibrous. **Stem.**--Slender, 1'-3' high.
Leaves.--Oval or lanceolate. **Flowers.**--In a long, terminal, slender raceme, flowers very showy, white, pale pink, or rose-purple. **Petiole.**--Upper segments and middle ones pubescent. **Bracts.**--Many, few-toothed. **Lip.**--Divided in three broad-blipped parts, deeply fringed. **Column.**--A slender tail divided in the stigma (3).

The largest and most beautiful of all the genus is the Purple-Fringed Orchis. It grows in rich woods and thickets through Canada west to Michigan and south to North Carolina. When we compare a group driving through our state, Northern woods in July or August, their Southern destination is like a touch of the tropics. If we could be fortunate to adduce those trees and leave them untouched, we might have there with us for many generations to come.

SWEETLY PRIMROSE Orchis, *H. primulina*, is much the same, with shorter spikes. It blooms with the larger variety, but slightly later.

SPOTTED PRIMROSE Orchis, *H. maculosa*, is another more robust, with a yellow instead of a fringed lip. It ranges in summer, from New York south to Virginia and west to Illinois.

ANDREW'S Rose PURPLE Orchis, *H. Andrewesi*, has sepals and petals much like the White-Fringed, and a lip like the Purple-Fringed Orchis, pointed and more deeply cut. It appears in summer, in Massachusetts and Vermont. This is probably a hybrid of *H. lucorum* and *H.*



PLATE XXXI.—Illustrated by James Cope Wood.

Large Purple Fringed Orchid, *Platanthera grandiflora*.

peyodes. It is rare and local, but numerous in certain localities.

The most showy and beautiful group of the orchids which grow in this country, however, are the Cypripediums, with their oak-shaped lips. The most common of these is:

PLATE XXII

The Moth Orchid, Pink Lady's Slipper, *Cypripedium acaule*. **Root.** Tuberous. **Stem.**

—A simple scape 3'-5' high. **Leaves.** Two, from the root, somewhat hairy, elliptic, large. **Flower.** Large, yellowish, coming from the top of the scape, very fragrant and showy. **Perianth.** Sepals lanceolate, purple-brown and glossy, the two lower ones short. The petals narrow and longer. The lip very large, spreading, about one-half shaped, deep rose-pink, veined. **Column.** (a).—With an anther (b) on each side of the large stigma (c). A large petal-like, sterile stamen spreads over them. Ovary (d).

The nodding Moth Orchid hangs its heavy head above the fragrant pink needles in sandy or rocky woods. In its native haunts it is inconspicuously lovely, as each plant is perfect in itself. When it is gathered and handled it loses half its charm, although it is very beautiful to be altogether spayed. Sometimes the lip is white, the sepals and petals yellow, and the leaves a lighter green. This is an allusion there, but it appears so frequently that it nearly amounts to a separate variety.

EAST'S Blue Lady's Slipper, *C. elatum*. **Root.** Tuberous. **Stem.** Simple, 3'-4' high. **Leaves.**

—3-4, elliptic. **Flowers.** Solitary, nodding, smaller than those of the green. **Perianth.** Sepals longer than the lip, lanceolate, glossy brown. Petals linear. Lip considerably, not half white, wavy, prolonged at the apex into a pointed spur somewhat resembling a man's beard. **Column.**—Much as in *C. acaule*.

This is the newest, one of the smallest, and surely the oddest of the genus, but well, I fear, soon be extinct. When we find it the day is marked with a red letter. It ranges from May to August, through the cool, damp woods of Canada and the Northern States.



PLATE 221. Redrawn by Wm. Linn. Atch.

Mountain-Flower. *Cypripedium acaule*.

PLATE XXIII

TELLOR LAMIA SLIPPER

Cypripedium arietinum (*Cypripedium punctatum*)

blunt.—*Lary's Burner*, *C.*—*spine* (*C.*, *spine*).
root.—*As above*. **stem**.—*Same*, *but*, *the*, *more*
Leaves.—*Elliptic*, *deeply sinuate*. **Petioles**.—*Very*
long, *terminal*, *whorled* and *pink*. **Pinnules**.—*With*

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and were in Atlanta, Georgia, when I first heard of it. It is by far the most terrible of our native insects, perhaps. I also heard that there the tree infestation of all our wild flowers. I have only had the great pleasure to see one or two, and never in mature flower; but from what I well remember, The poison-hair plant will grow easily, for a queen bee is fond. But nothing, I suppose, is easier, for they can easily get away before attacking her, and have their sting directed to their own persons and their nests, and more than one in the struggle. There does not seem to be any other.



PLATE XXXIV
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PLATE XXXIV. Coloured sketch of the Snowy Lady's Slipper, *Cypripedium reginae*.