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he superb hybrid figured in the annexed plate was raised in the collection of Sir Trevor Lawrence, Bart., Burford, Dorking, from Cypripedium Lawrenceanum crossed with the pollen of C. bellatulum. It was exhibited at a meeting of the Royal Horticultural Society on April 12th., 1892, when it was deservedly awarded a First-class Certificate, under the name of C. X Lawrebellum. It was described in the Gardeners' Chronicle as « a most beautiful thing with flowers shaped more like those of C. Lawrenceanum than the other parent. The whole flower was of a rich rosy crimson, with a tinge of green at the base of the sepals and petals, and a pure white margin to the upper sepal. The petals were spotted with chocolate colour and there were numerous purplish-brown lines radiating from the base of the upper sepal. Foliage like some forms of C. Lawrenceanum, but with the markings closer or smaller in pattern. " Shortly afterwards it was figured in the same work as C. X Laurebel. The name is an abbreviated form of the combined names of the two parent species, at first used with the Latin termination, but afterwards changed into the vernacular, though it is not clear why it should have been written with the letter "u," instead of "w," in the latter form, unless by a slip.

A number of plants were raised, which, as is usual in the case of hybrids, have shown some degree of variation between themselves, some of them inclining most to the characters of *C. Lawrenceanum*, and others to those of *C. bellatulum*. The first which flowered produced a single-flowered scape, but with increased strength some of them have developed twin-flowered ones. One of them also produced a flower in which the lateral sepals were free, as recorded in the *Orchid Review*, I, p. 351.

It is a robust grower, as might be inferred from the character of the two parent species, and the flowers are large and very handsome, as may be seen in the annexed plate, which has been taken from materials kindly communicated by Sir Trevor Lawrence. Another inflorescence now before me, from the same source, bears two flowers, the lower one with the dorsal sepal 2 1/4 inches across, and the petals 2 1/2 inches long by 1 inch broad, the upper one slightly smaller. They show an unmistakeable combination of characters derived from the two parents, though the seed parent seems to have exerted the stronger influence as

regards colour, the characteristic markings of that species being stronghy developed on the dorsal sepal of the hybrid. The petals and lip are stronghy suffused with the same peculiar stade of rosy-purple, the former showing numerous small blackish brown spots near the base, and a few larger ones along the nerves. The general shape of the flower may be described as about intermediate between that of the two parents, with the staminode almost like that of C. Lawrenceanum.

Altogether it is a most beautiful hybrid and a great acquisition in a group which has produced many sterling novelties during the last few years, and from which still more may be anticipated in the immediate future.

R. A. ROLFE.

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Dendrochilum glumaceum, a strong clump well flowered; the beautiful Cypripedium X Pauli eximium, the dorsal sepal richly spotted; Coelogyne cristata alba and Dendrochilum glumaceum validum, from M. G. MITEAU;

The superb Cattleya Wambekeana, having the sepals and petals bright rose spotted with dark purple at the tips, and the lip of a beautiful sombre reddish purple, from M. CH. VAN WAMBEKE;

Cattleya labiata, in pretty varieties, from M. VANDERBORGHT;

The magnificent Maxillaria mirabilis, a new species coloured with a very rich mixture of bright yellow and red; Dendrobium Wardianum Lindeniae, with flowers entirely white, except a yellow blotch in the throat of the lip; the rare Masdevallia Schroederiana, offering in its colour a beautiful contrast of white and violet purple; Brassia Finetiana, Eria sp., Odontoglossum crispum, O. × Coradinei grandiflorum, Cattleya Trianae splendens and Phalaenopsis grandiflora alba, from M. LINDEN;

Lycaste Skinneri, brightly coloured, and Odontoglossum Rossii, well flowered, from M. DU TRIEU DE TERDONCK;

A charming Cypripedium hybrid, from Dr CAPART;

The beautiful Cattleya Trianae, comprising many dark varieties and one very pale, nearly white, from Dr VAN CAUWELAERT;

The excellent Cypripedium × Leeanum Simonei, C. × Leeanum Veitchii, C. × Seegerianum, very analogous with C. polystigmaticum; Dendrobium nobile majus, of beautiful bright colour; Coelogyne cristata Lemoniana, with a citron yellow blotch; from M. STEPMAN;

Odontoglossum Edwardii, bearing two groups of elegantly coloured flowers, from M. A. WINCQZ.

The Jury, composed of MM. CAHUZAC, President, DE BOSSCHERE, Secretary, J. LINDEN, G. WAROCQUÉ, Comte DE BOUSIES, D' CAPART, HOUZEAU DE LEHAIE, HUYBRECHTS, EM. RODIGAS, DU TRIEU DE TERDONCK, A. VAN IMSCHOOT, CH. VAN WAMBEKE, and CH. VASSEUR, made the following awards: -

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To Maxillaria mirabilis, from M. LINDEN, unanimously and by acclamation; Odontoglossum × Harvengtense, from M. Comte DE Bousies, unanimously and by acclamation;

Cattleya Wambekeana, from M. VAN WAMBEKE, unanimously and by acclamation;

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