

5 Eupistium Corolla 2. labiate labis  
postea interior ciliata & brevior & pedo  
ovala in quoque loculo & capsula rupic  
loci in stipitem contracta

6 Stamina 4  
*Lepidogathis* sp. *helanora* Grisebachiana

7\*\* Stamina 2 anthers 1. tubulariles  
*Monotheium* Nutt. *Brachystephane* Stocker  
*Habrocaethus* Humsteinia

8\*\*\* Stamina 2 antherorum loculo alter  
altius oppido

*Ascolotylos* Swertiaeja Schwabea  
*Rhinacanthus* (Abutilum?) *Ruegia* Voglauer  
*Dianthera* Betoperone

9\*\*\*\* Stamina 2 antherorum <sup>ovalis</sup> aquilateris  
parallelis

*Himantostichus* *Gryptopeltis* Muell. *Cytanthus*  
*Rhizocanthus* *Fittonia*

10 Dichloraeon Bractea 2 flores 0.3 valvatum  
involucratis

*Dichlorae Tetramerium* *Pterostrophe*  
dictyos and probably *Pteriblema*.

I have fallen characters and there  
are a few monotypic genera not yet  
worked out but I send you the above

*Lepidogathis* goes into *Gaudinia*  
*nuttallii* *Justicia* where *Asperula* placed

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My dear Gray

I have just got through  
Acathaceae barring a great pile  
of undetermined specimens to be  
examined including some new  
Arecian genera

I follow in most respects  
Candolle's arrangement his  
genera are generally well classed  
and consolidated but his characters  
are worthless for they do not agree  
with all the genera he puts under  
his groups My totals are

1 *Thunbergia* (*Thunbergia* & *Meadoway*)

2 *Nelsonia*. Corolla latitudine posterum  
exterior. Semina 2 subglobosa ventre penins  
per 2 abique reticulatis oppida. Flores in  
quia altius & spicis. (Prophylacticis oppida)  
*Elytraria* *Nelsonia* *Ebenus* & *Ophiodesigynella*

3. Ruelliaeae. Corolla lobii contorti rami brunn  
obtusatae. Semina plana. compresa fuscata  
in reticula accedit v. (in Carduathaea) post  
autem breviter conici v. evanidis

(Hypographidae) Corolla 2-labecata. - Carduathaea (Ex.  
norma. Nec non ex.) Hypographidae. Nomophila ad  
perhaps Bistorta taria

2. Eurocellae. Corolla lobii 5 plani. Elementa  
lai per parum lateralia connata. Capsula  
vix compressa

Calophaea Ruellia Echium cauthus Ohnia.  
cauthus distichocalyx

3. Petalidieae. Corolla et stamina Eurocellaeae  
Capsula recto parallelo plano compressa  
Petalidium Maylophis Diodiaanthus  
Lamproteria Blechnum

4. Trichanthaeae (Ab Eurocellaeis impiorius  
cylpe et inflorcentia distincta)

Sclerocalyx Trichanthea Bravaeia  
Bancheira

5. Strobilaanthaeae Corolla <sup>solapata</sup>,  
Elementa omnia basi portio approximata  
superiusque leia transversaliter membranosa  
brevi connexa

Sea by Afrcicaa n. Africae

6. Leontanthaeae. Corolla 1-labecata  
Blepharis, Acanthoxis, Acanthus, Clerophyton

5. Justicieae Corolla lobii varie imbricati  
non contorti variegatae.

1. Barleriaeae Corolla lobii 5 plani patentes  
varie imbricati antice roope interiore Stamina

4. Barleriae, Crobea, Neura cauthus Dytanthus  
Barleriola Sophoraeckes Crossandra

2. Aegyptiacaeae Corolla lobii 5 plani patentes  
2 portio interioris antice ex uno stamine 4  
Aegyptaria Chamaethanthemum Therandrium  
Meriacanthus

3. Eranthemaeae Corolla lobii 5 plani  
patentes 2 portio interioris antice ex uno  
stamine 2

Eranthemum Codonacanthus Gmelacanthus  
obtusa cauthus

4. Andrographideae Corolla 2-labecata  
labio portio antice v. breviter 2-pedata  
Ovala in quoque loculo 3-8 capsula <sup>open</sup> a basi  
semiperse (ovala in certis genitibus in quoque  
loculo 2)

\* Semina non compressa - Andrographis  
Haploanthus  
va Semina normata. Gymnostachys  
Mogacanthus Diotacanthus

for any observations. I was much bothered with the American *Jactatorid* genera which run very much into one another and are not very natural though not quite so bad as some of Nees'; he has often the same species under different names in two genera (*Hia chadensis* from South America is a common *Strobilanthus* from Ceylon the label to the specimen he described from Audouin which he wrote the name as marked Ceylon in *J. chadensis*) and may other similar parts could be picked out.

X Cyaththers must include Sericographis all the original Chamevirion ~~the typical~~ Jacobinia Sprengel & many others

The three kinds of hairs attributed to Sericographis are of no value or paler hairs longitudinal or transversal about the insertion of the hair sometimes on reflexed protuberances (concave ovoid) occurs in a great many species sporadically genera varying much in shape and extent and not present in all (Nees); Sericographis The protuberances or costae inside the upper lip are more or less prominent in several Cyaththers but not

in all and I can make nothing of the  
character until every species shall have  
been carefully examined

The species with the lower anthers all  
calcarate go in my opinion either  
into Jestaea or into Pelopereone  
the two distinguished chiefly by the  
form of the corolla

Dianthera has the cells usually  
short not calcarate and the upper  
one at least usually longer than the lower  
generally broad. In Cyathandra the  
cells are longer and more parallel and  
equal.

I should put the small flowered  
Gymnadenia <sup>Dianthera</sup> into Jestaea.

The Texan Diploca into Adonisacanthus  
Provincialis californica certainly  
into Pelopereone

I have not yet placed Liparis  
not having examined the old ones.  
It must much include Jestaea tubiflora  
from the Cape and probably goes into  
Dianthera.

I believe that most if not all  
the other N. American Dianthera  
will remain undivided - Diptera-  
cauthae being of course included in  
Ruellia - indeed the N. American  
species must be considered as the  
typical Ruellia of Leuconoe.

Potamoec are all in type and  
Propularia begun upon. Have  
you anything to say about Gymnadenia?  
I leave it in Polygonum but it is not  
comfortable there.

Yours very sincerely

George Bentham



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