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INTERNATIONAL POTATO EXHIBITION, September 13 and 14. The "GARDENERS’ CHRONICLE" for NEXT SATURDAY, September 5, will contain portraits of SHIRLEY HIBBERD, Esq., and in the following Number will be Published a Full Report of the Show.

THE INTERNATIONAL POTATO EXHIBITION will be held in the CRYSTAL PALACE, Sydenham, E. S. September 14, when PRIZES amounting to ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY POUNDS will be awarded. For Schedules apply to P. J. MCKINLAY, Headley Lodge, Perge, Sussex.

JULES DE COCK, Ornamental Plant Nursery, Greyton, Belgium.—Many thousand ALOISAS, INDIA SUEZ, and PAPAVER, SPIKES, are disposable. Catalogue free on application.

ERSFIELD APPLE and PEAR SHOW will be held at the Head and Shoulder Inn, Chesterfield, on October 24 and 25. Prices open to all. For schedule of prices, apply to H. C. MOORE, Esq., of Broad Street, Hereford.

THAME SHOW, September 19. J. WALKER will give THREE PRIZES for 50 P. S. each, as samples of Pears, 1st and 2nd place, and Carridges of Pears, 1st and 2nd place. All Pears sent by post will be in fair condition.

PRIMULAS, CINERARIAS, and CALCEOLARIA CATALOGUE now ready. For samples of selected Seedlings, at 6d. per 100, 1s. 6d. per 1000, or 5s. per carton. Catalogue free.

LANE'S PRINCE ALBERT APPLE. Come and see this prize of Apples, now in full bearing, the best apples of all varieties. L. H. LANE AND SON, Nurserymen, Great Bosthamstead.
SARCANTHUS BHELPHORUS, n. sp. 
A small-flowered panicled Sarcanthus, with rather nice lilac-rose unlabellate leaves, equally rounded bilobed at their apex (4—6 inches by 1). The flowers are smaller than those of the well-known Sarcanthus truncatus Linnean, in the restoration of the name of the flowers. The sepals and petals blunt lilacate, upper sepals apiculate, all ochre-coloured, with two purple-brown longitudinal stripes. The side lacinia of the lip are low, rhomboid, obtuse, sometimes entire, the upper convex, light orange, central lacinia sagittate, light ochre-coloured, with two purple-brown longitudinal bars. There is also a rather nice side lacinia, which is expanded outside like a bladder. The spur is depressed-cylindrical, equal to the stalked ovary, bent, abruptly narrower at the end, having a white papillose apice. This column may be compared to a hammer, having the vertical part transversely bent downwards. It is a botanical introduction of Mr. Fredrick Stander. H. G. Robb, f.

PHALENOPSIS VALENTINII, n. sp. (lyth. nat. 1.)
A very great surprise, of Malay origin. I had it from Messrs. High Love & Co. London. The flowers are larger than those of Phalenopsis cornu-cervi, and smaller than those of P. violacea. The peduncle is about 5 inches long. It is hard to say which is the better species. The sepals and petals are purple; petals and lateral sepals white at the base inside with some purple bands. Lip much in the way of that of P. violacea, with a single at the upper corner of the side lacinia, with a pendent extror bifid lacinia, three-lobed at the top, bearing a thick ambo in the middle. There is a three-toothed lamina at the base of the median lacinia, in front of a two-toothed one, teeing on the sword-like bluent appendex. Top of lip mauve and sword-like, appendix half mauve and white, column with a white bar across. The remainder of the lip is yellow, part of the side lacinia white, with some purple spots on the upper border and corner. Column yellow with red stripes at the top, purple beneath. Miss H. Laws-Col. writes that the leaves are light green, narrower than those of violacea, without the wavy crispiness generally seen with that species. Mr. Day writes of the novelty; it looks like a cross between cornu-cervi and violacea, and is very pretty. The name is given in honour of his lucky discoverer, Mr. S. H. Valentine. H. G. Robb, f.

VANDA ROUXGHURII (K. BR.) VAR. WEDDILLIANA
A variety of the purple-tipped var. purpurescens, having exceedingly short lips, and the side lacinia with a few more or less developed anterior teeth. Those who like to grow orchids, and by the help of Orchidology will with the first efforts in this direction may compare the old representations in our standard books. Both Curtis's Botanical Magazine, 1812, t. 2245, and Edwards's Botanical Register, 1829, tab. 306, show long low inflorescences with lax flowers where we now see strong racemes with succeeding strong flowers. I have dedicated this novel variety to my excellent relative, Mr. Edwin W. Weddell, of Gravelly Hill, Birmingham. It was grown by Mr. James Hodge, H. G. Robb, f.

CYPRIPEDIUM TONSUM, n. sp.
A new Sondaic Cypridium near Cypripedium javanicum, discovered by Mr. Curtis, and now flowering.

ACRISANTHUS BHELPHORUS, n. sp. — Folii calcis coruscis lilacatis, parte superioris flavis, parte inferioris violaceis, flos roseo-chinaceus, sepala et petala suberugosa, lacinia centralis pallida, laciniae laterales purpurea, columna flavida, urna flavida, columna flavida, urna nigra, antecnes in rosacula, laciniae laterales in nigra. H. G. Robb, f.

PHALENOPSIS VALENTINII, n. sp. (lyth. nat. 1.) — Foliis quinquefoliatis, laciniae magnum, laciniae basim magnum, columna magnum, urna magnum, antecnes in rosacula, laciniae laterales in nigra. H. G. Robb, f.

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AUGRICULTURE AND HORTICULTURE IN JERSEY.

PRODUCES of our readers who are unacquainted with the island can hardly be less than one-third of the produce of Victoria College, where the Jersey Royal Agricultural Society celebrated its sixtieth year. The Exhibition held in the grounds of the College on a hill to the east of St. Helier, upon which the college buildings stand, and from the slopes and wooded avenues around, the spectator obtains a charming view of the beautiful approach to the lovely bay of St. Aubin with its bold headlands and cliffs; to the left the golden sands, the rocks and towers of St. Clement; in front, the tall masts of galleons; and to the right, the military works of Fort Regent, and in the hollow below the capital of the island itself, with time-honoured dwellings, and gardens in all their roadstead and harbour. And if the said spectator will mind picture this charming bit-of pantorama, will fill up every suitable piece of ground around the College, with flowers and shrubs; grass and turf, and with the usual accessories of a flower and fruit and cattle show, will plant here, there, everywhere, gables, dormer windows, will crowd upon pathways and gravelled walks, in dells and on rims, a mass, a dense mass, of ladies and gentlemen, not unprofitable of a good sprinkling of the military element; and last, but not least, will add that most highly-prized desideratum of an outdoor fête, a glorious sunshine summer day, he will fully realise the scene as it presented itself in the forenoon of Tuesday. The day proved not ungenerous, the weather sunny, the air slightly brumous, and the reading of a royal address to the Queen by the President of the Society, His Excelency the Lord Lieutentant, the Duke of York, which declared the fiftieth anniversary of the Jersey Royal Agricultural Society an accomplished fact, and its Jubilee Exhibition open to the public.

Lately we saw a section of the rockery of the College, adapted to the objects of this journal, but which was not the follow: your leader either of experts or more visitors who at once rushed away to the cattle sheds, your correspondent entered a large and lofty tent pitched upon the award in front of the college, and where the camp—cell was one certainly of exquisite artistic taste, for the last east coast Glamour at least as good as the individual exhibitors or interlacing with recognised rules of classification, every flowering and foliage plant seemed to have been placed exactly in the very spot where it will be appreciated by the public, and thus show off its colouring or peculiarities. That as fine or finer flowers, and as rich or richer foliage might not often have been seen at flow shows elsewhere by habitus we readily admit; but in respect to tasty and felicitous organisation we can honestly say No; and can congratulate the members of this great society on the highly-prized and useful results.

Enticing somewhat into detail here we may remark, however, that the Pelargoniums would have been

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in the Royal Exotic Nursery of Messrs. Velch & Sons. The leaves are strap-shaped, rather narrow, much directed to the green of the plant..."