

2. * *repens*. Root creeping; leaves and bractes lanceolate, acute; lip 3-parted, lateral segments setaceous; spur scarcely the length of the germ, adscendent; inner petals biparted, the lower segment setaceous. HAB. On the margins of ponds near Savannah in Georgia and in Carolina; subaquatic. OBS. Root perennial, fibrous, creeping, base of the stem also radicans; fibres lanuginous. Stem leafy, about 12 inches high. Leaves oblong-lanceolate, approximate, in the spike diminishing to bractes, which are about equal with the flowers. Spike linear, 3 to 5 inches long. Flowers yellowish-green, numerous, but not dense. Outer segments of the calix glandularly mucronulate, upper segments vaulted; the 2 inner petals bifid nearly to the base, with the divisions so unequal and divaricate as to appear unconnected, the upper one linear and acute, the lower setaceous; lip 3-parted, the central portion shorter and linear, the 2 lateral setaceous.

†† “*Anther* persistent, parallel with the stigma.—*Pollinia* affixed to the summit of the stigma, the particles farinaceous or angular.” R. BROWN.