138. HIDALGOA.


A climbing herbaceous or shrubby monotype.

Bentham and Hooker, loc. cit., state that there are two species: but this seems to be a slip; for we find no evidence of the existence of a second species.

Hidalgoa lessingii, DC. Prodr. v. p. 511.

South Mexico, Cordova, forest of Chiquihite (Bourgeau, 2122), Misantla and Cuesta Grande de Jalacingo (Schiede & Depppe), near the last falls of the Rio Blanco, not far from San José del Corral (La Llave).—Ecuador. Hb. Kew.

139. THELESPERMA.


An American genus of about four or five half-shrubby and herbaceous species, whereof one is a native of Extratropical South America, and the rest are natives of the Mexican region.


Arkansas; New Mexico.—North Mexico, Sonora (Schott), without locality (Gregg). Hb. Kew.


Cosmidium simplicifolium, A. Gr. Pl. Fendl. p. 86.
North Mexico, San Pedro river, Sonora (Schott), Buena Vista, Coahuila (Gregg). Hb. Kew.

140. COSMOS.


An exclusively American genus of herbs, dispersed from Mexico to Bolivia. It is difficult to estimate the number of species, as the forms are very numerous; but there must be at least a dozen.

Georgina bipinnata, Spreng. Syst. iii. p. 611.