

19. *C. saxorum* Jepson sp. n. Stem widely branching from the base,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches high, forming small plants 2 to 4 inches broad; herbage spreading-hispid; the hairs of the leaves pustulate-dilated at base; leaves lanceolate, sessile, 4 to 12 lines long; spikes short and dense (4 to 9 lines long), conspicuously bracteate; calyx short-bristly, densely tufted with white hairs at base; corolla  $\frac{1}{2}$  line wide; nutlets 4, equal, ovate, light brown, thinly papillate both sides, the marginal wing very narrow or linear; dorsal side of nutlets low-rounded, the ventral side low but convexly 2-planed; ventral groove closed, with forked areola at base; style  $\frac{1}{4}$  longer than nutlets.—(Planta pygmaea,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ – $2\frac{1}{2}$  unc. alta, 2–4 unc. lata, e basi late diffusa; herba patenti-hispida, foliorum pilis basi pustulato-dilatatis; folia lanceolata sessilia, 4–12 lin. longa; raceme breves (4–9 lin.), densi, valde bracteati; calyx sensu brevibus praeditus, basi pilis albis dense caespitosus; corolla  $\frac{1}{4}$  lin. lata; nucularia 4, aquae, ovatae, pallido-fulvae, utrinque sparsopapillata, ala marginali perangusta vel lineata; dorsum nuculariae depresso-rotundatum, venter depresso tamen convexo-biplanus; stulus ventralis ocellatus, basi areola furcata; stylus  $\frac{1}{4}$  longior nuculae.)

Lava hills, 3000 feet: near Tiefort Mt., eastern Mohave Desert. Apr.

Ref.—*CRYPTANTHA SAXORUM* Jepson: type loc. lava hill 1 mile sw. of Bicycle Lake, near Tiefort Mt., Mohave Desert, Jepson 29,359 (typ. in Herbario Jepsonianus).

20. *C. inaequata* Jtn. Stem erect, branching from the base or above, 5 to 12 inches high; herbage spreading-bristly, the bristles pustulate-dilated at base; leaf-blades narrowly linear or linear-ob lanceolate, very dark green,  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches long; spikes soon somewhat loose,  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches long; calyx-lobes linear-liliform, short-villous and sparsely long-bristly; corolla  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  lines broad; nutlets 4, ovate (the apex obtusish), 1 large and not evidently marginated, 3 slightly smaller and with a narrow whitish margin, conspicuously sprinkled on back with whitish papillae on a brown ground, the ventral side convexly 2-planed, the ventral suture opening downward into an open forked areola; style  $\frac{1}{4}$  longer than nutlets.

Rich soil pockets in cañon bottoms of rocky desert ranges or lava flats, 200 to 4000 feet: eastern Mohave Desert; eastern Inyo Co. East to Nevada. Apr.

Geog. note.—*Cryptantha inaequata* represents a case of an adequate but long unrecognized species which masqueraded, so to speak, in the shadow of *C. holoptera*. Its nutlets, too, save for the linear margin, resemble closely the smaller nutlets of the four in *Cryptantha angustifolia*. *Cryptantha inaequata* has, however, the advantage of differentiating characters other than those of the species. That it escaped critical notice previous to 1922 is due, doubtless in part, to its rarity. Even to this time no collections have been made.—Eastern Mohave Desert: Lavie, Jepson 15,456; Baxter, Parish 9452; Inyo Co.: Argus Range (n. end), Jepson 19,551; Furnace Creek wash, Funeral Mts., Jepson 6926.

Refs.—*CRYPTANTHA INAEQUATA* Jtn., Univ. Cal. Publ. Bot. 7:444 (1922), type loc. Pleasant Cañon, Panamint Range, Inyo Co., Hall & Chandler 6925; *Johastonella inaequata* Brand; Fedde, Report. Sp. Nov. 21:250 (1925).

21. *C. holoptera* Mebr. Stem erect, branching,  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  feet high; herbage grayish, the leaves and stems spreading-bristly, the stems also appressed-hispid; leaf-blades oblong to linear or lanceolate,  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches long, thickly white-dotted with pustules at the base of the bristles; spikes with minute scattered bracts, openly paniculate,  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches long, the flowers at length discrete; calyx-lobe lanceolate,  $\frac{3}{4}$  (in fruit  $1\frac{1}{4}$ ) lines long, thickly set with short ascending bristles; corolla  $1\frac{1}{4}$  lines wide; nutlets 4, equal, truncate at base,  $\frac{3}{4}$  line long, white-papillate upon a brownish ground and wing-margined, the wing entire and slightly turned outward, same color as body and  $\frac{1}{2}$  to  $\frac{1}{3}$  as wide as the body; dorsal side of the nutlets little flattish, the ventral side convexly 2-planed, the ventral groove widened downwards about the middle.

Gravelly or rocky ground, 50 to 3500 feet: eastern Mohave Desert; Colorado Desert. East to Arizona. Apr.

Locs.—Mohave Desert: The Caves, Mohave River sink, Parish 9855. Colorado Desert: Four-S ranch, 25 mi. no. of Oglala, Muza & Hitchcock 12,173; Painted Cañons, Mecca Hills, Jepson 11,678; Split Mt. (near Fish Mt.), T. Brandegee; Calicoes, Davy 8007.