High and Diana's Peaks."—Melliss. "Ravines north and south of the Central Ridge."—Morris.

Asplenium platybasis, Kunze. (Plate XXI.)

Asplenium platybasis, Kunze ex Mett., Aspl., n. 154; Hook. and Bak., Synop. Fil., p. 206; Melliss, St Hel., p. 352.

Asplenium firmum, Fée, Gen. Fil., p. 197; Kuhn, Fil. Afr., p. 102.

Asplenium falcatum, Roxb. in Beatson's St Helena Tracts, p. 299.

Asplenium falcatum, Lam., and firmum, Moore, Ind. Fil., p. 129; Hook., Sp. Fil., iii. p. 160.

ST HELENA.—Endemic. Diana's Peak and Sandy Bay Ridge—Burchell, 183; rocks on Diana's Peak, rare—Hooker; without locality—Seemann; Cuming; Lyall; Lady Dalhousie, and others, including Morris, in 1883.

This is scarcely different from the widely spread Asplenium falcatum, Lam.

Asplenium furcatum, Thunb.

Asplenium furcatum, Thunb., Prodr. Fl. Cap., p. 735; Hook., Sp. Fil., iii. p. 165; Hook. and Bak., Synop. Fil., p. 214; Schk., Fil., p. 73, t. 79; Melliss, St Hel., p. 352.

Asplenium præmorsum, Swartz, Fl. Ind. Occ., iii. p. 1620, et Synop. Fil., p. 83; Roxb. in Beatson's St Helena Tracts, p. 299.

ST HELENA.—Indigenous. Sandy Bay—Burchell, 182; among loose stones in the descent into Sandy Bay, near Lot—Hooker; without locality—Lefroy; Haughton; and Morris, in 1883.

Melliss records it as growing in rocky crevices and on old walls, at 1500 to 1900 feet, near St Paul's Church, Terrace Knoll, &c.

Very widely dispersed in the tropics, and extending southward in Africa to the Cape of Good Hope.

Asplenium lanceolatum, Huds.

Asplenium lanceolatum, Huds., Fl. Angl., ed. 2, p. 454; Engl., Bot., t. 240; Hook., Sp. Fil., iii. p. 190; Hook. and Bak., Synop. Fil., p. 217; Kuhn, Fil. Afr., p. 104.

ST HELENA.—Indigenous? Without locality—Hooker.

South-west Europe; North Africa; Azores; Madeira; Canaries.

There is some doubt whether this fern was collected in St Helena, for the specimen is without an original label, and no other traveller has collected it in the island so far as we are aware. Melliss omits all mention of it.

[Asplenium marinum, Linn., is recorded by Moore (Ind. Fil., ii. p. 114) as occurring in St Helena and the Bermudas, but we have seen no specimens of it from either place, and the record was most likely based upon a mistake.]