CONVOLVULACEÆ.

Convolvulus soldanella? Linn.

Convolvulus soldanella? Linn., Sp. Pl., ed. 1, p. 159; Carmich. in Trans. Linn. Soc. Lond., xii. p. 505.

TRISTAN DA CUNHA. Carmichael.

This plant is widely spread on the sea-shores in the north and south temperate zones, and is not an unlikely one to have reached the islands. Unfortunately we have not succeeded in finding Carmichael's specimen in the Herbarium of the British Museum, where the first set of his collection is deposited. Carmichael states that he found it on the southeast side of the island growing in the sand close to the shore, and confined to a single spot. He regarded it as of recent introduction, "having in all likelihood been wafted to this shore by the current." It is, however, in none of the subsequent collections; but MacGillivray and Milne collected the almost equally widely dispersed allied species, Convolvulus sepium, Linn. (Calystegia sepium, R. Br.) in the island of St Paul, in great abundance, about fifty yards from the shore.

Moseley mentions (Journ. Linn. Soc. Lond., xiv. p. 380) that a Convolvulus was very abundant on cultivated ground near the huts of some Germans on Inaccessible Island. He assumed that it was introduced by them, and brought away no specimen.

CHENOPODIACEÆ.

Chenopodium tomentosum, Thouars. (Plate XXVIII.)

Chenopodium tomentosum, Thouars, Esquisse Fl. Trist., p. 38; Carmich. in Trans. Linn. Soc. Lond., xii. p. 505; DC., Prodr., xiii. 2, p. 74.

Ambrina tomentosa, Moq., Chenop. Monogr. Enum., p. 37.

TRISTAN DA CUNHA, INACCESSIBLE, and NIGHTINGALE ISLANDS. Thouars; Carmichael; Milne and MacGillivray; Moseley. Abundant.

This plant appears to be restricted to the Tristan da Cunha group. Moseley collected it in all three islands. Milne and MacGillivray note on their labels that it was common all over Tristan da Cunha, where it was used as tea; and this use is still kept up.

Atriplex plebeja, Carmich. (Plate XXIX.)

Atriplex plebeja, Carmich. in Trans. Linn. Soc. Lond., xii. p. 508; DC., Prodr., xiii. 2, p. 104.

TRISTAN DA CUNHA.—Endemic? Carmichael.

We have only seen the specimen collected by Carmichael, and he states that the plant grew along the shore, and seemed to be almost a stranger in the island. Probably an introduced plant, though we have not succeeded in identifying it. The fruit is unknown.