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ling the others, truncate or retuse, only the two laterals bearded
at base with clavellate white hairs; earliest apetalous flowers on
slender peduncles equalling the leaves, but all the later ones short
peduncled and almost or altogether subterranean; capsule very
short and thick, roundish-obovate.

Type specimens were collected in the wet meadow between
the Rockcliffe road and Governor's Bay, Ottawa. It grows on
tussocks with *V. blanda* and except in May cannot be found
unless the exact locality be known, grasses and other flowers
hiding the smaller plant from view. Distributed as No. 18,565.
Specimens of this species have been sent me from Charlottetown,
P.E.I., by Mr. L. W. Watson.

VIOLA CUCULLATA, Ait.

(Plate v.)

This is the commonest blue violet in the vicinity of Ottawa,
always growing on very wet ground, generally by rivulets and
small creeks. Dr. Greene's note on this species (Pittonia, vol. III,
pp. 143-4) includes all its important distinguishing characters
and is here reproduced in part.

This is a very glabrous plant, of tender and succulent herb-
age, decidedly cucullate leaves, light green in colour, flowers
very pale blue, the petals with a spot of darker violet just above
the white basal part or claw. The cleistogamous flowers are
borne on greatly elongated very slender peduncles which are
strictly erect, both the growing and full grown ovaries being a
half-foot or more above ground among the leaf-blades. The
capsules are very long and quite prismatic, *i.e.*, of equal thickness
from one end to the other, and distinctly though obtusely tri-
gonous.

VIOLA CUSPIDATA, Greene, Pittonia, vol. III, p. 314.

(Plate IV and Plate III, Fig. 5.)

Acaulescent, low, at time of petaliferous flowering 3 or 4
inches high; leaves round-cordate, cucullate, crenate-serrate,