marked with ten somewhat elevated ribs. Pappus pilose, white and slender, in two or three series, slightly barbellate, about the length of the achenium.

- —Perennials, with the habit of *Hieracium*, as well as that of *Crepis*. Leaves runcinately toothed, scapoid stems corymbose, branching. Flowers yellow.
- —(The name alludes to the affinity with Crepis.)

CREPIDIUM \*runcinatum; smooth; leaves oblong-lanceolate, runcinately and incisely toothed, acute; scape branching, corymbose, few-flowered; involucrum pubescent, the segments acuminate. Crepis biennis, Hooker, (according to a specimen from the author,) not of Linnæus. It differs from the present, how ever, in having somewhat hirsute leaves, and less deeply toothed.

HAB. On the grassy plains of the Platte, in subsaline soils. Scape about a foot high, with seven to nine capituli, and a linear bracte at the base of each pedicel, as well as at the base of the bifurcation of the stem. Leaves much like those of the Dandelion, but less divided, green, and somewhat fleshy. Involucel about eight-leaved.

Crepidium \* glaucum; smooth and glaucous; leaves spathulate-lanceolate or obovate, runcinately and incisely toothed, acute, attenuated below, but rather broad to the base; scape smooth, divaricately branched, with minute bractes; capituli small; involucrum smooth, the segments linear and somewhat obtuse.

Hab. With the above, but less common; every where very smooth, the leaves much larger than in the preceding, half a foot long, and one to one and a half inches wide, sometimes nearly entire, rather thick and succulent. The scape twice forked, or more; about three flowers together at the summits of the branches, not half the size of those of the preceding. Scape eighteen inches to two feet high, terete and almost entirely naked, all the bractes being minute and subulate. Involucrum of about twelve linear leaves; involucel minute, of about eight lanceolate leaflets. Style and stigmas very long and filiform, slightly pubescent.

Crepidium \*caulescens; very smooth, but not glaucous; leaves spathulate-lanceolate or oval-lanceolate, runcinately incise toothed and acute; stem scapoid, naked, dichotomously branched, with a conspicuous toothed leaf at the base of the first division; involucrum smooth, the segments lanceolate-oblong.

HAB. With the above, of which I, at first, took it for a mere variety; but the presence of a true stem, though short, and the form of the sepals, distinguish it.

## CREPIS. (Moench, Decand.)

§. \* Leptotheca.—Involucrum cylindric, leaflets linear in a single series, (five to eight;) involuced of three to five minute bractes; florets five to eight. Achenium attenuated into a short, indistinct rostrum, similar with itself.—Peren-