

This species is characterized by its amplexicaul leaves. Its mature achenes are purple, glabrous, compressed, costate on both sides, truncate and erostrate at apex.

**Prenanthes tartarinowii** Maxim. Ind. Fl. Pek. in Prim. Fl. Amur. 474 in adnot. 1859.

*Lactuca graciliflora* (non DC.) Forbes et Hemsley in Journ. Linn. Soc. Bot. 23: 482. 1888, pro parte.

Hupei: Patung district, A. Henry, no. 2544.

**Prenanthes Wilsoni** Chang, Sp. nov.

Herba perennis; rhizoma ignotum. Caulis elatus, ad 90 cm. altus, inferne glaber, superne dense atropurpureo-hispidus, pilis glandulis brevissimis intermixtis, ramosissimus, striato-sulcatus, totus foliosus, ampla panicula terminatus. Folia membranacea, tenuiter petiolata, utrinque parce pubescentia, subtus ad nervis setulis compersa vel glabrescentia; folia radicalia ignota; folia caulina mediana omnes petiolata, petiolo anguste alato basi dilatato interdum auriculato glabro 3.5-8 cm. longo 2-2.5 mm. lato, lamina pinnatipartita, segmento terminali petiolulato triangulato vel triangulato-hastato basi truncato vel subcordato 10-11 cm. lato circ. 10 cm. longo sinuato-dentato, dentibus apiculatis vel palamatilobato lobis profunde sinuato-dentatis, segmentis lateralibus 1-2 vel obsoletis sessilibus ovatis vel lanceolato-ovatis 2.5-4 cm. longis 1-2 cm. latis suboppositis inaequilateribus apice acuminatis margine sinuato-denticulatis basi contractis vel late confluentibus. Inflorescentia paniculata, 18-36 cm. longa et 8-20 cm. lata. Capitula pedunculata, 4-5-flora, pedunculis 3-13 mm. longis dense atropurpureo-hispidulis paucibracteolatis. Involucrum cylindricum; squamae dorso atropurpureae, ventro pallidiorae glabrae, circ. 5, lineares, 9-10 mm longae, 1-2 mm. latae, subobtusae, scarioso-marginatae, basi squamulis paucis suffultae, squamulis minutis circ. 4-5 ovatis vel lanceolatis 1-3 mm. longis. Flores violacei. Corolla circ. 9 mm. longa, tubo 3 mm. longo glanduloso, ligula 6 mm. longa 2 mm. lata apice truncata 5-dentata dentibus obtusis. Antherae 3.5 mm. longae, apice acutae basi brevissagittatae; filamenta 1.5 mm. longa, glabra. Stylus 10.5 mm. longus.

inferne glabrus, superne papillosus, ramis stigmatiis  $\frac{1}{2}$  mm. longis. Achænia matura compressa, fusiformia, circ. 9 mm. longa, 1.1 mm. lata, utraque facie 5-costata, costis scabris, atropurpurea, apice diluta; attenuata (0.6 mm. lata), basi leviter angustata (circ. 0.4 mm. lata). Pappi setæ circ. 6 mm. longæ, sub-2-seriatæ, albæ, exsertæ.

Szechuan: Mt. Omei, June 1904, E. H. Wilson (Veitch Exp.), no. 5003 (type in Herb. Kew.); Western China: mts. Alt. 8500 ft. July 1903, E. H. Wilson (Veitch Exp.) no. 3844, 3841a.

This new species is closely related to *Prenanthes Henryi* Dunn but differs from the latter in having smaller heads, shorter outer involueral bracts, densely hispidulous branches and peduncles, pappus-hairs exserted from the involucre in fruiting and achenes more attenuate and dilute-coloured at apex.