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[57] ABSTRACT  
A new variety of clematis suitable for producing violet  
flowers having a dark contrasting central bar in the tepals  
and an attractive domed boss of stamens.  
1 Drawing Sheet

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates to a new and distinct variety of  
Clematis. The varietal denomination of the new variety is  
'Evithree'. It was discovered as a seedling in a controlled  
planting of cultivated plants in my nursery in St. Sampsons  
Parish, Guernsey, Channel Islands, Great Britain, and its  
parents are not known.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Among the features which distinguish the new variety  
from other presently available and known commercial  
clematis cultivars are the following combinations of char-  
acteristics: attractive violet flowers having a dark contrasting  
bar in the tepals and an attractive domed boss of stamens.  
'Evithree' is asexually propagated by vegetative cuttings and  
asexual reproduction of new variety as performed by veg-  
etative cuttings in Guernsey, Channel Islands, Great Britain,  
shows that the foregoing and other distinguishing charater-  
istics come true to form and are established and transmitted  
through succeeding propagations.

BRIED DESCRIPTION OF THE ILLUSTRATION

The accompanying photographic illustration shows the  
foliage and flowers of the new variety with different flowers  
shown in various stages of maturity. The flower poise,  
contrasting colors, petal count and petal characteristics are  
depicted. The domed boss of stamens is shown forming the  
attractive center of the flowers and the color and character of  
the foliage can be seen behind the flowers. The coloration  
shown in the photograph is as nearly corrected as is possible  
in color illustrations of this character. Throughout the speci-  
fication color values are based upon the *Royal Horticultural  
Colour Chart*, Royal Horticultural Society of London,  
England, except where common terms of color definition are  
employed.

DESCRIPTION OF THE NEW VARIETY

The following description is of clematis plants of the new  
cultivar grown under glass at Guernsey, Channel Islands,  
Great Britain throughout the flower period. Phenotypic  
expression may vary with environmental, cultural and cli-  
matic conditions, as well as differences in conditions of light  
and soil.  
Classification: Clematis.

PLANT

A. Form: Upright, climbing or spreading.  
B. Growth: Medium growth.

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*Height attained.*—About 2.5 meters.  
C. Foliage: Deciduous, compound — tri-folate, sometimes  
simple.  
1. *Size.*—Medium.  
2. *Quantity.*—Average.  
3. *Color.*—New foliage: Upper side — near 137D.  
Underside — near 137. Old foliage: Upper side —  
near 137B. Underside — near 137C.  
4. *Shape.*—Lower leaves sometimes simple; normally 3  
elliptical leaflets in pinnate form.  
5. *Texture.*—Upper side — glabrous. Underside —  
ribbed and hairy.  
6. *Edge.*—Normal.  
7. *Serration.*—None.  
8. *Petiole color.*—Top surface — green. Underside —  
green.  
9. *Stipules.*—None.  
10. *Internodes.*—Describe: Cylindrical. Length: About  
12 cm to about 17 cm.  
11. *Resistance to disease.*—Subject to any disease that  
normally affects clematis but less prone to mildew  
than some clematis.  
D. Wood:  
1. *New shoots.*—Color — light green. Bark — smooth  
— light white hairs.  
2. *Old wood.*—Color — light brown. Bark — rough.  
E. Hardiness: Zone 4–9.

FLOWER

A. Blooming habit: Recurrent.  
B. Bud:  
1. *Size.*—About 4 cm to about 5 cm.  
2. *Form.*—Elliptic to ovate.  
3. *Color.*—Green/grey.  
C. Sepals: None — tepals only.  
D. Peduncle:  
1. *Length.* About 10 cm to about 14 cm.  
2. *Aspect.*—Vertical.  
3. *Strength.*—Erect.  
4. *Color.*—Green, near 143C.  
E. Bloom:  
1. *Size.*—About 14 cm to about 18 cm.  
2. *Borne.*—Singly.  
3. *Form.*—Tepals opening to become flat.  
4. *Petalage.*—6.  
5. *Color.*—Outer tepals: Top surface — violet, near 88A  
with red-purple central bar, near 77A. Undersurface  
— violet-blue, near 90C. Base of tepals: Violet, near  
88A. General tonality from a distance: Violet with  
red strip.

6. *Color change*.—As bloom ages, all colors lighten.  
General tonality at a distance: Pale violet-blue.
- F. Tepals:
1. *Texture*.—Medium.
2. *Appearance*.—Top surface — satiny. Under surface 5  
— matt.
3. *Form*.—Obovate.
4. *Arrangement*.—Regularly arranged.
5. *Petaloids in center*.—None.
6. *Persistence*.—Tepals persist.
7. *Fragrance, if any*.—None.
8. *Lasting quality on plant and after cutting*.—About  
two weeks on plants, lasting only a few days as a cut  
flower.

REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS

A. Stamens, filaments and anthers:

1. *Arrangement*.—Regularly arranged.
2. *Color*.—Stamens: White base, reddish brown tip.  
Filaments: Light violet base, becoming white.  
Anthers: Reddish brown.
- B. Pollen:  
*Color*.—Light brown.
- C. Styles: Bunched, even, average length.
- D. Stigmas:  
10 *Color*.—White.
- E. Hips:  
*Shape*.—None.
- I claim:
- 15 1. A new and distinct variety of clematis substantially as  
described and illustrated herein.

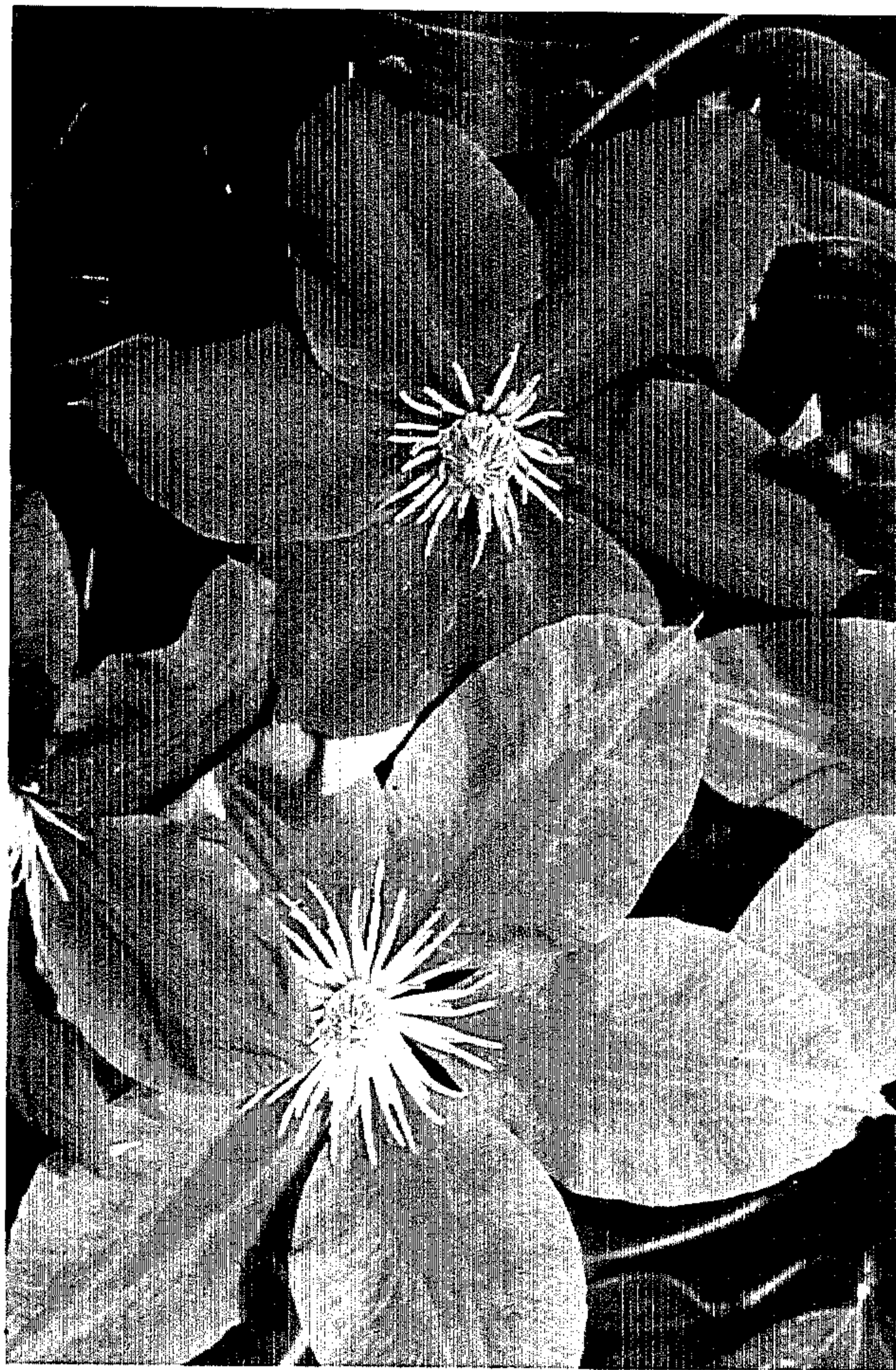
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**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 1, lines 19, 20, change "charateristics" to  
-- characteristics --.

Column 1, line 22, change "BRIED" to -- BRIEF --.

Column 1, line 31, change "corrected" to -- correct --.

Column 2, line 37, after "Length." delete "13".

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