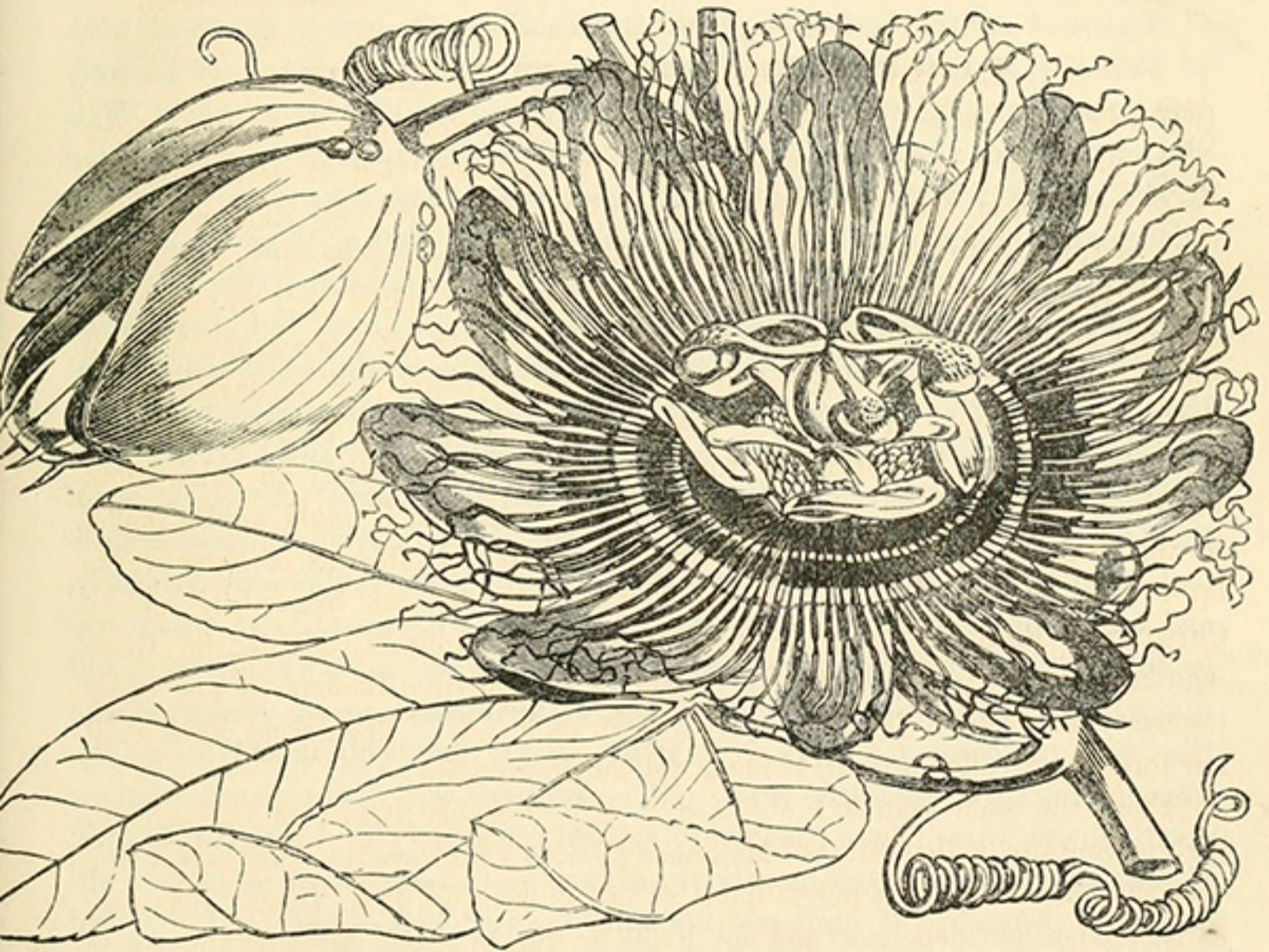


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We have here a valuable addition to our greenhouse climbers. The plant has smooth, cylindrical stems, furnished with stalked, digitate, or palmatisect, deep green leaves, cut into five smooth, coriaceous, oblong obtuse lobes, and bearing solitary flowers, in its leaf axils. The involucrel consists of three broadly ovate, concave, green, softly pubescent bracts, and the expanded flower measures about four inches in diameter, the calyx lobes and petals being whitish, sprinkled with



violet-coloured spots, and the corona consisting of several rows of thread-like processes, the outermost longer than the sepals, twisted and curling like ringlets, whence the name, and marked at the base with alternating concentric bands of purple and white, but of a uniform violet hue elsewhere. The beauty of the deep glossy leaves, and the rich purple of the singularly twisted rays of the coronet recommend it for general cultivation, and deservedly secured for it a first-class certificate when exhibited before the Floral Committee. Under Mr. Frost's care the plant thrives in a cool greenhouse, and for the decoration of such structures we heartily recommend it.

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