

# VEGETABLE KINGDOM

## KEY OF THE SEXUAL SYSTEM

### MARRIAGES OF PLANTS

*Florescence.*

#### PUBLIC MARRIAGES

*Flowers visible to every one.*

##### IN ONE BED.

Husband and wife have the same bed.

*All the flowers hermaphrodite: stamens and pistils in the same flower.*

##### WITHOUT AFFINITY.

Husbands not related to each other.

*Stamens not joined together in any part.*

##### WITH EQUALITY.

All the males of equal rank.

*Stamens have no determinate proportion of length.*

1. ONE MALE.

2. TWO MALES.

3. THREE MALES.

4. FOUR MALES.

5. FIVE MALES.

6. SIX MALES.

7. SEVEN MALES.

8. EIGHT MALES.

9. NINE MALES.

10. TEN MALES.

11. TWELVE MALES.

12. TWENTY MALES.

13. MANY MALES.

##### WITH SUBORDINATION

Some males above others.

*Two stamens are always lower than the others.*

14. TWO POWERS.

15. FOUR POWERS.

##### WITH AFFINITY

Husbands relate to each other.

*Stamens cohere with each other, or with the pistil.*

16. ONE BROTHERHOOD.

17. TWO BROTHERHOODS.

18. MANY BROTHERHOODS.

19. CONFEDERATE MALES.

20. FEMININE MALES.

##### IN TWO BEDS.

Husband and wife have separate beds.

*Male flowers and female flowers in the same species.*

21. ONE HOUSE.

22. TWO HOUSES.

23. POLYGAMIES.

#### CLANDESTINE MARRIAGES.

*Flowers scarce visible to the naked eye.*

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