

9. O great sage, he made the twanging sound on his wonderful bow called Śārṅga and frightened what little remained of Bāṇa's army.

10. The intervening space between heaven and Earth was filled with the great sound originating from the twang on his bow.

11. Drawing the string of his bow upto the ear, the infuriated Viṣṇu discharged sharp arrows, as furious as serpents, on Bāṇa.

12. On seeing the arrows coming, Bāṇa the son of Bali, split them even before they reached him, by means of arrows discharged from his bow.

13. Lord Bāṇa, suppressor of enemies roared again. The Vṛṣṇis thinking of Kṛṣṇa were afraid and dejected.

14. Thinking upon the lotus-like feet of Śiva, the haughty son of Bali discharged his arrows at Kṛṣṇa the most valorous.

15. Thinking upon the lotus-like feet of Śiva, the powerful destroyer of Asuras, Kṛṣṇa split them before they reached him by means of his own arrows.

16. Rāma and other Vṛṣṇis, the powerful ones agitated by anger, slew their respective opponents.

17. Thus the tumultuous fight between the two strong armies went on for a long time aggravating the wonder of the spectators.

18. In the meantime the infuriated king of birds suppressed the army of Bāṇa striking all with his wings.

19. Seeing his army routed and himself oppressed, Bāṇa, the powerful lord of Daityas, son of Bali, foremost among Siva's devotees, was infuriated.

20. Thinking upon the lotus-like feet of Śiva, the thousand-armed Bāṇa displayed his valour unbearable to his enemies.

21. The destroyer of heroes discharged simultaneously an unlimited number of arrows on Garuḍa, Kṛṣṇa and Yadus separately.

22. O sage, he hit Garuḍa with an arrow, Kṛṣṇa with another, Bala with a third. The powerful hero hit others too.

23. Then Kṛṣṇa the great lord, of great valour, of the