

similar power is acquired. Witches were supposed to practise this method. The commentator has mentioned about the abode of demons but nobody knows where it is, but it is certain that supernormal powers on a small scale can be acquired by the application of chemicals. Through the power acquired in a previous birth by constant repetition of Mantras and thus developing will-power, insignificant powers like mesmerism etc. may appear in the present life.

Similarly, by practising severe austerities, superior powers can be acquired. On account of intensive will-power developed thereby, changes might take place in the bodily frame which would conduce to fructify the virtuous latent impressions of an antecedent life. This is how supernormal powers can be attained without Yoga. The powers manifested from birth etc. are the result of Karmāśaya or latencies effectuated through the causes of birth, medicine, incantations etc.

भाष्यम्— तत्र कायेन्द्रियाणामन्यजातीयपरिणतानाम्—

जात्यन्तरपरिणामः प्रकृत्यापूरात् ॥ २ ॥

पूर्वपरिणामापाय उत्तरपरिणामोपजनस्तेषामपूर्वावयवानुप्रवेशाद् भवति ।  
कायेन्द्रियप्रकृतयश्च स्वं स्वं विकारमनुगृह्णन्त्यापूर्णे धर्मादिनिमित्तमपेक्षमाणा  
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**Of These, The Mutation Of Body And Sense-Organs Into Those Of One Born In A Different Species—Takes Place Through The Filling In Of Their Nature Innate. 2.**

The destruction of their former state and the appearance of a new, take place through impenetration of the new constituents. By impenetration the nature innates of the body and the sense-organs assume the form, each according to its own type of mutation (1). In this process of impenetration, they depend upon causes such as virtue etc.

(1) The types of sense-organ and mind found in men are of the human mould. Similarly, there are organs which are appropriate to the nature of the Devas in heaven, of demons in