

## A BRIEF LIST OF BOOKS FOR STUDENTS OF SANSKRIT.



THIS list has a purely practical aim,<sup>1</sup> and is restricted to a few of the more important and useful books and<sup>2</sup> to such as are neither rare nor out of print. It includes (*a*) a grammar, (*b*) readers, (*c*) dictionaries, (*d*) classical works, books for the study (*e*) of the Rġveda and its literature, and (*f*) of the Atharvaveda, and last (*g*) some books on antiquities and the history of the literature and the religions of India.

1. **Whitney**, William Dwight. A Sanskrit Grammar, including both the classical language, and the older dialects, of Veda and Brahmana. Leipzig, Breitkopf and Hrtel. London, Trubner & Co. 1879. 8°. Price (bound in cloth) 12 shillings.

This may be had in Boston of Ginn, Heath, and Co. The work exists also in a German translation, which may be had of the Leipzig publishers.

2. **Bhler**, Georg. Third Book of Sanskrit. With a glossary by Vishnu P. Shastri Pandit. Second edition. Bombay. 1877. 12°. 128 pages of text and 97 of glossary. Price 9 annas.

This book can be procured from Trubner & Co. in London (price 3 shillings). It contains the entire Story of Nala (26 chapters), Daśaratha's Death (Rāmāyana, ii. 63-64), and four stories from the Panchatantra. For beginners, the typography proves troublesome and the glossary too meagre; but the little volume is inexpensive and contains excellent material for easy and rapid reading, and so is highly to be recommended to those who have finished the classical part of this Reader and wish to continue their Sanskrit. For such students the glossary would be quite sufficient.

3. **Bhtlingk**, Otto. Sanskrit-Chrestomathie. Zweite, gnzlich umgearbeitete Auflage. St. Petersburg. 1877. Large 8°. 372 pages. Price 4 Mark 80 Pfennige.

This work and the two following are publications of the Russian Imperial Academy, and should be ordered through the Academy's agent, Leopold Voss, of Leipzig. The volume contains selections from the Veda (Mantra, Brhmana, and Stra), from the Mahbhrata, Rāmāyana, Vishnu-purna, Kathsarit-sgara, Hitopadeśa, "Manu's Laws," and Pnini's Grammar, and from various other books; a rich collection of proverbs; the Vednta-sra, a philosophical treatise, in text and translation; and the entire drama, Ratnvali. The Vedic hymns are all translated in the volume mentioned below, no. 15; and the notes show where many of the other selections may be found translated. Like all publications of the Academy, this is sold at an extremely low price. Since the book has no vocabulary, the student will at this point need to get a dictionary.

<sup>1</sup> Hence the prices are included. Both the Mark and the shilling may be reckoned as a quarter of a dollar. The prices given with the titles are publishers' prices. To these prices, except when given in dollars, should be added the duty, which is 25 per cent. The books will cost the American purchaser somewhat more or less according to his facilities for obtaining foreign books.

<sup>2</sup> With perhaps one exception, no. 18, which can, however, be had of second-hand dealers.