this Aitas'a-pralâpa, stopping after every pâda, just as the Nivid is repeated; at the last pâda he pro-

nounces "om," just as it is done in the Nivid.

He repeats the Pravahlika verses.26 For the gods made the Asuras benumbed (pravahlya) by means of the Pravahlikas, and consequently defeated them. In the same way the sacrificers benumb and defeat their enemies by repeating these verses. They are repeated half verse by half verse for obtaining a footing.

He repeats the Ajijnasenya verses.27 For by means of these verses the Devas recognised (âjnâya) the Asuras and defeated them. In the same way the sacrificers recognise and defeat their enemies.

They are repeated half verse by half verse.

He now repeats the Pratiradha.28 For by means of it the Devas frustrated (prati-radh) the efforts of the Asuras, and consequently defeated them. The same effect is produced by the sacrificers who have repeated it.

He repeats the Ativada.29 For by means of it the Devas abused (ativad) the Asuras so much as to defeat them. The same effect is produced by the sacrificers who repeat it. They are repeated half

verse by half verse for obtaining a footing.

(Story of the sacrifices of the Adityas and Angirasas for reaching heaven.)

He repeats the Deranitham.30 (About this the following story is reported.) The Aditiyas and Añ-

²⁶ Vitatâu kiranâu dvâu, A. V. 20, 133, 1-6.

²⁷ Iha itthâ prâg apâg udak, A. V. 20, 134, 1-4.

²⁸ Bhugiti abhigatah, A. V. 20, 135, 1-3.

²⁹ Vîme devâ akran, A. V. 20, 135, 4.

³⁰ Adityâ ha jaritar angirobhyo, A. V. 20, 135, 6 et seq. 17 verses according to Sây.