«janasya dûrâgatasya, sundari, svâgatâdikam; «ko 'yam tv âçraminâm dharmo, yad etasmat palayyate?» 28 ity ukte bhûbhujâ, tasyâh sakhî tadvad vicakshanâ tatra 'upaviçya nripateç cakâra 'atithi-satkriyâm. 29

atha sapramayam rājā tām sa papraccha sotsukah:

«bhadre, kah puṇyavān vaṅças tvat-sakhyā 'alamkrito 'nayà? 30

«kàni çrotrāmrita-syandîny asyā nāmāksharāṇi vā?

«kim ca 'evam anayā pushpa-sukumāram idam vapuḥ 31

«tāpasocitayā vrittyā vijane 'smin kadarthyate?»

etad rājño vacaḥ çrutvā, tat-sakhî pratyuvāca sā: 32

«eshā maharsheḥ Kaṇvasya duhitā vardhitā 'açrame

«Menakā-saṃbhavā kanyā, nāmnā ca 'Indîvaraprabhā. 33

«iha 'asmin sarasi snātum āgatā 'anujñayā pituḥ;

«ito 'tra nātidūre 'sti tasya 'etat-pitur āçramaḥ.» 34

ity uktah sa taya hrishto raja 'aruhya turangamam, yacitum tam sutam tasya Kanvarsher açramaın yayau, 35 viveça ca vinîtas tam vahih-sthâpita-vâhanah jațà-valkalibhih pûrnam pâdapair iva tâpasaih. 36 tad-madhye ca tam adrakshîd rishibhih parivaritam tejasâ 'àhlâdinam Kanva-munim candram iva grahaih. 37 upetya padayos tam ca vavande, so 'pi tam munih kalpitatithya-viçrantam jüanî kshiprad abhashata: 38 «vatsa Candravaloka! 'etac crinu, yad vacmi te hitam: «jânâsi yâdrik samsâre prâninâm mrityuto bhayam, 39 «tad nishkaranam eva 'etan varakan hansi kim mrigan? « castram hi bhîta-rakshârtham dhâtrâ kshatrasya nirmitam. 40 «tat praja raksha dharmena, samunmûlaya kantakan, «hasty-açvậstrậdi-yogyabhiç cala-lakshmy-adi sadhaya! 41 « bhunkshva rajya-sukham, dehi danam, dikshu yaçah kira, «kritanta-kriditam hinsram mrigaya-vyasanam tyaja! 42 «hantur badhyasya ca 'anyasya yatra tulya-pramadità, «kim tena bahv-anarthena? Pandor vrittam na kim çrutam?» 43

etat Kanva-muner våkyam çrutvå samabhinandya sah, rajā Candravalokas tam arthajñah pratyabhāshata: 44 «anuçishto 'smi, bhagavan! krito me 'nugrahah parah; «mrigayâyâ nivritto 'ham, prâninah santu nirbhayâh!» 45 tac çrutvå 'uvaca sa munis: «tushţo 'ham amuna tava «prânishv abhaya-dânena; tad vrinîshva 'îpsitam varam!» 46 ity uktas tena munina kâlajñah sa nripo 'bhyadhàt: «tushţo 'si cet, sutam dehi mahyam Indîvaraprabham!» 47 ity arthitavate so 'smai râjñe snâtâgatâm munih Apsarah-sambhavâm kanyam tam dadav anurûpikam. 48 tatah krita-vivahas tam muni-bharya-prasadhitâm, kritanuyâtram udvashpais tâpasair a nijâçramāt, 49 Indîvaraprabham bharyam âdaya, 'aruhya vajinam, Candravalokas tarasa pratasthe sa tato nripah. 50