«tâdṛiçi tatra kshetre «gatvâ, dṛishṭvà Haram, prayâsyâmaḥ «svâm gatim; îdṛig vihito «devyâ 'asmākam samo hi çâpậntaḥ.» 143 ity ukto divyâbhyâm hansābhyâm, Brahmadatta-bhûmipatiḥ sadyo 'bhûd Muktâphala= ketu-kathā-çravaṇa-kautukậkshiptaḥ. 144

## Taranga 115.

Tatah sa Brahmadattas tau divya-hansau nripo 'bravît: «katham Vidyuddhvajam Muktaphalaketur jaghana tam? 1 «çapa-martyatvam uttîrya prapa Padmavatîm katham? «etat kathayatam tavat, kartasthah prakritam tatah.» 2 tac çrutva tat-katham evam avarnayatam khagau:

Åsîd Vidyutprabho nâma Daityendro deva-durjayaḥ, 3 sa gatvâ Jâhnavî-tîre sabhâryaḥ putra-kâmyayâ Brahmaṇam ârâdhayitum cakre varsha-çatam tapaḥ. 4 tapas-tushṭasya sa tataḥ surârir Brahmaṇo varât pràpa Vidyuddhvajam nâma tridaçâbadhyam âtmajam. 5

sa bâlo 'pi mahâ-vîryo Daityarâja-suto, balaiḥ rakshyamaṇam catur-dikshu drishtvâ sva-puram ekadâ, 6 vayasyam ekam aprâkshîd: «bhayam atra kutaḥ, sakhe, «yena 'idam rakshyate nityam nagaram sainikair?» iti. 7 tato vayasyaḥ so 'vâdîd: «asti nas Tridaçeçvaraḥ «pratipakshas; tad-artho 'yam pura-rakshaṇa-samvidhiḥ. 8 «dantinâm daça lakshâṇi, rathânâm ca caturdaça, «trinçal lakshâṇi ca 'açvânâm, pattînâm daça koṭayaḥ 9 «yâme yâme 'bhirakshanti puram vâra-kramâd idam, «sa ca prahara-vâro 'bdais teshâm âyâti saptabhiḥ.» 10

tac çrutvâ so 'bravîd Vidyuddhvajo: «dhig râjyam îdriçam, «rakshyate yat kila 'anyeshâm bâhubhir, na sva-bâhunâ! 11 «tat kritvâ 'aham tapas tîvram karishyâmi tathâ, yathâ «bhuja-nirjita-çatror me na syâd eshâ vidambanâ.» 12 ity uktvaiva vayasyam tam vârayantam nishidhya saḥ, Vidyuddhvajo yayau pitror anuktvâ tapase vanam. 13 huddhvâ 'atha pitroray spahâd ayañastva tam âcatuh:

buddhvá 'atha pitarau snehàd anvägatya tam ûcatuḥ:
«kva bàlas tvam, kva ca tapaḥ kashṭam? mà, putra, sàhasam! 14