«adriçyah syât parasya 'etâm anulomâm paṭhan narah, «pratilomâm paṭhan kuryâd ishṭa-rûpa-prakaçanam. 134 «etat-prabhava vidyâ 'iyam, vatsa, sapṭāksharonmitā, «etat-prasādāt tvam ca 'asyâm prithvyam rājā bhavishyasi.» 135 ity uktva datta-vidyā sā tiro 'bhût tasya Jāhnavî; jàṭāṣthaḥ sakhi-lābhāḍdau maranāt so 'py upāramat. 136 mitra-prapty-unmukho nîtvā kricchrat padma iva kshapām, pratar Bhîmabhaṭas tam sa cinvan prasthitavāns tataḥ. 137

atha 'anveshtum kramâd etam Çankhadattam paribhraman, deçam sa Lâţa-vishayam kadâcit prâpad ekakah, 138 yatra 'asamkîrṇa-varṇo 'pi janaç citrojjvala-sthitih, nilayo 'pi kalânâm yo na doshâkara-çabda-bhâk. 139 tatra 'antar nagare devakulâvâsân vilokayan bhrântvâ, sa dyûtakârâṇâm ekâm çâlâm avâptavân. 140 tatra praviçya ca 'apaçyat kitavân aksha-devinaḥ, kaṭikarpaṭa-mâtraika-vasanân api peçalaiḥ 141 vibhaktaiḥ pîvaraiç ca 'aṅgair bhoga-vyâyâma-sûcakaiḥ çaṅsato gûḍham aiçvaryam arthârthâçrita-tat-kalam. 142 kṛitâlâpaiç ca taiḥ sâkam dyûtam ârabhate sma saḥ, «ayam sâbharaṇo 'smâkam bhakshya», ity âtta-buddhibhiḥ. 143 tatas tena hṛitam teshâm jitvâ 'akshair akhilam dhanam, dhûrtair yad vañcayitvâ 'anyân's tair abhût samupârjitam. 144

hâritârthânc ca kitavân sva-grihân gantum udyatân dvararpita-bhujo ruddhva sa tan Bhimabhato 'bhyadhat: 145 «kva gacchatha? 'idam grihnîta dhanam! kim amunâ mama? «mayâ 'etad deyam ishtebhyo, yûyam ca 'ishtâ na kim mama? 146 «bhavadbhih sadriçân ishtân sakhîn prâpto 'smy aham kutah?» iti tasmin vadaty eva, teshv agrihnatsu ca hriya, 147 Akshakshapanako nâma tatra 'ekah kitavo 'bravît: « tad-dyûta-paribhasha 'esha, haritam yad na dîyate; 148 «tathậpy esha suhrid bhûtvà yady asmabhyam prayacchati «svecchayâ jitam apy artham, tad grihnîmo vayam na kim?» 149 tac çrutvâ te 'bruvann anye: «sakhyam ced esha çâsvatam «tâdriçam kurute 'smâbhis, tad etad upapadyate.» 150 evam uktavatas tân sa matvâ vîrâns, «tathâ!» 'iti taih vyadhâd Bhîmabhatah sakhyam, adât tebhyaç ca tad dhanam. 151 tad-arthitaç ca taih sakam udyane sakutumbakaih gatvâ, bhojana-pânâdyair vyaharat tad-upâhritaih. 152 tato 'kshakshapanakadyais taih prishtas, tebhyo 'bravîd nijam sa vança-nâma-vrittântam, apricchac ca tathaiva tân. 153 atha 'evam Akshakshapanas tasmai svodantam abhyadhât: -

Çivadattâbhidhâno 'bhûd brahmano Hastinâpure; 154 tasya 'aham Vasudattâkhyo mahâdhanavatah sutah. bâlye mayâ ca 'astra-vidyâ veda-vidyâç ca çikshitâh. 155 tato vivahah pitrâ me sadriçâd vihitah kulât. màtâ tu me mahâ-raudrî durârâdhyâ 'atikopanà. 156