

**Krauñca (I)**—a dvīpa, twice the Ghṛtoda in size and surrounded by Kṣīroda (sea of milk) (milk of ghee-*Mat. P.*). It takes its name from the Krauñca hill. Greatly despoiled by the arms of Guha but protected by Varuṇa. Its ruler was Ghṛtapṛṣṭha, a son of Priyavrata. He divided it among his seven sons and retired to a life of meditation; Hari is worshipped here in the form of waters.<sup>1</sup> (*Rudra-Vi. P.*). Divided among seven Janapadas; twice in size to Kuśadvīpa. Described.<sup>2</sup> According to *Viṣṇu P.* Dyutimat was the first king; the four castes here are *Puṣkara*, *Puṣkala*, *Dhanya* and *Tītikhyas*.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Bhā. V. 1. 32; 20. 18-23; M. 13. 7; 122. 78. <sup>2</sup> Br. II. 14. 13-26; 19. 64-77; Vā. 49. 59-73. <sup>3</sup> Vi. II. 1. 14; 2. 5; 4. 45-57.

**Krauñca (II)** The hill in Krauñcadvīpa, despoiled by the arms of Guha (*Kumāra*):<sup>1</sup> Son (brother-*Vā. P.*) of Maināka hill.<sup>2</sup> The dvīpa takes its name from this.<sup>3</sup> Residence of Śankara;<sup>4</sup> Skanda sent his śakti against.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Bhā. V. 20. 18-19; Br. II. 19. 66 and 139; 25. 18; Vi. II. 4. 60. <sup>2</sup> Br. III. 10. 7 and 48. <sup>3</sup> Br. II. 13. 35; M. 122. 81; 123. 37; 163. 89; 219. 19; Vā. 30. 32. <sup>4</sup> Vā. 39. 42; 49. 61. <sup>5</sup> Ib. 41. 39.

**Krauñca (III)**—(c) a Janapada of the Ketumāla continent;<sup>1</sup> Dyutimān first consecrated in;<sup>2</sup> surrounded by ocean of ghee;<sup>3</sup> a *vanam* surrounding the hill.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Vā. 44. 10. <sup>2</sup> Ib. 33. 13. <sup>3</sup> Ib. 30. 32; 54. 21; 111. 53. <sup>4</sup> Ib. 41. 37. 49. 59.

**Krauñca (IV)**—a son of Himavat; the Krauñca hill and dvīpa take their name after him.

M. 13. 7.

**Krauñca (V)**—a pupil of Śākapūrṇa.

Vi. III. 4. 24.

**Krauñcapāda**—a place in Gayā when the sage performed austerities in the form of a Krauñca.

Vā. 108. 75, 83; 109. 16; 111. 44