Śatadhanus (III)—a king of yore; his wife Śaivyā, a woman of piety; both worshipped Janardhana; after fasting on the Kārttika full moon day and bath in the Bhāgīrathī, they met a heretic, a friend of the king's military preceptor; he talked to him but she looked at the sun; soon the king died and she ascended the funeral pyre; for the sin of talking to a heretic he was born as a dog in Vidiśa and his wife as a daughter of the king of Kāśī; she had a knowledge of her former birth and accepted the dog for her husband; when the dog remembered his former condition, he fell dead in a forest and was born as a jackal in the Kolāhala hill; the daughter of the king of Kāśī repaired to the mountain when he remembered his previous birth and was born as a wolf; again the daughter of the king of Kāśī met him; remembering his former state he was born as a vulture, crow and a peacock; when she bathed him during the sacrificial bath of Janaka he was born as the son of Janaka. Then a svayamvara was held, she married him, lived as his queen and attained heaven. See Śaivyā.

Vi. III. 18. 53-95.

Satadhanvan (1)—the wicked; of the race of Bhojas, and king of Mithilā; set up Akrūra and Kṛtavarman who were displeased with Satrājita for not giving his daughter in marriage to them; Satadhanvan killed Satrājita while asleep, and walked away with the jewel; when Kṛṣṇa heard of this from Satyabhāmā, he came back to Dvārakā from Hāstinapura to kill Satadhanvan. Knowing this, the latter requested Kṛtavarman and Akrūra for help and they refused; placing the jewel under Akrūra's custody he rode one hundred yojanas and on reaching Mithilā, his horse fell tired. Then he ran on foot pursued by Kṛṣṇa. Kṛṣṇa got his head cut off but found no jewel. His death was known in Dvārakā; knew the yoga power of Hari.

Bhā. X. ch. 57 (whole); 58. 9 [4]; II. 7. 44; Vā. 96. 56-74; Vi. IV. 13. 67-100.