

seen among others by Akrūra, Kṛtavarman, Kṛṣṇa and Balarāma;<sup>7</sup> one of the twelve, who knew the *dharma* ordained by Hari,<sup>8</sup> gave piṇḍa in Viṣṇupada,<sup>9</sup> Baladeva's respect for;<sup>10</sup> narrated to Nakula what he heard from his Brahmana friend Kālingaka, on the mystery of birth and death;<sup>11</sup> the best of the Kurus;<sup>12</sup> heard a legend from Vasīṣṭha as to who was a *Nagna*.<sup>13</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Bhā. IX. 22. 19-20; I. 9. 4-6, 30; M. 103. 5. Vā. 99. 240. Vi. IV. 20. 33; V. 35. 5 and 27. <sup>2</sup> Bhā. X. 68. 17 and 28; 74. 10. <sup>3</sup> Ib. X. 82. 24; 84. 57, 69 [1]. <sup>4</sup> Ib. X. 78. [95(v) 16], [28]; I. 9. 8-10; 15. 10. <sup>5</sup> Ib. I. 9. 11-14. <sup>6</sup> Ib. I. 9. 25-42; XI. 19. 11-12. <sup>7</sup> Ib. X. 49. 1; 52. [56(v) 4, and 11]; 57. 2. <sup>8</sup> Ib. VI. 3. 20. <sup>9</sup> Vā. 111. 69. <sup>10</sup> Vi. V. 35. 36; 38. 16, 47, 49 and 64. <sup>11</sup> Ib. III. 7. 8. <sup>12</sup> Ib. III. 7. 35. <sup>13</sup> Ib. III. 17. 7.

*Bhīṣmaka*—the invincible king of Vidarbha, capital of Kuṇḍina (Berar);<sup>1</sup> had five sons (Rukmi one of them) and a daughter, known as Vaidarbhī and Rukmiṇī. Agreed to his son, Rukmi's wish to give Rukmiṇī in marriage to Śiśupāla: on the eve of the day of marriage, the city was decorated; prayers were offered to Piṭrs and Devas; presents were given to Brahmanas to exalt *mangalam*. Damaghoṣa and other friends of the Cedi King were welcomed. Housed Rāma and Kṛṣṇa in comfortable lodgings. But Kṛṣṇa won her in the *svayamvara*;<sup>2</sup> was stationed by Jarāsandha on the northern side during the siege of Gomanta;<sup>3</sup> went to the Syamantapañcaka for the solar eclipse.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Bhā. III. 3. 3; Vi. V. 26. 1. <sup>2</sup> Bhā. X. 52. 16, 21-22; 53. 7-35; Vi. V. 26. 3-6. <sup>3</sup> Bhā. X. 52. 11[15]. <sup>4</sup> Ib. X. 82. 15.

*Bhīṣmacandika*—a place near Benares.

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*Bhujanga*—served as a rope for Manu to tie the divine boat to the horn of the fish;<sup>1</sup> Indra took the guise of, to disturb the *tapas* of Vajrāṅgī;<sup>2</sup> born to ward off poison.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> M. 2. 18; 4. 6. <sup>2</sup> Ib. 146. 65. <sup>3</sup> Ib. 219. 6.