

kings including the Pāṇdavas attended the sacrifice. In the course of the sacrifice a Brāhmaṇa complained of the death of his children immediately after birth. At this Arjuna (s.v.) offered to give succour and recovered them with Kṛṣṇa's aid, from Nārāyaṇa's abode. Nārāyaṇa said that he took the children as a means to see Kṛṣṇa and Arjuna in their human form. The *Avabhṛta* of the sacrifice was celebrated in the Yamunā.<sup>8</sup> A remedy for brahmicide.<sup>9</sup> Performed by Śūdra kings in Kali age;<sup>10</sup> of other kings;<sup>11</sup> of Ikṣvāku, of Dakṣa, of Suyajña, of Nala, of Śatānika of Purūravas;<sup>12</sup> equal to going to Gayā, bath in the Prayāga and Ganges, *koṭihoma*, *grahabali*, etc.<sup>13</sup> 100 of them performed by Somadatta;<sup>14</sup> as efficacious as reading the *Viṣṇu Purāṇa*,<sup>15</sup> performed by other sages.<sup>16</sup>

<sup>8</sup>Bhā. X. 89. 22-64. <sup>9</sup>Ib. VI. 13. 6-9. <sup>10</sup>Br. II. 31. 67; M. 144. 43. <sup>11</sup>Br. II. 34. 24; III. 5. 7; 7. 268; 11. 13-16; 64. 17; 68. 26; 70. 24 and 27; 71. 119; 72. 28; IV. 12. 31. <sup>12</sup>M. 12. 10; 12. 15; 44. 23 and 64; 24. 10; Vā. 105. 10. 32; 111. 17, 51; 112. 31-2. <sup>13</sup>M. 22. 6; 28. 6; 53. 15; 58. 54; 106. 29; 183. 71 and 80. <sup>14</sup>Vi. IV. 1. 56. <sup>15</sup>Vi. VI. 8. 28 & 34. <sup>16</sup>Vā. 20. 16; 32. 52; 30. 291; 50. 221; 57. 52; 60. 23; 67. 50, 53-8; 71. 77; 75. 60, 75; 99. 456; 104. 84; Bhā. IX. 22. 39.

*Aśvamedhaja*—the son of Sahasrānika and father of Aśimakṛṣṇa.

Bhā. IX. 22. 39.

*Aśvamedhadatta*—the son of Śatānika and father of Adhisimakṛṣṇa.

Vi. IV. 21. 5-6; Vā. 99. 257.

*Aśvamedhra*—a commander of Bhaṇḍa.

Br. IV. 21. 89.

*Aśvayuk*—(śukla-navami), a *manvantarādi* for śrādhā.

M. 17. 6.