

formed *yajña* on its bank, a question arose as to who was the superior god in the world. Bhrgu, the son of Brahmā was deputed to find this out.⁷ Here are eleven places sacred to Trīta, Uśanas, Manu and others. Vidura had his ablutions in all of them.⁸ Kṛṣṇa sat under an *aśvatta* tree on its banks preparing to leave off mortal coil and asked Uddhava to go to Badarī.⁹ On its banks Kardama performed austerities for 10,000 years. Its banks filled with hermitages, one was Kardama's. In it Devahūti bathed.¹⁰ Visited by Balārāma.¹¹ Parikṣit came to hear Dharma at the place where the R. flows East, complaining to Earth on the advent of Kali.¹² Defined.¹³ From the Himālayas; fit for śrāddha offerings;¹⁴ a holy river;¹⁵ sacred to pitrs; flows from the slopes of the Hemakūṭa hill;¹⁶ flows through Kurukṣetra,¹⁷ scene of talk between Garga and Atri.¹⁸ sacred to Devamāta,¹⁹ in the chariot of Tripurāri.²⁰

¹ Bhā. I. 4. 15; IV. 19. 1; V. 19. 18; IX. 14. 33 II. 9. 44; Br. II. 12. 16; Vā. 45. 95; 55. 43; 108. 59, 78; 109. 21; ² Bhā. I. 4. 27; 7. 2. ³ Ib. IX. 16. 23. ⁴ Ib. X. 34. 2 and 4. ⁵ Ib. IV. 14. 36; 16. 24. ⁶ Ib. X. 71. 22; IX. 30. 6; IX. 4. 22. ⁷ Ib. X. 89. 1-2. ⁸ Bhā. III: 1. 21-22. ⁹ Ib. III. 4. 3-8. ¹⁰ Ib. III. 21. 6; 22. 27. 23. 25. 24: 9: 11 Ib. X. 78. 18-19. ¹² Ib. I. 16. 37. ¹³ VIII. 4. 23-4. ¹⁴ Br. II. 16: 24: 27; III. 13. 69; 14. 83; Vi. III. 14. 18. ¹⁵ M. 7. 3. ¹⁶ Ib. 22. 23. ¹⁷ Ib. 121: 64-5; 186. 10; 229. 3. ¹⁸ Ib. 239. 18. ¹⁹ Ib. 13. 44; ²⁰ Ib. 114. 20; 133. 24.

Sarasvatī (III)—a R. in Śālmalidvipa.

Bhā. V. 2.0 10.

Sarasvatī (IV)—the mother of Sārvabhauma—Hari.

Bhā. VIII. 13. 17.

Sarasvatī (V)—a wife of Pūrṇamāsa; sons, Viraja and Parvasa.

Br. II. 11. 12; Vā. 28. 10.