worship of the different manifestations of Viṣṇu—Anantaśayana, Pradyumna, Samkarṣaṇa, Aniruddha, Vāsudeva; the giver enjoys in heaven with the heavenly damsels.

M. 274. 7.

Brahmāpeta—the Rākṣasa presiding over the month of Isa; a son of Brahmadāna.

Bhā. XII. 11. 43; Br. II. 23. 22; III. 7. 98.

Brahmāvarta (1)—(c) a kingdom;¹ the land of Parikṣit where dharma and satya were practised and yajñas performed;² residence of Svāyambhuva Manu, to which he returned after the marriage of his daughter;³ the land of Manus as also of Pṛthu; the place where the R. Sarasvatī flows eastward;⁴ visited by Rṣabha.⁵

¹ Bhā. I. 10, 34, ² Ib. I. 17, 33, ³ Ib. III, 21, 25; 22, 26, ⁴ Ib. IV, 19, 1, ⁵ Ib. V, 4, 19; 5, 28,

Brahmāvarta (II)—a son of Ŗṣabha and Jayantī. Bhā. V. 4. 10.

Brahmāvarta (III)—a tīrtha sacred to the Pitrs; near the Dhārātīrtha on the Narmadā; here Brahmā resides always.

M. 22. 69; 190. 7-8; 191. 70.

Brahmāsanam—Paraśurāma was sitting in this posture while performing penance.

Br. III. 57. 6.

Brahmāstram—in Janaloka; given to Paraśurāma by Śiva;¹ employed by Aśvatthāma against Parīkṣit in his mother's womb.²

¹ Br. III. 32. 57. ² Vi. IV. 20. 52.

Brahmistha (1)—a son of Mudgala.

Br. 50. 6.

Brahmistha (II)—a son of Asita.

Vā. 70. 27.