TEXT.

Flavour, being No. 60. Since 'Flavour' [exists] only from its knowledge, is self-being identical with the knowledge of [the emotions manifested.

and concomitants, such as] Love, &c.—hence is established its self-manifestation [—knowledge being, itself, light—], and its indivisibleness.

COMMENTARY.

- a. If 'Love, &c.' were something distinct from the body of light [or knowledge], then only could its self-manifestation not be established; but the case is not so, -for its identity therewith is admitted [by all the authorities], as it is declared [by the author of the Dhwani]thus-" Although, by reason of its being nothing other than the 'Flavour,' the 'Gustation' [of Flavour] is not a product [§ 52], still, being assumed to be a product in respect of its occasionalness [§ 58. a.], it is moreover treated as divisible into Love [and the various poetic emotions] &c., [these being supposed to subsist] in the shape of modifications [-as curd is a modification of milk-] of that increate Imagination which is identical therewith [i. e. with increate Flavour.]" :- and ['Flavour,' I repeat, is held to be identical with Knowledge as he elsewhere declares] thus-" And on assenting to the identity of Joy, &c. [with 'Gustation' and 'Flavour'], having reposed upon our couch of established doctrine, mayest thou enjoy the slumber of delight for a thousand years of the gods!"-and [as he again declares] thus-"It [Flavour] is undivided from its enjoyer, being made an object of cognition identical with the Love [or other emotion], &c., of the possessor of Imagination."
- b. On [the shoulders of] those who do not admit the fact that Knowledge is self-manifesting—the rod must be let fall by the Vedántists [who more especially cherish the tenet disallowed by these].
- c. The 'indivisibleness' thereof [i. e. of Flavour—is to be inferred] just from its identity [with the knowledge of the emotions, &c.]—for Love [and the other emotions], &c., in the first place being recognised severally, attain to being 'Flavour' only as they appear when having all become one. This is declared [by the author of the Dhwani] as follows—"The Excitants, the Ensuants, the Involuntary [indications of emotion], and the Accessories, being recognised first dividedly, attain to indivisibility:"—and [again—as he remarks in prose—]