

2. Pāyu is found in the Rigveda¹ as the name of a poet, a Bhāradvāja. In the Bṛhaddevatā² he is credited with assisting Abhyāvartin Cāyamāna and Prastoka Sārṇjaya by consecrating their weapons with a hymn.³

¹ vi. 47, 24. Cf. Ludwig, Translation of the Rigveda, 3, 128.

² v. 124 *et seq.*, with Macdonell's notes.

³ vi. 75 (the 'battle' hymn).

Pāra, in accordance with its derivation (*pr*, 'bring across'), denotes the 'farther bank' of a river or stream, in which sense¹ it occurs in the Rigveda² and later.³

¹ It also often has the generalized sense of 'extreme limit' or 'end,' as in i. 92, 5 (*tamasas*, 'of darkness'); v. 54, 10 (*adhvanah*, 'of a road').

² i. 121, 13 (*nāvyānām*, 'of streams'); viii. 96, 11 (*nadinām*); i. 167, 2 (*samud-rasya*); x. 155, 3 (*sindhoh*), etc.

³ Taittirīya Samhitā, vii. 5, 1, 2, 3; Kāthaka Samhitā, xxxiii. 5; Śatapatha Brāhmaṇa, iii. 6, 2, 4 (*salilasya*); Aitareya Brāhmaṇa, viii. 21 (*pāra-hāma*, 'desiring the farther bank'), etc.

Pāraśavya, 'descendant of Paraśu,' is the patronymic of Tirindira in the Śāṅkhāyana Śrauta Sūtra (xvi. 11, 20). Cf. Paraśu.

1. Pārāvata occurs in the list of victims at the Aśvamedha ('horse sacrifice'), in the Yajurveda,¹ meaning 'turtle-dove.'

¹ Maitrāyaṇī Samhitā, iii. 14, 6; Vājasaneyi Samhitā, xxiv. 25.

2. Pārāvata occurs in several passages of the Rigveda. Roth¹ thinks that in most places² it means 'coming from a distance,' but in two passages³ he regards it as the proper name of a people on the Yamunā (Jumna). It is certain that in the Pañcaviṃśa Brāhmaṇa the Pārāvatas are a people on that river (cf. Turaśravas). Hillebrandt⁴ sees in all the passages⁵ the name of a people, comparing the Παρυῆται of

¹ St. Petersburg Dictionary, s.v.

² Rv. v. 52, 11; viii. 100, 6; Av. xx. 135, 14; *pārāvata-ghni* of the Sarasvatī, Rv. vi. 61, 2.

³ Rv. viii. 34, 18; Pañcaviṃśa Brāhmaṇa, ix. 4, 11. Cf. Hopkins, *Transac-*

tions of the Connecticut Academy of Arts and Sciences, 15, 53.

⁴ *Vedische Mythologie*, 1, 97 *et seq.*; 3, 310, following Brunnhofer, *Iran und Turan*, 99.

⁵ See notes 2 and 3.