

Āsvattha or **Āsvatha**. According to the Śāṅkhāyana Śrauta Sūtra,³ **Bharadvāja** obtained gifts from **Prastoka Sārñjaya**, 'descendant of **Srñjaya**.'

³ xvi. 11, 11.

Cf. Weber, *Episches im vedischen Ritual*,

30, 31; Macdonell, *Bṛhaddevatā*, 2, 198 et seq.

Pra-stotṛ is the name of an assistant of the **Udgātṛ** priest who sings the **Prastāva**,¹ or prelude of the **Sāman** chant. His not being mentioned by name in the **Rigveda** is merely an accident, for he is clearly referred to in one passage,² and in the later literature³ he is a frequent figure. **Ludwig**⁴ erroneously thinks that **Prasāstr** is the earlier name of the **Prastotṛ**.

¹ **Pañcaviṃśa Brāhmaṇa**, xii. 10, 7; **Aitareya Brāhmaṇa**, iii. 23; **Śatapatha Brāhmaṇa**, viii. 7, 4, 6; **Chāndogya Upaniṣad**, i. 10, 9; ii. 2, 1, etc.

² viii. 81, 5 (*pra stoṣat*). See Oldenberg, *Religion des Veda*, 393, n. 3.

³ **Taittiriya Saṃhitā**, iii. 3, 2, 1;

vi. 6, 3, 1; **Taittiriya Brāhmaṇa**, i. 8, 2, 3; **Aitareya Brāhmaṇa**, v. 34; vii. 1; **Śatapatha Brāhmaṇa**, iv. 2, 5, 3; v. 4, 5, 22; xii. 1, 1, 6, etc.; **Chāndogya Upaniṣad**, i. 10, 8, etc.

⁴ Translation of the **Rigveda**, 3,

227.

Prasravaṇa. See **Plakṣa**.

Pra-hā in the **Rigveda**,¹ the **Atharvaveda**,² and the **Pañcaviṃśa Brāhmaṇa**,³ denotes a 'winning throw' at dice, or, generally, any 'gain' or 'advantage.'³

¹ x. 42, 9.

² iv. 38, 3.

³ xvi. 14, 2; xx. 11, 4.

Cf. Zimmer, *Altindisches Leben*, 241,

and *prahāvant*, **Rv.** iv. 20, 8, meaning 'acquiring gain,' according to the **St. Petersburg Dictionary**, s.v.

Prā-kāra in the Śāṅkhāyana Śrauta Sūtra (xvi. 18, 14) denotes a walled mound supporting a raised platform (*prāsāda*) for spectators.

Prā-kāśa is found several times in the **Brāhmaṇas**¹ denoting an ornament of metal or a metal mirror. According to **Geldner**,² **Prāvepa** has the same sense in the **Maitrāyaṇī Saṃhitā**.³

¹ **Taittiriya Brāhmaṇa**, i. 8, 2, 3; **Pañcaviṃśa Brāhmaṇa**, xviii. 9, 10; **Satapatha Brāhmaṇa**, v. 4, 5, 22, etc.

² *Rigveda, Glossar*, 120.

³ iv. 4, 8.