

ed. Monier Williams' Dictionary, though inferior in several respects to Mr. Borooah's, has several happy renderings of short words and expressions, especially where ideas, purely English, have to be clothed in a Sanskrit garb, and I have freely consulted his Dictionary for such renderings. I have also frequently referred to the learned Professor's valuable Sanskrit-English Dictionary; for both of which my sincere thanks are due to him. But my acknowledgments are chiefly due to Mr. Borooah, from whose work I have derived much substantial assistance, in the suggestion of equivalents for words or phrases, more particularly from his numerous quotations, and therein again, quotations from such works as were not accessible to me, or being accessible, I had no time at my disposal sufficient to go through them. I have also had to keep constantly by my side, the useful Sanskrit Lexicon—the Kosha of Amarasimha—made more useful by the edition published by the Department of Public Instruction, Bombay. In giving illustrative sentences from classical Authors, I have used annotations or translations wherever they existed, and have derived hints from them and have occasionally adopted their translation. My thanks are due to all annotators, editors or translators of such works. I have to thank sincerely Prof. R. G. Bhandarkar, M. A. Deccan College, Poona, who kindly proposed suitable equivalents for some difficult words and phrases which were referred to him. I have also to thank my friend, Mr. Ganesh Krishna Garde, L. M. & S., for having supplied me with accurate equivalents for some knotty and technical terms in Medicine, from books and sources which I had no time to reach, and which even if I had time to reach and use, I could not, unaided by him, turn to much practical account. Lastly, my thanks are due to several kind and obliging friends who assisted me either in collecting materials for the Dictionary, or in carrying it through the Press.

In conclusion, I trust that the Dictionary will be useful not only to those for whose use it is principally prepared, but to the general public also who may wish to avail themselves of appliances calculated to help the study of Sanskrit. It is my belief that, except for the translation of passages from purely technical subjects, such as Chemistry, Botany, Medicine, Philosophy etc., this Dictionary will be useful to all readers of Sanskrit for translating any passage dealing with ordinary subjects. None is more conscious than myself of the defects