

Udumbara tree. -वृत्तिं *f.* livelihood of a Brāhmana. -बृद् *n.* an assemblage of Brāhmanas. -वेद *m.* 1 knowledge of the Vedas; 2 knowledge of Brahman (*n.*). -वेदिन् *a.* knowing the Veda, M. i. 97. -वैवर्त *n.* name of one of the eighteen *Pura'nas*. -व्रत *n.* a vow of chastity. ब्रह्मेशय *m.* 1 an epithet of Kārtikeya; 2 of Vishnu. -द्वारस, शीर्षन् *n.* name of a particular weapon. -संसद् *f.* an assembly of Brāhmanas. -सती *f.* an epithet of the river Sarasvati. -सत्र *n.* 1 recital of and instruction in the Vedas, (the same as ब्रह्मयज्ञ *q. v.*); 2 absorption in the supreme spirit. -सदम् *n.* the residence of Brahman (*m.*). -सभा *f.* the court of Brahman (*m.*). -संभव *m.* an epithet of Nārada. -सर्प *m.* a kind of snake. -सात् *ind.* to the disposition of Brahman (*n.*). -सायुज्य *n.* identification with Brahman (*n.*). -साष्टिका *f.* identification with Brahman (*n.*), M. iv. 232. -सावर्णि *m.* name of the tenth Manu. -सुत *m.* an epithet of Nārada. -सु *m.* 1 an epithet of Aniruddha; 2 an epithet of the god of love. -सूत्र *n.* 1 the sacred thread worn over the shoulder; 2 the *Veda'nta sutra* of Bādarāyana. -सूचिन् *a.* invested with the sacred thread. -सूत्र *m.* an epithet of S'iva. -स्तेय *n.* obtaining a knowledge of the Vedas by illicit means. -स्व *n.* the property of a Brāhmana. -हारीन् *a.* stealing the property of a Brāhmana. -हन् *a.* murdering a Brāhmana, M. xi. 101. -वृत्त *n.* one of the five daily *yajnyas* consisting in

the performance of the rights of hospitality. See M. iii. 74. -हृद्य *m. n.* name of a star. ब्रह्मणी *f.* 1 The wife of Brahman (*m.*); 2 an epithet of Durgā; 3 a kind of brass; 4 a kind of perfume, (रेणुका). ब्रह्मिन् I *a.* (*f.* णी) Relating to Brahman (*n.*). II *m.* An epithet of Vishnu. ब्रह्मिष्ठ *a.* (*f.* ङा) Thoroughly conversant with the Vedas, ब्रह्मिष्ठमाधाय निजेऽधिकारे ब्रह्मिष्ठमेव स्वतनुप्रसूतम् R. xviii. 28. ब्रह्मिष्ठा *f.* An epithet of Durgā. ब्रह्मी *f.* Name of a medicinal plant. ब्राह्म I *a.* (*f.* णी) 1 Relating to Brahman (*m.*), R. xiii. 60; 2 relating to Brahman (*n.*), Bg. ii. 72; 3 relating to the Brāhmanas; 4 holy, sacred; 5 relating to sacred knowledge; 6 relating to or prescribed by the Vedas II *m.* 1 One of the eight forms of marriage; in it the bride is bestowed on the bridegroom decorated and without any gift from the bridegroom, (ब्राह्मो विवाह आहूय दीयते शक्त्यलंकृता Yaj. i. 58), M. iii. 27; 2 an epithet of Nārada. III *n.* 1 The part of the hand under the root of the thumb; 2 study of the Veda; 3 a missile presided over by Brahman (*m.*), R. xii. 97. Comp. -अहोरात्र *m.* a day and night of Brahman (*m.*). -देवा *f.* a girl to be given in accordance with the *Bra'hma* form. -दुहर्त *m.* *n.* a particular period of the early part of the day, ब्राह्मे

मुहूर्ते किल तस्य देवी कुमारकल्पे सुषुप्ते कुमारम् R. v. 36. ब्राह्मण I *a.* (*f.* णी) 1 Relating to or becoming a Brāhmana; 2 given by a Brāhmana. II *m.* 1 A member of the first of the four primary castes of the Hindus, a Brāhmana, (जन्मना जायते गृहः संस्कारैर्दिज उच्यते। कर्मणा याति विप्रत्वं ब्रह्म जानाति ब्राह्मणः) M. i. 31, v. 95; 2 an epithet of *Agni*. III *n.* 1 A society of Brāhmanas; 2 that portion of the Veda which contains rules for the employment of the *Mantras*, explanations of sacrifices and illustrations in the way of old stories; (the Veda consists of *Mantra* and *Bra'hmana*); 3 name of that class of Vedic works which contain the *Bra'hmana* portion of the Veda; (there are extant several *Bra'hmanas*: to the Rigveda are attached the ऐतरेय and कौशीतिक *Bra'hmanas*; to the Yajurveda belongs the शतपथ *Bra'hmana*; पंचविंश and षड्विंश *Bra'hmanas* belong to the Sāmaveda and the गोपथ to the Atharvaveda). Comp. -अतिक्रम *m.* insulting behaviour towards a Brāhmana, ब्राह्मणातिक्रमत्यागो भवतामेव भूतये Mv. ii. -अभ्युपपत्ति *f.* preservation of a Brāhmana. -प्र *m.* the killer of a Brāhmana. -चांडाल *m.* 1 the son of a S'udra father by a Brāhmana mother; 2 a degraded Brāhmana, M. ix. 87. -जात *n.*, जाति *f.* the Brāhmana caste. -जीविका, वृत्ति *f.* the means of subsistence allowed to a man of the Brāhmana caste. -जा *ind.* to or to the disposition of a Brāhmana. ब्रह्म, स्व-