

**Kavaṣa** Ailūṣa, who was a Brāhmana born of a female slave, and was reproached on this ground by the other Ṛṣis. He is possibly identical with the Kavaṣa of the Rigveda.

**Kaśa** is the name of an unknown animal mentioned as a victim at the horse sacrifice in the Yajurveda Saṃhitās.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> i. 126, 5. | <sup>38</sup> Cf. Maitrāyaṇī Saṃhitā, iii. 14, 7. 18, 1; Vājasaneyī Saṃhitā, xxiv. 26; | Cf. Zimmer, *Altindisches Leben*, 84.

**Kaśikā** is the name of an animal mentioned once in the Rigveda,<sup>1</sup> and interpreted as 'weasel' by the commentator Sāyaṇa. Fick<sup>2</sup> suggests that the meaning is 'pole-cat.' Geldner<sup>3</sup> takes it as 'female ichneumon.'

<sup>1</sup> i. 126, 5. | **Hopkins**, *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, 17, 57. <sup>2</sup> Bezenberger, *Beiträge*, 3, 165; Schrader, *Prehistoric Antiquities*, 247. | <sup>3</sup> *Rigveda, Glossar*, 44. Cf. Zimmer, *Altindisches Leben*, 84;

**Kaśipu** denotes a 'mat' or 'cushion' made, according to the Atharvaveda,<sup>1</sup> by women from reeds (*naḍa*), which they crushed for the purpose by means of stones. On the other hand, the Śatapatha Brāhmana<sup>2</sup> refers to a mat as made of gold.

<sup>1</sup> vi. 138, 5.

<sup>2</sup> xiii. 4, 3, 1.

**Kaśu** is the name of a prince mentioned in the Rigveda with the patronymic Caidya, or descendant of **Cedi**, as a generous patron of the singer, who praises the liberality of the Cedis. Neither this king nor the Cedis appear again in Vedic literature.

<sup>1</sup> viii. 5, 37. Cf. Zimmer, *Altindisches Leben*, 129.

**Kaśo-jū** occurs once in the Rigveda (i. 112, 14) either as a proper name or as an epithet of **Divodāsa**. The sense of the word is quite uncertain.

**Kaśyapa**, a word denoting 'tortoise,' occurs in the Atharvaveda<sup>1</sup> and often later.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> iv. 20, 7.

<sup>2</sup> Maitrāyaṇī Saṃhitā, iii. 14, 18; Vājasaneyī Saṃhitā, xxiv. 37; Śatapatha Brāhmana, vii. 5, 1, 5; Aitareya Brāhmana, ii. 6.

Cf. Weber, *Indische Studien*, 18, 86; Bloomfield, *American Journal of Philology*, 17, 403.