(abhrātara iva jāmayah) are referred to. The word is similarly used in the dispute occurring in the Aitareya Brāhmaṇa³ as to the precedence of Rākā, or of the wives of the gods, in a certain rite. One party is there described as holding that the sister should be preferred (jāmyai vai pūrva-peyam)—apparently at a ceremonial family meal—to the wife, presumably as being of one blood with the husband, while the wife is not (being anyodaryā, 'of another womb').⁴ In the neuter⁵ the word means 'relationship,' like jāmi-tva, which also occurs in the Rigveda.⁵

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* iii. 37.

* Delbrück, loc. cit.

* Rv. iii. 54. 9; X. 10, 4; jāmi-kṛt,  

* making relationship, Av. iv. 19, 1.

* Cf. Altareya Brāhmaṇa, loc. cit.

* iii. 105, 9; 166, 13; x, 55, 4; 64, 13.
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Jāmi-śamsa, the 'imprecation by a sister' or 'relation,' is mentioned in the Atharvaveda,¹ showing that family disputes were not rare. This is also indicated by the word Bhrātryya, which, while properly meaning 'father's brother's son,' regularly denotes simply 'enemy.'

1 ii. 10, 1 (=Taittiriya Brāhmaṇa, ii. 5, 6, 3), and personified in ix. 4, 15. Cf. jāmyāḥ śapathaḥ, Av. ii. 7, 2; Bloomfield, Hymns of the Atharvaveda, 362.

Jāmbila, 'hollow of the knee,' occurs once in the Maitrāyanī Samhitā.<sup>2</sup> The word also occurs in the form of Jāmbīla in the Kāthaka Samhitā.<sup>3</sup> and the Vājasaneyi Samhitā.<sup>4</sup> Mahīdhara, in his commentary on the latter text, interprets the word as 'knee-pan,' which he says is so named because of its resemblance to the citron, jāmbīra.

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1 Perhaps for jānu-bila. Cf. Mac- | 2 iii. 15, 3. donell, Vedic Grammar, p. 11, n. 4. 8 v. 13, 1. 4 xxv. 3.
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Jāyantī-putra, 'son of Jāyantī,' is mentioned in the last Vaṃśa (list of teachers) in the Bṛhadāraṇyaka Upaniṣad¹ as a pupil of Māṇḍūkāyanīputra.

<sup>1</sup> vi. 5, 2 (Kāṇva=vi. 4, 32 Mādhyamdina).

Jāyā regularly denotes 'wife,' and, as opposed to Patnī, wife as an object of marital affection, the source of the continuance