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THE TALES BELONGING TO THE NAMASKĀRA-VYĀKHYĀ OF THE ĀVASYAKA-CŪRŅI. A SURVEY

The portion of the Āvaśyaka text which will be examined in this article covers 90 pages of the cūrni print 1. I have chosen it, because it forms a small unity of its own. The text of the cūrni coincides with Haribhadra's explanation of the Āvaśyaka niryukti stanzas 887-1012, these stanzas forming the first section of the so-called sūtra-sparšikaniryukti, that part of the niryukti which deals with the wording of the underlying sūtra itself 2.

Whereas the versified recension, i.e. the *Viśeṣāvaśyaka*, which hardly mentions the key-words in each case, is negligible as far as the narrative part is concerned, Haribhadra's vrtti and, in addition to that, Malayagiri's commentary retain the Prakrit $t\bar{\imath}k\bar{a}$ tradition 3. Thus at least two parallel versions are available for investigation. Wishing to emphasize the importance of the $c\bar{u}rni$, its linguistic feature being of a comparatively genuine character and its narrative being often more comprehensive than that handed down by the $t\bar{\imath}k\bar{a}$, I have made especial reference to this text in the title of my paper. Haribhadra's style is nearer to

^{1.} Srīmaj-Jinadāsa-gaņimahattara-kṛtayā sūtra-cūrņyā sametaṃ śrīmad-Āvaśyaka-sūtram, I, ed. Ānandasāgara sūri, Ŗṣabhadevaji Keśarīmalajī Svetāmbara Saṃsthā (Ratlām, 1928-29), pp. 501-91.

^{2.} Regarding the relations between the different layers of the Āvaśyaka-tradition cf. Klaus Bruhn, Āvaśyaka Studies, I, in « Studien zum Jainismus und Buddhismus: Gedenkschrift für Ludwig Alsdorf / hrsg. von Klaus Bruhn und Albrecht Wezler » (Wiesbaden, Steiner, 1981), pp. 11-49 and the literature mentioned in that article.

3. Srīmad-bhavaviraha-Haribhadra-sūri-sūtrita-vrtty-alaṃkṛtaṃ śrīmad-Āvaśyaka-

^{3.} Srīmad-bhavaviraha-Haribhadra-suri-sutrita-vṛtiy-alianircṛtaṇi srīmad-Avasyaka-sūtram, I, ed. Āgamodaya Samiti, Bombay, 1916-17, fol. 374b-454b; Srīman-Malayagiri-sūri-kṛta-vivaraṇa-yutaṃ śrī-Āvaśyakasūtram, III, Devchand Lālbhai Jain Pusta-koddhar Fund Series no. 85 (1936), fol. 485a-555b. I have used the Viśeṣāvaśyaka-bhāṣya in the edition of Pr. Dalsukh Malvania, Ācārya Jinabhadra's Višeṣavaśyaka, III, Ahmedabad, 1968. The namaskāra-vyākhyā forms the contents of stanzas 3330-4020 of that text. Further enrichment of our knowledge of the narrative tradition is to be expected from the unedited commentary of Sīlānka, as is to be seen from the examples given by Leumann in his Āvaśyaka-Erzählungen (see infra note 5).

Sanskrit, moreover the edition of his version provides us with a Sanskrit $ch\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ which is useful. The Prakrit prose passages as preserved by Malayagiri, although compiled about four centuries later than Haribhadra's in the time of Hemacandra and not representing an independent branch of the $t\bar{i}k\bar{a}$ text, form a part of the tradition which also must not be underestimated. Its value is to be seen not only with regard to the better understanding of Haribhadra's wording or because Malayagiri has preserved single variants of exposition, but also because of some original features of his language (a fluent and easily readable Prakrit style): Out of a number of special qualities of his text I only have to mention here the remarkable perfect act. participle formation in $-\bar{a}iya$ - (as in: $bhaniy\bar{a}io$, $rakkhiy\bar{a}io$, $cintiy\bar{a}io$) ⁴ as a peculiarity of grammar which seems not to have been noticed until now, but might be of interest when seen in comparison with the corresponding Pali and Buddhist Sanskrit forms ending in $-t\bar{a}vi(n)$ ⁵.

The $\bar{A}va\dot{s}yaka$ - $s\bar{u}tra$ is introduced by the well-known invocation formula « Veneration to the Arhats... ». To the explanation of this sentence alone our section of the $c\bar{u}rni$ is dedicated, being called $namask\bar{a}ra$ - $vy\bar{a}$ - $khy\bar{a}$ in the margin of the printed text and $namokk\bar{a}ra$ -nijjutti by the author Jinadāsa or the organizer of his work 6 . Alternative formulas of the invocation expressed in six or in ten words are given by the $c\bar{u}rni$ on p. 504, namely

namo arahantāṇaṇi, siddhāṇaṇi, āyariyāṇaṇi, uvajjhāṇaṇi, savva-sāhūṇaṇi or namo arahantānam, namo siddhānam, namo...⁷.

With regard to the wording of the formula, it has to be stated, that the bulk of illustrative stories (udāharaṇa), which are the subject of our special interest, is concentrated round two terms only, that is, araha and siddha, some further stories being told for the purpose of illuminating

^{4.} Cf. for instance Malayagiri, *l. c.*, I, Āgamodaya Samiti, no. 56 (Bombay, 1928), fol. 230a, 231b, 232a, 250b, 270b and passim.

^{5.} Ernst Leumann, Die Āvasyaka-Erzählungen, in «Abh. für die Kunde des Morgenlandes», 10, 2 (Leipzig, 1897), had begun to establish an edition of all the Āvasyaka tales on the basis of Haribhadra's $t\bar{t}k\bar{a}$, but by means of the exploitation of all available material. Expecting manuscripts to be sent to him, Leumann suspended publication after 48 pages had appeared. This portion covers 130 out of 940 pages of the Indian edition of the $\bar{A}vasyaka$ -cūrņi. Malayagiri's version of the $t\bar{t}k\bar{a}$ had not been at Leumann's disposal except towards the end of the last century. The manuscript of the planned continuation, the original of which is deposited in Hamburg, seems not to have had any improvements added by the author after that date. Through the kindness of Professor Bruhn a copy of the manuscript has been sent to me.

^{6.} Cūrṇi, 1. c., page 591; accordingly Haribhadra, fol. 454b: uktā namaskāra-nirvuktih.

^{7.} For a more common variant, used at the beginning of other sūtras also, cf. Bruhn, l. c., p. 22; further-on cp. Pt. Dalsukh Mālvaniā, Paṇṇavaṇāsuttaṃ, Jaina-Agama Series no. 9, part 2 (Bombay, 1971), pp. 235-40 (Introduction).

the necessary mental attitude ⁸ and the eventual advantage of the person who recites the invocation ⁹. The choice of the respective initial phrases or words of a text for detailed discussion, while the rest of it is handled in a rather superficial way, is in conformity with the general practice of ancient Indian commentators. Nevertheless, from this lack of balance in a case like ours, it may also be inferred that illustrative tales were not inserted wherever they might be required (which would mean the explaining of the terms ācārya, upādhyāya and sādhu in the invocation formula, but that these tales had their fixed places in a frame of traditional connections.

Both the terms *araha* and *siddha*, are dealt with in a twofold way: On the one hand, the dogmatic notion of the term is sketched; on the other hand, the semantic value of the word itself is illustrated. While the semi-canonical description of the *arhat* as a clever caravan-leader forms the first part of it ¹⁰, the whole section is concluded by the apotheosis of the *siddha* which is likewise drawn from the canon ¹¹. Between

^{8.} The simile in question is attached to the namaskāra-nikṣepa, esp. dravya-namaskāra, Niryukti stanza 890: A poor man wins the king's confidence and a high position by worshipping the statues of the king and the queen in a temple which he has built for this purpose. Later-on, however, he does not resist the seduction of the king's harem. By means of this tale the wrong attitude of mind of a person expressing veneration externally (dravyeṇa, but not bhāvataḥ) is denounced (Cūrṇi 503).

^{9.} Prayojana-phalam, Niryukti 1010-1012: By the timely recitation of the invocation formula a young man gains wealth (artha), a woman the love of her husband (kāma), a śrāvaka being in danger of life gets the help of a killer vyāntara (ārogyā-bhirati), a thief condemned to death gains rebirth as a king's son, another thief rebirth as a respected yakşa (para-loke namaskāra-phalam; Cūrṇi 589-591).

^{10.} The qualities (guna) of the arhat are the theme of the Niryukti gāthās 904-917: The arhats are like caravan-leaders in the jungle, like naval captains on the ocean, like herdsmen protecting the six kinds of beings. In this connexion the parable of the clever caravan-leader Dhanna (or Dhaṇa) is related, who guided a number of merchants through the jungle to the City of Extinction (nevvui-nagaraṃ). The text of the Cūrṇi pp. 509-11, half-canonical in its language and diction (showing for instance the sporadic insertion of the nom. sg. masc. in -e and the phrase khippāmeva, devāṇuppiyā!), agrees partly with the corresponding passage of Jāātadharmakathā I, 15; cf. Walther Schubring, Nāyādhammakahāo - Das 6. Anga des Jaina-Siddhānta, in «Abh. der Geistes- und Sozialwiss. Klasse / Akademie der Wissenschaften und der Literatur », no. 6 (Mainz, 1978); Wiesbaden 1978. This text is quoted expressis verbis (Cūrṇi p. 509, 8 = Haribhadra's ṭīkā fol. 384a, 9), but has obviously not been the source of the description. The wording of cūrṇi and ṭīkā differ widely from each other.

^{11.} The state of the siddhas and their eternal happiness are described in the Niryukti gāthās 958-992. Ernst Leumann, Übersicht über die Āvaśyaka-Literatur, in « Alt- und Neu-Indische Studien », 4 (Hamburg, 1934), p. 7a **, has shown, that from the source of this passage the parallel texts are also probably derived which are retained in the canon, i.e. Paṇṇāvaṇāsuttaṇn, l. c. (part 1), gāthās 158-179, p. 78; Aupapātikasūtram §§ 163-188 (ed. Leumann); Uttarādhyayanasūtram 36, 56-68. The parable of the inhabitant of the jungle who after having visited the town, is unable to describe its beauty to his companions (Niryukti gāthā 983), is retold in a slightly more comprehensive prose version in Cūrṇi p. 584.

these two passages of a rather solemn character a very colourful collection of tales is placed, the first part of it being linked up with the word *arha* in its simple meaning of « worthy », the latter half referring to *siddha*, meaning « perfect ». It seems possible, that this chiastic arrangement of the section is due to a certain literary ambition of the compiler.

The first cluster of stories is arranged round the items of stanza 918 of the *Āvaśyaka-niryukti*, which runs as follows:

rāga-ddosa-kasāe ya indiyāṇi ya paṃca vi, parīsahe, uvasagge nāmayantā namo'rihā 12.

« Those, who bend love and hatred and the passions, the (power of the) sense organs, the troubles and obstacles, those are worthy to be bent to (i.e.: worthy to be venerated by the invocation formula) ».

Being formed as a śloka and occurring in the parallel text of the Digambaras as well as in the Śvetāmbara-niryukti, this stanza, as Leumann had observed already, belongs to the oldest layer of the commentary which must have accompanied the Āvaśyaka-sūtra, i.e. the tradition of the $pañcanamask\bar{a}ra$ itself, from the beginning. By the way, an $\bar{a}ry\bar{a}$ stanza of the younger layer, expressing a similar idea, is to be found not far off within the same context of the Niryukti 13 . The tales, however, are added to the śloka, not to the $\bar{a}ry\bar{a}$ stanza. From this fact, it might be justified to deduce, that the stories themselves, too, are deeply rooted in the commentary tradition.

The stories, of various types and varying in quality and contents, have all as a common feature, that they are meant to demonstrate aspects of the evil roused by strong emotions. Each one of the stories is concluded by a sentence referring directly to the wording of the quoted niryukti stanza 918, such as the following: jehim evam-viho samsāra-vaḍḍhano rāgo nāmio, te arihā (or: ... te arihā namokkārassa) « those who have bent (subdued) this samsāra-augmenting love (hatred etc.), those are the worthy ones (worthy to be bent to) » 14.

One of the most noteworthy narratives introduced in this connection is that of Jamadagni, Paraśu-Rāma and Subhūma. It is divided into two parts, which are subsumed under the key-words of *krodha* and *māna*: In consequence of his rage Rāma has seven times destroyed all *kṣatriyas*

14. Information about the disposition of the stories will be given at the end of the article cf. infra pp. 140-44.

^{12.} This stanza is also retained in Vaṭṭakera's Mūlācāra VII, 3; cf. Leumann, thersicht, pp. 16a, 49 sq., 19b, 63. The ya of pāda a is omitted in some of the prints (Haribhadra- and Malayagiri-edition), the pāda then being transformed to an āryā a-pāda. The meter of pāda c does not agree with a vipulā form as admitted in Sanskrit ślokas (Haribhadra's text reads uvassagge).

^{13.} Niryukti 908ab, ariho u namokkārassa bhāvao khīṇa-rāga-maya-moho / ..., « worthy of the namaskāra according to his behaviour is he, whose love and pride and delusion has vanished (the jina...) ».

living; in consequence of his pride Subhūma has 21 times destroyed all the *brāhmaṇas*. With some slight variations this tale reflects the corresponding episode of Saṅghadāsa's Vasudevahiṇḍi ¹⁵, and it has its position in the representations of the Jaina Universal History, Subhūma being the 8th *cakravartin* of the Jain pantheon ¹⁶. A careful interpretation of this interesting side-branch of the different purāṇic accounts with respect to the brahmanical parallels is still to be done ¹⁷.

Following next to this narrative drawn from the sphere of mythology, three examples are advanced for the interpretation of the catchword māyā. While two of them deal with the temptations of monastic life — the nun Pandarajjā confessing insincerely; the nun Savvangasundarī being falsely accused of a theft — the third one is a charming example of the genre of tales concerned with a parrot. The parrot here has by means of a fraud helped the son of a Jain layman to gain the bride of his choice, a Sivaitic lady. When later on the lady discovered that she was being deceived, and punished the parrot by pulling out his feathers, he tried to divert her by telling stories of cunning women. Each of the four inserted tales begins with the sentence: nāhaṃ paṇdiyao, sā nhāviī pandiyā «I am not cunning, the wife of the barber (or: daughter of the merchant etc.) was cunning ». Of the inserted stories the one about the clever girl who told a lie convincingly to the king was retold in Hemacandra's Parisistaparvan 18, as Leumann had already noticed in his manuscript of a planned edition (cf. note 5). Further parallels might come to light, e.g. the pleasant story of the clever daughter of a merchant is known partially also from a Hindi adaptation referring to Akbar and his minister Birbal 19. In the case of this story the narrative of the Cūrni pp. 523-25 presents to us a mixture of several motives:

A rich merchant bets a poor one 1000 dīnāras that he will not stand in the water of a stream during a night of the cold month Māgha. The poor man endures the whole night, fixing his eyes on a lamp which used

16. Cf. Klaus Bruhn, Sīlānkas Cauppaṇṇamahāpurisacariya, in « Alt- und Neu-Indische Studien », 8 (Hamburg, 1954), p. 77 sq.

^{15.} Sanghadāsa, Vasudevahiņdi-prathamakhaņdam, ed. Muni Caturvijaya and Muni Punyavijaya, Bombay, 1930, pp. 235, 15-240, 7.

^{17.} Jain sources are not mentioned in Adalbert Gail, Parasurāma - Brahmane und Krieger, Wiesbaden, 1977.

^{18.} Hemacandra, Sthavirāvalīcarita or Parišistaparvan, III, ed. Hermann Jacobi, ²Calcutta, 1932, pp. 186-212; cf. Johannes Hertel, Ausgewählte Erzählungen aus Hemacandras Parišistaparvan, Leipzig, 1908, p. 237 (the mention of the Višeṣāvaśyaka Bhāṣya parallel refers to Śīlāṅka's commentary, cf. supra note 3).

^{19.} The anecdote in question, known as "Birbal's khicadi" is included in the collection called "Akbar Bīrbal vinod". I owe the direction to this interesting variant to the kindness of Dr. Upadhyaya (Bombay).

to be kindled in a certain place of that city during night-time. On the pretext that this had made it easier, the rich man refuses to pay the money. Obeying the advice of his daughter, the poor man does not object, but when the hot season of the year comes, he invites the rich man to an opulent meal without offering him any drinks. When he asks for some water, the rich man is shown an abundance of water, as though this were enough to quench his thirst. Being obliged by this experience to concede the payment of a thousand dīnāras to the poor merchant, the rich man realizes, that the daughter of the poor man has given good advice. He plans to revenge himself on her after becoming her husband. The crafty girl agrees to the marriage with the rich man, manages to gain his love—when disguised as a courtesan and thus becomes the real mistress of his household at last.

As my re-narration should show, the inserted parts as well as the frame of this composite story stress the theme of a clever fraud, that leads to a happy ending. Only at the end of the frame story, when the parrot, now left without any feathers at all, converts two families to the Jain faith, is the pious purpose of the compiler made clear.

A further example of a link-and-frame story forms the *udāharaṇa* which is chosen to demonstrate the dangerous effect produced by the organ of sight. Let me draw attention to the beginning of the frame-story only, in this case to point out a special artistic means which the author has employed:

On the occasion of a pilgrimage a young merchant has caught sight of the foot of a queen. He imagines her beauty, falls in love with her, writes down a little poem on a piece of birch-bark and secretly puts it in a small parcel of perfumes which a servant has purchased for her, from the shop established by the same merchant just for this purpose in the vicinity of her palace. The queen writes an answer and sends the girl back to the shop with the parcel, telling her: « The perfume has a bad smell! ». What were the contents of the two letters? The meaning of the merchant's stanza, presented in the metrical shape of an indravajrā, is: At the time, when Visnu has fallen asleep and the nights are dark with clouds, I don't speak in vain, oh you, whose eyes are wide! Those are my ideas which are expressed in the first letters ». To these lines, written in Sanskrit but of poor poetical value, the queen responds using an admonishing Sanskrit śloka: « In this world, there is no happiness for a person covered with sin to a high degree; short is the life-time of men; therefore think of the dharma ». Of course the queen had understood the hidden message, which had been sent to her, but she refused to listen to it. The real dialogue of the two persons consisted of four plain Prakrit words only, hidden in the first aksaras of each pāda: kāmemi te - necchāmi te.

The wording of the stanzas is:

Cūrņi p. 530, 13 sq.:

kāle prasuptasya janārdanasya meghāndhakārāsu ca śarvarīsu mithyā na bhāṣāmi, viśālanetre, te pratyayā, ye prathamākṣareṣu²⁰

and 531, 3 sq.:

neha loke sukham kiñcic mitam ca jīvitam nṛṇām, chāditasāṃhasā bhṛśam, tena dharme matiṃ kuru 21.

In the $c\bar{u}rni$ (not the $t\bar{t}k\bar{a}$) an additional śloka, inserted after the indravaj $r\bar{a}$ stanza, informs the queen how to read the poem of the young man:

pāde pāde ca pāde ca tat tvāṃ vijñāpayiṣyanti pāde ca prathamākṣarāḥ yan me manasi vartate ^{'n}.

« In each of the four $p\bar{a}das$ the first letters will inform you about what is in my mind ». May it be assumed, that this stanza which appears to give a theoretical definition of this figure of speech (i.e. the akrostichon) was extracted from a very simply styled $alamk\bar{a}ras\bar{a}stra$? The kind of citra called ardhabhrama is the figure that comes nearest to the akrostichon in the extant Indian $k\bar{a}vya$ theoretics. It is already mentioned in Daṇḍin's $K\bar{a}vy\bar{a}darsa$ 3, 80, but it means a far more complicated figure of speech than the akrostichon which famous as it was in European literature, was employed in our tale rather like a joke 23 .

The later part of the tale is interesting from the point of view of folklore. The queen was accused of being a $m\bar{a}r\bar{i}$ and sentenced to death. Moreover, the carrying-out of a special $vidy\bar{a}$, the so-called $parampar\bar{a}vidy\bar{a}$, used for healing a sick lady, is described in detail.

As arha before, the word siddha is likewise investigated independently of its value as a dogmatic term: While an « etymology » is given in the Niryukti stanza 953, a śloka which coincides with Mūlācāra VII, 6, a list of 11 possible prior members forming adjective compounds with -siddha figures as Niryukti 927; this stanza is also shaped as a śloka.

^{20.} As a variant of pāda a-c there is added in the cūrņi the following text: kālo 'yam ānandakaraḥ śikhīnāṃ / meghāndhakāraś ca diśi pravṛttaḥ / mithyā na vaksyāmi viśālanetre / ...

^{21.} In pāda c the reading of the cūrņi is mṛtaṃ instead of mitaṃ.

^{22.} In pāda b I have altered the reading of the cūrni from 'ākṣare to 'ākṣarāḥ (aks' masc. as in Matsya-purāṇa).

^{23.} On the ardhabhrama and related figures cf. Edwin Gerow, A Glossary of Indian Figures of Speech, The Hague, 1971, p. 178, «a type of word play in which the four pādas of a verse... can be read either in the normal way or... from the outer verticals inwards ».

Its contents are explained by the $\bar{a}ry\bar{a}$ stanzas 928-952 in accordance with the prose text of Cūrṇi pp. 539-68. Eleven modifications of the meaning of siddha are specified and illustrated by the $ud\bar{a}haraṇas$, the concept of « perfection » being different, if seen in relation to the idea of karma or of silpa, of $vidy\bar{a}$, mantra, yoga, $\bar{a}gama$, artha, $y\bar{a}tr\bar{a}$, $abhipr\bar{a}ya$, of tapas or of karma-kṣaya. So for instance a silpa-siddha is « an artisan who knows his business ». For explanation the example of the ingenious carpenter Kokkāsa was introduced from the $Vasudevahindi^{24}$.

By the simple means of identification the term abhipraya of the dvāragāthā Niryukti 927 has been replaced with buddhi in stanza 936. While the word abhipraya itself is given no further explanation in this connection, the dogmatic classification of the fourfold buddhi is adopted from the Nandi. The four kinds of buddhi are specified as utpattikā, vainayikī, karmajā and pārināmikī buddhi, in the translation given by J. Deleu « inborn knowledge; knowledge relating to good behaviour; knowledge resulting from practice; knowledge resulting from long experience » 25. The theoretical definition of the terms is extensively treated in the Nandi and its commentaries, not in the Āvaśyaka. On the other hand, it is probable, that the method of interpreting the terms by means of examples originally belongs to the Avaśyaka tradition. I would propose that we assume, that the $\bar{a}ry\bar{a}$ stanzas mentioning the catchwords of the tales, i.e. Nandi 60 sqq. = Āvaśyaka-niryukti 940 sqq., were transferred from the Avasyaka-niryukti to the Nandi: in this way it becomes understandable, that the catch-words were not expounded in the older commentaries of the Nandi, but only in the Nandi-tippanaka compiled by Hemacandra maladhārin 26. The wording of the total of 75 udāharanas of various length is nearly identical as given in that text and in the Avasyaka-cūrņi pp. 544-68.

Of all the stories referring to the meaning of *siddha* those tales grouped round the term *buddhi-siddha* deserve our special interest. Obviously many of the subjects adapted here excel in ancient and widespread tradition; some of the tales, aiming at the demonstration of prudence and sagacity, give intellectual pleasure by their wit and humour, at the same time intriguing the reader by their extreme brevity of style.

As the first example of « inborn knowledge » the tale of the young boy Rohaka is given, who surprises the king by extraordinary proofs of his intelligence and therefore becomes chosen as his minister. The tale is known from numerous later adaptations. Th. Zachariae dealt with the subject in two articles and pointed to the parallel of the

^{24.} This tale was edited and discussed by L. Alsborf in Zwei neue Belege zur «indischen Herkunft » von 1001 Nacht, II (1935), in «Kleine Schriften » (Wiesbaden, 1974), pp. 537-57; cf. also J. Ch. Jain, The Vasudevahindi, Ahmedabad, 1977, pp. 623-29.

^{25.} JOZEF DELEU, *Viyāhapannatti*, Brugge, 1970, p. 186, referring to *Viy*. XII, 5, 1a. 26. *Nandisūtram* with Vṛṭṭi and Durgapadavyākhyā, ed. Muni Puṇyavijaya, Pra-krit Text Series 10 (Varanasi, Ahmedabad, 1966), pp. 132-44.

Mahāummagga-jātaka (546) ²⁷. A further parallel is preserved in the Tibetan Mūlasarvāstivāda-vinaya tradition concerning king Caṇḍapradyota's insomnia ²⁸. While Rohaka appears to represent a clear example of «inborn knowledge» or perhaps more exactly «spontaneous cognition», in other cases the attribution of the tales to the appropriate kind of cognition seems rather doubtful. As an example of this difficulty I may quote the tale of the fortune-teller, which is placed among the examples of «knowledge relating to good behaviour»:

An astrologer has two pupils. One day these two, being sent to the woods, discover the foot-prints of an elephant. They deduce the footprints to be those of a female elephant who is one-eyed and from whose back a young man and a lady have jumped off, the lady being about to give birth to a boy. The usual reasons for these inferences are given: the impression of the right foot is deeper than the impression of the left etc. So far the tale reflects the story told about Jīvaka in the Cīvaravastu of the Mūlasarvāstivāda-vinaya 29. How this tale refers to vainavikī buddhi is not explained. But the motif of telling from the foot-prints is joined with another story here: On their way home the pupils of the astrologer were asked by an old woman, if her son would return soon from a journey. Just as she questioned the fortune-tellers, her earthen pot fell on the ground and broke. One of the pupils deduced from this accident that the son of the woman had died at the same moment. The other one told her that her son had just returned. This statement turned out to be true. Later on the teacher discussed the accident with his pupils. The first one said: « I deduced (mae parināmiyam), that the breaking of the pot at the moment of her question meant misfortune ». The other one had deduced correctly (sammam parināmei): « As the earthen pot has joined the earth again, so the son must have joined his

^{27.} Especially regarding the task of « making a rope out of sand » in Th. Zachariae, Zur Geschichte vom weisen Haikar (1907), in « Kleine Schriften » (Leipzig, 1920), pp. 65-7, and « sending a pool to the king » in Neuindische Parallelen zu Jātaka VI, 341, 22 (1916), l. c., p. 94 sq.; cp. also l. c., pp. 190, 388. The Rohaka-story was accessible to Zachariae through Rājaśekhara's Antarakathāsaṃgraha, a 14th century's adaptation of the material.

^{28.} Cf. Jampa Losang Panglung, Die Erzählstoffe des Mūlasarvāsti-vinaya analysiert auf Grund der tibetischen Übersetzung, Studia Philologica Buddhica, Monograph series III (Tokyo, 1981), p. 182. The passage in question was already translated by A. Schiefner, Mahākātjājana und König Tshanda-Pradyota, in « Mémoires de l'académie impériale des sciences de St.-Pétersbourg », VII^c série, tome 22, 7, p. 7 sq. For further parallels cp. Zachariae, 1. c., p. 190, note 1.

^{29.} Cf. Panglung, 1. c., p. 64 sq., and the literature mentioned there. Concerning the far more elaborated version of the motif in Sanghadāsa's Vasudevahindi, 1. c., p. 135, cp. Colin Mayrhofer, Two apabhramśa versions of the story of Cārudatta, in IT, 11.

mother » 30 . I think that we might be allowed to transfer this story to the group concentrated upon the explanation of $p\bar{a}rin\bar{a}mik\bar{\iota}$ buddhi and to modify the translation of this term to « cognition resulting from right deduction ».

Besides the instances just mentioned of stories we are acquainted with from buddhist sources, there are others of the same kind recorded in this connection: The tale of the Gāmaṇicaṇḍa of Jātaka 257 who is the Daṇḍin of the Mālasarvāstivāda-vinaya is classed with vainayikā buddhi (Cūrṇi p. 555); as a separate story the Salomonian decision is retold in two different versions (Cūrṇi 549 and 551: examples of utpattikā buddhi); and even the famous subject of the Saundarananda is recorded as an instance of pāriṇāmikī buddhi, the Sākyamuni here being transformed into a Jain monk (Cūrṇi p. 566).

While these themes are probably borrowed from Buddhist sources in later times, others show distinct characteristics of ancient tradition. An example of this type is the merry tale of Cāṇakya's pāriṇāmikā buddhi. Its contents became well-known through Hemacandra's Parisiṣṭaparvan (VIII, 357-376, cp. supra, note 18) and was paraphrased by Jacobi in these words: « Cāṇakya invited the richest merchants to a party; when all were in their cups, he sang a stanza, in which he boasted of his luck, his influence with the king etc., and there the musicians sounded a flourish. The guests excited by the example he had set them, sang in their turn, stanzas, in which each man boasted of his wealth. Cāṇakya thus learned the extent of their means, and used his knowledge to fill the king's treasure ».

The Prakrit version of the stanzas which Cāṇakya and his guests sang is to be restored from the Āvaśyaka cūrṇi and ṭīkā tradition and Devendra's commentary of the *Uttarādhyayana* chapter III, where the story of Cāṇakya is retold ³¹:

- 1. do majjha dhāu-rattāo, rāyā vi ya me vasa-vattī,
- 2. gaya-poyagassa bhaddassa pae pae saya-sahassam,
- 3. tila-āḍhagassa vuttassa tile tile saya-sahassaṃ,

kañcaṇa-kuṇḍiyā, ti-daṇḍaṃ ca / ettha vi tā mě holā vāehi //

uppaiyassa joyaṇa-sahassaṃ / ettha vi tā mě holā vāehi //

nipphannassa bahū-saiyassa / ettha vi tā mě holā vāehi //

^{30.} I have quoted from Malayagiri's version (cp. supra note 3) fol. 523b-524a which has the fullest text; but cp. also Haribhadra fol. 423b-524a and Cūrṇi p. 553 (line 6: ... mayao -tti pariṇāmei «"he is dead" thus he deduced»). The śloka which is cited in this connection is verified by the editor of the Nandisūtram (cp. note 26) in the Gaṇivijjā-prakūrṇaka (stanza 71c.d-72a.b of the Āgamodaya-Edition).

^{31.} Cürni I, p. 565; tīkā: Haribhadra I, 435b, Malayagiri III, 523b; Devendra: Bṛhadgacchiya-śrīman-Nemicandrācārya-viracita-Sukhabodhānāmnyā vṛttyā samalaṃ-kṛtāni... śrī-Uttarādhyayanāni, Śrī-Ātma-Vallabha-granthānkaḥ 12 (Bombay, 1937), fol. 58b-59a.

- 4. nava-pāusammi puṇṇāe egāha-mahiya-metteṇaṇ
- 5. jaccāṇa nava-kisorāṇaṃ kesehi nabham chāemi,
- 6. do majjha atthi rayaṇāiṃ chinnā chinnā vi ruhanti,
- 7. saya-sukkila nicca-sugandho, nirino ya du-pañca-sao ya,

- giri-naīyāĕ siggha-veyāe / nava-nīeṇa pālī bandhāmi // ettha vi tā mĕ holā vāehi //
- tad-divaseņa jāya-mettāṇaṃ / ettha vi tā mě holā vāehi //
- sāli-pasūī ya gaddabhīyā ya / ettha vi tā mě holā vāehi //
- bhajja anuvvaya, n'atthi pavāso / ettha vi tā mě holā vāehi // 32
- 1. «Two (garments) I possess dyed by red minerals, a golden waterpot and the *tridaṇḍa* (of a *brahmin*); the king himself complies with my wishes; therefore now let the *hola* sound on my behalf »³³.
- 2. « (On the footprints) of a fine young elephant who runs away as far as a thousand *yojanas*, step by step one *lakh* (I can put), therefore... ».
- 3. « (On the seeds) of one ādhaka-measure full of sesame which has been sown and come up and centupled many times, seed by seed one lakh (I can put), therefore... ».
- 4. «When the rains have just come and the mountain-river rushes down in a hurry, with one single day's whisked fresh-butter I can build a dam; therefore... ».
- 5. « With the manes of thoroughbred young foals, new-born on just this single day, I can cover the sky; therefore... ».
- 6. «Two precious things I possess, the production of rice and of (rice used as) donkey's (feed), as soon as it is cut, it puts forth shoots again; therefore... ».
- 7. « I have always sperms, constantly a sweet smell; a true wife; I must not leave my country; I am free from debt and own twice five-hundred; therefore... ».

By a close inspection of the Prakrit text the reader will be convinced that these seven stanzas are to be analyzed as $\bar{a}ry\bar{a}s$ of the older type, although Leumann in the manuscript of the planned edition had tried

^{32.} In the edition of Haribhadra's text the stanzas are not marked. Stanza 1c: vi ya me Sīlānka (according to Leumann's transcription, cp. supra note 5)] vi ya Haribhadra: vi me Devendra: me Cūrṇi, Malayagiri; 2a bhaddassa Cūrṇi] mattassa the others; 4e missing in the Cūrṇi; 6b gaddabhīyā Devendra] gaddabhiyā the others; 7a seya-sukkillo Cūrṇi; 7c -sao ya Cūrṇi] -sao the others.

^{33.} According to Hemacandra's redaction the first *pāda* refers to Cāṇakya's clothes. The word *hola* is sanskritized as *jhallarī* (« a kind of drum ») in the *chāyā* of Haribhadra's *ṭīkā*, whereas Hemacandra has *jhumbarī* (not recorded elsewhere).

to restore $g\bar{\imath}tik\bar{a}s$ (in Devendra's commentary of Uttarādhyayana III an $\bar{a}ry\bar{a}$ of the younger type is added). The variations of the gaṇas occurring in these seven stanzas are the following:

(The pādas 2c and 3c, however, which I have omitted in this scheme, are to be read as interspersed śloka pādas, forming the 4^{th} vipulā: $\sim - \sim - \sim \sim \sim - - 34$).

Here we can trace this very rare type of metre for the first time in a non-canonical Jain text. It was, as Alsdorf wrote in 1958 and repeated in later published articles ³⁵, known up to that time as « restricted to the very oldest Jain texts, namely $\bar{A}y\bar{a}ranga$ 1, 9, $S\bar{u}yagada$ 1, 4 and (partly) $Uttarajjh\bar{a}y\bar{a}$ 8 » ³⁶ and to some likewise very old poems of the Pali canon; here Alsdorf counted 43 instances, one of them in the $Telapatta-J\bar{a}taka$, that means, in respect of its source an instance comparable to the stanzas of our text ³⁷.

Of course there might be more old $\bar{a}ry\bar{a}s$ to be recognized. Wherever they occur, they prove their immediate context to be of a considerable age.

Appendix

Disposition of the Stories in the Namaskāra-vyākhyā of the Āva-śyaka-cūrņi:

(Although it is impossible for me to present a complete synopsis of the narrative passages in question, since more than hundred subjects are referred to in the text, some hints to the catch-words, the names mentioned in the *cūrṇi* renarration of the tales, and some bibliographical notices might be useful. As far as names are known, further information

^{34.} Mr. K. R. Norman has kindly suggested to me, that the replacement of the first 3 gaṇas of the $\bar{a}ry\bar{a}$ stanza by an uneven śloka $p\bar{a}da$, known from the later $\bar{a}ry\bar{a}$, has to be accepted, too, as a variety of the older type of the metre.

^{35.} Cf. L. Alsborf, *Itthīparinnā*, in IIJ, II (1958), pp. 249-70, and *Les études jaina*, Collège de France, 1965, p. 57.

^{36.} Cf. K. R. NORMAN, Kāvilīyam: A Metrical Analysis of the Eighth Chapter of the Uttarādhyayana-sūtra, in Mahāvīra and His Teachings, ed. A. N. Upadhye (Ahmedabad, 1977), pp. 9-19.

^{37.} By good fortune I found one further instance in the Āvaśyaka-cūrņi version of the tale of the Nūpurapaṇḍitā (with the slight emendation of vilakkho to vilakkha the text of Cūrṇi I, p. 463, 4, is to be read: Jakkho vilakkha cintei: pecchaha, jārisāṇi mantei / ahayaṃ pi vañchio 'ṇāe, n'atthi saittaṇaṃ tu dhuttīe //); cf. Chand Kailash Shastri Felicitation Volume, Benares, 1980, p. 551.

can be gained from the Agamic index, vol. 1, Prakrit Proper Names, to which attention will be called here by the abbreviation $PrPN^{38}$).

Subsumed under the namaskāra-nikṣepa 39:

Cūrņi 503, 5-11, davva-namokkāre udāharaṇaṇ: a poor man, employed in a high position, does not resist temptation; cf. supra note 8.

Subsumed under the namaskāra-vastu 39:

Gunas of the Arhat:

Cūrṇi 509, 7-511, 3, davvao aḍavīe udāharaṇaṃ: the profession of a caravanleader (davva-maggovadesaga); cf. supra note 10.

Referring to Niryukti stanza 918, cf. supra p. 132:

Cūrṇi 514, 7-515, 6, siṇeha-rāge udāharaṇaṃ: Arahamitta; cf. PrPN p. 60.

Cūrṇi 516, 4-517, 8, apasattha-dose udāharaṇaṃ: the boatsman Nanda persecutes the monk Dhammarui through several rebirths (as haṃsa, kokila, siṃha, boy, king of Benares); Dh. completes a samasya (2 Prakrit ślokas); cf. PrPN p. 298, Naṃda 12.

Cūrņi 518, 13-521, 1, kove, tattha udāharaṇaṃ: Jamadaggiya-Rāma; cf. supra p. 132 sq.; PrPN p. 441, Parasurāma.

Cūrņi 521, 3-522, 2, māṇo... tattha udāharaṇaṃ: Subhoma; cf. supra p. 132 sq.; PrPN p. 828, Subhūma 1.

Cūrņi 522, 4-6, *māyāe udāharaṇaṃ*: (I) Paṇḍarajjā; cf. *PrPN* p. 423; Kurt von Kamptz ⁴⁰ p. 32.

Cūrņi 523, 6-526, 2 (ahavā): (II) suyaga, the clever parrot (4 stories included, 3 further stories referred to); cf. supra p. 133 sq. and notes 18 sq.; PrPN p. 206, Koligiņī.

Cūrṇi 526, 3-258, 8 (ahavā): (III) Savv'aṅgasundarī, as a nun, because of her karman, is suspected of the theft of a necklace; cf. PrPN p. 766.

Cūrṇi 528, 10-529, 5 (lobho...), tattha udāharaṇaṃ: luddha-Nanda (different from Ņāyādhammakahāo no. 13); cf. PrPN p. 297, Naṃda 2.

Cūrṇi 529, 11-530, 8, so'indie udāharaṇaṇ: Pupphasāla; cf. PrPN p. 471.

39. Regarding the construction of the dogmatical exposition cf. E. Leumann, 1. c. (supra note 11), p. 47.

^{33.} Dalsukh Malvania, ed. Āgamic index, vol. 1, Prakrit Proper Names compiled by Mohanlal Mehta and K. Rishabh Chandra, Ahmedabad, 1970-72.

^{40.} Kurt von Kamptz, Über die vom Sterbefasten handelnden älteren Painna des Jaina-Kanons, Diss. Hamburg, 1929. Mainly with the help of the encyclopaedic Abhidhānarājendra (7 volumes, Ratlām, 1913-25), von Kamptz has given short explanations also of the examples referring to lobha and the organs of sense (see infra) which are mentioned in the Bhattaparinnā-painna, l. c., pp. 32-8.

- Cūrṇi 530, 9-533, 12, cakkh'indie udāharaṇaṃ: by means of a dishonest fraud a young merchant gains a queen as his wife; after the discovery of his cheating she becomes a nun, while he is put to death; the story is included of the young merchant Jiṇadatta who, disguised as a brahmin, wins the heart of Dhaṇa's daughter Hārappabhā and by a trick gets her as his wife; further-on, the simile of a bhūta, who in the form of a peacock used to present golden feathers to a rogue, is inserted 532, 11-14, for the explanation of a subhāṣita quoted in Sanskrit 41 (the tale is missing in the ṭīkā); cf. supra p. 134 sq.; PrPN p. 880, Hārappabhā.
- Cūrņi 533, 13-534, 1, ghāṇ'indie udāharaṇaṃ: death of a prince who smelt poisoned flowers.
- Cūrṇi 534, 2-7, jibbh'indie udāharaṇaṇ: king Sodāsa who ate human meat, but was enlightened by sādhus; cf. PrPN p. 862; F.-R. Hamm (text and translation of Haribhadra's recension) 42; Schlingloff 43.
- Cūrņi 534, 8-535, 6, *phās'indie udāharaṇaṃ*: king Jiyasattu of Vasantapura is befooled by his wife Sukumāliyā (one Sanskrit śloka); *PrPN* p. 807, Sukumāliyā 3; R. Williams 4.
- Cūrṇi 535, 7-12, parīsahā: reference to *Uttarādhyayana* chapter III and its *udāharaṇas*.
- Cūṇi 535, 13-537, 9, uvasaggā (divvā, māṇusā, tericchā with subdivisions): very slight indications of tales, consisting mostly of single catch-words.
- Explanation of the term *siddha*, referring to the Niryukti stanza 927, cf. *supra* p. 135.
- Cūrṇi 539, 8-540, 4, kamma-siddho jo kammassa niṭṭhaṃ gao, tattha udāharaṇaṃ: porters of heavy burdens in the Konkan, to whom even the king gives way (one Prakrit āryā included).
- Cūrṇi 540, 4-541, 13, śilpa-siddham prati udāharaṇaṃ: Kokkāsa; cf. supra note 24; PrPN p. 203.
- Cūrņi 541, 14-542, 14, *vijjā-siddho: ajja-*Khauḍa (Khapuṭa); *PrPN* p. 210; Deleu ⁴⁵.

^{41.} L. S. Sternbach, *Mahā-subhāṣita-saṃgraha*, I, Hoshiarpur, 1974, no. 737 (= Böhtlingk, *Indische Sprüche*, no. 186, cited from the *Subhāṣitārṇava*).

^{42.} F.-R. Hamm, *Jaina-Versionen der Sodāsa-Sage*, in « Beiträge zur indischen Philologie und Altertumskunde - Walther Schubring Felicitation Volume » (Hamburg, 1951), pp. 66-73.

^{43.} D. Schlingloff, Die Erzählung von Sutasoma und Saudāsa in der buddhistischen Kunst, in «Altorientalische Forschungen II, Schriften zur Geschichte und Kultur des Alten Orients» (Berlin, 1975), pp. 93-117.

^{44.} R. Williams, Two Prakrit Versions of the Manipati-carita, London, 1959, pp. 30-3.

^{45.} J. Deleu, A Note on the Jain Prabandhas, in « Studien zum Jainismus und Buddhismus » (cf. supra note 2), p. 64.

- Cūrṇi 542, 14-543, 2, manta-siddho: when a king molested a nun, a saṅgha-member well-versed in the knowledge of mantras split the pillars of the palace court by means of an incantation.
- Cūrni 543, 3-8, *joga-siddho*: *ajja-*Samiya converts the ascetics of Bambhadīva; *PrPN* p. 494, Bambhadīviyā.
- Cūrņi 543, 9, āgamo: āgama-siddha is a person, whose knowledge, founded on the 14 puvvas, includes even the actions of a small fish in the Svayaṃbhūramaṇa ocean (this is also the contents of Niryukti stanza 935).
- Cūrņi 543, 10, attha-siddho: the merchant Mammaṇa (in the cūrni here as a quotation of the story told on p. 371, in the tīkā explicated); PrPN p. 548.
- Cūrņi 543, 10-12, jattāe: the merchant Tuṇḍiya; PrPN p. 343.
- Cūrņi 543, 13-568, 2, idāṇiṃ abhippāya-siddho, abhippāo ṇāma buddhīe pajjāo, abhippāo-tti vā buddhi-tti vā eg'aṭṭhaṃ: cf. supra p. 136.
 - a) 544, 3-552, 6, *uppattiyā buddhi*: expounded by 27 examples as listed in the Niryukti stanzas 940 and 942 = *Nandi* 60 and 62 (cf. *supra* note 26); the first example comprises the story of Rohaka (catch-word *Bharaha-sila*); cf. *supra* p. 136 sq. and notes 27 sq.
 - b) 552, 7-556, 6, *veṇaiyā buddhi*: 14 examples, listed in the Niryukti stanzas 944 sq. = *Nandi* 64 sq.; regarding no. 1 (*nimitta*), cf. *supra* p. 137 sq. and notes 30 sq.
 - c) 556, 7-557, 3, kammayā (buddhi): 12 examples, listed in the Niryukti stanza 947 = Nandi 67; proofs of the artisan's workman-like skill (as, for instance: « the potter takes earth according to measure for the making of a pot, without having measured it before »).
 - d) 557, 4-568, 2, pāriṇāmiyā (buddhi): 22 examples, listed in the Niryukti stanzas 949-951 = Nandi 69-71; regarding no. 2 (set-thi) cf. R. Williams, l. c., 37; A. Mette 46; for no. 12 (Cāṇakka) cf. supra p. 138 sq. and note 31; for no. 21 (thūbha, the story of Kūlavālaga, retold in Cūrṇi II, 174, where the Eastern I-forms of the vaitālīya stanza are retained) cf. Jacobi 47; PrPN p. 197.
- Cūrņi 568, 3-10, tava-siddho: Daḍhapahāri; PrPN p. 355, Daḍhapahāri 1.
- Cūrṇi 568, 10 sqq., kammakkhaya-siddho: without any udāharaṇas, the explanation (all in Sanskrit) leads to the exploration of the samudghāta.

47. H. JACOBI, Das kālakācārya-kathānakam, in ZDMG, 34 (1880), p. 291, 1.

^{46.} A. Mette, *Pind'esaṇā - Das Kapitel der Oha-nijjutti über den Bettelgang*, Wiesbaden, 1973, pp. 98-101.

- Cūrņi 584, 9-13: the happiness of the siddha; cf. supra note 11.
- Referring to Niryukti 1010-1012, namaskāra-prayojana-phalam; cf. supra note 9.
- Cūrṇi 588, 14-589, 8, namokkāro atth'āvaho. kahaṃ-ti. udāharaṇaṃ: a young man gains wealth.
- Cūrṇi 589, 8-14, etto kāma-nipphattīe soyavvam kaham?: a lay-wo-man wins the love of her husband.
- Cūrṇi 590, 1-7, āroggābhiraīe: a vyāntara, reminded by the recitation of the namaskāra of his former existence as a śramaṇa, saves the life and health of a śrāvaka who is sent to a dangerous forest for a huge lemon.
- Cūrņi 590, 8-591, 9, para-loe namokkārassa keņa phalam pattam?: a) Caṇḍa-pingala; PrPN p. 243. b) Huṇḍi; PrPN p. 885.