MISCELLANEOUS FRAGMENTS

EDITED BY H. LÜDERS.

[The manuscript fragments dealt with in this section belong to two consignments, marked by me Nos. 142 and 148. Both were transmitted by Sir G. Macartney, K.C.I.E., British Consul-General in Kashgar, to the Government of India, who forwarded them to me in May, 1903, and January, 1906, respectively.

The fragments are stated by Sir G. Macartney to have been purchased by him from Badruddin, Aksakal of Khotan, who had himself bought them from 'treasure seekers', but could give no information regarding their precise find-place. On the whole it is probable that they belong to the proceeds from the diggings by treasure seekers in the ruins of Khadalik, which are referred to on pp. 2 and 85.—R. H.]

1. SADDHARMA-PUŅDARĪKA

Hoernle MSS., No. 148, SA. 22-25. (Plate XVIII, No. 1, Fol. 253, Obverse.)

A preliminary notice of this fragment was published in the Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society for 1906, pp. 695 ff., by Dr. Hoernle, who from the mentioning of the Bodhisattva Prajñākūṭa was enabled to identify the leaves as having belonged to a manuscript of the Saddharma-puṇḍarīka and containing portions from the end of

chapter xi and the middle of chapter xii of that work.

The fragment consists of four leaves of strong and rather smooth dun-coloured paper measuring about $567 \times 180\,$ mm. (or $22\frac{1}{4} \times 7\frac{1}{8}$ inches), and numbered on the left-hand margin of the obverse 253, 254, 259, 260, the hundreds, tens, and units being placed one below the other as commonly done in Central-Asian manuscripts. Each page contains seven lines. In order to make the lines quite straight and equally distant from one another, the scribe has used an instrument like the modern Indian ruler, the impressions still being clearly visible. On the left side a circle measuring about 40 mm. (or $1\frac{1}{2}$ ") in diameter was drawn before the writing was commenced, and its centre was pierced with a large hole for the passage of the string which was to hold the leaves of the manuscript together. The akṣaras, (e. g. $y\bar{a}$ and $sy\bar{a}$, fol. 253, obv. ll. 1, 2,) measure 22–30 mm. (or $1-1\frac{1}{5}$ ").

The leaves are perfect, although small holes, apparently due to the corrosive action of the ink, are found in many places. In the transcript all letters that on

this account have been more or less damaged are printed in italic type.

The characters belong to the Upright Gupta script of the calligraphic type. The most striking feature of this alphabet is the variety of signs for medial \bar{a} . In our fragment there are no less than four distinct forms. There exists, however, even a fifth form in this species of script, though no example of it happens to occur in our fragment; but an example is found in the third fragment described below (p. 168), and may be seen in nā at the end of line 4 on Pl. XVIII, No. 3, obv. l. 4. The most frequent form is an acute-angular rightward prolongation of the head-line of the matrka (see e.g. gā, 253 avi). It is regularly used in kā, khā, gā (gryā), cā (253 a*), ñcchā, tā (253 aiii, or tthā, trā, tvā), dā (253 avii, or dyā, drā, dvā), nā (nyā, 253 aii), bdhā, bhā (Pl. XVIII, No. 3 a, 1. 7), rā (Pl. XVIII, No. 3 b, 1. 2, or rtyā, ryā, rhā), lā (Pl. XVIII, No. 2, 1. 5), vā (Pl. XVIII, No. 3 a, 1. 1, or vyā), $\delta \bar{a}$ ($\delta c \bar{a}$, $\delta v \bar{a}$), and is added also to the sign for initial a to form initial \bar{a} (Pl. XVIII, No. 3 a, 1. 7). Once only the second form is used in $k\bar{a}$ (260 b^{ii}) and the fourth form in tvā (260 av), but in both cases the aksara stands at the end of the line, and the regular sign would have protruded on the margin. The second form, a vertical stroke resembling the modern Nāgarī sign, occurs regularly in mā (e.g. 253 avi), and $dh\bar{a}$, there being only one case where $dh\bar{a}$ shows the first form (259 a^{vii}). The thā sometimes shows the first form, but sometimes also a form which might be called intermediate between the first and second (253 avi). The third form consists of a curve, rising above the head of the matrka, and turning to the right. It is used in pā (254 biii, or prā 254 av), yā (Pl. XVIII, No. 3 a, l. 8), smā, syā (254 ai), sā (Pl. XVIII, No. 3 a, 1. 7, or stā 254 aii, sthā 254 avi, syā, Pl. XVIII, No. 3 a, 1. 6, $sr\bar{a}$), and $h\bar{a}$; but never in $j\bar{a}$ (or $j\bar{n}\bar{a}$) and $n\bar{a}$ (or $ny\bar{a}$). In the latter cases, there is always in use a fourth form, which is a strong exaggeration of the third form, and which appears to have originated in Central Asia, though the germs of it are already apparent in the Northern Indian script of the seventh century (see Bühler's Indian Palaeography, table IV, 14ii. xii jā, 17xvi. xix tā, 21iv. xiv nā, 26xv nā, 27viii. xiv pā, 37viii. xv sā). In this form the original curve is made to rise, in two parallel lines, high above the head of the mātrkā. So we have it always in jā (253 aii, and Pl. XVIII, No. 3 b, l. 4), or jñā (253 aiv, and Pl. XVIII, No. 3 a, l. 5), and in nā (253 aii), or nyā (Pl. XVIII, No. 2, 1. 5), and optionally interchanging with the third form, in tpā (253 a^{ii}), $p\bar{a}$ (254 b^{iii} , or $pt\bar{a}$, or $pr\bar{a}$), $y\bar{a}$ (253 a^{ii} , but with the third form 254 a^{i} , b^{i}), $sm\bar{a}$ (254 aii), syā, sā (254 biii, but with third form 254 ai), or stā, or sthā, or smā, or syā (253 ai, but with third form 254 bvii), or srā (254 aiv), and hā (253 avii). Sometimes, indeed, these two forms are found to alternate in the same letter in the same line, as e.g. in $p\bar{a}$ (254 b^{iii}) and in sth \bar{a} (254 a^{vi} , twice with the third, and once with the fourth form)—a fact which shows them to be mere varieties of an essentially identical form. A modification of the fourth form appears in $j\tilde{n}\tilde{a}$ (253 a^{*i}), in which the down-stroke of the two parallels is so reduced as to form a mere hook at the top of the up-stroke.

A similar variety of forms exists in the case of medial u and \bar{u} . Medial u is generally expressed by a sort of wedge added at the foot of the mātṛkā (see e.g. ju, 253 a^i). This form is found in cu, ju, ddhu, nu (253 a^i , or nnu), pu (253 a^v), bu (Pl. XVIII, No. 2, l. 4), mu (253 a^v), yu (Pl. XVIII, No. 3 b, l. 8), lu (253 a^{iv}), $\acute{s}ru$, $\acute{s}ru$

For medial \bar{u} we find four different forms, which are apparently nothing but the forms for medial u doubled. (1) The wedge-shaped form is doubled in $p\bar{u}$ (e.g. $253~a^{ii}$), $m\bar{u}$ ($260~b^{iv}$), $s\bar{u}$ ($253~b^{vi}$), and $h\bar{u}$ ($253~b^{iii}$), the two wedges being placed one before the other and the first one being connected by an ascendant line with the foot of the mātṛkā. (2) The sign for \bar{u} in $k\bar{u}$ ($253~a^{iv}$) is the doubled u-sign used in ku with shortening of the second sign. (3) The sign used in su is doubled to denote the long vowel in $s\bar{u}$ ($253~a^{vi}$), and (4) the sign found in dbhu is doubled with enlarging of the lower sign in $bh\bar{u}$ ($253~a^{vi}$).

The ordinary form of medial i takes the form of an erect acute angle, seen e.g. in ti (253 a^{ii}). Twice, however, it occurs in a modified form, in which the angle appears to be laid on one of its sides, viz. on the right side in li (260 b^i) and on the left in bhi (253 b^{vi}). The former prone alternative seems to be restricted to combination with l, while the latter does not seem to be subject to any particular restriction. All the three forms occur in the third fragment, see p. 168.

A modified form of medial o is found in lo (e.g. 253 b^i , 259 $a^{v.\ vii}$), the right part of the ordinary sign being attached to the upper end of the vertical bar of the la and drawn out into a long downward straight line, exactly as in the fourth form of the medial \tilde{o}_i^{-1}

The rest of the medial vowels appears in one form only.

As regards consonantal signs, it will be observed that the wedge at the foot of the second vertical of ga (e.g. $253 a^{v}$) and śa (Pl. XVIII, No. 3 a, l. 1), and mostly also the faint side-stroke of śa, disappear whenever another consonant is joined to

¹ [Most of these vowel signs occur also in the Sanskrit Vajracchedikā MS., see p. 178.—R. H.]

those letters at the bottom; see e.g. gra (253 biv, 254 bvii), śrī (253 aiv), ści (253 bi, Pl. XVIII, No. 3 b, l. 1). Under the same condition the ta also generally loses its side-stroke, and in such cases the sign for ta does not differ from that for na; see e.g. tta (253 ai), tra (253 av), tva (253 aiv); also tr (253 bi). Occasionally in the case of tra, the side-stroke is optionally retained; thus in tatra (253 ai), putra (254 aii, biv), and yatra (253 bii) with the side-stroke; but tatra (254 ai) and putra (253 av) without it. See also the introductory remarks to the second Saddharma-pundarika fragment (infra, p. 162). If ka is combined with another consonant, or with the vowels u, \bar{u} , or r, its lower portion is dropped altogether, the ka again closely resembling the na; see e.g. ksa, kṣī (Pl. XVIII, No. 3 a, l. 4), kya (253 biii), ku (253 avi), kū (253 avi), kṛ (253 av). In this case, however, a confusion with na can rarely arise, as in ligatures with ka the subscript letter is generally attached to the left (e.g. ksa 253 ai, Pl. XVIII, No. 2, l. 4), not to the right side of the letter as in ligatures with na (e. g. nyā 253 aiii, nsa Pl. XVIII, No. 2, 1. 4); also the forms for medial u and \bar{u} , used in ku and $k\bar{u}$, are quite different from those occurring in combination with na (comp. ku 253 avi with nu 253 ai).

The superscript r is placed above the line if added to ka, na, ta, and bha (see e.g. rna 253 a^{iii} , rti 254 a^{vii} , $rty\bar{a}$ 254 a^{iii}), and upon the line if added to tha, dha, ma, ya, la, va, sa and ha (see e.g. rma 253 a^{iii} , rya Pl. XVIII, No. 2, l. 1, rva 253 a^{iii}). In this connexion, it may be noted that the peculiar sign which indicates the special r of the Khotanese and Kuchean languages of Eastern Turkestan, and which in the sequel is transcribed by rr, occurs seven times in our four folios. As a rule it is found in the subscript position, with k (e.g. in sakrra 254 a^{vi} , cakrra 254 a^{vi} , avi, a

The subscript v is sometimes written b; thus with t in satha 253 a^v (but satva

253 avi), 259 aiii, 260 av. vi; śrutbā 259 biii; with d in dbā° 253 bvi.

Absence of vowel in the case of t (253 a^{iv} , and Pl. XVIII, No. 2, l. 3), n (253 b^{i} , 259 a^{vi}), and m (253 b^{iii} , 254 $a^{i.\ iv.\ vii}$) is indicated by writing a half-sized letter without the serif below the line and placing a curve above it. The letters t and n can hardly be distinguished.

A few remarks are called for by the punctuation. The full stop is generally indicated by a dot placed on the line (e.g. 253 aii.iv; also Pl. XVIII, No. 3 b,

¹ [See Professor Leumann's dissertation Zur nordarischen Sprache und Literatur, pp. 41, 57; also *infra*, p. 217.—R. H.]

² [For an instance of superscript rr in Khotanese writing, see p. 397.—R. H.]

ll. 7, 8).³ Four times, after saindrsyate in 253 a^{vi} , after abhāsata in 253 b^v , after lokadhātau in 259 a^{vii} , and after parivrtā in 259 b^{iv} , we find the double dot, which occurs also in inscriptions and in the Bower MS.⁵ In 253 b^v it is followed by a double vertical stroke, which appears also alone to mark the end of a sentence in 259 $b^{i\cdot vii}$, 260 $a^{i\cdot vii}$. In 253 b^v , 260 $a^{i\cdot vii}$ the two vertical strokes are joined at their lower ends by a slanting line; in 259 $b^{i\cdot vii}$ they are not connected. The use of all these signs is rather arbitrary. They are frequently wanting where we should expect them, while once (259 a^v) it is found in a place where it is superfluous. See also the remarks on blundered dots on p. 156.

Before entering into a discussion of the contents of the fragment, I give the text of the four leaves, with the text of the Nepalese manuscripts printed opposite, and a translation. For the Nepalese text I beg to offer my sincerest thanks to Professor Kern, who, when I showed him the fragment, at once promised to copy out for me the corresponding passages from the edition of the Saddharma-pundarīka, which he had ready for publication. Of the manuscripts used by Professor Kern, A belongs to the Royal Asiatic Society, B to the British Museum, Ca Cb to the University of Cambridge, K to Mr. Kawaguchi, W to Mr. Watters.

[Note. It is due to Professor Lüders to explain that his quotation of the Nepalese text, printed below, was completed before the Bibliotheca Buddhica edition appeared in print, and that after a delay, for which he is in no wise responsible, it is now, for considered reasons, published exactly as it was originally written out by him. Professor Lüders states that 'his Nepalese text reads exactly as it was copied for him by Professor Kern, but that the text which is now published in the Bibliotheca Buddhica shows several discrepancies which he is unable to account for. If the readings of the text in the Bibliotheca Buddhica should be correct, that would affect more or less his remarks on samjānanti (253 aiii, p. 159), samśritavān (253 avii, p. 161), the missing anuttarām (253 biii, p. 157), samprakāśayaty (254 aiv, p. 161), pravartikānām (260 avi, p. 161), but not the general results arrived at.' But the fact is that the Bibliotheca Buddhica print does not present a pure

³ I think it highly probable that this dot occurs also in the fragments of a blockprint from Idytkutsari, edited by Pischel (Sitzungsberichte der Kgl. Preuss. Akademie der Wissenschaften, 1904, p. 807 ff.). In these fragments the virāma is generally expressed by a dot placed above the letter, the dot in such cases corresponding to the semicircle employed in our fragment. Three times, however, after avocat in 161 aiv and after duṣkṛtam in 171 av, 171 biii two dots appear, one above and the other after the last letter. Pischel considered this to be the original designation of the virāma, but as avocat stands at the end of a sentence and asti duṣkṛtam apparently are the last words of a verse, I feel almost sure that the second dot is the sign of punctuation.

⁴ Bühler, Indische Palaeographie, p. 84.

⁵ See e.g. Part V, fol. 2 a, l. 4; fol. 3 b, ll. 1, 3, &c.

Nepalese text, but incorporates a number of Eastern Turkestani readings (denoted by O; see Prof. Kern's Add. Note, p. v), such as srainsayaty (p. 264, l. 9) for sainpra-kāśayaty. The two portions of text preserved in our fragment are in that print on p. 261, l. 14-p. 265, l. 3, and on p. 269, l. 7-p. 271, l. 3.—R. H.]

TEXT

HOERNLE MS. No. 148.

Fol. 253 Obv.

1 (sarv)e ca (te) Mamjuśriyā Kumāra-bhūtena vi(n)ī(t)ā anuttara-syā¹ samyak-sambodhau tatra ye bo-

2 dhisatvā mahāyāna-samprasthitāḥ pūrvam abhūvams te mahāyāna-guņā ² ṣaṭ-pārami-

3 tāh samvarņayamti.

sarve ca te sarva-dharmaḥ śunyān³ iti samjānanti mahāyāna-guṇām

4 ś ca • atha khalu Mamjuśrīḥ kumāra-bhūtaḥ Prajñākūṭam bodhisatvam etad avocat, sarvo

5 'yam kulaputra mayā samudramadhya-gatena satba-vinayaḥ kṛtaḥ sa c>âyam samdṛ-

6 śyate: atha Prajñākūto bodhisatvo Mamjuśriyam kumārabhūtam gāth-âbhigītena pariprecha-

1 Read anuttarasyām.

² Read gunān.

3 Read dharmāh śūnyān.

NEPALESE MSS.

sarve ca te Mañjuśriyā kumārabhūtena vinītā anuttarāyām samyak-sambodhau ı tatra ye bo-

dhisattvā mahāyāna-samprasthitāḥ pūrvam abhūvams te mahāyānaguṇān, ṣaṭ-pārami-

tāḥ samvarṇayanti ı [ye śrāvaka-pūrvā bodhisattvās ² te śrāvaka-yānam eva samvarṇayanti ı] sarve ca te sarvadharmāñ ³ chūnyān iti samjānate sma mahāyāna-guṇām-

ś caiatha khalu Mañjuśriḥ kumārabhūtaḥ Prajñākūṭam bodhisattvam etad avocat, i sarvo

'yam kulaputra mayā samudra ⁴madhya-gatenasamvinayaḥkṛtaḥ sa c'nyam samdr-

śyate i atha khalu Prajñākūto bodhisattvo Mañjuśriyam kumāra-bhūtam gāth-âbhigītena pariprccha-

1 Cb adds mahāsattvā.

² AW °pūrva-bodhi°.

3 BK sarvān dha°.

4 AW mahā-samu°.

7 t, mahāsamudra ¹ mahāprajña mahāsūra mahābala • asamkhyeyā vinītā

¹ Read mahābhadra.

NEPALESE MSS.

ti sma 1 11 mahābhadra prajňayā sūra-nāmann asamkhvevā 2 ve vinītās [tvay=adya | sattvā amī kasya c-ayam prabhavas tad brūhi prsto naradeva tvam etat, 11 47 11 Kam vā dharmam desitavān asi tvam kim vā sūtram bodhi-mārg-opadešeyam vyac chrutv - amī bodhaye jāta-cittāh sarvajñatve niścite labdha-gāthāh 3 11 48 11 Manjuśrir āha samudra-madhye Saddharma-pundarīkam sūtram 4 bhāsitavān na ceanyat i Prajnākūta āha i idam sūtram gambhīram sūksmam durdrśam 5 na czanena sūtrena kimcid anyat sūtrain samam asti lasti kaścit sattvo ya idam sūtra-ratnam 6 satkuryād avaboddhum anuttarām samyaksambodhim abhisamboddhum i Manjuśrīr āha i asti kulaputra Sāgarasya nāga-rājño duhit sasta-varsā jātyā mahā-prajñā tīkṣṇ-ēndriyā jñānapūrvaingamena kāya-vān-manas-karmanā samanvāgatā sarva-tathāgatabhāṣita-vyañjan-arth-odgrahane dhāranī-pratilabdhā sarva-dharma-sattvasamādhāna-samādhi-sahasr-aika-lakṣaṇa-pratilābhinī 1 bodhicitt-avinivar-

¹ C^b paryaprechata, K paryaprechat.

² KW °khyayā.

³ A °gā, B °lābhāḥ, Cb °nābhāḥ, K °gādhāḥ.

⁴ BCbK om.

⁵ W durdasanam.

⁶ BK ratna-sūtrain.

kadācid vīryam sram-

Fol. 253 Rev.

1 sitavān tṛṣāhasra - mahāsāhasrāyām loka-dhāto¹ n≥âsti sa kaścid antamaśaḥ sarṣapa-mā-

2 tro pradešah yatr-ânena śarīram na nikṣiptam satva-hetoh paścād bodhim abhisambuddha ² • ka e-

3 tam (śra)ddadhāsyati yaḥ śakya³ muhūrten-ânutta(rā)⁴ samyaksambodhim abhisamboddhum, atha tasyām

4 velāyām Sāgara-nāga-rāja-duhitā agrataḥ sthitā dṛśyate sā bha-

gavata-

¹ Read °dhātau.

² Read *buddhah (see p. 156).

Read šakyam.
Read °nutturām.

NEPALESE MSS.

tinī vistīrņa-praņidhānā sarva-sattveṣv ātma-prem-dnugatā guṇ-6tpādane¹ ca samarthā na ca tebhyaḥ parihīyate \(\circ\) smita-mukhī paramayā subhavarṇa-puṣkaratayā samanvāgatā maitra-cittā karuṇām ca vācam bhāṣate \(\circ\)
sā samyak-sambodhim abhisamboddhum samarthā \(\circ\) Prajñākūţo bodhisattva āha \(\circ\) dṛṣṭo mayā bhagavāñ
Śākyamunis tathāgato bodhāya ghaṭamāno bodhisattva-bhūto 'nekāni puṇyāni kṛtavān anekāni ca kalpa-sahasrāṇi na] kadācid vīryam sam-

śritavān ı tri-sāhasra-mahāsāhasrāyām loka-dhātau n-âsti kaścid antaśaḥ sarṣapa-mā-

tro ['pi pṛthivī-]pradeśo yatrzânena śarīram na nikṣiptam sattva-[hita-]hetoḥ | paścād bodhim abhisambuddhaḥ | ka e-

vam ² śraddadhyād ³ yad [anayā] ⁴ śakyam muhūrtena samyak-sambodhim abhisamboddhum, u atha [khalu] tasyām

velāyām Sāgara - nāga-rāja - duhite âgrataḥ sthitā [sam]dṛśyate [sma]⁵

sā bhagavata-

1 BK °nenā.

BK enam, W etäm.
 B śraddhāsyati, K śraddhadhyāt,

C śraddadhāt.

4 BK yat tayā, C yadā' nayā.

5 AW om.

- 5 ħ pādau sirasā vamdy¹zâikâmte 'sthāt tasyām velāyāmm² imā gāthā abhāṣata : II puṇyam puṇya-
- 6 (gabh)īram ca diśaḥ spharati sarva(śa)ḥ sūkṣmam (śar)īram dbātrimśa-lakṣaṇais samalamkṛtam, anuvyam-
- 7 (jana)-yuktam ca sarv-asatva-namaskṛ tv³-âbhĭ(gamya)m ca antarāpaṇavad yathā yam

Fol. 254 Obv.

- 1 yā(mi) sambodhim sâkṣī me tatra tathāgata 4 • vistīrņam deśayiṣyāmi sarva-duḥkha 5-pramocanam a-
- 2 tha tasyām velāyām āyuṣmāñ Cchāriputras tām nāgarāja-duhitaram etad avocat kevalam
- 3 kula-duhite bodhāya cittam utpannam avivar(ty)-âprameyaprajñā c-âsi samyak-sambuddhatvam tu du-
- 4 rrlabham asti kula-duhite strī na ca vīryam sramsayati anekāni
- ¹ Originally vedy>aî° was written, but the scribe seems to have corrected ve into vam by effacing the down-stroke of the e-sign. ² Read velāyām.
- 3 See p. 156.
 4 Read ogatah.
 The visarga in duhkha has been

added afterwards above the line.

NEPALESE MSS.

- ḥ pādau śiras-âbhivandy 1-aîkânte 'sthāt tasyām velāyām imā gāthā abhāṣata " puṇyam puṇyam
- gambhīram ca diśaḥ sphurati sarvaśaḥ ı sūkṣmam śarīram dvātrimśal-lakṣaṇaiḥ samalamkṛtam u49 u anuvyañ-
- jana-yuktam ca sarva-sattva-namaskr[tam \ sarva-sa]ttv-\hatabhigamyam ca antarapanavad yatha \ \ 50 \ \ ya-
- [th-éccha]yā me sambodhiḥ sâkṣī me 'tra tathāgataḥ ı vistīrṇam deśayiṣyāmi dharmam duḥkha-pramocanam, ıı 51 ıı a-
- tha [khalu] tasyām velāyām āyuşmāñ Śāriputras tām [Sāgara-]nāga-rāja-duhitaram etad avocat, i kevalam
- bhagini² bodhāya cittam utpannam avivarty ≈ âprameya-prajñā c≈âsi samyak-sambuddhatvam tu du-
- rlabham ı asti bhagini ³ strī na ca vīryam samprakāsayaty ⁴ [anekāni

² BCbK te kulaputri.

3 BCbK kulaputri.

⁴ C^b janayati, BK sammayati, W praśayati.

¹ AW °sā vanditvā.

HOERNLE MS. No. 148. ca kalpa-sahasrā-

5 ni punyāni karoti sat-pāramitāh paripūrayate · na c/âdy/âpi buddhatvam praptobhi 1

6 kim (kā)raņam pamca sthānāni ady api strī na prapnoti • prathamam brahma-sthānam dvitīvam śakrra-sthâ-

7 nam • trtīyam mahārāja-sthānamm, 2 caturtham cakrravartisthānam pancamam avaivartika-bodhisatva-

Fol. 254 Rev.

1 sthānam, atha tasyām velāyām Sāgara-nāgarāja-duhitur ekam mani-ratnam asti ya 3 kṛtsnam

2 tṛṣāhasra-masāhasram 4 lokadhātum mulyam 5 kṣamati sa ca maņis tayā nāgarāja-duhitrā bha-

3 gavato datto bhagavatā c-ânukampām upâdāya pratigrhīta5. atha Sāgara-nāgarāja-

4 duhitā Prajñākūṭam bodhisatvam sthaviram ca Śāriputram etad avocat, yo 'yam mayā bha-

1 Read prāpnoti.

2 Read sthanam, or sthanam.

3 Read yat. ..

4 'Read mahāsāhasram.

5 Read mūlyam, and ogrhītah.

NEPALESE MSS.

ca kalpa-śatāny] anekāni ca kalpasahasrā-

ni punyāni karoti sat-pāramitāh paripūrayati na c-âdy-âpi bud-

dhatvam prapnoti

kim-kāraņam i pañca sthānāni stry ady api na prapnoti i [katamani pañca I] prathamam brahma-sthānam dvitīyam śakra-sthā-

nam trtīvam mahārāja-sthānam 1 cakravarti - sthānam caturtham pañcamam avaivartika - bodhisa-

ttva-

sthānam, u atha [khalu] tasyām velāyām Sāgara-nāgarāja-duhitur eko manir 2 asti yah krtsnām

trisāhasrām mahāsāhasrām lokadhātum mūlyam kṣamate ı sa ca manis tayā [Sāgara-]nāgarāja-duhitrā bha-

gavate dattah 1 [sa] bhagavatā c= ânukampām upādāya3 pratigrhītahı atha Sāgara-nāgarāja-

duhitā Prajnākūtam bodhisattvam sthaviram ca Śāriputram etad avocat iyo 'yam manir maya bha-

1 Cb °rājika°.

² BK °ka-mani-ratnam.

³ B°teánukampām upādāya.

5 gavata ¹ maṇir dattaḥ sa ca bhagava(tā ś)īghrram pratigrhīto n
>êti sthavira āha • tvayā ca śī-

6 ghrram datto bhagavatā ca šīghrram *prati*gṛhītaḥ Sāgaranāgarāja-duhitzâha • bhadamta Śāripu-

7 tra yady aham mardhinī ² syām śīghrratara ³ samyak-sambodhim abhisambuddhyeyam na czâsya maneh pratigra-

Fol. 259 Obv.

1 prativitarkam ājñāya Yasodharām bhikṣuṇīm etad avocat, ārocayāmi te Yasodhare

2 itaś cavitvā strī-bhāvam vivartayitvā da(ś)ānām buddha-koţinayuta-śata-sahasrānām

3 sântike bodhisatvo dharma-bhāņako bhaviṣyasi • anupūrveṇa ca bodhisatba-caryām pari-

⁴ pūrayitvā paścime samucchraye Raśmi-śata-sahasra-paripūrnadhvajo nāma

Read bhagavato.
 Read maharddhinī.

3 Read śighratarain.

NEPALESE MSS.

gavato dattaḥ sa ca bhagavatā śīghram pratigṛhīto n>êti¹ tvayā ca śī-

ghram datto bhagavatā ca śīghram pratigṛhītaḥ ı Sāgara-nāgarājaduhit>âha ı yady aham bhadanta Śāripu-

tra maharddhikī syām śīghrataram samyak-sambodhim abhisambudhyeyam na c∞âsya maṇeḥ pratigrā-

[hakaḥ syāt, 11]

[Atha khalu bhagavān Yaśodharāyā bhikṣuṇyāś cetas-âiva cetaḥ-]

parivitarkam ājñāya Yasodharām bhikṣuṇīm etad avocat i ārocayāmi te Yasodhare

[prativedayāmi te ı tvam api] daśānām buddha-koṭī-sahasrāṇām

antike [satkāram gurukāram mānanām pūjanām arcanām apacāyanām² kṛtvā] bodhisattvo dharma - bhāṇako bhaviṣyasi ı bodhisattva-caryām c<ânupūrveṇa pari-

pūrya ³ Raśmi-śata-sahasra-paripūrna-dhvajo nāma

¹ K °to utteti; W °ta utareti; B °ta uta; A °ta.

² arcanām apacāyanām only in K. ³ ACbW paripūrayitvā.

- 5 tathāgato 'rhān samyak-sambuddho loke bhavişyasi • vidyācarana-sampannah sugato lo-
- 6 ka-vid anuttarah purusa-damyasārathiḥ śāstā deva-manuṣyāņā 1 buddho bhagavān, bhā 2-
- 7 drāyām loka-dhātau: aparimitam ca tasya bhagavato Raśmiśata-sahasra-pari-

Fol. 259 Rev.

- 1 pūrnā dhvajasya tathāgatasys âyuş-pramāṇam bhavişyati ıı atha khalu Mahāprajāpatī bhi-
- 2 ksunī sad-bhiksunī-sahasrai 3 saparivārā bhagavatah sântikād ātmano vyāka-
- 3 ranam śrutb-ânuttarāyām samyak-sambodhau āścarya-prāptā abhūd adbhuta-prâptā Yaśodharā
- 4 bhikşunī Rāhula-mātā catur-bhikșunī-sahasrai 3 parivrtā: pura-
- 5 skrtā bhagavatah sântikāt sammukham ātmano vyākaraņam śrutv-ânuttarāyām
- 6 samyak-sambodhau āścarya-prâptā abhūși adbhuta-prâptās tasyām velāyām tā bhiksuņya i-
 - ¹ Read °nām. ² Read ³ Read °sraiḥ (see p. 156). 2 Read bha°.

NEPALESE MSS.

- tathāgato'rhan samyak-sambuddho loke 1 bhavişyasi vidyā-caraņasampannah sugato lo-
- ka-vid anuttarah purusa-damya-sārathih śāstā devānām ca manusyāṇām ca buddho bhagavān bha-
- drāyam loka-dhātau i aparimitam ca tasya bhagavato Raśmi-śata-sahasra-pari-

pūrņa-dhvajasya tathāgatasy = [ârhatah samyak-sambuddhasy = ayuş-pramāṇam bhaviṣyati II atha khaļu Mahāprajāpatī [Gautamī] bhi-

kşunī şad-bhikşunī-sahasra-parivārā

śodharā ca

catur-bhiksunī-sahasrabhiksunī parivārā

bhagavato 'ntikāt svakam vyākaraṇam śrutv-ânuttarāyām

- samyak sambodhāv āścarya-prâptā adbhuta-prâptāś ca tasyām velāyām i
 - 1 ACaW om.

7 mā¹ gāthāṁ bhāṣiṁsu u bhagavāṁ si net-âsi vināyako 'si śāst-âsi lokasya sa-deva-

Fol. 260 Obv.

1 kasya • āśvāsa-dātā nara-deva-pūjiti ² vayam ti samtoṣita adya nāyaka u atha

2 khalu tā bhikṣuṇya imā gāthā¹ bhāṣitvā bhagavantam etad avocu • vayam api bhaga-

3 vann utsahāma imam dharmaparyāyam paścime kāle tathāgate parinivṛte ³ iha Sa-

4 he loka-dhātau samprakāsayitum apy anyeşu loka-dhātuşu • atha khalu bhagavāmn⁴ ye-

5 ta ⁵ tāny aśīti-bodhisatba-koţi-nayuta-śata-sahasrāni pratilabdhānām bodhisatbā-

6 nām mahāsatbānā 6 avaivartikadharma-cakrra-pravartakā bodhisatbā mahāsatvās tenzâvalo-

7 kayati sma u atha khalu te bodhisatvā 7 • samanamtar-âvalokitā evam bhagavatā sarve utthā-

Read imām, and imām gāthām.

² Read *pājito*, and for the same blunder see the third fragment, rev. l. 8, *śaili* for *śailo*, p. 171, and Notes, p. 173.

3 Read parinirvrte.

⁴ Read bhagavān. ⁵ Read °na.

6 Read mahāsattvānām.

⁷ Read bodhisattvāḥ (see p. 156).

NEPALESE MSS.

mām gāthām abhāṣanta¹ u bhagavān vinet≈âsi vināyako 'si śāst≈ âsi lokasya sa-deva-

kasyaı āśvāsa-dātā nara-deva-pūjito vayam pi samtosita adya nātha u 1 u atha

khalu tā bhikṣuṇya imām gāthām bhāṣitvā bhagavantam etad ūcuḥ ı vayam api bhaga-

van samutsahāmaha ² imam dharma-paryāyam samprakāśayitum paścime kāle [paścime samaye]

'pi [tv=]anyeşu loka-dhātuşv [iti] u atha khalu bhagavān=ye-

na tāny aśīti-bodhisattva-kotīnayuta-śata-sahasrāṇi [dhāraṇ̄-] pratilabdhānām bodhisattvā-

nām avaivartika - dharma - cakrapravartikānām

ten « âvalo-

kayāmāsa ı atha khalu te bodhisattvā [mahāsattvāḥ] samanantarâvalokite bhagavatā utthā-

2 BCbK om, sam.

¹ W 'satah ; AB 'sata.

Fol. 260 Rev.

- 1 yeâsanebhyo yena bhagavāms tene âmjalĭ ¹ praṇāmayitvā bhagavantam upasamkrraminsu • e-
- vam cintayaty² asmākam api bhagavān adhyeṣyaty asya dharma-paryāyasy anāgate 'dhvani samprakā-

3 śana(tā)ya • atha khalu te sarve bodhisatvā evam anuvicintayitvā samprakampayiṣu (pa)-

4 rasparasy » alvam ūcuḥ katham karisyāma kulaputrāho ayam bhagavann ³ asmākam adhye-

- 5 şaty asya dharma-paryāyasy ênāgate 'dhvani samprakāśanatāya • atha khalu te sarve bodhi-
- 6 satvā bhagavatā⁴gauraveņ<âtmanaś ca pūrva-caryā-praṇidhānena sāmagryā bhagavatau⁴ 'bhimukhā
- 7 sthitvā simha-nādam nadinsu vayam bhagavann imam dhar-ma-paryāyam tathāgate pari-nirvṛte daśa-

1 Read āmjalim.

NEPALESE MSS.

- y<al>
 åsanebhyo yena bhagavāms tens
 åñjalim praṇāmy<al-1
- vam cintayāmāsuḥ ı asmān² bhagavān adhyeṣayaty³ asya dharmaparyāyasya samprakā-

śanatāyai 4 1 te khalv

evam anuvi-

cintya samprakampitāh pa-

rasparam ūcuḥ (katham [vayam] kulaputrāḥ kariṣyāmo yad bhagavān adhye-

şayaty asya dharma-paryāyasy ânāgate 'dhvani samprakāśanatāyai ⁵ II atha khalu te kula-

putrā bhagavato gauraveṇ<atmanas ca pūrva-caryā-praṇidhānena

bhagavato

'bhimukham

- simha-nādam nadante sma ı vayam bhagavann [anāgate 'dhvan*]îmam dharma-paryāyam tathāgate parinirvrte daśa-
- [su dikşu gatvā sarva-sattvāl lekhayişyāmah pāṭhayiṣyāmaś cintāpayiṣyāmah prakāśayiṣyāmo bhagavata ev ânubhāvena]

1 K pranamysaî°.

- ² ABCaK asmākam. ³ K adhyesaty.
- ⁴ AW °śanāyeti, B °śanāya. ⁵ BK °śanāyeti, C^b °śanāyati.

² Read cintayamti.

³ Read bhagavān.

⁴ Read bhagavato.

TRANSLATION.1

(Fol. 253 a.) And all these had been instructed by Mañjuśrī, the royal prince, so that they had reached the highest perfect enlightenment. The Bodhisattvas among them, who had previously set out in the Great Vehicle, praised the virtues of the Great Vehicle, the six perfections.² And all of them recognized the voidness of all objects and the virtues of the Great Vehicle. Thereupon Mañjuśrī, the royal prince, spoke thus to the Bodhisattva Prajñākūṭa: 'Noble youth, all this instruction of beings has been done by me while I was staying in the midst of the ocean, and this is seen (as the result thereof).' Thereupon the Bodhisattva Prajñākūṭa asked Mañjuśrī, the royal prince, by chanting the (following) Gāthās:

'Most excellent one,3 most wise one, great hero, most mighty one, innumerable

[The Bodhisattva Prajñākūṭa said: 'I have seen the Lord Śākyamuni, the Tathāgata, striving after enlightenment. He did many meritorious works, when he had become a Bodhisattva, and during many thousands of ages] he never slackened in his energy. (Fol. 253 b.) In the Trisāhasra-Mahāsāhasra world there is not even a spot as large as a grain of mustard-seed where he has not sacrificed his body for the sake of beings. Afterwards he has attained enlightenment. Who will believe that be it will be possible to attain the highest perfect enlightenment in one moment?' Now at that instant the daughter of Sāgara, the King of Nāgas, appeared standing in front (of them). Having bowed her head to the feet of the Lord, she stood aside. At that time she spoke the following Gāthās:

'The holy, subtle body, gifted with profound virtues, adorned with the thirty-

two signs, pervades the regions in all directions;

'(The body,) provided with the secondary signs, worshipped by all beings, accessible to [all] beings like a market-place.

'According to my wishes was (Fol. 254 a) my enlightenment; 6 the Tathagata

¹ All passages in square brackets have been supplied from the Nepalese text; those in round brackets are explanatory.

² Here the Nepalese text adds: Those of the Bodhisattvas who had been formerly Śrāvakas praised the Vehicle of Śrāvakas. [See Index, p. 210.—R. H.]

³ Mahāsamudra must be a clerical error for mahābhadra.

⁴ After this there is a long gap; see the remarks below, p. 156.
⁵ I have translated yat instead of yah; see footnote 1 on p. 159.

⁶ I have followed the Nepalese text, as the passage is corrupt in the fragment.

is my witness to it. I shall make known the great (Law) that delivers from all sufferance.'

Now at that time the exalted Sariputra said to the daughter of the King of Nagas: 'Noble maid, thou hast only conceived the idea of enlightenment without turning back, and thou art of unfathomable wisdom, but perfect enlightenment is difficult to attain. There may be, noble maid, a woman that does not slacken in energy and performs meritorious acts and fulfils the six perfections during many thousands of ages, and yet until now none reaches Buddhaship. Why? There are five ranks that a woman until now cannot attain: firstly, the rank of Brahman; secondly, the rank of Sakra; thirdly, the rank of a Mahārāja; fourthly, the rank of a Cakravartin; fifthly, the rank of a Bodhisattva unable to turn back.' (Fol. 254 b.) Now at that time the daughter of Sagara, the King of Nagas, possessed an excellent jewel that equalled in value the whole Trisāhasra-Mahāsāhasra world, and this jewel was given by the daughter of the King of Nagas to the Lord, and the Lord mercifully accepted it. Then the daughter of Sagara, the King of Nagas, said to the Bodhisattva Prajñākūţa and the Sthavira Śāriputra: 'Was the jewel which I gave to the Lord promptly accepted by the Lord or not?' The Sthavira said, 'It was promptly given by thee and promptly accepted by the Lord.' The daughter of Sagara, the King of Nāgas, said: 'Venerable Śāriputra, if I were gifted with great magic power, I should have attained perfect enlightenment sooner, and [there would have been] no one to receive this jewel.'

(Fol. 259 a.) [Then the Lord,] recognizing [in his mind] the thoughts [in the mind of the nun Yaśodharā], spoke thus to the nun Yaśodharā: 'I announce to thee Yasodhara: Having left this world, you will give up the nature of woman and in the presence of ten hundred thousands of myriads of millions of Buddhas become a Bodhisattva, a preacher of the Law. And in due course, having accomplished the course of a Bodhisattva, thou shalt in thy last existence become in the world a Tathagata named Raśmiśatasahasraparipūrnadhvaja, an Arhat, perfectly enlightened, endowed with knowledge and conduct, a Sugata, knowing the world, supreme, a driver of the unbroken bulls of men, a teacher of gods and men, a Buddha, a Lord in the Bhadra world. And boundless shall be the measure of life of that Lord, the Tathagata Rasmisatasahasraparipūrnadhvaja.' (Fol. 259 b.) Then the nun Mahāprajāpatī, surrounded by six thousand nuns, having heard from the Lord the prophecy with regard to her attaining the highest perfect enlightenment, was struck with wonder and amazement. The nun Yasodharā, the mother of Rāhula, surrounded, accompanied by four thousand nuns, having heard from the Lord the prophecy referring to her attaining the highest perfect enlightenment, was struck with wonder. Struck with amazement, those nuns at that time spoke the following Gāthā:

'Thou art the Lord, thou art a leader, thou art an instructor, thou art a teacher of the world including the gods, (Fol. 260 a) a giver of comfort, worshipped by men and gods. To-day we have been gladdened by thee, O leader.'

Then, having spoken this Gatha, those nuns spoke thus to the Lord: 'We also, O Lord, will exert ourselves to proclaim this Dharmaparyaya in the last time, when the Tathagata has become wholly extinct, in this Saha world and also in other worlds.' Then the Lord looked towards the eighty hundred thousands of myriads of millions of Bodhisattvas Mahāsattvas, who had obtained [magical spells], the Bodhisattvas Mahāsattvas who made roll on the wheel of the Law that never rolls back. As soon as those Bodhisattvas had thus been looked at by the Lord, all of them rose from their seats, (Fol. 260b) raised their folded hands towards the Lord, and approached the Lord. They reflected thus: 'We also are invited by the Lord to proclaim this Dharmaparyaya in future.' When they had thus reflected, all those Bodhisattvas trembled. They asked one another thus: 'What shall we do, noble youths? the Lord here invites us to proclaim this Dharmaparyaya in future.' Thereupon, out of respect for the Lord and on account of their own vows in their previous course, all those Bodhisattvas together, turning their faces towards the Lord, roared a lion's roar: 'When the Tathagata has become wholly extinct, we, O Lord, [want to go in the] ten [directions and make all beings write, read, think over and proclaim] this Dharmaparyaya [by the power of the Lord].'

NOTES.

The orthography of the fragment calls for few remarks. After r a consonant is never doubled; nor after rr (in durrlabham 254 aiv). As the first letter in a group a consonant is doubled only once in abhisambuddhyeyam (254 bvii). In ayuşmañ Cchāriputras (254 aii) the cha is doubled after n against the common rule. On the other hand, the etymological double consonant is simplified in the word satva everywhere (e. g. 253 aii. iv. v. vi) and in ma[ha]rdhinī in 254 bvii. The jihvāmūlīya and upadhmānīya do not occur, and a sibilant before another sibilant appears as visarga, except in laksanais samalainkrtam (253 lvi). Before s followed by a consonant, visarga is dropped once in °bhimukhā sthitvā (260 bvi). As frequently in manuscripts and inscriptions, r is written for ri in trsāhasra° (253 bi, 254 bii). Clerical errors seem to abound. In 254 av we find praptobhi for prapnoti, and in 260 av yeta for yena. Twice the syllable ha or ha is missed out, viz. in 254 bii masahasram for mahāsāhasram, and in 254 bvii mardhinī for maharddhinī. The short vowel is Written instead of the long one in °dharmah (253 aiii), śunyan (253 aiii), mulyam (254 bii), and the long vowel instead of the short one in bhādrāyām (259 avi). O takes the place of au in loka-dhāto (253 bi), and au the place of o in bhagavatau

(260 b^{v}). Instead of o we find a in bhagavata (254 b^{v}), \bar{a} in $bhagavat\bar{a}$ (260 b^{v}), and i in ${}^{\circ}p\bar{u}jiti$ (260 a^{i}). Anusvāra is missing in $anuttarasy\bar{a}$ (253 a^{i}), $\hat{s}akya$ (253 b^{iii}), ${}^{\circ}anuttar\bar{a}$ (253 b^{iii}), $\hat{s}\bar{i}ghrratara$ (254 b^{vii}), ${}^{\circ}manusy\bar{a}n\bar{a}}$ (259 a^{vi}), $im\bar{a}$ (259 b^{vii}), $im\bar{a}$ gathā (260 a^{ii}), $mah\bar{a}satb\bar{a}n\bar{a}$ (260 a^{vi}), $anusy\bar{a}n\bar{a}$ (260 b^{ii}), and on the other hand superfluously added in $vel\bar{a}y\bar{a}mm$ (253 b^{v}), $sth\bar{a}namm$ (254 a^{vii}), $bhagav\bar{a}mn$ (260 a^{iv}). Visarga is omitted in abhisambuddha (253 b^{ii}), $tath\bar{a}gata$ (254 a^{ii}), $pratigrh\bar{v}ta$ (254 b^{iii}), anusvarasilam (259 b^{ii}), and $bodhisatv\bar{a}$ (260 a^{vii}), but it is to be observed that in all these cases the word is followed by a single dot which appears to be a blunder for the double dot of the visarga, while in the case of anus anu

Considering the limited extent of the fragment, this is rather a long list, but it must be borne in mind that it is not quite sure that in all these cases we really have to assume mere clerical errors. Some of those forms, such as $p\bar{u}jiti$, $gun\bar{a}$, &c., may after all be Prākrit, and others, such as $suny\bar{a}n$, mulyam, $bh\bar{a}dr\bar{a}y\bar{a}m$, &c., may be imperfect and incorrect Sanskrit renderings of Prākrit forms, due, not to a mistake of the scribe, but to the ignorance of the author of the text.

A certain want of care on the part of the scribe, however, is undoubtedly proved by a number of omissions,3 especially on the first two leaves. The largest lacuna occurs in 253 avii, where the text suddenly breaks off after vinītā in the middle of a Gatha. The Nepalese text shows that about 420 aksaras are omitted, so that it becomes almost certain that a whole leaf of the original manuscript was missing or overlooked by the scribe. In 253 aiii the Nepalese MSS, add after samvarnayanti: ye śrāvaka-pūrvā bodhisattvās te śrāvaka-yānam eva sainvarnayanti, and the context shows that such a supplementary sentence is absolutely necessary. It is highly probable, therefore, that the scribe of our manuscript inadvertently omitted it by passing from the word samvarnayanti of the preceding sentence to the same word in the next one. Similarly in 253 bii the words 'pi prthivī seem to have been left out between sarsapamātro and pradešah, which would account for the o of sarsapa-mātro. In 253 bvii four akṣaras (tam 1 sarvasa) are omitted. In 253 bvii, 254 ai two akṣaras are missing in yam yami sambodhim, for which the Nepalese MSS, read yath-ecchaya me sambodhim. In 260 av the word dhāranī is omitted before pratilabdhānām, probably because the word preceding dhāranī ended in ni. For a similar reason abhūṣi is probably omitted in 259 bvi, in the Nepalese text, before adbhuta-praptas.

¹ [So also probably in the case of the prākritic, or semi-Sanskrit, forms avocu (260 aii), upasamkrraminsu (260 bi), nadinsu (260 bvii) with a single dot, for avocuh, &c.; but see the remarks on pp. 159-60.—R. H.]

² The correct form parinirvyte is found in 260 bvii.

³ Shown in italic type within square brackets, in the transcript of the Nepalese text.

In spite of these inaccuracies the fragment is of the highest importance for the history of the Saddharma-pundarīka. Even a cursory comparison with the text of the Nepalese MSS, reveals the fact that there are numerous passages where one or more words have been added either in the fragment or in the Nepalese MSS. The fragment adds: 253 bi sa, 253 biii anuttarā[m], 254 bi ratnam (in ekam maniratnam instead of eko manir), 254 by sthavira āha, 259 aii itas cavitvā strī-bhāvam vivartayitvā, "nayuta-sata" (between buddha-koţi° and °sahasrāṇām), 259 aiv paścime samucchraye, 259 biv Rāhulamātā, 259 b sammukham, 260 aii. iv tathāgate parini[r]vrte iha Sahe loka-dhātau, 260 avi mahāsatvānā[m], bodhisatvā mahāsatvās, 260 avii evam, sarve, 260 bi bhagavantam upasamkrraminsu, 260 lii api, anāgate 'dhvani, 260 liii atha, sarve bodhisatvā, 260 liv evam (in parasparasyzavam), asmākam, 260 b sarve, 260 bi sāmagryā, 260 bii sthitvā. The Nepalese MSS. add1: 253 bii hita, 253 biii anayā (or tayā), khalu, 253 biv sam, sma, 254 aii khalu, Sāgara°, 254 aiv anekāni ca kalpasatāny, 254 avi katamāni pañca, 254 bi khalu, 254 bii Sāgara°, 254 biii sa, 259 aii prativedayāmi te 1 tvam api, 259 aiii satkāram gurukāram mānanām pūjanām arcanām apacāyanām krtvā, 259 bi arhataļ samyak-sambuddhasya, Gautamī, 260 aiii paścime samaye, 260 aiv tv, iti, 260 avii mahāsattvāh, 260 biv vayam, 260 bvii anāgate 'dhvani.

These divergences sufficiently show that we have to acknowledge two different versions of the Saddharma-pundarīka, the one represented by the fragment, the other by the Nepalese MSS. The number of additions being about the same in either of the two versions, it cannot be said that the one is either an amplification or an abridgement of the other; both must have developed from a common source. The original certainly had one of the readings preserved in the fragment, viz. mani-ratnam in $254 \, b^{\rm i}$, which is supported also by the MSS. BK of the Nepalese version, while the sma in $253 \, b^{\rm iv}$, omitted in the fragment, probably was missing also in the original, as it is omitted also in some of the Nepalese MSS. (AW). As for the rest of the additional matter, it seems to me impossible to decide whether it was already contained in the original or added afterwards.

The existence of two recensions is further proved by occasional differences in the order of words. In 254 b^{*i} the fragment reads bhadamta Śāriputra yady aham, the Nepalese MSS. yady aham bhadanta Śāriputra, in 259 a^{iii} the fragment anupūrveņa ca bodhisatva-caryām, the Nepalese MSS. bodhisatva-caryām cəānupūrveṇa, in 260 a^{iii} the fragment paścime kāle... samprakāśayitum, the Nepalese MSS. samprakāśayitum paścime kāle, in 260 b^{iii} the fragment khalu te, the Nepalese MSS. te khalu, in 260 b^{iv} the fragment kariṣyāma kulaputrāho, the Nepalese MSS. kulaputrāḥ kariṣyāmo.

Of even greater importance are the differences in Gāthā 47 of chapter xi (253 a^{vii}) and in a prose passage in chapter xii (259 $b^{i ff}$.). In the Nepalese MSS. Gāthā 47 is in the Triṣṭubh metre:

¹ See footnote 3 on p. 156.

mahābhadra prajňayā sūra-nāmann asamkhyeyā ye vinītās tvayzādya \ sattvā amī kasya czāyam prabhāvas tad brūhi pṛṣṭo nara-deva tvam etat \

In the fragment only the first portion of the Gāthā is preserved, but this is sufficient to show that the stanza was composed in the Anustubh metre:

mahāsamudra 1 mahāprajña mahāsūra mahābala 1 asamkhyeyā vinīlā $\times \times \times \times \times - - \times \times 11$

In 259 bi ff. it is said that the nuns Mahāprajāpatī and Yaśodharā were struck with wonder and amazement when they heard the Lord's prophecy concerning their attaining supreme perfect enlightenment. What is said conjointly of the two nuns in the Nepalese MSS. is narrated first of Mahāprajāpatī and then repeated once more with regard to Yaśodharā in the fragment. In these cases it seems to me impossible to say what was the original reading.

As was to be expected, there are also numerous various readings. Only a very small portion of them can be accounted for as blunders on the part of the copyists. Thus in the fragment, mahāsamudra in 253 avii is certainly a mistake for mahābhadra, bhagavann in 260 biv for bhagavān, perhaps also me tatra in 254 ai for me 'tra, which suits the metre, and sarva-duḥkha-pramocanam in 254 ai for dharmam duḥkha-pramocanam. On the other hand, satva-vinayaḥ in 253 av, punya-gabhīram in 253 bv, and ti which represents te (=Skt. tvayā) in 260 ai, seem to be better readings than samvinayaḥ, punyam gambhīram and pi, found in the Nepalese MSS., and there can be no doubt that asmākam and adhyeṣaty (adhyeṣaty) in 260 bii iv are the correct readings instead of asmān and adhyeṣaty, as they are supported by some of the Nepalese MSS. themselves (ABCaK). But in most cases both readings, shown in the subjoined list, are equally justifiable.

FRAGMENT.

NEPALESE MSS.

253 bⁱ antamaśaḥ 253 bⁱⁱ yaṁ yāmi saṁbodhiṁ ³ 254 a^v paripūrayate

antašaķ ² yath-ēcchayā me sambodhiķ paripūrayati

¹ Read mahābhadra.

² Antamaśah agrees with Pāli antamaso, while antaśah is found also in other Buddhist works in mixed dialect.

³ The correctness of this reading is doubtful, as I am unable to restore the missing syllables.

FRAGMENT.

254 b^{i. ii} kṛtsnaṁ tṛsāhasra-ma[hā]sāhasraṁ lokadhātuṁ

254 bⁱⁱⁱ bhagavato 254 bⁱⁱⁱ ma[ha]rdhinī 254 bⁱⁱⁱ pratigra[hītā] 259 aⁱⁱ prativitarkam 259 aⁱⁱ, 260 a^v °koṭi°

259 avi deva-manusyānā[m]

259 lii. v ātmano

259 biv °sahasrai[h] parivṛtā

260 aⁱ nāyaka

260 avi °ávalokayati sma

260 a^{vii} °dvalokitā 260 bⁱⁱ cintaya[m]ty 260 b**v** bodhisa[t]tvā

260 bvi 'bhimukhā

NEPALESE MSS.

kṛtsnām trisāhasrām mahāsāhasrām lokadhātum

bhagavate maharddhikī pratigrāhakaḥ parivitarkam

°koţī°

devānām ca manusyānām ca

svakam

°sahasra-parivārā

nātha

°avalokayāmāsa

°åvalokite

cintayāmāsuḥ

kulaputrā 'bhimukham

This list, however, is not complete. There is still another group of various readings which are of peculiar interest and, on that account, require to be treated separately. As will appear from the following list, there are numerous passages where the fragment exhibits either pure Prākrit or bad Sanskrit forms instead of the correct Sanskrit forms appearing in the Nepalese MSS.

FRAGMENT.

253 aⁱⁱⁱ samjānanti 253 a^{vi} pariprechat

253 biii etam 1

253 biii śraddadhāsyati

253 by vaindysûrkainte

253 bvi spharati (compare Pāli pharati)

NEPALESE MSS.

samjānate (Pān. I. 3, 46)

pariprechati sma (C^b paryaprechata, K paryaprechat)

evam (BK enam, W etam)

śraddadhyāt (B śraddhāsyati, K śrad-

dhadhyāt, C śraddadhāt)

°ábhivandysárkánte

sphurati

¹ The fragment reads: ka etań śraddadhāsyati yah śakya muhūrten=ûnuttarā samyak-sambodhim abhisambodhum, the Nepalese MSS. ka evam (enam, etām) śraddadhyād yad anayā śakyam muhūrtena samyak-sambodhim abhisamboddhum. Etam apparently is the Prākrit form of the accusative of the neuter (= Skt. etat), which, when no longer understood, was changed into evam (enam, etām) in the Nepalese MSS., while in the fragment it caused yah to be substituted for yat, whereby the sentence became perfectly unintelligible.

FRAGMENT.

254 aiii. iv kuladuhite

254 bⁱⁱ kṣamati 259 aⁱⁱⁱ santike

259 aⁱⁱⁱ anupūrveņa (compare Pāli anupubbena) ca

259 aiv paripūrayitvā

259 av 'rhan

259 lii. v °tah santikād (santikāt)

259 bvii bhāsimsu

259 bvii bhagavām 2

260 aii avocu

260 aⁱⁱⁱ utsahāma

260 bi praņāmayitvā

260 bii. v samprakāśanatāya

260 biii anuvicintayitvā

260 liii samprakampayisu

260 biv karişyāma 260 biv kulaputrāho

260 l^{vii} nadinsu

NEPALESE MSS.

bhagini (BCbK kulaputri)

kṣamate antike

ceanupurvena 1

paripūrya (ACbW paripūrayitvā)

'rhan

°to'ntikāt

abhāṣanta (W °ṣataḥ, AB °ṣatu)

bhagavān ūcuh

samutsahāmaha (BC bK utsa°)

pranāmysaî° (K pranamysaî°)

samprakāśanatāyai (AWK °śanāyeti, B °śanāyeti and °śanāya, Cb °śanāyati)

anuvicintya samprakampitāh

karisyāmo kulaputrāh

nadante sma 3

Similarly instead of faulty or clumsy constructions in the fragment the correct ones appear in the Nepalese MSS. In 253 aⁱⁱⁱ we read in the fragment: sarve ca te sarva-dharm[ā]ḥ ś[ū]nyān iti samjānanti; the Nepalese MSS. have correctly sarva-dharmāñ. The words ṣad-bhikṣuṇī-sahasrai[ḥ] saparivārā in 259 bⁱⁱ are replaced by ṣad-bhikṣuṇī-sahasra-parivārā in the Nepalese MSS. In 260 b^{iv} the fragment has parasparasy-âvam ūcuḥ, the Nepalese MSS. parasparam ūcuḥ. In 260 a^{vi} the words avaivartika-dharma-cakrra-pravartakā bodhisa[t]tvā mahāsa[t]tvās stand quite unconnectedly in the fragment, as if added by an afterthought; in the Nepalese MSS. they are incorporated into the period by putting the first epithet into the genitive and dropping bodhisattvā mahāsattvās altogether. In the same way the words ayam samprakāśanatāya in 260 b^{iv. v} are connected with the preceding sentence in the Nepalese MSS. by substituting yad for ayam.

¹ Provided that this is to be dissolved into ca ānupūrreṇa.

² This form is found also in the Mahāvastu and in the fragments edited by Pischel; see Pischel, *loc. cit.*, p. 6.

⁸ To these may be added a few forms which have no equivalents in the Nepalese MSS., but seem to be foreign to the language of that recension, viz. cavitvā (259 aⁱⁱ), vivartayitvā (259 aⁱⁱ), abhūṣi (259 b^{vi}), upasamkrraminsu (260 bⁱ).

In my opinion there can be no doubt that, as regards single forms, at any rate, the fragment has preserved the older readings. There is no reason conceivable why e. g. such forms as abhāṣanta, ūcuḥ, samprakampitāḥ, nadante sma, should have been altered into bhāsimsu, avocu, samprakampayisu, and nadinsu, whereas the reverse is easily intelligible as an attempt at sanskritizing the text. But I am far from believing that the fragment exhibits the text in its original state. There are certain facts which tend to show that to a certain extent the process of sanskritization has taken place also in the fragment. In 253 ai we find anuttarasyā[m], for which the Nepalese MSS. read anuttarāyām, and the readings sura in 253 avii, °pravartakā in 260 avi, which must be compared with sūra° and °pravartikānām in the Nepalese MSS., are perhaps to be judged in the same way.2 In 253 avii it is said of the Buddha that during many thousands of ages he never slackened in his energy: [na] kadācid vīryam sramsitavān. For sramsitavān the Nepalese MSS. read samśritavān. The correct reading undoubtedly is sramsitavan, but it is difficult to understand how this should have been replaced by samsritavan, unless we assume that the original reading was a Prākrit form, such as e. g. sainsitavā. This has been correctly sanskritized into sramsitavān in the fragment, whereas in the Nepalese version it was wrongly rendered by samsritavan. The root srams occurs once more in connexion with vīryam in 254 air na ca vīryam sramsayati. Here the Nepalese MSS. offer the readings samprakāśayati, praśayati (W), janayati (Cb), sammayati (BK), all of which are wrong, but the last-mentioned one makes it probable that the original reading was sainsayati, which has been sanskritized in the fragment into srainsayati.

In the Gāthās, where naturally it was often impossible on account of the metre to replace the Prākrit forms by Sanskrit forms, the text itself appears to have been changed occasionally in the Nepalese MSS. to avoid the Prākrit forms. In the fragment the first Gāthā of chapter xii (259 b^{vii}) begins: bhagavām si neteāsi vināyako 'si, with the second person sing. of the present of as preserved in its true Prākrit form after bhagavām. In the Nepalese MSS. we read bhagavān vineteāsi vināyako 'si. Here si has been altered into vi without regard to the perfect tautology which arose in this way.

From these facts we may safely conclude that the text of the Saddharma-pundarīka to which both the Central-Asian and the Nepalese MSS. go back, was written in a language that had far more prākritisms than either of the two versions. I am even inclined to believe that the original was written in a pure Prākrit dialect which was afterwards gradually put into Sanskrit. But I admit that the materials

¹ In 259 bv both versions have anuttarāyām.

² The form śūra, however, may have been the original Māgadhī form which was wrongly rendered into sūra in the Nepalese MSS. (see the remarks below), and °pravartikānām may be a simple corruption due to the influence of the preceding avaivartika°.

which are at present at our disposal are not sufficient to prove this; in fact, I do not see how it ever could be proved definitely except by discovering that Prākrit version itself.

But apart from this question, we can, with the help of the fragment, determine the Prākrit dialect which must be at the bottom of the language of the Saddharma-puṇḍarīka. In $260 \, b^{\rm iv}$ we find a vocative plur. $kulaputr\bar{a}ho$. Vocatives in $-\bar{a}ho$ from bases in a are found only in Māgadhī. We may therefore assert that the original text of the Saddharma-puṇḍarīka was written, if not in pure Māgadhī, in a 'mixed Sanskrit' which was based on that dialect.

2. ANOTHER FRAGMENT OF THE SADDHARMA-PUŅDARĪKA

Hoernle MSS., No. 142, SB. 12. (Plate XVIII, No. 2, Reverse.)

This fragment, one of the smaller of the Hoernle Collection, is the right side of a leaf belonging to another manuscript of the Saddharma-puṇḍarīka. The preserved portion of the text is found in the beginning of chapter xxii.

The fragment, measuring 170×132 mm. (or $6\frac{7}{10} \times 5\frac{1}{5}$ inches), is only about one-third of the whole leaf, as it contains on an average eleven aksaras in each line, whereas about twenty-four aksaras are missing in the beginning of each line.² There are six lines on either side.

The characters are of the same type as those of the larger fragment, Hoernle MS., No. 148, SA. 22-5. There are only four points of difference. First, the four varieties of medial \bar{a} are reduced here to three, $m\bar{a}$ and $dh\bar{a}$, which in the larger fragment are combined with the second form, here showing the first form (obv. ll. l, 5). In $rh\bar{a}$ also the first form is employed (obv. l. 4). With this exception the use of the different forms is the same as in the larger fragment. The third form is found once only, in $sy\bar{a}m$ (rev. l. 4). Secondly, of the two forms of medial i, the prone never occurs, but only the erect (e.g. mi, obv. l. 2). Thirdly, the sign placed above the small letter to denote absence of vowel is not a semicircle, but a dot with a tail slanting down to the right (obv. l. 3, rev. l. 2). Fourthly, the retention of the side-stroke in conjunct t appears to be almost regular. There are altogether seven cases. Among them there is only one in which the side-stroke is clearly

¹ See Pischel, Grammatik der Präkrit-Sprachen, § 372.

² This estimate is based on line 4 of the obverse and ll. 5, 6 of the reverse, taking into account such divergences from the text of the Nepalese MSS. as appear absolutely certain.

omitted, viz. in tta, in obv. l. 3, °dattam. In four cases it is retained, viz. in tva, obv. l. 2 and rev. l. 4, °satva; in tsa, rev. l. 2, $tats\bar{a}dhu$; and in tra, rev. l. 3, tatra. The remaining two cases are indistinct, viz. tva in obv. l. 1 and rev. l. 6. Below the $j\bar{a}$ in obv. l. 3 and the $ly\bar{a}$ in obv. l. 5 there is a small sign, apparently added afterwards, which looks like sa, but the meaning of which is unknown to me. The peculiar sign of the special Khotanese r occurs thrice in the subscript position, in obv. l. 5 prrati°, l. 6 sahasrrebhih, and in rev. l. 6 prradaksi, while we have the ordinary r in obv. l. 2 priya, rev. l. 1 °srebhis.

The text, with that of the Nepalese manuscripts printed opposite, runs as

follows:-1

TEXT

Hoernle MS. Obverse.

- 1 ∭tva (samā)dhi labdhaḥ vīryam dṛḍham hy āra-
- 2 samkusumita sa Sarvasatvapriya-
- 3 Jänam Vimaladattam etad avocat,
- 4 Māgato 'rhān samyak-sambuddhaḥ tiṣṭha-

NEPALESE MSS.

[ayam mamā cankrama rāja-śreṣṭha yasmin mayā sthi]tva samādhi labdhaḥ ı vīryam dṛḍham āra-

[bhitam mahāvratam parityajitvā priyam ātma-bhāvam, 11 11 Atha khalu Nakṣatrarāja]samkusumitâ[bhijña] sa Sarvasattvapriya-

[darśano bodhisattva imām gāthām bhāṣitvā] tau sva-mātā-pitarāv 1 etad avocat, i

[ady>dpy amba tāta sa bhagavāms Candrasūryavimalaprabhāsasrīs tath-] āgato 'rhan samyak-sambuddha [etarhi] tiṣṭha-

[ti dhriyate yāpayati dharmam deśayati yasya mayā bhagavataś Candrasūryavimalaprabhāsaśriyas tathāgatasya²

1 v.l. tam svam mātā-pitaram.

² Some MSS. omit Candra°-tathāgatasya.

¹ For the text of the Nepalese MSS. my thanks are again due to Professor Kern. [See also the Note on p. 143. The corresponding text of the Bibliotheca Buddhica edition is on p. 408, l. 14-p. 409, l. 12.—R. H.]

HOERNLE MS.

- 5 🏿 lyāyā dhāraṇyāḥ prratilābho
- 6 nayuta-śata-sahasrrebhih

Reverse.

- 1 srebhis tasya bhagavatah santi-
- 2 cat, tat sādhu mahārāja gamiṣyā-
- 3 \interpretatra gatvā bhūyas tasya bhagava-
- 4 Mhāsatvas tasyām velāyām sapta-ra-
- 5 \bigsetimber bhyudgamya tasya bhagavatah sakā-
- 6 \interpretation tam bhagavamtam sapta-kṛtva prradakṣi-

NEPALESE MSS.

pūjām kṛtvā sarva-ruta-kauśa]lya-dhāraṇī pratilabdh≠

[áyaṁ ca Saddharma-puṇḍarīko dharma-paryāyo 'śītibhir gāthā-koṭī-]nayuta-śata-sahasraiḥ

[kankaraiś ca vivaraiś czâksobhyaiś ca] tasya bhagavato 'nti-

[kāc chruto 'bhūt, 1] tat sādhv amba tāta gamiṣyā-

[my aham tasya bhagavato 'ntikam] tasmims ca gatvā bhūyas tasya bhagava-

[taḥ pājām kariṣyāmîti ı atha khalu Nakṣatrarājasamkusumitābhijña sa Sarvasattvapriyadarśano bodhisattvo ma]hāsattvas tasyām velāyām [sapta - tāla - mātram vaihāyasam] abhyudgamya sapta-ra-

[tnamaye kūṭāgāre paryaṅkam ābhujya] tasya bhagavataḥ sakā-

[śam upasamkrānta¹ upasamkramya tasya² bhagavataḥ pādau śiras≉âbhivandya³] tam bhagavantam saptakṛtvaḥ pradakṣi-

[nīkṛtya yena bhagavāms ten>âñjalim praṇamya bhagavantam namaskṛtv> ânayā gāthay>âbhiṣṭauti ṣma II]

¹ v.l. upasamkrāmad.

² Some MSS. omit tasya.

³ v.l. °vanditvā.

TRANSLATION.1

(Obv.) '[This, O excellent king, is my walk] standing [in which] I have acquired meditation. I have strenuously accomplished an act of heroism, [a great

vow, by giving up my own dear body].'

[After having spoken this stanza], Nakṣatrarājasamkusumita, [the Bodhisattva] Sarvasattvapriyadarśana spoke thus to the great King Vimaladatta: '[Even now, great king, the Lord Candrasūryavimalaprabhāsaśrī], the Tathāgata, the Arhat, the perfectly enlightened one, is living, [staying, existing, by worshipping whom] I have obtained the Dhāraṇī Sarvarutakauśalyā [and this Dharmaparyāya of the Saddharma-puṇḍarīka, consisting of] hundred thousands of myriads of thousands (Rev.) [of stanzas, which I have heard] from that Lord.' [Then the Bodhisattva Sarvasattvapriyadarśana] spoke [thus]: 'Therefore, great king, I should like to go [to that Lord, and] having gone there, [worship] that Lord again.' At that instant [the Bodhisattva] Mahāsattva [Sarvasattvapriyadarśana, having sat down cross-legged on a tower consisting] of seven precious substances, rose [seven tālas into the sky and went] to the presence of that Lord. [Having gone there, he bowed his head to the feet of that Lord], circumambulated that Lord seven times, [stretched his joined hands towards the Lord, and having thus paid his homage, praised him with the following stanza].

NOTES.

The differences between the two texts are of the same kind as those existing between the larger fragment and the Nepalese MSS. Instead of the correct forms 'rhan, 'sahasraih, antikāt, we find in the fragment the incorrect, but certainly more original forms 'rhān (obv. l. 4), 'sahasrrebhih (obv. l. 6, rev. l. 1) and sānti[kāt] (rev. l. 1). Perhaps also 'kṛtva (rev. l. 6) for 'kṛtvaḥ is to be added to these, but it may be merely a clerical error. On the other hand dṛḍham ārabhitam in the Gāthā has been changed into dṛḍham hy āra[bhitam] in the fragment, as in Sanskrit the anusvāra cannot stand before a vowel, and yet a long syllable was required by the metre.

The words [sarva-ruta-kauśa]lyāyā dhāranyāḥ prratilābho (obv. l. 5) compared with sarva-ruta-kauśalya-dhāraṇā pratilabdhā in the Nepalese MSS. show that the construction of the sentence was different in the fragment.

A difference in the order of words occurs in ll. 4 and 5 of the reverse. Line 4 ends saptara, line 5 begins bhyudgamya. The text therefore is to be restored to

¹ All words in square brackets have been supplied from the Nepalese version or from the context.

sapta-ra[tnamaye kūṭāgāre paryaṅkam ābhujya sapta-tāla-mātraṁ vaihāyasam a]bhyud-gamya, twenty-four akṣaras being missing at the beginning of line 5, just as twenty-five akṣaras are missing at the beginning of line 6. In the Nepalese MSS, the two gerunds together with the words dependent on them are reversed, but the reading of the fragment is undoubtedly the correct one. Sarvasattvapriyadarśana first sits down on the tower and from thence rises seven tālas into the sky to meet the Lord Candrasūryavimalaprabhāsaśrī. In the Nepalese version the story is quite unintelligible.

A rather indifferent various reading is tatra (rev. l. 3) for tasmin's ca in the Nepalese MSS. Larger differences affecting the sense occur in rev. l. 1, where [saha]srebhih shows that the number of Gāthās ascribed to the Saddharma-puṇḍarīka was not the same as in the Nepalese version, and in obv. l. 3, rev. l. 2, where from the readings [mahārā]jānam Vimaladattam and mahārāja instead of tau sva-mātāpitarau and amba tāta it appears that in the Central-Asian version Sarvasattvapriyadarśana addressed his speech not to his parents, but to his father,

King Vimaladatta, alone.

Additions in the Nepalese MSS. are etarhi in obv. 1. 4 and abhijña at the end of the name of Nakṣatrarājasamkusumita in obv. 1. 2, both of which are quite superfluous, although the name of the Bodhisattva seems to be used always in the longer form in the Nepalese version. In the fragment the rest of an additional sentence is found in rev. 1. 2, where cat apparently is to be restored to something like atha sa Sarvasattvapriyadarśano bodhisattva etad avocat. Other and considerable additions in either version may be inferred from the fact that the number of akṣaras corresponding to the missing akṣaras of the fragment varies from ten (rev. 1. 3) to forty-nine (obv. 1. 5) in a line in the Nepalese MSS.

This little fragment thus tends to confirm the conclusions we have drawn from the larger fragment with regard to the existence and character of the two versions of the Saddharma-pundarīka, and it would be interesting to know in what relation these two versions stand to the Tibetan and the several Chinese translations of

the work.

3. A FRAGMENT OF THE SANSKRIT CANON OF THE BUDDHISTS

Hoernle MSS., No. 142, SB. 35. (Plate XVIII, No. 3, Obv. and Rev.)

Tradition asserts that the Buddhist school of the Mūlasarvâstivādins, who traced their origin back to Rāhula, the son of the Master, used Sanskrit as the language of their holy scriptures. Until recently this Sanskrit canon seemed to have been lost, but the archaeological exploration of Central Asia so vigorously

carried on during recent years has shown that fortunately this is not the case. After Professor d'Oldenbourg had first pointed out, in fragments originating from Kashgar, single verses that had their parallels in the Pāli Suttapiṭaka,¹ Pischel, in an excellent paper in the Transactions of the Royal Prussian Academy,² was able to show that fragments of a block-print purchased by Professor Grünwedel at Idykutšari contained portions, both in prose and in verse, of the Samyuktâgama, a division of that part of the ancient Sanskrit canon which was concerned with matters of Dharma and corresponded to the Suttapiṭaka of the Vibhajyavādins. A supplement to these discoveries is the fragment which I now lay before the public. It is the Sanskrit version of a text which in the Pāli canon is found in the Vinayapiṭaka, as well as in the Suttapiṭaka, and therefore in all probability a fragment of the Sanskrit canon.

The fragment, measuring about 313×135 mm. (or $12\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$ inches), is the left side of a single leaf.³ The missing portion contained about sixteen akṣaras in each line. Unfortunately on the left side also a piece has been torn off, which has caused the loss of one or two akṣaras in the last three lines of the obverse and the first four lines of the reverse. In a few places, especially on the reverse, the writing has become indistinct by the rubbing off of the ink, but on the whole the reading presents no difficulties. About 130 mm. from the left margin is the string-hole, surrounded by a circle, 27 mm. (or $1\frac{1}{16}$ ") in diameter. There are eight lines on either side. The number of the folio, unfortunately, is obliterated on the damaged left-hand margin.

The characters are of the same type as those of the preceding two fragments of the Saddharma-puṇḍarīka, but, as may be seen from Plate XVIII, they are somewhat more rounded and cursive. There are besides some special points of difference. The bha here shows a distinct loop; of which there is no trace in the two fragments of the Saddharma-puṇḍarīka, compare bha and $bh\bar{a}$ in Pl. XVIII, No. 3 a, ll. 4 and 6, with $bh\bar{a}$ and bhi in No. 1, l. 6, and bho and bhi in No. 2, ll. 5 and 6. The same loop appears, e.g., also in the variety of the alphabet used in the block-print from Idykutšari. Of the four forms of medial \bar{a} appearing in the first fragment of the Saddharma-puṇḍarīka, only three are found here, the second form being absent, and their distribution is quite regular. The first form is employed in $c\bar{a}$ (obv. l. 5), $tp\bar{a}$ (rev. l. 7),

¹ Записки Восточнаго Отдбъленія Императорскаго Русскаго Археологическаго Общества VIII, 59 f.; 151 f. As this publication is not accessible to me, I quote it from Pischel's Paper mentioned below.

² Sitzungsberichte der Kgl. Preussischen Akademie der Wissenschaften, 1904, p. 807 ff.
³ Only a portion of the fragment, being rather more than the right half, is shown in Plate XVIII, No. 3.

⁴ See, e.g., l.c. Plate VII, fol. 158b, ll. 1, 2.

tyā (rev. l. 4), tvā, thā (obv. l. 1), dhā (rev. l. 3, dhyā, rev. l. 6), nā (rev. l. 5), bdā (obv. l. 6), bhā (obv. l. 7), mā (obv. l. 6), rā (rgā rev. l. 3, rmā obv. l. 8, rvā rev. l. 4), $v\bar{a}$ (obv. l. 1, $vy\bar{a}$ rev. l. 6), and also in initial \bar{a} (obv. l. 7). The third form occurs in ghrā (obv. l. 1), yā (obv. l. 7), sṇā (rev. l. 6), sā (obv. l. 7, syā obv. l. 1), $hv\bar{a}$ (obv. l. 7). The fourth form is found only in $j\bar{a}$ (rev. l. 4), and $j\tilde{n}\tilde{a}$ (obv. l. 5). In addition to these forms we find here a new and quite peculiar one in nā (obv. l. 4). It consists in the right wing of the letter turning rightward and upward in a long leftward sweeping curve. The beginnings of this form may be seen in Northern Indian inscriptions from the fifth century onward, especially in Mahānāman's Bodhgaya Inscription of A.D. 588-9, l. 3, nirvānā°, l. 5, gunā°, l. 7, śaranā° (see Dr. Fleet's Gupta Inscriptions, Pl. XLI). Medial i also appears in all three forms in which it is found in the first fragment of the Saddharma-pundarīka. Thus the erect form may be seen, e.g., in di (obv. l. 1), kti (obv. l. 5), ni (rev. l. 3), dhi (rev. 1. 6). Of the two prone forms, the rightward occurs only in 27 (rev. 1. 8), while the leftward is found, e.g., in str (obv. l. 2), cr (obv. l. 4), jr (obv. l. 7). But in sci (rev. ll. 1 and 7) we have both the prone and erect forms; so also in ti (rev. ll. 1 and 3) and vi (obv. ll. 5 and 6); in fact with ti and vi the erect form is more usual; so that it is quite clear that the use of the two forms depended not on any fixed principle, but on the momentary whim of the scribe.2 The signs for medial u and \bar{u} call for no remarks with the exception of the \bar{u} in $bh\bar{u}$ (obv. l. 1), which is quite different from the angular sign found in the same aksara in the fragments of the Saddharma-pundarika.3 Superscript r is always written above the line, except in rsī (rev. l. 3), where it is added behind the sa to avoid its running into the sya of the line above; a regular rsi is found a little further on in the same line.4 The virāma in t of "vepayet in obv. l. 2 (not seen in Pl. XVIII, No. 3) shows the same form as in the larger fragment of the Saddharma-pundarīka. The sign for the upadhmānīya occurs in "mānah-pratyā" (rev. l. 4). The dot serves as a sign of punctuation (rev. ll. 7, 8).

The Pāli text corresponding to the fragment is found in the Mahāvagga of the Vinayapiṭaka, V, 1, 26-7, and in the Anguttara-nikāya, VI, 55, 11. To

3 [It is, however, found not infrequently in the Sanskrit Vajracchedikā MS., and may

be seen on Plate XXI, No. 1, l. 2, in Subhūta.—R. H.]

¹ See also the Mandasor inscription of the time of Kumāragupta I, *ibid.*, Plate XI, ll. 3, 4, &c., and Bühler, Indische Palaeographie, Plate IV, transverse 21, cols. xii, xiv, xxii.

² [The same two forms are found also in the Sanskrit Vajracchedikā MŚ., and may be seen on Pl. XXI, No. 1, l. 5, the prone form in the first, and the erect form in the second of the two ci in cittadhārā cittadhārā.—R. H.]

⁴ [The same peculiar sideward position of r is found also in other manuscripts coming from the Khotanese area, in connexion with s as well as other consonants; see footnote 8 on p. 90, and footnote 18 on p. 183.—R. H.]

facilitate a comparison, the text of the Mahāvagga is printed opposite to that of the fragment, with the few various readings of the Anguttara-nikāya added below.

Conjectural restorations of lost portions of the text are shown in small italic type.

TEXT

Hoernle MS. Obverse.

1 same bhūmǐ-bhāge pratiṣṭhitaḥ ath-âgacchet pūrvasyā diśaḥ śīghrā vāta-vṛ(ṣṭˇi) r na cânam kampayen na samprakampa-

yen na sampravepayet, paścimaya diśah śighra vata-vṛṣṭir na c-ainam ka mpayen na samprakampayen na sampra-

³ vepayed uttarasyā diśah dakṣinasyā diśah śighrā vāta-vṛṣṭir na cɨanam ka mpayen na samprakampayen na sam-

4 pravepayed evam evzâivam vimukta-cittasya bhadamta arhatah kṣin-â(sra) vasya bhṛśam cakṣur-vijñeyā rūpāś ca-

⁵ kṣ(u)ṣa ābhāsam āgacchamti na c-âsya ceto-vimuktim prajñāvimuktim (pa) ryāharanti 1 amiśrīkṛtam eva tac-cittam bhavati vyayam

6 ca samanupasyati bhṛśaṁ c áìva śrotra-vijñeyāḥ śabdāḥ śrotrasy-âbhāsam ā(ga) ccha-

¹ The syllable ryā is doubtful.

MAHĀVAGGA.

seyyathāpi bhante selo pabbato acchiddo asusiro ekaghano

¹ puratthimāya ce pi disāya āgaccheyya bhusā vātavuṭṭhi ı n'eva naṁ saṁkampeyya na sampakampe-

yya na sampavedheyya 1 pacchimāya ce pi disāya -la-

¹uttarāyace pi disāya -la- ¹dakkhiņāya ce pi disāya āgaccheyya bhusā vātavuṭṭhi ı n'eva nam samkampeyyana sampakampeyyana sam-

pavedheyya i evam eva kho bhante evam [sammā]vimuttacittassa bhikkhuno bhusā ce pi cakkhuviñneyyā rūpā ca-

kkhussa āpātham āgacchanti i n'ev'assa cittam pariyādiyanti i amissikatam ² ev'assa cittam hoti [thitam ānejjappattam] vaya-

ñ c'assānupassati II bhusā ce pi sotaviñneyyā saddā ghāna viñneyyā gandhā

Ang. inserts atha.
Ang. amissīkatam.

HOERNLE MSS.

nti bhṛśain c>âwa ghrāṇa-vijñeyā gandhā ghrāṇasy>ābhā-

7 sa m āgacchamti bhṛśam c/âiva jihvā-vijñeyā rasā jihvāyā ābhāsam āgaccha nti bhṛśam c/âiva kāya-vijñeyāh sparśāh kā-

8 ya sy sabhāsam āgacchamti bhṛśam c saiva mano - vijnaiyā 2 dharmā manasa ābhāsam agacchanti na c sasya ceto-vimuktim prajāā-vimuktim

Reverse.

1 paryā¹ haramti amiśrīkṛtam eva taś-cittam ³ bhavati vyayam ca samanupaśyati ta 4

2 x tad-vyaya-dharmam eva samanupasyati virāga-dharmam eva samanupasyati ni rodham eva samanupasyati pratiniḥsarga 5

3 m e va samanupašyati vyayanudaršī nirodh-anudaršī pratinihsarg-anuda ršī 6

4 [tra]syate aparītasyamānaḥ¹ pratyātmam eva nirvāti kṣīṇajāti∭⁴

Read vijñeyā.
 Read tac-cittam.

⁴ I am unable to supply the missing words at the end of this line, and at the beginning of line 2.

⁵ The gap is here filled up con-

jecturally.

6 See footnotes 2 and 3, p. 172.

7 Read *trasyamānah.

MAHĀVAGGA.

jivhāviñneyyā rasā kāyaviñneyyā phoṭṭhabbā

manoviññeyyā dhammā manassa āpātham āgacchanti n'ev'assa cittam

pariyādiyanti amissikatam ³ ev'assa cittam hoti [thitam ānejjappattam] vayañ c'assānupassatīti ॥

3 Ang. amissikatam.

HOERNLE MSS.

- 5 smād-bhavam prajānāti idam avocad āyuṣmān Śroṇa idam vadi∭8tvā a
- 6 dhimuktasya pravivekam tathe Ava ca•avyāvadhy-âdhimuktasya tṛṣṇā-kṣaya-rata∭sya ca⁸
- 7 cetasah jñātvā āyatan-ôtpādam tataś cittam vimucyate • tato vimukta8
- 8 ya nzâstĭ karanīyam na vidyate śailĭ 9 yathā eka-ghano vā-yunā
 8
 8

⁸ See footnotes 4-6, p. 172.

⁹ Read sailo. See footnote 2, p. 151.

MAHĀVAGGA.

nekkhammam a-

dhimuttassa pavivekañ ca cetaso i avyāpajjhādhimuttassa upādānakkhayassa ca ii tanhakkhayādhimuttassa asammohañ ca

cetasoı disvā āyatanuppādam sammā cittam vimuccati II tassa sammāvimuttassa santacittassa bhikkhuno II katassa patica-4

yo n'atthi karaṇīyañ ca na vijjati u selo yathā ekaghano vātena na samīrati uevam rūpā rasā saddā gandhā phassā ca kevalā u itṭhā dhammā aniṭṭhā ca na pavedhenti tādino u

4 Ang. patica°.

TRANSLATION.1

(Obv.) [Just as if there be, O Lord, a rocky mountain without holes, not perforated, solid,] standing on even ground, and a swift rain-wind should come from the eastern quarter, [yet it would not make it quake, or shake,] or tremble, a swift rain-wind (should come) from the western quarter, yet it would not make it [quake, or shake,] or tremble, a swift rain-wind (should come) from the northern quarter, from the southern quarter, yet it would not make it [quake, or shake,] or tremble; just so, O Lord, though [shapes perceptible by the eye should frequently] come within reach of the eye of the Arhat, whose mind has thus become emancipated, whose [passions] are extinct, they do not [change] the emancipation of his mind, the emancipation of his intellect; [undefiled is his mind, and] he perceives [the passing away]; though sounds perceptible by the ear should frequently come

¹ Passages restored on the basis of the Pāli text are enclosed in square brackets.

within reach of his ear, [though smells perceptible by the nose should frequently] come [within reach of his nose], though tastes perceptible by the tongue should frequently come within reach of his tongue, [though touches perceptible by the body should frequently come within reach [of his body], though thoughts perceptible by the intellect should frequently [come] within reach of his intellect, [they do not change the emancipation of his mind, the emancipation of his intellect]; (Rev.) undefiled is his mind, and he perceives the passing away,; he perceives the condition of the passing away of those (impressions), he perceives the condition of absence of desire, [he perceives annihilation], he perceives [renunciation]; perceiving the passing away, perceiving annihilation, perceiving renunciation, guished; he recognizes that his rebirth is cut off his existence3 Thus spoke the venerable Srona. Having thus spoken, [he said further:

'He] 4 who is set upon [renunciation] 4 and solitude, who is set upon kindness

and delights in the rooting-out of thirst,-

'.....[who has attained to the absence of delusions] 5 from the mind, he recognizes the source of sensations and then his mind is set free.

'Then, after [his mind] 6 has been set free, there is no

[gathering up of what is done]; 6 nothing to be done remains.

'As a solid rock [is not shaken] 7 by the wind, [just so shapes and tastes and sounds and smells and touches—the whole of them—things wished for and unwished, cannot make tremble such a one].'7 Rend farle. See foolmete 2, p. 151.

NOTES.

There can be no doubt, I think, that the language of the fragment is not the so-called mixed dialect, but Sanskrit. There are indeed a few mistakes, but

7 These words rest entirely on the Pali text.

2 As regards the gap at the end of rev. l. 3 and the beginning of rev. l. 4, only the words pratinihsarg-anudarsī and na paritrasyate can be restored with certainty.

³ The general tenor of this passage may be inferred from the corresponding Pali passage quoted on p. 174, but the restoring of the exact text is difficult. Ksīnajāti would seem to point to a bahuvrīhi compound kṣīna-jātih. Smād in rev. l. 5 I am unable to complete.

¹ See footnote 4, p. 170.

⁴ Among the syllables missing at the end of rev. l. 5 the first was tvā (vaditvā), the last a (adhimuktasya); the rest is uncertain. For the general sense compare the passage quoted on p. 174.

⁵ Restore at the end of rev. l. 6: tṛṣṇā-kṣaya-ratasya ca. The rest is quite uncertain. 6 The exact words at the end of rev. l. 7 cannot be restored. The ya at the beginning of rev. 1. 8 suggests paricayo or samcayo.

they are for the most part only due to the scribe. Thus mano-vijñaiyā (obv. l. 8) stands for mano-vijneyā, tas-cittam (rev. l. 1) for tac-cittam, aparitasyamānah (rev. 1. 4) for aparitrasyamanah, ya (rev. 1. 8), which seems to be the rest of paricaya or samcaya, for [parica]yo or [samca]yo,1 saili (rev. l. 8) for sailo. There occur, as far as I see, only two genuine irregularities. In rev. l. 5 we have vadi, which undoubtedly is the rest of vaditvā, while the correct form would be uditvā (Pān. I, 2, 7). In rev. 1. 4 we find twice Atmanepada forms of tras, viz. [paritra] syate and aparit[r]asyamanah, mentioned already above. According to Panini (I, 3, 78 and III, 1, 70) the verb is conjugated only in Parasmaipada, but Atmanepada forms are found also in the epic language.2 In a few cases the rules of sandhi are not observed. In āyusmān Śrona (rev. l. 5) the n ought to have been changed into ñ before the śa, but this rule is often neglected in manuscripts. In jñātvā āyatan-ôtpādam (rev. 1.7) and yathā eka-ghano (rev. l. 8) the vowel combination has not taken place on account of the metre. In pratisthitah atha (obv. 1. 1), bhadamta arhatah (obv. 1. 4), haramti amiśrikrtam (rev. l. 1), [paritra] syate apari (rev. l. 4), cetasah jñātvā (rev. l. 7), the suppression of the sandhi, of course, is perfectly justified, as in all these cases the first word is either the concluding word of a sentence or a verse, or a vocative which, in the spoken language at any rate, cannot enter into sandhi with the following word. From the absence of sandhi between disah and daksinasyā in obv. 1. 3 we may infer that the words & sighra pravepayet were meant to be repeated after disah. Before p the upadhmānīya appears in aparitrasyamānah praty° (rev. 1. 4), but before ks we find not the jihvāmūlīva, but the visarga in arhatah ksīnā° (obv. 1. 4).3

From an examination of the Idykutšari fragments Pischel had come to the conclusion that the Sanskrit Canon was perfectly independent from the Pāli Canon and composed in a much more condensed language. In the present fragment also there is nothing to show that the Sanskrit text is a translation from the Pāli. In this respect it is remarkable that several times the Sanskrit text has not the exact equivalents of words used in the Pali, but different terms. Instances are sighrā (obv. ll. 1, 2, 3) instead of bhusā, sampravepayet (obv. ll. 2, 3, 4) instead of sampavedheyya, arhatah (obv. 1. 4) instead of bhikkhuno, ābhāsam (obv. 11. 5, 6, 7, 8) instead of apathum. In the Gathas (rev. ll. 6 ff.) the divergences from the Pali version are even greater. The Sanskrit text has tatheava ca for ca cetaso, trena-

¹ It is not impossible that the o-sign was originally written and has only become

² See the St. Petersburg Dictionary.

Taittirīya school (Taitt. Pr. IX, 3; Vyāsašikṣā 158), but the scantiness of the materials makes it impossible to decide whether it is so by accident or intentionally.

ksaya-rata sya ca for upādānakkhayassa ca or rather tanhakkhayādhimuttassa, as the two pādas seem to have changed their places in the Sanskrit version, jāātvā for disvā, tatah for sammā and tassa, vāyunā for vātena. But it cannot be maintained that the Sanskrit text of our fragment is shorter than the Pāli text. The only Pāli words omitted in the fragment are sammā° (obv. l. 4) and thitam ānejjappattam (obv. 1. 5, rev. 1. 1). But these omissions are more than counterbalanced by a number of additions. The epithets of the mountain (obv. l. 1) are here augmented by the addition of same bhūmi-bhāge pratisthitah, those of the Arhat (obv. l. 4) by the addition of kṣīn-dsra vasya]. Instead of cittam pariyādiyanti we find here ceto-vimuktim prajñāvimuktim pa[ryū]haramti (obv. l. 5, rev. l. 1). The largest addition is the passage from ta° to vadi' (rev. ll. 2-5). There is nothing corresponding to it in the Pali text, nor have I found its exact counterpart anywhere else in the Canon, though it contains nothing but familiar thoughts, and single portions of it are met with frequently. With vyay-anudarsī nirodh-anudarsī pratinihsarg-anuda[rsī] in rev. 1. 3 compare, e.g., Samyutta-nikāya XXXVI, 7, 6, 7, 8, 8, 6: aniccānupassī viharati 1 vayānupassī viharati I virāgānupassī viharati I nirodhānupassī viharati I patinissaggānupassī viharati i. To the words: [na paritra]syate aparit[r]asyamānah pratyātmam eva nirvāti kṣīnajāti[h]..... smād-bhavain prajānāti in rev. ll. 4 and 5 corresponds, e.g., Samyutta-nikāya XXII, 53, 11; 54, 18; 55, 30; XXXV, 90, 11; 193, 11: na paritassati I aparitassam paccattaññeva parinibbāyati I khīnā jāti vusitam brahmacariyam katam karaniyam naparam itthatayati pajanatiti. And the last phrase: idam avocad āyuşmān Śrona idain vadi[tvā] . . . is well known from the Pāli Canon, where it forms the transition from the prose to the Gathas just as in our passage; compare, e.g., Majjhima-nikāya 82: idam avoc' āyasmā Raţţhapālo 1 idam vatvā athāparam etad avoca, and Dīgha-nikāya XVI, 3, 51; XVII, 2, 17; &c.

As the leaf itself bears no mark indicating its origin, and as the corresponding Pāli text is practically identical in the Vinaya-piṭaka and the Aṅguttara-nikāya, it is at present impossible to decide whether the fragment belongs to the Vinaya or to the Ekôttarâgama of the Sanskrit Canon. And even a third possibility must be taken into consideration. It is a well-known fact that later Buddhist Sanskrit works have frequently taken over long passages from the older canonical scriptures. I need refer only to the Divyâvadāna, where we find many quotations from the Canon, especially from the Vinaya, embodied in the legends. It is therefore a priori not impossible that our leaf belonged to a later work, in which the passage preserved to us was only a quotation. However, there is nothing to prove this hypothesis; and even if it should be correct, this would detract but little from the value of the fragment, as, considering the archaic style and the

¹ Shown in small italics within square brackets in the transcript.

close agreement with the Pāli text, we might rest assured, I think, that the passage was taken literally from the Canon. Perhaps a comparison with the corresponding passages in the Chinese and Tibetan Canons will enable us to assign a definite place to this fragment, which testifies again to the original unity of the Buddhist doctrine in spirit and letter in the North as well as in the South.1

ADDITIONAL NOTE TO P. 144.

[Among the Stein MSS., recovered by him from the old Buddhist site at Farhad Beg (about eight miles north of Khadalik, Anc. Khot., II, 413-14; also ante, p. 2), there is a rather extensive fragment of a pothi of the Saddharma-pundarika, consisting of thirtyfour folios, a specimen of which has been published by Prof. de la Vallée Poussin in the Journal RAS., 1911, pp. 1069-77. This specimen comprises the ending of the eleventh (fols. 7 b^{vii}–10 a^{vi}), and the beginning and ending of the twelfth chapter (fols. 10 a^{vi}–11 b^{viii} and fols. 13 bⁱⁱ–14 b^v), corresponding to the Kern edition, pp. 250×–256^{vi}; also pp. 267i-269iii and pp. 271vi-274xi. The middle portion of the twelfth chapter which is contained in fols. 12 aii-13 aviii, and which corresponds to the text of fols. 259 and 260, on pp. 149-52 of the present volume, is omitted in Prof. de la Vallée Poussin's publication. A collation of this portion, made by me (August 1915), shows that the text of the Stein MS. completely agrees with the text edited by Professor Lüders, the agreement including even the curious reading kulaputrāho in fol. 260 biv (Stein MS. fol. 13 av). There are only two small differences: for prativitarkam 259 ai the Stein MS. has parivitarkam, fol. 12 aii, and for strībhāvam 259 aii it has strībhāve, fol. 12 aiv. Moreover before itas cavitvā 259 aⁱⁱ the Stein MS. inserts prativedha [sic] yāmi · tvam api Yaśodhare, fol. 12 a^{iv}; before pratilabdhānām 260 a^v it inserts dhārami, fol. 13 aⁱ; and after te 260 b^v it omits sarve, fol. 13 avi.

As regards the first excerpt, in fols. 253 and 254 on pp. 144-49 of the present volume, printed in the Kern ed., pp. 261xiv-265iii, its equivalent is entirely missing in the Stein MS. In fact, the whole of the text, printed in the Kern ed. on pp. 256vii-266iii, is missing

in that MS., apparently due to some inadvertence by its scribe. - R.H.]

¹ This question has been treated at length and with thoroughly convincing results by Professor Oldenberg in ZDMG., vol. lii, pp. 613 ff.