

A third body was formed of *Abhimanyu*, etc. (ο). *Drona* slew the *Somakas* and *Srñjayas*; *Bhīmasena*, principally the elephant division of the *Kurus*; *Nakula* and *Sahadeva*, the cavalry; the *Pāṇḍavas* were destroyed by *Bhīshma*, etc. (π) (VI, 89). *Çakuni* and *Kṛtavarma* *Hārdikya* attacked the *Pāṇḍavas*. With horses of the *Kāmoja*, etc. (ρ), breed *Arjuna's* son *Irāvāt* (b) attacked the *Kauravas*, and with his steeds brought about great confusion in their cavalry. *Çakuni* + his six brothers *Gaja*, etc. (σ), & *Irāvāt*, who slew them except *Vṛshabha*. *Duryodhana* urged *Rshyaçrñga's* son the *Rā*. (ο) [*Alambusha*] (who hated *Bhīmasena* because he had killed *Baka*) to slay *Irāvāt*; both of them had recourse to magic; *Nāgas* came to the rescue of *Irāvāt*, but were consumed by a phantom in the form of *Garuḍa*; then *Irāvāt* became confounded and was slain by [*Alambusha*]. *Arjuna*, etc. (τ), slew many. Both armies fought as if they were all possessed by *Rākshasas* and demons (*rakshobhūtai*; B. *rakshobhūtā*) (VI, 90). *Ghaṭotkaca*, etc., & *Duryodhana* + the *Vaṅga* king with 10,000 elephants; *Duryodhana* slew four *Rā*.: *Vegavat*, etc. (ν); *Ghaṭotkaca* threatened *Duryodhana* with revenge for the exile of the *Pāṇḍavas*, etc. (φ) (VI, 91); the *Vaṅga* king, mounted on his elephant, placed himself between *Ghaṭotkaca* and *Duryodhana*; *Ghaṭotkaca* slew the elephant. *Bhīshma* sent *Drona*, etc. (χ), to the rescue of *Duryodhana* (VI, 92). *Bhīma*, urged by *Yudhishtira*, came to the rescue of *Ghaṭotkaca*, with *Satyadhṛti*, etc. (ψ). The *Kurus* left *Ghaṭotkaca* and fled (VI, 93). *Duryodhana* & *Bhīmasena*, who was wounded; *Abhimanyu*, etc., & *Duryodhana*; urged by *Drona*, *Somadatta*, etc. (ω), attacked the *Pāṇḍavas*; *Drona* & *Bhīma*; *Niṭa* & *Açvatthāman*; *Açvatthāman* & *Ghaṭotkaca* + many other *Rā*.; *Drona* & *Rā*.; *Ghaṭotkaca* confounded *Açvatthāman* by magic; the *Kurus* and *Drona*, etc. (αα), seemed to fly, etc.; then, towards sunset, the *Kuru* troops fled, notwithstanding the words of *Sañjaya* and *Bhīshma* (VI, 94). *Duryodhana* complained to *Bhīshma* that he had not himself been able to slay *Ghaṭotkaca*. *Bhīshma* said *Duryodhana* should always battle with *Yudhishtira*, etc. (ββ), while *Bhīshma*, etc. (γγ), would battle against *Ghaṭotkaca*; or *Bhagadatta* should fight against *Ghaṭotkaca*. Urged by *Bhīma*, *Bhagadatta*, on his elephant *Supratika*, set out against the foes. *Bhagadatta* & *Bhīmasena* (b), etc. (δδ). *Bhagadatta* & the five *Kekaya* princes, etc. (εε); wounded by the *Prāgyotisha* king, the elephant of the *Daçarna* king fled; *Ghaṭotkaca* & *Bhagadatta*; D., G., and *Munis* wondered; *Bhagadatta* wounded *Viçoka* (*Bhīma's* charioteer); *Bhīma* descended, taking up his mace; *Arjuna* came; *Duryodhana* sent a division; *Bhagadatta* attacked *Yudhishtira*; *Bhagadatta* & the *Pāñçālas*, etc. (ζζ); *Bhīmasena* told *Kṛshna* and *Arjuna* about the slaughter of *Irāvāt* (VI, 95). *Arjuna* complained to *Kṛshna* about *Irāvāt's* death, the killing of kinsmen, etc., quoting *Vidura*, etc. In the afternoon: *Drona* + *Dhṛtarāshṭra's* sons & *Bhīmasena*; *Bhīshma*, etc. (ηη), & *Arjuna*; *Kṛtavarma* + *Bāhlika* & *Sātyaki*; *Ambastha* & *Abhimanyu*; *Bhīma* felled *Vyūdhoraska*, etc. (θθ). Then the other sons of *Dhṛtarāshṭra* fled. *Ambastha* got upon the chariot of *Kṛtavarma*. *Dhṛshṭadyumna*, etc., battled with the *Kurus*. When dark set in, both parties withdrew their armies (VI, 96). *Duryodhana* consulted *Çakuni*, etc. (ιι), as to why *Drona*, etc. (κκ), did not resist the *Parthas*. *Karna* asked *Duryodhana* to see *Bhīshma* and solicit him to withdraw from the battle in order to permit *Karna* to fight the foe. *Duryodhana* set out for *Bhīshma's* tent (description), and asked *Bhīshma* to retire if he was not

competent to slay the *Pāṇḍavas*, etc. (λλ) (VI, 97). *Bhīshma* spoke to *Duryodhana* about the invincibility of the *Pāṇḍavas*, mentioning the *Khāṇḍava* forest, etc. (μμ), and *Kṛshna* (citing *Nārada* and other great R.); he promised to display all his valour on the next day; only *Çikhandin*—who was really *Çikhandin*—he would not slay. *Duryodhana* told *Duḥçāsana* to let all their twenty-two divisions protect *Bhīshma* against *Çikhandin*, especially *Çakuni*, etc. (νν). Thus they proceeded to battle. “*Yudhāmanyu* protected *Arjuna's* left wheel, *Uttamanjas* his right wheel, and *Arjuna* protected *Çikhandin*.” *Arjuna* told *Dhṛshṭadyumna* to place *Çikhandin* before *Bhīshma*; he would himself be his protector (VI, 98).—§ 586: THE NINTH DAY: *Bhīshma* disposed his troops in a *Sarvatobhadra* array: *Kṛpa*, etc. (α), in the van; *Drona*, etc. (β), on the right wing; *Açvatthāman*, etc. (γ) = left wing; *Duryodhana*, etc. (δ), in the midst; *Alambusha* and *Çrutāyus* in the rear. *Yudhishtira*, etc. (ε), stood in the van; then there were *Dhṛshṭadyumna*, etc. (ζ). The *Kuru* troops were headed by *Bhīshma*, the *Pāṇḍava* troops by *Bhīmasena* (VI, 99). Description of the heroism of *Abhimanyu*, confounding *Kṛpa*, etc. (η). *Duryodhana* despatched *Alambusha* to slay *Abhimanyu*, while they, headed by *Bhīshma* and *Drona*, would slay *Arjuna*. *Alambusha* & *Abhimanyu*; *Alambusha* slaughtered the *Pāṇḍava* host; the *Draupadeyas* (especially *Prativindhya*) & *Alambusha* (VI, 100). *Dhṛtarāshṭra* asked *Sañjaya* what was done by *Alambusha*, etc. (θ). *Alambusha* & *Abhimanyu*, who defeated him. *Bhīshma* & *Abhimanyu*, who slaughtered the *Kaurava* army. *Arjuna* (surrounded by the *Pāṇḍavas*) & *Bhīshma* (protected by *Dhṛtarāshṭra's* sons); *Kṛpa* & *Arjuna*; *Sātyaki* & *Kṛpa*; *Sātyaki* & *Açvatthāman*; *Drona* & *Sātyaki*; *Arjuna* & *Drona* (VI, 101); *Duryodhana* despatched *Suçarman* to take up the wing of *Drona*; the *Trigarta* king (and his son) & *Arjuna*; D. and Dā. were highly gratified; *Arjuna* employed the *Vāyavya* weapon, *Drona* the *Çaila* weapon; the *Trigarta* division turned away; *Duryodhana*, etc. (ι), surrounded *Arjuna*; *Bhagadatta*, etc. (κ), surrounded *Bhīma*; *Bhūriçravas*, etc. (λ), & the twins; *Bhīshma* (+ the sons of *Dhṛtarāshṭra*) & *Yudhishtira*; *Bhīmasena*, with his mace, slaughtered the elephants. *Duryodhana's* troops fled (VI, 102). *Bhīshma* & the *Somakas*; *Dhṛshṭadyumna*, etc. (μ), & *Bhīshma*; the *Draupadeyas*, etc. (ν), & *Bhīshma*; the *Kuru* army protected *Bhīshma*, who slaughtered the *Pāṇḍava* army; the combatants censured *Duryodhana*, who urged *Bhīshma*, etc. (ξ), to fight (VI, 103). *Arjuna* slew all the followers of *Suçarman*; *Duryodhana* (+ *Bhīshma*) & *Arjuna*. At noon: *Sātyaki* & *Kṛtavarma*; *Drupada* & *Drona*; *Bhīmasena* & *Bāhlika*; *Abhimanyu* & *Citrāsena*, who mounted the chariot of *Durmukha*; *Drona* & *Drupada*, who retreated; *Bāhlika* mounted the chariot of *Lakshmana*; *Sātyaki* & *Bhīshma*; the *Pāṇḍavas* attacked *Bhīshma* in order to rescue *Sātyaki*; battle between them and the *Kurus* (VI, 104). At the request of *Duryodhana*, *Duḥçāsana* protected *Bhīshma*. *Çakuni* checked *Nakula*, etc. (ο). *Duryodhana* despatched 10,000 horsemen, who were checked by *Yudhishtira*, etc. (π). *Duryodhana* urged *Çalya* against *Yudhishtira*; *Çalya* & *Yudhishtira*, etc. (ρ); *Bhīma* came to the rescue of *Yudhishtira*. When the sun was sinking, there commenced a fierce and terrible battle (VI, 105). *Bhīshma* & *Bhīma*, etc. (σ). *Drona* & *Sātyaki* (+ *Bhīmasena*). *Bhīshma* & the *Sauvīras*, etc. (τ); *Bhīshma* & 14,000 *Cedis*, etc. (υ), who were slain. *Kṛshna* urged *Arjuna* to slay *Bhīshma* (mentioning his words by *Virāṭa*). *Arjuna* & *Bhīshma*. *Kṛshna* left his chariot, and rushed at *Bhīshma*, whip in hand, but was brought back by *Arjuna* (VI, 106). When