staved. I. Upamana: Bhīsma with his sharp weapons compared with the big serpent Taksaka having excess of poison (visolbana) 6. 103. 15; a bow picked up by Asvatthaman had the lustre of the body of Taksaka 8. J. Functions and Events: (1) mentioned among the nagas who, without feeling fatigue, wait on Varuna in his sabhā; described as marked with banner (patākin), round spots (mandalin), and hooded (phanavant) 2.9.8, 10; (2) he was among those who received the white snake issuing from the mouth of Balarama and entering the ocean 16. 5. 14, 12; (3) he was on the side of Arjuna when celestial beings in the sky tcok sides between Karna and Arjuna 8. 63. 36; (4) Ghatotkaca and Alambala assumed the shape of Garuda and Taksaka while fighting with each other 7. 149. 26.

Tarunaka m.: A mythical serpent.

Born in the *kula* of Dhrtarastra, listed by Sūta among those offered in the snake sacrifice of Janamejaya 1.52.17, 13; described as 'swift as wind' (*vātavega*), 'having excess of poison' (*visolbana*) 1.52.13.

Tamracuda m. : Name of a cock (?).

Given by Aruna to Skanda; fighting with feet i. e. with nails (caranāyudha) 9. 45. 46.

Tamra f. : A mythical being.

Divine (devī); she gave birth to five daughters: Kākī, Śyenī, Bhāsī, Dhṛtarāṣṭrī, and Śukī 1. 60. 54.

Tara m. : A monkey-chief.

As an ally of Rāma fought with the demon Nikharvaṭa 3, 269, 8; Tāra and others, frightened when Kumbhakarṇa started eating up monkeys, cried aloud; hearing the cry, Sugrīva rushed to their help 3, 271, 5-6; he, along with other monkey-chiefs, surrounded

Rāma and Laksmana fallen on the ground and bound by Indrajit's arrows 3, 273, 3-4.

Tara f.: A female monkey, wife of Valin.

moon-like A. Description: Of face (tārādhipānanā 3. 264. 18, tārāpatimukhī 3. 264. 39), having moon-like lustre (tārādhipaprabha 3. 264. 20). B. Dutiful and intelligent wife: She forbade Valin from starting out of their residence when he heard Sugrīva's loud roar; from the way Sugrīva roared, she feared he had found a protector; since Tara could understand the meaning of the cries of all beings (sarvabhūtarutajnā 3, 264, 19), Valin asked her to find out whose protection Sugrīva had secured; after contemplating for a while she told Valin incidents beginning with the abduction of Sītā upto Sugriva's entering into an alliance with Rama; she also told him about the helpers of Rama; in the opinion of Tara all these helpers, intelligent and strong, were capable of destroying Valin; Valin misunderstood Tara's advice and doubted that she secretly loved Sugriva: he spoke harsh words to her and went out 3. 264. 16-25; in the end Tara saw Valin fallen on the ground. C. Marriage with Sugrīva: Sugrīva got Tārā, whose husband was dead, along with the kingdom of Kiskindhā 3. 264. 38-39.

> Tarkṣya m. : A mythical bird. [See Garuḍa]

Tarksyaketana adj.: One whose banner is marked with Tarksya (Garuda), epithet of Krsna 12. 48.14.

[See Garuda]

Tarksyalaksana m. : = Kṛṣṇa 12. 43. 8.

Tittiri m.: A mythical serpent, living in Bhogavatī Purī 5. 101. 13, 1.