Om—by protection;<sup>1</sup> a yogi is said to be of Aumkāra.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Vā. 5. 37: 25. 84: 30. 229. <sup>2</sup> Vā. 19. 43.

Omkāra—the symbol of Brahman; served as a prop for the chariot of Tripurārī.

<sup>1</sup> Br. II. 25. 63; IV. 36. 15. <sup>2</sup> M. 133. 34-5.

Omkāraprāpti—characteristic of; this is trimātrā with consonant and vowel; Om placed in the head resembles the moving of ants in the body; Pranava is bow, ātmā arrow, Brahma, the aim to be shot at, without faltering; Om is three Vedas, three worlds, three fires, the three steps of Viṣnu; Akāra is Akṣara, Ukāra is Svarita, Makāra is pluta; its head is heaven; more efficacious if performed monthly for many years than sacrifices like Aśvamedha; a hymn to Rudra.

Vā. 20. 1-9, 32-33.

Omkārabhavana—a place sacred for performing śrād-dhas,¹ a tīrtham on the Narmadā.²

<sup>1</sup> Br. III. 13. 70; Vā. 77. 68. <sup>2</sup> M. 22. 27; 186. 2; 195. 1.

Oṣakāra—the sixth face of the fourteen faced God giving rise to Vijaya.

Vā. 26, 38,

Oṣadhī—a goddess enshrined at Uttarakuru.

M. 13. 50.

Oṣadhijaḥ (grāmya 16) kinds of corn; vrīhi (a kind of rice), yava (barley), godhūmā (wheat), anu (a small grain), tila (sesamum seeds), priyangu (long pepper: saffron), udāra (a sort of grain), kārusa (a kind of sesamum), vītīnaka māṣa (beans), mudga (a kind of kidney-bean), masūra (kind of pulse), niṣpāva (a kind of pulse), kulutthika (horse gram) etc.¹