

brought him up. This child was Karna;¹ queen of Pāṇḍu: gave birth to Yudhiṣṭhira and four other sons by the favour of gods—Dharma, Vāyu and Indra and the Aśvins; outlived her husband for the sake of their welfare.² Seen by Akrūra: Narrated to Vidura her troubles after Pāṇḍu's death. Her affection and love for Kṛṣṇa; addressed him on the difficulties encountered by the Pāṇḍavas. Kṛṣṇa comforted her and explained how it was not possible for him to go to Hāstināpura earlier.³ Her *stotra* of Kṛṣṇa;⁴ grieved at his departure from Hāstināpura. Her thoughts on the other world.⁵ Heard of Drupada's defeat by her sons. Was met by Kṛtavarman at Hāstināpura. At the news of the alleged burning of (Pāṇḍavas, etc.), Kuntī went to the Kurus accompanied by Rāma and Kṛṣṇa, though the latter was aware of the fact of their living.⁶ Heard the story of the marriage of Kṛṣṇa from his wives and was lost in wonder.⁷ Left for Syamantapañcaka, and complained to Vasudeva of his neglect of her sons. Vasudeva consoled her saying that oppression from Kamsā had scattered them in different directions.⁸ Joy at Kṛṣṇa's visit to Hāstināpura. Taking leave of her Kṛṣṇa went to Dvārakā.⁹ (See *Prthā*) Regretted with her sons the loss of Duryodhana and others.¹⁰

¹ Bhā. IX. 23. 13-14; 24. 31-36; Br. III. 71. 152-5; M. 46. 7. ² Bhā. IX. 22. 27; M. 50. 48-50. Br. III. 1. 40. Vi. V. 12. 24. ³ Bhā. X. 58. 7. 10; X. 49. 1-15; I. 8. 3; 9. 13. ⁴ Ib. I. 8. 17-43. ⁵ Ib. I. 10. 9; 13. 3; 15. 33; X. 82. 24. ⁶ Ib. X. 52. [56 (V) 2], [5], 10; 57. 1. ⁷ Ib. X. 84. 1. ⁸ Ib. X. 82. 18-22; 84. 57 and 69 [3]. ⁹ Ib. X. 7. 1.39; 77. 7. 10. M. 103. 12.

Kuntī—a R. from the Pāriyatra hill.

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Kuntis—a Yadu tribe who took part in the marriage festivities of Kṛṣṇa and Rukminī.¹ They went to Syamantapañcaka for solar eclipse.² Heard of Kṛṣṇa going to Mithilā and met him with presents.³ Fought with their kinsmen and ended their lives.⁴

¹ Bhā. X. 54. 58. ² Ib. X. 82. 13. ³ Ib. 86. 20. ⁴ Ib. XI. 30. 18.