

have been made either of metal plates or, as is more likely, of some stiff material plated with metal. In addition the warrior wore a helmet (Śīprā). There is no trace of the use of a shield, nor is there any clear record of the employment of greaves or other guard for the feet.<sup>5</sup> Skill in the use of weapons is referred to in the Rigveda.<sup>6</sup>

It is doubtful whether sling stones (**Adri**, **Aśani**) were in ordinary use. The hook (*aṅkuśa*)<sup>7</sup> also is merely a divine weapon, and the axe (*svadhiti*,<sup>8</sup> *vāśi*, *paraśu*) does not occur in mortal combats. For the use of the spear see **Rṣṭi**, **Rambhīṇi**, **Śakti**, **Śaru**; of the sword, **Asi**, **Kṛti**. Neither weapon can be considered ordinary in warfare, nor was the club (**Vajra**) used. For the modes of warfare see **Samgrāma**.

<sup>5</sup> Grassmann saw greaves in *vaṭūriṇā padū* in Rv. i. 133, 2, but this is most improbable.

<sup>6</sup> i. 92, 1. Cf. Geldner, *Vedische Studien*, 3, 183; Hopkins, *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, 13, 295.

<sup>7</sup> Rv. viii. 17, 10; x. 44, 9; 134, 6;

Av. vi. 83, 3. Cf. Muir, *Sanskrit Texts*, 5, 87.

<sup>8</sup> Rv. v. 32, 10; ix. 67, 30; x. 43, 9. Cf. Zimmer, *Altindisches Leben*, 298-301; Muir, *Sanskrit Texts*, 5, 469-472; Hopkins, *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, 13, 281 et seq.

**Āyogava**.—**Marutta Āvi-kṣita**, the Āyogava king, is mentioned as a sacrificer in the Śatapatha Brāhmaṇa,<sup>1</sup> where also a Gāthā ('stanza') celebrating his sacrifice is cited. Cf. **Ayogū**.

<sup>1</sup> xiii. 5, 4, 6. Cf. Śāṅkhāyana Śrauta Sūtra, xvi. 9, 14-16.

**Āraṅgara** is one of the names of the bee found in the Rigveda.<sup>1</sup> Other names are **Sarah** and **Bhṛṅgā**.

<sup>1</sup> x. 106, 10. Cf. Zimmer, *Altindisches Leben*, 97.

**Ārā**, a word later<sup>1</sup> known as an 'awl' or 'gimlet,' occurs in the Rigveda<sup>2</sup> only to designate a weapon of Pūṣan, with whose pastoral character its later use for piercing leather is consistent. Cf. **Vāśi**.

<sup>1</sup> Hillebrandt, *Vedische Mythologie*, 3, 365, n. 1.

<sup>2</sup> vi. 53, 8.

**Ārādhi**.—Patronymic of **Saujāta**. Cf. **Arāda**.