

2. *Suparṇa* is personified in the Yajurveda *Samhitā*¹ as a *Rṣi*.

¹ *Taittirīya Samhitā*, iv. 3. 3, 2; *Kāthaka Samhitā*, xxxix. 7.

Su-pitrya, a word occurring once in the *Rigveda*,¹ is probably an adjective ('maintaining his paternal character well'). Ludwig,² however, regards it, but without any great probability, as a proper name.

¹ x. 115, 6.

² Translation of the *Rigveda*, 3, 169.

Su-pratita Aulundya is the name of a teacher, a pupil of *Bṛhaspatigupta*, in the *Vamśa Brāhmaṇa*.¹

¹ *Indische Studien*, 4, 372.

Suplan Sārñjaya is the name of a prince of the *Spñjayas* who was taught the *Dākṣāyana* sacrifice by *Pratidarśa*, and took the name of *Sahadeva* as a token of his success.¹

¹ *Śatapatha Brāhmaṇa*, ii. 4. 4, 4; *Sacrifice*, 139; Hillebrandt, *Vedische* xii. 8, 2, 3. Cf. Lévi, *La Doctrine du* | *Mythologie*, I, 105, 106.

Su-bandhu in the hymns of the *Rigveda*¹ is taken by *Sāyana* to be a proper name; but this is not certain, Roth² seeing in the passages only an ordinary noun meaning 'a good friend.' The later tradition³ explains that *Subandhu* and his brothers, called *Gaupāyanas*, were priests of *Asamāti*, who cast them off and took two others, *Kirāta* and *Ākuli*. By these two in pigeon form *Subandhu* was caused to swoon, but was revived by his three brothers, who recited certain hymns.⁴

¹ x. 59, 8; 60, 7, 10.

² St. Petersburg Dictionary, s.v. I.

³ *Bṛhaddevatā*, vii. 83 et seq., with Macdonell's notes. See also *Asamāti*, n. 1.

⁴ Rv. x. 57-60.

Cf. Max Müller, *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society*, 2, 420-455; Oldenberg, *Zeitschrift der Deutschen Morgenländischen Gesellschaft*, 39, 90.

Su-brahmaṇya in the *Brāhmaṇas*¹ denotes a priest who officiates as one of the three assistants of the *Udgātṛ* (see *Ṛtvij*). His office is *Subrahmaṇyā*.²

¹ *Pañcaviṃśa Brāhmaṇa*, xxv. 4, 6;

18, 4; *Śatapatha Brāhmaṇa*, iii. 3. 4, 9.

Cf. Weber, *Indische Studien*, 10, 362, 374.

² *Aitareya Brāhmaṇa*, vi. 3, 1-7. 11.

¹²; *Kauṣītaki Brāhmaṇa*, xxvii. 6, etc.

The priest himself is so styled, *Aitareya*

Brāhmaṇa, vii. 1, 2; *Pañcaviṃśa*

Brāhmaṇa, xviii. 9, 19, etc.