

make it fit for use, especially the warm milk, and this sense suits all the passages. Eggeling<sup>4</sup> renders it 'well,' and Grassmann 'sweet drink.'

<sup>4</sup> *Sacred Books of the East*, 43, 144.

Cf. Hillebrandt, *Vedische Mythologie*, I, 211.

**Sūda-dohas** in the Rigveda<sup>1</sup> denotes 'milking Sūda'—i.e., what is requisite to mix with Soma, according to Pischel.<sup>2</sup> According to Roth,<sup>3</sup> it means 'yielding milk like a well.'

<sup>1</sup> viii. 69, 3.

<sup>2</sup> *Vedische Studien*, I, 72. *Sūdayitnu* in Rv. x. 64, 9, may be taken in the same way, and *sūdin* in Kāthaka Saṃ-

hitā, xxvii. 2; *sūdyā* in Taittiriya Saṃhitā, vii. 4, 13, 1; Vājasaneyi Saṃhitā, xxii. 25, etc.

<sup>3</sup> St. Petersburg Dictionary, s.v.

**Sūnā** means, in the Rigveda<sup>1</sup> and the Atharvaveda,<sup>2</sup> apparently a 'woven (from *sīu*, 'sew') wickerwork basket' for holding flesh.

<sup>1</sup> i. 161, 10; 162, 13; x. 86, 18.

<sup>2</sup> Av. v. 17, 14. Crates of **Palāśa**

wood are mentioned in the Śāṅkhāyana Śrauta Sūtra, xvii. 3, 2, 3.

Cf. Zimmer, *Altindisches Leben*, 271.

**Sūnu** is a common word for 'son' from the Rigveda onwards.<sup>1</sup> The etymological sense seems to be 'he who is borne,' and then 'the begotten.'<sup>2</sup> But the use of Sūnu in the Rigveda<sup>3</sup> is predominantly in relation to the father, and only rarely in its connexion with words for mother.<sup>4</sup> Thus a father is 'easy of access' (*sūpāyana*) to his son (*sūnu*);<sup>5</sup> but in another passage,<sup>6</sup> where the same term is applied to earth as a mother, the word used for son is **Putra**. No conclusion as to matriarchy can of course be drawn from the etymology. On the relation of son and father, see **Pitṛ**.

<sup>1</sup> Rv. i. 26, 3; ii. 38, 5; vi. 52, 9, etc.; Av. vi. 1, 2; vii. 2, 2; xii. 3, 23, etc.

<sup>2</sup> Delbrück, *Die indogermanischen Verwandtschaftsnamen*, 453.

<sup>3</sup> Usually in a figurative sense—c.g. *sahasah, adreḥ sūnuh*.

<sup>4</sup> v. 42, 2.

<sup>5</sup> Rv. i. 1, 9.

<sup>6</sup> Rv. x. 18, 11.