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# A SANSKRIT MANUSCRIPT ON BIRCH-BARK FROM BAIRAM-ALI. II. AVADĀNA AND JĀTAKA (PART 3)

The discussion on the correlation between the Buddhist schools of the Sarvāstivāda and Mūlasarvāstivāda and their disciplinary codes — the Vinaya — began in the 1850s; today, it has entered a new phase, with new facts, manuscripts, and scholars. Fumio Enomoto, a Japanese scholar from Osaka, recently published an article in which he expressed yet another view on the correlation between these two schools [1]. He bases his views on Tibetan and Chinese translations of Vinaya commentaries not preserved in Sanskrit. It is generally known (and recognized by all) that in the ninth century A.D. the Vinaya of the Mülasarvāstivādins was translated into Tibetan, and the Vinayas of the Sarvāstivādins (Shi-song-lü, Taishō, No. 1435) and that of Mūlasarvāstivādins (Taishō, Nos. 1442—1459) was translated into Chinese, too. The Chinese translation was carried out in the seventh century A.D. Fumio Enomoto tried to prove that for Tibetan and Chinese translators the word  $m\bar{u}la$  ("root") held no significance in the titles of the texts they translated and was often omitted. But if translators omitted it, it was probably absent in the Sanskrit original. Enomoto formulated his conclusion as follows: "... it is obvious that both ... 'Mūlasarvāstivāda' sect and ... 'Sarvāstivāda' (sect) indicate the identical sect... The 'Mūlasarvāstivāda' sect does not exist apart from the 'Sarvāstivāda' sect. It does not matter whether or not the word 'mūla' is present" [2].

Since the core of the *Vinaya* of all Buddhist schools—the *Prātimokṣa-sūtra*—remained unchanged, although it was preserved in several redactions, the *Vinayas* of various schools could differ only in their commentaries. Chinese translators, who made special journeys to India for Sanskrit texts and used texts brought to East Turkestan by pilgrims, likely used for their translations commentaries on various parts of the *Prātimokṣa-sūtra* from various regions of Northern India. The latter fact is especially important for the study of the manuscript from Bairam-Ali discussed in this article.

We return to the origins of the various schools' *Vinaya*s, recalling Étienne Lamotte's view on the matter. He cited in this regard a passage from Chinese translation

of the Sanskrit Anuparīndanā (Ta-chih-tu-lun, trans. by Kumārajīva, A.D. 5th century, Taishō, No. 1509), which has not come down to us in the original. The same quote is cited by Enomoto in his article. This passage does not so much clarify the correlation between the Vinavas of the two schools as it provides information about their content: "L'exposé abrégé (sic!) du *Vinaya* est en 80 sections et les textes du Vinaya sont de deux sortes: 1. Le Vinaya du pays de Mathurā qui avec ses Avadāna et ses Jātaka compre 80 section; 2. Le Vinaya du pays de Kaśmīr qui a rejeté les Jātaka et Avadāna: celui-ci n'a pris que l'essentiel et compte seulment 10 sections. Mais il y a une Vibhāṣā en 80 sections qui le commente" [3]. Clearly, these are the "10 sections" that have come down to us in Chinese translation, Shi-song-lü, where there are, in fact, no avadānas and jātakas. This Chinese text suggests that in the Bairam-Ali manuscript the Vibhāsa — a commentary on rules in the form of avadānas and jātakas — follows the brief collection of rules included in the Shi-song-lü.

Of special interest to us is a recent article by Prof. Akira Yuyama (Tokyo) on the Mahāvastu (Mv) and Mahāvastu-Avadāna (MvAv), another collection that contains avadānas and jātakas from the Vinaya of a different school, that of the Mahāsāṃghika-Lokottaravādins [4]. Akira Yuyama holds that the Mahāvastu, a work that has not come down to us in Sanskrit, although what has come down to us was published by Émil Senart as early as 1882—1897 [5], is the Mahāvastu-Avadāna, that is, commentaries on the Vinaya in literary form. He writes: "In short, Mv was most probably a Vinaya text once upon a time and MvAv is narrative literature in a very wide sense within the framework of the Vinaya literature in its present form" [6]. In this regard, an interesting conclusion was made by Akira Yuyama: "...every school must have had a similar kind of literature with a strong affiliation to the Vinaya literature" [7]. This once again confirms our view that the Bairam-Ali manuscript contains a "literary" text that explains the Vinaya of the Sarvāstivādins.

Folio 10b, from the Bairam-Ali manuscript, published in the preceding issue of *Manuscripta Orientalia*, vol. 7/1, p. 20, contains the beginning of a story entitled *Vidura* (fol. 10b 3). We juxtaposed this name with the name

"minister Vidhūra", mentioned in *jātakas* Nos. 413 and 495. On folio 11a, which opens the present publication, Vidura is indeed termed as "minister". Another figure is mentioned in the story — *ṛṣyālūna*. It appears that this is

a copyist's error or an unknown Prakritism; this person should be called rsyalubdhaka ("antelope hunter"). A variant of this word — mrgalubdhaka — is regularly encountered with the same meaning in avadanas from the Sanghabhedavastu of the Mūlasarvāstivādins (R. Gnoli, pt. 2. pp. 151—3: 153—4: 197—8) [8]. Unfortunately. a technical error has crept into our previous publication; the final (fifth) line of fol. 10b remained untranslated. We provide here a translation of the beginning of the story about Vidura (fol. 10b 3—5):

- 3-4....[Story] about Vidura with details. The priest from Kausambī came to the home of a certain antelope hunter.
- 5. [said]: "Son, this [person] is someone worthy of respect. Render honour unto him!" Since the priest had knowledge of the six śāstras..."

# FOL. [11a]

#### **TRANSLITERATION**

- 1. . ca ka[ś]ci ccittam ārādhayate yā[va]dbhagavati buddhe cittam prasannam tato bhagavām prav[e]ś[i]-
- 2. tah ubhehi satyāni drstāni yāva drstasatyā pravārayanti sma vistarena pūrva lyoga
- 3. mānayamti sma bodhisatvo viduro nāma amātyo pūrvam asau anyāsu jātisu a-
- 4. runo nāma nāgarājā tasya bhāryā prati nava duhkhābhyāhatā svāmikam kathayati
- 5. kaścid iha āgaccheya yam varya[m] prcchema tatah pūrnakena yakṣeṇa dyūte nirjini[tvā]

#### **TRANSLATION**

- 1. and someone sought [his] good graces. As soon as faith in [the teaching] of the Buddha [Bhagavān] was acquired,
- Bhagavan did [them] con2. vert. Both of them [1] mastered [the four noble] truths. How they selected the [noble] truths, [tell] in detail. In a previous rebirth
- 3. they revered [the noble truths]. A counsellor by the name of Vidura was a bodhisattva in a previous rebirth. In other, still earlier, rebirths he [was]
  - 4. a nāgarājā named Aruna [2]. His wife suffered from nine types of ailments. [Her] husband said:
- 5. "I should go somewhere. Let us ask which [teaching] [we] should choose". Later, having emerged victorious from a battle with a *yakṣa* of the *pūrṇaka* tree  $^{[3]}$ ,

#### Commentary

[1] "Both" — perhaps the mother and son; the conspectual nature of the tale leaves the context unclear. It is also unclear which of the characters is Vidura. The content suggests that Vidura is one of the rebirths of the "antelope hunter". In this case, the "both" would refer to the hunter and his wife.

<sup>[2]</sup> Aruṇa *nāgarājā* is found only in the *Mahāmāyūrī*, 246, 19 (see *BHSD*, p. 65). Aruṇa — in Pāli, Assaka — is the name of the Potālī rājā, see Jātaka No. 301 (Cullakalingā-jātaka), which describes, as do the jātakas about Vidura, the war with Kalinga rājā. There is another character with this name — Aruna Udāyī. He was invited by the Buddha's father, Śuddhodana, together with other noblemen of the Śākya lineage to a reception held to mark good tidings of the Buddha Śākyamuni's popularity (Mahāvastu, III, p. 108, line 8). Our text, however, makes no reference to the war or the reception held by Śuddhodana. Clearly, the Vinaya of the Sarvāstivādins provides a different redaction of this tale.

[3] The grammatical form nirjinitvā is correct only for Buddhist Sanskrit, cf. BHSD, p. 301: nirjināti — "conquers".

#### FOL. 11b

#### **TRANSLITERATION**

- 1. vi[d]uro [rājā]bhavanam nītah tatra tena daśakuśalāh karmapathāh prakāśitā || **kāśyapa iti**
- 2. bhagavatah pādād rraktam sravati sthaviraśāriputrena adhyupeksitam tam mahākāśyape[na]
- 3. saOtyavacanena sthāpitam samamtena bhagavataś cittam mitresu ca arīsuca
- 4. anena satyavākyena idam tisthatu te² kṣatam pūrvayogam brahmakumāro sarpena dastah³
- 5. mūrcchitah prthivyām nipatitah rsinā satyavacanena nirvvisah sthāpitah bhaksya-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The word was omitted and added beneath the line.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The form of accus. pl., see BHSG, §§ 21, 46; instead of accus. sg. se.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The form of the Buddhist Sanskrit; see BHSD, p. 263: dastaka ("one that has been bitten by a snake").

ty rarule, religiner er ingtront w Eyzer,
ty rarule, religiner er ingtront w Eyzer,
ne nyst nguly i rachallangur de stynd d
v: rygntyre, mynghan halongulyngu

Fig. 1

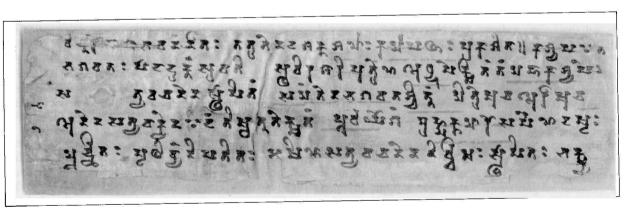


Fig. 2

#### **TRANSLATION**

- 1. Vidura was brought to the ruler's palace. There ten good deeds  $^{[4]}$  were demonstrated to them. About  $K\bar{a}\acute{s}yapa^{[5]}$ .
- 2. The Bhagavan's leg began to bleed. Sthavira Śāriputra noticed this. Mahā-kāśyapa
- 3. halted [the bleeding] with the aid of a correct utterance. Everywhere observation of the Bhagavan, among friends and enemies,
- 4. may he conduct with the aid of this correct utterance as he did of the wound <sup>[6]</sup>. In a previous rebirth the youthful brahman was bitten by a snake [and]
- 5. lost consciousness <sup>[7]</sup>. He fell to the ground. With the aid of a correct utterance [pronounced] by a *rsi* he was delivered from the poison and rose [from the ground].

### Commentary

[4] daśakuśalakarmapatha — "a set of ten good (kuśala) actions, consisting in avoidness of ten bad actions, namely: three actions produced by body, four — by speech, and three — by mind". See BHSD, p. 170.

[5] This tale continues a story contained in part on fol 8a 2 under the title Susārtho bodhisatva: "The yakṣa Kuṃbhira sacrifices his life in trying to arrest the stone, thrown out from the catapult called by Devadatta to kill Buddha, but a fragment of the stone strikes the Buddha on the foot (see Saṅghabhedavastu, trans. by Raniero Gnoli, vol. II, p. 168). We also find a continuation of this story in the Saṅghabhedavastu (vol. II, p. 171): "Jīvaka prescribes a very rare substance... in order to stop hemorrhage at the foot of the Buddha", but in vain: the substance did not help. At last, Daśabalakāśyapa (lit. "Kāśyapa possessing the ten forces") stops the hemorrhage (see ibid., p. 173). After this story follows another one concerning a previous life of Daśabalakāśyapa. He was a ṛṣi and had rescued a young man bitten by a snake by magic practices: samam te dāraka cittam mitreṣv api ṛṣiṣv api | anena satyavākyena nirviṣo bhava dāraka || iti (ibid., p. 175).

[6] The name Śāriputra is not mentioned in the Sangabhedavastu; the necessity of keeping one's eyes open is not mentioned either.

<sup>[7]</sup> The story of the brahman's son bitten by a snake and healed with the aid of a "correct utterance" is also contained in *jātaka* No. 444 (*Kanhadīpāyana-jātaka*).

# FOL. [12a]

#### TRANSLITERATION

- mānasya te viprakṛṣṇā<sup>4</sup> sarpeṇa gho[re]ṇa na te vikaṃpitaṃ cittam urage vadhak[e] [i]ha ||
- 2. śrāvastyānnidānam kṛtvā. ṛṣī<sup>5</sup> vivikte pradeśe prativasati sa ca rājyahetor brahmaca-
- 3. r[y]am carati O<sup>6</sup> bhagavatā vaineya iti jñātvā parivrājaka veṣam āsthāya na bhidure<sup>7</sup> vih[a]-
- 4. rati sa ca ṛṣir gilāṇī bhūtaḥ sa ca parivrājako āhāraṃ deti vaidyaḥ
- 5. prechitah māmsarasam upadiśati bhagavatā pasur nnirmitah ṛṣiḥ

#### **TRANSLATION**

- 1. They were distracted from the victuals by a terrible snake [8]. They did not lose heart when the snake undertook to kill [them] here.
- 2. **The affair took place in Śrāvasti** [9]. *Rṣi* lived in an secluded place and because of [his] royal descent led the life of a *brahmācarin* 
  - 3. [and] was to have been converted by the Bhagavan. Upon learning this, a wandering ascetic without clothing
  - 4. took up residence [next to him]. And that rsi fell ill. And that wandering ascetic gave him food. A physician
  - 5. was summoned [and] prescribed meat broth. [Then] cattle was created by the Bhagavan. [Then] the rsi [10]

# Commentary

<sup>[8]</sup> This is an excerpt from another story also represented in the *Sangabhedavastu* (vol. I, pp. 163—5), the *Kalandakanivāpa*. The story recounts how Kalandaka was for his avarice reborn as a snake and lived in a garden that he had declined to present to Bimbisāra during the latter's tenure as prince. When the  $r\bar{a}j\bar{a}$  Bimbisāra arrived with his retinue in the garden for a picnic, the snake unexpectedly crawled up to kill him, but it was killed with a sword.

<sup>[9]</sup> This is possibly a reference to *jātaka* No. 246 (*Telovāda-jātaka*), which contains a version of the story about how the Buddha tasted meat in one of his previous rebirths. As in this *jātaka*, one of the characters is a naked ascetic. Yet another interpretation is possible. In the section *Bhaiṣajyavastu* (chapter 6 of the *Vinayavastu*), part of which has survived only in Tibetan translation (see *The Tibetan Tripiṭaka*, Peking edition, vol. *khe*, fol. 108), there are two stories about healing with meat broth. A fragment of the first story has also survived in the

 $<sup>^4</sup>$  A slip of the pen, instead of *viprakṛṣṭā*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Instead of rsi.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> A string hole.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Usually bhindure.

Fig. 3

मारम् दिन्याः मिन्नम् प्रमिति हिताः छिन्यम् ४७ जार्थः अवस्थः ॥ १ मिन्नम् प्रदेशक्षित्र हृद्यकाश्च भिन्नम् । सेत्र १ मार्गसिन्न सिन्नम् सिन्नः भिष्ट्रम् प्रमुख्य मुद्र है। १ प्रधारण- कार्यास्थ प्रमित्रम् स्थिति । है। १ प्रधारण- कार्यास्थ प्रमित्रम् । है। १ प्रधारण- कार्यास्थ । Sanskrit version of the Vinava of the Mulasarvastivadins (Gilgit Manuscripts, vol. III, pt. 1, p. XIV) [9]. In the story, a sick rsi is healed by Mahāsenā, the wife of the master of the house. She was preparing dinner for monks they had invited and saw that one of the rsis was very ill. She then made a meat broth and fed the rsi. The rsi got recovery and he then began to meditate and attained a state of arhat. This was the context for the Buddha's explanation to the monks, his allowance for the use of meat broth as a medicine and his tale about Mahāsenā's previous rebirth. The story contains a similar situation (see *The Tibetan Tripitaka*, Peking edition, vol. khe, fol. 109). Both stories are cited as illustrations in E. Frauwallner's book [10].

The story of how the physician tūrthika, named Ātreya, was unable to heal a sick monk, is next in the Tibetan Tripitaka (Peking edition, vol. khe, fol. 110). All three stories are cited in Jampa Losang Panglung's Die Erzaehlstoffe [11].

[10] This appears to be a copyist's error: according to the context, this should have been said by Bhagavan, not rsi.

#### FOL. 12b

#### **TRANSLITERATION**

- 1. kathayati kim anena ito māmsakrtyam kkriyatām iti. rsih kupitah kim aham hims[ā]-
- 2. mīti bhagavān āha yadā rājabhūto bhavisyati katham karisyasi tato ayagata[h]
- 3. pravrajitah satsu abhijnāsu pratisthitah pūrvavogam evam eva rsi bhū-
- 4. tena<sup>8</sup> vinītaḥ || **vālāhi sākṣī paṃphā ca dvimukho titivāya ca śuko bhojana kacchapaḥ**
- 5. sena sārthena paścimaḥ puruṣaghāto ca pravrajyā nimaḥ ānuśāsakena ca maitra

#### **TRANSLATION**

- 1. said: "By what [means] another [person] should here receive meat, [thus] will it be done". Rsi grew angry: "For whose sake do I commit violence?"
- 2. he said. The Bhagavan said: "And if he should be a  $r\bar{a}j\bar{a}$  in a future rebirth, how would you proceed the n?" Then the rsi understood everything.
- 3. He underwent the pravrajyā rite of initiation, grew strong in the six types of transcendental knowledge. In a previous life [he] had been the same rsi
- 4. and was converted. [Uddāna]: Vālāhi [11], "Ego" [12], Paṃphā [13], "With two faces" [14], and Tiṭivā [15], "Parrot" [16], "Feeding" [17], "Tortoise" [18], 5. Sena [19], "With the usefulness" [20] the last one, and "Hurting of people" [21], "Conversion" [22], Nima [23],
- "Friendly to teacher" [24].

# Commentary

[11] With this name, the *uddāna* begins for the text on fol. 5a 4—12b 5; it continues on the next folio, 13a 1—2. Moreover, the word paścima ("last") inexplicably occurs three times in the text of the uddāna; Prof. Seishi Karashima suggested to us that the uddāna consists of three ślokas written in one of the varieties of the anuştubh. Each line should contain 8 syllables. This rule is violated several times. The likely reason is the fact, recognized by scholars, that this meter is based on Prakrit, not Sanskrit, pronunciation [12]. The ślokas can be represented as follows:

Śloka 1. (each line containing eight syllables)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Akşara = na is inserted beneath the line.

The grammatical anomalies are due to the *meter causa*.

After the story entitled Śyama (fol. 13a 1), ten titles are enumerated for stories that will follow.

The first story in the  $udd\bar{a}na$  bears the title  $V\bar{a}l\bar{a}hi$ ; on fol. 5a 4 the title of the story is given as  $V\bar{a}l\bar{a}p\bar{a}$ . The story differs from the Valāhassa-jātaka (No. 196). Vālāha, the name of a horse, is known from the Mahāvastu (vol. III, pp. 185, 189, 190). The story here tells about five hundred vanijas and one sārthavāha, and the name of the horse is used here only allegorically.

[12] The story  $S\bar{a}ks\bar{i}$  ("Ego") on fol. 5b 1 has the same name as in the  $udd\bar{a}na$ .

- [13] The story Pamphā on fol. 5b 4 is called Pampha. We have no idea about both of them. The latter may be the name of a lake in the Southern India.
  - [14] The story Dvimukha ("With two faces") on fol. 6a 2 bears the name Dvimukhāyaka śarīra ("The body with two faces").
- [15] The story *Titivā* (the form of instr. sg. *Titivāya*) on fol. 6a 2 is presented as *Titivā*. It must be a woman's proper name. We were not able to identify it.

[16] The story Śuka ("Parrot") on fol. 6a 5 has the same name.

- [17] The story *Bhojana* ("Feeding") on fol. 6b 3 bears the same title.
- [18] The story Kacchapa ("Tortoise") on fol. 7a 5 bears the same title.
- [19] The story Sena (a proper name) on fol. 7b 2 has the same name.
- [20] The story Sārtha ("Successful") on fol. 8a 2 is entitled Susārtho bodhisatva ("The bodhisatva bringing success").
- [21] The title of the story Purusaghāta ("Harmful for people") on fol. 8b 2 is given as Purusāda ("[What] people can eat"). It is mentioned that overeating may be harmful.
  - [22] The story *Conversion* on fol. 9a 1 bears the same title.
- [23] The name Nima in the uddāna is obviously a slip of the pen. The story on fol. 9a 3—4 is named after the name of the main character — Aranemi.
  - [24] The story Ānuśāsakena maitra ("Friendly to the teacher") on fol. 9b 1 is entitled Ānuśāsanād (abl. sg.) ("According to the teaching").

#### FOL. [13a]

#### **TRANSLITERATION**

- 1. kāśyapah śyāmah rsīdandena, pa[ś]c[i]mah śvāna pūrna kubjā ca cedī dhvaja kṣemā ca manaḥ
- 2. samana demahi abhayam bhavati paścimam | | | rsī bodhimūlastham bhagavantam
- 3. māraḥ pāpīmām 9 paṃcahi kāmagunehi 10 alobhayati 11 kāmā 12 vā paribhumjāhi mā te
- 4. pāde grahāva samudrasya pāram (\*)ksipisyam yāva bhaga-vatā cīvarakarnnakam ekata-
- 5. mamte 13 sthāpitam idam taveti 14 yāva pūrvayoga mānayamti rsibhūto bodhisatvah

# **TRANSLATION**

- 1. Kāśyapa [25], Śyāma [26], "About the hermit with the staff" [27] last, "The dog" [28], Pūrṇa [29], Kubjā [30] and Cedī [31], "The emblem" [32], Kṣemā [33] and Mana [34], 2. Samana [35], "Shall we give?" [36], Abhaya [37] as the last one. Rṣi. Bhagavan, who had found the root of enlighten-
- ment.
- 3. was abashed by the sinful Māra with the aid of five objects of sensual desire [38], [saying]: "Give in to temptation, or else
  - 4. I will grab you by the leg and immediately throw [39] you to the other shore of the ocean!" Bhagavan
- 5. established that the edge of a cīvara [40] [should hang down to the ground, covering the legs] on one side [41]. This is known. How in a previous rebirth the rsi was a boddhisattva [who was] respected

# Commentary

[25] In the uddāna, two stories preceding the story about Kāśyapa are omitted: Mani iti ("The story about the gem"), fol. 9b 5, and Vidura iti ("The story about Vidura"), fol. 10b 3. The story about Kāśyapa has the same title in the text (see fol. 11b 1).

[26] The title of a story Śyāma appears only in the uddāna. The text (fol. 12a 2) opens with the formula Śrāvastyānnidānam kṛtvā ("The case took place in Śrāvastī"), fol. 12a 2. As for the subject, the story differs from the Sāma-jātaka (No. 540) where the main character -Śyāma (Pāli Sāma) — is an only breadwinner for his blind parents. We find the same subject in the Tibetan Tripitaka (see Vinayavastu,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Instead of pāpīyān, cf. Sanghabhedavastu, vol. 1, p. 114.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Prakritisms registered in *BHSD*, instead of Skt. pamcabhih kāmagunebhih.

<sup>11</sup> Instead of alobhavati.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Instead of kāmām, cf. fol. 13b 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> The form is not registered in *BHSD*.

<sup>14</sup> Instead of tāvat iti.

मुस्मिए, ःइषपुष्ट जादमेश्क्र्य महक्रम समस्मित्रम् । स द्रीय जासमंद्रीत्। मृत्यम् व्ययप्रध्यप्रधार्म्य । क्ष्य गाः स्त्रम्यक्रम्यणेश्रम् भेगुर जापुर क्षयम् क्ष्यम् सम्प्रम भगरद्रमण् संश्लेष्य भित्रमेश-॥ ७॥ स्थ्रम्युरीम्बेर्य १६४ १ विद्यः विशः सम्बद्धियम् निर्मेश्रम् विष्युरित्तम् मन्त्रमः

Fig. 5

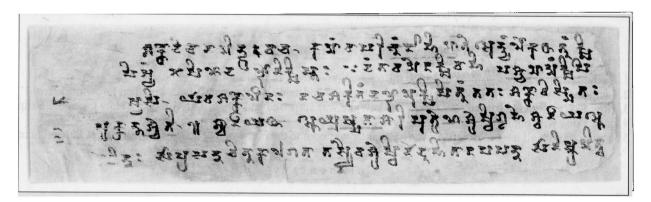


Fig. 6

Pekin edition, chapter *Bhaiṣajyavastu*, vol. *ge*, fol. 213; see also Jampa Losang Panglung, *Die Erzählstoffe*, pp. 45—6). The same story is present in the *Mahāvastu* (vol. II, pp. 290 ff.).

[27] The story Rṣīdaṇḍena ("The ṛṣi with a staff") on fol. 13a 2 bears the title Rṣī. This form is registered neither in the Sanskrit nor in the Buddhist Sanskrit. As was mentioned above, it agrees with meter causa. There is a well-known story about how Māra tried to lead Buddha into temptation. Another such story is present in Sanghabhedavastu (vol. I, p. 114). But Māra is acting differently here. He tries to accuse Buddha for his doing nothing and has three — inauspicious, evil, sinful — thoughts: tatra bodhisatvasya trayaḥ pāpakā akuśalā vitarkāḥ samutpannaḥ. The term bodhimūla ("the root of enlightenment") is also used here. Māra says to Buddha: kim arthaṃ tvaṃ bodhimūle nisanna iti ("Why have you sat on this root of enlightenment?").

[28] The story is entitled Śvānī ("A bitch") on fol. 13b 4, which corresponds to its subject.

- <sup>[29]</sup> The story is named *Pūrnaka iti* ("About Pūrnaka"), see fol. 14a 2.
- [30] We find the same name in the text, see fol. 14a 4.
- [31] The story bears the title *Ceti iti* ("About the *caitya*"), see fol. 14b 3.
- [32] The same name is in the text, see fol. 14b 4.
- [33] The same name is found in the text, see fol. 15a 4.
- [34] The story is entitled Manīti ("About Maṇi"). Maṇi is a proper name (see fol. 15b 3).
- [35] The story is named Sumana iti ("About Sumana"), see fol. 16a 1.
- [36] The story bears the title *Demahyam iti* ("Shall we give?"), see fol. 16a 5 and commentary to it.
- [37] The same name is found in the text, see fol. 16b 5.
- [38] See n. 27.
- [39] paṃcahi kāmaguṇehi > Skt. paṃcabhiḥ \* kāmaguṇehhiḥ (instr. pl.), see n. 27.
- [40] cīvarakarnnaka ("cīvara's edge"), see BHSD, p. 170.
- [41] ekatamamte (Skt. ekatamante, loc. sg.). This form is not registered in BHSD, but we find another form ekamante ("on one side"), see BHSD, p. 153. The meaning of the text is not quite clear. The rsi may say: "Let's try!".

#### FOL. 13b

#### **TRANSLITERATION**

- 1. śakra dav[ā]nām indra uvāca kāmām va paribhumjāhi mā te annyam lokadhātum (')kṣi-
- piṣyam ṛṣiṇā daṇḍo nikṣiptah idam tāva me ukṣivāhi 15 paścā māmam 16 ksipi-
- syasi yāva śakkro naḥ na ca śakitam daṇḍam ukṣipitum <sup>17</sup> tataḥ śakkro vismitaḥ
- 4. prakkrāntaśceti || śvānī yathā āyuṣmatā śāriuputreṇa śreṣṭḥigṛhe śvānīya ā-
- [d]innaḥ sā prasannacittā kāla gatā tasyaiva śreṣṭhino duhitā upapannā sā niṣkramitvā

#### **TRANSLATION**

- 1. Śakra, lord of the gods, said: "Give in to the temptation of love, or into another world
- 2. I will throw you!" [Then] the rsi threw [his] staff [aside and said]: "Lift my staff first, and then throw me across!"
- 3. How Śakra could not lift the staff there [and how] he was surprised and left. || The Bitch [42]. How the noble Śāriputra
- 4. gave a dog with cubs to the home of the head of merchants.
- 5. It rejoiced with all its soul and died. And a daughter was born to the house of that head of the merchants. She left home

# Commentary

[42] We could not identify this story.

#### Notes

- 1. Fumio Enomoto, "'Mūlasarvāstivādin' and 'Sarvāstivādin'", in *Vividharatnakaraṇḍaka. Festgabe für Adelheid Mette* (Swisttal—Odendorf, 2000), pp. 239—50. Indica et Tibetika, 37.
  - 2 Ibid., p. 243.
  - 3. É. Lamotte, Histoire du bouddhisme indien des origines à l'ère Śaka (Louvain, 1958), p. 174.
  - 4. Akira Yuyama, "Mahāvastu and Mahāvastu-Avadāna", in Vividharatnakarandaka, pp. 532—40.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Instead of Skt. utkṣipāhi.

<sup>16</sup> Instead of māma.

<sup>17</sup> Instead of utksipitum.

- 5. Le Mahāvastu. Texte sanskrit publié pour la première fois et accompagné d'introductions et d'une commentaire par Émile Senart, in 3 vols. (Paris, 1882—1897).
  - 6. Akira Yuyama, op. cit., p. 537.
  - 7. Ibid.
- 8. The Gilgit Manuscript of the Sanghabhedavastu, ed. by Raniero Gnoli, pts. I—II (Rome, 1977—1978). Serie Orientale Roma, XLIX.
  - 9. Gilgit Manuscripts, ed. by Dutt, Nalinaksha, vol. III, pt. I (Srinagar, 1947).
- 10. E. Frauwallner, *The Earliest Vinaya and the Beginning of Buddhist Literature* (Rome, 1956), p. 93. Serie Orientale Roma, VIII.
- 11. Jampa Losang Panglung, Die Erzählstoffe des Mūlasarvāstivāda-Vinaya. Analysiert auf Grund der Tibetischen Übersetzung (Tokyo, 1981), pp 17—8.
- 12. F. Edgerton, "Meter, phonology, and orthography in Buddhist hybrid Sanskrit", *Journal of the American Oriental Society*, 66 (1955), pp. 197—206.

# Illustrations

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