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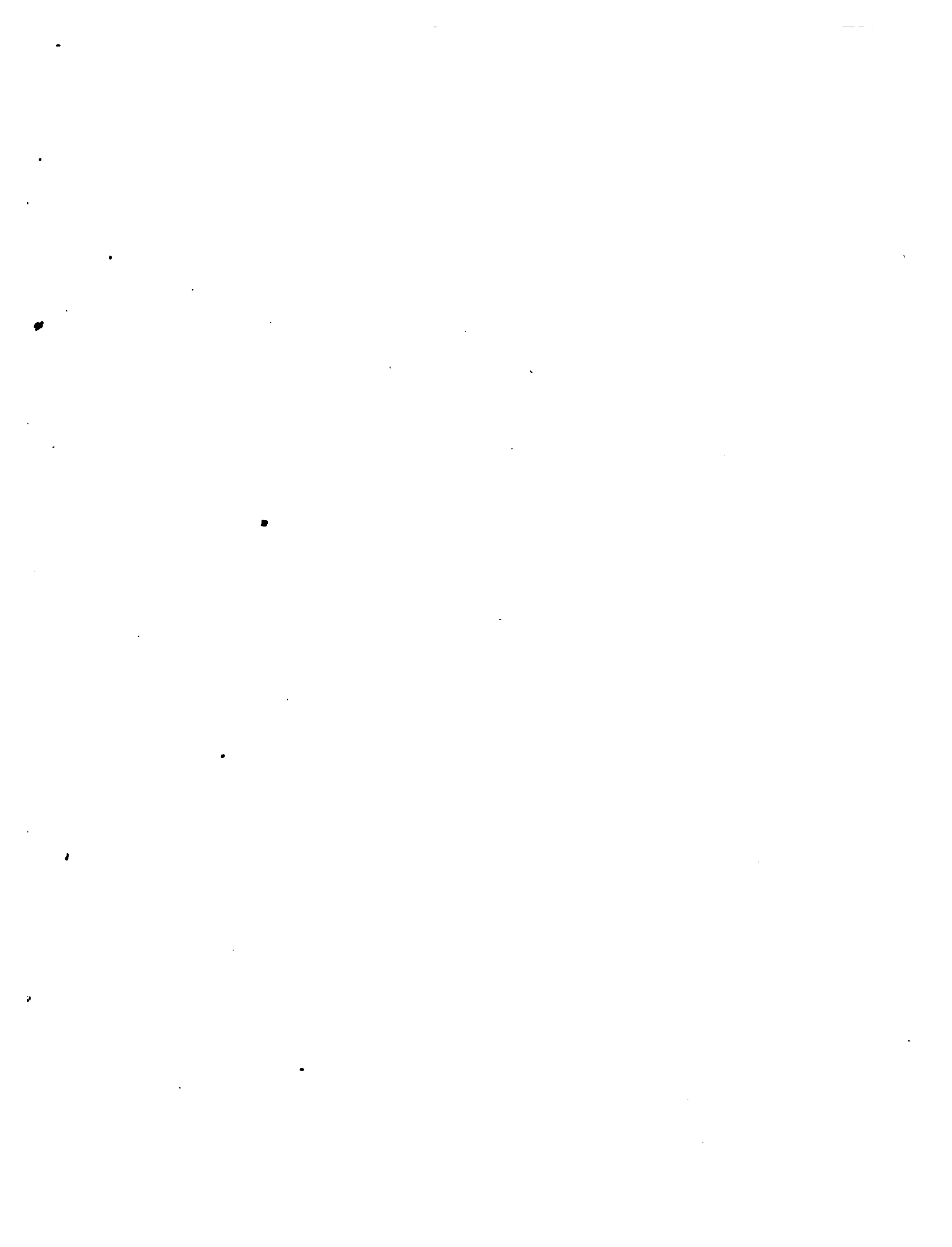
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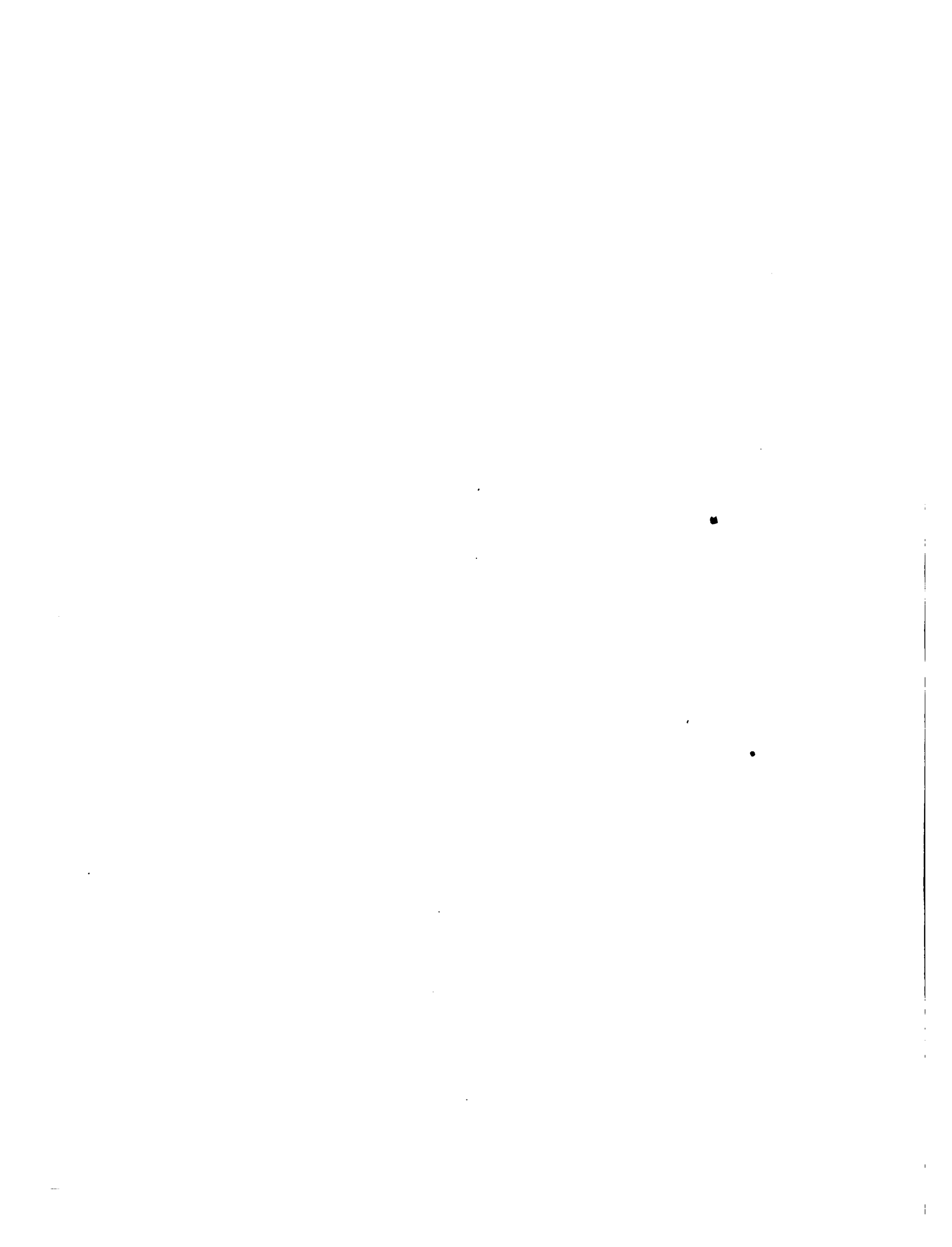
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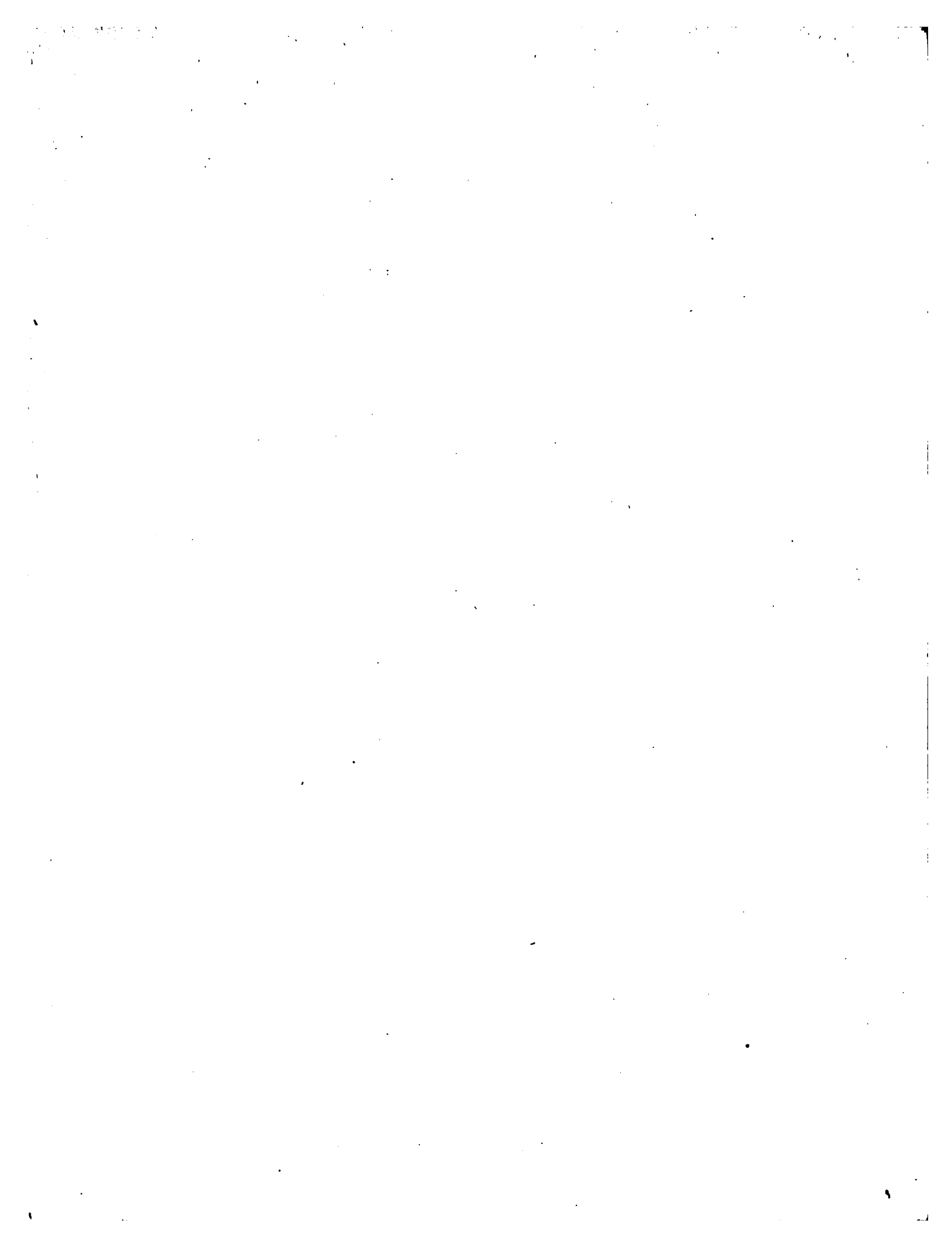
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## P R E F A C E.

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THE contents of this volume are extracted from a larger work, Vol. II, of the Archæological Survey series of Southern India. It is thought that the separate publication of this slight historical sketch, may be of use to many students of history who would not care to burden themselves with a larger work, much of which is taken up with lists of Inscriptions and Chronological Tables intended for the use of those practically engaged in making the bricks out of which the complete historical structure will hereafter be built.

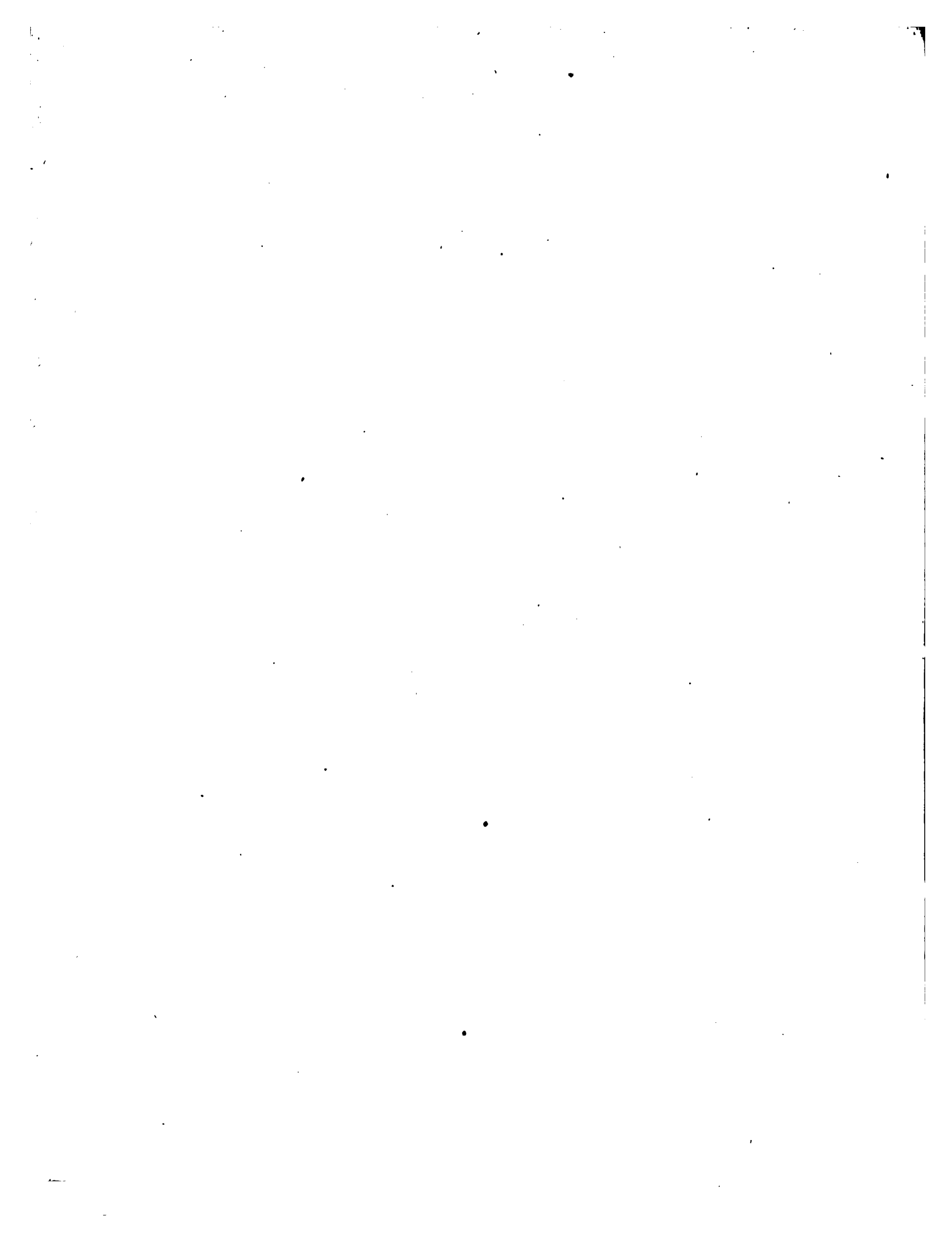
This sketch of the Dynasties is, of course, not intended as a complete history. The subject of South Indian History is as yet in its infancy, and it is only because it is felt very strongly that a beginning must be made in some shape or another that this volume makes its appearance. Armed with this, readers will, it is hoped, feel themselves on fairly sure ground when they seek for information regarding some kingdom or sovereign of the peninsula, and little by little we shall advance in our knowledge.

Some of the principal families, not royal, who can boast of antiquity have been included in this list, since all information of that kind helps forward our knowledge of the march of events.

The arrangement is alphabetical, to assist reference.

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# SKETCH OF THE DYNASTIES OF SOUTHERN INDIA.

## GENERAL HISTORICAL SKETCH.

IN the earliest days of which we have any knowledge as to the sovereignties ruling the continent of India, it appears that the great Maurya dynasty held the north, while the south was divided amongst the Pāṇḍiyans of Madura, who governed the extreme south, the Cholas, who held the country to their north and east, and the Cheras (Keralas), who ruled over the tracts to their north and west. This was in the fourth century B.C. I say "it appears" because, although we are certain of the Mauryas (probably B.C. 325-188) and the Pāṇḍiyans as existent in the time of Megasthenes (B.C. 302), we have only the fact of the Cholas and Keralas (or Cheras) being mentioned in the inscriptions of Aśoka (B.C. 250) to verify their existence at that still earlier period. But tradition mentions no earlier kingdoms than those of Pāṇḍiya, Chola, and Chera in the south of India, and always speaks of them as contemporary. As we are certain of the Pāṇḍiyan, therefore, in B.C. 302, we may safely place the Cholas and Cheras as far back as that date. The Keralas appear to have occupied the whole Western Coast under the ghāts, and it is probable that the Eastern Coast was also inhabited almost throughout its entire length; but there is no evidence of any kingdom having been in existence throughout the Dakhan, and it is quite possible that almost the whole of its entire area was waste (the *Danḍakāraṇya*<sup>1</sup>) or inhabited only by a few half-wild tribes under their own chiefs, such as those so often mentioned in the *Purānas*. It is necessary for students of history to remember that very large areas now cultivated and populated were absolutely waste—mere barren tracts of rock, forest, and wild plains—till comparatively modern times, and this seems especially to have been the case with the Dakhan country.<sup>2</sup> It must not be forgotten, however, that the earliest Buddhist legends speak of the kingdom of Kalingā as then in existence.

At some period subsequent to that of Aśoka, the Pallavas<sup>3</sup> appear to have grown into importance on the Eastern Coast, and they gradually increased in power till they constituted themselves a great kingdom, with extensive foreign trade, and proved a source of danger to the Cholas and their other neighbours. They appear to have held the entire Eastern Coast from Conjeeveram to the borders of Orissa. At present there is no evidence as to when they arose from obscurity into the dignity of a kingdom, but they seem to have been one of the principal southern powers when the first Chalukyas immigrated from Northern India about the fifth century A.D.

To the Mauryas in the north succeeded the Saṅga dynasty (B.C. 188-76) and this was followed by the short Kaṅva dynasty (B.C. 76-31). The last of these kings being murdered, the Andhra or Andhrabṛitya dynasty succeeded, and ruled from B.C. 31 to A.D. 436. (?) They were Buddhists, and it was by them that the magnificent marble *stupa* at Amarāvati was erected. About this period, *i.e.*, the fifth century A.D., began to grow into importance the Chalukyan sovereignty of the Western Dakhan, and it is in connection with the early Chalukyas that we hear of the Nalas (probably a Western Coast tribe), the Mauryas (possibly descendants of the earlier Mauryas) who inhabited part of the Koṅkana, the Sendrakas, Mātaṅgas (apparently a barbarous tribe, perhaps aboriginal), the Kāṭachhuria,<sup>4</sup> the

<sup>1</sup> See Mr. Foulkes' article on the "Civilization of the Dakhan down to the sixth century B.C." (*Ind. Ant.* VIII, 1-10.)

<sup>2</sup> According to the *Rāmāyana*, Bk. IV, Ch. 41, the races inhabiting the country south of the Tungabhadra where the Mekhalas, Utkalas, Daśarṇas, Vidarbhas, Bishikas, Mahisakas, Matsyas, Kalingas, Kāśikas, Andhras, Puṇḍras, Cholas, Pāṇḍyas, and Keralas.

<sup>3</sup> Mr. Lewis Rice thinks that a dynasty of the *Mahāvāli-kula* reigned over the eastern coast of the peninsula prior to the rise of the Pallavas, and that they gave their name to Mahāvālipuram, or the "Seven Pagodas." (*Ind. Ant.* X, 36.)

<sup>4</sup> Mr. Fleet's *Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, p. 10, and *note*. Their descendants (?) were called *Kāṭachhuria*.

Gaṅgas of Maisūr, and the Ālupas or Ālupas, a tribe or dynasty apparently living to the south or south-west of the present Bombay Presidency. Early Chalukyan grants mention a number of other tribes, such as the Lātas (of *Lātadeśa*, in the north of Bombay), Mālavas (Mālwa), Gurjaras (of Gujārāt), &c.

The Chalukyas divided into two branches in the beginning of the seventh century, an eastern branch conquering the Pallava kings of the Veṅgī country, or tract between the Kṛishṇā and Godāvāri rivers, and settling in that locality which they governed till A.D. 1023, the western remaining in their original home in the Western Dakhan.

The Chinese pilgrim Hiwen-Thsang, who visited India A.D. 629 to 645, gives a graphic account of the state of the country in his time.

The Kadambas now began to grow into importance, and they fought with and defeated the Pallavas of Kañchī, and were perpetually at feud with the Chalukyas and their other neighbours. Their territory was in the South-west Dakhan and North Maisūr. About the same period we find the Rāshtrakūtas giving great trouble to the Chalukyas. It is as yet uncertain whether these Rāshtrakūtas were "an Āryan Kshatriya, *i.e.*, Rājput, race which immigrated into the Dekkan from the north like the Chalukyas, or a Drāvidian family which was received into the Āryan community after the conquest of the Dekkan"—(*Dr. Bühler*). The wars with the Rāshtrakūtas seem to have resulted in the complete downfall for two centuries (A.D. 757-8 to 973-4) of the Western Chālukyas<sup>1</sup> and the consequent accretion of great power to the Rāshtrakūtas. The latter do not appear, however, to have attempted any conquests in the south. They were completely overthrown by the Western Chālukyas in A.D. 973-4, when the latter once more rose to great eminence. The overthrow of the Rāshtrakūtas, too, enabled the Rāṭṭa *Mahāmandalēśvaras* to assert themselves, and their dynasty lasted till about A.D. 1253. About the same period we find the Śilāharas and Sindas rising into importance, and, like the Rāṭṭas, establishing independent dynasties which lasted for several centuries. The Śilāharas were overthrown by the Yādavas of Devagiri about A.D. 1220, and the Sindas cease to be heard of about A.D. 1182-3.

Little is known of the history of Southern India for two or three centuries immediately preceding the sudden rise of the Chōlas to great power,<sup>2</sup> which took place in the middle of the eleventh century. At the beginning of that century the Eastern Chālukyas held all the country along the Eastern Coast from the borders of Orissa as far south as the borders of the Pallava country. The Pallava kingdom was a powerful one, possessing the coast from its junction with the Chālukyas down to the northern border of the Chōla territories, *i.e.*, just south of Kañchī. The Chōlas remained within their own borders and the Pāṇḍiyans in theirs, while the Koṅgu kings, who governed (apparently) the old Chera country east of the Malayālam tracts along the coast, although they were still independent and powerful, were beginning to feel the effect of the attacks of the little kingdom of the Hoyśala Ballālas, then rising into power and destined to subvert many of the surrounding monarchies.

In A.D. 1023, by an intermarriage between the two dynasties, the Chōla sovereign acquired possession of the whole of the Eastern Chālukyan dominions. This was followed, apparently at the beginning of the reign of his successor, Rājendra Kulottuṅga Chōla (1064-1113), by the complete subversion of the Pallavas by the Chōlas, and the annexation to the latter kingdom of their possessions. Rājendra also conquered the Pāṇḍiyans, and established a short dynasty of "Chōla-Pāṇḍiyan" kings at Madura. A little later the Hoyśala Ballālas entirely overthrew the Koṅgu kings and seized their territories, so that the whole of the south of India passed at that time through a period of great political disturbance, which resulted in the Chōlas obtaining almost universal sovereignty for a short period, checked, however, by the power of the Hoyśala Ballālas above the ghāts in Maisūr.

This latter power was increased in importance by its conquest of the Kādambas<sup>3</sup> and Kālaohuris to its immediate north about the beginning of the thirteenth century, and by the downfall of the great Western Chālukyan dynasty about A.D. 1184, which was caused partly by its wars with the Kādambas and partly by the rise of the Ballālas. A little later the Chōlas lost their northern possessions, which were seized by the Ganapatis of Oraṅgal.

We now find ourselves in the thirteenth century, the three great southern powers being the Chōlas and Pāṇḍiyans—both seemingly losing strength—and the Hoyśala Ballālas, rapidly growing in power.

<sup>1</sup> It seems to be now certain that the sovereigns of this dynasty were originally called *Chalukyas*, the adjectival form *Chālukya* being adopted by the later representatives of the family.

<sup>2</sup> We gather from the Singhalese chronicles that the Chōlas and Pāṇḍiyans were constantly at feud with Ceylon, and that the Tamils emigrated in large numbers into Ceylon.

<sup>3</sup> As with the *Chalukyas* and *Chālukyas*, the earlier and later dynasties of this kingdom seem to have been known respectively as *Kadambas* and *Kādambas*—(*Mr. Fleet*).



What might have occurred it is needless to enquire, though imagination readily depicts the impetuous Ballālas sweeping down from the ghāts and succeeding in subverting the ancient dynasties of the plains; but a new power now appears on the scene, which was destined to acquire universal dominion in course of time—the power of the Musalmāns.

Delhi had been captured by the Ghazni Ghōrians in 1193, and a dynasty established there which lasted till A.D. 1288. The Khiljis succeeded (1288–1321), and 'Alau-d-din Khilji despatched the first Muḥammadan expedition into the Dakhaṇ in A.D. 1306. Four years later the Musalmān armies under Malik Kāfur swept like a torrent over the peninsula.

Devagiri and Oraṅgal were both reduced to subjection, the capital of the Hoysāla Ballālas was taken and sacked, and the kingdoms both of the Choḷas and Pāṇḍiyans were overthrown. Anarchy followed over the whole south—Musalmān governors, representatives of the old royal families, and local chiefs being apparently engaged for years in violent internecine struggles for supremacy. The Ballālas disappeared from the scene, and the kingdoms of Devagiri and Oraṅgal were subverted. A slight check was given to the spread of the Muḥammadan arms when a confederation of Hindu chiefs, led by the gallant young Gaṇapati Rāja, withstood and defeated a large Muḥammadan army; and the aspect of affairs was altered by the revolt of the Dakhāni Musalmāns against their sovereign in A.D. 1347, which resulted in the establishment of the Bāhmanī kingdom of the Dakhaṇ. But the whole of Southern India was convulsed by this sudden aggression of the Muḥammadans, and all the old kingdoms fell to pieces.

This period, then, about the year A.D. 1310, is to be noted as the second great landmark in South Indian history, the first being about the period 1023–1070, when the Choḷas became almost supreme over the south.

While the Bāhmanī rebels were consolidating their kingdom in the Dakhaṇ, another great power was being formed south of the Krishnā. This was the kingdom of Vijayanagar. Established on the ruins of the Hoysāla Ballālas and the other Hindu sovereignties, it speedily rose to a height of power such as no southern kingdom had yet aspired to, and it held the Muḥammadans in check for two centuries. From 1336 till 1564 A.D. we have merely to consider, roughly speaking, two great powers—that of the Musalmāns north of the Krishnā and that of Vijayanagar to the south.

The Bāhmanī kingdom fell to pieces at the close of the fifteenth century, being succeeded by five separate kingdoms founded by rival Musalmān leaders. Their jealousies aided the Vijayanagar sovereigns in their acquisition of power. In 1487 Narasiṃha of Vijayanagar completely subverted the Pāṇḍiyan country, Choḷa having fallen long before, and by the close of the fifteenth century the power of Vijayanagar was acknowledged as paramount through the entire peninsula. Small principalities existed, such as that of Maisūr, the Redḍi chieftainship of Koṇḍaviḍu south of the Krishnā (which lasted from 1328 till 1427), and the always independent principality of Travancore, but Vijayanagar was supreme. At the beginning of the sixteenth century Krishnadeva Rāya of Vijayanagar further extended the power of his house by the reduction of refractory chiefs far and wide, till his dynasty arose in his day to its greatest height of glory.

In 1564 (the third landmark) all this collapsed. The Muḥammadan sovereigns of the Dakhaṇ combined, and in one grand effort swept over Vijayanagar, sacked the capital, put to death the powerful chief who had ruled over the destinies of the empire, and for ever crushed out all semblance of independent Hindu power from the south of India. Even the very family that governed Vijayanagar divided, so that it becomes almost impossible to trace their history, and for a second time the whole of the peninsula was thrown into confusion.

Naturally the minor chiefs seized this opportunity for throwing off all fealty to their sovereign, and throughout the peninsula arose a large number of petty Poḷegars and small chieftains, whose quarrels and wars and struggles for supremacy kept the whole country in confusion for two-and-a-half centuries. The only chiefs that attained to real power were the Madura Nāyakkas, formerly viceroys of Vijayanagar, who speedily became independent and reduced to subjection almost the whole of the old Pāṇḍiyan kingdom, their compatriots, the Nāyakkas of Tanjore, holding sway over *Choladeśa*. The Rājas of Maisūr, too, became independent, and established a kingdom, though not a very powerful one.

Over all this distracted country the Muḥammadans gradually pressed downwards, securing the dominion of the countries south of the Tuṅgabhadra, and eastwards to the sea, and encroaching southwards till they had reached the southern confines of the Telugu country by the middle of the seventeenth century, and by the beginning of the eighteenth were in power far south. The Mahrattas had established themselves in Tanjore in 1674 and remained there till the English supremacy. In 1736 the Musalmāns obtained possession of Madura.

The English, settled at Madras since 1639, now began to acquire more and more territory and power, and in the course of the century had conquered almost the whole of the south of India, the defeat of the Maisūr Musalmāns under Tipū Šultān in 1799 finally laying the peninsula at their feet.

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### THE ĀLUPAS.

(Also called *Ālupas*. See Mr. Fleet's *Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, p. 14.)

They are mentioned in a Maisūr inscription on copper, known to many readers of scientific literature as "The Merkāra Plates." The age of this document is at present disputed. In a grant of A.D. 694 (Š.Š. 616)<sup>1</sup> the "Ālupas" are mentioned. The "Ālupas" are spoken of in a Kādamba inscription of A.D. 1169-70 (*Kāliyuga* 4270)<sup>2</sup> and in the *Vikramāṅkadevacharita* of Bilhāna.<sup>3</sup> Mr. Fleet locates them somewhere in the west or north-west of the Madras Presidency.

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### ĀDIL SHĀHI DYNASTY OF VIJAYAPURA (BIJAPUR).

(See DAKHAN, Muḥammadan kings of the—.)

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### AHMADNAGAR, NIZĀM SHĀHI DYNASTY OF—

(See DAKHAN, Muḥammadan kings of the—.)

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### THE ANDHRA DYNASTY.

The earliest kings of whom we have any trace who ruled the north of this Presidency are the Andhras. The great Maurya dynasty of the north were, according to the *Purānas*, succeeded by kings of the Saṅga family, and these again by the Kaṅvas. The last Kaṅva, Suśarman or Sīsuman, was murdered by his minister Śūdraka or Śipraka, who seized the throne and founded a dynasty which was called after the name of his tribe, the Andhras. These are the *Andaræ* of the Greek geographers.<sup>4</sup> Three dynasties successively ruled over their widely extended territories. These were the *Andhras* Proper, the *Āndhra-jātikas*, or "relatives of the Andhras," and the *Āndhra-bhrityas*, or "servants of the Andhras."

The whole of the north of the Madras Presidency down, at least, to the Kṛishṇā river, and probably considerably to the south of it, belonged to them, and many of their leaden coins are found in the tracts near the great rivers. They were Buddhists in religion. About the beginning of the Christian era the Andhras were exceedingly powerful, possessing, according to Pliny, very large armies. They held the whole of Kālīṅgā.

In the IXth Volume of the *Asiatic Researches*, pp. 101-116, will be found an essay on the Andhras by Wilford, from which I extract the following comparative table of kings of the dynasty, taken from the several *Purānas*. I have corrected the spelling, and in the case of the list from the *Vishṇu Purāna* have added in italics notes by Mr. Edward Thomas. The list in the *Matsya Purāna* contains twenty-nine names.

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<sup>1</sup> *Ind. Ant.*, Vol. VII, p. 300.

<sup>2</sup> J.B.B.R.A.S., Vol. IX, p. 278.

<sup>3</sup> Bühler's Edition, V, 26. *Ind. Ant.* V, 320.

<sup>4</sup> *Āndra Indī* in the Peutingerian Tables. Pliny calls them *Gens Andaræ*.

BHĀGAVATA-PURĀNA.	VISHNU-PURĀNA.	VĀYU-PURĀNA.	BRĀHMĀNDA-PURĀNA.
		YEARS.	YEARS.
Balihita ... ..	Śipraka (or Śūdraka) ... ..	Sindhuka ... 23	Chhismaka ... .. 23
Kṛishṇa ... ..	Kṛishṇa ... ..	Kṛishṇa ... 18	Kṛishṇa ... .. 18
Śrī Śātakarnī ... ..	Śrī Śātakarnī ... ..	Śrī Śātakarnī ... ..	Śrī Śātakarnī ... .. 10
Paurṇamāsa ... ..	Pūrṇotsaṅga ... ..	Pūrṇotsaṅga ... 18	Pūrṇotsaṅga ... .. 18
.....	Śātakarnī ... ..	Śātakarnī ... 56	Śātakarnī ... .. 56
Lambodara ... ..	Lambodara ... ..	Lambodara ... 18	Lambodara ... .. 18
Ivilaka ... ..	Ivilaka ( <i>Vikalā</i> ?) ... ..	Āpilaka ... .. 12	Āpilaka ... .. 12
Meghasvāti ... ..	Meghasvāti ... ..	.....	Saudāsa ... .. 18
Aṭamāna ... ..	Paṭumat ( <i>Puḍumāyī</i> ?) ... ..	Puṭumābi ... 24	Ābhi ... .. 12
.....	Ariṣṭakarman ... ..	Nēmi Kṛishṇa ... 25	.....
Hāleya ... ..	Hala ... ..	Hala ... .. 1	Skandāsvāti ... .. 28
Talaka ... ..	Pattalaka ( <i>Maṇḍalaka</i> ?) ... ..	Pulaka ... .. 5	Bhāvaka ... .. 5
Purīshbhoru ... ..	Pravillasena ( <i>Purīkasena</i> ?) ... ..	Purīkasena ... 21	Pravillasena ... .. 12
Sunandana ... ..	Sundara Śātakarnīn ... ..	Śātakarnī ... 1	Sundara Śātakarnī ... 1
Chakora ... ..	Chakora Śātakarnīn ... ..	Chakora Śātakarnī ½	Chakora Śātakarnī ... 6
.....	.....	.....	Mahendra Śātakarnī ... 3
.....	.....	.....	Kuntala Śātakarnī ... 8
Vāṭaka ... ..	.....	.....	.....
Śivasvāti ... ..	Śivasvāti ... ..	Śivasvāmi ... 28	Svātisena ... .. 1
Gotamīputra ... ..	Gotamīputra ... ..	Gautamīputra ... 21	Yantramāti ... .. 34
Purīmān ... ..	Pulimān (or Pulomat) ... ..	.....	.....
.....	Śātakarnīn ... ..	.....	Śātakarnī ... .. 29
Madaśirā ... ..	Śivaśrī ... ..	.....	Ābhi ... .. 4
Śivaskanda ... ..	Śivaskanda ... ..	.....	Śivaskanda Śātakarnī 2
Yajñaśrī ... ..	Yajñaśrī ... ..	Yajñaśrī ... 29	} Yajñaśrī Śātakarnī 19
		Śātakarnī ... 60	
Vijaya ... ..	Vijaya ... ..	.....	.....
Chandravijaya ... ..	Chandraśrī ( <i>Danḍaśrī</i> ?) ... ..	Danḍaśrī ... 3	Danḍaśrī Śātakarnī 3
Lomadhi ... ..	Pulomārchis ( <i>Pulomāvi</i> ) ... ..	Puloma ... .. 7	Puloma ... .. 7

Of the above sovereigns, the descent of all is given as in the direct male line, with the exception of the second, Kṛishṇa, who was brother of the usurper, Śipraka. Śrī Śātakarnī was son of Kṛishṇa, and thence the line proceeds direct.

Tables are also given in Prinsep's *Indian Antiquities, Useful Tables*, p. 241 ; and in the *Bṛihat Saṁhitā* (J.R.A.S., Vol. V, n.s., p. 82, etc.).

Mr. Fergusson, in his *History of Indian and Eastern Architecture* (p. 717), gives the following list<sup>1</sup> :—

Śipraka	...	...	...	...	...	B.C.	31 to	A.D.	8
Krishna	...	...	...	...	...	A.D.	8 to	"	10
Śatakarnī I	...	...	...	...	...	"	10 to	"	28
Pūrṇotsaṅga	...	...	...	...	...	"	28 to	"	46
Śivasvāmi	...	...	...	...	...	"	46 to	"	64
Śatakarnī II	...	...	...	...	...	"	64 to	"	120
Lambodara	...	...	...	...	...	"	120 to	"	138
Āpitaka	...	...	...	...	...	"	138 to	"	150
Saṅgha	...	...	...	...	...	"	150 to	"	168
Śatakarnī III	...	...	...	...	...	"	168 to	"	186
Skandasvāti	...	...	...	...	...	"	186 to	"	193
Mṛigendra	...	...	...	...	...	"	193 to	"	196
Kuntalasvāti	...	...	...	...	...	"	196 to	"	204
Svātikarṇa	...	...	...	...	...	"	204 to	"	205
Pulomavit	...	...	...	...	...	"	205 to	"	241
Gorakshāśvārī	...	...	...	...	...	"	241 to	"	266
Hala	...	...	...	...	...	"	266 to	"	271
Maṅḍalaka	...	...	...	...	...	"	271 to	"	276
Purindrasena	...	...	...	...	...	"	276 to	"	281
Sindara	...	...	...	...	...	"	281 to	"	284
Rājadhivāti (6 months)	...	...	...	...	...	"		284	
Śivasvāti	...	...	...	...	...	"	284 to	"	312
Gautamīputra	...	...	...	...	...	"	312 to	"	333
Vāsithāputra	...	...	...	...	...	"	333 to	"	335
Pulomat	...	...	...	...	...	"	335 to	"	363
Śivaśrī	...	...	...	...	...	"	363 to	"	370
Skandasvāti	...	...	...	...	...	"	370 to	"	377
Yajñaśrī	...	...	...	...	...	"	377 to	"	406
Vijaya	...	...	...	...	...	"	406 to	"	412
Chandraśrī	...	...	...	...	...	"	412 to	"	422
Pulomat	...	...	...	...	...	"	422 to	"	429 or 436

In J.B.B.R.A.S., XIII, 303, will be found a paper by Dr. Codrington and Bhagvānlāl Indrājī Pandit on some Āndhrabhṛitya coins. They give the names of Valivāya, son of Vasati (*Vasithi*),—Śivala, son of Madharī,—and Vidivāya, son of Gotamī.

In connection with this subject may be noted the succession of the predecessors of the Andhras mentioned above, as it seems certain that the sovereigns of those dynasties must have ruled over the northern portion of the Madras Presidency; though as yet, with the exception of the existence of the Edict of Aśoka at Jaugada in Ganjam, I know of no remaining trace of their presence. These tables are taken from Mr. Fergusson's *Indian and Eastern Architecture*, p. 716.

#### MAURYA DYNASTY (137 Years).

Chandragupta	...	...	...	...	...	B.C.	325 to	B.C.	301
Bimbāsāra	...	...	...	...	...	"	301 to	"	276
Aśoka <sup>2</sup>	...	...	...	...	...	"	276 to	"	240
Suyāśas	...	...	...	...	...	"	240 to	"	230 ?
Daśaratha	...	...	...	...	...	"	230 ? to	"	220 ?
Saṅgata	...	...	...	...	...	"	220 ? to	"	212 ?
Indrapālita	...	...	...	...	...	"	212 ? to	"	210
Somaśarman	...	...	...	...	...	"	210 to	"	203
Śasadharman	...	...	...	...	...	"	203 to	"	195
Vṛihadratha	...	...	...	...	...	"	195 to	"	188

<sup>1</sup> Dr. Oldenberg's paper on "*Ancient Indian Inscriptions and Coins*" in *Ind. Ant.* X, 213, may be consulted with reference specially to the older dynasties of the north-west.

<sup>2</sup> "Account of the great Hindu monarch, Aśoka," by Sir Erskine Perry, in J.B.B.R.A.S. for January 1851.

SAṄGA DYNASTY (112 Years).

Pushpamitra	...	...	...	...	...	B.C. 188 to B.C.	152
Agnimitra	...	...	...	...	...	" 152 to "	144
Sujyeshtha	...	...	...	...	...	" 144 to "	137
Vasumitra	...	...	...	...	...	" 137 to "	129
Bhadra, or Ādraka	...	...	...	...	...	" 129 to "	127
Pulindaka	...	...	...	...	...	" 127 to "	124
Ghoshavasu	...	...	...	...	...	" 124 to "	121
Vajramitra	...	...	...	...	...	" 121 to "	112
Bhagavata	...	...	...	...	...	" 112 to "	86
Devabhūti	...	...	...	...	...	" 86 to "	76

KANVA DYNASTY.

Vasudeva	...	...	...	...	...	B.C. 76 to B.C.	67
Bhūmimitra	...	...	...	...	...	" 67 to "	53
Nārāyaṇa	...	...	...	...	...	" 53 to "	41
Suśarman ( <i>murdered</i> )	...	...	...	...	...	" 41 to "	31

ĀNDHRA-JĀTIKAS, ĀNDHRA-BHṚITYAS.

(See the Andhra Dynasty.)

AVUKU OR AUKU, ZEMINDARS OF—

(See Owk, Zemindars of—.)

BĀHMANĪ DYNASTY.

(See DAKHAṆ, Muḥammadan kings of the—.)

BALLĀLAS, THE—

(See HOYŚALA BALLĀLAS of Maisūr.)

BANAVĀSI, THE KĀDAMBAS OF—

(See KĀDAMBAS.)

BARĪD SHĀHI DYNASTY AT BĪDAR OR AHMADĀBĀD.

(See DAKHAṆ, Muḥammadan Kings of the—.)

BEDNŪR, RĀJAS OF—

(See IKKERI.)

BĪDAR OR AHMADĀBĀD, BARĪD SHĀHI DYNASTY OF—

(See DAKHAṆ, Muḥammadan kings of the—.)

BIJAPUR OR VIJAYAPURA, 'ĀDIL SHĀHI DYNASTY OF—

(See DAKHAṆ, Muḥammadan kings of the—.)

BĪRĀR, IMĀD SHĀHI DYNASTY OF—

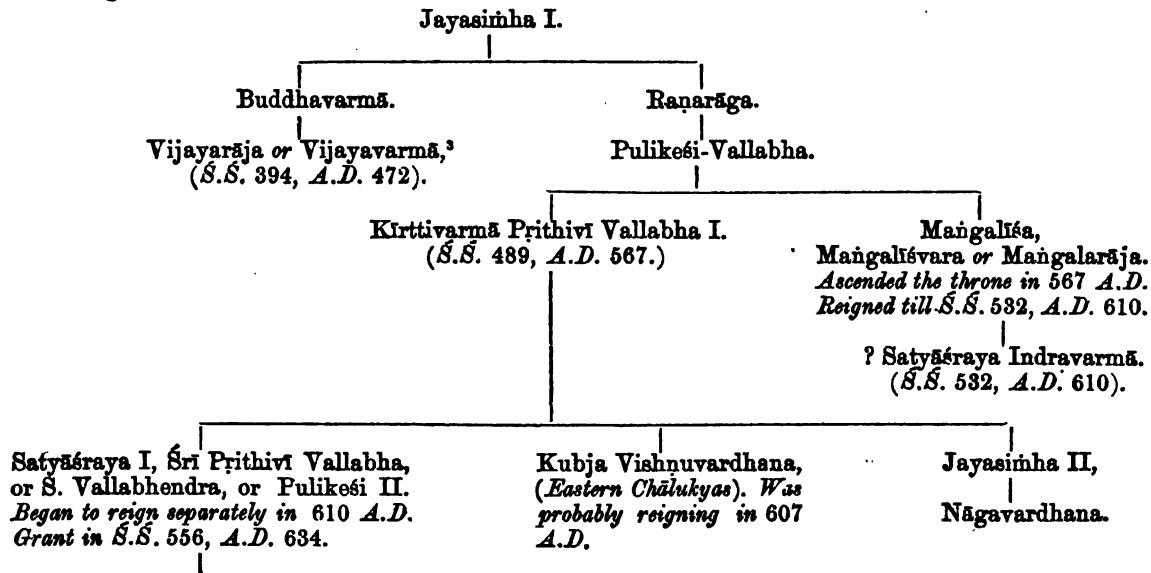
(See DAKHAṆ, Muḥammadan kings of the—.)

## THE CHALUKYAS.

The kingdom of the Chalukyas<sup>1</sup> was at one time widely extended, and for six centuries, from the sixth to the twelfth, they maintained a sovereignty, which, if sometimes merely nominal, was at others extremely powerful. We first hear of them in the Dakhan in the sixth century, the third sovereign of the family ascending the throne in A.D. 566. Inscriptions of the dynasty are numerous, and those of the later sovereigns during the decay of the kingdom insert, in the genealogical portion of the document, a mythical series of kings, by which the descent of the family is traced, in the Lunar Race, through a succession of 59 sovereigns ruling in Ayodhya, to one Vijayāditya, who is said to have journeyed southwards bent on conquest, but to have lost his life in battle. His widow fled, took refuge in the house of a Brahman, and there gave birth to a posthumous son—Vishnuvardhana. Vishnuvardhana is said to have acquired sovereignty and to have made extensive conquests, strengthening his authority by an alliance with the Pallava king of Kañchi, whose daughter he married. His son was Vijayāditya, and the latter's son was Pulikeśi Vallabha. The old inscription at Aihole, published by Mr. Fleet in the *Indian Antiquary* (V, 67) names Pulikeśi's father Ranarāga, and his grandfather, Jayasimha Vallabha. Mr. Fleet's estimate of this early history is that it is "a mere farrago of vague tradition and *Purānik* myths, of no authority, based on the undoubted facts that the Chalukyas did come originally from the north and did find the Pallavas in possession of some of the territories afterwards acquired by themselves, and on a tradition of the later Kādambas that the founder of their family was named Trilochana or Trinetra."

Pulikeśi's grandsons separated, and became the ancestors respectively of the Western and Eastern Chālukyas; the elder remaining in the Western Dakhan, while the younger, Kubja Vishnuvardhana, won for himself by the sword the sovereignty of the Eastern Coast by his conquest of the Śalānkāyana kings of Veṅgī (Pallavas). This conquest was very important, not only because of its political results, but because it was a triumph of the Brahmanical religion over Buddhism. The Veṅgī kings were Buddhists, and they seem to have succeeded the Buddhist Āndhra-bhrityas on the Kriṣṇā river, while the Chalukyas were Vaishnavas.

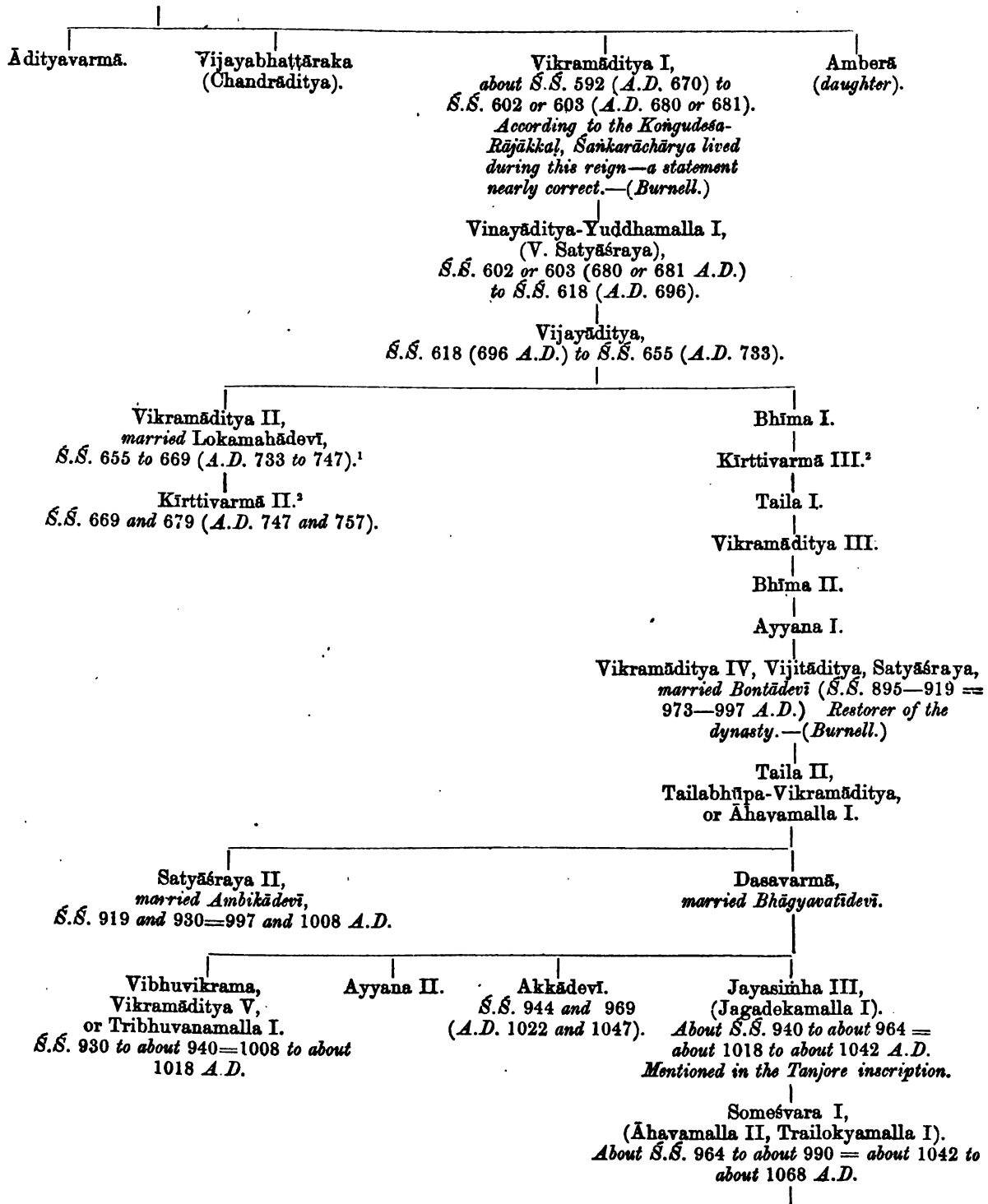
The following tables are taken mostly from Dr. Burnell's *South Indian Palæography*, page 18,<sup>2</sup> and Mr. Fleet's *Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, p. 18. The earliest sovereigns are called "Chalukyas." After the division between Satyāśraya I and Kubja Vishnuvardhana the dynasties are respectively known as those of the "Western Chalukyas" and "Eastern Chalukyas,"—and the dynasty which commenced with Taila, or Tailapa, I called themselves "Chālukyas." Mr. Fleet has largely added to our knowledge since Dr. Burnell wrote, but I have retained some of that author's remarks.



<sup>1</sup> Mr. Fleet writes (*Ind. Ant.*, VIII. 105) regarding the habit of styling the early Chalukyas "Chalukyas of Kalyānapura,"—"This is nothing but a mistake. Kalyāna is nowhere mentioned in the earlier Chalukyan inscriptions; and, even if it existed as a city at that time, it was certainly not a Chalukya capital. The earliest mention of it that I have obtained is in a stone-tablet inscription of the Western Chalukya king Trailokyamalla or Someśvara I. It is dated *Saka* 975 (A.D. 1053-4). . . ."

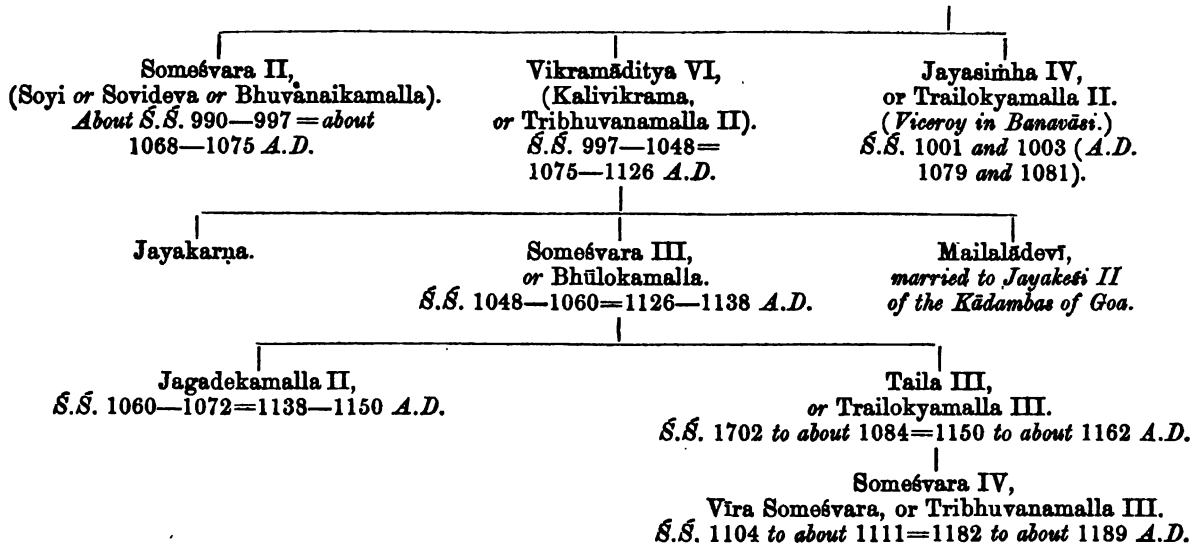
<sup>2</sup> See Professor Dowson's Paper in *J.R.A.S.*, New Series, I, 247 (1865).

<sup>3</sup> The Kaira grant (*Ind. Ant.* VII. 251).



<sup>1</sup> Mr. Rice's inscription (*Ind. Ant.* VIII, 23).

<sup>2</sup> At this point Dr. Burnell interpolates the following note:—"So far the flourishing older dynasty of the Chalukyas, which, after Vikramāditya II, appears to have been for a time almost overthrown by feudatories such as the Rashtrakuta, Kalabhurya, and Yadava chiefs, and the history of this kingdom is, thus, very obscure for the eighth and ninth centuries. With Tailapa, the restorer of the Chalukya power in the later dynasty, all once more becomes tolerably certain, especially as regards the dates of the reigns. A very poetical account of the first sovereigns of this line is given in Bilhana's *Vikramānkaadevacharitra*; it is often contradicted in details by the Chōla inscriptions."



Pulikesi Vallabha is said in an inscription at Aihole (*Ind. Ant.* IV, 205) to have reduced Banavāsi to subjection. Mr. Fleet thinks that up to that time Banavāsi was the capital of an early branch of the Kādambas. Pulikesi also seems to have conquered Bādāmi ("Vātāpi," which Mr. Fleet has satisfactorily identified with Bādāmi.—*Ind. Ant.*, V, 68, etc.)

Kirttivarmā I is, in the last inscription mentioned, called "night of death to the Nalas, the Mauryas, and Kadambas." He claims to have entirely subverted the Kadambas.

His younger brother, Maṅgalkṣa, is stated, in the same inscription, to have conquered the "Kaṭachchuris," whom Mr. Fleet identifies with the Kalachuris. He lost his life in an attempt to secure the kingdom for his own son. He conquered Revatidvīpa, the Mātāṅgas, and Kalachuris, part of the Koṅkaṇas, and a prince named Buddha, son of Śaṅkaragaṇa.

Satyāśraya was one of the most powerful princes of the dynasty. In later years poets were fond of styling the kings of this race and their descendants, "Princes of the House of Satyāśraya." His greatest achievement was his victory over Harshavardhana, king of Kanoj. He conquered a sovereign from the north named Govinda, whom Mr. Fleet takes to be one of the Rāshtrakūtas. He claims, in various inscriptions, to have subdued the Mauryas of the Koṅkaṇa, the "Lāṭas, Mālavas, and Gūrjaras." He reduced the fortress of "Pishtāpura," acquired the sovereignty of *Mahārāshtrakā*, terrified the "Kāliṅgas and Kosalas," drove the Pallavas behind the walls of Kāñchipura, and prepared to conquer the Cholas with a large army. Too much trust must not be placed in the poetry of the inscriptions, but it is abundantly clear from other sources that Satyāśraya was a great conqueror. Hiwen-Tsang gives an interesting account of his kingdom, the manners and customs of the time, and the grandeur of the sovereign. Mr. Fergusson (*J.R.A.S.* XI, 155) points out that presents and letters were interchanged between him and Khosru II, contemporary king of Persia.

Mr. Rice has an inscription (*Mysore Inscriptions*, p. 298) mentioning Amberā, daughter of Satyāśraya.<sup>1</sup>

The Chalukyan supremacy, after the death of Satyāśraya, was interrupted, either by a confederacy of three kings over whom the Pallava lord of Kañchi claimed supremacy, or by three Pallava kings or viceroys in alliance (it is not yet certain which<sup>2</sup>), but Vikramāditya I defeated them and ascended the throne of his fathers. He suffered a reverse at the hands of the Pallavas, but afterwards crushed them and seized Kañchi, their capital. One of the inscriptions mentions that Devaśakti, king of the Sendrakas, was his vassal.

Vinayāditya claims to have conquered the "Pallavas, whose kingdom consisted of three dominions" at "the command of his father," (*Indian Antiquary*, VI, 85, Mr. Fleet). It seems not improbable that the Pallava confederacy which had checked the power of the Chalukyas was overthrown by Vinayāditya at the head of his father's armies, and that after Vinayāditya had acquired the throne of his father, he

<sup>1</sup> As corrected by Mr. Fleet (*Ind. Ant.* X, 133).

<sup>2</sup> The evidence as to this is summarised by Mr. Fleet in *Ind. Ant.* X, 133—135, in reply to an assertion by Mr. Rice that the evidence as to any such confederation is insufficient.



made war on and crushed the Pallavas, seizing their capital city. Vinayāditya seems to have possessed almost the whole of the Dakhan country, and to have extended his conquests southwards. He claims to have conquered the Kaḷambhras (?), the Keralas, Haihayas, Vilas, Mālavas, Cholas, Pāṇḍiyans and others; and though a great deal of this may be vain boasting, he seems to have been a very powerful sovereign.

His son Vijayāditya boasts of conquests, but we do not hear much of him. His reign appears to have been peaceful.

Vikramāditya II claims to have conquered and slain the king of the Pallavas, and again to have victoriously entered Kañchi.<sup>1</sup> In other inscriptions he boasts of having conquered Kañchi, or the king of Kañchi, three times.

Kirttivarmā II claims another victory over the Pallavas.

But the power collapsed shortly afterwards, the feudatories revolting and the short-lived kingdom being overwhelmed by successful revolts and conquests by neighbouring powers.

With Taila II, who "acquired the earth, which had fallen into the hands of the Rattas,"<sup>2</sup> the Western Chālukya kingdom again revived after a blank of two centuries. The territories governed by the new dynasty were greatly reduced in size, and appear to have extended no further than the limits of the Dakhan Proper.

Jayasinha III claims to have overthrown a confederacy of Mālavas, and to have warred against the Cheras and Cholas.

Someśvaradeva I, or Āhava Malla II, appears to have driven back the Cholas, and to have been again defeated by the great Chola king, Kulottuṅga I.<sup>3</sup> In his reign the Kādambas and other neighbouring families began to assume independence. He married three wives, Bachalādevi, Chandalakabbe or Chandrikādevi, and Mailalādevi.

Someśvara II would appear to have checked the Kādambas, part of whose territories was acquired and held by his brother Vikramāditya VI.

Vikramāditya VI re-established the *Saka* Era (Mr. Fleet in *Ind. Ant.* IV, 208, V, 175). He gave his daughter in marriage to a Kādamba prince, and married a Chola princess. He fought many battles, and seems to have been engaged in perpetual struggles to secure his sovereignty against members of his own family no less than against the armies of hostile sovereigns.<sup>4</sup> He was, however, very powerful, and a large number of inscriptions testify to the extent of his territories.

From this period the kingdom began to fall to pieces and nothing remarkable seems to have been achieved by the later sovereigns, though Someśvara IV re-established for a few years the power which had been rudely shaken by Bijjala the Kālachuri. The power of the Kālachuri and Ganapati kings and the rise of the Hoysāla Ballāla dynasty of Maisūr sealed the fate of the Western Chālukyas, and nothing is heard of them after 1189 A.D.<sup>5</sup>

#### EASTERN CHĀLUKYAS.

It has been already stated (p. 148) that the two great Chalukyan brothers, Satyāśraya and Kubja Vishnuvardhana, separated and established two separate dynasties. The family of the former are called the Western Chālukyas. Kubja Vishnuvardhana, marching to the Eastern Coast, conquered and dethroned the Śālaṅkāyana sovereign of Veṅgi and established a dynasty which, gradually extending its conquests to the borders of Orissa and fixing its capital at Rajahmundry, ruled Kalingā for four centuries.

The genealogy is as follows. The table is mainly taken from Dr. Burnell's *South-Indian Palæography*, (pp. 21, 22).

<sup>1</sup> An inscription published by Mr. Rice (*Ind. Ant.* VIII, 26) gives particulars of this event. It appears that after his coronation the king made war on the Pallavas, killed in battle Nandi Pótavarmā, their king, and victoriously entered Kañchi. He found that city richly decorated with sculptures which had been executed under the orders of a former king, Narasinha Pótavarmā, amongst them being images of *Rājasimha* (?) Vikramāditya II, when he left Kañchi, travelled on to the coast, and took up his residence there, for a time, in a town on the sea.

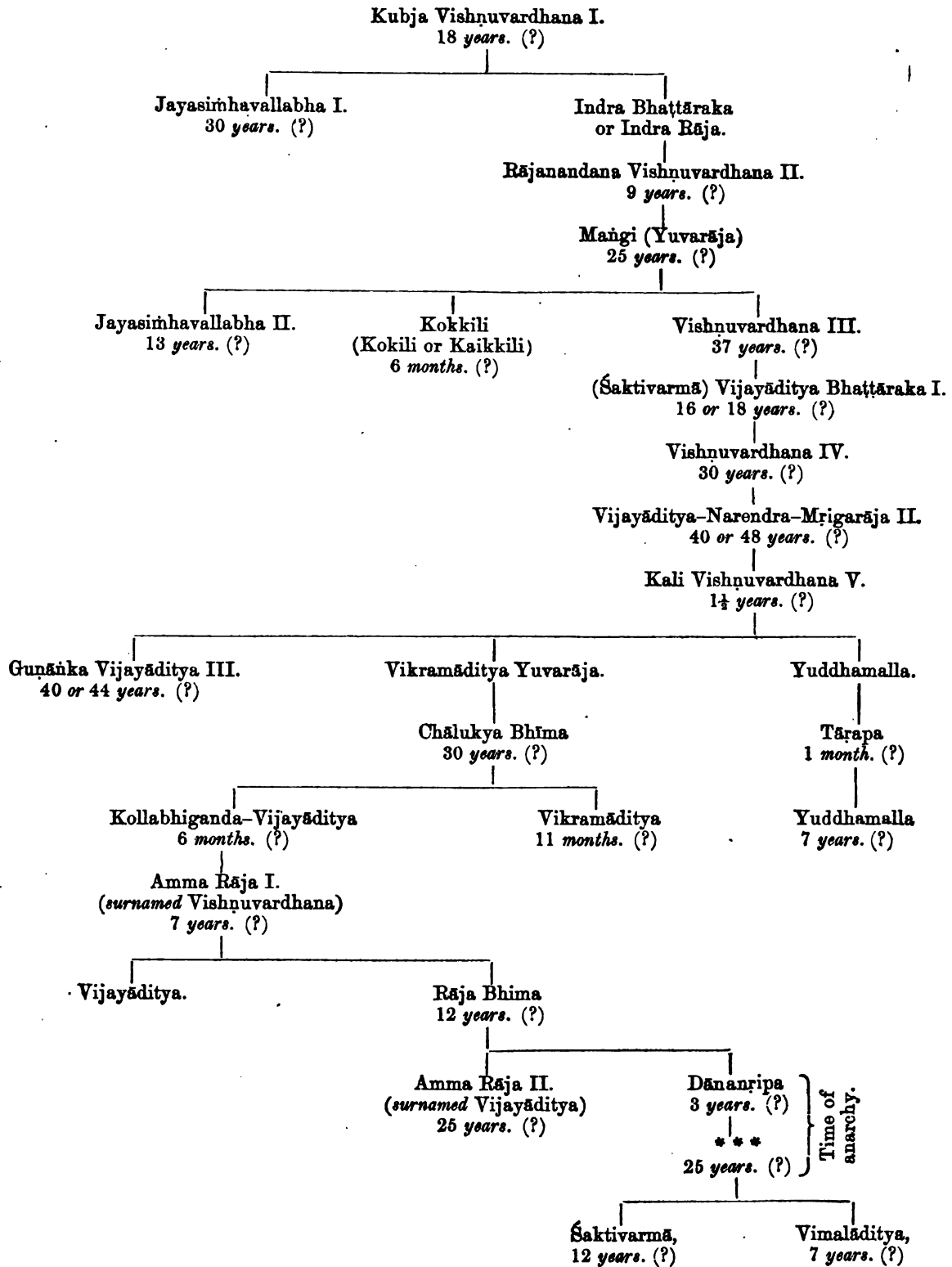
<sup>2</sup> *Ind. Ant.* V, 17.

<sup>3</sup> In Bilhana's *Vikramāśakadeva*, it is claimed for Someśvara I that he conquered the Cholas, apparently twice; and it expressly states that the Chola monarch had attacked him. But several inscriptions mention Kulottuṅga's defeat of the Chālukyan sovereign. (*Ind. Ant.* V, 318).

<sup>4</sup> (*Ind. Ant.* V, 319—623). While in camp on the Tuṅgabhadra, Vikrama heard of the death of his father-in-law. He marched on Kañchi, crushed a rebellion there, put the rightful heir on the throne, and then seized Gaṅgaikondaśrāpura. Shortly after he had retired he heard of the death of the newly enthroned monarch, and of the seizure of the Chola throne by "Rājiga, lord of Veṅgi," a member of the family. Vikrama offered battle, but was attacked in rear by his brother Someśvara, whom he defeated, while Rājiga fled. Vikrama then ascended the throne of the Chālukyas, A.D. 1076. He is said to have conquered the Cholas on two subsequent occasions.

<sup>5</sup> J.R.A.S. IV, 17; M.J.L.S. VII, 209; Mr. Fleet's "Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts," 55, 59—63.

## CHĀLUKYAS, EASTERN.



Vimalāditya married Kūṇḍavā, daughter of Rājarāja of the Sūryavamśa, and younger sister of Rājendra Chōla. His successor Rājarāja of the Chandravamśa married (A.D. 1022) Iramonaṅgā, (?)

daughter of Rājendra Chola, and their son Rājendra Chola was the first Chola ruler of Veṅgi, and succeeded in A.D. 1064.<sup>1</sup> The Veṅgi kingdom thenceforward became a mere northern province of *Cholaḍeśa*. The succession of Cholas will be given below. Rājendra Kulottuṅga I made his son Rājarāja regent of the Chālukya country; but after ruling for a year the latter retired to the south, and the sovereign created his uncle Vijayāditya viceroy. Vijayāditya governed Kalingā for 15 years. On his death Kulottuṅga gave the viceroyalty to his second son, Viranātha, who ruled there till at least as late as A.D. 1102.

According to Dr. Burnell, the Cholas lost this country in 1228 A.D.

The number of years given to each sovereign's reign varies slightly in different inscriptions, and it is impossible yet to be quite certain of dates, as very few of the Eastern Chālukya inscriptions are dated.

Kubja Vishnuvardhana's conquest is generally believed to have taken place about the year 605 A.D., and this may be taken as the approximate date. He seems to have finally separated from his brother in A.D. 610. The inscriptions of this dynasty unfortunately contain little more than mere lists of names with no details, and therefore it is impossible as yet to frame any connected narrative. The main landmarks are the conquest of Kubja Vishnuvardhana;—the struggle for the throne between the two sons of Maṅgi the "Yuvarāja" and their half-brother Kokkili, resulting in the expulsion of the latter after he had ruled for six months;—the usurpation of Tārapa who drove out Amma Rāja I's son Vijayāditya and seized the throne;—his own ejection at the hands of Chālukya Bhīma's son Vikramāditya, a month later;—the struggles which ensued between rival claimants ending with the triumph of Rāja Bhīma, who reigned for 12 years;—the accession of Amma Rāja II in 945 A.D., a date which is fixed by an inscription;—the anarchy of 27 or 30 years (duration not certain) which ensued;—and the extinction of the dynasty when the Cholas succeeded to the sovereignty. For the subsequent history of the Eastern Chālukyas, see under "THE CHOLAS" (p. 154).

In the reign of one of the sovereigns bearing the name of Vishnuvardhana at Rajahmundry, lived Nannayya Bhatta, who, at the command of the king, composed the Telugu version of the *Mahābhārata*, (see Campbell's *Telugu Grammar, Introd.*, IX—X, where the original passage relating to the authorship of the poem is quoted).

The Eastern Chālukyas may be considered as having ruled during these four centuries more or less peaceably over the whole of the Veṅgi and part at least of the Kalingā countries; being disturbed probably more by the Gajapatis of Orissa on the north than by any power on their south and west.

At the end of the twelfth and beginning of the thirteenth centuries, the Ganapati sovereigns of Oran-gal were acquiring power in the Eastern Chālukyan territories, and they finally ejected the Chola-Chālukyas about the year 1228 A.D. (*Dr. Burnell*).

#### THE CHERAS.

There has been much difference of opinion in scientific quarters as to the Chera and Koṅgu Dynasties, some writers asserting that they were identical, some that they were totally different. The territories ruled by them have been variously assigned. The opinion seems to be gaining ground that the Cheras were the dynasty that preceded the Koṅgu in the same kingdom, in other words that the first seven sovereigns of the Koṅgu Dynasty, as given below (p. 189), ought properly to be styled Cheras. Others believe that the Cheras ruled almost the whole of the Western Coast and the country far inland, north of the Pāṇḍiyans, west of the Pallavas and Cholas, and south of the Koṅkana, from the earliest known historical times, their territories, of course, varying perpetually as their arms were victorious or the reverse in their wars with their neighbours, until the Koṅgu, who occupied the eastern and northern portion of their dominions, including Maisūr, overwhelmed the old sovereignty and succeeded to the most part of their dominions, the Western Coast being excluded.

The Cheras were mentioned by the oldest known European geographers as well as by the most ancient writers yet known in India. They are spoken of as contemporary with the Cholas and Pāṇḍiyans, and are so mentioned in the edicts of Aśoka, where their sovereign is called Keralaputra. According to Ptolemy (VII, I, 86), Karūr was their capital then. Hiwen-Thsang does not mention the kingdom, but refers to part of it under the name of *Koṅkanapura* (Koṅkanahalli). (*Dr. Burnell's South-Indian Palaeography*, p. 33, notes 1 and 2; *Ind. Ant.* VIII, 145, 146.)

<sup>1</sup> This is Sir Walter Elliot's account. I confess it puzzles and perplexes me at present, because it does not seem to tally with other contemporary statements, but all will soon become clear, it is to be hoped, and meanwhile it is fitting that I should quote the opinions of the best authorities.

Those who desire to study the subject should read Mr. Foulkes's historical sketch of the country in question in the *Salem District Manual*, and Professor Dowson's Paper in Vol. VIII of the *Royal Asiatic Society's Journal*. See also Dr. Burnell's *South-Indian Palæography*, p. 33, &c.; the Markara Plates (*Ind. Ant.* I, 361—366; II, 271, note, and V, 133); the Nāgamaṅgala Plates (*Ind. Ant.* II, 155; III, 152 and 262); Mr. Rice's note on the Gaṅga Kings (*Ind. Ant.* VII, 168).

### THE CHOLA KINGS.

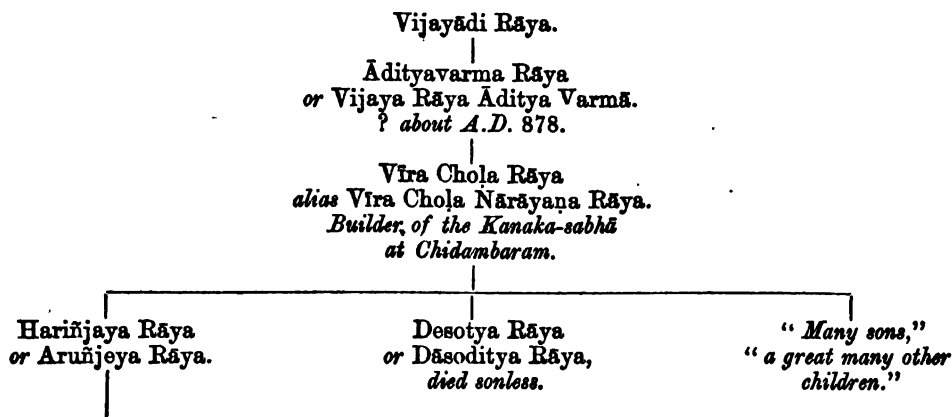
The Chola<sup>1</sup> Kingdom forms one of the three great divisions of Southern India, which existed from the earliest known historical times. The Cholas held the east, the Pāṇḍiyans the south, and the Cheras the west. This distinction existed as far back as the days of Aśoka, and is confirmed by Greek writers. Unfortunately Chola history is almost a blank till the days of Rājarāja (1023 A.D.). We have not even a legendary list of names to guide (or mislead) us as with the Pāṇḍiyans.

The Chola capital seems to have been at Uṛaiyūr (Warriore) close to Trichinopoly in the second century A.D., at Malaikūṛram (Kumbakōnam?)<sup>2</sup> in the seventh, and at Tanjore (?) in the tenth—(*Dr. Burnell*). It was at Gaṅgaikōṇḍaśōrapuram at one time, probably in the tenth century, being fixed finally at Tanjore early in the eleventh. The ancient name for the Chola country, according to Dr. Burnell (*South Indian Palæography*, 47, note 4,) was *Malakūṭa*. "The Chola banner had a tiger on it, which the kings of this dynasty must have taken from the Pallavas." (*ib.* 107.)

I have met with only two lists, which can be at all depended upon, of Chola sovereigns reigning prior to Rājarāja. The first is given by Mr. Lewis Rice (*Mysore and Coorg*, I, 212) as that of Cholas reigning in the east of Maisūr.

	A.D.
Ādityavarmā, Rājendra Chola ... ..	867 to 927
Vira Chola, Nārāyanarāja ... ..	927 to 977
Dasoditya Rāya ... ..	?
Parandaka Rāya, Hari Māli ... ..	?
Divya Rāya, or Deva Rāja Chola ... ..	?
Harivari Deva, or Tribhuvana Vira Deva Chola ... ..	986 to 1023

But Mr. Rice adds, "There is no certainty regarding either the names or the dates," and he does not give his authority for the list. The second is by Mr. Foulkes (*Salem District Manual*, Vol. I, p. 39).



<sup>1</sup> Lists of the Cholas will be found in the following works:—

Buchanan's *Mysore, Canara and Malabar*, iii, 472, (Higginbotham's 8vo Edition of 1870, Vol. ii, p. 532,) taken from a native Manuscript.

J. A. S. B., vii, 371, 389, 507, 512. Taylor's Oriental Manuscripts.

Wilson's *Catalogue of the Mackenzie MSS.*, I, pp. xc and 181.

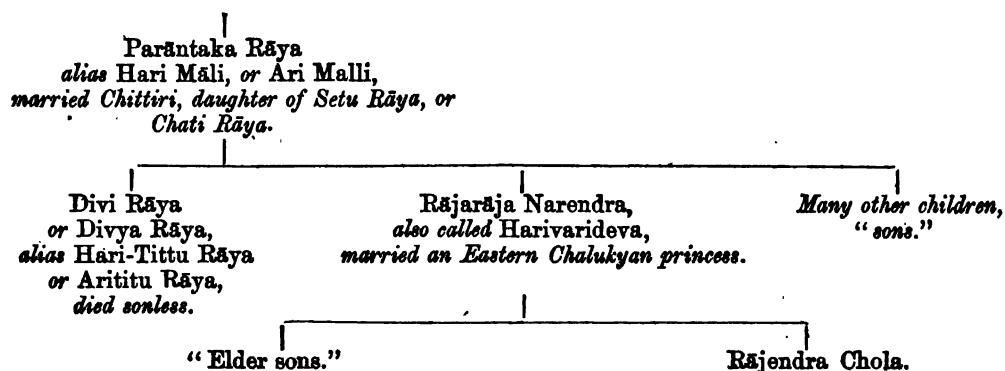
Taylor's *Catalogue Raisonné of Oriental MSS.*, III, 391, 440, 518, 522.

Prinsep's "Useful Tables" in Thomas's Edition, II, 275, 279. The lists are taken from Buchanan and Wilson.

Taylor's notices of the Manuscripts in the several volumes of the M. J. L. S.

None of them, however, must be depended upon for a moment as they come from most untrustworthy sources.

<sup>2</sup> *Malai* = "hill," *kūṛram* = "subdivision." The place seems also to have been called "Malakūṭa." (*Ind. Ant.* VII, 39). Apparently it gave its name to a tract of country, for mention is made of a Brahman village, "the ornament of Malakūṭa." Dr. Burnell thinks that "Malakūṭa" was "the kingdom comprised, roughly speaking, in the delta of the Kaveri."



I have cut the genealogy short as it is unnecessary here to give the whole.

Dr. Burnell thinks that the Cholas were extending their power to the northwards about the period from 850 to 1023 A.D. by warfare and inroads, and he attributes the thirty (or twenty-seven) years' anarchy in the Eastern Chalukyan dominions to Choḷa invasions. With Rājarāja (1023 A.D.) the history becomes all more clear, but previons to that reign we are as yet very much in the dark. Dr. Burnell tentatively fixes Karikāla Choḷa about the year 950 A.D., but this is not as yet conclusive.

The Chola kingdom was in existence as early as 250 B.C., being mentioned in the inscriptions of Aśoka where it is called "Chōḍa." It was also known to the Greek Geographers and is noticed in the *Periplus Maris Erythraei*,<sup>1</sup> and in Ptolemy (130 A.D.), the capital being then at Uṛaiyūr. It is clear from the legends in the Madura *Sthala Purāna* and the *Sritāla* Book that, according to Pāṇḍiyan tradition, the kingdom of Chola was as old as that of the Pāṇḍiyans, or even older, since the son of the founder of Madura is stated to have married the daughter of the Choḷa king. These legends allude perpetually to wars between the Cholas and Pāṇḍiyans, but there is no need to discuss the question as to their authenticity. If the two nations were contemporary, it is almost certain that they must have been constantly at feud, but the particular battles mentioned in the legends are probably purely mythical.

At the beginning of the seventh century we read in an inscription<sup>2</sup> of the celebrated Satyāśraya or Pulikesi II of the Chalukyan dynasty, that that sovereign ruined the Pallavas of Kāñchi, and had proposed to himself to annihilate the Cholas; but the expedition seems to have been abandoned. A few years later, viz., about the year 640 A.D., Hiwen-Thsang heard of the kingdom though he did not visit it. Vikramāditya I of the Western Chalukyas (670—680 ?) claims<sup>3</sup> to have conquered Choḷa, though the statement is not necessarily to be credited. He, however, seems certainly to have defeated the Pallavas, and to have seized Kāñchipura. (The "Seven Pagodas" probably date from this reign.) Vinayāditya<sup>4</sup> (A.D. 680 P.-696), his successor, also claims, and probably with equal want of truthfulness, to have conquered the Cholas. About 60 years later the Western Chalukyan Kingdom seems to have collapsed, and to have only risen again to power after a lapse of two centuries. In Wilson's Mackenzie Manuscripts (I, pp. 198-9) mention is made of an inscription which shows that in 894 A.D. the Cholas, under their king Adityavarmā, conquered the Chera or Koṅgu country. The date seems to be somewhat uncertain but there can be little doubt that this conquest really did take place, and that the Cholas held the Koṅgu country (Maisūr mainly) till the tenth century, when the Hoysāla Ballālas arose on the ruins of the Koṅgu kings. Tailabhūpa Vikramāditya of the Western Chālukyas states that he was victorious over the Cholas; and Jayasimha III (1018--1042) makes a similar boast. This brings us down to the reign of the Chola sovereign Rājarāja, who was a contemporary of Jayasimha's, and was one of the most powerful chiefs of his time. He raised the Choḷa kingdom to great eminence. Dr. Burnell thinks that it is certain that the Cholas were conquered by the Chālukyas shortly before the beginning of the eleventh century, i.e., shortly before the reign of Rāja Rāja (1023—1064 A.D.) He writes of Rāja Rāja;—"This king must have restored Tanjore, which, according to Al-Birūnī, was in ruins at the beginning of the eleventh century."<sup>5</sup> This fact confirms the earlier Chālukya boasts of conquest, and was certainly owing to them."

<sup>1</sup> The date of the *Periplus* is fixed by Reinaud as A.D. 246 or 247 (*Ind. Ant.* VIII, 331, 334, 337). For translation, with notes and commentary, see *Ind. Ant.* VIII, 107.

<sup>2</sup> *Ind. Ant.*, VIII, 237.

<sup>3</sup> *Ind. Ant.*, VI, 75.

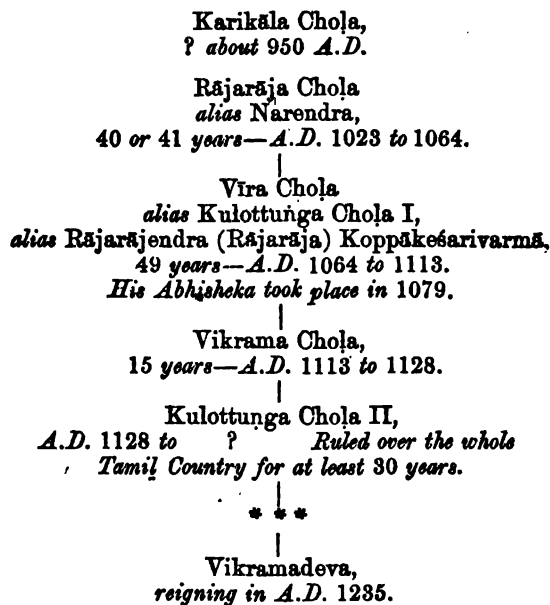
<sup>4</sup> *Ind. Ant.*, VI, 85, 83, 91.

<sup>5</sup> Al-Birūnī wrote at the beginning of the eleventh century. He died A.D. 1039. He is quoted by Rashid-ud-din (1310 A.D.). (Sir Henry Elliot's *History of India*, I, 66; Reinaud *Fragments*, pp. 92, 121; *Mémoires*, p. 284). The king had built "another city on the shore called Padmar."

During the early period, before the eleventh century, the Cholas were repeatedly attacked by powers other than those above mentioned, and we hear of them in succession as being conquered by or conquering the Kādambas, the Pāṇḍiyans, and others.

Singhalese annals give us an invasion of Ceylon by Cholas about the year 247 B.C. (the date is quite unauthenticated), in consequence of which the Cholas ruled the island for 44 years; also a second invasion a hundred years later, and a third in the year 110. A.D. A counter invasion of Chola territories by Singhalese took place in 113 A.D., and subsequent to this, warfare between the two races was of constant occurrence. In the middle of the tenth century it is said that the king of Ceylon sent an army to the assistance of a Pāṇḍiyan king who was then at war with the Cholas, but that the Pāṇḍiyans were defeated, and the Cholas, in revenge, invaded Ceylon but were repulsed. The next thing we hear of relates to the reign of Rājarāja, a period when, as before stated, the chronicles appear more trustworthy.

Dr. Burnell has given the succession thus (*South-Indian Palæography*, p. 40, note 1).



Rājarāja, owing to an intermarriage between the Cholas and Eastern Chālukyas, united the whole of Veṅgi and Kalingā to the Chola territories. (M.J.L.S. XIII, Pt. 2, p. 40). He came to the throne in the same year as King Mihindu IV. of Ceylon, i.e., in 1023 A.D. Ten years later—years during which constant emigration was taking place from the mainland to Ceylon—King Mihindu, overwhelmed with the perpetual influx of foreigners, lost his authority both over his own people and the strangers, and fled to Ambagalla. Rājarāja invaded the island twenty-six years after this event, i.e., in 1059 A.D., and was completely successful. He seized the government, took Mihindu prisoner, and sent him with his queen and the crown jewels to the mainland, appointing a Chola Viceroy to govern the conquered territory. Mihindu died in 1071 A.D., still in captivity.

Previously to this, however, viz., in 1064, the throne of the Cholas passed to Kulottuṅga I or Rājendra Chola, one of the greatest princes of his day.<sup>1</sup> Besides assuming the sovereignty over his own territories, which, by the union of the Chola and Eastern Chālukya countries, extended up to the borders of Orissa, he conquered in A.D. 1064 and annexed for a time the whole of the Pāṇḍiyan kingdom, and by the prowess of his illegitimate son Aḍonḍai (according to native tradition) completely and for ever crushed the power of the Pallavas of Kañchī. Although it must be admitted that proof is as yet wanting, I incline to the belief that there is at least a basis of historical truth underlying this

<sup>1</sup> He was crowned in 1071 A.D. The name of his principal queen seems to have been "Ulaha Muṛududaiyāl," a Tamiḷ translation of "Loka Mahādevī." It is also given in inscriptions as "Bhuvana-, or Arani-Muṛududaiyāl, all meaning the same thing. It has become a question, however, whether this is not a mere title assumed by many South Indian Queens. It has been found in connection with more than one Pāṇḍiyan sovereign, and the wife of Vikramāditya II of the Western Chālukyas bore the same name.

native tradition. At any rate it seems certain that the annexation of the kingdom of the Pallavas to that of the Cholas took place at this period. It is further stated in the great inscription round the temple at Tanjore that the Cholas, towards the beginning of the eleventh century, conquered Bengal (Burnell's *South Indian Palaeography*, p. 22, note 6). Either in the reign of Rājarāja or in that of Kulottuṅga I—probably the former—the Cholas swept over the Western Chālukya country. It was during the reign of Someśvara I of the latter dynasty. (Mr. Fleet's *Kanarese Dynasties*, p. 46 and note 2). They destroyed a number of Jain temples at Puligere or Lakshmeśvara, but their success was only temporary. They were driven over the Tuṅgabhadra and their leader killed. The date of this event is possibly 1059-60 A.D. In the *Vikramānkadevacharita* of Bilhana, Someśvara I is said to have "penetrated as far as Kañchī itself, stormed it, and driven its ruler into the jungles," but this is probably a mere poetical exaggeration and really alludes to the victory above mentioned. A little later the Cholas are again found fighting with the Western Chālukyas, this time with a Pallava (?) of Veṅgi.

Vikramāditya VI, of the Western Chālukyas, who reigned from 1075 to 1126 A.D., was, previous to his accession, always at feud with his elder brother Someśvara II, and during his reign occupied himself in warfare on his own account against the enemies of his country. At this period he is said to have repeatedly defeated the Cholas and plundered Kañchī (it is almost impossible to believe this, and the authority seems to be only the *Vikramānkadevacharita*), to have destroyed the sandalwood forests of the Malaya hills, to have slain the king of Kerala, and conquered the cities of Gaṅgaikondapuram (*Gāṅgakunda*—Mr. Fleet), Veṅgi and Chakrakōṭa or Chakragotta (?). He had married a daughter of the Chola king, and on the occurrence of a rebellion in the Chola country, in which his brother-in-law was killed (this, if true, *must* have been Rājarāja and the date A.D. 1064), he heard that Rājigā, king (?) of Veṅgi, had marched down and seized Kañchī. Vikramāditya marched to the south to meet Rājigā, and his brother Someśvara followed with another army "promising outwardly to assist his brother, but intending to play the traitor." A battle ensued in which Rājigā was defeated and fled, and Someśvara was taken prisoner (*i.e.*, the Cholas were victorious at all points). Vikramāditya then proclaimed himself king.

The above account is all taken from Mr. Fleet's new publication, and he draws his information from Bilhana, who, being a Hindu poet, is almost certain to be absolutely wrong in details, though his story may be based on the truth. I do not therefore discard the tale on account of the discrepancy in dates, for it is quite possible that the latter part of the story may refer to a date eleven years later than the rebellion which caused the Chola king's death—the date, that is, of Vikramāditya's accession to the throne.

Kulottuṅga I was a man of many names. Thus he is called "Vira," "Rājendra," "Koppakēśarivarmā," or "Kopparakēśarivarmā," "Kōvirāja Kēśari," and others. He conquered Āhavamalla, or Someśvaradeva I of the Western Chālukyas in a battle near the Tuṅgabhadra, a fact which is recorded in several inscriptions. The Pāṇḍiyan king whom he conquered was Vira Pāṇḍiyan, son of Vikrama Pāṇḍiyan. (*Inscriptions at Chidambaram*. Dr. Burnell's *South-Indian Palaeography*, p. 45, note 1.) Kulottuṅga placed his younger brother Gaṅgaikondān Chola on the throne of Madura.<sup>1</sup>

Reverting to Ceylon we find that Kulottuṅga held firmly to his father's conquest for the first few years of his reign. Young prince Kāśyapa, however, son of Mihindu, who was at the most 26 years' old at the capture of his father, had been gradually consolidating his power while in exile amongst the hills, and he succeeded in beating back the Chola Viceroy's army when it marched against him, even though the latter was aided by a force of 10,000 men sent over from the mainland to its assistance. Mihindu died in 1071, and Kāśyapa, proclaiming himself King of Ceylon, was making great preparations for driving the usurpers out of the island, when his career was cut short by his early death. He could not have been more than 38 years old. The throne of Ceylon was seized by the son of the minister Lokeśvara on the demise of Kāśyapa, there being no other claimants for the purple. He called himself Vijaya Bāhu I, and proclaimed war against the Cholas. The natives flocked to his standard, and fighting soon afterwards commenced. A general action was, after a protracted and desultory warfare, fought under the walls of Pollonnaruwa, and the Cholas were defeated and driven into the town. After a siege of six weeks the town was carried by storm, and the defenders put to the sword. The king's authority was soon recognized all over the island. Shortly after this, Vijaya Bāhu insulted the Chola king by giving the first place in precedence at an audience to the envoy from Siam in preference to the Chola ambassador, and this so enraged Kulottuṅga that he seized the Singhalese envoy at his court and cut off his nose and ears. War ensued. The Cholas landed at Mantotte, defeated the Singhalese army, and marched on the capital. The king fled, and the Cholas demolished the city. Recovering himself

<sup>1</sup> Dr. Burnell states, on the authority of an inscription at Karuvūr, that this prince assumed the title of "Sundara Pāṇḍiyan."

soon, however, Vijaya Bāhu returned to the attack, defeated the invaders, and drove them from the island.

Kulottuṅga died in 1113, and three years later, during the reign of his son and successor, Vikrama Chola, the Singhalese invaded the Chola country but were driven back without difficulty.

All the old native chronicles unite in narrating the glories of Kulottuṅga's illegitimate son Ādonḍai, the conqueror of the Pallavas. An inscription at Tiruttani (*Vol. I, p. 158*) in the Pallava country gives a genealogy of five generations, and the local chronicle of Nārāyaṇavanam (*ib., pp. 157, 158*) mentions four, of which the names correspond, thus :—

Tiruttani Inscription.

Karikāla Chola.

Chakravarti.

Sudhāmā.

Ruchira.

Nārāyaṇa Rāja.

Nārāyaṇavanam Chronicle.

Ādonḍai.

Sundama Rāja.

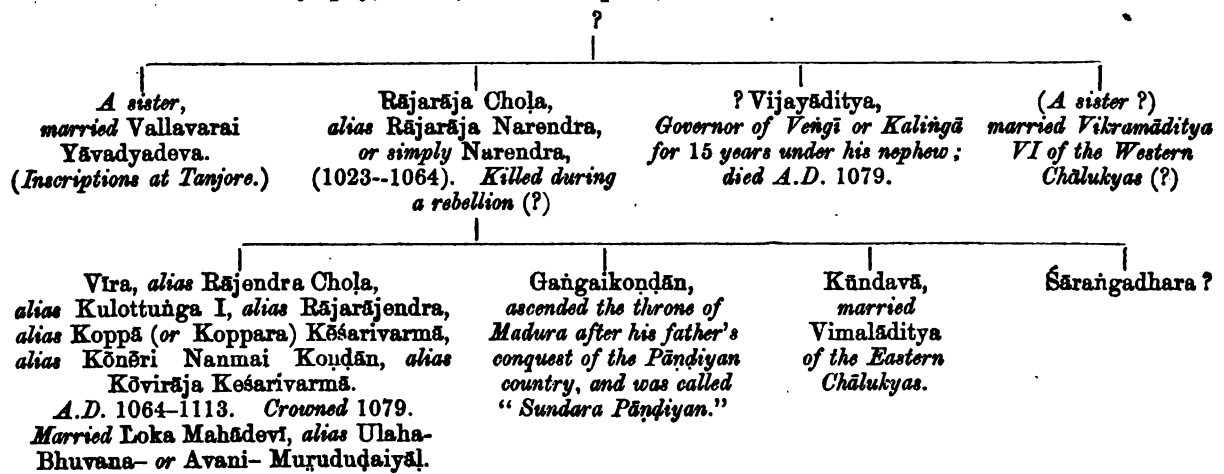
Surasira Rāja.

Nārāyaṇa Rāja.

These evidently refer to the same persons, and "Chakravarti" is a common title of Ādonḍai. Ādonḍai is always declared to be the son of Kulottuṅga I. Was, then, "Kārikāla Chola" another of the latter's numerous names? This point is interesting and important.

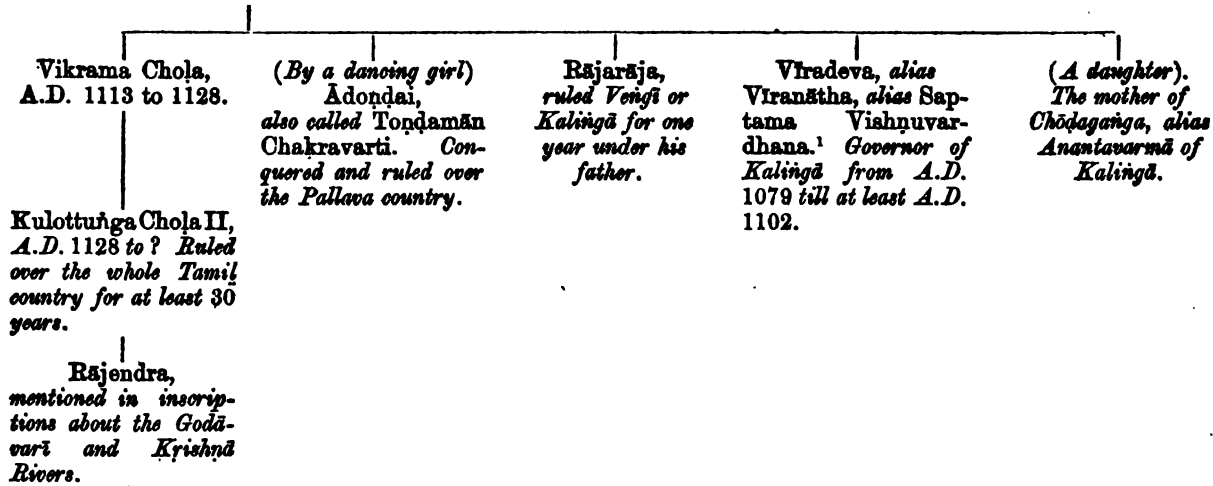
If native chronicles are to be believed in this respect, Kulottuṅga I had a brother Śaraṅgadhara, another son of Rājarāja Chola. In the *Appakāviyam* or Appa Kavi's Commentary on the Grammar of Nannayya Bhaṭṭa, Śaraṅgadhara is stated to have been the son of Rājarāja, and this is repeated in the *Śaraṅgadhara-charita*.<sup>1</sup> A question arises whether this prince could possibly be identical with Śaraṅga, also called "Rudradeva" *alias* "Churaṅga" "*alias* Ohōr Gaṅga" (*Chola* or *Sōra Gaṅga*), who, summoned from Karnāṭaka by the chiefs of Orissa after the collapse of the Keśari Dynasty of that kingdom, founded the Gaṅgavaṃśa family of Orissa about the year A.D. 1132. The dates seem at first sight fatal to the theory, but our Orissan chronology is as yet very imperfect. It is to be observed that Kulottuṅga claims to have reduced Bengal.

The facts noted above enable some slight additions to be provisionally made to the genealogy of the eleventh century Cholas. All will doubtless become clear when the many extant inscriptions are carefully studied, but at present the following is put forward tentatively. The main points are taken from Dr. Burnell's *Paleography*, which, in some respects, follows Dr. Caldwell.



<sup>1</sup> Appa Kavi declares that Śaraṅgadhara studied Telugu Grammar directly under Nannayya Bhaṭṭa, but if the prince was son of Rājarāja Chola, this is impossible. For he would not have been born much before A.D. 1023, while Nannayya Bhaṭṭa's date must have been earlier by a century. The latter was contemporary with an Eastern Chālukyan sovereign named Vishṇuvardhana, residing at Bajahmundry (*Introd. to Nannayya Bhaṭṭa's Telugu Translation of the Mahābhārata. Campbell's Telugu Grammar, Introd., pp. ix, x*) and the last sovereign of that name that we as yet know of was Amma Rāja I, who bore that title (*Ind. Ant., VIII, 76*). His date is A.D. 918-925, or thereabouts. On the other hand it is noticeable that "Vishṇuvardhana" was a title of the Eastern Chālukyan Dynasty borne by many sovereigns, and especially the later ones (*Vol. I, p. 106, note*).





Little seems to be known of the sovereign Vikrama. Kulottuṅga Chola II<sup>2</sup> succeeded. His reign came to an end at some time subsequent to the year 1158 A.D. Dr. Burnell then gives us Vikramadeva Chola reigning in A.D. 1235. If the copies sent to me of inscriptions about the Godāvarī and Kṛishṇā Rivers are accurate, Kulottuṅga II had a son Rājendra, whose inscriptions are found in that tract between A.D. 1165 and 1194. He was succeeded there by, apparently, an anarchy, when petty rulers held sway, preparing the way for their complete overthrow by the Ganapatis of Oraṅgal, who seized and held the country firmly till the fourteenth century. So fell the Chola sovereignty north of the Pennār.<sup>3</sup>

According to Singhalese annals Parākrama Bāhu I (1153-1186) attacked Kulāsekharā, the Pāṇḍiyan king, at one period of his reign (the date is not given), subdued Rāmeśvaram and the six neighbouring provinces, and drove the king from the throne of Madura. Vira Pāṇḍiyan, son of Kulāsekharā, was installed as king of Madura. The ousted monarch sought aid from the Cholas and attacked the Singhalese. The allies were defeated, and a considerable portion of the Chola country was captured by the invaders, on which Kulāsekharā submitted. He was then restored to his throne, Vira Pāṇḍiyan being comforted by the gift of the conquered Chola country as a principality. After this, the Singhalese retired.

If the copies of two of the Conjeeveram inscriptions which, by the kindness of Mr. Foulkes, I had access to are correct (*Nos. 178 and 204 of my List, Vol. I, pp. 184-85*), there was a second Rājarāja Chola, of whom we now hear for the first time, who came to the throne in A.D. 1216, and ruled till at least A.D. 1232. Vikrama (ruling in A.D. 1235) probably succeeded him. It was in the reign of this Rājarāja II that Kalingā was lost to the Cholas, if the date of this event, as given by Dr. Burnell (A.D. 1228), is accurate.<sup>4</sup> (*South Indian Paleography, p. 40, note 4.*)

<sup>1</sup> Amma Rāja I being Viṣṇuvardhana the sixth.

<sup>2</sup> Dr. Burnell writes of him (*South Indian Paleography, p. 40, note 37*): "He was reigning in 1134 A.D. . . . . In his time there must have been a great many Buddhists in Tanjore, as Parākrama Bāhu (King of Ceylon, 1155 to 1186) fetched his priest from there according to the Mahāvamsa."

<sup>3</sup> The deductions of Sir Walter Elliot from inscriptions vary from those of Dr. Burnell regarding the relatives of Rājendra Kulottuṅga I. I therefore append extracts from the former's writings on the subject (*Numismatic Gleanings, No. 2, in M.J.L.S., Vol. IV, n.s., 1858, p. 94, etc.; o.s., Vol. XX*):—"Rājendra Chola was succeeded by his son Vikrama Dēva surnamed Kulottuṅga Chola. On the death of his uncle, Vijayāditya, who had been viceroy of Vengidēsam, the king deputed his son Rājarāja to assume the office, but after holding it for one year, A.D. 1078, he resigned it in favor of his younger brother Vira Dēva Chola, who assumed the title of Kulottuṅga Chola. His grants are found in great numbers from A.D. 1079 up to the year 1135, when a partial restoration of the Chalukya line appears to have taken place, and they maintained a divided and feeble influence till the latter part of the twelfth century, when the country fell under the sway of the Kakatiya dynasty of Warangal." On page 40 he gives the succession thus:—

26. Rājarāja Narendra.

27. Rājendra Chola.

28. Vikrama Dēva Kulottuṅga Chola.

29. Rājarāja Chola, viceroy for one year.

30. Vira Dēva Kulottuṅga or Saptama Viṣṇuvardhana, viceroy from A.D. 1079 to 1135.

<sup>4</sup> Inscriptions in the Vengi country will doubtless throw light on this important point. At Kuṅkulaguṅṭa, in the Narasaraṅgavēṭa Taluk of the Kistna District, is an inscription which would point to the Ganapatis of Orissa having acquired power in that country as early as A.D. 1197; while there is a Ganapati inscription at Drāksharāma in the Godāvarī District, dated in 1176 A.D. The latest Ganapati inscription in that tract is dated A.D. 1336.

Another of the Conjeeveram inscriptions gives, according to the copy, Peruñjiṅga or Kopperuñjiṅga Chola as commencing to reign in A.D. 1242 (*Inscription No. 265*), his grant being in A.D. 1260. He reigned at least twenty years (*No. 191*).

Again, another (*No. 101*) gives a sovereign as commencing to reign in A.D. 1250, his grant being in 1266. *Inscription No. 194* determines his name to have been "Vijayakaṇḍa Gopāladeva," and the coincidence seems to show that this is probably correct. The dates, however, conflict, and until the originals are examined nothing can be definitely stated.

The next date that I find is that of Mathurāntaka<sup>1</sup> Porrapī Chola, who began to reign A.D. 1286, and held the sovereignty till the Musalmān invasion of A.D. 1310. (*No. 74 of the Conjeeveram Inscriptions.*)

These names and dates, though at present put forward doubtfully, seem to afford reasonable hope of our being soon able, after careful examination of the original inscriptions, to carry on a connected narrative of the history of the Cholas down to the Musalmān conquest of A.D. 1310; and if so, a considerable step forward will have been made.

The Musalmān conquest seems to have finally crushed the power of the Cholas. I am only acquainted with two allusions to Cholas after that event. One is to be found in one of the inscriptions at Conjeeveram (*No. 98*), which consists of a command issued by Sadāsiva of Vijayanagar to "Rājakumāra Bhaṅgappadeva Chola" to conduct certain festivals at the temple at Conjeeveram. The other will be noticed below.

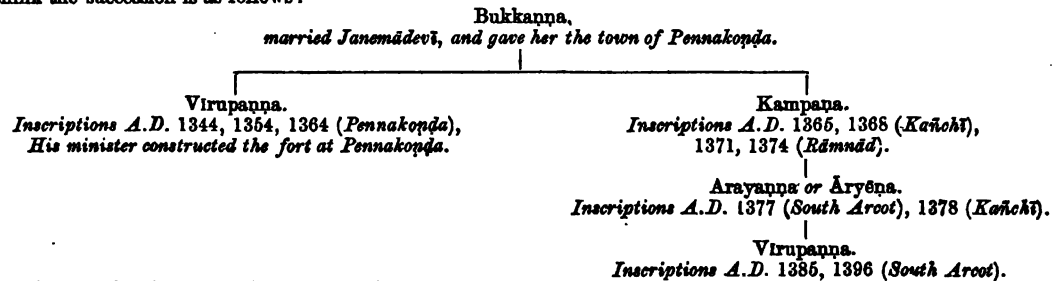
The Musalmāns seem to have held the country till A.D. 1347, when they were driven across the Kriṣṇā by a powerful Hindu confederation. According to one of the Conjeeveram inscriptions (*No. 60*), just at that period a chief by name Nārāyaṇa Śambuva Rāyar claims sovereignty at Kañchī and dates his grant in his ninth year, placing his accession in A.D. 1337. He seems to have ruled for at least eighteen years (*Inscription 58*), which brings us down to A.D. 1355.

It now becomes a question whether the almost extinct power of the Cholas once more and for the last time asserted itself in the person of a second Vijayakaṇḍa Gopāladeva. The usurpation of a family of Uḍaiyārs, probably from the Kanarese country, whose earliest recorded date at Kañchī is that of Kampana, son of Bukkaṇa Uḍaiyār, in A.D. 1365, is well established by inscriptions at various localities. And amongst the Conjeeveram inscriptions are two, by the same local chieftain, one of which is dated in the twentieth year of Vijayakaṇḍa Gopāladeva, and the other in the reign of Kampana Uḍaiyār. This, if authentic, would help us to bridge the interval of nine years between A.D. 1356 and 1365. Kampana was succeeded by Arayanna or Āryēna Uḍaiyār in or before the year 1377, for we have an inscription of the latter's reign dated in that year. Āryēna was succeeded by his son Virupanna.<sup>2</sup> The latter seems to have been conquered or superseded by King Harihara of Vijayanagar, and it is, indeed, not improbable that these Uḍaiyārs were either generals or chiefs of the early Vijayanagar sovereigns. There seems reason, however, to believe that for a century and a half the Vijayanagar sovereignty was not very firmly established till, in the reigns of the kings of the Narasimha dynasty, the whole was finally reduced to subjection.

Then followed the supremacy of the Nāyakkas of Madura during the decline of the great sovereignty, and these were followed by the Mahratta dynasty, who ruled the country precariously till it passed into the hands of the English.

<sup>1</sup> *Mathura-antaka*, "the cause of the end of Madura," or the "Yama (god of death) of Madura." It cannot yet be decidedly stated whether this was a mere title significative of the inveterate hatred existing between the Chola and Paṇḍiyan kingdoms, or whether it perpetuates an event in history. The title still exists in the Chola-Pallava country in the name of the town of "Mathurāntakam" in the Chingleput District, a flourishing place which gives its name to a taluk, and which probably was called after the sovereign.

<sup>2</sup> I think the succession is as follows:—



It must be considered as not quite conclusively proved that the Bukkaṇa who is mentioned as father of Virupanna, and the Bukkaṇa who is mentioned as father of Kampana, were one and the same person, but there is little reason to doubt it.

## DAKHAN, MUHAMMADAN KINGS OF THE—.

By way of preface to a sketch of these Musalmān sovereignties of the Dakhan, it will be well to insert a few notes on the previous transactions of the Delhi kings in Southern India.

The first expedition of the Muhammadans into the Dakhan took place in A.D. 1306, when the Emperor 'Alāu'd-dīn sent an ennobled slave, by name Malik Kāfur, to bring to his senses the Rāja Rāmādeva of Devagiri (*see the YĀDAVAS OF DEVAGIRI*), who had withheld tribute for three years. The Rāja made no defence, but, being defeated in March 1307, accompanied his opponent to Delhi, where he received honourable treatment.

In 1309 Malik Kāfur was again sent to the Dakhan to reduce the Ganapati king of Oraṅgal, Rudradeva, better known as Pratāpa Rudra II. The expedition was successful. The city was captured and the Rāja made terms.<sup>1</sup> Next year he was again despatched on a similar errand against the Hoysāla Ballālas of Dvārasamudra. The general pushed forward with great energy and speed, passed Devagiri, and reached the Malabar Coast, where he built a mosque to commemorate the event. He attacked and stormed the city of Dvārasamudra, sacked the celebrated Hallabīḍu temple, and returned to Delhi.<sup>2</sup>

In 1312 the Devagiri Yādavas again became troublesome, in the person of Śaṅkarādeva, son of Rāma, and Malik Kāfur was once more sent to reduce the Rāja to a proper sense of his inferiority. In the campaign which ensued the Musalmāns were completely successful and the Rāja lost his life. Four years later 'Alāu'd-dīn died and Malik Kāfur was at once murdered.

Mubārak Khilji became Emperor of Delhi in 1317, and one of his first acts was to make war for the third time on Devagiri. He captured the person of the Rāja, Haripālādeva, son-in-law of Rāma, and flayed him alive. The *Nuh Sipihr* of Amīr Khusrū gives a circumstantial account of a defeat of the Rāja of Oraṅgal by "Khusrū Khān," generally known as Malik Khusrū, in the reign of this sovereign, but no such event is recorded by Ferishta. The chief is said to have been commanded to go to "Arangal in Tillang," and to have obeyed. In the end, it is said, the Muhammadans were victorious, and retired after taking from the Rāja all his moveable property.

Mubārak was murdered in A.D. 1321 by Malik Khusrū, and the latter was killed by Ghāzi Beg Toghlak, Viceroy of Lahore, who,—all the royal family having been barbarously murdered by Malik Khusrū,—was chosen sovereign of the empire under the title of Ghīyāsu'd-dīn.

In 1321 he sent his eldest son, Ulugh Khān, against Oraṅgal. The capital was invested and a close siege took place. The garrison was on the point of capitulating when a panic seized on the Muhammadans owing to mischievous rumours spread about the camp that the Sultān was dead. Several of the generals fled, and the army became disorganized; so that, on a desperate sally being made by the garrison, the besiegers were beaten at all points and hastily retreated.

In 1323, however, the Sultān again made war on Pratāpa Rudra with complete success. Oraṅgal was captured and the Rāja carried captive to Delhi. Ghīyāsu'd-dīn was succeeded in 1325 by Muhammad.

In 1327 the Musalmān Viceroy of the Dakhan rebelled, and the Emperor sent an expedition against him. He fled to Kampli close to Vijayanagar, whence the king's troops were compelled to retreat, the Vijayanagar king being too strong for them. The rebel fled to the Hoysāla Ballāla king at Tānūr in Maisūr, but the latter was too much in fear for his own safety to show any hospitality to the fugitive. He accordingly delivered him up to his master, who flayed him alive for his rebellious conduct.

Either in 1338 or 1339 the capital of the Muhammadan empire was arbitrarily removed to Devagiri, which was rechristened Daulatābād by the sovereign Muhammad.

In 1341 ensued a revolt in Malabar, and Muhammad started to quell it, but fell sick on the way and returned to his capital. Shortly after this Oraṅgal revolted, and the Sultān was powerless to effect its reduction.

Three years later, in 1344, a Hindu confederation, consisting of the son (?) of Rudradeva of Oraṅgal, Krishna "Nāyakka," the Rāya of Vijayanagar, and Ballāladeva of Dvārasamudra, with an immense force drove the Muhammadans out of Oraṅgal and rolled back the tide of their advance.

This reverse was followed, three years later, by a revolt in the Muhammadan dependencies in the Dakhan. The Viceroy of Daulatābād proclaimed his independence, the royal troops were defeated, and the Viceroy became the first Bahmani king of the Dakhan.

Hasan, the Viceroy, now monarch, was originally a poor man who rose to eminence at court mainly by the help of a Brahman, one Gaṅgu, whose name he, in gratitude, assumed when he established the new kingdom.

<sup>1</sup> The campaign is graphically described by Amīr Khusrū in his *Tārīkh-i 'Alāi* (Sir Henry Elliot's *History of India*, III, 80), and in the *Tārīkh-i Firuz Shāhi* of Zīān'd-dīn Barṅī (*Id.* 189).

<sup>2</sup> Ferishta states that Malik Kāfur marched as far as Ramesvaram and built a mosque there, but this statement is beginning to be discredited, as it is not shown to be supported by other testimony.

He fixed his capital at Kulbarga or Ahsanābād. The kingdom lasted about two and a half centuries, being succeeded by five separate kingdoms with capitals at Bidar, Bijapur (or Vijayapura), Golkonda, Birār, and Ahmadnagar.

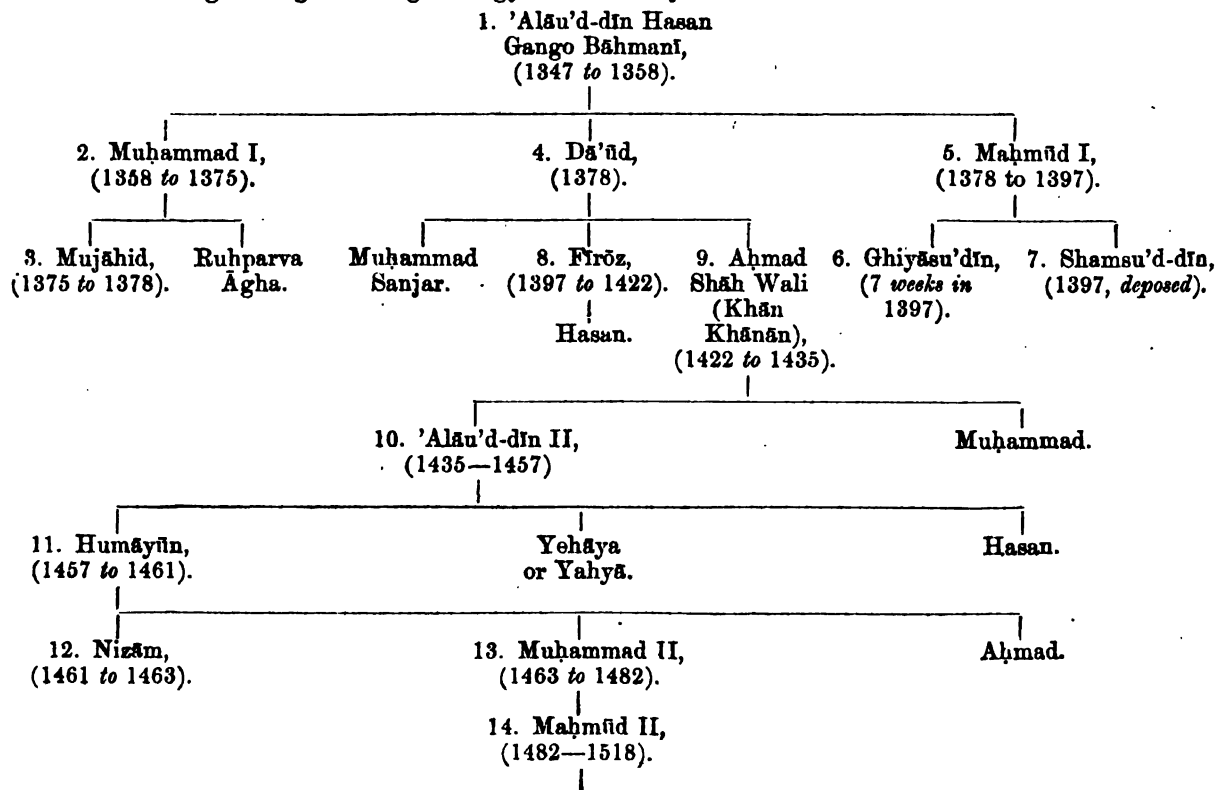
I append a list of Bāhmani kings as given by Prinsep. Mr. Eastwick's List, published in his *Handbook for Madras* (p. 41), and founded on information supplied to him at Kulbarga, does not appear to me to be so accurate.

BĀHMANĪ KINGS OF THE DAKHAN.

(Prinsep's List.)

	A.D.
1. 'Alāu'd-dīn Hasan Shāh Gango Bāhmani ... ..	1347—1358
2. Muḥammad Shāh I ... ..	1358—1375
3. Mujaḥid Shāh ... ..	1375—1378
4. Da'ūd Shāh ... ..	1378
5. Maḥmūd Shāh I ... ..	1378—1397
6. Ghiyāsu'dīn ... ..	1397
7. Shamsu'dīn Shāh ... ..	1397
8. Firōz Shāh ... ..	1397—1422
9. Ahmad Shāh Wali (Khān Khānān) ... ..	1422—1435
10. 'Alāu'd-dīn Shāh II ... ..	1435—1457
11. Humāyūn the Cruel ... ..	1457—1461
12. Nizām Shāh ... ..	1461—1463
13. Muḥammad Shāh II ... ..	1463—1482
14. Maḥmūd II ... ..	1482—1518
15. Ahmad Shāh II ... ..	1518—1520
16. 'Alāu'd-dīn Shāh III ... ..	1520—1522
17. Waliu'llāh ... ..	1522—1525
18. Kalam Ullāh ... ..	1525—1527

The following table gives the genealogy of the family :—



15. Ahmad II,  
(1518 to 1620).

16. 'Alāu'd-dīn III,  
(1520 to 1522).

17. Waliu'llah,  
(1522 to 1525).

18. Kalām Ullāh,  
(1525 to about 1527).

1. 'Alāu'd-dīn's reign was uneventful. He died on February 10th, 1358.
2. Muhammad plundered the country of the Ganapatis up to Oraṅgal, and then made peace. He again invaded Oraṅgal territories, and captured and put to death the Rāja's son, Vināyaka or Nāgadeva, obtaining Golkonda and its dependencies. Next he wantonly made war on Vijayanagar, and was guilty of terrible cruelties. This was in 1365-66. He was successful, and dictated terms of peace. He died March 21st, 1375.
3. Mujāhid again wantonly attacked Vijayanagar and more than once invested the city, on one occasion penetrating into the second line of works; but he was compelled to retire. In the retreat he was murdered by his uncle Dā'ūd on April 14th, 1378.
4. Mujāhid's sister conspired against Dā'ūd in revenge, and on May 19th, 1378, Dā'ūd was assassinated. Maḥmūd, the youngest son of 'Alāu'd-dīn, was raised to the throne.
5. Maḥmūd reigned peaceably and well for 19 years. He died April 20th, 1397.
6. His son, Ghiyāsu'd-dīn, was blinded and imprisoned by a slave on June 9th of the same year, and (7) Shamsu'd-dīn was raised to the throne; but the sons of Dā'ūd attacked him and deposed him on November 15th, 1397.
8. Firōz, Dā'ūd's second son, succeeded and ruled for 25 years. In 1398 Deva Rāja of Vijayanagar invaded the Bāhmanī territories, and war ensued which was abruptly ended by the treacherous murder of Deva Rāja's son, when the Rāja fled and Firōz was victorious at all points. Another war broke out in 1401 owing to the Rāja of Vijayanagar's attempt to carry off a girl from Mudgal. Firōz invested Vijayanagar successfully, dictated terms, and married the Rāja's daughter. In 1417 the king again attacked Vijayanagar, but was defeated. He died September 15th, 1422, leaving a son Hasan, who, however, was quietly set aside, and acquiesced in the arrangement.
9. Ahmad (otherwise called *Khān Khānān*) made war on Vijayanagar soon after his accession, and was guilty of much unnecessary cruelty. He defeated the Rāja and obtained payment of tribute. A war with Oraṅgal followed, which resulted in the death of its Rāja and the permanent destruction of the kingdom. He founded the city of Bidar and died there February 19th, 1435.
10. His son 'Alāu'd-dīn II succeeded. His brother Muhammad revolted, but was defeated and kindly treated. Muhammad, on this occasion, received aid from Vijayanagar. The capital of the Bāhmanī kingdom was definitely removed to Bidar. In 1437 Deva Rāja of Vijayanagar again provoked a war, and some very severe battles were fought, after which a peace was arranged which lasted for some years. The king died in 1457.
11. He was succeeded by his son Humāyūn, a cruel and unscrupulous prince, who was murdered four years later, viz., on September 3rd, 1461.
12. His son Nizām Shāh was a boy of eight when he came to the throne, but his mother, who was a very remarkable woman, conducted the government for him with great success, assisted by the celebrated minister, Maḥmūd Gawān. Their territories were invaded in 1461 by a large army from Orissa and Telīngāna, which was driven back. The Muhammadan King of Mālwa attacked Bidar, and invested it while the queen and the young king fled. But a Gujarāti army in jealousy attacked Mālwa and the invaders retreated with great loss. In 1462 the king returned to Bidar. He died suddenly on July 29th, 1463.
13. His brother Muhammad was placed on the throne. In 1468 the young king, then fourteen years' old, took Maḥmūd Gawān as his chief minister. In 1469 he reduced the Konkana, wresting it from the power of Vijayanagar. In 1471 a relative of the King of Orissa, who had been ousted from the throne, begged aid from Muhammad Shāh for the recovery of his rights. This was given, and Muhammad invaded Telīngāna. He captured Konḍapalle and Rajahmundry and stayed for some time in that country, residing for three years at Rajahmundry. In 1477 occurred another expedition into Orissa, and the king marched to the sea-coast at Masulipatam. He took the opportunity to make a dash southwards along the coast as far as Conjeeveram, which he sacked, returning with an immense booty. In 1481 the king by a great misfortune lost the services of Maḥmūd Gawān. A plot was raised against the latter by the chief of a rival faction, Nizāmu'l-mulk Bhairi, and the King, believing Maḥmūd to be false to him, put him to death. This act resulted in the downfall of the kingdom. The principal

chiefs absented themselves from court and remained on their estates with all their forces. Yūsuf 'Ādil Khān, adopted son of Mahmūd Gawān, was shortly afterwards sent to defend Goa against the Rājā of Vijayanagar. Soon after this the king died, viz., on March 24th, 1482.

14. His son Mahmūd II succeeded, Nizāmu'l-mulk Bhairi being his minister. Yūsuf 'Ādil returned to court, but, on an attempt against his life being made, he retired to his estate at Bijapur. Mahmūd went on an expedition to Telingāna, and while there Nizāmu'l-mulk was murdered. His son Malik Ahmad promptly proclaimed his independence at Jūnēr. 'Imādu'l-mulk, Governor of Birār, also revolted. At Bidar, Kāsim Barid, a Turki or Georgian slave, was minister. The King betrothed his daughter to Yūsuf 'Ādil in 1497. Kāsim Barid died in 1504, and his son Amīr Barid held the king in absolute subjection. In 1512 Quṭbu'l-mulk, Governor of Telingāna, declared his independence at Golkonḍa. Some fighting between the royal troops and those of Bijapur and Birār followed. Mahmūd died on October 8th, 1518.

15. Ahmad, son of the late king, was nominally placed on the throne by Amīr Barid, but had no power, and died in 1520.

16. His brother 'Alāu'd-din was next placed on the throne, but, on his attempting to rid himself of his minister, he was deposed in 1522 and shortly afterwards murdered.

17. His younger brother Wali was then installed but after two years was poisoned, and Amīr Barid married his widow. This was in 1524.

18. Kalām Ullāh, son of Ahmad, was then enthroned, but he escaped in 1527 and fled to Ahmadnagar, where he remained till his death.

Amīr Barid at once threw off all pretence at subjection, and established a new dynasty at Bidar, or Ahmadābād. And thus ended the Bāhmanī dynasty. The five kingdoms which sprung from it were as follows:—

1. The Barid Shāhi Dynasty at Bidar, or Ahmadābād.
2. „ 'Ādil do. do. Bijapur.
3. „ 'Imād do. do. Birār.
4. „ Nizām do. do. Ahmadnagar.
5. „ Quṭb do. do. Golkonḍa.

These will be considered in order.

#### THE BARID SHĀHI DYNASTY AT BĪDAR, OR AHMADĀBĀD.

			A.D.
1. Kāsim Barid I, a Turki or Georgian slave	...	...	1492—1504
2. Amīr Barid I (son)	...	...	1504—1549
3. 'Alī Barid Shāh (son), the first who assumed royalty	...	...	1549—1562
4. Ibrāhīm Barid Shāh (son)	...	...	1562—1569
5. Kāsim Barid Shāh II (brother)	...	...	1569—1572
6. Mirzā 'Alī Barid Shāh ( <i>deposed</i> ) (son)	...	...	1572—1609
7. Amīr Barid Shāh II	...	...	1609

Kāsim Barid was minister to Mahmūd Bāhmanī. Dying in 1504, his son Amīr became minister. He held the young Bāhmanī king in complete subjection, raised in succession four puppet sovereigns of that dynasty to the throne of Bidar, and, on the flight of the last to Ahmadnagar about 1527, became independent at the ancient Bāhmanī capital. Not long after this Ismā'il 'Ādil Shāh took Bidar, but made it over again to Amīr Barid, who then became almost a dependent of the Bijapur kings. His successor 'Alī Barid first assumed the title of "Shāh." He lost almost all his possessions in a war with Burhān Shāh of Ahmadnagar.

The dates of this dynasty are greatly confused as, according to Ferishta, 'Alī Barid reigned 45 years.

For an account of Bidar, I beg to refer readers to Dr. Burgess's Third Archæological Report, Bombay, published in 1878 (*pp.* 42—46).

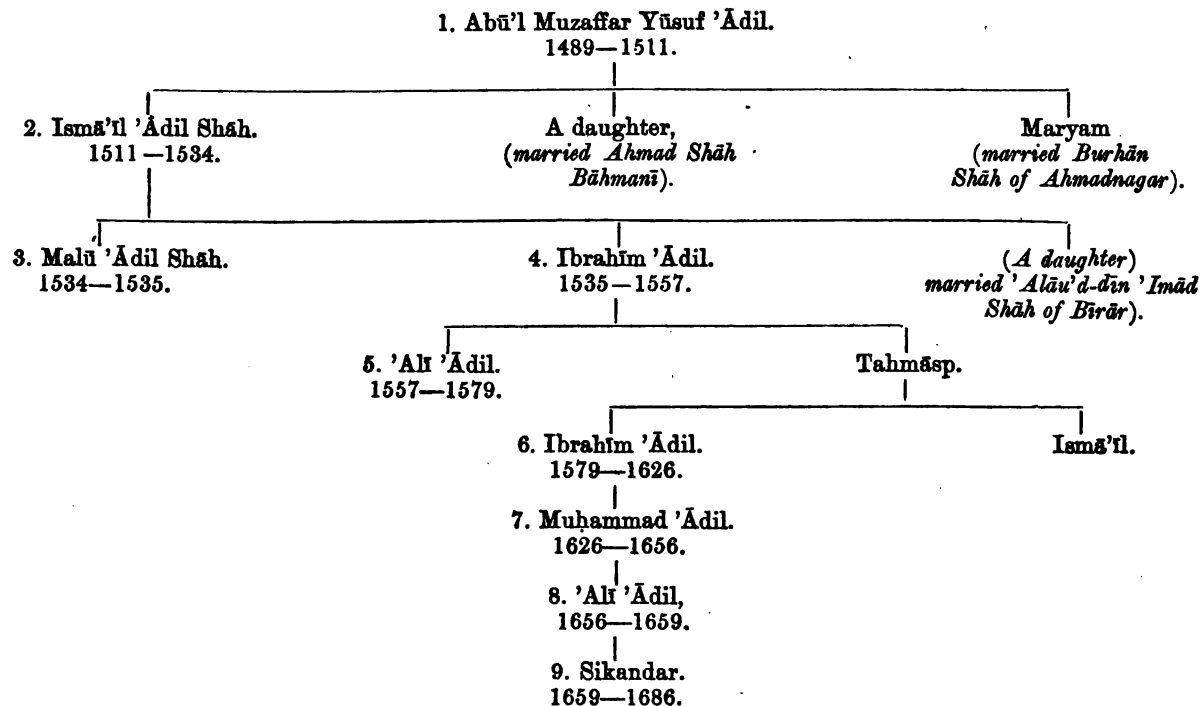
#### THE 'ĀDIL SHĀHI DYNASTY AT BIJAPUR (VIJAYAPURA).

			A.D.
1. Abū'l Muzaffar Yūsuf 'Ādil Shāh, son of Āghā Murād, or Amurath II, of Anatolia	...	...	1489—1511
2. Ismā'il 'Ādil Shāh	...	...	1511—1534
3. Malū 'Ādil Shāh	...	...	1534—1535
4. Ibrāhīm 'Ādil Shāh I	...	...	1535—1557

	A.D.
5. 'Ali 'Adil Shāh ... ..	1557—1579
6. Ibrahim 'Adil Shāh II ... ..	1579—1626
7. Muhammad 'Adil Shāh ... ..	1626—1656
8. 'Ali 'Adil Shāh II ... ..	1656—1659
9. Sultān Sikandar (an infant at his accession) ... ..	1659—1686

(1.) Yūsuf 'Adil, in 1493, defeated the Vijayanagar King and took immense treasure and 200 elephants. He surrounded Bijapur with a stone rampart. In 1510, the Portuguese captured Goa, and Yūsuf 'Adil recaptured it the same year. Albuquerque, however, made another successful attack, and Goa was finally ceded to the Portuguese (1510) by (2.) Ismā'il 'Adil. In 1519 there was another war with Vijayanagar, in which the Rāya Krishnadeva was victorious. (5.) 'Ali 'Adil made a league with the Vijayanagar Rāya Rāma, and defeated the Musalmān King of Ahmadnagar; but in 1565 the Muhammadan sovereignties united and completely crushed the power of Rāma Rāya in the great battle of Talikōṭa. Vijayanagar was sacked and the temples and palaces ruined. In 1555, or ten years previous, Ibrahim had unsuccessfully attacked Goa. In 1568 or 1570; 'Ali 'Adil attacked Goa, but was repulsed. He took the fortress of Adōni (*Ādhvani*), and in 1577 compelled Rāma Rāya's brother, Tirumala, to retire to Chandragiri. During the reign of (7.) Muhammad 'Adil Shāh, the Mahrattas began to rise to power. Śivājī revolted in 1648, and by 1662 had wrested from Muhammad the whole of the Kōṅkana from Kalyāna to Goa. From then till 1680 he constantly defeated the King of Bijapur. In 1686 the kingdom was seized and annexed by the Emperor Aurangzib, being finally brought under the government of Delhi in 1688.

The following is the genealogy of the family :—



THE 'IMĀD SHĀHI DYNASTY OF BĪRĀR (CAPITAL ELLICHPUR).

	A.D.
1. Fathu'llāh 'Imād Shāh Bahmani ... ..	1484—1504
2. 'Alāu'd-dīn 'Imād Shāh ... ..	1504—1528
3. Daryā 'Imād Shāh ... ..	1528—1560
4. Burhān 'Imād Shāh ... ..	1560—1568
5. Tufail Khān ... ..	1568—1572

The following is the genealogy of the family. They come little in contact with the countries now forming the Madras Presidency.

1. Fathu'llāh 'Imād Shāh Bāhmanī,  
(1483—1504. *A Hindu boy of Vijayanagar. Turned Musalmān and rose to distinction under the Bāhmanis. Declared himself independent.*

2. 'Alāu'd-dīn 'Imād Shāh,  
(1504 to 1528. *Constantly at war. Married daughter of Ismā'il 'Adil Shāh of Bijapur.*)

3. Daryā 'Imād Shāh,,  
(*Peaceful reign.* 1528—1560.)

4. Burhān 'Imād Shāh,  
(1560—1566. *He was captured and imprisoned by (5) Tufāil Khān, who seized the throne, but was murdered by the Ahmadnagar King. The kingdom then fell under Ahmadnagar.*)

Bibi Daulat,  
(*a daughter; married Husain, king of Ahmadnagar.*)

#### THE NIZĀM SHĀHĪ DYNASTY OF AHMADNAGAR.

	A.D.
1. Ahmad Nizām Shāh ... ..	1490—1508
2. Burhān Nizām Shāh I ... ..	1508—1553
3. Husain Nizām Shāh ... ..	1553—1565
4. Mūrtaḡā Nizām Shāh I ... ..	1565—1587
5. Mirān Husain Nizām Shāh ... ..	1587—1589
6. Ismā'il Nizām Shāh ... ..	1589—1590
7. Burhān Nizām Shāh II ... ..	1590—1594
8. Ibrahim Nizām Shāh ... ..	1594
9. Ahmad Ibn Shāh Tāhir ... ..	1594—1595
10. Bahādur Nizām Shāh ... ..	1595—1598
11. Mūrtaḡā Nizām Shāh II ... ..	1598—1607
12. Malik Ambar ... ..	1607—1626

1. Ahmad was son of Nizāmu'l-mulk Bhairi, minister of the Bāhmani State. He declared his independence in 1490 A.D., and founded the city of Ahmadnagar. He took Daulatābād (Devagiri) in 1499. Dying in 1508, he was succeeded by his son Burhān, then a boy seven years' old.

2. Burhān in 1523 married Maryam, the daughter of Yūsuf 'Adil Shāh of Bijapur. In 1531 he suffered a serious defeat at the hands of his brother-in-law Ismā'il 'Adil Shāh. He was after this constantly at war with the Bijapur State. In 1545 he made an alliance against Bijapur with the young king of Vijayanagar through his minister, and in 1549 another arrangement was come to with Vijayanagar for the partition of the Bijapur State. Burhān died in A.D. 1553.

3. Husain was only thirteen years' old when he succeeded. He at once suppressed a rebellion raised by his brother Abdu'llāh. Shortly afterwards Ahmadnagar was besieged by an immense army sent by a confederation of the Bijapur and Vijayanagar States, Rāma Rāja being at the actual head of the latter. Hard terms were accepted and the siege was raised. In 1562 the same confederacy again attacked Ahmadnagar in consequence of Husain's attempt to recover Kalyāna, the ancient seat of the Chālukyas, which had been ceded to Bijapur. The capital was invested, but the siege was raised after a disastrous flood which swept away many thousands of the besieging army. In 1565 Husain joined the other Muhammadan princes in their grand attack on Vijayanagar, which resulted in the downfall of that kingdom, but he died the same year, June 7th.

4. His son Mūrtaḡā succeeded. The war with Bijapur broke out afresh, but a peace was arranged on the understanding that Ahmadnagar should attack Birār, and Bijapur should seize the territories of Vijayanagar, each unopposed by the other. The Emperor Akbar sent an order to Mūrtaḡā directing him not to interfere with Birār, but Mūrtaḡā, disregarding the order, annexed that State to his own dominions in 1572. He was murdered by his son in 1587.



5. Mirān gave way to excesses of all kinds, and murdered all the royal family. The minister, becoming terrified for his safety, sent for the king's cousin, Ismā'il, then twelve years' old, intending to depose Mirān. A revolt of troops followed. The minister had the king beheaded, but was himself murdered.

6. Ismā'il succeeded and nominally ruled for two years, but his father Burhān deposed him.

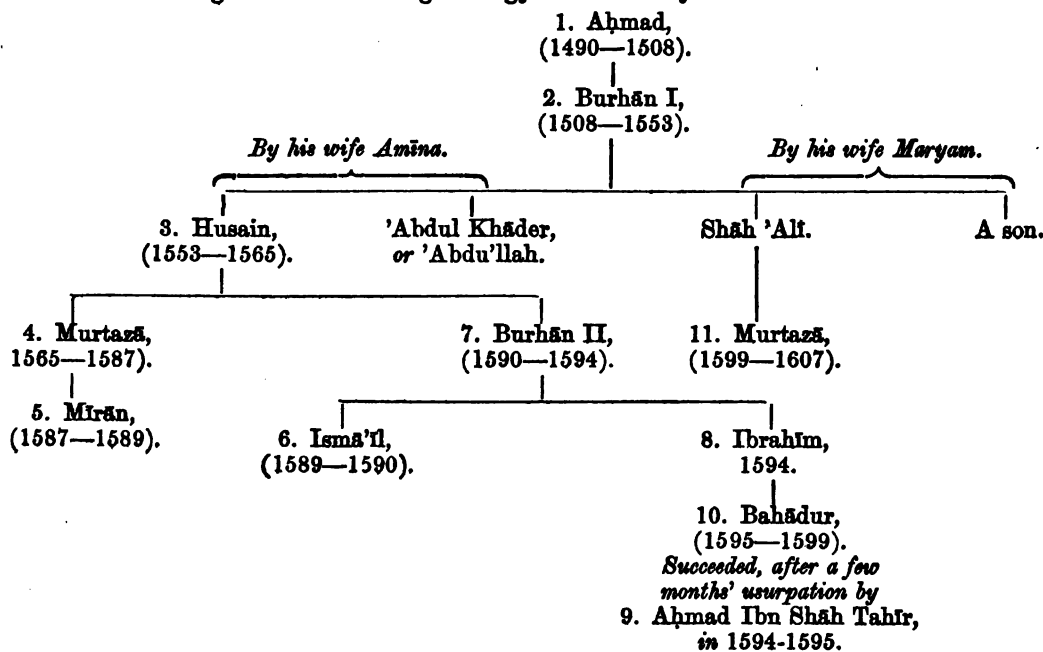
7. Burhān in 1592 despatched against the Portuguese an army which suffered a very severe reverse, the Muhammadan general being captured and sent to Portugal, where he became a Christian. The king died in 1594.

8. At his death, Burhān passed over his eldest son Ismā'il and declared Ibrāhīm to be his successor. Ibrāhīm at once made war on Bijapur, but was killed in the first battle, four months after his accession to the throne.

9. Then ensued great confusion. Ibrāhīm's son was an infant, and the army proclaimed for a boy named Aḥmad, erroneously supposed to be of royal descent. The minister sent to the Moghuls for aid and defeated the leader of the military faction. He discovered too late his error in addressing the Moghuls, for Akbar's son Murād advanced with a large army to Aḥmadnagar. The city was invested, and a desperate defence was made by the heroic Queen, Chānd Bibi, Prince Murād only withdrawing on receiving the cession of Bīrār. The infant king was then crowned, and a new minister selected; but the latter treacherously plotted with the Emperor Akbar, who invaded the territory of Aḥmadnagar. After a brave defence the city was captured, and Chānd Bibi was foully murdered. The infant king was sent to Gwalior, and Mūrtaẓā, grandson of Burhān I, proclaimed himself king. He ruled well, but was deposed by his minister, the Abyssinian soldier Malik Ambar, in 1607.

The kingdom then virtually passed under the Moghul empire, but Malik Ambar held nominal rule at Aḥmadnagar till his death in 1626, when the kingdom was finally annexed to Delhi.

The following table shows the genealogy of the family:—



THE QUTB SHĀHI DYNASTY AT GOLKONDA.

	A.D.
1. Sultān Qulī Qutb Shāh ... ..	1512—1543
2. Jamshīd Qulī Qutb Shāh ... ..	1543—1550
3. Ibrāhīm Qutb Shāh ... ..	1550—1581
4. Muḥammad Qulī Qutb Shāh ... ..	1581—1611
5. 'Abdu'llah Qutb Shāh ... ..	1611—1672
6. Abū Hasan ... ..	1672—1688

1. Qutbu'l-Mulk was Governor of Teliṅgāna under Muḥammad Bahmani, and withdrew from court after the death of Mahmūd Gawān, the minister, residing at Golkonḍa. He remained loyal to his sovereign till the minister Kāsim Barid's tenure of office, when he proclaimed his independence, A.D. 1512. The new king gradually extended his conquests. Krishnadeva Rāya of Vijayanagar conquered all the country east of the ghāts about the year 1516, but Sultān Quli defeated the Hindus at Konḍapalle, and seized all the country between the Krishnā and Godāvāri. Rajahmundry was then under the Gajapatis, who had received that province from Krishnadeva Rāya. He also captured the fort of Oraṅgal. There is an inscription at Konḍapalle recording this sovereign's capture of the fort. The king was murdered at the instigation of his second son, Jamshīd.

2. Jamshīd blinded his elder brother and seized the throne. His reign is not remarkable. He died in 1550.

3. He was succeeded by his son Subhān, a boy of seven, but the latter was set aside by the nobles, and the late king's brother, Ibrahim, appointed. Ibrahim had, up to the time of his accession, lived at Vijayanagar under the care of Rāma Rāya. But he joined in the attack on Vijayanagar in 1565 A.D. Immediately after his return from this great victory, Ibrahim planned the capture of Rajahmundry from the Gajapatis of Orissa. This had been attempted in 1564, but the Hindu army collected in such force that the Musalmāns were powerless. In 1567, however, the attack on Rajahmundry was perfectly successful, and the whole territory was annexed to Golkonḍa as far north as Chicacole. Many Hindu Rājas, south of the Krishnā, were also overcome. He died suddenly in 1581. The king having poisoned his eldest son 'Abdu'l Qādir, and another having died, his third son, Muḥammad, succeeded him.

4. Muḥammad kept up constant warfare with the princes of Vijayanagar, then residing at Pennakonḍa, and held with great difficulty the province of Konḍavidu, now known as Guṅṭūr. In 1589 he founded the present city of Haidarābād, then called Bhāghnagar. It is believed that Muḥammad conquered Gandikōṭa, Cuddapah, and all the country south of the Pennār, but this seems rather doubtful.

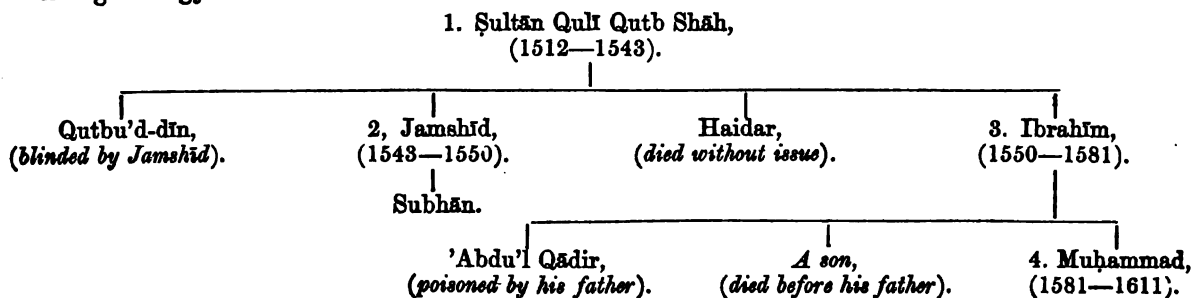
5. "Muḥammad Koolli leaving no son, was succeeded by his brother Mahummud, who was succeeded by Abdoolla Kootub Shaw." (Scott's *Ferishta*, I, 410.) I have not been able to ascertain the exact relationship of 'Abdu'llāh to Muḥammad.

During the reign of Shāh Jahān, Aurangzīb attacked and defeated 'Abdu'llāh and compelled him to submit to very hard terms. In 1667 the Mahratta Śivāji attacked the capital and exacted a large payment as tribute. 'Abdu'llāh died in 1672, and was succeeded by his son-in-law Abū Hasan.

6. This king made an alliance with the Mahrattas in 1676, but was attacked by the Moghul troops in 1678. In 1685 he was attacked and completely defeated by Aurangzīb in person, and was confined for life as a prisoner at Daulatābād.

In 1688 Golkonḍa was finally annexed.

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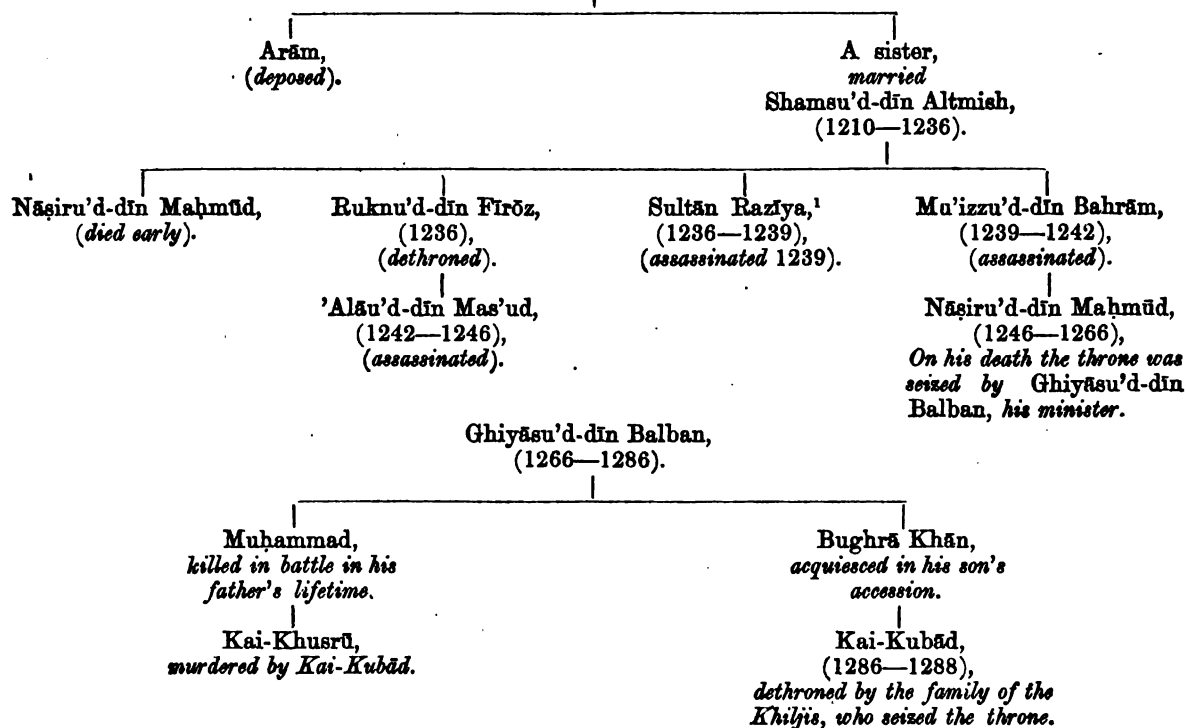


#### DELHI, MUHAMMADAN KINGS AND EMPERORS OF—

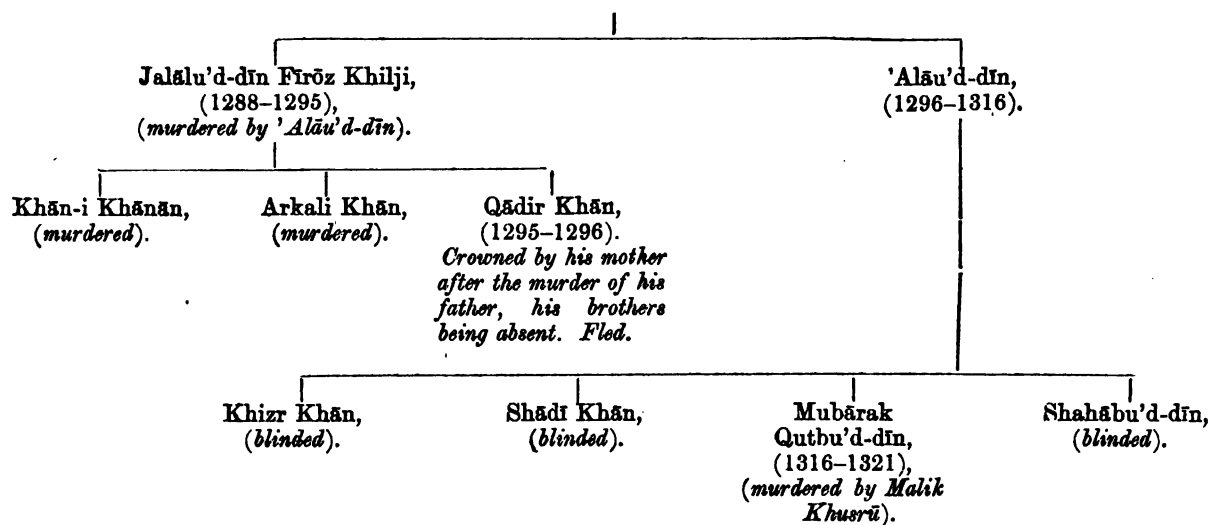
Delhi was captured from its Hindu Rāja and converted into a seat of Muḥammadan Government by Muḥammad, brother of Sultān Ghiyāsu'd-din Ghōri of Ghazni in A.D. 1193. Muḥammad, otherwise known as Shahābu'd-din, succeeded his brother and was murdered in 1205 A.D. Ghiyāsu'd-din's son Mahmūd succeeded, and one of his first actions was, in A.D. 1206 to create the Viceroy of his Northern Indian possessions King of Hindustān. The new monarch was Qutbu'd-din, an ennobled slave. He established the dynasty generally called the "Slave Kings."

“SLAVE KINGS OF DELHI.”

Qutbu'd-din Aibak,  
(A.D. 1206—1210).



THE KHILJI DYNASTY.



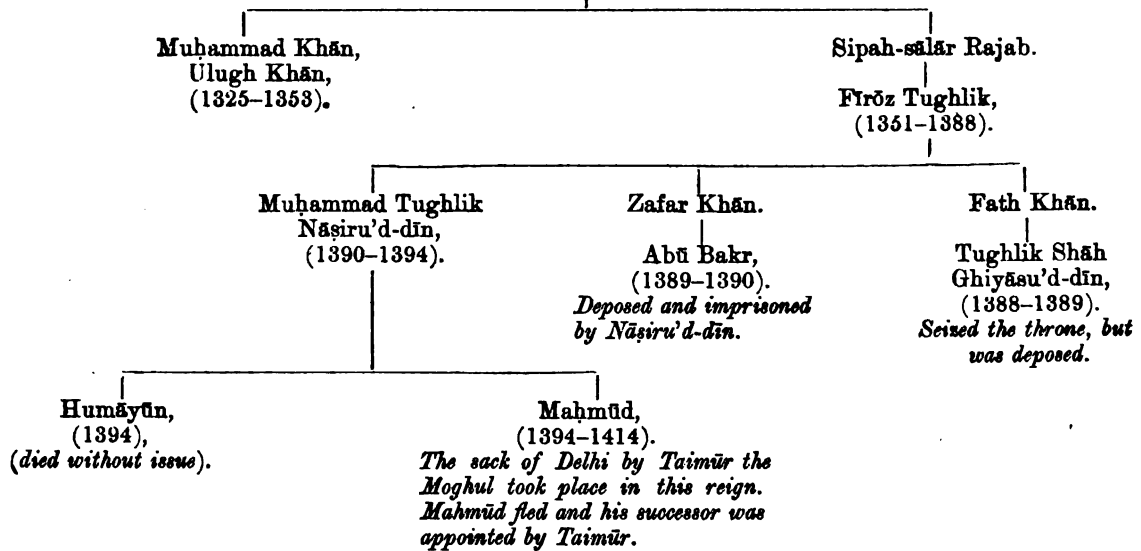
Ghiyāsu'd-din Tughlik, an ennobled slave, seized the throne and established the dynasty of Tughlik.

<sup>1</sup> Her name would properly be *Raziya Begam Sultānā*, but she was always known as *Sultān*.

## DELHI KINGS.

## THE TUGHLIK DYNASTY.

Ghiyāsu'd-dīn Tughlik,  
(1321-1325).



## SAIYID RULERS OF DELHI.

Saiyid Khizr Khān,  
(1414-1421).

*Placed on throne by Taimūr.  
He had been Viceroy of Lahore.*

Saiyid Mubārak,  
(1421-1435).  
*Murdered.*

Saiyid Muḥammad,  
(1435-1445).

Saiyid 'Alāu'd-dīn,  
(1445-1450).

*Removed his capital from Delhi, which  
was immediately seized by Bahlol  
Lōdī, Governor of the Panjāb.*

## THE DYNASTY OF LŌDĪ.

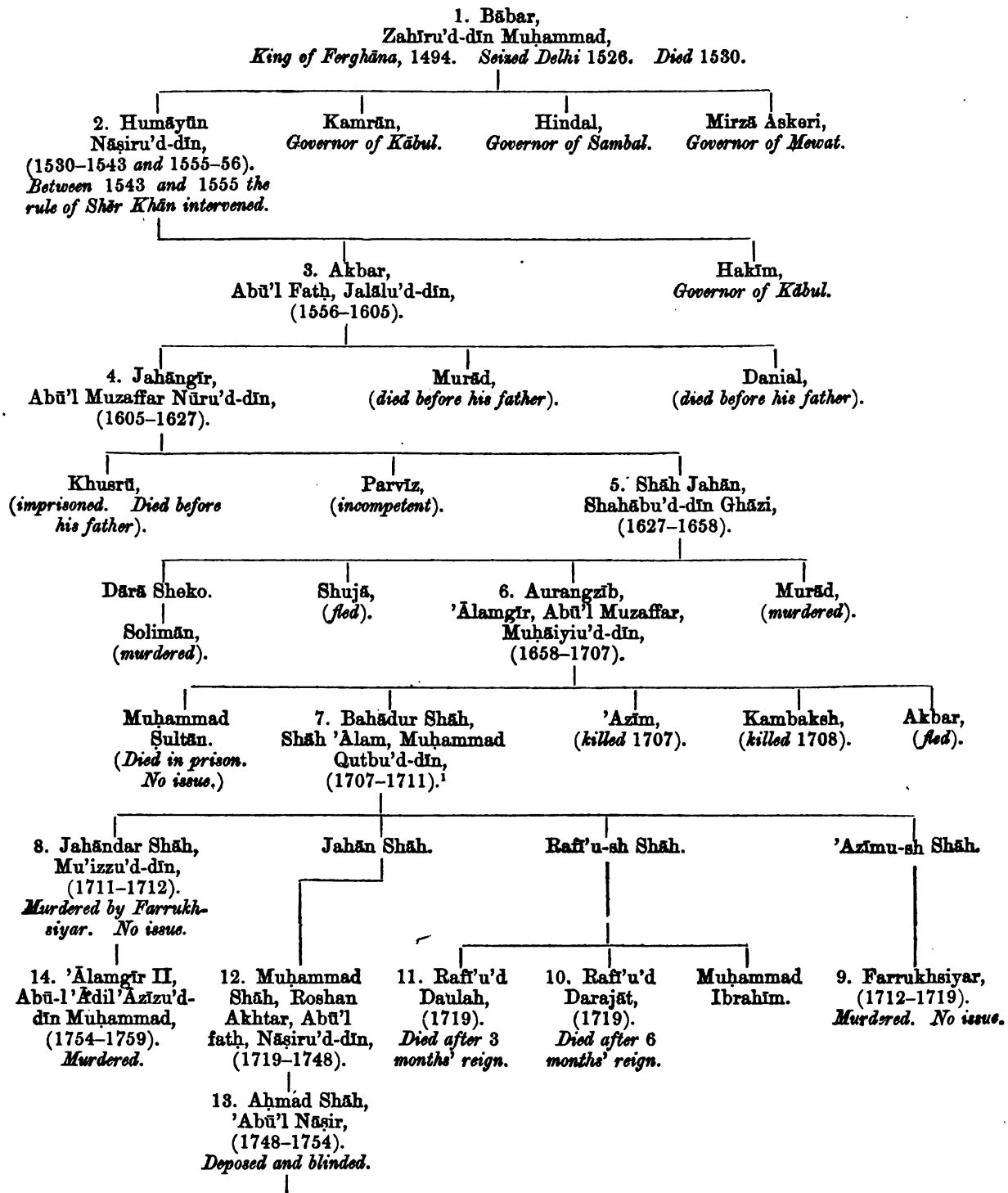
Bahlōl Lōdī,  
(1450-1488).

Sikandar Lōdī  
Nizām Khān,  
(1488-1506).

Ibrāhīm Lōdī,  
(1506-1526).

*Conquest of Delhi by the Moghuls under  
Bābar. The Sultān was killed.*

MOGUL EMPERORS OF DELHI.



<sup>1</sup> Authorities differ as to the exact date. See Sir Henry Elliot's *History of India* (VII, p. 428, note).

15. Shāh 'Ālam,  
Jalālu'd-dīn, Mirzā 'Abdu'llāh Walā Gauhar,  
(1756-1806).  
*Empire overthrown by the Mahrattas, 1761. Lived  
under British protection.*

16. Akbar II,  
'Abū'l Nāsir, Mun'aim'd-dīn Muhammad,  
(1806-1837).

17. Muhammad Bahādur,  
(1837-1857).  
*Transported to Rangoon after the Mutiny of 1857.*

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DEVAGIRI YĀDAVAS, THE—.

(See YĀDAVAS.)

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DVĀRASAMUDRAM YĀDAVAS, THE—.

(See HOYSĀLA BALLĀLAS.)

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EASTERN CHĀLUKYAS.

(See CHĀLUKYAS.)

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GANAPATIS OF ORAṄGAL,<sup>1</sup> THE.—

Very little is as yet known about the kings of this dynasty, and it is to be hoped that inscriptions exist which will throw light on the subject.

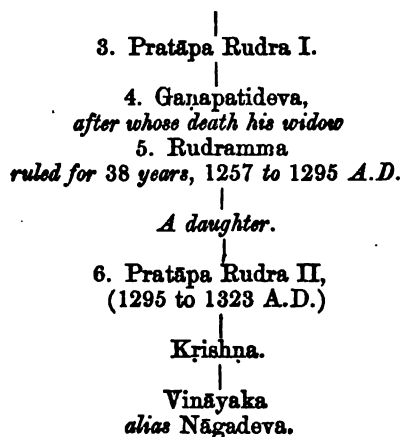
Prinsep's List, and that given in the *Madras Journal* XV, 219, in a paper called "A Statistical Report on the Circar of Warungul," by Dr. Walker (1849), are practically useless. So also is the manuscript analyzed by the Rev. W. Taylor and published in his Report on the Mackenzie MSS. (No. 32, countermark 722, republished in the *Madras Journal* X, 18-22). No inscriptions that I have yet met with (except one which will be mentioned below) carry the genealogy of the family further back than Prōlē or Prōla Rāja, who seems to have flourished about the early part of the twelfth century. From the spelling of the names in his list, it is clear that Dr. Walker received his information orally, and not from any written chronicle or inscription. According to him the first king conquered the Chola country and married the daughter of the king of Ceylon. His son became insane, and his two grandsons succeeded and ruled jointly, having their capital at Nandēr on the Godāvāri. After these comes a break in the history, which commences again with a king living at Khandhar, from whom the crown descended directly in the male line to Prōla Rāja. Including the first king of this new dynasty ten sovereigns are named before Prōla Rāja. The names are hopelessly badly spelt and no good can be derived from reproducing them.

The succession appears to be as follows :—

1. Tribhuvana Malla.
2. Prōla Rāja,  
or Prōlē, married Muppammadevi.

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<sup>1</sup> This name is variously spelt *Voraṅgallu*, *Voraṅgōlu*, *Oraṅgallu*, *Oraṅgōlu*, *Vōruvakallu*, *Vōruvakōlu*, now generally *Vōrukallu*. I think that *Oraṅgal* is perhaps the best mode of transliteration, and have adopted it in this volume, considering *Oraṅgallu* a trifle too pedantic, while all such renderings as *Warangal*, *Warangul*, *Warungul* are positively wrong.



1. We know nothing as yet of Tribhuvana Malla except that his name appears as father of Prōla in an inscription at Anumakoṇḍa, which was published in J.A.S.B. VII, 901, in J.B.B.R.A.S. X, 46 by Dr. Bhāu Dāji, and quite recently by Mr. Fleet in the *Indian Antiquary* for January 1882 (XI, 9).<sup>1</sup>

2. According to tradition on the spot, Prōla built the city of Oraṅgal, eight of his predecessors having ruled at Anumakoṇḍa. He is said to have been a minor at his accession, to have defeated the Gajapati of Orissa, and to have been killed accidentally by his son, thus fulfilling a prophecy which foretold his fate exactly as it occurred. The Anumakoṇḍa inscription above-mentioned states that Prōla captured and afterwards released "Tailappadeva," whom Mr. Fleet identifies with Taila III of the Western Chālukyas (A.D. 1150—1162). In Prōla's time, too, occurred a siege of Anumakoṇḍa by Jagaddeva, one of the Śāntara kings of Maisūr, the besiegers being successfully repulsed by the garrison (*Ind. Ant.* XI, 10).

3. Rudra, or Pratāpa Rudra I, seems to have been a powerful prince. The inscription above-mentioned is dated in his reign (A.D. 1162). It mentions the death of Tailapa III, and narrates some conquests made by the Gaṇapatis, especially over one Bhīma, and the capture of the city of Chōḍōḍaya.<sup>2</sup>

4. If Dr. Burnell (*South-Indian Palæography*, p. 40, note 4) is right in his assignment of the date A.D. 1228 for the loss of the Kalingā country to the Chōlas, it was probably in the reign of (4) Gaṇapatideva that that king conquered Kalingā, but there are, I think, reasons for not being too certain at present. The inscriptions in *Kalingadesa* are numerous, and await careful examination. It will very possibly be found that the Gaṇapatis had acquired power in those territories previous to that date.

5. Queen Rudramma was in many respects a very remarkable character. On her husband's death there was no heir to the throne, and she at once assumed the reins of government. Her long reign of thirty-eight years was marked by a most able system of administration, as is testified to by Marco Polo, who visited the coast south of the Kṛishṇa River at Mōtupalle just at the close of the reign. He writes,—"This was formerly under the rule of a king, and since his death some forty years past it has been under his queen, a lady of much discretion, who, for the great love she bore him, never would marry another husband. And I can assure you that during all that space of forty years she had administered her realm as well as ever her husband did, or better, and as she was a lover of justice, of equity, and of peace, she was more beloved by those of her kingdom than ever was lady or lord of theirs before." (Colonel Yule's *Marco Polo*, II, 295.) In A.D. 1295 Rudramma's daughter's son having attained his majority, the queen abdicated in his favour.<sup>3</sup>

6. This was the celebrated Pratāpa Rudra II (A.D. 1295—1323), one of the most powerful princes of his time, but destined to be virtually the last of his line. In A.D. 1295 the Muḥammadans under 'Alāu'd-din, Governor of Oudh and nephew of Jalālu'd-din Khilji of Delhi, marched into the Dakhaṅ and wantonly plundered the city of Devagiri, the capital of the kingdom bordering on Oraṅgal. They exacted large tribute and retired. In 1306 'Alāu'd-din, who by the murder of his uncle had raised himself to the throne, again sent an army into the Dakhaṅ under the command of Malik Kāfur to

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Fleet published a short note on this inscription in *Ind. Ant.* X, 211, for the purpose of fixing the date, viz., A.D. 1162.

<sup>2</sup> Possibly a Chōla king or viceroy (*Chola-udaiyar*).

<sup>3</sup> Dr. Gustav Oppert publishes (*Madras Journal* for 1881) some inscriptions and extracts from local records which seem to show that during the reign of Queen Rudramma one Gōre (or Gorre) Gaṅgayya Beḍḍi was a general of considerable power and influence.

reduce Devagiri in consequence of the Rāja having refused to pay tribute. The Rāja was captured and taken to Delhi. In 1309 the arms of the Musalmāns were directed against Oraṅgal. The first campaign was unsuccessful, but in the second Rudradeva was completely defeated and compelled to become tributary to Delhi, his capital being captured.<sup>1</sup> In 1310 Malik Kāfur was again sent southwards to reduce the Hoysala Ballālas of Dvārasamudra. In this he was completely successful and reached the Malabar Coast, where he built a mosque to commemorate the event. He captured the capital, sacked the celebrated temple of Hallebidu, and returned in triumph to Delhi. In 1312 Devagiri was again reduced by Malik Kāfur, and the crown prince put to death. Six years later Mubārak Khilji of Delhi marched against, seized, and flayed alive Haripāladeva, son-in-law of Rāja Rāmadeva of Devagiri. Amir Khusrū, in his *Nuh Sipahr*, gives an account of an expedition sent by the sovereign of Delhi under the leadership of Malik Khusrū against Oraṅgal, which resulted in the entire defeat of the Rāja; but the circumstance is not recorded by Ferishta.<sup>2</sup> Whether it occurred or not, the open hostility of the Muḥammadans seems to have roused to the highest pitch the terror and anxiety of the Dakhāni princes, and about the year 1326 Pratāpa Rudra made an alliance with the Rāja of Devagiri and threw off all semblance of fealty to the king of Delhi. He was probably incited to this important step by the disturbances at Delhi, which resulted, in 1321, in the subversion of the house of Khilji and the establishment of the dynasty of Tughlik. If so, he was very ill-advised, for one of the first actions of the new sovereign was to despatch an army (1321) to Oraṅgal under his eldest son Ulugh Khān to reduce the refractory Rāja.<sup>3</sup> The expedition was, however, unsuccessful. The Muḥammadan troops invested both the mud fort and the stone fort of Oraṅgal, but were attacked during the siege by a terrible epidemic disease, became dispirited and panic-stricken, and, on being beaten at all points and driven from their camp by a courageous sally of the garrison, retired hastily and raised the siege. In 1323, however, a second large Musalmān force marched southwards and captured Oraṅgal. Pratāpa Rudra was made prisoner and sent to Delhi. His son Kṛishṇa succeeded him, but with a much reduced kingdom. He revolted and turned the tables in 1344 by making a grand combination of Hindu States, and driving the Muḥammadans out of the country. No attempt seems to have been made by the sovereigns of Delhi again to subvert the Oraṅgal monarchy, but in 1358 Muḥammad Shāh Bāhmani plundered the country up to the capital, and only retired on being paid the expenses of the war. The Muḥammadan writers speak of Vināyakadeva ("Vinaik Deo"), *alias* Nāgadeva, as the son of the Rāja, and it may be presumed that the Rāja was then Kṛishṇa "Nāik." In 1371 war again broke out between Oraṅgal and the Bāhmani sovereign, which resulted in the disastrous defeat of the former, the fortress of "Vellumputtan" being captured and Prince Nāgadeva being cruelly put to death (*Scott's Ferishta*, I, 18—20). The Hindus, however, so harassed the retreat of the victorious enemy that only a third of their number reached Kulbarga in safety. The Rāja vainly attempted to induce the sovereign of Delhi to aid him, and on being again attacked, submitted and made over an immense treasure to the Dakhāni Muḥammadans. A treaty was drawn up and boundaries fixed to the two kingdoms.

In 1424 Aḥmad Shāh Bāhmani made war on Oraṅgal, and the then Rāja was killed. (I have been unable to ascertain his name, or relationship to Pratāpa Rudra's family.) This is the last we hear of the Oraṅgal Kingdom.

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#### GANGAS OF KALIṄGĀ.

(See KALIṄGĀ.)

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#### GANGAS OF MAISŪR.

(See KONGUS.)

<sup>1</sup> See the *Tārīkh-i'Alai* of Amīr Khusrū, who gives full particulars (Sir Henry Elliot's *History of India*, III, 80), and the *Tārīkh-i Fīrās Shāhi* of Zīā'u'd-dīn Barṇī (*Id.* 189). The outer walls of the city were then made of mud, and its circumference was 12,546 yards. The ramparts were stormed, after an unsuccessful night attack by the garrison.

<sup>2</sup> Several points of interest may be observed in the narrative of Amīr Khusrū (Sir Henry Elliot's *History of India*, III, 558—561). Oraṅgal's two lines of defences, one of mud and one of stone, are mentioned. Before the engagement, "Hindus made an attack upon Hindus to try their respective strength." "Fire-worshippers of Buddha" are alluded to as residing in the city. The latter were very possibly Jains, though why styled "Fire-worshippers" is not clear.

<sup>3</sup> The *Tārīkh-i Fīrās Shāhi* of Zīā'u'd-dīn Barṇī (Sir H. Elliot's *History of India*, III, 231).



## GOLKONDA, QUTB SHĀHI DYNASTY OF—

(See DAKHAN, Muhammadan Kings of the—.)

## GUTTAS.

(See Mr. Fleet's *Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, pages 6, 7.)

In the sixth century a dynasty of "Mauryas" was reigning in the Koṅkana, who claimed to be descendants, and possibly were so, of the Maurya dynasty of Pataliputra (see under ANDHRAS, p. 144). The ancient dynasty was founded by Chandragupta, and Mr. Fleet thinks that the Gutta family, who called themselves *Mahāmaṇḍalesvaras* in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, were later offshoots of the same family. They were feudatories of the Western Chalukyas, and seem to have lived in Dhārwad and Maisūr. Mr. Fleet notes inscriptions (1) of the reign of Vikramāditya VI of the Western Chalukyas (A.D. 1075-1126), (2) of A.D. 1179-80, (3) of A.D. 1181-82, (4) of A.D. 1187-88, (5) of A.D. 1191-92, (6) of A.D. 1213-14, (7) of A.D. 1237-38, and (8) of A.D. 1262-63, all of which mention chiefs of this Gutta family.

## HAIDARĀBĀD, NIZĀMS OF—.

1. Nizāmu'l-mulk,  
(1713-1748).

*His real name was Mir Kamrū'd-dīn Khān. His other titles were Nizāmu'l-mulk Āsaf Jāh, and Fath Jang Nizāmu'd-daulah. He is also known by one of his earlier titles, Chin Kalich Khān. He rose to distinction under Aurangzāb, and was Wasīr to Muhammad Shāh. He was recognized as Subahdār of the Dakhan in 1713, and became independent on the downfall of the Moghul dynasty. Died 1748.*

Ghāzi-ud-dīn Khān.  
*Remained absent from the Dakhan till 1752, when, attempting to wrest the Subahdāri from Salābat Jang, he was poisoned.*

2. Nāsir Jang,  
(1748-1750).  
*Killed in 1750 by the Navāb of Cuddapah.*

4. Salābat Jang,  
(1750-1761).  
*Deposed in 1761 by Nizām 'Alī and murdered January 26th, 1763.*

5. Nizām 'Alī Basālat Jang.  
Khān, Āsaf Jāh i Sāni, (1761-1803).

3. Muzaffar Jang,  
Hidayat Muht-ud-dīn.  
(Dec. 5th, 1750 to Jan. 30th, 1751). Grandson of Nizāmu'l-mulk by a daughter. Allied himself with Chandā Sāhib and fought against Nāsir Jang. He was killed 1750 in a moment of triumph, leaving an infant son, who never came to power.

6. Sikandar Shāh,  
(1803-1829).

7. Farkhundah 'Alī Khān, Nāsiru'd-daulah,  
(1829-1857).  
*Sir Sālar Jang was made his Dewān in 1853.*

8. Afzūl-ud-daulah,  
(1857-1869).  
*Sir Sālar Jang was his Dewān.*

9. Mir Mahbūb 'Alī Khān Bahādur Fath Jang, Nizāmu'd-daulah, Nizāmu'l-mulk (1869),  
*the present Nizām. Sir Sālar Jang died 1882.*

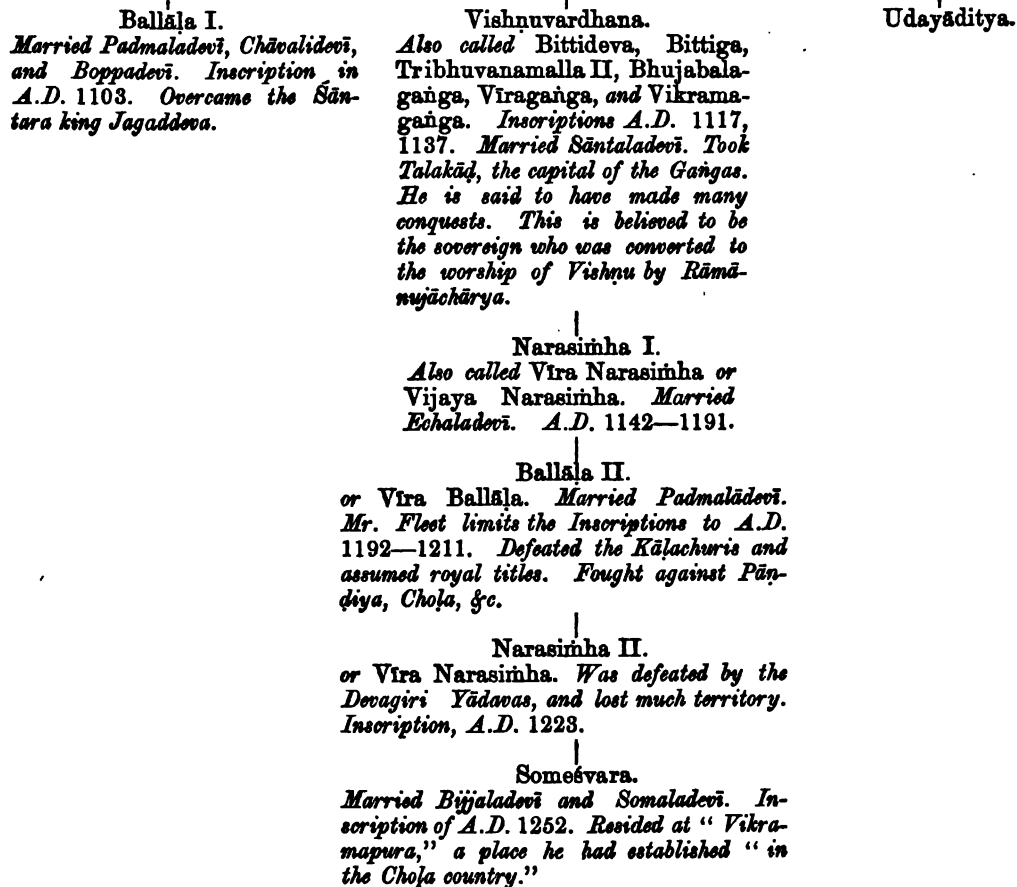
THE HOYSALA BALLALAS.<sup>1</sup>

This was a dynasty that ruled over most part of the present Maisūr territories from about the beginning of the eleventh till the beginning of the fourteenth century. They were probably feudatories of the Kalachuris, whom they succeeded on the downfall of that kingdom. The Musalmān raids of 1310 A.D. caused the subversion of the family. The Ballālas were Yādavas by origin, and resided, during the time of their greatest power, at the old Yādava capital, Dvārasamudra (modern Halebidu). The founder of the family is by tradition called Śāla or Hoysāla, and in the *Chenna Basavanna Kārajñāna* he is given a long reign, from A.D. 984 to 1043; but it is possible that the name is mythical. Mr. Rice states that two inscriptions insert a son Kari between Śāla and Vinayāditya, making Vinayāditya grandson of the former. Vinayāditya is the earliest authentic sovereign. The genealogy of the family is as follows:—

Vinayāditya.

Also called *Tribhuvana Malla I. Married Keleyabbe, or Keleyaladevi. Inscriptions A.D. 1047, 1076.*<sup>2</sup> He was a feudatory of the Western Chālukya Vikramāditya VI.

Ereyaṅga or Eregaṅga,  
married Echaladevi.



<sup>1</sup> Fleet's *Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, p. 64; Rice's "*Mysore and Coorg*," I, 213; "*Mysore Inscriptions*," by the same author, lxxv.

<sup>2</sup> Mr. Rice adds an inscription in A.D. 1039.

Narasimha III.

Inscriptions range from A.D. 1254 to 1286. *Reigned at Dvārasamudra.*

Ballāla III.

or Vira Ballāladeva. *Reigned till the Musalmān conquest of A.D. 1310.*

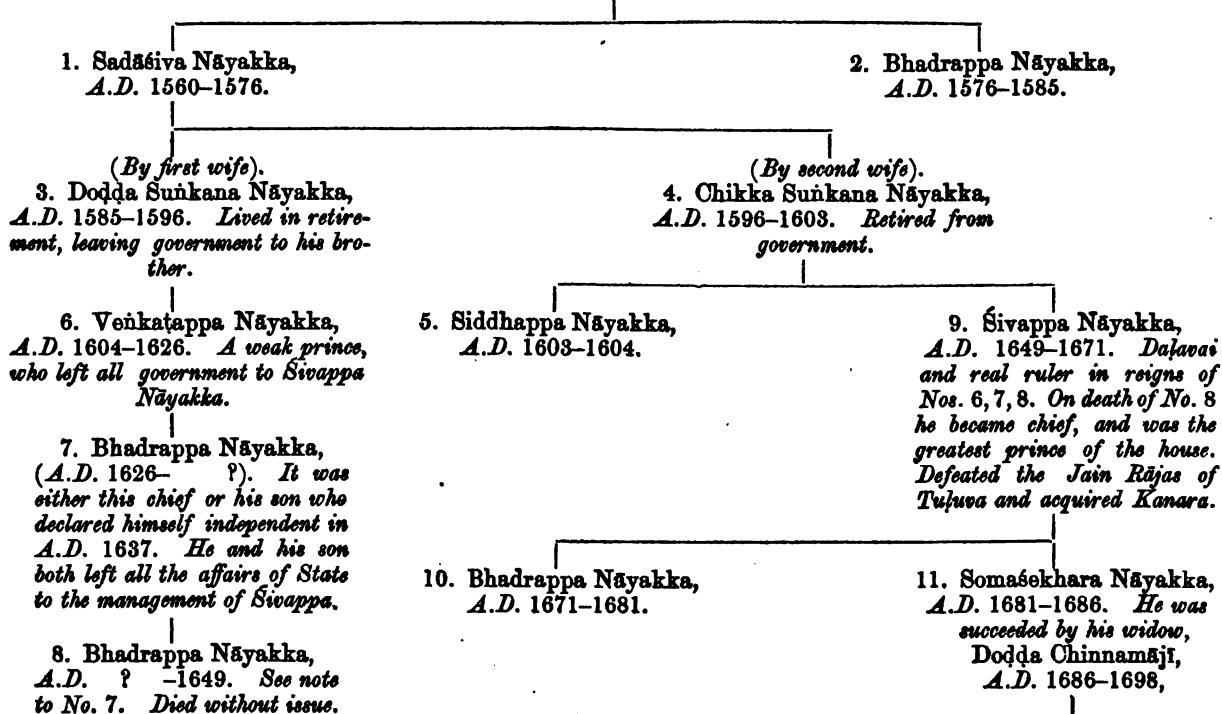
In A.D. 1310 'Alau'd-din, Emperor of Delhi, sent Malik Kafur to reduce the Yādava kings of Dvārasamudra.<sup>1</sup> The invaders were completely successful. They destroyed the capital, sacked the temples, and subverted the dynasty. Ballāla seems to have been captured, but afterwards to have been released and allowed nominally to rule. This continued till A.D. 1326-1327, when a second Musalmān invasion completed the destruction of the kingdom. It appears, however, that princes of the dynasty continued, as might be expected, to claim a nominal dignity as heads of the family, for we read of the rebel Muhammadan Viceroy fleeing in A.D. 1337 to the Hoyśāla king at Tanūr for safety (he was delivered up and flayed alive by his sovereign), and in 1347 it seems that the Hoyśāla prince Ballāladeva of Dvārasamudra sent a contingent to help the great Hindu confederation that stemmed the torrent of Musalmān successes, and checked for two centuries their advance southwards.

IKKĒRI, KELADI, OR BEDNŪR, RAJAS OF.—

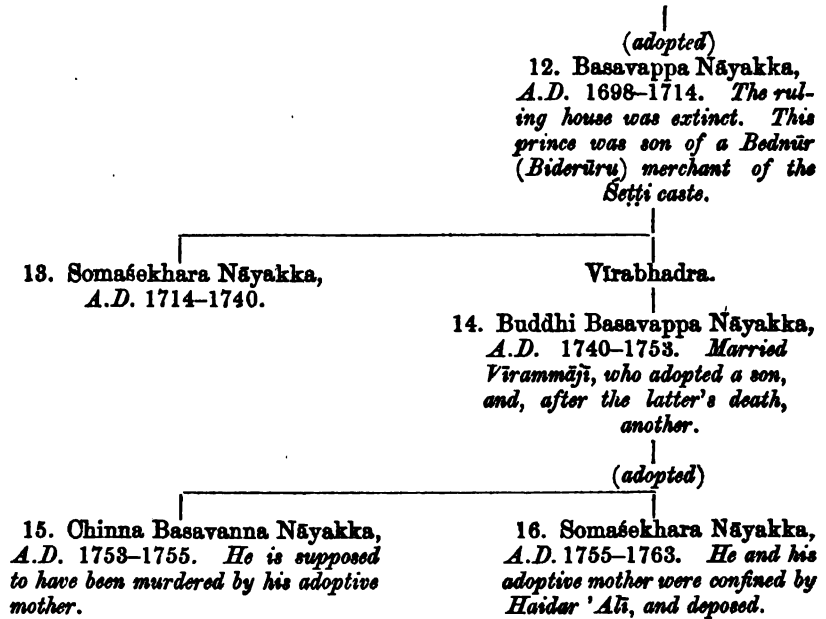
This was a principality in Maistūr which lasted from A.D. 1560 to 1763, the capital being at Ikkēri. The chiefs do not appear to have been very powerful at any time.

In 1560 Sadāsīva Rāya of Vijayanagar is said to have conferred on a man of the Śūdra caste a small government, which the family held, increased, and finally usurped as their own. To the first chief the Vijayanagar sovereign gave his own name. This was Sadāsīva Nāyakka, eldest son of Basavappa-gauḍa.

Basavappa-gauḍa.



<sup>1</sup> The expedition is described by Amtr Khura in his *Tārīkh-i 'Alai* (Sir H. Elliot's *History of India*, III, 80, &c.), and by Ziauddin Barni in the *Tārīkh-i Firuz Shāhi* (Id. 203).



In 1763 Haider 'Ali seized the territories of this house, which thenceforth ceased to exist. No. 16 died without issue.

(See Buchanan's *Mysore*, etc., II, 289; Wilks' *History of Mysore*, I, 36, 37; Rice's *Mysore and Coorg*, II, 355.)

#### IMĀD SHĀHI DYNASTY OF BIRĀR.

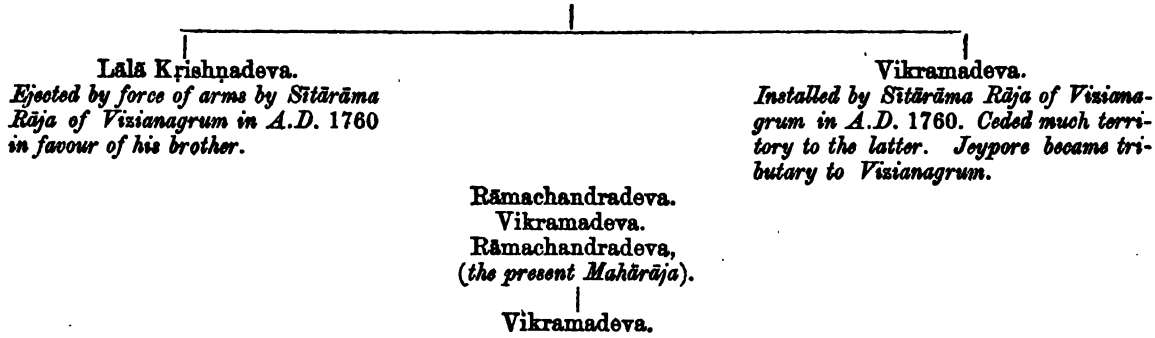
(See DAKHAN, Muhammadan Kings of the—.)

#### JEYPORE RĀJAS.

The Rājas of Jeypore belong to an ancient family, but unfortunately dates and genealogical descent cannot be traced. The family chronicler<sup>1</sup> names a line of eighty-seven sovereigns, after whom came a prince named Vināyakadeva, who is said to have founded a new dynasty at Nandapuram, the ancient capital of Jeypore. Others believe this chief to have been a dignitary at the court of the Gajapatis of Orissa. The family are Rājputs of the lunar line. The following is the list of Rājas, kindly given me by Mr. P. W. Moore, C.S. :—

Vināyakadeva.  
Vijayachandrakshayadeva.  
Bhairavadeva.  
Viśvanāthadeva.  
Balarāmadeva.  
Dasalnantadeva.  
B. Vikramadeva.  
B. Kṛishnadeva.  
Viśvambaradeva.  
Malki Mardana Kṛishnadeva.  
Harideva.  
Balarāmadeva.  
Raghunātha Kṛishnadeva.  
Rāmachandradeva.  
Balarāmadeva.  
Viśvambaradeva.

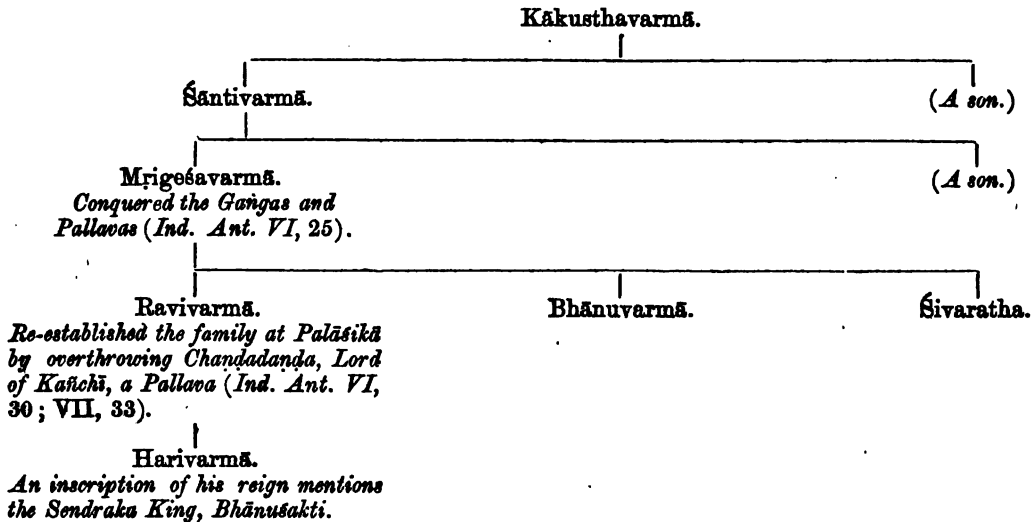
<sup>1</sup> *Visagapatam District Manual*, page 284 et seq.



## KADAMBAS AND KADAMBAS, THE—.

In Mr. Fleet's recent publication "*The Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*" he points out (pages 7—10, 84, &c.) that there were three families having similar names. The kings of the ancient dynasty called themselves *Kadambas*, while those of the two latter dynasties were styled *Kādambas*. These will be considered in order.

The ancient dynasty was that of the KADAMBAS of PALĀSİKĪ, or Halsi in Belgaum, and Vaijantī or Banavāsi in North Kanara. The various grants of this dynasty supply the following genealogy:—



In an inscription of Mṛigeśavarmā's reign, his third year is called *Pausha* and his eighth *Varsākha*, while the years are divided, in the primitive method, into three seasons instead of four. Mr. Rice assigns the dates A.D. 538 to Kākustha, A.D. 570 to Mṛigeśa, and A.D. 600 to Bhānu. Mr. Fleet doubts the authenticity of the grant on which the first date is founded, and places these sovereigns at about the close of the fifth century A.D., anterior to the subjugation of the Kadambas by Kirttivarmā I of the Chalukyas, whose date is A.D. 567.

The Devagiri grants mention a Krishnavarmā and his son Devavarmā, who may have been anterior or posterior to the above kings. Krishna's sister married the Gaṅga king Mādhava II.

These Kadambas were, like the Chalukyas, of the *Mānavya gotra*, "Sons of Hāriti."<sup>1</sup> They were Jains.

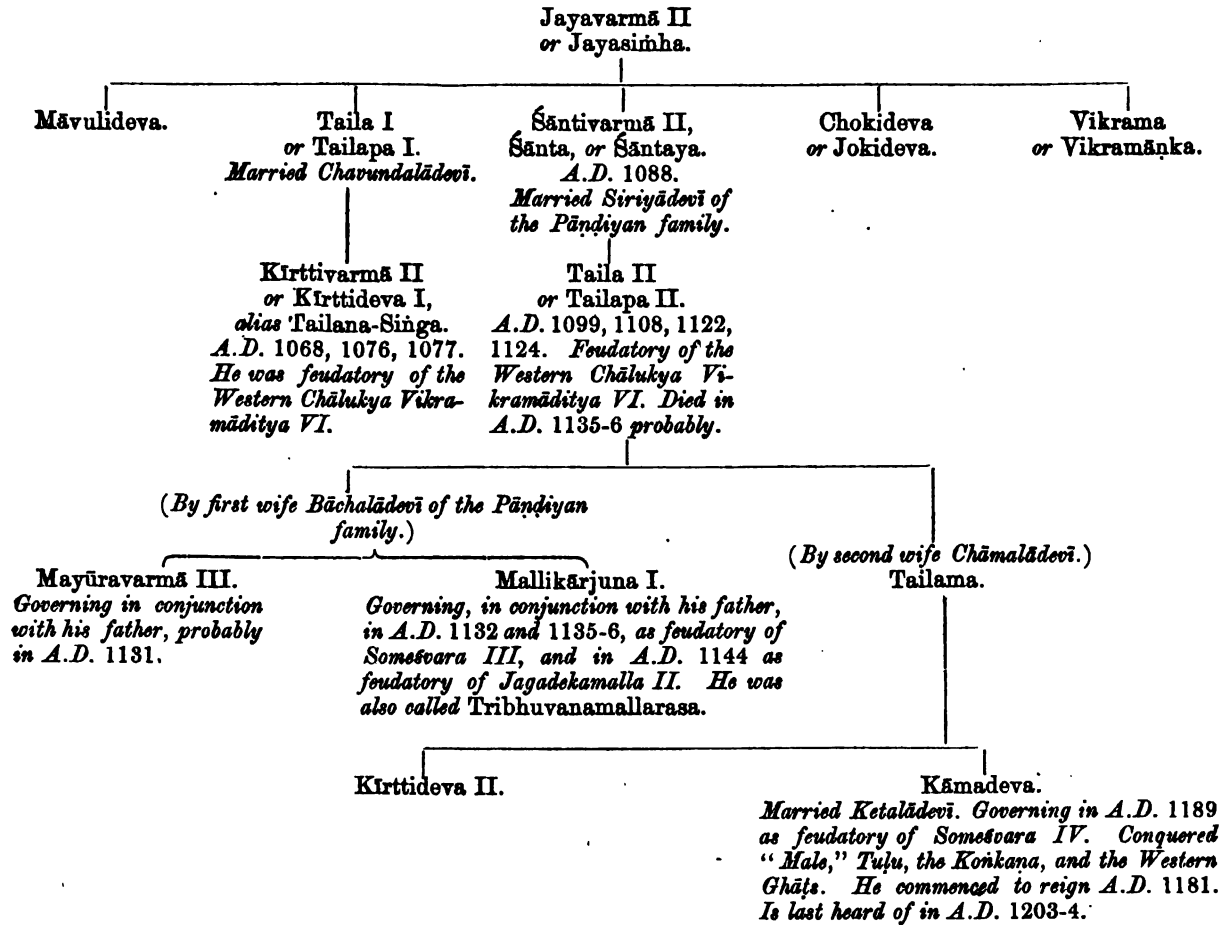
Next come the KADAMBAS OF BANAVĀSI AND HĀNGAL.

Mr. Fleet thinks that the difference in the name implies that the later chiefs cannot claim direct lineal descent from the Kadambas. Three lists of sovereigns are given. The first, by Wilson (*Mackenzie*

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Fleet gives an interesting note on the title *Hāritiputra*, on page 5, n.

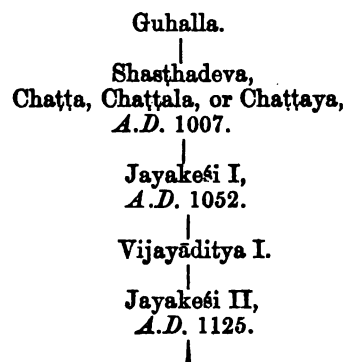


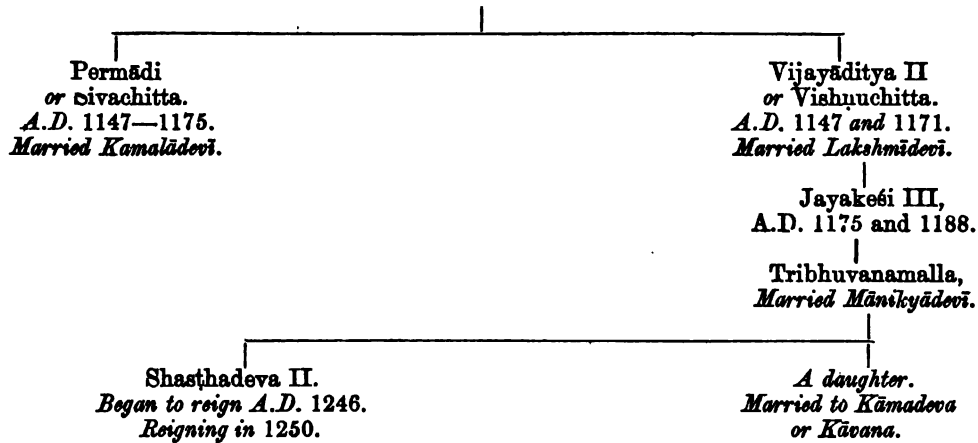
From this point commences the third list, which is probably accurate. Mr. Fleet, however, states that the first historical name is that of Kirttivarmā II.



We hear in these inscriptions of a siege of Hāṅgal by the Hoysāla Ballālas in A.D. 1135, when King Vishnuvardhana wrested from the Kādambas for a time the provinces of Banavāsi and Hāṅgal. In A.D. 1196 the Hoysāla king Ballāla II besieged Hāṅgal, but was repulsed by Kāmadeva. Soon afterwards, Mr. Fleet thinks, Ballāla II completely subjugated the Kādambas and annexed their territory, all that is known being that in A.D. 1203-4 Kāmadeva was still struggling.

THE KĀDAMBAS OF GOA.—These belonged to a distinct family connected with the Banavāsi Kādambas, but in a manner not yet known. They ruled at Goa and Halsi (*Palāśikā*). The genealogy is as follows:—



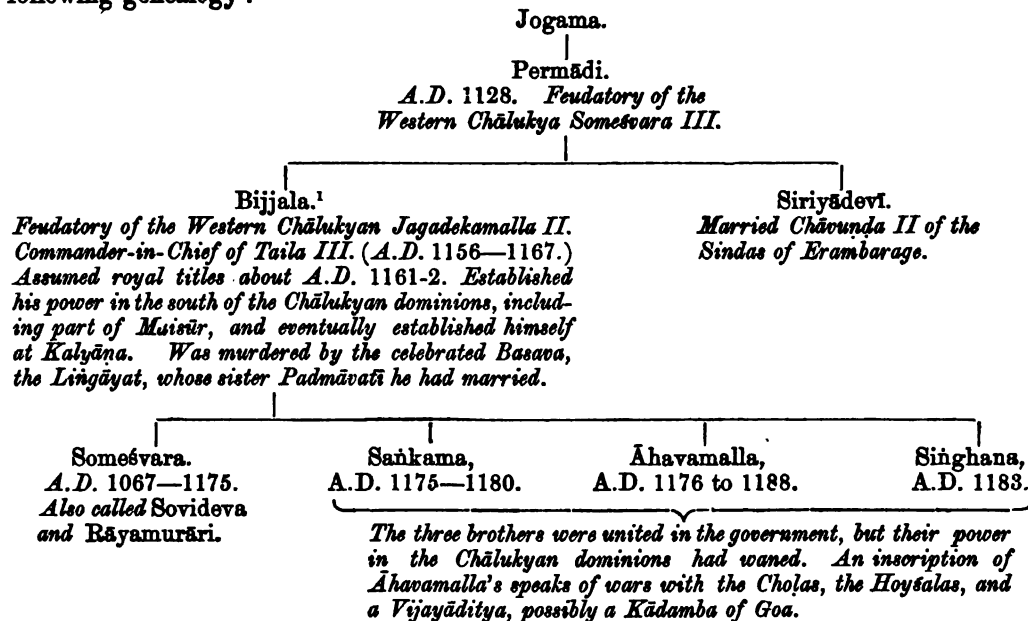


Shasthadeva I and Jayakeśi I were feudatories of the Western Chālukyas. Vijayāditya I married Chattalādevī, sister of Bijjalādevī, the mother of Jagaddeva of the Śāntara family. Jayakeśi II was also a feudatory of the Chālukyas, though at first he seems to have attempted to rid himself of their supremacy. He fought with the Sindas, and was for a time defeated. He was also defeated by the Hoysalas. Permādi and Vijayāditya II seem to have reigned conjointly. Mr. Fleet thinks that, at the death of Jayakeśi III, the kingdom of the Kādambas of Goa was practically at an end, and that Shasthadeva II had very little real power.

#### KALACHURIS OR KALACHURYAS, THE—.

A dynasty of KALACHURIS is mentioned in an inscription of Maṅgalīśa of the early Chālukyas (A.D. 567—610), and Mr. Fleet (*Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, pp. 10, 11) considers them to be the predecessors of the KALACHURIS. Their king Buddha, son of Śaṅkaragaṇa, seems to have been conquered by Maṅgalīśa.

With the more northern branch of the family, as described by Mr. Fleet, we have nothing to do in the Madras Presidency, but the existence of the southern branch was felt in its day. Mr. Fleet gives the following genealogy:—



The Kalachuris were overthrown by Ballāla II of the Hoysalas in, or soon after, A.D. 1183-4.

<sup>1</sup> "Also called Bijja, Bijjana, Vijjala, Vijjana, Tribhuvanamalla, and Nissankamalla I."—(Mr. Fleet.)



## KĀLAHASTI, THE ZEMINDARI OF—.

This is an ancient Zemindari in the North Arcot District, but very little is known regarding the family to whom it belonged. They claim to have received their territory by grant from one of the two Pratāpa Rudras of Oraṅgal in the thirteenth century, who created Dāmarla Javi Rāya (or *Rāyudu*, *Tel.*), first chief of Kālahasti.

In 1639, Dāmarla Venkaṭadri Nāyudu, the then Polegar, gave the village of Chennakuppum to the English, who obtained a *sanad* for it from the Rāja of Chandragiri, the expatriated prince of Vijayanagar. The Polegar stipulated that the new settlement was to be called "Chenna-paṭṭanam" after his father Chennappa or Chennayya Nāyudu. On the site so obtained, Mr. Day, the Superintendent of the Company's factory, built Fort St. George, and founded the city now called "Madras" by the English, but "Chennapaṭṭanam" by the natives of the country. (See Mr. Cox's *Manual of North Arcot*, p. 216.)

## KALINGĀ, GAṄGAS OF—.

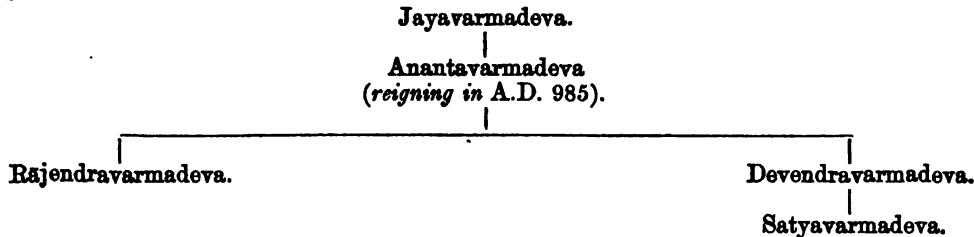
We have still a great deal to learn about the sovereigns and princes of Kalingā, for though it is certain that they were powerful and independent sovereigns at a very early stage of the history of Southern India, as yet we know nothing of their names. They governed the country south of Orissa and north of the Godāvari. (See Mr. Foulkes's "*Civilization of the Dakhan down to the Sixth Century B.C.*" in *Ind. Ant. VIII*, 1.)

The people and the reigning house of Kalingā are alluded to in the oldest extant chronicles of India and Ceylon, and were known equally to the classical writers of Greece and Rome and to the inhabitants of the far East. They appear to have been hardy and adventurous traders by sea to distant countries. The oldest Buddhist legends speak of the Kalingā monarchs as then rulers of a civilized country.

An ancient inscription<sup>1</sup> found at Chicacole in Ganjam gives the name of Nandaprabhañjanavarmā, King of Kalingā, at a period probably previous to the Chālukyan conquest of Veṅgī at the beginning of the seventh century A.D. Like the Veṅgī kings, the sovereign was probably a Pallava by origin. His grant is dated from the city of Sārapalle.

Two other inscriptions of later date give the name of King Indravarmā. His grants are dated from the city of Kalingānagara, in the years 128 and 146 of the "Victorious reign" (of the dynasty?).

Later on we come to the descendants of this Indravarmā in the tenth century. After the Chālukyan conquest in the seventh century, we hear little or nothing of the Kalingā Gaṅgas till about the year 977 A.D.<sup>2</sup> At that period there ensued a period of anarchy in the Eastern Chālukyan territories which lasted for twenty-seven years at least, and the Kalingā princes again rose to power for a time at Kalingānagara. The following short genealogy is gathered from inscriptions of this period:—



Two inscriptions found at Chicacole<sup>3</sup> record grants made by Devendra and his son Satya in the same year, namely, the "fifty-first year of the reign of the *Gāṅgēya-vamśa*," at Kalingānagara, and it would seem natural to suppose that they date from the commencement of the reign of some king (Jayavarmā?) who re-established for a time the fortunes of the family. Another grant of Devendravarmā<sup>4</sup> is dated in the "254th year," but without stating the era. Here also the order is issued from the city of Kalingānagara. If pure conjecture may be allowed a place in a publication of this kind, I would note, as a possible explanation of these figures, that as the Kalingā country lay between the territories of Orissa and those of the Eastern Chālukyas, it is possible that the ancient family may have

<sup>1</sup> Pages 21, 22 of this Volume. *Indian Antiquary*, X, p. 243.

<sup>2</sup> Dr. Burnell's *South Indian Palaeography*, p. 53, note 4.

<sup>3</sup> Page 22 of this Volume. *Indian Antiquary*, X, 243.

<sup>4</sup> Pages 14, 15 of this Volume. *Indian Antiquary*, X, 243.

partially re-established themselves and founded a dynasty about the end of the seventh or beginning of the eighth century, when, seemingly, the Orissan kings lapsed into a condition of weak peacefulness for four and a half centuries (*Stirling*), but being afraid of their powerful neighbours on the south, they dared not assert any considerable independence till the period of anarchy in the Eastern Chālukyan dominions, which commenced about the year A.D. 977. The fifty-first year would then refer to the era of independence, the 254th to the original establishment of the dynasty.

On pp. 31—34 *ante*, I have noted a dynasty of kings professing to belong to the Gaṅga family, of whom a complete genealogy is given for three and a-half centuries, ending in A.D. 1119 with Chōda-gaṅga *alias* Anantavarmadeva, whose father married a daughter of Rājendra Chola (A.D. 1064—1113). They seem to be unconnected with the Gaṅgas mentioned above, and yet they claim to have ruled the Kalingā country during the whole of that long period. I can at present offer no explanation of this apparent confusion.

#### KANVA OR KANWA DYNASTY, THE—.

(See the ANDHRA Dynasty.)

#### KĀRVĒTINAGARA, ZEMINDARS OF—.

Sir Walter Elliot ("*Numismatic Gleanings*," in the *Madras Journal*, No. VII., N.S., p. 96, Vol. XX, O.S.) states that from a "local history of some merit" he finds that the ancient possessors of the "Kārvētīnagaram" estate were a family of Sālva Redḍis, who migrated from the neighbourhood of Pittāpuram in the delta of the Godāvāri, about the eighth or ninth century. One of them, Sālva Narasā Redḍi, obtained the favour of the last of the Eastern Chālukyas, Vimalāditya (A.D. 1016—1023),<sup>1</sup> and was appointed chief of the country about Tirupati, where he founded a town called Narasāpuram.\*

From the account that follows I obtain the following pedigree:—

Sālva Narasā Redḍi,  
1st chief, about A.D. 1020.

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Sālva Veṅkaṭapati Nāyudu  
*dispossessed by the Cholas.*

Sālva Bhīma Nāyudu  
*recovered his patrimony.*<sup>2</sup>

Sālva Narasimha Nāyudu  
*assumed independence after  
an inroad by the Chera (?) king  
Kirttivarmā whom he assisted.  
Ruled 35 years with much ability.*

Sālva Bhujānga Nāyudu  
*was reduced to subjection by the Western  
Chālukya king, Somēśvaradeva (I or  
II) and taken prisoner to Kalyāṇa  
where he died.*

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*Recovered the estate.*

<sup>1</sup> Sir Walter Elliot's date, A.D. 930, is wrong.

<sup>2</sup> Another wrong date, Ś.Ś. 898 (A.D. 976), given.

In Ś.Ś. 1152 (A.D. 1230), it is said that the estates were curtailed to 24 villages by Rāja Rāja II of the Chola dynasty, but during the next four generations, as the power of the Cholas decayed, the fortunes of the Kārvēṭinagara family rose, and in Ś.Ś. 1236 (A.D. 1314) the chief was able to obtain as his son-in-law Prōli, or Prōlaya, Redḍi, the first of the Koṇḍaviḍu Redḍi dynasty. Shortly after this the family became feudatories of Vijayanagar, and remained so for about two hundred years, when the family became extinct and the present Bomma Rāzu family succeeded. The last of the old family was Śeshāhala Redḍi, who stipulated that his family-name should be retained. This is still done, the name *Sāva* being one of the titles of the present Zemindar.

The founder of the family, Narasā Redḍi, was granted permission by his patron, the Chālukya, to use the royal seal and boar-signet of the Chālukyas, a proud distinction still kept up.

Mr. Cox (*Manual of North Arcot, p. 222, etc.*) gives an account of the origin and fortunes of the Bomma Rāzu family. Geddi Makha Rāzu and Boppa Rāzu, two scions of a family in the Northern Sarkārs, travelled southwards, and were successful in beating off a band of robbers. The chief of Kārvēṭinagara heard of this and sent for them. They took service under him, and Makha Rāzu eventually became his prime minister, and succeeded to the estate on the death of his patron without heirs (the widows becoming *satīs*). Boppa Rāzu became his prime minister. The present Zemindar is descended from them.

The family profess to be pure Kshatriyas.

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KELADI, RĀJAS OF—.

(See IKKĒRI Rājās.)

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KERAĻA KINGS.

(See Rulers of the MALAYĀĻAM country.)

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KIMEDI, ZEMINDARS OF—.

There are at present three estates in the Ganjam District, Parla Kimedi, Pedda Kimedi, and Chinna Kimedi. The Zemindars of these estates belong to the same family, which is of considerable antiquity and claims to be descended from the Keśari sovereigns of Orissa. It is impossible, however, to ascertain anything reliable regarding their origin, or the ancestry of the present chiefs of Pedda Kimedi or Chinna Kimedi. I append a list of the Parla Kimedi family as given to me by Mr. C. F. Macartie, C.S., who compiled it from the Zemindari records and believes it to be authentic.

• Kapiladeva,  
(1227—1245).

|  
Narasimhadeva,  
(1245—1265).

|  
Madanadeva,  
(1265—1290).

|  
Nārāyanadeva,  
(1290—1309).

|  
Anandadeva,  
(1309—1317).

|  
Ananta Rudradeva,  
(1317—1325).

|  
Jaya Rudradeva,  
(1325—1367).

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## KIMEDI ZEMINDARS.

|  
**Lakshmi Narasimha Bhānudeva,**  
 (1367—1392).  
 |  
**Madhukarnadeva,**  
 (1392—1423).  
 |  
**Mṛityuñjaya Bhānudeva,**  
 (1423—1457).  
 |  
**Mādhava Madana Sundara Bhānudeva,**  
 (1457—1494).  
 |  
**Chandra Betāla Bhānudeva,**  
 (1494—1527).  
 |  
**Suvarṇa Līṅga Bhānudeva,**  
 (1527—1566).  
 |  
**Śivalīṅga Nārāyaṇadeva,**  
 (1566—1590).  
 |  
**Suvarṇa Keśari Nārāyaṇadeva,**  
 (1590—1630).  
 |  
**Mukunda Rudra Nārāyaṇadeva,**  
 (1630—1656).  
 |  
**Mukundadeva,**  
 (1656—1674).  
 |  
**Ananta Padmanābha Nārāyaṇadeva,**  
 (1674—1686).  
 |  
**Sarvajña Jagannātha Nārāyaṇadeva,**  
 (1686—1702).  
 |  
**Narasimhadeva,**  
 (1702—1729).  
 |  
**Vīra Padmanābha Nārāyaṇadeva,**  
 (1729—1748).  
 |  
**Vīra Pratāpa Rudra Nārāyaṇadeva,**  
 (1748—1766)  
*Having no son, adopted*  
 |  
**Jagannātha Nārāyaṇadeva,**  
 (1766—1806).  
 |  
**Gaura Chandra Gajapati Nārāyaṇadeva,**  
 (1806—1839).  
 |  
**Purushottama Gajapati Nārāyaṇadeva,**  
 (1839—1843).  
 |  
**Jagannātha Gajapati Nārāyaṇadeva,**  
 (1843—1850).  
 |  
**Vīra Pratāpa Rudra Gajapati Nārāyaṇadeva,**  
 (1850).  
*Present Zemindar.*

## KONDAVIDU, REDDI CHIEFS OF—.

Konḍavidu is a strong hill-fortress in the Kistna District, south of the Krishnā river and eight miles west of Guṅṭūr. After the subversion of the Gaṇapati Rājas of Oraṅgal by the Muhammadans in A.D. 1323, the Redḍi chiefs in different parts of the Eastern Coast rose to power. Amongst these the Konḍavidu chiefs were, for a century, so important that their government rises to the dignity of a kingdom, and their family to that of a dynasty.

The succession is as follows :—

	A.D.
Pōliya (Prōle, or Prōlaya) Vēma Redḍi, son of Donti Allā Redḍi (?)	1328—1339
Ana Vēma Redḍi .. .. .	1339—1369
Aliya Vēma Redḍi .. .. .	1369—1381
Komāragiri Vēma Redḍi .. .. .	1381—1395
Komaṭi Venkā Redḍi .. .. .	1395—1423
Rācha Venkā Redḍi .. .. .	1423—1427

The dynasty was overthrown by the Muhammadans in A.D. 1427.

Native tradition at Konḍavidu states that Prōlaya Vēma Redḍi was not connected with the family of Donti Allā Redḍi, but was "a guest in his house." Allā Redḍi is said to have lived at Dharanikōṭa near Amarāvati, and his family are stated to have "entered" that place in A.D. 1225. Prōlaya Vēma Redḍi is said to have built (or rebuilt?) the "Puttakōṭa" at Konḍavidu. His daughter married one of the Sālva Redḍis of Kārvēṭinagara.

Ana Vēma Redḍi rebuilt the *Amareśvara* Temple at Amarāvati, as is proved by an inscription there.

Komāragiri Vēma Redḍi has a bad character for unpopularity.

Native tradition makes Rācha Venkā Redḍi brother of Komaṭi Venkā Redḍi.

## HISTORY OF THE RULERS OF KONDAVIDU FROM NATIVE SOURCES.

Several Telugu chronicles are extant, which profess to give an account of the history of Konḍavidu, the ruins of the forts and temples of which are extensive.

The following is an abstract of one, by repute the most authentic of them, which is held in high estimation among the educated natives of that part of the country. It is so accurate in the main (though the dates are sometimes wrong) that I consider it very necessary that it should be examined in detail, as several assertions are made in it referring to events hitherto unknown or little known to English writers.

The history commences with a Gajapati Rāja from Orissa named Viśvambaradeva, who ruled twelve years and built the first fort or *Puttakōṭa*.<sup>1</sup> He had four sons, Gaṇapatideva, Bala Bhāskaradeva, Hariharadeva, and Viśvambaradeva. Gaṇapatideva gave a village away in charity in Ś.Ś. 1067 (A.D. 1145). He "gave up his government" to Kākatiya Rudradeva.<sup>2</sup>

During the period of 100 years after the Gajapati sovereignty, the Redḍi chiefs began to grow into importance, and an inscription proves that in Ś.Ś. 1147 (A.D. 1225) one Donti Allā Redḍi was in possession of the fort of Dharanikōṭa, close to Amarāvati on the river. Subsequently Prōlaya Vēma Redḍi, a member of Allā Redḍi's family, acquired power, defeated the officers of Kākatiya Pratāpa Rudra at Dharanikōṭa, proclaimed himself independent, came to Konḍavidu, and rebuilt the *Puttakōṭa*.<sup>3</sup> He ruled from Ś.Ś. 1242—1253 (A.D. 1320—1331).

Then follows an account of the Redḍi dynasty corresponding with that given above.

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Boswell in his report to Government printed with G.O. of 7th November 1870, reprinted in the *Indian Antiquary* (I, 132), says that the *Puttakōṭa* at Konḍavidu was built by "Odiya sovereigns when they held this part of the country."

<sup>2</sup> This would imply a conquest of this country from the Gajapatis by the Oraṅgal Gaṇapatis a few years (?) subsequent to A.D. 1145. This remains to be proved; also that the Gajapatis conquered the Choḷa sovereigns of Kalinga previous to that date. At present we know nothing of this. Dr. Burnell states that the Choḷas lost Kalinga in A.D. 1228 (*South Indian Palaeography*, p. 40), and we know that they gained it in A.D. 1023. It has always been supposed that they held it undisturbed during those two centuries. I learn from a paper in the "*Asiatic Researches*" (XV, 269) that Ananḡa Bḥṡmadeva, the Gajapati King of Orissa, visited Puri in the twelfth year of his reign, and after making a solemn declaration of conquests made by him, which extended the frontier of his kingdom from Chicacole to Rajahmundry, built the new temple of *Jagannātha* in honour thereof. According to Stirling the reign of this king commenced in 1174 A.D. Hunter makes the date 1175, and the writer of the above article places it in 1196. This would make the date of the conquest in question previous either to 1186, to 1187, or to 1208 A.D.

<sup>3</sup> See above, p. 174. It is very possible that this defeat occurred as stated. Pratāpa Rudra II was completely defeated by the Muhammadans in A.D. 1323.

Ignoring the Muhammadan chiefs the Hindu historians pass on to Laṅgṇa Gajapati, who succeeded the Redḍi sovereign Rācha Venka Redḍi. He is said to have ruled from S.S. 1342—1353 (A.D. 1420—1431).<sup>1</sup>

This Gajapati was followed by two sovereigns of the Ānegundi family, (i.e., the Vijayanagar dynasty) whose names were Pratāpadeva and Hariharadeva. They reigned respectively seven and fifteen years, viz., from 1431 to 1454 A.D.<sup>2</sup>

This history then gives us another Gajapati named Kapileśvara as having conquered Harihara, and we have the following genealogy :—

Kapileśvara Gajapati,<sup>3</sup>  
27 years, A.D. 1454—1461.

Śrī Vira Pratāpa Purushottama Gajapati,  
35 years, A.D. 1461—1496.  
*In 1479 (S.S. 1411, "Kilaka"). This king  
exempted the people of Konḍavidu from taxa-  
tion, as is testified to by an inscription.*

Pratāpa Rudra Gajapati,  
1 year, A.D. 1496-1497.

Virabhadra Gajapati,  
18 years, A.D. 1497—1515.

Virabhadra was defeated by Krishnadeva Rāya of Vijayanagar in A.D. 1515, who marched up from the south (Udayagiri, etc.), carrying all the fortresses that lay on his march.<sup>4</sup> After his conquest, Krishnadeva Rāya went to Orissa and married the Orissa Gajapati's daughter.

He left as Governor of Konḍavidu a nephew of Śalva Timmarasu, by name Nādeṅḍa Gōpamantri. Krishnadeva Rāya built a temple at Konḍavidu and had an inscription engraved on a slab in S.S. 1443 (A.D. 1521).

Aohyuta's reign is mentioned. He is said to have been succeeded by his minister Rāmayya Bhāskarudu. He it was who murdered the 72 chiefs of the Redḍis at Konḍavidu. (See Boswell's Report, *Indian Antiquary* I, 183.) During the reign of Sadāsiva Rāya at Vijayanagar, the Governor at Konḍavidu was Vithaladeva, son of Mūrṭi Rāja, who was son of Kaṇḍanavōli Rāma Rāja.

Sadāsiva's reign was followed by a Muhammadan conquest.<sup>5</sup>

Tirumaladeva of the Vijayanagar family collected a large army and drove the Musalmāns across the Krishṇā, fairly reconquering all the country south of that river. He left as Governor of Konḍavidu one Raṅga Rājayyadeva, his son.<sup>6</sup> This Governor in S.S. 1494 (A.D. 1572) granted a village to a temple. Tirumaladeva ruled till S.S. 1496 (A.D. 1574) and was succeeded by Śrī Raṅgadeva, who in S.S. 1499 (A.D. 1577) granted another village to a temple. In his reign Ibrahim Pādshāh (Ibrahim Qutb Shāh of Golkonda) sent a force under a Brahman, Rāya Rāu (a Mahratta?) who seized the Palnāḍ country and the country about Kurnool and Nellore, and finally attacked Konḍavidu, the Governor of which place, being bribed, treacherously surrendered it in S.S. 1502 (A.D. 1580).

Here the history closes, but it ends with a mysterious statement that "afterwards Pratāpa Rudra governed 2,219 villages of the Konḍavidu country." (!)

<sup>1</sup> See Boswell's *Nellore Manual*, Udayagiri, p. 424.

<sup>2</sup> As I remarked before, the dates of this history are not accurate, though very nearly so. It is quite possible that about this time the Vijayanagar sovereigns seized the country about Konḍavidu, and they may have left members of their family as governors of the territory; but at present I am not aware of any information which we possess to confirm the fact.

<sup>3</sup> These Gajapati sovereigns belong to the Orissan dynasty (see p. 204). Dr. Hunter gives Kapileśvara 27 years (A.D. 1452—1479); Purushottamadeva 35 years, 1479—1504; Pratāpa Rudra 28 years, 1504—1532. The Orissan chronicle credits Purushottama with a conquest of Kaśchipuram, and Pratāpa Rudra with still more extended conquests.

<sup>4</sup> An inscription at Conjeeveram (*Chingleput District Manual*, 435-6) states that Krishnadeva Rāya conquered the northern fortresses, including Konḍavidu, and defeated several chiefs, amongst whom was Virachandra Rāja, son of Pratāpa Rudra Gajapati, and Narahari Rāja, son of Virabhadra Gajapati; while two inscriptions at Udayagiri declare that Krishṇa Rāya gave some lands to temples in S.S. 1436 (A.D. 1514), after having defeated Pratāpa Rudra Gajapati and taken prisoner his uncle Tirumalappa Rāya. An inscription at Vijayanagar records that Krishnadeva Rāya returned in triumph to his capital after the completion of the war with Udayagiri in S.S. 1436 (A.D. 1513). An inscription at Maṅgalagiri (Guntūr Taluk, Kistna District) states that Konḍavidu was captured by Krishnadeva Rāya in S.S. 1437 (A.D. 1515), or rather by his general, Timma.

<sup>5</sup> This is, of course, correct. It took place A.D. 1564.

<sup>6</sup> This would be the king of Vijayanagar, Śrī Raṅga I.

## KONGU OR GAṄGA KINGS, THE—.

As before stated (p. 153), the Chera and Kōngu dynasties are still far from being clearly worked out. Neither the localities to which their rule was confined nor the dates to which they must be assigned are at all certain. Some writers consider the names as simply interchangeable; some think that the Cheras preceded the Gaṅga kings of the Kōngu country, while the Rev. Mr. Foulkes (*Salem District Manual*) has entirely separated them. This is not the place to discuss the question, and I shall content myself with a brief summary. We know that in the oldest historical period, from the third century B.C., the ruling powers of the south were called Cheras, Cholas, and Pāndiyans, the Pāndiyans being in the extreme south and south-east, the Cholas north of them, and the Cheras partly to the north of the Pāndiyans and partly along the western coast down to the extreme south of the peninsula. The junction of the three kingdoms is by tradition placed at the Karaipōttānar, a small river running into the Kāveri eleven miles east of Karūr, which, in Ptolemy's time, appears to have been the capital of the Cheras (*Κάρουρα, βασιλείου Κηροβόθρου. Geog. Lib. VII, cap. I, § 86*). Chera is supposed to be synonymous with *Kerala*, and there seems to be little doubt that the supposition is correct. In later times there is some confusion because we have a very definite account of a long dynasty of Gaṅga or Kōngu kings reigning over at least the northern part of what was formerly called Chera, their territory being called *Kōngudeśa*. Up to the present, on the authority of the Markāra copper-plates, the dynasty has been believed to have lasted from the beginning of the Christian era down to the year A.D. 894, about which time it was overthrown by the Cholas. We are now, however, told by Mr. Fleet (*Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, pp. 11—14) that the Markāra plates are forgeries, and that so far from being thrown back to the beginning of the Christian era, the brother of the third king (Harivarṃa) of the true Gaṅga dynasty (or *Kōngu*) gave a grant in A.D. 968 (*Ind. Ant. VII, 101—112*). From him down to the last king of the line are seventeen names. We know that the Hoysāla Ballālas conquered the *Kōngudeśa* in A.D. 1080, and it is a question, therefore, whether these seventeen kings ruled in the intervening 112 years. If so, the reigns would be short, but this is more easy of credence than that they enjoyed such abnormally long life as must be attributed to them if the Markāra plates and the dates given in the lists already published are to be received.

With this preface I proceed to give a list of the first seven kings of the Kōngu country, of the solar race, who, it is very possible, we may have hereafter to recognize as true Cheras. The list is taken from Dr. Burgess's paper in the *Indian Antiquary* (I, 360), which followed Professor Dowson's abstract from the *Kōngudeśa Rājākkā!* (J.R.A.S. VIII, pp. 2—6, "On the Chera Kingdom of Ancient India."<sup>1</sup>)

Vira Rāya Chakravarti.  
A Rāja born in Skandapura.  
Sometimes said to be of the  
Solar, sometimes of the Lunar Race.

Govinda Rāya I.

Kṛishṇa Rāya.

Kāla Vallabha Rāya.

Govinda Rāya.

Is mentioned as a conqueror.

A Jaina named Naganandi was minister to Kāla Vallabha Rāya, Govinda Rāya, and his successor Kannaradeva. The relationship of this last to Govinda is doubtful.

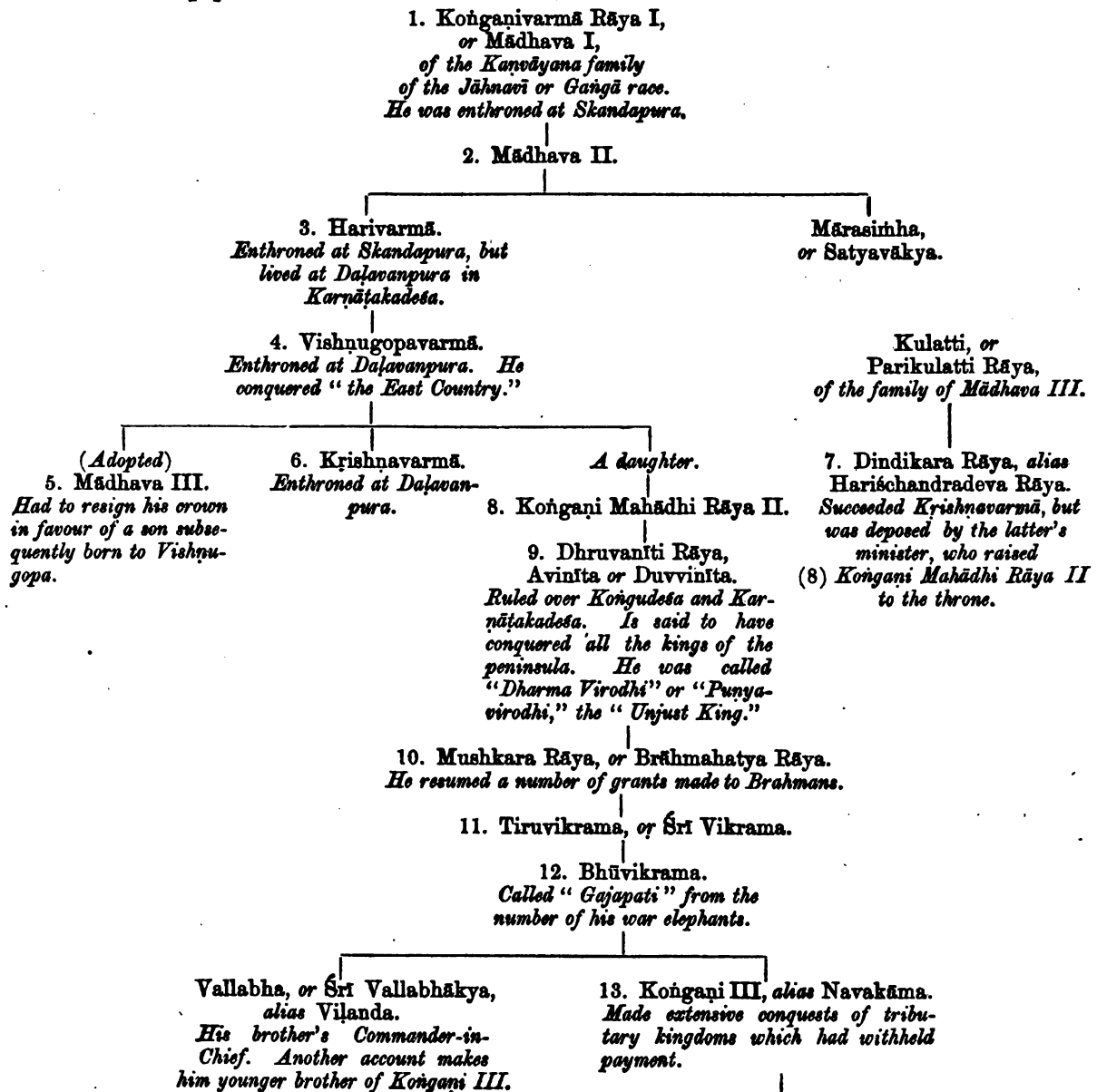
Chaturbhuja Kanaradeva Chakravarti.  
Wilson (*Maack. Coll.*, p. 199) calls  
him "Kumdra."

Tiru Vikramadeva.

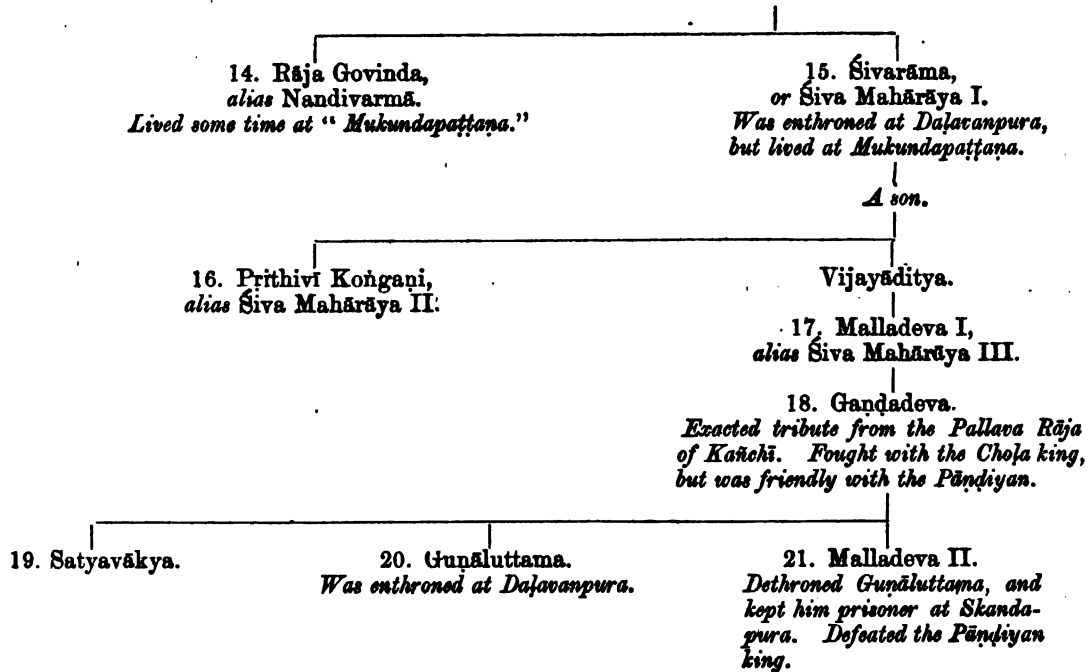
<sup>1</sup> The Markāra and Nagamangalam Copper-plates (*Ind. Ant.* I, 361—366; II, 155, 271, note; III, 152, 262; V, 133) refer to this dynasty. See also the plate published by Mr. Lewis Rice at p. 138 of Dr. Gustav Oppert's issue of the *Madras Journal* for 1878. See also the translation by Taylor in *M.J.L.S.*, XIV, 1.

He was installed at Skandapura. He is stated, in an inscription, to have conquered "Chola, Pāndiya, Kerala and Malayalam" (the distinction is significant), and to have governed the Karnāṭaka country as well as *Koṅgudeśa*; but as the inscription, though dated A.D. 178, also adds that the king was converted from the Jaina to the Śaiva faith by Saṅkarachāryār, its authenticity may well be questioned. The mention of the Śaiva reformer would bring the king's date nearer to us by several centuries; but no theory can be built on an inscription tainted with the suspicion of forgery.

The above seven kings are the earliest known sovereigns of the Koṅgu country. Following them (so far as we know at present) came the kings of the Gaṅga dynasty. They belonged to a different family altogether. According to the Markāra plates, they date from the commencement of our era, but, as above stated, Mr. Fleet has shown strong reason for doubting the authenticity of these plates, and has published (*Ind. Ant.* VII, 101—112) inscriptions at Lakshmeśvara in Dhārwaḍ, from which we gather that the first king Koṅganivarmā must have ruled about the beginning of the tenth century A.D. I therefore omit the dates usually assigned to these kings as being doubtful. The list is taken from Mr. Foulkes' paper in the *Salem District Manual*, with added notes.







There is still a good deal of confusion about some of these sovereigns. The above list is from the *Koṅḡudeśa Rājākkal*, but the extant inscriptions "without exception" (*Mr. Foulkes, Salem District Manual*, p. 25), while confirming the pedigree from Koṅḡani I, call Mād̥hava III son, instead of adopted son, of Vishnugopa, and state that Koṅḡani II was son of Mād̥hava III. They ignore the existence of Kṛishnavarmā, Dindikara Rāya, and Kṛishnavarmā's sister. There are other differences also, some of which are pointed out by Mr. Foulkes, who has gone very closely into the question of this dynasty (*id.*, pp. 23—39). I do not propose to devote much space to the subject in consideration of the doubts raised by Mr. Fleet.

Seeing that the conquest by the Hoysāla Ballālas in A.D. 1080 seems a well-established fact, and that a Chōla conquest<sup>1</sup> of the same Koṅḡu country previous to that date seems equally certain, we must be very cautious in our dealing with the dates of the dynasty. The Ballāla conqueror chose Daḷavanpura (Tālkāḍ) as his capital.

Mr. Rice considers that the chief who established the Gaṅga line of kings in Orissa in 1132 A.D. was a member of the Koṅḡu family, but I think this is far from certain. There was a dynasty of Gaṅgas in Kalingā who might equally have founded that dynasty or it might have been founded, even, by a Chōla prince (*see above*, p. 158). The Gaṅga family in Maisūr was by no means exterminated at the time of their overthrow. They remained with some local power, probably as subordinate chieftains, till the complete subversion of the country by the Vijayanagar kings. In the sixteenth century, after the sovereigns of Vijayanagar had been driven from their capital by the Muḡammadans, a Gaṅga Rāja rose to power in the south of Maisūr and established a principality at Śivasamudra, the island at the falls of the Kāveri, about twelve miles north-east of Tālkāḍ. He was succeeded by Mandi Rāja, and he by Gaṅga Rāja II, with whom the line came to a tragic end early in the seventeenth century under highly romantic circumstances.<sup>2</sup>

The kings of this dynasty are known in their grants by the appellation *Mahād̥hi Rāya*.

#### KULBARGA, BĀHMANĪ DYNASTY OF—

(*See "DAKHAṆ, Muḡammadan Kings of the—."*)

<sup>1</sup> Wilson (*Maekensie MSS. I*, 198) gives the name Ādityavarma as that of the Chōla conqueror. Mr. Rice states that the Gaṅgas were driven out of their country by Rājendra Chōla. As this king's reign lay between the years A.D. 1064 and 1113, the Chōla occupation, if it took place in his reign, must have been of very short duration.

<sup>2</sup> Mr. Rice in his "*Mysore Inscriptions*" (p. lxviii) gives an account of this event.

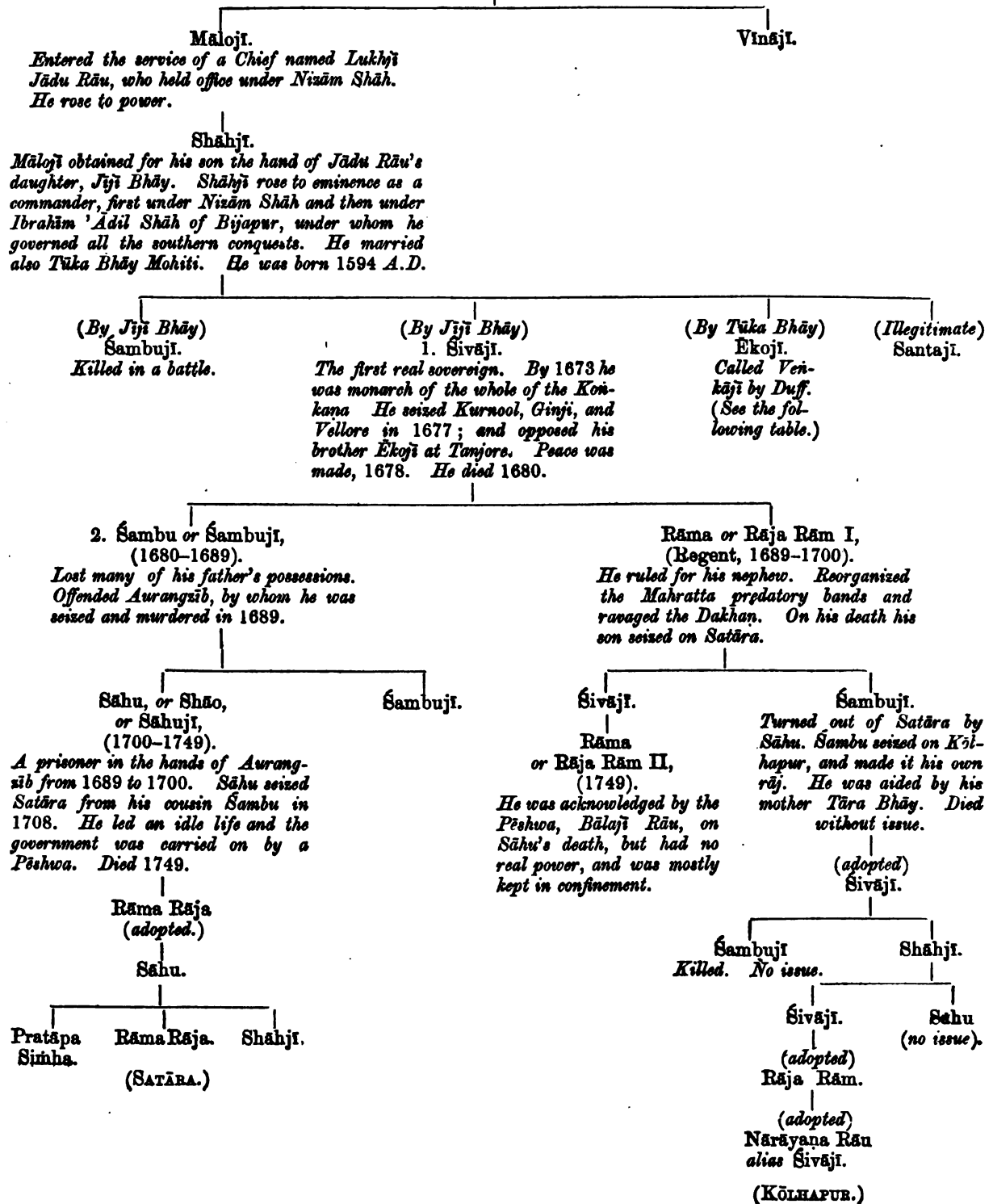
## MADURA, SOVEREIGNS OF—

(See the "PĀṆDIYAN KINGS" and the "NĀYAKKAS OF MADURA.")

## MAHRATTAS. THE CHIEF DYNASTY.

Bābaji Bhoṅslā.

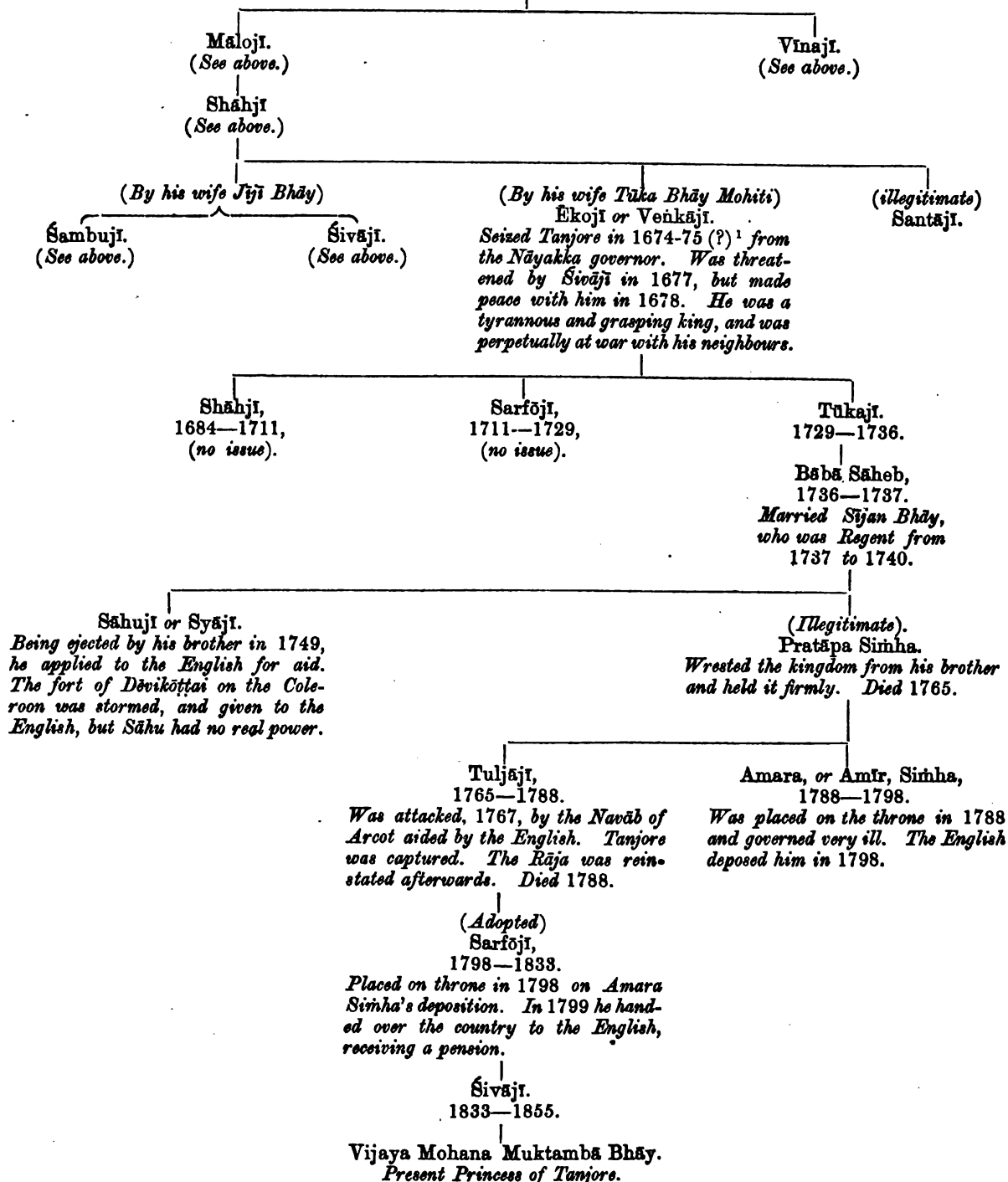
Headman of three villages near Poona.



From 1749 all Mahratta history centres in that of the Peshwas and the great chiefs, and, as their career is mainly connected with the Bombay and Northern Presidencies, a table of their families is not considered necessary to be given here.

MAHRATTAS. THE DYNASTY OF TANJORE.

Babaji Bhoalsā.  
(See above.)



Tanjore was annexed in 1857.

<sup>1</sup> Dr. Burnell (*South Indian Palaeography*, page 56, note 4) writes: "The date of the final conquest of Tanjore by Ekoji, and the end of the Nayak (Telugu) princes is far from certain. Orme, in the last century, could not be sure about the date though he had the Madras Government records at his disposal. Anquetil Duperron (*Recherches sur l'Inde*, I, pp. 1-64) has gone into the question very elaborately, and puts the date at 1674-75, which appears to be as near as can be expected."

AJAS.

AJAS.

The family of the Rājas of Maisūr is that two young  
of the Vijayanagar kings, having left that court  
in an enforced marriage with the chief of Kāruga-  
chief of Hadanād. The elder of them, by name  
us became lord (or *Udaiyār*) of Hadanād and  
and partly from Mr. Rice's "*Mysore and Coorg*,"

Krishna.

(these reigns.)

Thama Raja,  
"Bāl" 2),  
11-1576).  
Maisūr in the  
3 After the  
Vijayanagar in  
Maisūr princess  
ment of tribute  
na Rāja became  
independent.

ppinadeva.  
dest son.

a Deva. (A son.) (A son.) Kempa Deva Raja,  
(1659-1672).

ka Deva. (1704). Assumed the name of Dodda  
(or "Great") Deva Raja.

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With Chāma Rāja ends the old line of kings, and a disturbed period of anarchy follows, during which the Muhammadans gradually gained the upper hand, while maintaining a puppet sovereign chosen almost at random from various branches of the royal family. Chikka or Immaḍi Krishna Rāja of Kañchengōḍ, a member of a distant branch, was put on the throne in 1734 and died in 1766, being nominally succeeded by his son Chāma Rāja, who died childless in 1775. Chāma Rāja, son of Devarāja Arasu of Ārkōṭār, a member of the Kārugahalli family, was then selected at random by Haidar, who had usurped the government. He died in 1796. But the real rulers during this period were:—

	A.D.
Haidar 'Ali Khan ... ..	1761-1782
Tipū Śultān ... ..	1782-1799

On the fall of Seringapatam and death of Tipū, the British Government restored the Hindu Rāj, and placed on the throne the son of the last-named Chāma Rāja, since when the line has been continued as follows:—

	A.D.
Krishna Rāja Uḍaiyār ... ..	1799-1868
Chāma Rājendra Uḍaiyār ... ..	1868

The latter was a minor at his accession, and received the reins of government in 1881.

#### MALAYĀLAM COUNTRY, RULERS OF—.

Very little is as yet known regarding the rulers of the fertile country west of the Western Ghāts. Its history has yet to be written. There is abundant evidence of a very extensive commerce between the people of the Malabar and Kanarese Coast and the inhabitants of Western Asia and Europe in olden days, but beyond a few isolated facts, no connected story has come down to us. And there is little hope of the tale ever being clearly told, for the few remaining inscriptions in that tract are eminently unhistorical in character. The following sketch is an abstract of the *Keralolpati*, or native account of Kerala, written by Tuñchattu Rāmanuja, alias Rāman Eluthatham.

In ancient days, when the kings of the earth, of the Kshatriya caste, had grieved the majesty of heaven by their violence and wickedness, *Vishnu* became incarnate as *Parasū Rāma*, and went about slaying the sinful sovereigns and destroying their dynasties. He determined to create a new country, and recovering *Malayālam* (*Malai-āla*, "hills and waves") from the sea, he peopled it with Brahmans from other lands. But serpents<sup>1</sup> swarmed in the new tract, and the settlers fled back to their own homes. Then *Parasū Rāma* brought down the Brahmans of sixty-four villages from the Ārya country in the north and settled them in sixty-four villages along the whole coast. Thirty-six thousand Brahmans<sup>2</sup> belonging to fourteen villages took up arms for the defence of their territory, and amongst them twelve chiefs were appointed. For the propitiation of the serpents, *nāga*-worship was ordained,<sup>3</sup> and temples of the gods were erected.<sup>4</sup> Then the Brahmans who had fled returned, and were called "*Tuḷu-Brahmans*," or "*Payan Tuḷuwas*." *Parasū Rāma* instituted charms for the propitiation of devils, portioned out temple services amongst different villages and families, and ordained hereditary descent in the line of the mother.<sup>5</sup> He also introduced Śūdras from neighbouring countries.

After some time, the inhabitants fell out amongst themselves, and required a governor. *Parasū Rāma*, therefore, selected four villages, and the people consented, first to a joint government of four Brahman chiefs from these four villages, and afterwards to the government of a single chief from one of these four, in turn, each for three years.<sup>6</sup> In those days one-sixth of the produce was paid to the governor. Many years thus passed.

But these governors oppressed the people, and the latter at last determined to dispense altogether with native rulers. They therefore brought in a foreigner, one Kēya Perumāḷ from Kēyapuram<sup>7</sup> and made him ruler for twelve years. "He was named *Ohēramān* (or *Keraḷan*) *Perumāḷ*, king of *Malai-nād*, just as *Chōḷa Perumāḷ* governed *Chōḷa*, and *Pāṇḍi* (or *Kulaśekhara*) *Perumāḷ* governed *Pāṇḍya*."<sup>8</sup>

<sup>1</sup> "Serpents with human faces." Aborigines?

<sup>2</sup> Called *Vāḷ-nambis*, "armed half-Brahmans." (*Gundert*.)

<sup>3</sup> It still obtains largely.

<sup>4</sup> Also "gold-dust was scattered in the soil, gold fanams were coined, and treasures were buried in the ground."

<sup>5</sup> All old customs in the Malayālam country are referred back to *Parasū Rāma*.

<sup>6</sup> Thus originated the Malayālam custom of twelve years' rulers.

<sup>7</sup> No clue is given as to the locality of this place.

<sup>8</sup> See Dr. Burgess's note on the Perumāḷs in *Ind. Ant.* IX, 77.

1. Kēya Perumāḷ was thus the first *Chēramān Perumāḷ*. His power was limited, the sixty-four villages constituting a powerful democracy and checking all attempts at independence. His capital was at Allūr. He built a palace at Talayūr. He reigned 12 years.<sup>1</sup>

2. Chola Perumāḷ was then appointed.<sup>2</sup> He built a palace called Cholakkara. He reigned 10 years and 2 months, and retired to Chola.

3. Pāṇḍi Perumāḷ was next crowned at Paramba, where he erected a fort. He ruled 9 years, and retired to the Pāṇḍiyan country.

4. Another Chola Perumāḷ was brought, who ruled 12 years. After him—

5. Kulāśekhara Perumāḷ, the great Pāṇḍiyan, came to the throne of Kerala.

At this point the story seems to break off, and commence again at a period “when the *Kali* age was a little advanced.” And we are again brought up to the reign of Kulāśekhara Perumāḷ, but with a totally different set of kings. These confusions are not uncommon in these native legends.

1. “When the *Kali* age was a little advanced” the Brahmans of Malayālam brought “from Bāṇapuram in *Para-deśa*” a Perumāḷ named Bāṇa-Perumāḷ. He became a Buddhist, but, after a great disputation in which the Brahmans were victorious, he banished the Buddhists and was reconverted to the Brahman religion. Nevertheless he was excommunicated and “went to Mecca” after reigning for four years.

2. Tuḷuban Perumāḷ, from the north, was the next Perumāḷ. He lived at Kōḷiśvara and named the country about there the *Tulu-nāḍ*. He reigned 6 years and died.

3. Indra Perumāḷ succeeded, reigned 12 years at Allūr, and went back to *Para-deśa*.

4. Ārya Perumāḷ was then brought from Āryapuram. He divided Kerala into four divisions,<sup>3</sup> i.e. :

i. *Tulu-rāj*, from Gōkarna to the Perum-puṛa<sup>4</sup> river.

ii. *Mūshika*, or *Kupa, Rāj* from the Perum-puṛa to Pudu-paṭṭan.<sup>5</sup>

iii. *Kerala Rāj*, from Pudu-paṭṭan to Kannetti.<sup>6</sup>

iv. *Kupa*, or *Mūshika Rāj*, from Kannetti to Cape Comorin. He died after a reign of 5 years.

5. Kuṇḍan Perumāḷ was brought from *Para-deśa*. He built a palace near Kannetti, and retired to his own country after a reign of 4 years.

6. Kōṭṭi Perumāḷ reigned for a year and died.

7. Māta Perumāḷ reigned 11 years and died. He was succeeded by his younger brother,—

8. Eri Perumāḷ, who reigned 12 years and retired after building a fort.

9. Kompen Perumāḷ succeeded. He lived in a tent on the bank of the Neytāra river for 3½ years, and died.

10. Vijayan Perumāḷ came next. He built the fort of Vijayan-Koḷḷam. He reigned 12 years and retired.

11. Vallabha Perumāḷ succeeded. He discovered a *lingam*, and built a shrine over it on the banks of the Neytāra river, and a fort. He reigned 11 years and died.

12. Hāriśchandra Perumāḷ. He built a fort on the Puṛali Hills and lived therein in solitude, “and was no more heard of.”

13. Mallan Perumāḷ succeeded. He reigned 12 years and retired.

“The Perumāḷ who succeeded was Kulāśekhara Perumāḷ” of the Pāṇḍiyan kingdom. His reign is given more in detail, with the reforms he introduced. He introduced some Kshatriyas into the country. He procured two celebrated teachers, on payment, to teach the Brahmans of the country, and established a college at the place now called Tirukannāpuram. This Perumāḷ reigned 18 years and ascended to heaven “with his body.” The year of the *Kali* is given as “*Tiru-vañcha-kūḷum*,” and it is said to correspond with A.D. 333.<sup>7</sup>

After this there was a government by a democracy, and, like the government, the so-called “history” lapses into wild confusion for a space. Probably there was a period of anarchy, during which the

<sup>1</sup> The commencement of his reign is said to have taken place in A.D. 216. Another version states that he lived only 8 years and 4 months, when he died.

<sup>2</sup> The constant recurrence of Chola and Pāṇḍiyan Perumāḷs will be noticed. It will be an interesting subject of inquiry for the future historian to ascertain whether Pāṇḍiyan and Chola history corroborates these assertions.

<sup>3</sup> There is a confusion in the different versions as to these divisions.

<sup>4</sup> The river of Paṛayantr, five miles north by east of Mount D'Elī.

<sup>5</sup> Two miles south-east of Vaḍakarai, a town in Kurumbranāḍ Taluk, on the seacoast.

<sup>6</sup> Near Koḷḷam. So *Gundert's* Dictionary. But if so it must be the Southern Koḷḷam now called Quilon, not the northern now called Koilāṇḍi.

<sup>7</sup> According to the former list the date of the close of this Perumāḷ's reign would be A.D. 277. But the dates are probably entirely fictitious and must not be for a moment depended on.

They may have stupidly put this <sup>15<sup>th</sup> century</sup> name, the tradition  
 being referred to one of the early Kings of Malabar who by <sup>has been</sup>  
 'Krishna' <sup>of name.</sup>

MĀNYAKHETA. MĀTANGAS.

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country was split up into factions. The story states that the country was governed by a popular assembly, by whom judges were appointed. At last an assembly took place at which the representatives of the people expressed themselves dissatisfied with the form of government, and they determined to "ask Anagundi Krishna Rāya (!) to send a person to govern them, and he accordingly sent a Kshatriya, Chēramān Perumāḷ, to rule over Kerala."

Chēramān Perumāḷ therefore came to the throne. One version says that he succeeded "after the reigns of Ādi-Perumāḷ and Pāṇḍi-Perumāḷ, who were sent, were over." The Brahmans made him an absolute monarch, without restriction, and he governed so well for 12 years that they appointed him ruler for a further similar period, and again for a third. Krishna Rāya<sup>1</sup> prepared to attack Malayālam. The Pāṇḍiyan king also fortified his territory. Chēramān attacked the Rāya's forts but was unsuccessful. A second attack was successful, under the command of two young men, brothers, who led the army.

After this, Śaṅkarāchāryār<sup>2</sup> was born. He wrote the history of Kerala, and made fresh improvements in the condition of the Brahmans, making stringent regulations, which are fully detailed. His reforms were promulgated at a great council.

The manuscript here goes back to the time of Chēramān Perumāḷ, and describes the conclusion of his reign. He is said to have given up the throne and gone on a pilgrimage to Mecca "in company with the Bauddhas."<sup>3</sup> The limits of the Malayālam country are described, and the neighbouring kingdoms are said to be Pāṇḍiya, Kōṅgu, Tulu, Waināḍ, Punnāḍ. (The last is a tract of Maisūr, and was ruled by a race of Kshatriyas of whom we have inscriptions.) He divided the Malayālam country into eighteen divisions, constituting their chiefs and making regulations. He gave his sword to the ancestor of the present Zamorin of Calicut. (Chēramān Perumāḷ's<sup>4</sup> departure for Mecca is said by some to have occurred in A.D. 350. (*Gunderl's Dictionary*.) He sailed from Dharmapatnam, or Calicut. After residing some time at Jeddah he died. Before his death, however, he persuaded an Arab chief to sail for the Malabar Coast with a number of followers in order to establish a Muhammadan colony and convert the inhabitants to that religion. They did so, and mosques were built. Eleven are named.

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After some period had elapsed<sup>5</sup> (duration not mentioned), one of the Malayālam chiefs, Kunnala Kōṇēttiri, waged war against his neighbour, the Porallāttiri chief, and defeated him. The Zamorin made Menokki ruler of Porallāttiri and came to terms with the troops and people.

After this follows an account of the founding of the town of Calicut, close to the Zamorin's palace at Tali, by a merchant who had amassed a great fortune in trade with Mecca. Afterwards, while Puntura Kōn was Zamorin, one Koya, a foreigner, settled at the town, which was named after him *Koyikkōtu* (Calicut). Koya assisted the Zamorin in his attainment of increased power.

Shortly after this the Portuguese came to Calicut.

It is unnecessary to continue the sketch further. The *Keralolpati* is a very fair specimen of a native attempt at history. It may contain germs of truth, and it certainly embodies a number of scattered traditions, but in the attempt to weave these into a connected story the author is signally unsuccessful.

MĀNYAKHETA RĀJAS.

(See RĀSHTRAKUṬAS, THE—.)

MĀTANGAS.

That a powerful family of this name existed somewhere in the south in old days is very well known, but very little is known about them. They are mentioned in Sanskrit works as mountaineers—barbarians—and the name occurs in some inscriptions.

<sup>1</sup> Of course this is an absurd anachronism. It is said by some writers to be an interpolation.

<sup>2</sup> The real date of Śaṅkarāchāryār is about 650 to 700 A.D. (Dr. Burnell's *South Indian Palaeography*, p. 37, and note 4. Also his "*Sāmaiddhāna Brāhmaṇa*," Vol. I, Pref., p. ii. n.) He flourished 800 years before "Anagundi Krishna Rāyar," or Krishnadeva Rāya of Vijayanagar.

<sup>3</sup> Other accounts relate that he died. Pachu Mutatu, in his *Kerala-viśeṣa-māhātmya*, gives a full account of the fables. He states that Bāṇa Perumāḷ (see above, 2nd List, No. 1) was converted to Buddhism by Buddhist priests from China, and that he went with them to China after four years' reign. ✗

<sup>4</sup> The author of the "History of Travancore" states that this last Chēramān Perumāḷ's name was Bhāskara Ravivarma, and that he was one of the sovereigns who signed the grant to the Jews of Cochin. According to Dr. Burnell this would be in the eighth century A.D.

<sup>5</sup> This is generally believed to mark the close of a monarchy and the commencement of government by a Brahmanical aristocracy, the country being divided. The natives call it the period of the Tamburan Rājas.

\* The author of the legendary history had perhaps mixed up the two Kings - An  
 early King has been converted to Buddhism by the Chinese Pilgrims (of one or other  
 of the periods since 410.) This one in the 9<sup>th</sup> century. became a Muslim & died 1115

“The first inscription . . . that gives us any extensive insight into the early history of these parts (the Northern Kanarese Districts and the Western Dakhan) is a stone tablet at the Meguti temple at Aihole, the ancient Ayyavole or Aryapura in the Kalāḍgi District. It is of the time of the Western Chalukya king Pulikesi II, and is dated *Saka* 556 (A.D. 634-5).<sup>1</sup> From it we learn that at the time of the advent of the Chalukyas, the dominant families in this part of the country, whom one by one the Chalukyas subjugated and dispossessed, were the Nalas, the Mauryas, the Kadambas, the *Mātangas*, and the *Katachchuris* . . . .” (Mr. Fleet’s “*Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*,” pp. 5, 6.)

They are mentioned in an earlier inscription of Mangaliśa (A.D. 567-8—610). Mr. Fleet writes (*id.*, p. 10): “*Mātanga* means ‘a Chāndāla, a man of the lowest caste, an outcaste, a Kirāta mountaineer, a barbarian’; and the *Mādigas* . . . usually call themselves *Mātangi-makkalu*, *i.e.*, ‘the children of *Mātangi* or *Durgā*,’ who is their goddess. It is probable, therefore, that the *Mātangas* of this inscription were some aboriginal family of but little real power, and not of sufficient importance to have left any records of themselves.”

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#### MAURYAS.

“The Nalas and the Mauryas are mentioned in connection with Kirttivarmā I, who was the father of Pulikesi II, and whose reign terminated in Śaka 489 (A.D. 567-8). . . . . Of the Mauryas, all the information that we have, furnished in the same inscription, is that they were a reigning family in the Konkana. . . . . It is not at all improbable that their capital was the Puri, or ‘the city, the goddess of the fortunes of the western ocean,’ which is mentioned in the verse immediately following that in which their subjugation is recorded, and that this is the same town as the Puri which, in the eleventh century A.D., was the capital of the Silāhāras of the Konkana. These Mauryas were perhaps descendants of the Māurya dynasty of Pātaliputra,<sup>2</sup> which was founded by Chandragupta, the Sandrocottus of the Greeks, in the fourth century B.C., and of descendants of which we seem to have some still more recent traces in Western India in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries A.D. in the *Mahāmandalesvaras* or great feudatory nobles of the Gutta family, or the lineage of Chandragupta, whose inscriptions are found at and in the neighbourhood of Chaudāmpur in the Dhārṇād District, and at Halebid in Maisur, and who were feudatories of the Western Chalukya Kings and their successors.” (Mr. Fleet’s “*Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*,” pp. 6, 7.)

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#### NALAS.

(See above under *MĀTAṄGAS*.)

We hear of the Nalas as a nation or tribe opposed to the Chalukyas in the reign of Kirttivarmā I, *i.e.*, before A.D. 566; and they are mentioned again in an inscription of Jayasinhā III (A.D. 1018—1040) of the Western Chalukyas (*Ind. Ant.*, Vol. VIII, 10), but only as a traditional foe of that sovereign’s ancestors. Beyond this, nothing, I believe, is known of them. (Mr. Fleet’s “*Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*,” p. 6.)

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#### “NAVĀBS OF THE KARNĀṬAKA” or “NABOBS OF ARCOT.”

##### 1. Zu-l-faqār ‘Alī Khān.

*Son of Asād Khān. Created Navāb by Aurangzāb, and made subject to the Subahdār of the Dakhan. Governed from A.D. 1692 to 1703.*

##### 2. Dā‘ūd Khān.

*Son of Bizar Khān. Was appointed successor to Zu-l-faqār ‘Alī and ruled from A.D. 1703 till 1710, when he was made Commander-in-Chief at Delhi.*

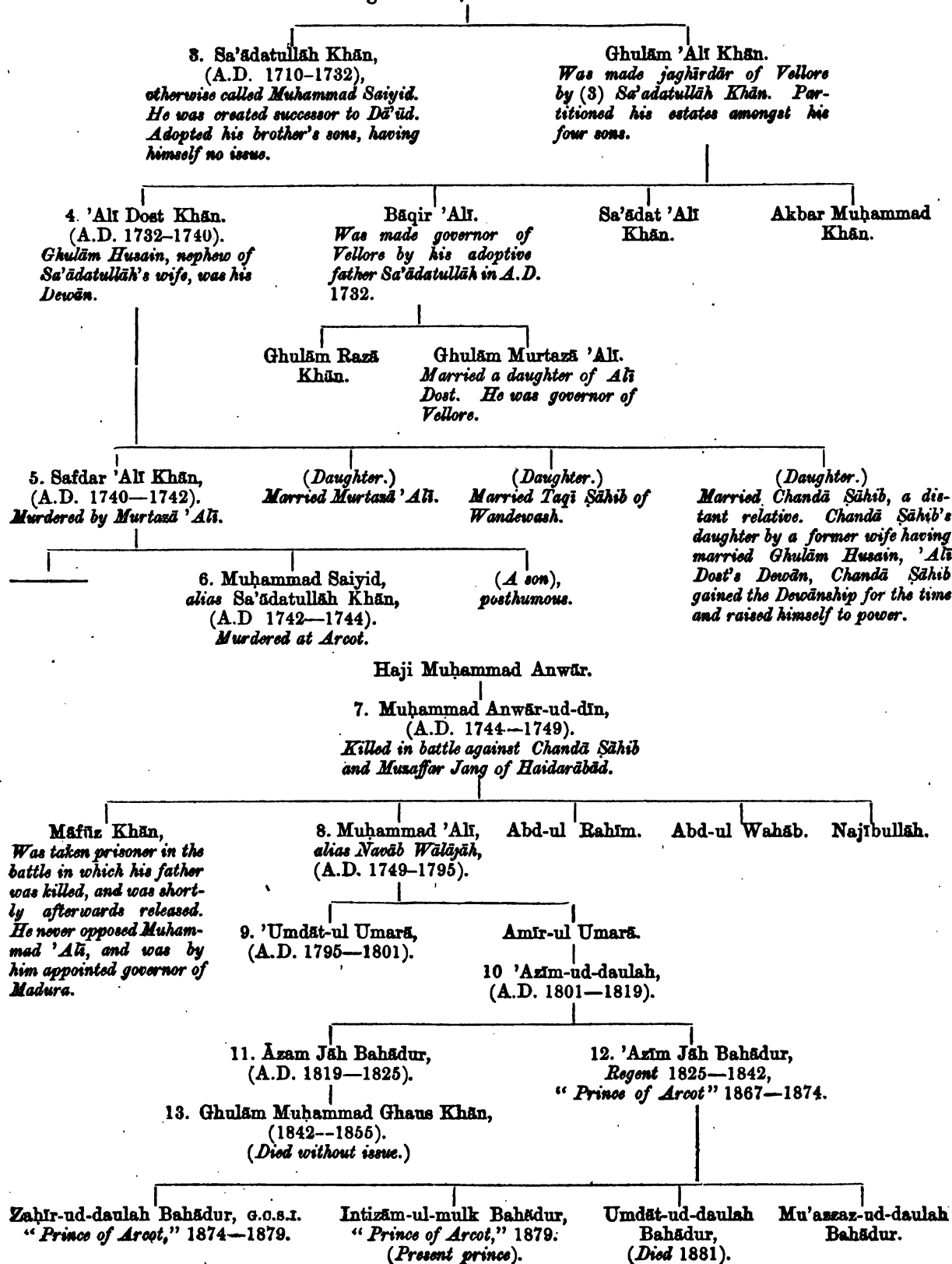
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<sup>1</sup> *Third Archaeological Report Western India*, p. 129, and *Indian Antiquary*, Vol. VIII, p. 237.

<sup>2</sup> See above, page 146.

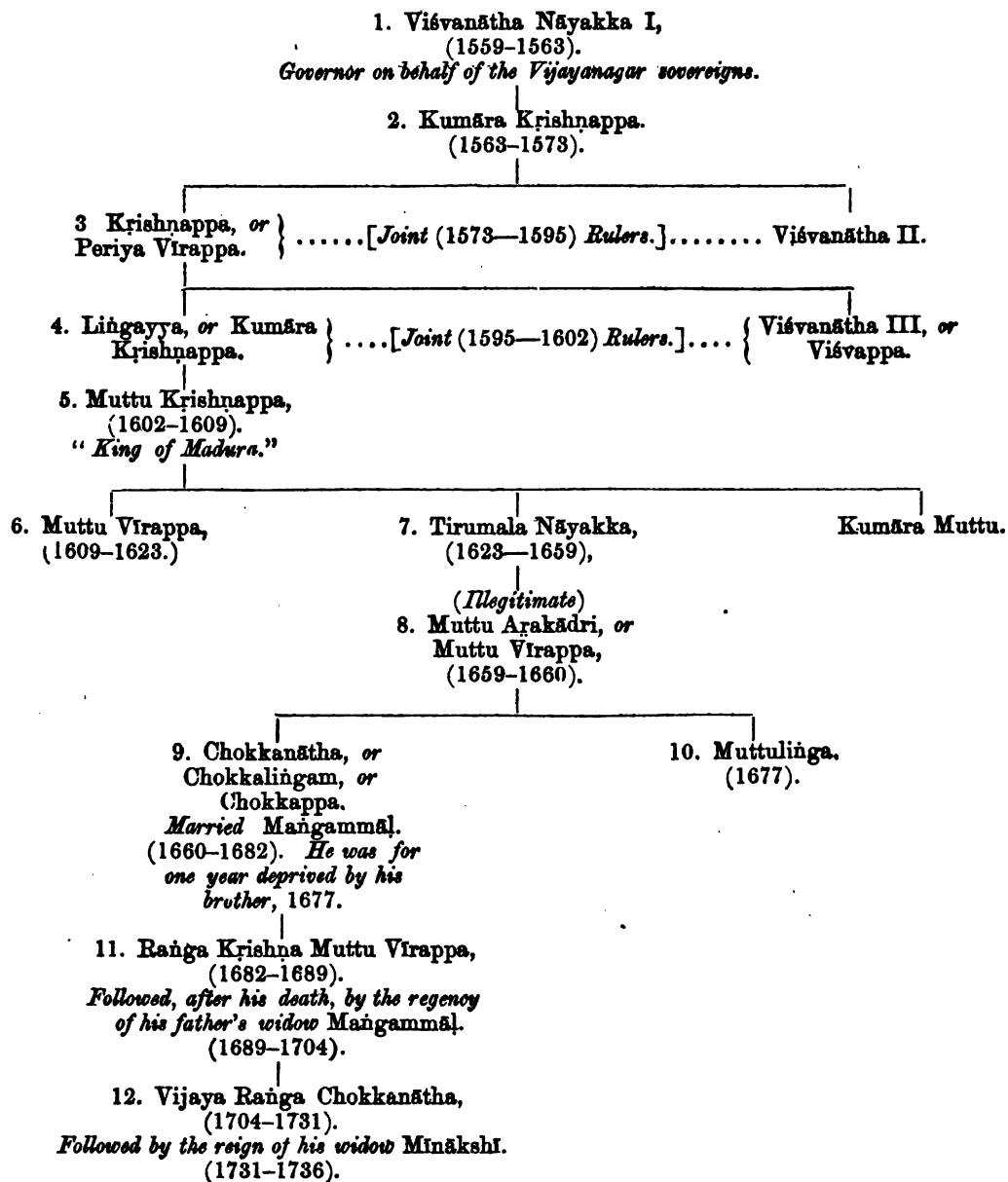


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## NĀYAKKAS OF MADURA.

The previous history of the ancient kingdom of the Pāṇḍiyans, of which Madura was the capital, will be found under the head of the "Pāṇḍiyans." Madura fell finally into the hands of the Nāyakka Generals of Vijayanagar in 1559 A.D., who speedily constituted themselves into an independent dynasty, acknowledging, however, the Rājas of Vijayanagar as their suzerains. The following is the genealogy of the family:—



In 1736 the Musalmāns got possession of the kingdom of Madura.

I now proceed to give a rough sketch of the reigns of these princes. For full particulars Mr. Nelson's "*Madura Country; A Manual*" should be referred to. All that follows is taken from it.

1. VIŚVANĀTHA NĀYAKKA (1559-1563).—Either during or after the government of the three Nāyakkas who ruled Madura after the year 1558 (*see below*, p. 224) a Pāṇḍiyan prince, Chandrasekhara Pāṇḍiyan was placed on the throne, but the Chōla king of Tanjore, Virasekhara, made war and seized the Pāṇḍiyan kingdom. Chandrasekhara fled to Vijayanagar, and the pseudo-Rāya, Rāma Rāja, acting for the real Rāya, Sadāsiva, in captivity, sent a general, by name Kōṭiya Nāgama Nāyakka, to drive

out the Cholas. He did so and got possession of Madura, but instead of putting the Pāṇḍiyan king on the throne he began to administer the country for himself. The Rāya, indignant, sent an army under Nāgama's own son, Viśvanātha, to reduce the rebel. Viśvanātha defeated Nāgama, took him prisoner, and proceeded to govern the country. Ārya Nāyakka Mudaliyār, *alias* Āryanātha, the builder of the thousand-pillared *mandapam* in Madura, and a justly celebrated man, came to Madura with Viśvanātha and gave him great assistance. Viśvanātha nominally placed Chandrasekhara Pāṇḍiyan on the throne, but really governed for himself. He made Āryanātha his commander-in-chief and prime minister under the title of *Daḷavāy*. The country was wisely governed, fortifications were carried on, temples rebuilt, channels dug, villages erected, and cultivation extended even as far north as the Trichinopoly fort, then belonging to Tanjore. Viśvanātha induced the Tanjore Rāja to exchange Trichinopoly for Vallam, and thus the former became part of the kingdom of Madura. Its rock was fortified, and improved communications were opened.

Soon after this, Āryanātha, who had gone to settle the Tinnevely country, found himself successfully opposed by five chiefs, who called themselves the "five Pāṇḍavas," and who seem to have possessed considerable power in the south. Viśvanātha, therefore, went south to the aid of his general, but in vain. It is said that Viśvanātha, finding his armies unable to effect the conquest of his enemies, challenged the five chiefs to a personal contest, five to one, on condition that the defeated party should retire from the contest. They accepted, but chivalrously demanded that only one of their number should represent them. In the combat which ensued, Viśvanātha killed his man, and the four survivors honorably carried out their promise and left the country. The Nāyakka was therefore left undisputed chief of the south. He gave *Pālaiyams* to seventy-two chiefs by way of settling the country. Viśvanātha died December 1563, and his son succeeded.

2. KUMĀRA KRISHṆAPPA (1563—1573). The Poligar Dambichchi Nāyakka revolted at a time when Āryanātha was away north looking after some refractory Musalmāns, but the insurrection was quelled and the rebel chief killed.

Āryanātha appears to have been the real ruler of the country. Several new public works were carried out, and some temples and villages were built.

It is alleged—but the story wants proof—that Kumāra Krishṇappa invaded Ceylon and defeated the Kaṇḍian troops; that in a second battle which took place, the king of Kaṇḍi in person led his troops, but was killed and his army defeated; and that Kumāra Krishṇappa then seized Kaṇḍi, and established his own brother-in-law as governor there. He died 1573.

3. KRISHṆAPPA (OR PERIYA VIRAPPA) AND VIŚVANĀTHA II.—Joint rulers (1573—1595). These were sons of Kumāra Krishṇappa. They were enthroned by Āryanātha, and were entirely under his control. A rebellion by a chief styled the "Mahāvilivāna Rāja," probably a Pāṇḍiyan, was quelled. The brothers governed jointly. They strengthened Trichinopoly and Chidambaram. Probably Viśvanātha II died first, for on Krishṇappa's death in 1595 the latter's two sons succeeded.

4. LĪNGAYYA (OR KUMĀRA KRISHṆAPPA II) AND VIŚVAPPA (OR VIŚVANĀTHA III).—Joint rulers (1595—1602). During the reign of these brothers the country flourished. Āryanātha died 1600. Viśvanātha probably died before his brother. Līngayya died 1602.

His uncle, Kastūri Raṅgayya, seized the government, but was murdered after a week, and Līngayya's son, Muttu Krishṇappa, obtained the throne.

5. MUTTU KRISHṆAPPA (1602—1609).—He re-established the ancient Maṛava dynasty of the Setupati chiefs of Rāmnād (*see below*, p. 227). Christianity spread largely in the country, taught by the great Jesuit Missionaries headed by Robert de Nobilibus, who arrived at Madura in 1606, and proclaimed himself to be a celebrated *Sanyāsi* from Rome. Muttu Krishṇappa died in 1609, leaving three sons, Muttu Virappa, Tirumala, and Kumāra Muttu.<sup>1</sup>

6. MUTTU VIRAPPA (1609—1623).—In his reign there was a small war with Tanjore, and some slight unimportant incursions of predatory bands from Maisūr. The spread of Christianity was checked. He resided at Trichinopoly.

7. TIRUMALA NĀYAKKA (1623—1659).—This is the great Tirumala, otherwise called "Mahārāja-Mānya-Rāja-Śrī Tirumala Śevari Nāyaṇi Āyyalu Gāru." He left Trichinopoly for Madura and took up his permanent residence there. The great temples and palaces at Madura were built. He determined to shake off the Vijayanagar yoke and become independent. An invasion by armies from Maisūr was stopped at Dindigul by the Daḷavāy Ramappayya, who pursued the enemy into Maisūr and

<sup>1</sup> Muḥammad Sharif Hanafi, who wrote his *Majlis-i-Salāṭin* in A.D. 1628 (Sir H. Elliot's *History of India*, VII, 139), states that when, on one occasion, he visited Madura, the ruler of that place died after a few days, and all his wives (seven hundred in number) destroyed themselves on his funeral pyre. This was probably Muttu Krishṇappa. He further states that in his day there was "not a single Musalmān" in the Madura country. The statement, however, sounds almost incredible.

stormed one of their principal fortresses. Robert De Nobilibus reappeared at Madura in 1623. Then ensued a war in the Rāmnād country with the Setupati, in which Tirumala was not very successful. In spite of his desires for independence Tirumala had always acknowledged the supremacy of the Rāyas of Vijayanagar, and used to send presents to his suzerain. But in 1657 his want of loyalty seems to have become known, for on the death of the then Rāya, his son declared war against Tirumala. Tirumala was joined by the Nāyakkas of Tanjore and Giñji. The Rāya marched on Giñji, but the Musalmāns, at Tirumala's suggestion, invaded the territories of Vijayanagar, and in the war which ensued greatly extended their conquests. They then turned against the Rāya's southern tributaries, and Tirumala had to flee to Madura. The Muhammadans invaded him there and the capital was surrendered without a blow. Tirumala then made an alliance with the Muhammadans of Golkonda, who ravaged Maisūr and the remaining territories of Vijayanagar. In revenge for his treacherous conduct the Udaiyār of Maisūr attacked Tirumala and a vindictive war followed, closing, after varied fortunes, with a victory on the side of Madura in 1659. Tirumala died the same year.

There is a strong probability that he was foully murdered by the Brahmans. Mr. Nelson narrates the various legends of his death (pp. 139, 142).

Tirumala was supposed to have had a strong leaning to Christianity.

Kumāra Muttu, the rightful heir, was some how induced to waive his claims, and the illegitimate son of Tirumala, Muttu Aṛakādri, succeeded.

8. MUTTU AṚAKĀDRI OR MUTTU VĪRAPPA (1659—1660).—He determined to rid the country of the Muhammadans, and accordingly fortified Trichinopoly very strongly. The Muhammadans seized Tanjore and other places, and eventually besieged Trichinopoly. But their attack failed and they retired. The Nāyakka died in 1660 and was succeeded by his son,—

9. CHOKKANĀTHA, *alias* CHOKKALIṄGA, *alias* CHOKKAPPA (1660—1677, 1678—1682).—He was sixteen years old when he came to the throne, and unfortunately fell into the hands of unscrupulous ministers who tried to dethrone him, but the young prince outwitted them, himself seized the government, and put himself at the head of his army. The traitors fled to Tanjore. He besieged them there and defeated them. The Tanjore Nāyakka submitted. In 1663-64 another Muhammadan invasion occurred, signalized by an unsuccessful attack on Trichinopoly and by fearful massacres of innocent villagers. Chokkanātha then marched against the Tanjore Nāyakka Vijaya Rāghava, in revenge for his having assisted the Muhammadans, and the latter was defeated and reduced to submission. Not long after this Chokkanātha made an unsuccessful attack on his vassal, the Setupati, who had rebelled. In 1674 Tanjore was again invaded, reduced, and Rāja Vijaya Rāghava slain with almost all his family. The romantic story of his gallant death will be found in Mr. Nelson's work, pp. 191, 193. Alagiri Nāyakka was made Governor of Tanjore. In 1675 Chokkanātha married Maṅgammāl, who afterwards became famous in history and gave himself up to private enjoyments, living at Trichinopoly and neglecting the government which was carried on by his brother Muttu Aṛakādri. The ministers soon began to intrigue with Aṛakādri at Madura and they at last induced the latter to declare his independence. At the same time, the Muhammadans in alliance with Ēkōji (the Mahratta, half brother of the great Śivāji) and with a refugee Tanjore prince, descended on Tanjore and seized it. They then seized almost all the Madura territory, Chokkanātha being quite given up to lethargy. This was in 1676 (?)<sup>1</sup> At last he roused himself and prepared to attack the Muhammadans in Tanjore. The King of Maisūr also made preparations for an attack on Madura, and Śivāji made a terrible raid to the south, but was stopped by floods in the Coleroon and compelled to return. During his absence the Muhammadans of Tanjore attacked Śivāji's general, who was left in charge of Giñji and the country around, but were defeated. Chokkanātha then advanced to Tanjore, but either from terror or sheer lethargy remained inactive. Śivāji's armies safely returned to garrison the city and Chokkanātha returned to Trichinopoly. Śivāji fortified Giñji, and settled in Vellore. In 1677 the Rāja of Maisūr invaded Madura, and the ministers dethroned and imprisoned Chokkanātha. They set up in his place his brother—

10. MUTTU LIṄGAPPA (1677).—This prince, however, only reigned a few months when he was deposed and Chokkanātha restored. Chokkanātha remained very subservient to Muhammadan influence. In 1680 the armies of Maisūr invested Trichinopoly, and other of the Nāyakka's enemies pressed in to attack him, so that at one period no less than four armies surrounded Trichinopoly—(1) Maisūr, (2) the Maravas of Rāmnād, (3) the Mahrattas, and (4) the Tanjore Muhammadans. The Maravas and the Muhammadans remained inactive. The Mahrattas attacked and utterly defeated the troops of Maisūr under the walls of the city, and, flushed with victory, seized the whole country round. In a few days Chokkanātha, bereft of all his possessions except Trichinopoly, died broken hearted. He was succeeded by his son—

<sup>1</sup> Dr. Burnell considers the date doubtful. (*South-Indian Palaeography*, p. 56, note 4.)

11. RAṄGA KRISHṆA MUTTU VIRAPPA (1682—1689).—The whole country was now in a state of anarchy. Ekōji, now chief of Tanjore, seized and sequestered all the temple property and lands. Śivāji was succeeded in Giñji by his son Śambuji, a tyrant. The territories of Madura were split up into fragments and actually shared by five powers—(1) The Nāyakka, (2) Maisūr, (3) The Rāmnād Setupati, (4) Śambuji of Giñji, (5) Ekōji of Tanjore. Slowly things got better and the Nāyakka of Madura got more and more free from Maisūr, while he recovered possession of the capital and recovered the lands seized by the Setupati. The other powers were distracted by local dissensions and rebellions. The Nāyakka governed well and energetically. In 1686 the Setupati rebelled against Madura, and his troops, aided by Tanjore, were successful; but the war was not pursued. Shortly afterwards the Nāyakka died of small-pox. His widow, Muttammāl, gave birth to a posthumous son, and then killed herself.

REGENCY OF MAṄGAMMĀL, Chokkanātha's widow (1688—1704).—Maṅgammāl was charitable but unscrupulous. She protected all religions, Christian as well as Hindu. In 1693 the Setupati of Rāmnād tortured and put to death the Jesuit Priest DeBritto. In 1698 Maṅgammāl's army, going to collect tribute from Travancore, was defeated there. It is said that she therefore declared war against Travancore and was victorious, but the statement requires corroboration. The Dutch of Tuticorin, in 1700, acquired the monopoly of the pearl fisheries from the Nāyakka. Desultory war with Tanjore (1700). Bouchet, the priest, was very well received at court. Some Tanjore cavalry being very troublesome, the Madura Dalavāy Narasappayya defeated them when they were in disorder, and ravaged the territory of Tanjore completely. The Tanjore minister, however, bought off the Madura troops. In 1701 Madura and Tanjore combined against Maisūr, but war was averted. The Dalavāy Narasappayya was defeated and killed in a battle against the Setupati in 1702. The young Nāyakka prince now came of age (1704 or 1705), and a party being formed against Maṅgammāl, she was starved to death.<sup>1</sup>

12. VIJAYA RAṄGA CHOKKANĀTHA (1704—1731).—There was a terrible famine and a fearful flood in 1709, and another famine in 1710. It continued for ten years, only ceasing in 1720. In that year the Pudukōttai Tondamān revolted against his liege lord the Setupati of Rāmnād, who, on the march against his rebellious vassal, died, and a struggle ensued for the Rāmnād musnud. It ended in one of the claimants being killed and the other enthroned (see below, p. 230). He reigned till 1729, and was then defeated, carried to Tanjore, and imprisoned. The territory of Rāmnād was divided, Tanjore taking part and part being given to one of the successful rivals of the late Setupati. This was the Śivagaṅga territory. The remainder was left under his other rival, who became Setupati. The Nāyakka died in 1731 without issue.

MINĀKSHĪ (1731—1736).—Vijaya Raṅga Chokkanātha's widow, Minākshī, adopted the son of Vaṅgāru Tirumala, who, however, laid claim to the throne as of right. His faction made an attempt to kill the Rānī at Trichinopoly, but were defeated. In 1734 the Muḥammadans under Saḥdar 'Alī Khān ravaged the country, as well as Tanjore, Travancore, and the Western Coast. Vaṅgāru Tirumala induced Saḥdar 'Alī to make a fictitious award declaring him king. This was done and Chandā Śāhib was left to enforce it. The Rānī was frightened and bought over Chandā Śāhib for an enormous sum to her side, and Vaṅgāru Tirumala retired to Madura. Chandā Śāhib also retired, but returned in 1736, and the Rānī placed herself entirely in his hands. He sent troops against Vaṅgāru Tirumala at Dindigul and Madura. They were victorious and entered Madura, Vaṅgāru Tirumala fleeing to Śivagaṅga. Madura now being in the hands of Chandā Śāhib, he seized the sovereignty, and Minākshī killed herself in despair.

This event put an end for ever to the Hindu Government of Madura.

Chandā Śāhib remained in possession, and Vaṅgāru Tirumala, too weak to do anything himself, called in the Saṭāra Mahrattas to his aid. In 1739, therefore, Rāghuji Bhoṅalē marched with an immense force to Madura. The Muḥammadans were defeated with great slaughter and Dost 'Alī, father of Saḥdar 'Alī, was killed. The Mahrattas then besieged Trichinopoly, stormed it, and took Chandā Śāhib prisoner to Saṭāra (1741). The kingdom of Madura was thus left in a state of anarchy.

#### CONCLUDING SCENES.

Morāri Rāu was left in charge of Trichinopoly by the Mahrattas (1741), while another Mahratta chief administered the State of Madura. In 1743 the whole was yielded up to the Nizām on his invasion. The Nizām extended his protection to Vaṅgāru Tirumala, but the latter was shortly afterwards poisoned. His son returned to Madura, but never attempted to regain the throne. In 1748 Muḥammad 'Alī seized

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Walhouse gives us a legend connected with the reign of Maṅgammāl in *Ind. Ant.* X, 365.

Trichinopoly and proclaimed himself Navāb of Arcot. Chandā Śahib made war on him with the help of the French, Muḥammad 'Ali making an alliance with the English. Chandā Śahib was victorious (1751). Muḥammad 'Ali attempted to gain possession of Madura, and the English tried to storm the place, but were unsuccessful. The Madura chief, however, sold the city to Maisūr, and the English under Captain Cope returned and took possession. They were driven out by troops from Rāmnād, and the Setupati placed on the throne of Madura the young adopted son of Rāṇi Minākshi (1753). There was complete confusion for two years. In 1755 Muḥammad 'Ali sent another expedition against Madura, with the help of some English troops. The city was given up on their arrival, and garrisoned with Europeans, a Muḥammadan being installed as Governor. Much confusion followed, ending in 1758 in the English obtaining permanent possession of Madura. A desultory war with refractory Poḷegars and Kallans ensued. In 1760 Haidar 'Ali made an attempt on Madura and Tinnevely, but it was unsuccessful. Muḥammad Yūsuf, the Governor of Madura, exacted tribute from the Poḷegars and from Travancore, and overran Rāmnād and Śivagaṅga. But as he kept all the tribute for himself and paid nothing to the English or to Muḥammad 'Ali, his chief, he was seized and hanged for treason (1763). Another Muḥammadan was placed in charge, with English officers to watch and help him. This went on till 1772. Then ensued the invasion of the Carnatic by Haidar (1780) and the revolt of the Poḷegars. In 1783 Colonel Fullarton marched down, quieted the whole country, and finally subjugated it. It was thereafter administered solely by the English. Mr. McLeod was appointed "Collector of Madura" in 1790, and ever since then the country has remained an English possession.

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#### NIZĀM SHĀHI DYNASTY OF AḤMADNAGAR.

(See DAKHAṆ, Muḥammadan Kings of the—.)

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#### NIZĀMS OF HAIDARĀBĀD.

(See HAIDARĀBĀD.)

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#### ORĀNGAL, SOVEREIGNS OF—.

(See GAṆAṆĀTIS of Oraṅgal.)

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#### ORISSA, KINGS OF—.

The following list is taken *in extenso* from Dr. W. W. Hunter's "Orissa," Appendix vii. The dates must not be relied on, those for the earlier portion at least being purely fabulous, and the whole professedly depending on native chronicles, about the most unsound basis imaginable. I give the list simply as it stands, and because I happen to know of no other. Dr. Hunter himself states that the chronicle, being taken from Hindu sources, does not truly represent the facts of Orissan history after the Musalmān conquest in 1568. The chronicle is based on the palm-leaf records of the Jagannātha temple (Dr. Hunter's "Orissa," Vol. I, p. 199) as digested in the *Purushottama Chandrikā* by Bābu Bhabāni-charan Bandopādhyāya, collated with Mr. Stirling's Essay in the *Asiatic Researches*, Vol. XV (Ed. 1825), and his posthumous paper in the *Bengal Asiatic Society's Journal*, Vol. VI, Part II, 1837. I have not attempted to correct the spelling.

B.C.

- "3101—3089. YUDHISHTHIR, a monarch of the *Mahābhārata*, of the lunar race of Delhi. Reigned 12 years. [According to Stirling (*Asiatic Researches*, Vol. XV), 3095—3083 B.C.]
- "3089—2358. PARIKSHIT, a monarch of the *Mahābhārata*, of the lunar race of Delhi. Reigned 731 years. (According to Stirling, 3083—2326 B.C.)
- "2358—1807. JANMEJAYA, a monarch of the *Mahābhārata*, and the patron of that work; sprung from the lunar race of Delhi. Reigned 551 years. (According to Stirling, 2326—1810 B.C.)

## B.C.

- " 1807—1407. SANKAR DEVA. Reigned 400 years. (According to Stirling, 1810—1400 B.C.)
- " 1407—1037. GAUTAM DEVA. Extended the Kingdom of Orissa to the Godāvāri river. Reigned 370 years. (According to Stirling, 1400—1027 B.C.)
- " 1037— 822. MAHENDRA DEVA. Founded the town of Rājmahendri (Rajahmundry) as his capital. Reigned 215 years. (According to Stirling, 1027—812 B.C.)
- " 822— 688. ISHTA DEVA. Reigned 134 years. (According to Stirling, 812—678 B.C.)
- " 688— 538. SEVAK DEVA. Reigned 150 years. (According to Stirling, 678—528 B.C.)
- " 538— 421. BAJRA DEVA. In this reign Orissa was invaded by Yavanas from Mārṅwār, from Delhi, and from Babul Des—the last supposed to be Iran (Persia) and Cabul. According to the palm-leaf chronicle the invaders were repulsed. Reigned 117 years. (According to Stirling, 528—421 B.C.)
- " 421— 306. NARSINGH DEVA. Reigned 115 years. Another chief from the far north invaded the country during this reign, but he was defeated, and the Orissa prince reduced a great part of the Delhi Kingdom. The monarch excavated the tank at Dāntan near Jaleswar, which exists at this day. (According to Stirling, this prince was called Sarasankha, and reigned 421—306 B.C.)
- " 306— 184. MANKRISHNA DEVA. Reigned 122 years. Yavanas from Kashmir invaded the country, but were driven back after many battles. (According to Stirling, this king was called Hansa, and reigned 306—184 B.C.)
- " 184— 57. BHOJ DEVA ; a great prince, who drove back a Yavana invasion, and is said to have subdued all India. Reigned 127 years. (Stirling's date here coincides with that of the palm-leaf record. . . .)
- " B.C. 57 to A.D. 78. Two reigns, that of VIKRAMADITYA and his brother SAKADITYA. Neither the Purūshottama Chandrikā nor Stirling give separate dates for these reigns, but the two extended over 135 years. Vikramaditya made himself master of all India, but was slain by a rebel conqueror from Southern India, named Sālivāhan, identified as his brother Sakāditya, who succeeded him. The current or Sakābda era dates from the end of this reign, 77-78 A.D. During the above fourteen reigns 3179 (or, according to Stirling, 3173) years of the Kali Yug elapsed.

## A.D.

- " 78— 143. KARMARJIT DEVA ; reigned 65 years.
- " 143— 194. HATKESWAR DEVA ; reigned 51 years.
- " 194— 237. BIR BHUVAN DEVA ; reigned 43 years. (According to Stirling, the name of this prince was Tribhuvan.)
- " 237— 282. NIEMAL DEVA ; reigned 45 years.
- " 282— 319. BHIM DEVA ; reigned 37 years.
- " 319— 323. SOBHAN DEVA. During this reign of 4 years, the maritime invasion and conquest of Orissa by the Yavanas under Red-Arm (Rakta Bāhu) took place. The king fled with the sacred image of Jagannāth, and with those of his brother and sister, Balbhadrā and Subhadrā, and buried them in a cave at Sonpur. . . . The lawful prince perished in the jungle, and the Yavanas ruled in his stead. (According to Stirling, the reign commenced 318 A.D.)
- " 323— 328. CHANDRA DEVA, who, however, was only a nominal king, as the Yavanas were completely masters of the country. They put him to death in A.D. 328. (Stirling calls this prince Indra Deva.)
- " 328— 474. Yavana occupation of Orissa, 146 years. (According to Stirling, these Yavanas were Buddhists.) . . . *As all were*
- " 474— 526. YAYATI KESARI, who expelled the Yavanas and founded the Kesari or Lion dynasty. Reigned 52 years. This prince brought back the image of Jagannāth to Purī, and commenced the temple-city to Śiva at Bhuvaneswar. His capital was at Jājpur. (According to Stirling, he reigned from 473 to 520 A.D.)
- " 526— 583. SŪRJYA KESARI ; reigned 57 years.
- " 583— 623. ANANTA KESARI ; reigned 40 years. (According to Stirling, this and the previous reign extended from 520 to 617 A.D.)

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- "623— 677. **ALABU KESARI**, who completed the temple of Bhuvanewar, reigned 54 years. (According to Stirling, he was called Lalât Indra Kesari, and began to reign 617 A.D.)  
 With the exception of five kings, Stirling does not give the names of the other monarchs of the Kesari dynasty from Lalât Indra Kesari to the extinction of the line. He merely says that thirty-two uninteresting reigns followed, extending over a period of 455 years. The Palm-Leaf Records, however, give the names of forty princes. Only three of the five kings referred to by Stirling can be identified in the list.
- "677— 693. **KANAK KESARI**; reigned 16 years.  
 "693— 701. **BIR KESARI**; reigned 8 years.  
 "701— 706. **PADMA KESARI**; reigned 5 years.  
 "706— 715. **BRIDDHA KESARI**; reigned 9 years.  
 "715— 726. **BATA KESARI**; reigned 11 years.  
 "726— 738. **GAJA KESARI**; reigned 12 years.  
 "738— 740. **BASANTA KESARI**; reigned 2 years.  
 "740— 754. **GANDHARVA KESARI**; reigned 14 years.  
 "754— 763. **JANMEJAYA KESARI**; reigned 9 years.  
 "763— 778. **BHARAT KESARI**; reigned 15 years.  
 "778— 792. **KALI KESARI**; reigned 14 years.  
 "792— 811. **KAMAL KESARI**; reigned 19 years.  
 "811— 829. **KUNDAL KESARI**; reigned 18 years; built the temple of Mârkanandeswar in Puri.  
 "829— 846. **CHANDRA KESARI**; reigned 17 years.  
 "846— 865. **BIR CHANDRA KESARI**; reigned 19 years.  
 "865— 875. **AMRITA KESARI**; reigned 10 years.  
 "875— 890. **VIJAYA KESARI**; reigned 15 years.  
 "890— 904. **CHANDRAPAL KESARI**; reigned 14 years.  
 "904— 920. **MADHUSUDAN KESARI**; reigned 16 years.  
 "920— 930. **DHARMA KESARI**; reigned 10 years.  
 "930— 941. **JANA KESARI**; reigned 11 years.  
 "941— 953. **NRIPA KESARI**. A warlike and ambitious prince, who founded the city of Cattaok. Reigned 12 years. (Stirling dates the foundation of Cattaok by this prince in 989 A.D.)  
 "953— 961. **MAKAR KESARI** constructed a long and massive stone revetment to protect the city of Cattaok from inundation. Reigned 8 years. (Stirling calls this prince Market Kesari, and places the construction of this work in 1006 A.D.)  
 "961— 971. **TRIPURA KESARI**; reigned 10 years.  
 "971— 989. **MADHAV KESARI**; (according to Stirling) built the fortress of Sârangarh on the south bank of the Kâdjuri river, opposite the city of Cattaok; reigned 18 years.  
 "989— 999. **GOBINDA KESARI**; reigned 10 years.  
 "999—1013. **NRITYA KESARI**; reigned 14 years.  
 "1013—1024. **NARSINH KESARI**; reigned 11 years.  
 "1024—1034. **KURMA KESARI**; reigned 10 years.  
 "1034—1050. **MATSYA KESARI**; built the great bridge across the Athâranâlâ, at the entrance to Puri, existing to this day; reigned 16 years.  
 "1050—1065. **BARAHA KESARI**; reigned 15 years.  
 "1065—1078. **BAMAN KESARI**; reigned 13 years.  
 "1078—1080. **PARASU KESARI**; reigned 2 years.  
 "1080—1092. **CHANDEA KESARI**; reigned 12 years.  
 "1092—1099. **SUJAN KESARI**; reigned 7 years.  
 "1099—1104. **SALINI KESARI**; reigned 5 years. His queen built the Nât Mandir or Dancing Hall of the temple of Bhuvanewar.  
 "1104—1107. **PURANJAN KESARI**; reigned 3 years.  
 "1107—1119. **VISHNU KESARI**; reigned 12 years.  
 "1119—1123. **INDRA KESARI**; reigned 4 years.



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- " 1123—1132. **SUVARNA KESARI**; reigned 9 years. The Kesari dynasty ended with this prince, who died childless, and was succeeded by Chorgangā, a king from the south. . . . Another Palm-Leaf Record, containing a list of the kings of Orissa, and kept by a Brahman family of Puri, gives a different account of the extinction of the line. It states that Basudeva Bahampati, a powerful officer of the Orissa Court, having been driven from the royal presence, went to the Carnatic, and instigated Chorgangā of that country to invade Orissa, which he did, conquering Cattack, and establishing a new dynasty. (According to Stirling, thirty-six princes of the Kesari line ruled over Orissa, 473—1131 A.D., of whom, however, he only gives the names of nine. One of these, Barujyā Kesari, is said to have quadrupled the land-tax, and another, Surajya Kesari, to have reduced it to the old rate.)
- " 1132—1152. **CHORGANGA**,<sup>1</sup> the founder of the Gangavansa dynasty; reigned 20 years. His memory is preserved by the name of a quarter in Puri city, called the Churang Sai, and also by a tank in that town bearing the same name. (Stirling places this reign 1131—1151 A.D.)
- " 1152—1166. **GANGESWAR**.—His territories are said to have extended from the Ganges to the Godavari, and to have included five royal cities, Jajpur, Chaudwar, Amaravati, Chatnā, and Biranasi, or Cattack. As a penance for a crime, he excavated a splendid tank called Kausalya Ganga, between Pippli and Khurdhā. (According to Stirling, he ascended the throne 1151 A.D.)
- " 1166—1171. **ĒKJATAKAM DEVA**; reigned 5 years.
- " 1171—1175. **MADAN MAHADEVA**; reigned 4 years.
- " 1175—1202. **ANANG BHIM DEO**, one of the greatest of the Orissa kings. He made a survey of his whole kingdom, measuring it with reeds; and built the present temple of Jagannāth. Reigned 27 years. (According to Stirling, he ascended the throne in 1174 A.D.)
- " 1202—1237. **RAJRAJESWAR DEVA**; reigned 35 years. (Stirling places his death in 1236 A.D.)
- " 1237—1282. **LANGULIYA NARSINH**; reigned 45 years; built the great Sun Temple at Kanarak on the sea. (The Black Pagoda.)
- " 1282—1307. **KESARI NARSINH**; reigned 25 years. This prince filled up the bed of the river Balagandi, which ran between the temple and the country-house of Jagannāth, and which obstructed the cars that carried the idols at the great festival. Previously a double set of cars had been required for the conveyance of the images. (According to Stirling, this prince was called Kabir Narsingh, and erected the bridge across the Athāranalā at the entrance to Puri; the bridge which the Temple Records ascribe to Matsya Kesari, who reigned 1084—1050.)
- " 1307—1327. **PRATAB NARSINH**; reigned 20 years.
- " 1327—1329. **GATIKANTA NARSINH**; reigned 2 years.
- " 1329—1330. **KAPIL NARSINH**; reigned 1 year.
- " 1330—1337. **SANKHA BHASUR**; reigned 7 years.
- " 1337—1361. **SANKHA BASUDEVA**; reigned 24 years.
- " 1361—1382. **BALI BASUDEVA**; reigned 22 years.
- " 1382—1401. **BIR BASUDEVA**; reigned 19 years.
- " 1401—1414. **KALI BASUDEVA**; reigned 13 years.
- " 1414—1429. **NENGATANTA BASUDEVA**; reigned 15 years.
- " 1429—1452. **NETRA BASUDEVA**; reigned 23 years.
- " 1452—1479. **KAPILENDRA DEVA**, originally a common herd-boy, tending the flocks of his Brahman master, but afterwards raised to the throne. Reigned 27 years.

Gandavansa  
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[Who is it  
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<sup>1</sup> Who was this Chorganga? Granting that the dates of this Orissan chronology are not quite certain, a certain liberty may be allowed us in selecting. Nothing can be considered reliable as yet, but we know of a traditional son of Kulottunga I of the Chola dynasty, by name Sarangadhara, while Chorganga of Orissa appears to be known also as Saranga, or Churanga. Kulottunga I died in A.D. 1113. Two copper-plate inscriptions from the Kalinga country (Nos. 213 and 219 of the *List of Copper-plates* given above, pp. 31, 33) mention grants made by "Anantavarma Chola Gangadeva," or "Chodaganga alias Anantavarmadeva," whose *abhisheka* took place in A.D. 1077, and who was alive in A.D. 1119. Whoever he was, this Orissan Chorganga certainly came from the south. Mr. Rice thinks that Chorganga was one of the Kongu line, but I think this is doubtful, or at any rate that as yet there is no proof.

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- " 1479—1504. **PURUSHOTTAMA DEVA.**<sup>1</sup>—The king of Conjevaram refused to marry his daughter to this prince, on the ground of the Orissa Dynasty holding the office of Sweeper to Jagannāth. Purushōttama accordingly invaded the southern country, defeated the Conjevaram king, and carried off his daughter, whom he swore should be married to a sweeper, in revenge for her father's refusal. The minister to whom he entrusted the execution of his order, brought forth the princess at the next great festival of Jagannāth, as the king himself was publicly performing his lowly office before the god, and presented her in marriage to his master.
- " 1504—1532. **PRATAB RUDRA DEVA**; reigned 28 years. A learned man, deeply versed in the Sāstras. His reign was disturbed by theological discussions as to the merits of the Buddhistic and Brāhmanical religions.<sup>2</sup> Stories are told of how sometimes one, sometimes the other, of these religions obtained supremacy over the mind of the prince, and how the followers of each were persecuted by turns. The great Vishnuvite reformer Chaitanya visited Purī during this reign, and finally converted the king to the Vaidik faith. The temple of Barāha at Jājpur was constructed by this king; and the annalists state that he extended his conquests as far as Cape Comorin, capturing the city of Vizianagaram *en route*. The Afghāns, however, made incursions into Orissa and plundered Purī, the idols being removed and secreted beforehand. (According to Stirling he reigned 1503—1524 A.D.)
- " 1532—1533. **KALUYA DEVA**, son of the last-mentioned king. Reigned one year, when he was murdered by Gobind Bidyādhar, the Prime Minister. (According to Stirling 1524—1529.)
- " 1533—1534. **KATHARUYA DEVA**, THE LAST OF THE GĀNGAVAMSA LINE, brother of the previous king, like him assassinated by Gobind Bidyādhar, who now ascended the throne, after murdering all of the royal blood.
- " 1534—1541. **GOBIND BIDYADHAR**; reigned 7 years. Disputes with the Muhammadans as to the possession of Rājmahendri. (According to Stirling he began to reign 1533 A.D.)
- " 1541—1549. **CHAKRA PRATAB**; reigned 8 years.
- " 1549—1550. **NARSINH JANA**; reigned 1 year.
- " 1550—1551. **RAGHU RAM CHHOTRA**; reigned 1 year.
- " 1551—1559. **MUKUND DEVA**, or Telingā Mukund Deva; reigned 8 years. The last of the independent kings of Orissa, and a man of great courage and ability. He constructed a large landing-place (ghāt) on the Hughli at Tribenī, near the town of Hughli. During his reign Kālāpahār, the general of the Muhammadan king of Bengal, invaded the province with a large force. The Orissa king was defeated and slain in a battle outside the walls of the capital, Jājpur, and the monarchy overthrown, A.D. 1559. (According to Stirling, 1555 A.D.) Kālā Pahār plundered the holy city of Purī. . . .
- " 1559—1578, or 1568—1578. An anarchy of 19 years, after which Rām Chandra Deva, the son of the prime minister of the previous reign, was elected to the throne. During the anarchy the Afghān Governor of Orissa, Dāūd Khān, invaded Bengal, but was defeated by the Mughuls under Munim Khān, and the province was annexed to the Mughul Empire. (According to Stirling the anarchy lasted 1558—1579 A.D.)
- " 1578—1607. **RAM CHANDRA DEVA**, the first prince of the present family of Khurdha, reigned 29 years. Rājā Todar Mall, Akbar's general and afterwards prime minister, was deputed to restore order in Orissa. He confirmed the native prince on the throne, but towards the end of this reign the province was disturbed by a rival claimant, who appealed to the Emperor Akbār. Rājā Mān Sinh, another Hindu general of the Mughul Empire, was sent to adjust the quarrel, which he managed amicably by bestowing on the claimant the fort of Al and its dependencies. (According to Stirling the reign lasted 1580—1609 A.D.)
- " 1607—1628. **PURUSHOTTAMA DEVA**; reigned 21 years; was slain in battle. From this period the Orissa kings were merely Rājās of Khurdhā. . . .

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Beames makes the date of Purushottama's accession A.D. 1478 (*Ind. Ant.* I, 355).

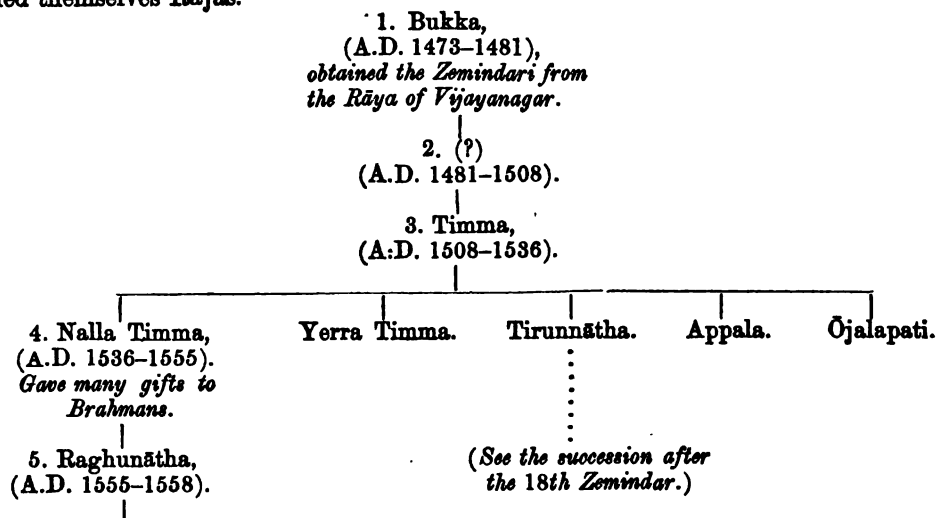
<sup>2</sup> All this is most fanciful and reads like a *mélange* of legends relating to sovereigns altogether different.

A.D.

- "1628—1653. NARSINH DEVA; reigned 25 years. Invasion of Orissa by a Muhammadan general from the south, named Shāhbāz. The king finding himself unable to resist the invaders, was compelled to purchase peace by the payment of a large sum of money. This prince brought the images of the sun and moon from the temple of Kanārak to Purī. (According to Stirling he reigned 1630—1655 A.D.)
- "1653—1654. GANGADHAR DEVA; reigned 1 year. (According to Stirling, 1655—1656 A.D.)
- "1654—1662. BALABHADRA DEVA; reigned 8 years. (According to Stirling, 1656—1664 A.D.)
- "1662—1690. MUKUND DEVA; reigned 28 years. (According to Stirling, 1664—1692 A.D.)
- "1690—1713. DRABYA SINH DEVA; reigned 23 years. (According to Stirling, 1692—1715 A.D.)
- "1713—1718. KRISHNA DEVA; reigned 5 years. (According to Stirling, 1715—1720 A.D.)
- "1718—1725. GOPINATH DEVA; reigned 7 years. (According to Stirling, 1720—1727 A.D.)
- "1725—1736. RAM CHANDRA DEVA; reigned 11 years. (According to Stirling, 1727—1743 A.D.)
- "1736—1773. BIR KISOR DEVA; reigned 37 years. Habib Khān, a Muhammadan officer of the Marhattā army, invaded and wrested the province from this king, but afterwards restored it. In 1753 the Marhattās finally took possession of the province. (Stirling places this reign 1743—1786 A.D.)
- "1773—1791. DRABYA SINH DEVA; reigned 18 years. (According to Stirling 1786—1798 A.D.)
- "1791—1810. MUKUND DEVA; ruled 19 years. Occupation of Orissa by the British and expulsion of the Marhattās in 1803. In the following year this prince headed a rising of the Khurdhā people, but was defeated and taken prisoner. After being kept in confinement for some time in Cattack and Midnapur he was allowed to retire to Purī.
- "1810—1857. RAM CHANDRA DEVA; ruled 47 years.
- "1857—1871. DIBYA SINH DEVA, the present Rājā of Khurdhā. He is the fifteenth of the line of princes who succeeded in 1575 to the Orissa Kingdom as a fief of the Mughul Empire, after the anarchy which followed the extinction of the Gangavansa dynasty....—W.W.H."

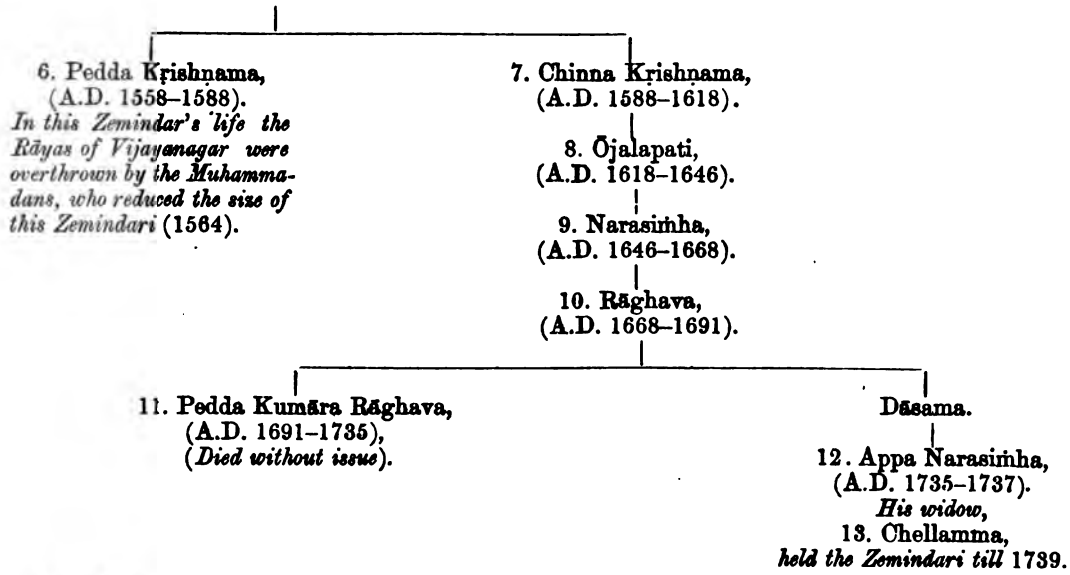
OWK, OR AVUKU,<sup>1</sup> ZEMINDARS OF—.

This table is taken entirely from information supplied to me from private sources. It may or may not be accurate. The family were locally powerful at one period. I insert the pedigree because information regarding any old family is of value when our sources of knowledge are so scanty. The dates are probably more or less accurate, as they tally with those of known historical events. All the Zemindars called themselves Rājās.

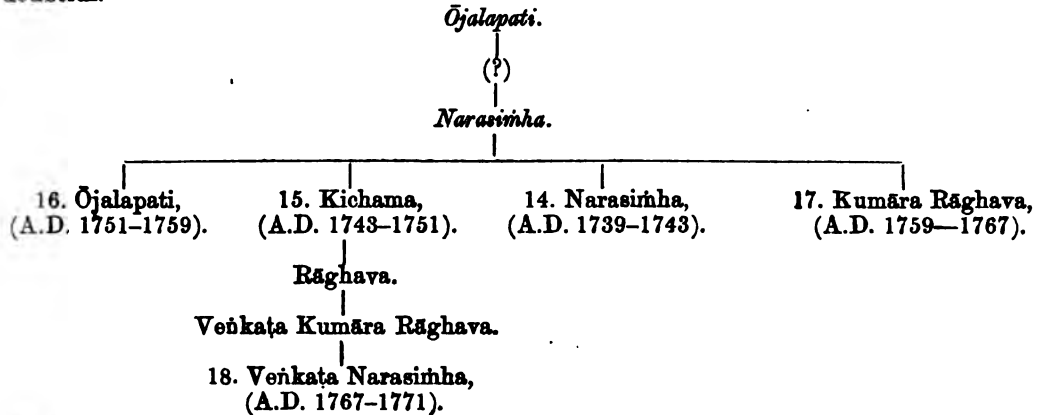


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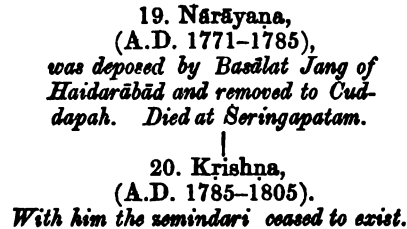
## PALLAVAS.



Appa Narasimha was succeeded by Narasimha, who is described by my informant as great-grandson of Ōjalapati, youngest brother of the fourth Zemindar, Nalla Timma; but this seems impossible on account of the dates. The pedigree is therefore given with the next Zemindar's ancestors printed in italics, as doubtful.



(13) Chellamma, widow of (12) Appa Narasimha, being still alive, and the direct line being extinct with (18) Veṅkaṭa Narasimha, she was called on to select a successor. She selected Nārāyana of Nandyāla, a descendant of Tirunnātha, brother of the fourth Zemindar.

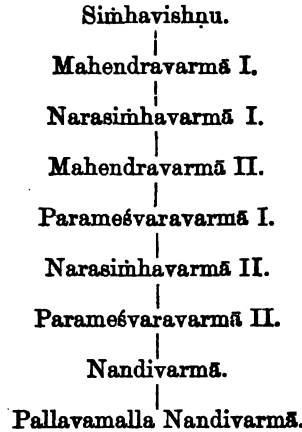


## PALLAVAS, THE—.

The Pallavas were at one time the possessors of an extensive kingdom lying mostly along the East Coast of the peninsula, but at one period extending apparently over the whole or almost the whole of the



Chola I and the date A.D. 1090, but nothing can be gathered from this as to the date of the donor. Mr. Foulkes thinks that the grant dates from the ninth century, but gives no reasons for his opinion.



The Pallavas were perpetually at feud with their neighbours, and are constantly mentioned in inscriptions of other dynasties as having been conquered or checked.

In the later (Chola-Chalukya) Eastern Chalukya grants the history of the rise of the Chalukyas is given, but it cannot be depended upon, except as showing that in the early part of the eleventh century the tradition was current that the first Chalukya had gained his hold of that portion of the Dakhan which his family afterwards ruled, by defeating and afterwards intermarrying with the ruling family of the Pallavas who then governed that territory. It is said that a Chalukyan army from the north crossed the Narbadda in the reign of Trilochana Pallava, under the command of the Chalukya, Jayasimha *alias* Vijayāditya. The Chalukya king lost his life in battle against the Pallavas, and his widow fled. She gave birth to a posthumous son, who defeated the Pallavas and married a Pallava princess. If true, this would have taken place in the early part of the fourth century A.D. There seems reason to suppose, as Mr. Foulkes has pointed out (*Ind. Ant.* VII, 1) that Fah Hian's "Kingdom of the Dakshina" was a Pallava kingdom. The early Kadamba sovereigns "seem to have established their power originally by defeating either the Gaṅga or Pallava kings, or both combined. Subsequently, Mrigeśvarṃā again conquered both of them, and Ravivarṃā (his eldest son) established himself and re-established his family at Palāsikā by overthrowing Chandadanda, the Lord of Kañchī, who was undoubtedly of the Pallava dynasty."<sup>1</sup> (*Mr. Fleet.*) Unfortunately the precise date of these Kadambas is not yet definitely fixed, but Mr. Fleet gives reasons for assigning this victory to the close of the fifth century A.D. According to the *Koṅgudēsa Rājākkal*, Durvaniti Rāya, King of the Koṅgu country, conquered *Drāviḍa*, and the fourth king in descent from him, Koṅgani Mahādhiraṅga III, again conquered it.<sup>2</sup> Early in the seventh century the Pallavas were driven out of their northern possessions, the Kingdom of Veṅgī, by Kubja Vishṇuvarḍhana, the first of the Eastern Chalukyan dynasty, and about the same time Satyāśraya, or Pulakeśi II of the Western Chalukyas, states that he drove the Pallava sovereign behind the walls of Kañchī.<sup>3</sup> Vikramāditya I, his successor (A.D. 652—680), was, it seems, conquered by the Pallavas, but he afterwards overthrew them and stormed and captured their capital.<sup>4</sup> The commander of his forces appears to have been his son Vinayāditya, who succeeded him. It is to this period that it would seem most reasonable to assign the construction of the great monolithic monuments at Māvalipuram, known as the "Seven Pagodas."<sup>5</sup> In A.D. 640 Hiwen-Thsang visited Kañchī. He declares the city to have been six miles in circumference, and the people to be superior in bravery and piety, as well as in their love of justice and veneration for learning, to many others whom he met with on his travels. Jains were very numerous in his day; Buddhists and Brahmanical worshippers were about equal in strength. About this period (A.D. 650—700) flourished the great Śaiva reformer Śaṅkarāchāryār (Dr. Burnell's *South Indian Palæography*, p. 37, note 4), who, it is said, preached at Kañchī. It appears from Chalukyan records that, immediately after his coronation, the Western Chalukya king Vikramāditya II (A.D. 733 to 747)

<sup>1</sup> *Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, 9.

<sup>2</sup> His elder brother, Śri Vallabhākya, *alias* Viḷanda was his commander-in-chief.

<sup>3</sup> *Indian Antiquary* V, 67.

<sup>4</sup> *Indian Antiquary* VI, 76—85. See above, p. 150.

<sup>5</sup> *Volume I*, pp. 189, 190.

made war on the Pallava king Nandi Potavarmā, killed him, and entered his capital Kañchi in triumph (see above, p. 151). Wilson states that in A.D. 788 the Buddhists were finally expelled from the neighbourhood of Kañchi to Ceylon by Prince Hemasitala, who became a Jain (*Mackenzie Collection* I, lxv). King Dhruva of the dynasty of the Rāshtrakūṭas, is recorded to have "humbled the pride" of the Pallavas; while his successor, Govinda III, in an inscription dated A.D. 803-4, boasts of having conquered Dantiga, the ruler of Kañchi.<sup>1</sup> And somewhat later than that, the Kōngu king, Gaṇḍadeva Mahārāya, claims to have subverted the Pallavas again, but states that he afterwards made an alliance with them. It is about to this period that Mr. Foulkes assigns the grant of Pallavamalla Nandivarmā mentioned above (*Indian Antiquary* VIII, 273—284), whose three wars with Udayana, King of the *Sabaras* (probably *Sauras*), "Prithivīvyāghra," King of Nishāda (on the slopes of the Vindhya Mountains) and the Pāndiyan king are mentioned therein. In the eleventh century occurred, according to tradition, the conquest of the Pallavas by Adonḍai, son of the great Chōla sovereign Rājendra Kulōtūṅga I. Adonḍai is said to have utterly defeated them, crushed for ever their power, and annexed the whole of their territories to the Chōla kingdom. He is stated to have "founded" the city of Kañchi, and it seems quite possible that he improved it. Kañchi then became the capital of the Chōla province called *Tōṇḍaimāndalam* or *Tōṇḍaināḍu*. A number of Pallava sculptures are still to be seen in the old city.

#### PĀNDIYANS, THE—.

The following lists of seventy-four and forty-one kings of the Pāndiyan country<sup>2</sup> can in no sense be considered historically reliable. They are taken from Mr. Nelson's "*Manual of the Madura District*," and in a work of that class the author was no doubt right to publish everything on record regarding the Pāndiyan dynasty, whether authentic or mythological. But in such a work as the present it may well be argued that unauthenticated lists ought to find no place. On the other hand it must be remembered that the present compilation is not intended to record the results of a completed archæological survey so much as to precede such a survey. And, therefore, though the lists may be absolutely useless for historical purposes, they will be of interest, first, as showing the beliefs of native writers regarding the Pāndiyan dynasty, and, secondly, because I think there is reason to believe that the *names* may possibly be more or less authentic. They differ much from those in use amongst the Chōlas, and the list of names alone may, therefore, sometimes serve as a guide when in doubt. I have, therefore, determined to reprint the lists and at the same time to prefix to them the following extract from the latest work of Bishop Caldwell (*History of Tinnevely*, pp. 26, 27) :—

"The existence of a Pāṇḍya kingdom and dynasty can be traced back . . . . several centuries before the Christian era by means of the Asoka inscriptions and the notices contained in the Mahā-wanso, the Mahā-bhārata, and the writings of Megasthenes. The existence of the dynasty, however, is all that can be concluded with certainty from these notices; no name of any king has survived. We learn from the Greek geographers who wrote after the Christian era that the Pāṇḍya dynasty not only survived till their time, but rose to special importance amongst the Indian States, but still no name of any Pāṇḍya king appears. The next authentic reference to the Pāṇḍyas after the visit of the Greeks and before the composition of the Mahā-wanso, is that which is contained in the Brihat-samhitā, one of the astronomical, or rather astrological, works of Varāha-mihira, an Indian astronomer who lived in A.D. 404<sup>3</sup> . . . . He mentions incidentally "the Pāṇḍya king," the river Tāmraparnī, and the chank and pearl fisheries. When the Dravidas are mentioned as distinct from the Chōlas, as they sometimes are in the Mahā-bhārata and the Purānas, the Pāṇḍyas must be meant. I should be delighted to be able to supplement the deficiencies of the Greeks and the early Indian authorities by supplying a list of the Pāṇḍya kings

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Fleet's *Kanarese Dynasties*, p. 34; *Indian Antiquary* VI, 63; XI, 126.

<sup>2</sup> For notices of the Pāṇḍiyan Kingdom see the following :—"*Historical Sketch*" by H. H. Wilson, in J.R.A.S. III, 199—242, with its annexed list of manuscripts consulted; Taylor's remarks on the above in M.J.L.S. VI, 142—176; Nelson's "*Madura Country, A Manual*," Part III; Caldwell's "*Dravidian Grammar*" and his "*History of Tinnevely*;" Wilson's Introduction to the *Descriptive Catalogue of the Mackenzie MSS.*, p. 36. Prinsep's List ("*Useful Tables*," in Thomas' Edition, II, 280) is of little use. As to the name, Bishop Caldwell derives it from *Pāṇḍu*, the father of the Pāṇḍavas, and considers "*Pāṇḍiyan*" to be a Tamil corruption. Dr. Burnell, however, thinks that *Pāṇḍiyan* was the original, and *Pāṇḍya* a Sanskritic perversion. (For notes on this subject and others akin, see *Ind. Ant.* VIII, 146, 148, and note.)

<sup>3</sup> The Bishop has wrongly quoted this date, which should be A.D. 504. The date is not yet certainly fixed. Kern, quoted by the Bishop, thinks that possibly A.D. 504 was the birth-year of Varāha-mihira (see Weber's *History of Indian Literature*, Trübner's 8vo. edition of 1878, Oriental Series, No. III, p. 261, note 293). The year of his death is given by Amaraṅga, a scholiast on Brahmagupta, as Ś.S. 509 (A.D. 587), and this is generally received as accurate.

from Pāndyan sources, but I regret to say that I can place no confidence whatever in the lists of Pāndya kings furnished by local poets and panegyrists. I should be happy to avail myself of any information respecting the Pāndyas and their affairs coming from the outside, but I believe it is the greatest possible error to trust to home-made lists of kings, in the absence of reliable contemporary information from coins and inscriptions . . . . . It seems better, therefore, that I should leave those lists for the present unnoticed. One name only in those lists has hitherto, so far as I am aware, been authenticated by a coin; that is Samara Kolāhala (din of war, a title, rather than a name), which I found on a coin belonging to Sir Walter Elliot. The date, however, is unknown; this is a department of research in which very little has yet been done."

While entirely concurring in the learned Bishop's remarks, I may point to his last statement as furnishing an example to justify the present publication of the traditionary lists. It is possible that other coins or inscriptions may be found from which light may be thrown on the subject, and the student should have the lists before him to refer to in case of need.<sup>1</sup>

The capital of the Pāndiyan kingdom was at Madura. The device of their house was the fish.

The following list of kings, with the exception of the seventy-fourth, is taken from the Madura *Sthala Purāna*. The notes under the kings' names are compiled mostly from Mr. Nelson's work. I do not insert them as my own, or because I believe them to be authentic. They consist mainly of assertions made by native authors.

i. Kulaśekhara.

*Of the Lunar Race, the founder of Madura.*

ii. Malaya Dhvaja.

*Married Kāñchanamālā, daughter of Śūrasena, a Choḷa Rāja.*

(No sons.)

iii. (Daughter) Tatātakai.

*Married, according to legend, Śiva under the name of Sundara. Mr. Nelson suggests that this may be the Pāndiyan princess whom Vijaya of Ceylon married (see the Mahāvamsa). She and her husband were deified under the names "Sundara" and "Minākshī," and are still worshipped at Madura.*

iv. Ugra Pāndiyan.

*("Hāra-dhāri"), married Kāntimatī, daughter of Somāśekhara, the Choḷa king of Kāñchipura(!) The Pāndiyan, Choḷa, and Chera kings were on friendly terms.*

v. Vira Pāndiyan.

vi. Abhisheka Pāndiyan.

vii. Vikrama Pāndiyan.

*Attack on Madura by Choḷas, who had been converted to Jainism.*

viii. Rājāśekhara Pāndiyan.

*A literary king; lived to a great age.*

ix. Kulottuṅga Pāndiyan.

*No. 1 of Prinsep's List ("Useful Tables," p. 280).*

x. Anantaḡuna Pāndiyan.

*Another attack on Madura by Jains. In this reign the legends say that Rāma marched southwards, past Madura, to conquer Rāvāna.*

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Scott of Madura was so good as to give me a few coins from his fine collection, which supply the names of *Kachchi Varāṅgum Perumā*, "the king who made a present of Kañchi," or the king who conquered the Pallavas (or Choḷas) and gave back the capital to its sovereign; *Koṅkai Aṅḡar*, "the prince of Koṅkai," a little common, Mr. Scott thinks, to the Pāndiyan "Yuvarājas" or crown princes; *Sundara Pāndiyan*; *Bhuvanāka Vira*; *Kōṅṅeri Rāyan*; and *Samara Kolāhala*.



xi. Kulabhūshana Pāṇḍiyan.  
*"Kūlabhūshana" (Princep). Threatened attack on Madura by a huntsman king of the "Chēdi" country. He is killed by a "lion" and the siege raised. In this reign the Chōlas were Śaivas, but not on good terms with the Pāṇḍiyans. They, however, made friends.*

Rājasimha.

*Married a Chōla princess, deceiving his brother.*

xii. Rājendra Pāṇḍiyan.  
*The Chōlas and Pāṇḍiyans were closely allied. But a feud arose when the Pāṇḍiyan king was cheated out of his alliance with the Chōla king's daughter by Rājasimha, and the Chōla king made war on the Pāṇḍiyan. Chōla was defeated.*

xiii. Rājēśa Pāṇḍiyan.  
*"Rājēśwara" (Princep).*

xiv. Rāja Gambhīra Pāṇḍiyan.  
*"Gambhīra" (Princep).*

xv. Pāṇḍiyavaṁśa Pradīpa Pāṇḍiyan.  
*"Vansapradīpaka" (Princep).*

xvi. Puruhuta Pāṇḍiyan.  
*"Puruhutajit" (Princep).*

xvii. Pāṇḍiyavaṁśa Patāka Pāṇḍiyan.  
*"Pandya Vamsapatākā" (Princep).*

xviii. Sundarēśvara Pādasēkhara Pāṇḍiyan.  
*Built many temples and shrines; was attacked by Chōlas, who drove the Pāṇḍiyan behind the walls of Madura, when the Chōla king was drowned in the fort ditch and his army retired.*

"Padasekhara."

*This sovereign's name is inserted here by Princep.*

xix. Varaguna Pāṇḍiyan.  
*Princep's list states that he united Chōla and Tonda to Madura. Bhadra, the great musician, flourished. Chōla was about to attack the Pāṇḍiyan, but Varaguna made a counter attack and drove him far into his own country. Bhadra was sent to the Chera king, who was directed to give him valuable presents, which was done; implying that Chera was subsidiary to the Pāṇḍiyan.*

xx. Rājārāja Pāṇḍiyan.  
*"Rājendra" (Princep).*

xxi. Suguna Pāṇḍiyan.

xxii. Chitravratā Pāṇḍiyan.  
*"Chitraratha" (Princep).*

- xxiii. Chitrabhūshana Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xxiv. Chitradhvaja Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xxv. Chitravarmā Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xxvi. Chitrasēna Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xxvii. Chitravikrama Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xxviii. Rāja Mārtāṇḍa Pāṇḍiyan.  
 "Udanta" (Prinsep).  
 xxix. Rāja Chūḍāmani Pāṇḍiyan.  
 "Rāja Charāmani" (Prinsep).  
 xxx. Rāja Śārdūla Pāṇḍiyan.  
 "Rāja Śārdūla" (Prinsep).  
 xxxi. Dvija Rāja Kulottunga Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xxxii. Āyudha-praviṇa Pāṇḍiyan.  
 "Yodhana pravira" (Prinsep).  
 xxxiii. Rāja Kuñjara Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xxxiv. Pararāja Bhayaṅkara Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xxxv. Ugrasena Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xxxvi. Mahāsena Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xxxvii. Satruñjaya Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xxxviii. Bhīmaratha Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xxxix. Bhīmaparākrāma Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xl. Pratsāpa Mārtāṇḍa Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xli. Vikrama Kañchaka Pāṇḍiyan.  
 "Vikrama Kunjaka" (Prinsep).  
 xlii. Yuddha Kolāhala Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xliii. Atula Vikrama Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xliv. Atula Kīrti Pāṇḍiyan.  
 xlv. Kīrtti-vibhūshana Pāṇḍiyan.

*A deluge is said to have taken place which swept away the population. After this Śiva re-created all castes and nations just as before, and the new created king of Madurā was of the race of the Moon and in all respects corresponding. Probably this is the commencement of a new dynasty, which, to establish itself, claimed to belong to the old one.*

xlvi. Vamśaśekhara Pāṇḍiyan.  
*Fortified Madura and enlarged the city. The Chola king Vikrama invaded the country and was driven back with loss. The Tamil College of Poets was established.*

xlvii. Vamśa-chūḍāmaṇi Pāṇḍiyan.  
 ("Champaka") "Vamsachurāmaṇi" (Prinsep).  
*This is the last of Prinsep's list.*

xlviii. Pratāpa Śūrasena Pāṇḍiyan.

xlix. Vamśa-dhvaja Pāṇḍiyan.

i. Ripumardana Pāṇḍiyan.

ii. Chola-vamśāntaka Pāṇḍiyan.

iii. Chera-vamśāntaka Pāṇḍiyan.

liii. Pāṇḍiya-vamśeśa Pāṇḍiyan.

liv. Vamśa-chūḍāmaṇi Pāṇḍiyan.

lv. Pāṇḍyeśvara Pāṇḍiyan.

lvi. Kula-dhvaja Pāṇḍiyan.

lvii. Vamśa-vibhūṣaṇa Pāṇḍiyan.

lviii. Soma-chūḍāmaṇi Pāṇḍiyan.

lix. Kula-chūḍāmaṇi Pāṇḍiyan.

lx. Rāja-chūḍāmaṇi Pāṇḍiyan.

lxi. Bhūpa-chūḍāmaṇi Pāṇḍiyan.

lxii. Kuleśa Pāṇḍiyan.  
*A very learned but very conceited king.*

lxiii. Arimardana Pāṇḍiyan.  
*The king's minister, a clever Brahman, Māṇikya-vāchaka, confuted the Jains "who came from a certain island." The Chola (?) king of Kañchī, a Jain, was converted by him, and he crushed the Chola Jains in oil-presses.*

lxiv. Jagannātha Pāṇḍiyan.  
*It seems uncertain whether this persecution of Jains took place in his or his father's reign.*

lxv. Virabāhu Pāṇḍiyan.

lxvi. Vikrama Pāṇḍiyan.

lxvii. Surabhi Pāṇḍiyan.

lxviii. Kuṅkuma Pāṇḍiyan.

lxix. Karpūra Pāṇḍiyan.

lxx. Kārunya Pāṇḍiyan.

lxxi. Purushottama Pāṇḍiyan.

lxxii. Satruśāsana Pāṇḍiyan.

lxxiii. Kubja, or Sundara, Pāṇḍiyan.

*Known in Tamil as "Kūn" or "Kāna Pāṇḍiyan." Conquered the Chōla king and married his daughter, Vanitōvarī. Appointed the Chōla minister Prime Minister of Madura. He became a Jain, but his queen summoned Jānasambandhamūrti, the celebrated Priest of Śiva, and he cured the king of his illness as well as his heresy. The Jains were all put to death. He is said to have destroyed Chōla and burnt Tanjore and Uṛaiyūr. He made the Chōla's son a Pāṇḍiyan by title; but the son seems to have fled and gone north on a raid. There were "Arabs" at Madura in his day.*

lxxiv. Vira Pāṇḍiya-Chōla.

*Kūn Pāṇḍiyan had a son, Vira Pāṇḍiya-Chōla, who reigned in Chōla. He is the seventy-fourth and last of the Pāṇḍiyans of the old line.*

Almost every writer on the Pāṇḍiyan dynasty varies in his estimates of the date of Kūn or Sundara Pāṇḍiyan, and it is not within the scope of the present summary to enter into a detailed criticism on the various theories raised. I shall content myself, therefore, with one or two remarks. There were several sovereigns known as "Sundara Pāṇḍiyan," and it is as unsafe to jump to conclusions regarding the date of a sovereign known by that name, purely by reason of his bearing it, as it would be for an uneducated student to assign a date to "King Henry" of England without any information as to which Henry is referred to. For instance, it is certain that Rājendra Kulottuṅga Chōla's younger brother assumed the name of "Sundara Pāṇḍiyan," and lived at the close of the eleventh and beginning of the twelfth century A.D., while the Muhammadan writers, Amīr Khusrū and others, speak of a "Sundara Pāṇḍiyan" at Madura in A.D. 1311. Several other monarchs seem to have been known by that name, and we know of one being on the throne at the date of Marco Polo's voyage. I am not, therefore, inclined to assume that the "Sender Bundi" of the latter author was necessarily identical with the Kūn, *alias* Sundara, Pāṇḍiyan abovementioned. It would seem more probable that Kūn Pāṇḍiyan was the father of the Vira Pāṇḍiyan who was conquered by Rājendra Kulottuṅga Chōla in 1064 A.D., and therefore that he bore another name, "Vikrama," by which he was known to the writer of the inscription at Chidambaram mentioned by Dr. Burnell. (*South Indian Paleography*, p. 45, n.) According to that inscription, Rājendra, *alias* Koppāra Keśarivarmā,<sup>1</sup> established his younger brother Gaṅgaikondān Chōla on the throne of the conquered country, naming him "Sundara Pāṇḍiya-Chōla." This would seem far more likely than that the real king of Madura should confer on a conquered Chōla the name of "Pāṇḍiyan" as boastfully stated in the inscription quoted by Mr. Nelson at p. 56, &c. of his work. If it be so, the entire subversion of the old line of Pāṇḍiyans is at once accounted for. But, as before stated, at present all theories are dangerous.

After the last king's death without legitimate issue, it is said that his illegitimate sons fought with one another for the supremacy, and each reigned where he could and as long as he could.

Mr. Nelson gives the following list of forty-one princes. A comparison of the "*Sri-Tāla*" book with Taylor's *Supplementary Manuscripts* would seem to show that the first twenty-four and the last may be accurately given, the intermediate ones, Nos. 25 to 40, being doubtful. The notes under the kings' names are from Taylor's Manuscript, but as he does not give the names, but only the consecutive number of the reign, it is possible that there may be errors. And it must be clearly understood that the whole line may be purely apocryphal. The evidence of the few inscriptions yet known to me does not serve to corroborate the list.

<sup>1</sup> That Rājendra, *alias* Kulottuṅga I, was also called "Koppakeśari" or "Kopparakeśari" is proved by a number of inscriptions at different places (see the list, pp 102—109 above).

1. Somāsekharā Pāṇḍiyan.  
(About 1100 A.D. ?)  
*All agree that this was the prince  
who at last secured the throne.  
Reigned 20 years.*
2. Karpūra Sundarā Pāṇḍiyan.
3. Kumāra-śekhara Pāṇḍiyan.
4. Kumāra Sundarā Pāṇḍiyan.
5. Sundarā Rāja Pāṇḍiyan.
6. Shanmukha Rāja Pāṇḍiyan.
7. Meru Sundarā Pāṇḍiyan.  
*This king is said to have ruled over  
Chōḷa and Chera as well as the  
Pāṇḍiyan Kingdom.*
8. Indravarmā Pāṇḍiyan.  
*Son of the last. He is declared to  
have released the Chōḷa king from  
imprisonment, placed him on the  
Chōḷa throne, and married his  
daughter.*
9. Chandrakulā Dīpa Pāṇḍiyan.
10. Mīna-ketana Pāṇḍiyan.
11. Mīna-dhvaja Pāṇḍiyan.  
*Taylor's Manuscript says that he  
married the daughter of the Chōḷa  
king, and, as the Chōḷa had no issue,  
this king's younger son ruled over  
Chōḷa.*
12. Makara-dhvaja Pāṇḍiyan.  
*Taylor's Manuscript states he was a  
great conqueror.*
13. Mātāṇḍa Pāṇḍiyan.
14. Kuvalayananda Pāṇḍiyan.  
*He carried on commerce by sea to a  
considerable extent. Reigned four  
years, and amassed much wealth.  
Was drowned at sea in a storm.  
(Taylor's Manuscript.)*  
(A daughter)  
married
15. Kuṇḍalā Pāṇḍiyan.  
" He grieved much and would  
not reign in Madura."  
(Taylor.)
16. Śatru Bhīkara Pāṇḍiyan.
17. Śatru Samhāra Pāṇḍiyan.

18. Viravarmā Pāṇḍiyan.  
*He conquered the Malayāla country.*  
(Taylor.)

19. Virabāhu Pāṇḍiyan.

20. Makuṭavardhana Pāṇḍiyan.  
*He was killed in battle against the*  
*Chōla. (Taylor.)*

21. Vajra-simha Pāṇḍiyan.

22. Varma Kulottuṅga Pāṇḍiyan.  
*He conquered the Chōlas. (Taylor.)*

23. Ati Vira Rāma Pāṇḍiyan.  
*Taylor's Manuscript makes him a*  
*close ally of the Chōlas, with whose*  
*aid he conquered many countries.*

24. Kula-varadhana Pāṇḍiyan.

25. Soma-śekhara Pāṇḍiyan.

26. Soma-sundara Pāṇḍiyan.

27. Rājarāja Pāṇḍiyan.

28. Rāja-kuṅjara Pāṇḍiyan.

29. Rāja-śekhara Pāṇḍiyan.

30. Rājavarmā Pāṇḍiyan.

31. Rāmavarmā Pāṇḍiyan.

32. Varadarāja Pāṇḍiyan.

33. Kumārasimha Pāṇḍiyan.

34. Virasena Pāṇḍiyan.

35. Pratāpa Rāja Pāṇḍiyan.

36. Viraguṇa Rāja Pāṇḍiyan.

37. Kumāra Chandra Pāṇḍiyan.

38. Varatuṅga Pāṇḍiyan.

39. Chandrasekhara Pāṇḍiyan.

40. Somaśekhara Pāṇḍiyan.

41. Parākrama Pāṇḍiyan.  
*This king is said to have obtained the*  
*throne by fighting against and driving*  
*out "some foreigners." Before him*  
*there was a period of anarchy. He*  
*was driven out by the Musalmān*  
*chief "Ādi Sultān Malik Nēmi" or*  
*Malik Nāib (= Malik Kāfur).*

As to this last list of forty-one kings, it will suffice to say that it may possibly not be entirely inaccurate. On the arbitrary assumption that the last king of the original line was ejected by Kulottuṅga Chola in A.D. 1064, and that the forty-first king of the second line, whatever his name may have been, was subverted by Malik Kafur in A.D. 1311, the question arises whether it is possible for the interval between the two dates to be covered by the reign of forty-one sovereigns. The interval consists of 246 years, or six years to a reign, and therefore there is no reason for discrediting *prima facie* the assertion that a dynasty of forty-one kings succeeded him whom the Chola conquered, though, if their reigns only occupied a period of 246 years, each could not have been the son of his predecessor.

Turning now from these doubtful and possibly fanciful lists, let us direct our attention to the more solid basis of inscriptions and contemporary records.

The earliest notice of the Pāṇḍiyan kingdom as yet extant is to be found in the writings of Megasthenes (B.C. 302) who speaks of a country called *Pandania*; the next is in one of Aśoka's inscriptions (B.C. 250) in Northern India. Pliny (A.D. 77) mentions both the country and the city. Bishop Caldwell thinks that the Indian king who sent an embassy to Augustus at Rome was the then Pāṇḍiyan sovereign. "The name, as written by Eusebius, appears in the Chronographia of Georgius Syncellus (A.D. 800), whose work has been used to restore or complete the Greek text of the Chronicon, and who says, under the head of the 185th olympiad, 'Pandian, King of the Indians, sends an embassy to Augustus, desiring to become his friend and ally.'" (Bishop Caldwell's *History of Tinnevely*, p. 17) In the *Periplus Maris Erythraei* (third century A.D.)<sup>1</sup> its capital Madura (*Módoupa*) is mentioned, and the king is called *ὁ Πανδίωv*. It seems probable that there was at one time a Roman colony settled at Madura, as Roman copper coins in considerable numbers have been found in the sandy bed of the river there. Silver or gold coins would simply indicate commerce, but copper coins seem to imply the residence of the traders. However this may be, there is abundant evidence of an extensive trade between Rome and the western coast (at least) of the peninsula of India in those days. Kolkai ("*Kolkhoi Emporium*") was one of the principal trading cities of the Pāṇḍiyans.

The great age of the Pāṇḍiyan kingdom is amply attested by the Singhalese epic, the *Mahāwanso*, which professes to be a historical record, and the first part of which was written by Mahānāma between the years A.D. 459 and 477. According to that poem (*Turnour's translation*, pp. 47—53) Vijaya, first King of Ceylon, who landed in that island at the date of Buddha's *Nirvāṇa* (B.C. 477?), married the daughter of the Pāṇḍiyan king. If this story proves nothing else, it proves that the Singhalese, in the fifth century A.D., believed that the Pāṇḍiyan kingdom was older than their own.

According to Singhalese chronicles the Pāṇḍiyan king about the year A.D. 840 attacked the capital of Ceylon, and was bought off with a large ransom, while a little later the Singhalese king invaded the Pāṇḍiyan country to aid the Pāṇḍiyan king's son in an insurrection against his father. Madura was then captured and plundered.

During the reigns of the Chola kings Rājarāja (1023—1064) and Rājendra Kulottuṅga I (1064—1113), the Singhalese were constantly at war with the Cholas, and the silence of the Singhalese chronicles regarding the Pāṇḍiyans at that period affords additional proof of the complete subversion of the latter kingdom by the conquering Chola. As before stated, this (A.D. 1064) is the date to which some writers have assigned the last Pāṇḍiyan sovereign of the old stock. Whatever be the truth regarding the date of Kūn, or Sundara, Pāṇḍiyan, there seems little doubt that the name of the Pāṇḍiyan conquered by Rājendra Chola was Vira, son of Vikrama Pāṇḍiyan, for there is an inscription extant to that effect at Chidambaram,<sup>2</sup> wherein Rājendra is known by his name "Kopparakeśari" (or "Koppakeśari"). The Chola's son, Gaṅgaikondān Chola, was placed on the throne under the name of "Sundara Pāṇḍiya-Chola" (*Inscription at Karuicūr*).<sup>3</sup> A number of inscriptions of Rājendra's reign are extant, even to the furthest confines of the Pāṇḍiyan country, in an old temple near Cape Comorin,<sup>4</sup> proving how complete was his conquest.

The affairs of Ceylon<sup>5</sup> had been for some years previous to Rājendra's date in a very confused state. Mihindu 4th ascended the throne at his capital, Anurādhapura, in A.D. 1023, the year of the accession of Rājarāja to the throne of the Cholas. The immigrants from the continent had become so numerous that in 1033 they acquired the ascendancy, and Mihindu fled. Twenty-six years later, *i.e.*, in A.D. 1059, the Cholas captured King Mihindu, carried him prisoner to the mainland, and placed a Chola viceroy to govern the island. The Pāṇḍiyan kingdom was, as stated above, conquered by Rājarāja's successor,

<sup>1</sup> Reinand's date for the *Periplus* is A.D. 246 or 247 (*Ind. Ant.* VIII, 331, 334, 337. Translation, notes and commentary were published by Mr. McCrindle in *Ind. Ant.* VIII, 107—151.)

<sup>2</sup> Dr. Burnell's *South Indian Palaeography*, p. 45, note 1.

<sup>3</sup> Bishop Caldwell's *History of Tinnevely*, p. 27 *et seq.*

<sup>4</sup> Bishop Caldwell's *History of Tinnevely*, p. 28.

<sup>5</sup> Turnour's *Mahāwanso*, *Introd.*, lxiv.

Rajendra, in A.D. 1064, and in 1071 the ancient kingdom of Ceylon was restored in the person of Vijaya Bahu, who succeeded, though with great difficulty, in driving out the Chola usurpers after an anarchical interregnum of twelve years. During this period we find three names of Pāndiyan princes as governing in Ceylon, "Vikrama Pāndiyan," "Jagat Pāndiyan," and "Parākrama Pāndiyan." The statement needs explanation.

Rajendra Chōla died in A.D. 1113 and was succeeded by Vikrama Chōla (1113—1128). Kulottuṅga II succeeded in 1128. The length of his reign is not yet accurately known, but it was more than 30, and Bishop Caldwell thinks at least 44, years (*History of Tinnevely*, p. 29). All these ruled over the Pāndiyan country.

"The Chōla or Chōla-Pāndiya kings that followed appear to have been Karikāla Chōla, Vira Chōla, Vikrama Chōla. Each of these is in some inscriptions styled Chōla-Pāndiya." (*Id.*) This latter statement needs proof.

The next allusion to Pāndiyan affairs that I can trace is to be found in the Singhalese annals of the reign of Parākrama Bahu I (1153—1186 A.D.). After recording an expedition "in the sixteenth year of his reign" against another king (*i.e.*, in 1169), the summary given in Turnour's *Mahāvamsa* (p. lxvi) goes on to say that the king next turned his attention to the chastisement of Kulasekhara, the Pāndiyan king, "for the countenance and aid he had always afforded to all invaders of Ceylon." An expedition was despatched, Rāmeśvaram was captured, and six neighbouring provinces; the Pāndiyan was driven from his throne, and his son Vira Pāndiyan installed in his place. The names of the chiefs are given. Kulasekhara, aided by the Chōla king, made three attempts to recover his throne, but in vain. He was defeated at all points and surrendered. The invaders restored him to his kingdom, and Vira Pāndiyan was solaced for this reversal of his fortunes by the gift as a principality of a portion of the Chōla country which had been captured by the Singhalese. This affair is generally placed in the year A.D. 1171 or 1173. The account is confirmed by an inscription at Dambula in Ceylon (*Ind. Ant.* I, 196), which states that Parākrama Bahu built a temple at Rāmeśvaram dedicated to *Nissankēśvara*, and resided in that city.

Dr. Burgess has lately made a most valuable discovery in the shape of several inscriptions at Vikramaṅgalam, in the Tirumaṅgalam Taluk of the Madura District, which may perhaps fix the fact of a king named "Kulasekhara" having ascended the Pāndiyan throne about A.D. 1200 and ruled till at least 1213. If the dates given above for the period of Parākrama Bahu of Ceylon are accurate, this Kulasekhara must have been a successor of the king of the same name who was conquered and then restored by Parākrama.

In 1292 A.D. we have the account given by Marco Polo, the traveller, of the kingdom of Madura being ruled over by "Sundara Pāndyadeva," one of five brothers; and by the evidence of the Muhammadan historian Wassaf it would appear that this Sundara Pāndiyan died A.D. 1293. Wassaf and Amīr Khusrū, writing of the capture of Madura by Malik Kāfur the general of 'Alā-ud-dīn Khilji of Delhi in A.D. 1311, both speak of the king of Madura at that date as being "Sundara Pāndiyan," and they detail his adventures, his expulsion at the hands of his half-brother (illegitimate) "Tira" or "Vira" Pāndiyan, and his flight to Delhi. I do not see any necessity for supposing that Wassaf is in error in relating the death of Sundara Pāndiyan in 1293, or that there was not a successor of his of the same name at the date of the Muhammadan conquest in 1310-11. As to the identity of either of these with the Kūn or Sundara Pāndiyan whose name closes the first list of seventy-three Pāndiyan kings, the discussion is summarized in Mr. Lewis Moore's *Manual of the Trichinopoly District* (pp. 116, 120). My own impression is that Kūn Pāndiyan belongs altogether to an earlier date than the period 1292—1311 A.D.

According to Wassaf (*"Tazjiyatu-l amsār wa Tajriyatu-l āsār,"* Sir Henry Elliot's *History of India* III, 49—54) and Amīr Khusrū (*Id.* 91) we have for the last real Pāndiyan sovereigns, (1) "Kales Dēvar" (Kulasekharadeva?), who lived a prosperous life, ruled for 40 odd years, and was murdered (1310) by his own son Sundara; (2) Sundara, the parricide, who gained the throne in 1310, defeated his brother Vira (*Tira*) at first, but was afterwards defeated by him by the help of "Manār Barmūl," son of the daughter of "Kales Dēvar," and fled to Delhi; and (3) Vira, who succeeded and was firmly established on the throne when he was attacked, defeated, and the city of Madura sacked by the Muhammadans under Malik Kāfur. Sundara gave up the country of 'Arīkanna (?) to the Muhammadans.

There can be no doubt of the fact that this invasion of the Muhammadans actually, if not nominally, effected the entire subversion of the ancient kingdom of the Pāndiyans. It convulsed the whole of Southern India. The Chōla kingdom went to pieces at the same time, and all over the peninsula there was a period of anarchy and confusion till the rise of Vijayanagar a few years later. During this period it seems that there was a succession of Muhammadan chiefs ruling over their Pāndiyan conquests. Mr



Nelson gives a list of eight of these, who governed Madura for forty-eight years from A.D. 1310. Their names are—

		A.D.
Malik Naib Kafur	... .. 3 years,	1310—1313
'Ala-ud-din Khan	... .. 6 "	1313—1319
Uttum-ud-din Khan	... .. 3 "	1319—1322
(His son-in-law) Quṭb-ud-din Khan	... .. 5 "	1322—1327
Nakal-ud-din Khan	... .. 7 "	1327—1334
Savāda Malik } together	... .. 12 "	1334—1346
Ahad Malik }		
Fandahk Malik	... .. 12 "	1346—1358

Mr. Nelson then gives us the usurpation of Kampana Uḍaiyār, which he dates about the year 1372. (He does not bridge the fourteen years' interval). From the evidence of the inscriptions at Conjeeveram it would appear that this conqueror quitted that place or neighbourhood in order to fight the Musalmāns at Madura. He may have been an agent of Bukka Rāya of Vijayanagar (1350—1379).<sup>1</sup> From this time (1370) forward, till about the year A.D. 1623, we have conflicting Pāndiyan inscriptions, clashing, from an historical point of view, with the various usurping rulers, who will now be mentioned in order as given by Mr. Nelson. The contemporary Pāndiyan line is noted afterwards.

Mr. Nelson mentions the Uḍaiyārs of Madura as being (1) Kampana, (2) Embaṇa his son, (3) the latter's brother-in-law Porkāsa (Prakāsa?), who ceased to reign in A.D. 1404. The Conjeeveram and other inscriptions give us a different list (see the list as given under the Chōla Kings, *supra*, p. 160)

After this comes the first mention of any "Nāyakka." This is:—

		A.D.
Lakkana Nāyakka	... .. } jointly.	1404—1451
Mattanan Nāyakka	... .. }	

In 1451 one Lakkana Nāyakka brought four persons to Madura as belonging to the old Pāndiyan stock. The first was son of a dancing-girl "by a (or the) Pāndiya Rāja." They were crowned, and ruled for 48 years. Their names are—

		A.D.
Sundara Tōl Mahā Vilivānāthi Rāyar	... .. } 1451—1499	
Kālaiyār Somanār	... .. }	
Anjāda Perumāl	... .. }	
Muttarasa Tirumalai Mahā Vilivānāthi Rāyar	... .. }	

Mr. Nelson thinks that it is possible that these were the kings who rebuilt the four lofty *gopuras* which had been destroyed by the Musalmāns; and which, by tradition, were built "by the Pāndiyans" ? The chronicles appear to be silent regarding the great progress in the acquirement of power by the Vijayanagar sovereign Narasimha at this period, who is stated to have extended his conquests over the Pāndiyan and Chōla countries. He reigned from A.D. 1487—1509. After these 48 years a Nāyakka came and "got possession."

		A.D.
Narasa Nāyakka	... ..	1499—1500
Tenna Nāyakka	... ..	1500—1515
Narasa Pillai	... ..	1515—1519

Inscriptions call this chief "Narasa Ayyar," "Narasa Pillai," or "Narasa Nāyakka." It is not known how he became king. Two inscriptions have been found of 1515 and 1516. Both of these call him a servant of the Rāyar of Vijayanagara, *i.e.*, the great Kṛishnadeva Rāya. He was succeeded according to Mr. Nelson by—

		A.D.
Kuru Kuru Timmappa Nāyakkan	... ..	1519—1524
Kattiyama Kamaiya Nāyakkan	... ..	1524—1526
Chinnappa Nāyakkan	... ..	1526—1530
Ayyakarai Veyyappa Nāyakkan	... ..	1530—1535

<sup>1</sup> The idea of his having been a relative of the "then king of Mysore" is probably apocryphal, arising simply from the coincidence of the title *Uḍaiyār* with that of the more modern Maistūr dynasty. In those days there was no "King of Maistūr," and what *Uḍaiyārs* there were were petty chiefs, lords of twenty or thirty villages. Kampana may have been one of the latter.

	A.D.
Viśvanātha Nāyakkan Ayyar ... ..	1535—1544
Varadappa Nāyakkan ... ..	1544—1545
Dumbichohi Nāyakkan ... ..	1545—1546
Viśvanātha Nāyakkan ... ..	1546—1547
Viṭṭhala Rāja ... ..	1547—1558

This last Mr. Nelson believes to have been Rāma Rāja of Vijayanagar. A Madura inscription calls him "Rāma Rāja Viṭṭhala-deva Mahārāyar."

After this the names of three Nāyakkas are given as rulers, but a Pāndiyan also was crowned, and the Rāja of Tanjore drove him out, while a Vijayanagar general drove out the Tanjore conqueror. All this took place in a very short time. The Vijayanagar general's son, after defeating his father's army, assumed the sovereignty. This was the great Viśvanātha Nāyakka, A.D. 1559.<sup>1</sup> (For subsequent history of the dynasty founded by him, see the NĀYAKKAS OF MADURA, *supra*, p. 199.)

I have stated above that, contemporary with the above list of rulers of Madura, we have from inscriptions a list of Pāndiyan kings or chiefs from A.D. 1365 to 1623 (about), and I now proceed to give their names and dates as given by Bishop Caldwell,<sup>2</sup> to whom we are indebted for the information. It is quite possible that the Pāndiyans really held the country, or it may be only the south, while the usurpers occupied the city and neighbourhood of Madura. On the other hand, it is equally possible that the inscriptions may record the names of the descendants of the ancient Pāndiyans, living, but entirely devoid of any real sovereignty, in the period in question. Time and study of the existing inscriptions will alone settle these doubtful points. The line is as follows:—

PARĀKRAMA PĀNDIYAN commenced to reign in A.D. 1365. An inscription at Kōttār in South Travancore, in the fifth year of his reign, is dated in the *Śaka* year corresponding to A.D. 1370. Bishop Caldwell notes the conquest of Kampana Uḍaiyār, referred to above, in A.D. 1372, and a statement by Muḥammadans (authority not quoted) that in A.D. 1374 Mujaḥid Shah of the Bāhmani dynasty "overran the countries between Vijayanagara and Cape Comorin, and advanced, like Malik Kafur, to Rāmēśvaram." This was, the Bishop thinks, probably a "mere plundering expedition."

From 1374 to 1431 Dr. Caldwell is unable to assist us, but I may point to an inscription at Tiruttarakōsamaṅgai near Rāmnād (*Vol. I*, p. 302), which, if the copy sent to me be accurate, gives us a VĪRA PĀNDIYAN reigning in A.D. 1383; and to the inscription at Karivalam Vandanallūr in the Śaṅkarainār Taluk of the Tinnevely District, which mentions a Kulāśekhara Pāndiyan as ruling in A.D. 1402 (*Vol. I*, p. 306).

PONNAN PERUMĀL PARĀKRAMA PĀNDIYAN began to reign A.D. 1431. (Inscription at Tenkāsi in Tinnevely.) Local tradition asserts that this Pāndiyan was preceded by his father KĪŚĪ KAṆḌA PARĀKRAMA PĀNDIYAN. This may help to bridge the interval.<sup>3</sup>

VĪRA PĀNDIYAN began to reign A.D. 1437. (Two inscriptions at Śrivaikunṭam in Tinnevely.)

VĪRA PĀNDIYAN. Began to reign, according to the Mackenzie MSS., in 1475. He is mentioned in an inscription as reigning in 1490.

PARĀKRAMA PĀNDIYAN began to reign in A.D. 1516. (Inscription at Kuttālam.)

VIKRAMA PĀNDIYAN began to reign in 1543 (authority not given).

Dr. Caldwell thinks that no interval elapsed between this king and Ati Vīra Rāma, but Mr. Nelson (*Madura Country*, p. 95) mentions an inscription at Śrīvilliputtūr (*see Vol. I*, p. 305), which records a grant in A.D. 1546 by a PARĀKRAMA PĀNDIYAN.

VALLABHA DEVA *alias* ATI VĪRA RĀMA PĀNDIYAN began to reign A.D. 1565. (Inscription at Kuttālam, dated in his fortieth year, A.D. 1605.) An inscription of his in Tenkāsi gives the date of the commencement of the reign as 1562. Dr. Burnell informed Bishop Caldwell that he had seen a copper-plate grant belonging to "a maṭha in the Tanjore District" (it would be of great assistance if

<sup>1</sup> According to the Nāyakka History of Madura we have an anarchy following the decease, or at least the close of the reign, of a Viṭṭhala Rāja in 1557 A.D., and a Chandrasekhara (Bishop Caldwell thinks the name "quite uncertain") gaining the crown in 1558 or thereabouts, only to be ejected by a Tanjore Rāja, who, in his turn, was overthrown by the Vijayanagar general Kōṭiya Nāgama Nāyakka in 1559. The latter seized the country for himself and threw off his allegiance to his sovereign, but Viśvanātha Nāyakka, Nāgama's own son, being sent to chastise the rebel, fought him and defeated him. This Viśvanātha founded the Nāyakka dynasty, but seems all his life to have acknowledged as his own sovereign the Rāyar of Vijayanagar (all the Nāyakkas did so), and, as lord of the country he was governing, the Pāndiyan king.

<sup>2</sup> *Comparative Grammar*, Introd., 145; *History of Tinnevely*, pp. 52 *et seq.*

<sup>3</sup> According to the information given me there is at Tenkāsi an inscription on a stone (I, 309) which mentions the name of Kāsi Kaṇḍa Parākrama Pāndiyan and is dated in A.D. 1248. It is probable that the date has been wrongly quoted, or else that no king of that name reigned in the fifteenth century, as it is difficult to believe that the title *Kāsi Kaṇḍa* would have been prefixed to two sovereigns named *Parākrama*.

the Bishop could tell us which), by which it is clear that Ati Vira Rāma died in A.D. 1610 and was succeeded by a SUNDARA PĀNDIYAN, of whom Dr. Burnell possessed a grant dated in his thirteenth year (A.D. 1623). Ati Vira Rāma's name is one of those best known in the south of India, especially amongst the Tamil races. He has immortalized himself as the greatest patron of Tamil learning that ever lived, and his own poems are much quoted and admired.

Clashing with the above account, if the dates given me are accurate, are some inscriptions at Karivalam Vandanallūr (*see above*), whereby grants are recorded of VARATUNGA RĀMA VĪRA PĀNDIYAN in A.D. 1578, 1589, and 1595 (Vol. I, p. 306).

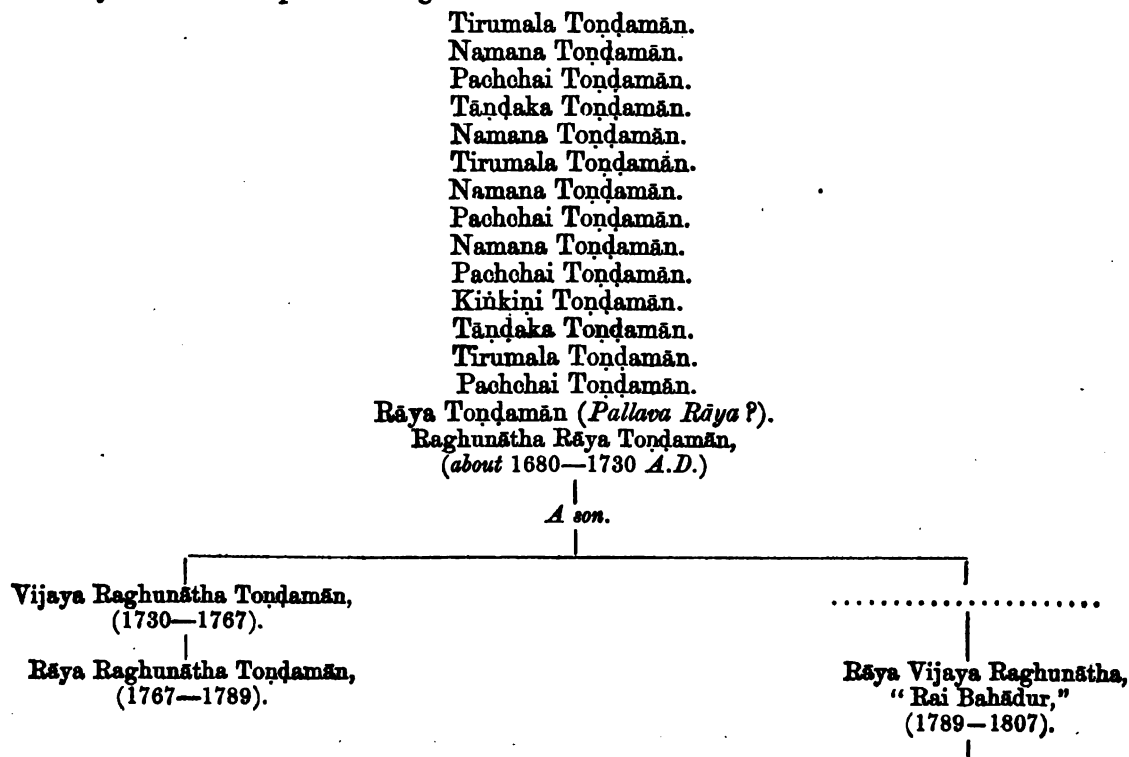
According to a copper-plate inscription sent to me by the Collector of Madura (*see above*, p. 81, No. 211), which records a grant by one of the early Nāyakkas in A.D. 1596, Ati Vira Rāma Pāndiyan had a son RĀMĀBHI RĀMA.

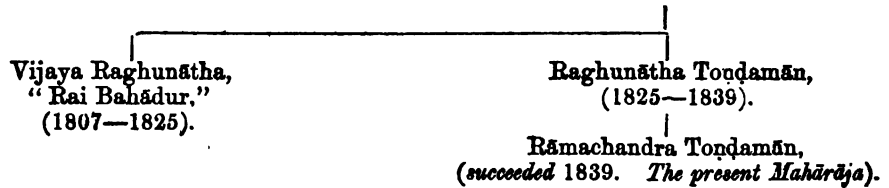
Dr. Burnell's grant quoted above, however, mentions a son SUNDARA PĀNDIYAN as succeeding his father in A.D. 1610, and ruling till at least 1623.

It remains to be seen whether Pāndiyan history can be continued further than this date. It would seem improbable, because the last semblance of royalty must have passed away from the ancient dynasty in the time of Tirumala Nāyakka of Madura (1623-1659) and his successors. But a great deal remains to be done, and for this purpose all the inscriptions must be examined and recorded with the most scientific exactitude. We do not yet know, for instance, whether the names above quoted refer to a continuous dynasty, or to chiefs claiming in various parts of the country as Pāndiyans of the old stock, and possibly maintaining their local authority precariously by internecine struggles amongst themselves.

#### PUDUKÖTTAI, THE TONDAMĀN MAHĀRĀJAS OF—

This State was created by Raghunātha Kilavan Setupati of Rāmnād (1673-1708 A.D.). He fell in love with a girl of the Kaḷḷan caste, married her, and appointed her brother chief of the district of Pudukōttai, with the title of Raghunātha Tondamān, in lieu of one Pallavarāyan Tondamān, the former chief, who had attempted to transfer the estate from the Rāmnād territories to those of Tanjore. Pallavarāyan's predecessor was Śērvai. (Mr. Nelson's *Madura Country*, p. 206.) The following pedigree was kindly supplied to me by the Honorable A. Śēshayya Śāstri, c.s.I., who says that he cannot guarantee the accuracy of the earlier portion. I give it for what it is worth.





## PUNGANŪR ZEMINDĀRI, THE—.

The following slight sketch of this family is taken from the *North Arcot District Manual*, by Mr. A. F. Cox, pages 235-6:—

The earliest known member of the family was one Sitappa Gaunivāru, who, in the thirteenth century, settled in this part of the country and acquired large estates. In A.D. 1249 he built the town and fort of Suṅgatūr. In 1479 the head of the family, Timmappa Gaunivāru, built the town and fort of Kōlār. His son Immaḍi Timmayya succeeded, and, under Krishnadeva Rāya of Vijayanagar, fought against the 'Ādil Shāhi Muḥammadans. In 1510 he built three more forts. His son was Chikkarāya Timmayya. He was honored by his sovereign and extended his possessions. He built Puṅganūr. His son Chikkarāya Basava was an infant when he succeeded. In 1639 the Muḥammadans captured the estate and seized a portion of it, but confirmed the Zemindar in the possession of the remainder, and gave him a sanad. His son Vira Chikka Rāya was well-treated by the Muḥammadans, but the next Zemindar, Immaḍi Chikkarāya, was deprived of part of his estate for arrears of tribute. His son fought, under his liege lord the Navāb of Cuddapah, against the Mahrattas and was killed in battle. This was in 1757. The Mahrattas were victorious, and the zemindari passed into their hands. In 1775 it fell under Haidar 'Alī. In 1780 the Zemindar fought on the side of his new sovereign, but died during the campaign. His son succeeded, but fled on being unable to pay his tribute. He then sided with the English, and proved of great assistance to them in their war against Tipū Sultān. He and his successors were allowed, after Tipū's fall, to hold their ancestral estate, but only as lessees. In 1832 the Zemindar died, and was succeeded by his brother, whose son is the present Zemindar.

## PUNNĀDU, RĀJAS OF—.

In his paper on a Rāshtrakūṭa grant from Maisūr, published in *Indian Antiquary* XII, 11, Mr. Rice notices the mention, in the Markāra Plates, of the "Pūnāḍ Ten Thousand," forming part of the Rāshtrakūṭa dominions. He writes as follows:—

"With regard to the Pūnāḍu Ten Thousand, it may be pointed out that it corresponds with the Padi-pāḍ, or Ten Nāḍ country of the sixteenth century (*Mysore Inscriptions, Yelandur Inscription, No. 175*). The name survives in the existing Hadināḍu, now corrupted into Hadināru, a village on the Kabbani river not far from its junction with the Kāveri, and the scene of the romantic adventure to which the royal family of Maisūr trace their origin. (*Wilks; also Mysore Gazetteer, Vol. I, p. 239.*)

"Pūnāḍu, Punnāḍu or Punnāṭa, as it is variously written, seems also to be indicated by the Pannata in Lassen's Map of Ancient India according to Ptolemy (*Indische Alterthumskunde, Vol. III*); and by the Pannata of Colonel Yule's Map of Ancient India, 'ubi beryllus.' (*Dr. Smith's Atlas of Ancient Geography.*)<sup>1</sup>

"Since writing the above, I have through the kindness of Mr. R. Sewall seen a grant of the Punnāṭa Rājas, which must belong to early in the sixth century. In it their succession is thus given:—

1. Kāśyappa Rāshtravarmma.
2. Nāgadatta, his son.
3. Siṅga Varmma, son of the last.
4. His son, not named.
5. Skandāvarmma, son of the last.
6. Ravidatta, his son.

"The addition to the first name may point to a suzerainty of the Rāshtrakūṭas. But from other inscriptions (*Indian Antiquary, Vol. V, p. 140, Vol. VII, p. 175; Mysore Inscriptions, pp. 292, 295*) we

<sup>1</sup> See Vol. I of this publication, p. 220, s.v. PADYŪR.

know that in the time of Skandavarṃma the Punnāḍ kingdom was annexed to the Gaṅga dominions by Avinita, who married the king's daughter."

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QUTB SHĀHI DYNASTY OF GOLKONDA.

(See DAKHAN, Muhammadan Kings of the—.)

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RĀMNĀD,<sup>1</sup> SETUPATIS OF—.

The Setupatis claim to belong to the ancient Marava race and to have been rulers of the whole of the south of India before the immigration of the Kuṛumbas, by whom the Maravas were defeated and driven back to the extreme south. Their chiefs lost all semblance of power, till the descendant of the old ruling family was, in the seventeenth century, reinstated in a portion of his ancient patrimony by Muttu Krishnappa, the Nāyakka of Madura, and installed at Rāmnād. Mr. Nelson (*Madura Country*, pp. 110—115) discusses the former history of the Setupatis, and his remarks should be studied. He concludes that there were certainly lords of Rāmnād from a very remote period, and that the Setupati created by Muttu Krishnappa was probably grandson of the last Setupati, who had been murdered by "one of the last of the Pāṇḍiyas, who preceded Viśvanātha Nāyakkan." I have Dr. Burgess' authority for the statement that there was an Uḍaiyān Setupati in Ś.Ś. 1336 (A.D. 1414-15), who built the shrines of the inner temples at Rāmeśvaram and gave four villages in the Tinnevely District to the temple there; also a Chinna Uḍaiyān Setupati, who in Ś.Ś. 1411 (A.D. 1489-90) made additions to the temple; and a Tirumala Setupati, who in Ś.Ś. 1422 (A.D. 1500-1) built part of the second *prākāra* and had a son named Raghunātha Tirumala, who was alive in Ś.Ś. 1461 (A.D. 1539-40).

Pharoah's *Gazetteer*, published in 1855, contains (pp. 392—396) an account of the later dynasty of Setupatis, varying in some degree from what follows, but I do not detail the differences, since the whole needs thorough examination.

Abandoning all attempt to trace their earlier history, the following genealogy gives a sketch of the family from the Setupati who was first created chief of Rāmnād by the Nāyakka of Madura in A.D. 1604. It is taken from various sources, principally from information given to other writers by native officials of the zemindari, and needs authentication.

The Setupatis had a coinage of their own.

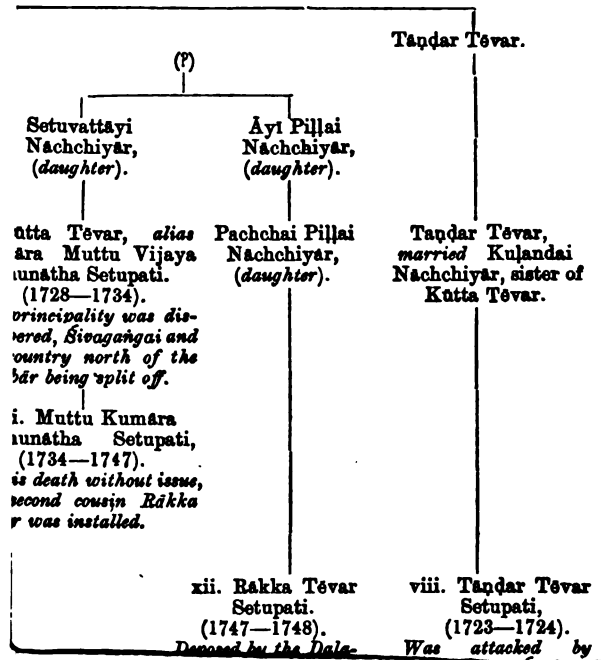
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<sup>1</sup> For an account of the province of Rāmnād, see *Madras Journal* V, 371.

**PATIS.**

vay Setupati,  
*Madura on his  
 adopted son  
 his successor.  
 y Tambi Tevar*

(*Illegitimate*).  
 "Tambi" Tevar.  
*In Pharoah's Gazetteer  
 this man is called "Bet-  
 tana Naiker, generally  
 called Tumbi."*



I append extracts from the notes on the Setupatis, kindly sent to me by the manager of the estate, T. Rāja Rāma Rāu Avargal. Mr. Nelson, in writing his "Madura Country," was indebted, it seems, to another native in high official position in Rāmnād for the statements he makes. And it must, therefore, be strongly pointed out that this list should be accepted with reservation. I do not know the authority on which my informant rests his assertions, nor does Mr. Nelson supply this vital deficiency. Dr. Burgess, who is at work at the inscriptions in the Rāmnād country, tells me that he believes the dates to be erroneous.

"It is observed that at the beginning of the sixteenth century there was no Setupati in existence. The cultivation had become very limited. Thick jungles had sprung up in every direction. The roads were infested with gangs of robbers. Every village was under a petty ruler, who acted with free independence and oppressed and harassed the pilgrims who resorted to Rāmēśvaram. Muttu Krishnappa, the then ruler of Madura, was earnestly exhorted by the pilgrims to appoint a ruler, whose authority could conduce to their safe travel to and from Rāmēśvaram. Further, there was also the cessation of revenue collection from these petty chiefs to be attended to. Muttu Krishnappa therefore thought it expedient to re-establish the ancient Marava dynasty of the Setupatis or the Guardians of Rāmēśvaram.<sup>1</sup> Accordingly he had Śadayaka Tēvar, a descendant of the ancient Setupati, crowned at Pogaḷūr, a village ten miles to the west of Rāmnād, in the year 1604. He was further created chief of the seventy-two Pōlegars. It is from this period that we have got some authentic history of the Setupatis."

1. ŚADAYAKA TĒVAR UDAIYĀN SETUPATI (1604—1621).—"He amply satisfied the expectations of Muttu Krishnappa, to whom an annual tribute was sent. Peace was restored to the country. Cultivation was encouraged. The towns of Rāmnād and Pogaḷūr were fortified and improved. He further made some conquests by subduing the important villages of Vaḍakku-vattagai, Kālaiyārkōvil and Patta-māngalam. After a useful reign of seventeen years this prince died in 1621. His son, Kūttan Setupati, succeeded him."

2. KŪTTAN SETUPATI (1621—1635).—"This prince quietly enjoyed the fruits of his father's labour. The country was prosperous and peaceful during the fourteen years that he ruled over it. He died in 1635, leaving his brother Śadayaka Tēvar to succeed him. He left a sister named Gaṅgai Nāchchiyār." (*Mr. Nelson's "Madura Country,"* p. 128.)

3. SADAYAKA TĒVAR *alias* DALAVĀY SETUPATI (1635—1645).—"Nothing of importance transpired during the first three years of this prince's reign. But in the fourth year the prince announced his intention of appointing his adopted son, Raghunātha Tēvar, as his successor. This disclosure enraged his illegitimate brother, Tambi Tēvar, who ruled over Kālaiyārkōvil as governor. Tambi was not inactive. He gained over to his side the King of Madura, who, besides creating him "Tambi Setupati," supplied him with funds and forces to dethrone the prince. Rāmnād fell into the hands of the King of Madura's forces, and the Dalavāy Setupati retreated to Pāmban, where he was finally defeated and taken captive. He was sent to Madura and thrown into a dungeon.

"Tambi had now a very difficult task before him. The Dalavāy Setupati's nephews, Raghunātha Tēvar and Nārāyaṇa Tēvar, were in arms against him, and at last, finding no one to befriend him among the relatives of the Setupati, Tambi was obliged to flee to the court of Madura." Tirumalai Nāyakka, however, now discovered his mistake, and in order to quiet the country released the Dalavāy Setupati and restored him.

"The Setupati was set at liberty to the satisfaction of all parties in 1640. After his restoration he reigned for four or five years in peace, when he was murdered in cold blood by Tambi Tēvar in 1645.

"Then followed anarchy and confusion at Rāmnād. The principal Marava chiefs were preparing for war: but this was opportunely averted by the interference of Tirumalai Nāyakka, who partitioned the Rāmnād kingdom into three portions in 1646. Raghunātha Tēvar, the nephew of the Dalavāy Setupati, was placed on the hereditary throne of the Rāmnād Setupati. His brothers, Tanaka Tēvar and Nārāyaṇa Tēvar, were made to rule jointly at Tiruvāḍānai. Śivagaṅgai was placed under the sovereignty of Tambi Tēvar."

4. RAGHUNĀTHA SETUPATI *alias* TIRUMALAI SETUPATI (1645—1670).—"This Setupati's reign was remarkable for territorial aggrandisement. The partitioned countries became again incorporated owing to the early deaths of Tanaka Tēvar and Tambi Tēvar. When Tambi Tēvar was alive, the Setupati, in alliance with him, defeated the forces of Tanjore in a pitched battle, and the Setupati annexed the towns of Mannārkōvil, Peṭṭukkōṭṭai, Devakōṭṭai, Arundāngi and Tiruvālūr.

"At this time the King of Maisūr invaded Madura, and, at the request of the King of Madura, the Setupati went in command of a large army and defeated the enemy in two very severely contested

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Nelson's account ("Madura Country," 109-110) is similar to this.

engagements. The King of Madura, in gratitude for the services rendered, ceded to the Setupati the villages of Tiruppūvanam, Tiruchūlai and Pallimadai. On the whole this Setupati became very powerful. It was he who introduced the celebration of the Navarātri festival at Rāmnād. After a quiet and beneficent reign of thirty years he died in 1670, leaving his nephew Rāja Sūrya Tēvar to succeed him."

Mr. Rāja Rāma Rāu omits to notice that this Setupati refused to aid his suzerain against the Muḥammadan invasion, and that, consequently, the Nāyakka invaded his territories to punish him for treason (*op. cit.* p. 187). The war was conducted with varying fortunes and seems to have died a natural death. The Setupati joined in the war, which ended in the downfall of the Nāyakkas of Tanjore and the sack of the city, but according to Mr. Nelson, the Marava army was little more than a marauding mob.

5. SŪRYA TĒVAR (1670).—This Setupati compromised himself in some way in the Tanjore war, and was seized shortly after his accession by Veṅkata Kṛishṇappa, the Madura Dalavāy, and was imprisoned at Trichinopoly, where he was secretly put to death.

"Sūrya Tēvar left no immediate heir to succeed him. Consequently the task of nominating a successor devolved on the principal Marava chiefs, who came to no definite understanding. For a time the country was without a Setupati, but Attana, and after him Chandrappa Śērvaikāran, managed the affairs of the kingdom. Finally Raghunātha Tēvar Kīḷavan, illegitimate son of the last Setupati, was installed."

6. RAGHUNĀTHA TĒVAR KĪḶAVAN SETUPATI (1673—1708).—"The reign of this ruler was very remarkable for several important events. The commencement of his reign was marked by his assassination of the two principal men who had assisted him in coming to the throne. His whole reign was further remarkable for the way in which he persecuted the Christians." The revolting circumstances attending the murder of the Missionary John DeBritto—a murder consummated under the express orders of the Setupati—are fully narrated by Mr. Nelson (*id.*, p. 217—224). "He appointed his brother-in-law Raghunātha (belonging to the Kalla family), whose sister Kattāri he had married, Tonḍamān of Pudukōttai.

"It was in this reign that the capital of the territory was removed from Pogaḷūr to Rāmnād, the present seat of Government. This prince was also famous for his bravery in war. He rescued the Nāyakka of Madura from the tyranny of Rustam-Khān, and successfully prosecuted a war against the King of Tanjore, who was obliged to cede all the territories south of the Ambūri river."

Intrigues seem to have been the order of the day during this reign, and the history is a succession of plots and rebellions, resulting in constant disturbance and warfare. There was a desultory war with Tanjore in A.D. 1700, and in 1702 on one occasion an army from Madura, aided by a force from Tanjore, was defeated by the Setupati and driven back. Another signal victory was obtained over Tanjore in 1709, a year which was also signalized by a most appalling famine, aggravated by a desolating flood. "Raghunātha Tēvar Kīḷavan Setupati breathed his last in 1708 and his numerous wives burned themselves alive with the dead body of their husband. He was succeeded by his adopted son<sup>1</sup> Tiruvudaiya Tēvar *alias* Vijaya Raghunātha Tēvar, son of Kadamba Tēvar."

7. VIJAYA RAGHUNĀTHA TĒVAR *alias* TIRUVUDAIYA TĒVAR (1709—1723).—"The King of Tanjore was not inactive during this reign. He gained over the Rāja of Pudukōttai to his side, and declared war against the Setupati, who went out to meet the allied forces at Arundāngi. Some indecisive actions were fought. An epidemic broke out in the camp of the Setupati which carried off many of his sons and wives, and he himself contracted the disease, which proved fatal shortly after he was brought to Rāmnād. He nominated one Tāṇḍar Tēvar, a great grandson of the father of the late Kīḷavan Setupati, to be his successor."

8. TĀṆḌA TĒVAR (1723-1724).—"The accession of this Setupati to the throne was contested by Bhavāni Śāṅkara Tēvar, an illegitimate son of Kīḷavan Setupati. He got the assistance of the King of Tanjore by promising to cede him some territory, and invaded Rāmnād with the Tanjore forces within four months of the accession of the Setupati. The allied forces of the Setupati, Tonḍamān and the King of Madura were unable to arrest the advance of the Tanjore army, which finally captured Rāmnād and took the Setupati prisoner. He was shortly after put to death and Bhavāni Śāṅkara Tēvar proclaimed himself Setupati."

9. BHAVĀNĪ ŚĀṅKARA SETUPATI (1724—1728).—"He was very injudicious in his treatment of the Poligars under him. One Śāsivārṇa Periya Uḍaiya Tēvar was deprived of his *Pālaiyam*. He therefore fled to the court of Tanjore. Śāsivārṇa gained the favour of the King of Tanjore by the extraordinary bravery he showed in fighting with a large tiger. Kūtta Tēvar,<sup>2</sup> the maternal uncle of the late Setupati and the legal heir, who had escaped from Rāmnād at the time of its capture by Bhavāni

<sup>1</sup> The relationship is somewhat doubtful (*Madura Country*, p. 247).

<sup>2</sup> Mr. Nelson calls him "Kattayadeva." (*Madura Country*, p. 249.)



Śankara, was also at this time at Tanjore. Kūṭṭa and Śaśivarna became close friends, and by their joint inducement got the King of Tanjore to entrust them with a large force, with which they defeated the Setupati at a battle fought at Uṛaiyūr in which the Setupati was taken prisoner. After this success Kūṭṭa Tēvar was proclaimed Setupati."

10. KŪṬṬA TĒVAR, *alias* KUMĀRA MUTTU VIJAYA RAGHUNĀTHA SETUPATI (1728—1734).—"Kūṭṭa Tēvar was not destined to rule over the extensive territories of Rāmnād. For it was arranged, before the success which gained him the throne, that the territory should be parcelled out between the confederates. Accordingly the King of Tanjore took all the lands north of the Pāmbār. The remainder was divided into five parts, of which two went to the share of Rāja Muttu Vijaya Raghunātha Periya Uḍaiya Tēvar, who made Śivagaṅgai his capital. (He married Akhilāṅḍīsvārī Nāchchiyār, the illegitimate daughter of the Setupati. His territory is also called *Sinnavāḍagai*). Over the remaining three parts called *Periyavāḍagai*, which form the present Rāmnād territory, the Setupati Kūṭṭa Tēvar ruled. He was succeeded by his son Muttu Kumāra Vijaya Raghunātha Tēvar."

11. MUTTU KUMĀRA VIJAYA RAGHUNĀTHA SETUPATI (1734—1747).—"During the reign of this prince the Dalavāy was all-powerful. The prince dying in the prime of his life without any issue, the Dalavāy nominated Rākka Tēvar, a cousin of the deceased Kūṭṭa Tēvar, to the rule."

12. RĀKKA TĒVAR SETUPATI (1747-1748).—"This reign was remarkable for the repulsion of an invasion by the Rāja of Tanjore by the Dalavāy Vellaiyan Śērvaikāran, who also commanded several military expeditions and subjugated several insubordinate Polegars in the Tinnevely District. The Setupati grew afraid of the Dalavāy's power and recalled him from Tinnevely. This step proved fatal to him. On his return the Dalavāy openly rebelled, and the Setupati was therefore obliged to flee for his safety to Pāmban. Thither he was pursued and taken prisoner and was deposed. One Śella Tēvar, *alias* Vijaya Raghunātha Tēvar, a member of the Kiḷavan family, was placed on the throne by the Dalavāy."

13. ŚELLA TĒVAR, *alias* VIJAYA RAGHUNĀTHA SETUPATI (1748—1760).—"This prince ruled for twelve years, during which another invasion by the Tanjore Rāja was firmly met with and defeated by the Dalavāy. Śella Tēvar died in 1760 and was succeeded by his sister's son Muttu Rāmaṅga Tēvar, a child two months' old."

Dr. Burgess informs me, on the authority of the best informed men at Rāmeśvaram, that Śella Tēvar's sister Muttu Tiruvāy Nāchchiyār, married Nerīñji Tēvar of Yelambāḍu, and had a son born in Ś.Ś. 1647 (A.D. 1725-6). He adds that she is stated to have ruled from Ś.Ś. 1643 (A.D. 1721-2).

14. MUTTU RĀMALIṄGA SETUPATI (1760—1772, 1780—1794).—"Vellaiyan Śērvaikāran, the powerful Dalavāy, died at the commencement of this reign. He was succeeded by Dāmōḍaram Pillai in his Dalavāyship. Muttu Tiruvāy Nāchchiyār, the mother of the infant prince, acted as regent."

Mr. Nelson adds, "In 1770 the Rāja of Tanjore was again defeated, this time most decisively, by an army under the command of Thomōtharam (*Dāmōḍaram*) Pillai: and this was the last occasion on which the troops of Rāmnād were permitted to distinguish themselves."

"In the year 1773 the army of the Setupati was defeated by an English force under general Joseph Smith, who subdued the territory on behalf of the Navāb of Trichinopoly. The infant Setupati, his mother Muttu Tiruvāy Nāchchiyār and his sister Maṅgalīsvārī Nāchchiyār were removed from Rāmnād and kept at Trichinopoly under surveillance."

"The territory was for a period of eight years, *i.e.*, from 1773—1780, under the direct management of the Navāb.

"The petty chiefs who had respected the power of the Setupati raised an army and threatened to capture Rāmnād and drive away the Navāb's managers. This circumstance alarmed the Navāb, who deemed it prudent to set the Setupati at liberty and to despatch him to Rāmnād at the head of an army: this arrangement had the desired effect. The country became tranquil and the chiefs were defeated.

"The Setupati resumed again the reins of government. He continued to rule for fourteen years until 1794. His acts at the end of this period became very suspicious, verging on rebellion, so that at the instance of Maṅgalīsvārī Nāchchiyār, the sister, the Setupati was deposed and carried away as prisoner to Trichinopoly under the orders of the Navāb.

"The English at this time became the virtual rulers of the Carnatic, and they sent the Setupati to Madras as a State prisoner. The Rāmnād territory was taken under the British rule and continued for seven years up to 1802. In 1803 the English Government placed Rāṇi Maṅgalīsvārī Nāchchiyār, the sister of the Setupati, on the throne."

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Nelson gives different dates for the death of Kūṭṭa Tēvar and the reigns of his successors. According to him Kūṭṭa Tēvar died in 1752, his son died after a reign of a few days or weeks, and Rākka Tēvar succeeded.

15. MĀNGALĪSVARĪ NĀCHCHIYĀR (1803—1812).—" In the year 1803 the permanent settlement was made, by which the Rānī Setupati bound herself and her successors to pay to the English Government the annual pēshkash of Rs. 3,24,387-1-2. She ruled the estate for ten years. She was called the Istimrari Zamīndārī in remembrance of the settlement. This reign is particularly remarkable for the charitable endowments she made out of the permanently settled villages of the estate. Her adopted son, Annāsvāmi Setupati, *alias* Muttu Vijaya Raghunātha Setupati, succeeded her."

16. ANNĀSVĀMI SETUPATI, *alias* MUTTU VIJAYA RAGHUNĀTHA SETUPATI (1812—1815).—" This prince was a minor when his adoptive mother died. Pradhāni Tyāga Rāja Pillai carried on the administration of the country. This prince's title, in other words the adoption, was not undisputed. Śivakāmi Nāchchiyār, the daughter of Muttu Rāmalinga Setupati, sued in the Company's courts to have her claim to become Rānī Setupati in preference to Annāsvāmi recognised. She succeeded in her suit and was legally appointed the ruler of the estate in the room of Annāsvāmi in the year 1815."

17. ŚIVAKĀMI NĀCHCHIYĀR (1815—1829).—" This princess enjoyed the kingdom for one full year while she allowed the pēshkash to fall in arrears. The estate, therefore, was placed under the management of the Court of the Sadar Adālat for fourteen years on her behalf. In the interval the law suit between the Rānī Zemindar and Annāsvāmi Setupati was prosecuted with the utmost vigour in the Appellate Court, which finally directed the restoration of the estate to Annāsvāmi Setupati. This prince having died in the meanwhile, his widow Muttu Virāyi Nāchchiyār, who successfully conducted the suit to the end, had adopted one Rāmasvāmi Tēvar as her son, in whose favour she resigned her right to become Setupati."

18. RĀMASVĀMI TĒVAR, *alias* VIJAYA RAGHUNĀTHA RĀMASVĀMI SETUPATI (1829).—" This prince died in the same year in which he commenced to reign and was succeeded by his infant daughter Maṅgalīsvārī Nāchchiyār."

19. MĀNGALĪSVARĪ NĀCHCHIYĀR (1829—1838).—" Muttu Virāyi Nāchchiyār, the Rānī's grandmother, and Muttu Śella Tēvar managed the affairs of the State on behalf of the Rānī Setupati, who met with an early death. She was succeeded by her infant sister Dorai Rāja Nāchchiyār."

20. DORAI RĀJA NĀCHCHIYĀR (1838—1845).—" Muttu Śella continued to act as manager, but his management was not approved by the East India Company, to whom several charges against the manager were preferred. The estate was placed under the Court of Wards, and although the manager was declared innocent after a thorough inquiry, he was not entrusted with the control of the estate, which continued under the management of the Court of Wards. Dorai Rāja Nāchchiyār died in 1845. Even after the death of the Rānī the Court of Wards continued to govern the estate until Parvatavardhini Nāchchiyār, the wife of Rāmasvāmi Setupati, was declared to be the lawful proprietress to the estate."

21. PARVATAVARDHINĪ NĀCHCHIYĀR (1845—1868).—" She assumed the management of the estate in 1846. She died in 1868, leaving her adopted son, Muttu Rāmalinga Setupati, to succeed her. During her management there were several protracted litigations which necessarily involved the estate in heavy debt. Even the pēshkash fell into arrears and accumulated. Ponnusvāmi Tēvar, the son of the adopted Setupati, managed the estate."

22. MUTTU RĀMALĪNGA SETUPATI (1868—1873).—" When this prince assumed the management of the estate, he found the debts of the estate had alarmingly increased. But he could devise no means to get himself out of it. The estate was in danger. The English Government, therefore, was compelled to interfere. The estate was placed under the attachment of a Special Assistant Collector. In the year 1873 the Setupati died suddenly, leaving two minor sons, Bhāskara Setupati and Dinakarasvāmi Tēvar. The former is now recognised as the proprietor of the estate."

23. BHĀSKARA SETUPATI (1873).—" This prince being a minor, the estate is under the management of the Court of Wards.

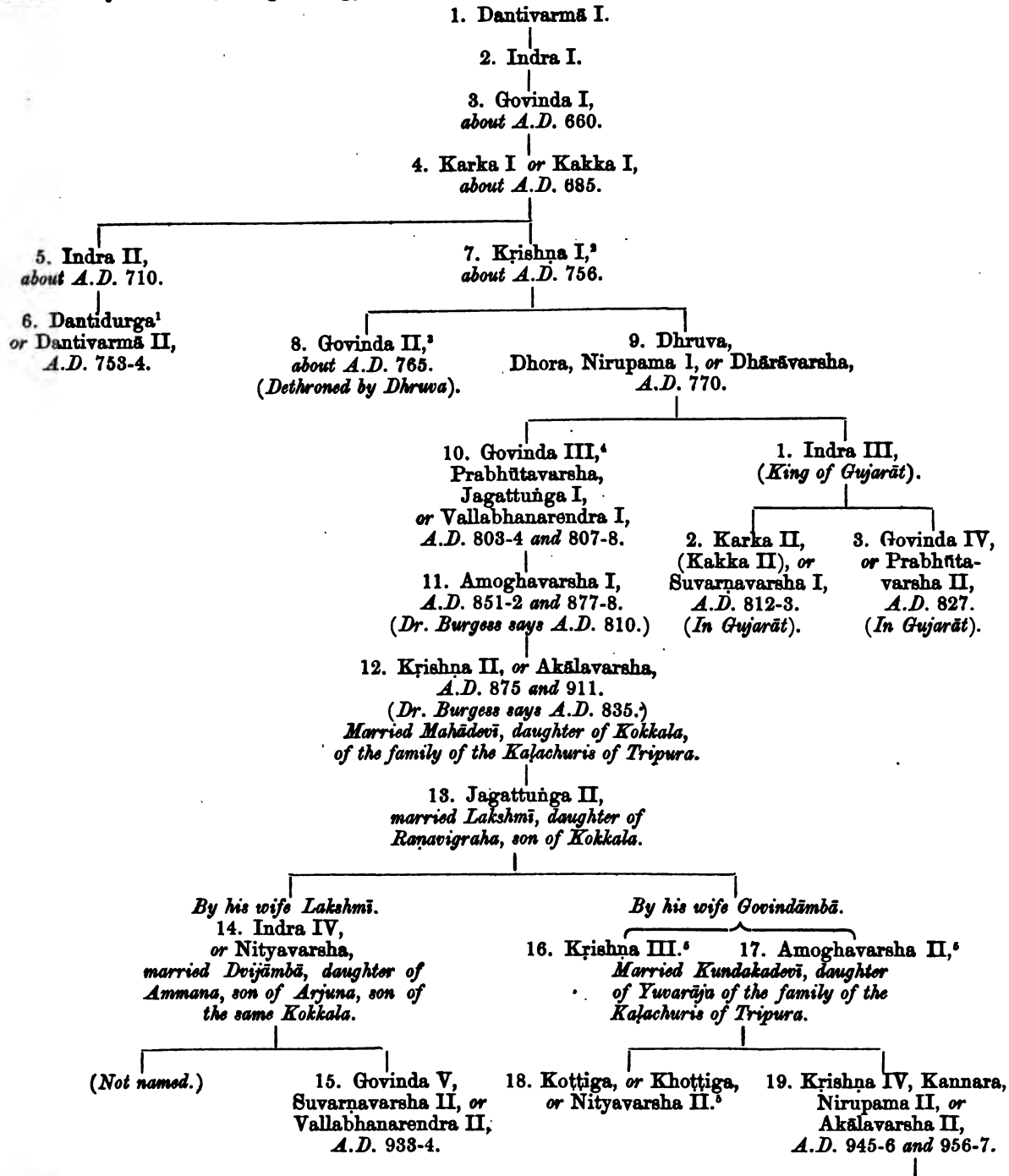
#### RĀSHTRAKŪṬAS,<sup>1</sup> THE—.

The latest and best account of this dynasty yet published is by Mr. Fleet at pages 31—38 of his *Dynasties of the Kanarese District*. From it I extract most of what follows. Dr. Bühler (see especially *Ind. Ant.* VI, p. 59, &c.) has carefully studied the records of this family; and Dr. Burgess gives an account of them in his Third Archaeological Report for Bombay, published in 1878. A paper by Professor Shaṅkar Panduraṅg Paṇḍit published in *Ind. Ant.* I, 205, may be studied with advantage.

The Rāshtrakūṭas, coming from the north, subverted the older dynasty of the Chalukyas in the Kanarese districts of the Bombay Presidency in the early part or middle of the eighth century A.D.

<sup>1</sup> Sometimes called "Yādavas of Mānyakheta" (*Ind. Ant.* I, 205).

The kings of this dynasty did not come much into contact with those of the south, but, as they are occasionally met with, the genealogy of the family is here given :—



<sup>1</sup> Called "Vairamegha" in an inscription published by Mr. Lewis Rice in *Ind. Ant.* XII, 11.

<sup>2</sup> Called "Akālarsha" and "Kanneśvara" in the same. <sup>3</sup> Called "Prabhūtarsha" in the same.

<sup>4</sup> He was reigning in *Saka* 735 (A.D. 813-4) according to the same inscription.

<sup>5</sup> Mr. Fleet is doubtful whether these three persons ever came to the throne, because the interval between Govinda V and Krishna IV is so small. But a succession of three kings in a very short space of time is not an unusual occurrence in Indian history.

20. Kakka III,  
(Karka III), Kakkala, Karkara,  
Amoghavarsha III,  
or Vallabhanarendra III,  
A.D. 972-3.

(Daughter)  
21. Jākabbe  
or Jākalsādevī,  
(married to the Western  
Chālukya king, Taila II).

Dantivarmā II is said to have conquered, amongst other kings and countries, the kings of Kañchi and Kalingā, and the Śrīsāila country (*Ind. Ant. XI, 111*).

King Dhruva is said to have humbled the pride of the Pallavas.

His successor, Govinda III, in an inscription of A.D. 803-4, boasts of having conquered Dantiga, the ruler of Kañchi (Conjeeveram). The boast is repeated in other inscriptions, "which tell us also that the ruler of Vēngī, *i.e.*, his contemporary of the Eastern Chālukya family, was one of his vassals, and was employed to build for him the high walls of a town or fortress." The Chālukyan sovereign would seem to be Vijayāditya, *alias* "Narendra Mṛigarāja." The inscription of A.D. 803-4 contains the earliest known instance of the use of the cycle of 60 years, which grew into common use from the fourteenth century downwards. The inscription is dated in the year *Subhānu*.

The twentieth sovereign Kakka III claims to have subdued the Chola and Pāndiyan kings, but this is probably mere empty boasting, as in A.D. 973-4 he himself was defeated and probably slain by Taila II of the Western Chālukyas. The Rāshtrakūṭa dynasty ceased with him.

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#### RATTAS, THE—.

The Ratta *Mahāmandalesvaras*, or great feudatory lords, are often alluded to in inscriptions of the Kanarese districts of the Bombay Presidency, but do not appear to have come much in contact with the southern chiefs. Their capital was first Saundatti, then called *Sugandharvarti* in the Belgaum District, and afterwards *Venugrāma* or *Velugrāma*, the modern Belgaum itself. They were at first feudatories of the Rāshtrakūṭas, but afterwards raised themselves into the condition of independent chiefs. They were of the Jain religion. Grants of the family are found dated between the years A.D. 875-6 and A.D. 1228-9. They seem to have succumbed to the rising power of the Yādavas of Devagiri, as recorded in the Behatti grant of Krishna of that dynasty, dated Ś.Ś. 1175 (A.D. 1253-4). (For genealogy and account of the family, see Mr. J. F. Fleet's *Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, pp. 79—83, and Dr. Burgess' Second Bombay Archæological Report, 1876, *Kāthiāwād and Kachh*, p. 232.)

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#### REDDI, THE — DYNASTY OF KONDAVIDU.

(See KONDAVIDU.)

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#### ŚALANKĀYANA, THE — DYNASTY OF VENĠĪ.

(See VENĠĪ.)

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#### SANGA, THE — DYNASTY.

(See the ANDHRA Dynasty.)

THE ŚĀNTARA KINGS IN MAISŪR.

This was a family of chiefs, apparently feudatories of the Chālukyas, who lived at Hombucha or Humcha (*Paṭṭi Pombuchchapura*) in the Nagar Country of Maisūr. They were Jains. Mr. Lewis Rice gives the following list in his "*Mysore Inscriptions*" (*Introduction*, p. lxix) :—

Śāntara, Śāntarēśvara, several kings of this name.

Kāmana.

Singideva.

Taila.

Kāma (married Bijjalādevi. Her sister Chaṭṭalādevi was married to Vijayādityadeva of the Kādamba family of Goa).

Jagadeva, Jagaddeva, Tribhuvana Malla (*son*), A.D. 1149.

Singideva, *his brother*.

Bammarasa, *his son*.

An inscription of A.D. 1162-3 at Anumakoṇḍa, close to Oraṅgal, of the Ganapati sovereign Kākatiya Rudradeva, records that in the time of the Ganapati sovereign Prōḷē, Jagaddeva besieged that place, but was repulsed and put to flight. Mr. Fleet (*Ind. Ant.* XI, 10) thinks that this is evidently the Śāntara king Jagaddeva, and that it was as a feudatory of Taila of the Western Chālukyas that he laid siege to Anumakoṇḍa.

SENDRAKAS, THE—.

"One of the Kadamba inscriptions mentions incidentally" the dynasty of the Sendrakas, "the representative of which in the time of the Kadamba King Harivarmā,<sup>1</sup> was Bhānuśakti. But all else that we at present know for certain about this dynasty is that, in the time of the Western Chalukya king Vikramāditya I, the representative of it was Devaśakti, who seems to have been a feudatory of the Chalukya monarch,<sup>2</sup> and that in the time of Vinayāditya, the son of Vikramāditya I, the representative of it was Pogilli, who again appears to have been a feudatory of the Chalukyas."<sup>3</sup> (Mr. Fleet's *Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, p. 10.)

The dates of these Sendraka kings would be about the close of the fifth century and the close of the sixth century.

SETUPATIS OF RĀMNĀD, THE—.

(See RĀMNĀD.)

THE ŚILĀHĀRAS OF KOLHĀPUR.

From Mr. Fleet's sketch of the history of this family (*Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, pp. 98—106) I do not gather that, so far as is yet known, they ever came in contact with the powers in the south; but as it is quite possible that they may have done so, and that some reference to them may yet be discovered in some inscriptions of the Southern Dakhaṅ, I give the genealogy as given by Mr. Fleet. His work should be consulted for a fuller notice of the family and an able discussion as to the site of the ancient city of *Tagara* mentioned in Ptolemy and the *Periplus*. (See also *Ind. Ant.* V, 276.)

Jatiga I.

—  
Nāyivarmā  
or Nayimma.

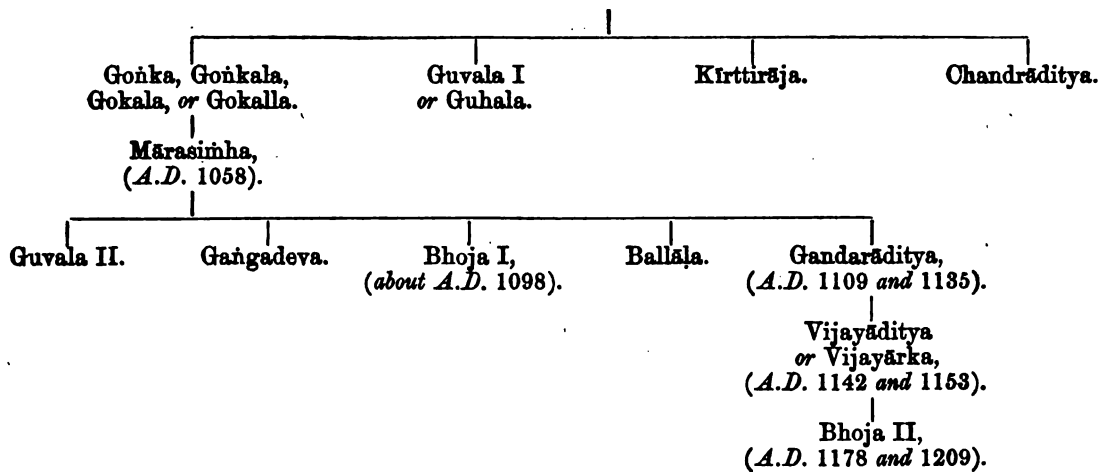
—  
Chandrarāja.

—  
Jatiga II.

<sup>1</sup> His date is not yet conclusively settled (see above, p. 179).

<sup>2</sup> *Ind. Ant.*, Vol. X, p. 244, "No. 12." See also above, p. 16, No. 100, Copper-plate Grant from Kurnool.

<sup>3</sup> *Pali, Sanskrit and Old Canarese Inscriptions*, No. 152.

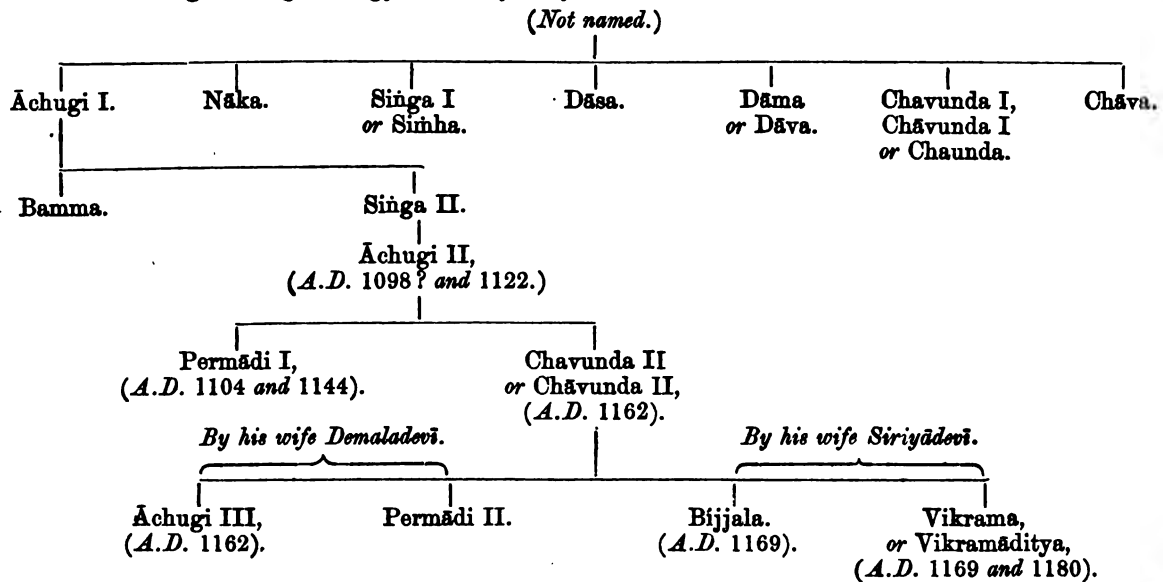


## SINDAS OF ERAMBARAGE, THE—.

The information which follows is also taken from Mr. Fleet's *Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, (pp. 95—97).

Inscriptions of the Sinda dynasty are found in the Kalādgi and Dhārwaḍ Districts. Their capital was Erambarage or Erambarige, probably 'Yelburga' in the Nizām's Dominions. Their territory embraced a small portion of the country in that neighbourhood.

The following is the genealogy of the dynasty :—



Āchugi II made war on the Hoysāla Ballālas under orders of his suzerain, Vikramāditya VI of the Western Chālukyas. He was victorious and took Goa ("Gove"). He "caused the Pāṇḍyas to retreat, dispersed the Malapas, or people of the Western Ghauts, and seized upon the Konkana." He burnt Goa and "Uppinakatti" (? Uppinaṅgaḍi in South Canara).

Permādi I is recorded to have "pursued Jayakeesi, who must be the second of that name of the family of the Kādambas of Goa, and seized upon the royal power of the Hoysālas." He seems to have defeated King Bittiga or Vishṇuvaradhana of the latter dynasty, and besieged his capital city, Dvārasa-mudra.

## ŚIVAGAṄGAI ZEMINDARS.

The Śivagaṅgai Zemindari was originally part and parcel of the territories of the Setupatis of Rāmnād, for a sketch of whose dynasty see above (p. 227). It will there be found that in the reign of Kūṭṭa Tēvar, *alias* Kumāra Muttu Vijaya Raghunātha Setupati (1728—1734), the territories of Rāmnād were divided into five parts, two of which went to Śaśivarna, *alias* Muttu Vijaya Raghunātha Periya Uḍaiyār Tēvar. This became the Śivagaṅgai Zemindari. It is called the *Sinna Vāḍagai* by the natives, and the "Lesser Maravar" by some European writers.

The zemindari being quite of modern origin, it is useless to give a sketch of its ruling family here. Readers are referred for information to pages 423—427 of "Pharaoh's Gazetteer."

## TANJORE, THE MAHRATTA DYNASTY OF—.

(See MAHRATTAS.)

## TRAVANCORE (TIRUVARAṅKŌDU), RĀJAS OF—.

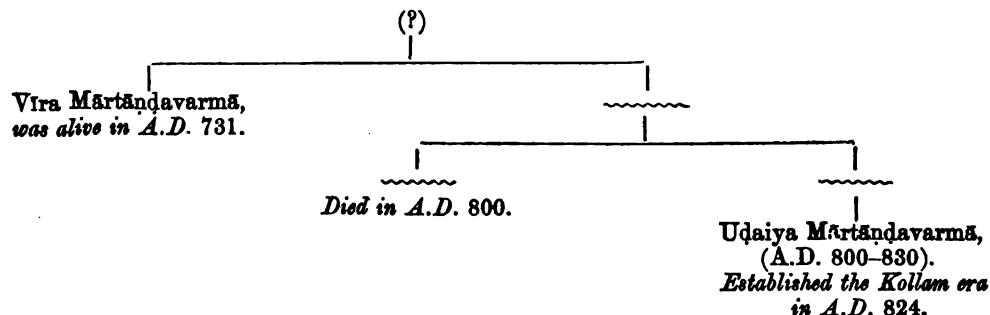
(The following list is taken mostly from Mr. P. Shungoony Menon's "*History of Travancore.*")

The family are said to be descendants of the old Chera Rājas, who owned the south and west of the peninsula. Other accounts make them descendants of Chēramān Perumāḷ.

Mr. Shungoony Menon's history traces the family from a Chera king, Bhānu Vikrama, whom the mythological *Paraśu Rāma* placed on the throne of South Kerala after it had been recovered from the sea.<sup>1</sup> *Paraśu Rāma* is said to have crowned Bhānu Vikrama's nephew, Āditya Vikrama, in succession to his uncle, and to have made Uḍaiyavarmā king of North Kerala. This was in the *Tretāyuga*. In the *Kaliyuga* a list of forty-eight kings is given who reigned over South Kerala during the first ten centuries, *i.e.*, up to 2102 B.C. Mention is made of a sovereign, by name Kulāśekhara Arvār, in *Kaliyuga* 1860 (1242 B.C.), who became an ascetic, and has since been worshipped as a saint; and coming to comparatively modern times, Viravarmā Pāṇḍiyan of Madura is said to have conquered and ruled over the Chera country at the time of the reign of Śalivāhana (A.D. 78). The Chera country was afterwards overrun by the Koṅgu chiefs<sup>2</sup> and the Chera royal family retired to their original home in Travancore (South Kerala), giving up their extensive acquisitions in Madura and Tinnevely.

The Perumāḷs ruled over most of the Kerala country for about 200 years, during which period the Syrian Christians and Jews settled in Cochin. The last Perumāḷ is said to have disappeared from his residence after having handed over his insignia of office to two dependents, whom he constituted respectively Rāja of Cochin and Zamorin of Calicut. (See above, p. 197.)

All the above is purely traditionary. Now commences a list, seemingly more reliable, but requiring proof.

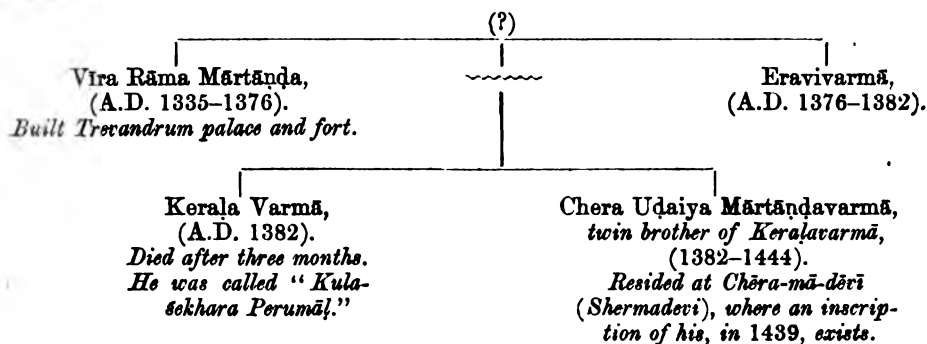


Little more is known for five centuries, and the author's remarks, as he attempts to bridge the interval, show a lamentable want of historical knowledge. A king named Ādityavarmā is mentioned as living in A.D. 1189, and another of the same name in A.D. 1330.

<sup>1</sup> Probably the Baṇa Perumāḷ of the *Keraḷolpati* (see above, p. 196).

<sup>2</sup> All Chera grants of any age commence with the phrase "Śrī Vira Kerala Chakravarti" or "Chēra Maṇavan Tribhuvana Chakravarti," while the Koṅgu grants commence "Śrī Vira Rāya Chakravarti." (*History of Travancore*, 31.)

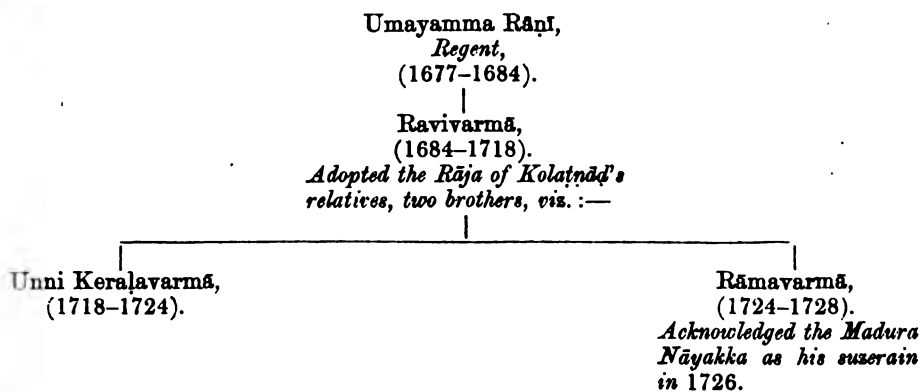
Then come the following, belonging to a branch of the family :—



Now follows a list of kings, without any relationship given :—

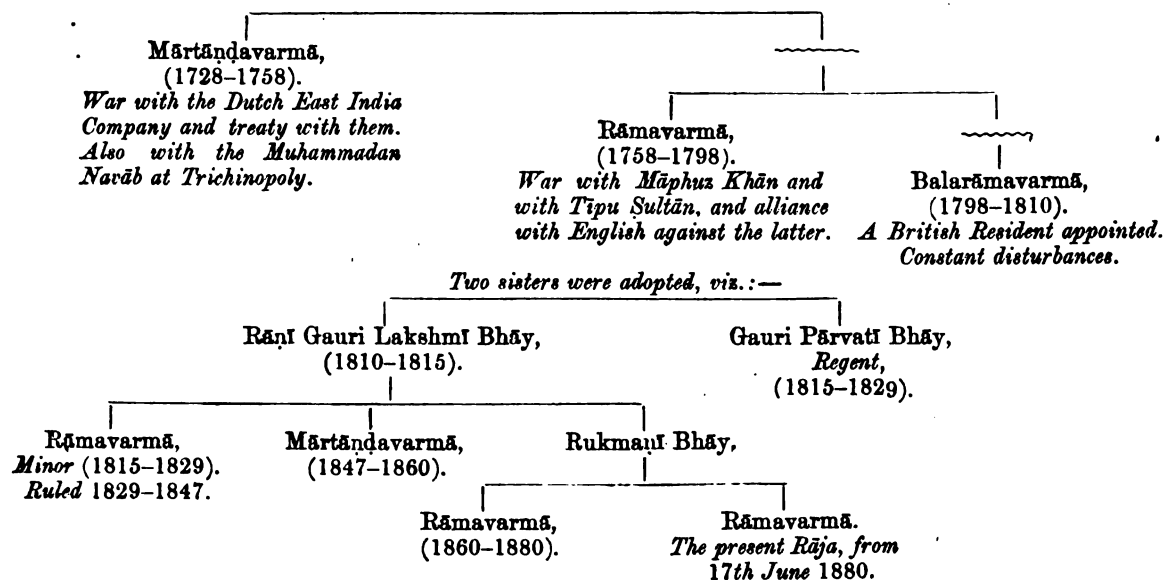
	A.D.
Vanavanād Mūṭṭa Rāja	1444—1458
Vira Mārtāṇḍavarmā	1458—1471
Ādityavarmā	1471—1478
Eravivarmā	1478—1504
Mārtāṇḍavarmā	1504
Vira Eravivarmā	1504—1528
Mārtāṇḍavarmā	1528—1537
Uḍaiya Mārtāṇḍavarmā	1537—1560
Keralavarmā	1560—1563
Ādityavarmā	1563—1567
Uḍaiya Mārtāṇḍavarmā	1567—1594
Vira Eravivarmā	1594—1604
Viravarmā	1604—1606
Ravivarmā	1606—1619
Unni Keralavarmā	1619—1625
Ravivarmā	1625—1631
Unni Keralavarmā	1631—1661
Ādityavarmā	1661—1677

The last Ādityavarmā and his male relatives were murdered, and his niece Umayamma Rāṇī became regent in 1677 A.D. In 1680 occurred a Muhammadan inroad and their leader established himself at Trevandrum, but was driven out and killed by the regent's general, Keralavarmā, a member of the royal house. The regent's son, attaining his majority, was crowned A.D. 1684.



This chief was succeeded by Mārtāṇḍavarmā, the son of a Rāṇī of Kolaṭṇād, adopted into the Travancore family by Ravivarmā.





The succession in this family takes place entirely in the female line.

TONDAMAN, THE—FAMILY.

(See PUDUKŌTTAI.)

UḌAIYĀRS OF THE CHOLA COUNTRY.

(See CHOLA.)

VARAṄGAL, SOVEREIGNS OF—.

(See the GAṆAPATIS of Oraṅgal.)

VENGI, KINGS OF THE—COUNTRY.

The Veṅgi kingdom, that is the country lying between the Krishnā and Godāvāri rivers and extending from the sea to a distance inland at present not known but apparently not very great, was ruled by the Pallavas (*see* p. 212) till the dynasty was subverted by Kubja Vishnuvardhana of the Chālukya family about the year A.D. 605. It is not yet quite certain whether the Veṅgi kingdom was independent or merely a province of the kingdom of Kañchī, but the evidence would seem to show that the latter was the case. We find the Pallava sovereign of Kañchī, Siṅhavarmā II, about the fifth or sixth century,<sup>1</sup> granting in his eighth year the village of Māṅgaḍūr in Veṅgorāshṭra (the Veṅgi province) to a Brāhman.<sup>2</sup>

The capital of the Veṅgi country seems to have been Vēgi or Pedda Vēgi, a few miles north of Elore in the Godāvāri District.<sup>3</sup> Dr. Burnell speaks of Veṅgi as an independent kingdom, governed by a dynasty of Śalāṅkāyanas, and attributes a grant published by Mr. Fleet<sup>4</sup> and containing the

<sup>1</sup> He was one of the last of a family ascribed by Dr. Burnell on palaeographic evidence to "the fifth or sixth century."

<sup>2</sup> *Indian Antiquary* V, 154.

<sup>3</sup> *South-Indian Palaeography*, p. 16, note 1.

<sup>4</sup> *Indian Antiquary* V, 175, &c.; *South-Indian Palaeography*, pp. 14-16, and plate xxiv.

names of the sovereign, Vijaya Chandavarmā, and his son Vijaya Nandivarmā, to the fifth century A.D. He thinks that the origin of the kingdom "does not probably go back beyond the second century A.D." Mr. Fleet mentions a second inscription examined by him, which contains the names apparently of the same Vijaya Nandivarmā and his son "Vijaya Tuṅgavarmā" or "Vijaya Buddhavarmā."

Shortly after the Chālukyas had subverted the Veṅgi dynasty the country was visited by Hiwen-Thsang, who calls the kingdom "An-ta-lo" (Andhra), and the capital city "Ping-ki-lo," which Dr. Burnell ingeniously translated into "Veṅgi" with the Telugu suffix *lō* added to it by mistake on the part of the traveller.

A grant of Govinda III of the Rāshtrakūṭa dynasty<sup>1</sup> speaks of the Eastern Chalukya sovereign in A.D. 807 as "Lord of Veṅgi" and states that he came and worked for the Rāshtrakūṭa king as a servant.

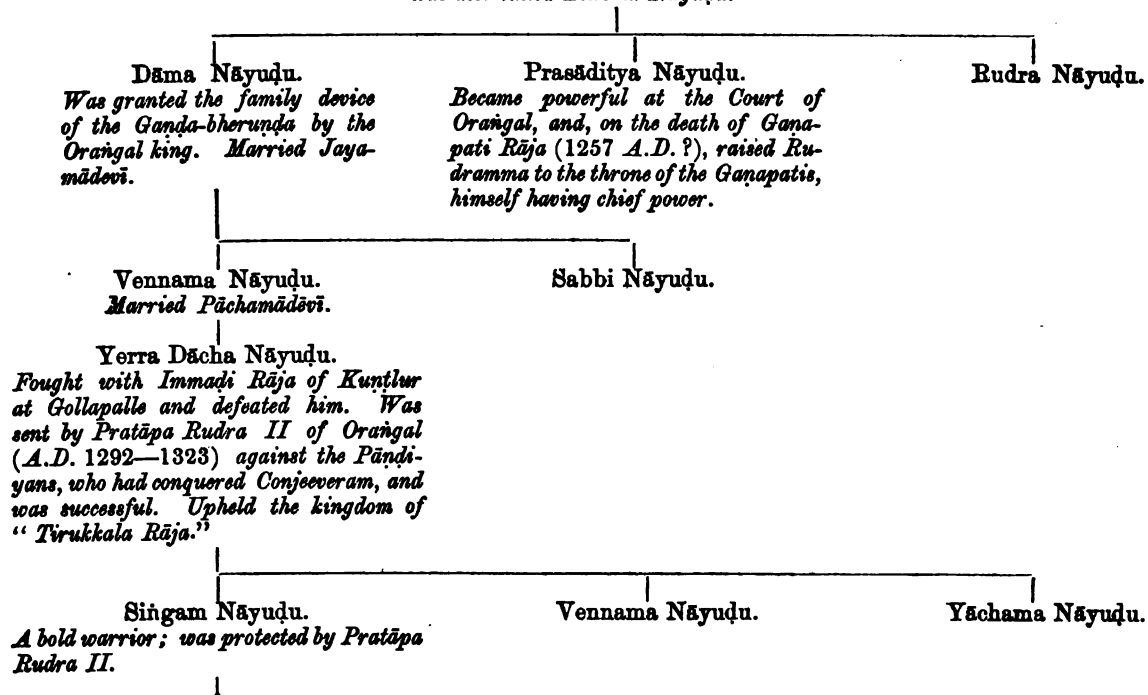
An inscription of a later date on a pillar at Amarāvati, unfortunately mutilated, gives a number of names of kings which may be those of a Veṅgi dynasty, but the context is doubtful. The names are "Sinhavarmā," "Sinhavishṇu," "Nandivarmā," "Sinhavarmā II," "Arkavarmā," "Ugravarmā," "Mahendravarmā." The names also of "Sūra" and "Pallava" occur.

## VENKATAGIRI.

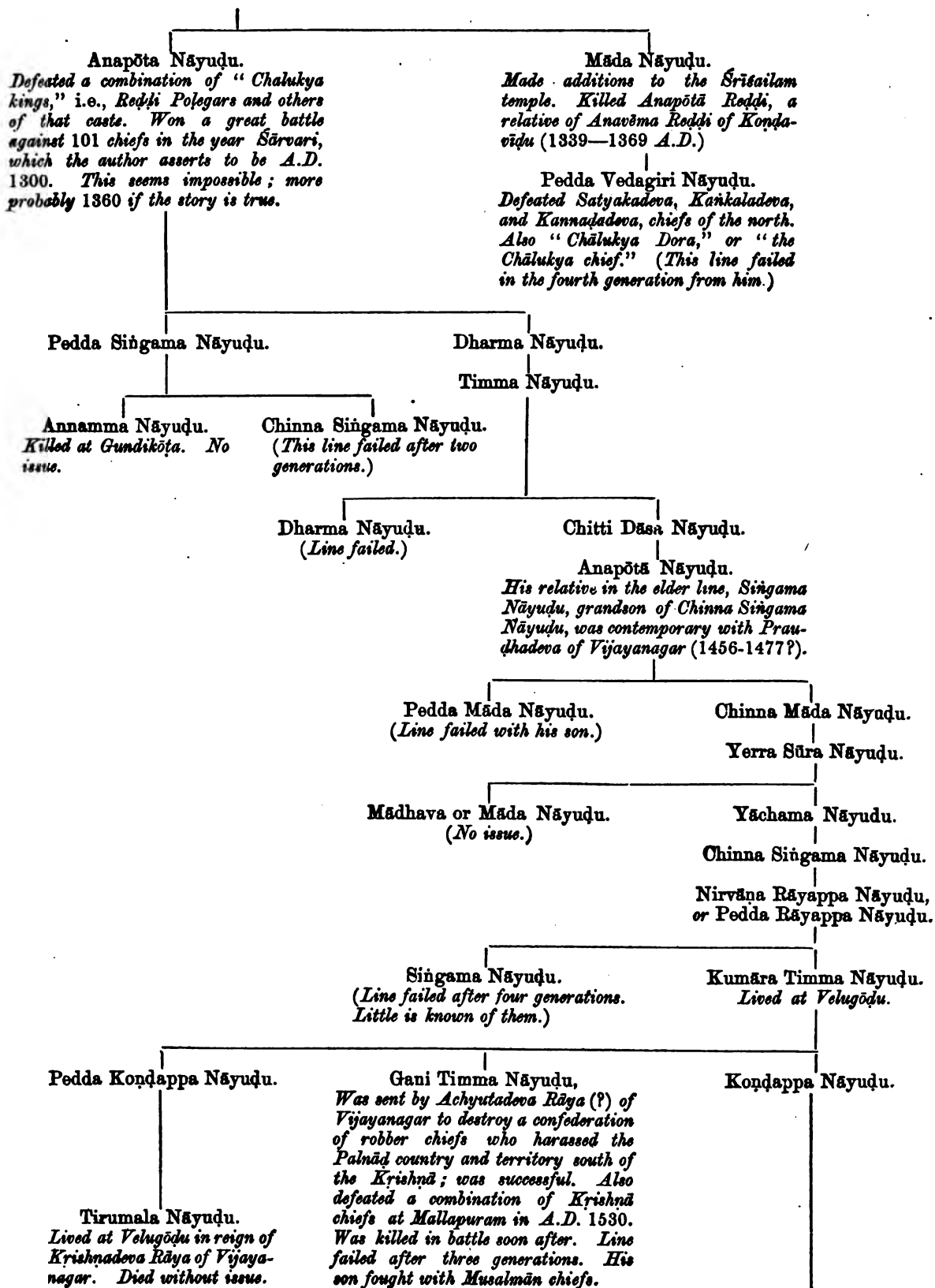
The present estate of Venkatagiri lies in the district of Nellore. I am unable as yet to give any reliable dates, but the following table is compiled from a pamphlet published in Madras in 1875 by T. Rama Rau Avargal, a Vakeel of the High Court.

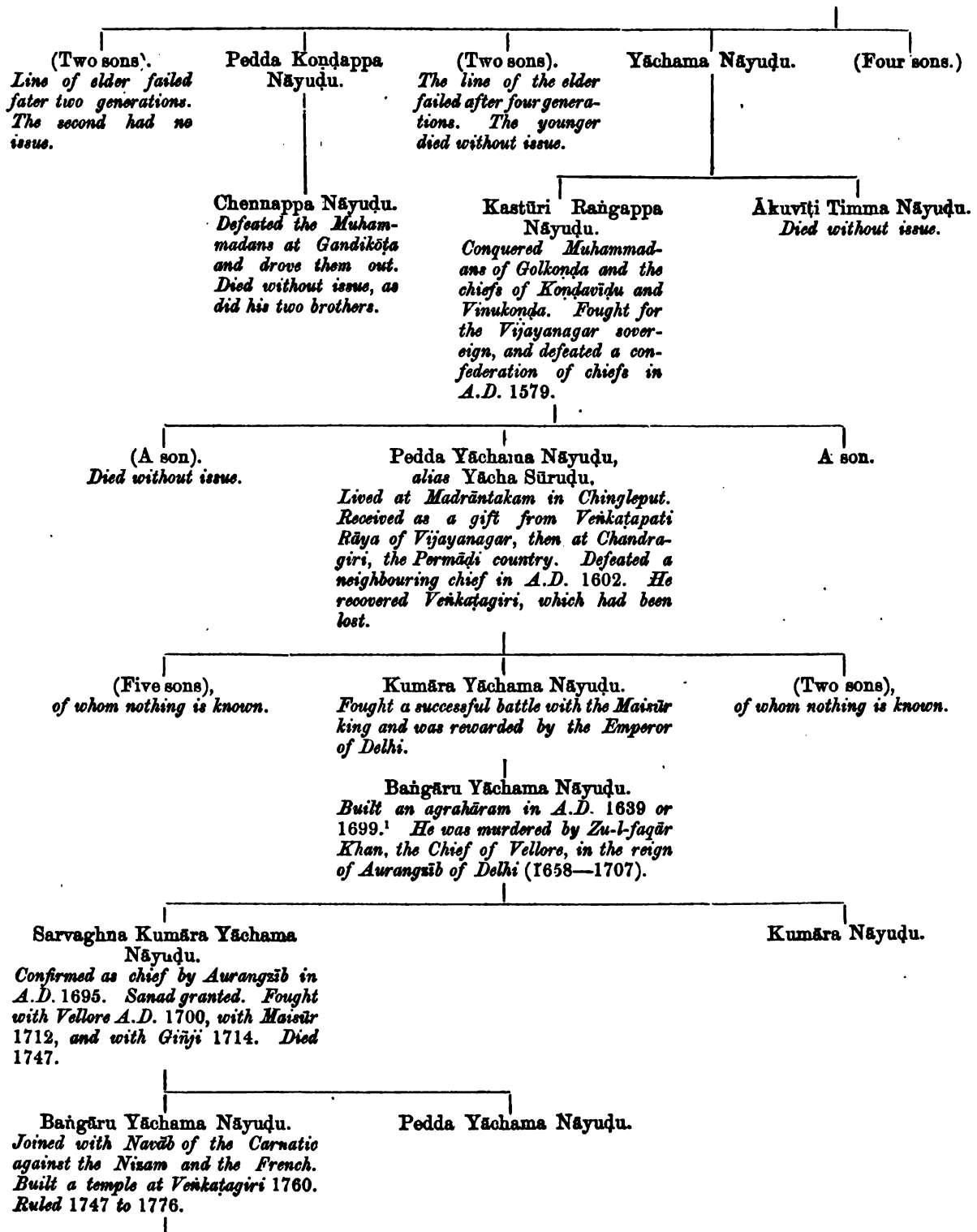
## Chavvi Reddi.

*A Vellama of Anavagallu; discovered an immense buried treasure. Was patronized by Kūkatīya Gaṇapati Rāja of Oraṅgal, who died A.D. 1257? Chavvi Reddi was also called Bhētāla Nāyuḍu.*



<sup>1</sup> *Indian Antiquary* XI, 126.





<sup>1</sup> 1679 says the writer, and on the next page chronicles a successful battle fought by this chief in A.D. 1693!! But he only goes by the cyclic year "Siddhanti," and I have no hesitation in placing the date 60 or 120 years later.

(Adopted).  
Kumāra Yāchama Nāyuḍu.  
A.D. 1776—1804. *Veṅkatagiri was sacked and destroyed by Haider. The Rāja sided with the English. Sanad by Lord Clive in 1802.*

(Adopted).  
Baṅgāru Yāchama Nāyuḍu.  
(1802—1847).

Kumāra Yāchama Nāyuḍu,  
(the present Rāja).

Mr. Boswell gives a history of this family in the *Nellore District Manual* (712—724), which slightly differs from the above and should be consulted.

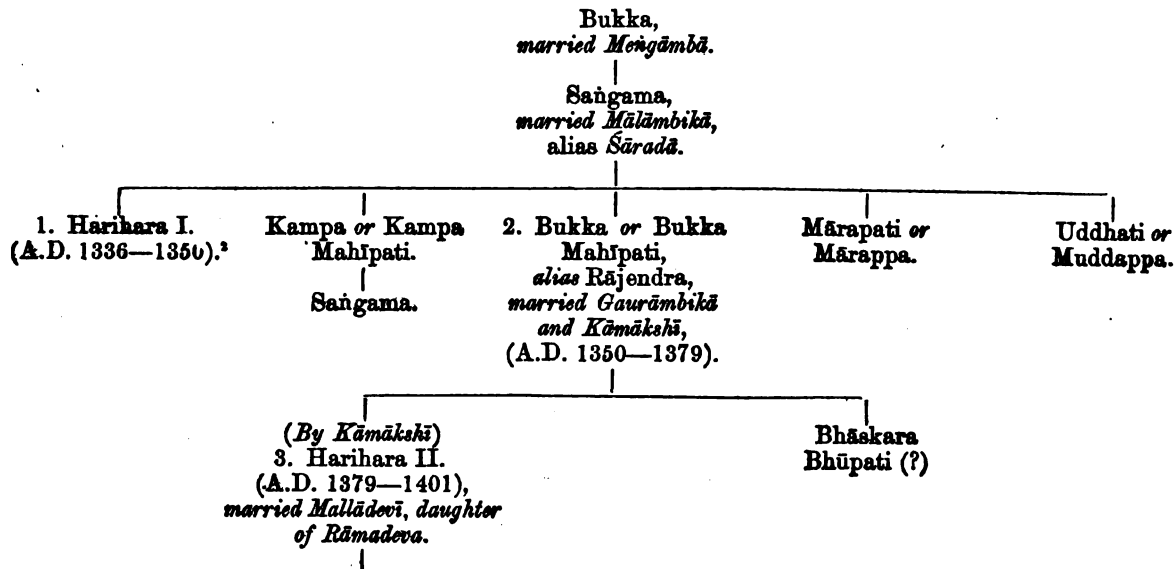
#### VIJAYANAGAR DYNASTY, THE—

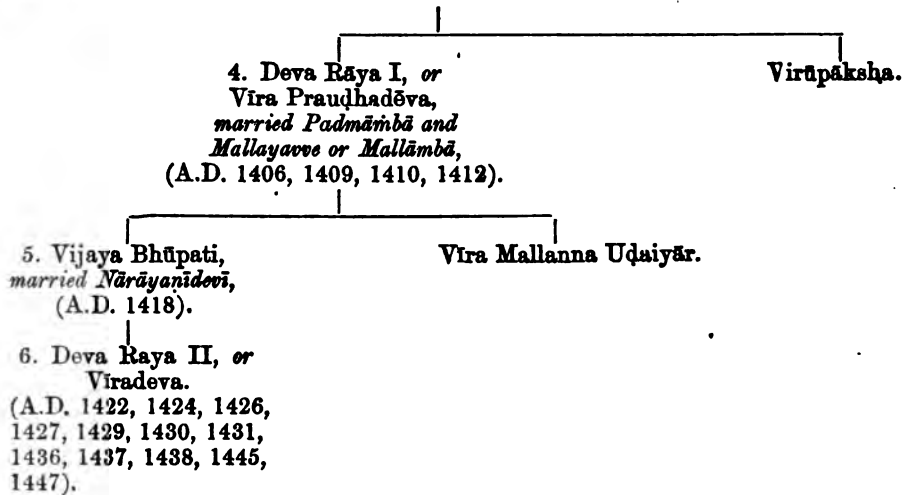
It is a matter for great regret that the genealogy of the dynasties that successively ruled the countries forming the Vijayanagar kingdom have been found so difficult to work out and so confusing. But it is a fact that great confusion exists in the various contemporary records as to the relationships of the sovereigns, and a large number of inscriptions will have to be very carefully collated before absolute certainty can be arrived at. More harm than good is done by attempts to harmonize the lists given by native poets or interested informants, most of whom had some object in view when they wrote.

The information given below is almost entirely obtained from inscriptions, and as a basis to work on Dr. Burnell's table, given in his *South Indian Palæography* (pages 54, 55) has been taken. This was compiled mostly from the Villappakkam Plates, which are published in *Indian Antiquary* II, 371.

On pages 125—128 above will be found sixty-seven inscriptions noted, belonging to the older dynasty that preceded the powerful dynasty founded by Nārasimha. Of a number of these I have only had rough notes sent to me, but some have been fully examined by other writers, as well as by myself, with the aid of my fellow-worker, Paṇḍit Nateśa Śāstri.

I put forward the following table of the genealogy of the first dynasty, tentatively, premising that it may be found necessary to alter it by the light of other inscriptions hereafter.





The earliest Vijayanagar grant I have yet seen is noted as No. 79 of the List of Copper-plate Grants given above.<sup>1</sup> I am inclined to look on it with some suspicion, since, while professing to date from the year A.D. 1336—the date, that is, of the first real sovereign of the dynasty—it gives a genealogy traced roughly downwards through a few mythological names from *Chandra*. Such mythological pedigrees are, as a rule, to be found only in the later grants of a dynasty, after it has become firmly established, and when the sovereigns have acquired sufficient power to attract to their courts a number of sycophantic poets and poetasters.

Other inscriptions seem to be more reliable. One, of Harihara I, dated Ś.Ś. 1261 (A.D. 1339), is peculiarly interesting, as it styles him merely *Mahāmandalesvara*; and this is followed by inscriptions of Bukka, his younger brother, who bears the same inferior title. (Mr. Fleet's *Pāli, Sanskrit and Old Canarese Inscriptions*, Nos. 149, 150.) Harihara II was, in Ś.Ś. 1310 (A.D. 1388), entitled *Mahārājādhirāja*. An inscription of Bukka, dated A.D. 1354-5 (published by Mr. Rice)<sup>2</sup> gives us only the names of Saṅgama and Kampa, and so does a grant published by Mr. Fleet,<sup>3</sup> which is dated in the same year (Ś.Ś. 1276 expired, *Vijaya*). Bukka's inscription of A.D. 1355-6 (Ś.Ś. 1277 current, *Manmatha*), noted by Mr. Fleet,<sup>4</sup> shows that he had then made "Hōsapattana in the Hoyisana country" his capital. No. 58 of my List of Copper-plate Grants (*supra*, p. 8) is a grant by Saṅgama son of Kampa<sup>5</sup> in A.D. 1356-7 (Ś.Ś. 1278 current, *Durmukhi*), and gives the genealogy of the earlier kings. We have yet to learn why Kampa or his son Saṅgama did not succeed to Harihara and how they were ousted by Bukka. From the grants of 1355-6 and 1356-7 (Ś.Ś. 1277 current, *Manmatha*, and Ś.Ś. 1278 current, *Durmukhi*) published by Mr. Rice,<sup>6</sup> we find that the name of the commander-in-chief of Bukka's armies was Naḍegonta Mallinātha, son of N. Sāyana. His boast that he commanded the "*Turaka* army, the *Sevana* army, the *Telūnga* army, the powerful Paṇḍiya army, and the Hoyisana army" must be accepted with reservation.<sup>7</sup> In 1364 A.D. occurred the first conflict between the Muḥammadans and the troops of Vijayanagar. An inscription of A.D. 1363 (Ś.Ś. 1290 current, *Kilaka*)<sup>8</sup> states that Bukka lived at Hastināvatipura, and mentions his prime minister Mādhavaṅka, *i.e.*, the celebrated priest of Śiva, Mādhavāchārya-Vidyāraṇya, abbot of the monastery at Śrīngēri. An inscription at Porumāmilla in the Cuddapah District<sup>9</sup> mentions Bukka's son Bhāskara Bhūpati as reigning or governing in Udayagiri in A.D. 1369, but this inscription requires examination, because it would seem probable that the Redḍis held Udayagiri at that period.

The genealogy given in the inscription published by Mr. Fleet in the J.B.B.R.A.S. (XII 338, 372) confirms that given above as far as Harihara II, in whose reign (A.D. 1379, Ś.Ś. 1301 current,

<sup>1</sup> Pages 11, 12.

<sup>2</sup> *Mysore Inscriptions*, p. 234, No. 131.

<sup>3</sup> J.B.B.R.A.S. XII, pp. 337, 349.

<sup>4</sup> J.B.B.R.A.S. XII, p. 329.

<sup>5</sup> *Asiatic Researches* XX, 5; J.B.B.R.A.S. XII, 336; *Indian Antiquary* IV, 206; *note* †

<sup>6</sup> *Mysore Inscriptions*, p. 2, No. 1; p. 4, No. 2.

<sup>7</sup> Another inscription of Ś.Ś. 1278 is noticed by Mr. Fleet in J.B.B.R.A.S. XII, p. 340.

<sup>8</sup> J.B.B.R.A.S. XII, p. 340; *Indian Antiquary* IV, p. 206.

<sup>9</sup> *Above*, Vol. I, 126.

*Siddhārti*) it was executed. The glorification attached to the name of Saṅgama coincides with that ascribed in a subsequent grant of Narasa to the then sovereign, and it was probably a formula.<sup>1</sup> It states that he worshipped at Rāmeśvaram, built a bridge over the Kāveri, crossed it, defeated his enemy, and captured Śrīraṅgam; also that he defeated the armies of Chēra, Chola, Pāṇḍiya, the Turushka, the Gajapati, and others. The same grant shows that Harihara I and Bukka did not reign jointly, or, at any rate, that Bukka succeeded Harihara; and that the capital was then at Vijayanagara. Harihara II gave many gifts to the great southern temples. He also endowed some Jain temples, as is apparent from the inscription on the *dhvajastambha* of a Jain shrine at Vijayanagar (Vol. I, 106; *Asiatic Researches* XX, p. 20), which records a grant by that monarch, mentioning his minister, Chaicha Dandāyaka, whose son's name was Iruga. The minister of Harihara II was, as we learn from inscriptions at Harihara and Bēlūr in Maisūr,<sup>2</sup> named Mudda Dandādhipa, or Dandēsa, in the years A.D. 1379 and 1382. Another powerful minister, by name Guṇḍa Dandādhipa, is mentioned<sup>3</sup> as living in the reign of Harihara, but the date is not certain. In 1380 A.D. Harihara expelled the Muḥammadans from Goa, Madhavāchārya being his minister (J.B.B.R.A.S. IX, 227). A grant of Virūpāksha, son of Harihara son of Bukka, quoted by Mr. Garstin in his *South Arcot Manual* (p. 2), dated in A.D. 1383-4, gives us the name of "Mallādevi, daughter of Rāmādeva," as that of his mother, and "Kāmākshī" as that of his grandmother. An inscription of A.D. 1399 (S.Ś. 1321 current, *Pramādhī*, noticed by Mr. Fleet)<sup>4</sup> states that a minister named Bāchanna Uḍaiyār (or *Vodeya*) was then in charge of the government of Goa.

Dr. Burnell gives the date 1401 as the last of the reign of Harihara, and names as his successor his son Bukka II (1401-1418), who married Tippāmbā. He also gives us the elder son of Bukka II, "Devarāja, Virādeva, or Virabhūpati," as reigning 1418-1434, and notes the name of his brother Krishnarāja. He states that Devarāja married Padmāmbā and Mallāmbā, and was succeeded by the following sovereigns:—

Vijaya	...	...	...	...	...	...	( ? 1434-1454) and others ?
Praudha Deva	...	...	...	...	...	...	( ? 1456-1477)
Mallikārjuna	...	...	...	...	...	...	( 1481-1487)
Rāmāchandra	...	...	...	...	...	...	( 1487)
Virūpāksha	...	...	...	...	...	...	( 1488-1490)

In opposition to this table, I may point to the thirty-five dated inscriptions noted in my list<sup>5</sup> as between the years 1406 and 1487 (or 1497 ?), all of which combine to show that Harihara II was succeeded(?) by Deva Rāya I in or before the year 1406, that the latter had a son Vijaya Bhūpati, who was living in A.D. 1418, and that his son Deva Rāya II reigned from A.D. 1422 (about) till at least the year 1447 A.D. My inscriptions then give the names of Mallikārjuna (1459), Virūpāksha (1470 and 1473), and Praudhadeva (1476). I am not certain as to the accuracy of the single inscription at Avūr in South Arcot,<sup>6</sup> which gives us a Narasimha as reigning in A.D. 1470-1, and prefer that it should be further examined.

The inscription at Hasan in Maisūr<sup>7</sup> gives the coronation of Deva Rāya as having taken place in A.D. 1406 (S.Ś. 1328 current, year *Vyaya*), and I have seven other inscriptions of that reign dated 1409, 1410, and 1412 A.D.<sup>8</sup> Inscriptions Nos. 87, 89, and 138 of my List of Copper-plate Grants<sup>9</sup> give the genealogy of Deva Rāya II, son of Vijaya Bhūpati, son of Deva Rāya I, son of Harihara II. This is confirmed by the inscription published in the *Asiatic Researches* (XX, p. 22), dated in S.Ś. 1348 (A.D. 1426-7), in which the same genealogy is given, and in which Deva Rāya II, or Virādeva Rāya, is expressly termed "*Abhinava*," or the "young" Deva Rāya. 'Abdu-r Razzāk also speaks of him as "exceedingly young" in A.D. 1444, so that he must have been a mere child at his accession. (*Matla'us*

<sup>1</sup> J.B.B.R.A.S. XII, 343.

<sup>2</sup> *Mysore Inscriptions* (Mr. Rice), pp. 55, 267.

<sup>3</sup> *Ibid.*, p. 226.

<sup>4</sup> J.B.B.R.A.S. XII, 340.

<sup>5</sup> Above, pp. 126-128.

<sup>6</sup> Above, Vol. I, p. 205. The inscription, however, mentions the year *Vikriti*, which corresponds with A.D. 1470.

<sup>7</sup> Mr. Rice's *Mysore Inscriptions*, p. 279, No. 150.

<sup>8</sup> One dated 1412 A.D. mentions that Śavanna, son of the Dandāyaka, Nāganna, was then Viceroy of Goa, under Vijayanagar; while another at Vijayanagar (*Asiatic Researches* XX, 31) states that one Krishna was minister to king Deva Rāya. Krishna came from a family of ministers. Dharmadarasu and Suvēna, brothers, were ministers. They had a sister named Singāmbā, who married Rāmarasu, and had five sons, the eldest of whom was the minister Krishna.

<sup>9</sup> Above, pp. 13, 14, 21, 22.

*Sa'dain*, in Sir H. Elliot's *History of India* IV, 121.)<sup>1</sup> A stone inscription, however, at Tiruvannāmalai<sup>2</sup> seems to mention Vijaya Bhūpati as reigning in 1418. After that date till 1447 my nineteen inscriptions give me no name but that of Deva Rāya II. His minister was Nāganna Dhannāyaka.<sup>3</sup>

We now come to the second or Narasimha dynasty, whose scions became more powerful than any monarchs who had ever reigned over the south of India. Dr. Burnell fixes A.D. 1490 as the initial date of Narasimha's reign, and at present no inscription that I can be sure of appears to overthrow that statement. I observe, however, that Bishop Caldwell, in his *History of Tinnevely* (p. 48), fixes the date of the beginning of "Narasimha, or Vira Narasimha's" reign as A.D. 1487, and I have been told of an inscription at Conjeeveram (which should be examined) dated in that same year, in which Narasimha is mentioned. Narasimha's family name was *Sāluva*.<sup>4</sup> We have yet to learn the history of his acquiring the sovereignty of Vijayanagar and ousting the older dynasty.

From the grant (No. III) published by Mr. Fleet in Vol. XII of the J.B.B.R.A.S. (pp. 342 *et seq.*) and from others similar we learn that Kṛishnadeva was son of Narasa, Nṛsirinha or Narasimha, who had a wife Tippāji. Kṛishna's mother was Nāgalādevi or Nāgāmbikā, and some inscriptions expressly state that she was not the wife of the sovereign, but merely a favourite dancing girl. Narasa was son of Īśvara, whose queen was Bukkammā; Īśvara was son of Timma who married Devakī.

Before going into the question of the inscriptions of the second dynasty, I have determined to give a sketch of the period from Ferishta's History; for though this seems at variance with the evidence of the inscriptions, it is reasonable to suppose that it is trustworthy. From Ferishta we learn that in A.D. 1489, "Heemraaje" (*Scott's Edit.*, I, 210), Minister of Vijayanagar, had in that year usurped the sovereignty, "leaving the Roies (*Rāyas*) only nominal power"; that in 1492 (*id.*, p. 212-13), after a battle on the Kṛishnā against the 'Ādil Shāhi Muḥammadans, the "young roy" (*name not given*) died of his wounds, the usurping minister fleeing to Vijayanagar; and that "Heemraaje" then seized on the government of the country. Further on (p. 228) we read that "Heemraaje was the first usurper. He had poisoned the "young Rāja of Beejanuggur (*Vijayanagar*), son of Sheeroy (*Siva Rāya?*), and made his infant brother a "tool to his designs; by degrees overthrowing the ancient nobility, and at length establishing his own "authority over the kingdom." This is narrated as showing the state of Vijayanagar previous to the commencement of the reign of 'Ismā'il 'Ādil Shāh of Vijayapura (Bijapur), *i.e.*, about the year A.D. 1511. When 'Ismā'il began to assume for himself the reins of government, "Heemraaje" was at Raichūr, which fortress had been surrendered to Vijayanagar (*id.*, p. 236). In 1520 'Ismā'il made an unsuccessful attempt to recover territory from Vijayanagar. In 1530 another expedition against Vijayanagar was undertaken, "the affairs of Beejanuggur being in confusion owing to the death of "Heemraaje, who was newly succeeded by his son Ramraaje, against whom rebellions had arisen by

<sup>1</sup> 'Abdu-r Razzak landed at Calicut on an embassy from Samarkand in June (?) 1442, and gives a graphic description of Calicut and Vijayanagar, with his journeys to and from the latter place. He experienced kind treatment at the hands of the Zamorin, and notices that all vessels were equally received in the port of Calicut, whereas in other ports strange ships were often plundered. Men and women both went about with their bodies bare from the waist upwards. Polyandry prevailed. Calicut was not then under the power of Vijayanagar, but the Zamorin was much afraid of the power of his great neighbour. The ambassador journeyed to Vijayanagar by way of Mangalore, Mūdabidri, and Bednūr (Bidrūr). He describes the temple at Mūdabidri as being all of brass and the statue made of gold, while he launches out in admiration of the sculptures of the temples at Bidrūr. He describes Vijayanagar as a magnificent city, with seven fortified walls, and, outside these, *chevaux de frise*, 50 yards broad, of lofty stones set on end. The palace stood in the centre with four bazaars round it, at the head of each of which was a lofty maṇḍapam. The palace was loftier than all. Water flowed along the streets in cut-stone troughs. To the right of the palace was the minister's office, called the *Divān Khāna*, very large, and with a *maṇḍapam* in front. Behind the king's palace was that of the *Danaik*. To the left of the palace was the mint, where "*varāhas*, *pariāḍe*, and *fanams*" were coined. All the people in the streets wore golden jewels. Behind the mint was a bazaar 300 yards long and 20 broad, furnished with stone seats. The name of the king was "Deva Rāya." He was exceedingly young, with an olive complexion, of spare body, but tall. Before the ambassador's arrival, and while he was still at Calicut, a desperate attempt had been made on the sovereign's life by his (the king's) brother. All the nobles were treacherously assassinated, and the king was stabbed by his brother. But the attempt was frustrated and the traitors slain. 'Abdu-r Razzak gives a glowing account of the splendours of the *Mahānavami* festival at Vijayanagar. While he was there the *Danaik* went on an expedition against Kūlbarga, the king of which country, 'Ala-ud-dīn Ahmad Shah Bahmant, having heard of the attempted murder of the Vijayanagar Rāya, thought the opportunity an admirable one for making demands on the latter. A number of battles took place (1443-4) and great devastation followed. Shortly after the *Danaik's* return, the author left and returned to Hormūz. He arrived at Mangalore in January 1444. (Sir H. Elliot's *History of India* IV, 96-126). Ferishta mentions this war (*Scott's Edition*, I, 119).

<sup>2</sup> Vol. I, p. 207, No. 8. The note to this inscription probably needs correction.

<sup>3</sup> Mr. Rice's *Mysore Inscriptions*, p. 39, No. 23.

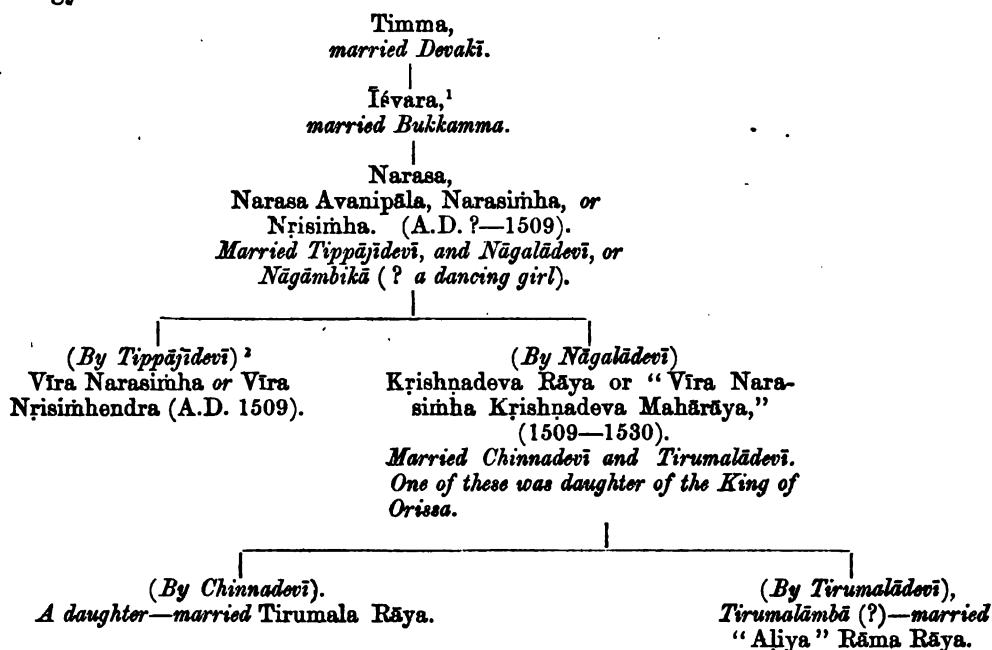
<sup>4</sup> *Sāluva* (Telugu) = hawk. It is possible that Narasimha may have belonged to a family of *Mahāmaṇḍalēśvaras* who had attained to power under the Yadavas of Devagiri. We find (Mr. Fleet's *Konaresse Dynasties*, p. 74) in A.D. 1277-8 (S.S. 1199) a feudatory of Rāmachandra of Devagiri (1271-1309 A.D.) by name Sāluva Tikamma, a *Mahāmaṇḍalēśvara*, making a successful raid against the Hoyśāla Baḷājas as far south as Harihara in Maistur, and receiving the titles of "establisher of the Kādamba kings" and "overthrower of the Hoyśāla kings." It is noticeable, too, that five years earlier, Rāmachandra's prime minister was Achyuta Nāyakka, the chief officials under the Vijayanagar kings being always termed *Nāyakkas*.



“several roies.” This time Mudkal and Raichūr were retaken by 'Ismā'il (*id.*, 252). Later on we read that at the accession of Ibrahīm 'Adil Shāh I in 1535, “Ramraaje of Beejanuggur” took 3,000 foreign troops into his pay. Ferishta then gives a sketch of later Vijayanagar history which rather conflicts with his former account. He states that, at the death of “Seoroy,” the latter's son, a minor, succeeded, but, dying shortly after, was succeeded by his younger brother. He too died, and, the rightful sovereign being an infant only three months' old, Heemraaje, one of the ministers, became regent, “and was cheerfully obeyed by all the nobility and vassals of the kingdom for forty years; though, on the arrival of the young king at the age of manhood, he had poisoned him and put an infant of his family on the throne, in order to have a pretence for keeping the regency in his own hands. Heemraaje, at his death, was succeeded in office by his son Ramraaje, who, having married a daughter of the son of Seoroy, by that alliance greatly added to his dignity and power” (*id.*, p. 262). Designing to raise himself to the throne by the total extirpation of the legitimate line, Rāma Rāja found himself opposed by a number of the nobles, and therefore he “placed on the throne an infant of the female line, and committed his person to the care of his uncle, Hoje Termul Roy, who was not without a cast of insanity in his mind, and from whose weakness he apprehended no danger of competition” (*id.*, p. 263). Rāma Rāja, after five or six years, rid himself by treacherous means of the nobles who opposed him, and then reduced several rājas in Malabar. Being absent on an expedition against a rāja who lived to the south of the capital, a slave in whom Rāma Rāja trusted seized the opportunity of liberating the young monarch, “and having procured Hoje Termul Roy to embrace his interest, assumed the office of minister and began to levy troops. Several tributary roies, who were disgusted with Ramraaje, flew with speed to Beejanuggur to obey their lawful king; and in a short time thirty thousand horse and vast hosts of foot were assembled under his standard at the city” (*id.*, p. 263). Rāma Rāja at once returned, but finding resistance hopeless, retired to his own estates. The young Rāja had not long to live in peace, for he was soon strangled by “Hoje Termul,” who then seized the throne. His government proving oppressive and distasteful to the nobles, they invited Rāma Rāja to return and take upon himself the administration of affairs (*id.*, 264). The king, stricken with terror, made overtures to Ibrahīm 'Adil Shāh for assistance, promising to become tributary to Vijayapura (Bijapur). The Muhammadans accordingly took the field and marched into Vijayanagar in A.D. 1535, whereupon Rāma Rāja and his allies submitted, and entreated that the Muhammadans might be sent out of the capital. The king accordingly dismissed his allies, but no sooner had they crossed the Kṛishnā than Rāma Rāja marched on the capital. The king in despair destroyed all that he could of the royal property and then killed himself. “Rāma Rāja now became Roy of Beejanuggur without a rival” (*id.*, 265). Ibrahīm 'Adil at once despatched an army against Adoni, “which was on the point of surrender when Negtaderee (Venkatādri), the younger brother of Ramraaje, marched from Beejanuggur with a great army to relieve it.” A battle ensued, and in the end a peace was concluded (*id.*, 266). In 1543 the princes of the Muhammadan States of the Dakhaṇ quarrelled amongst themselves, and Bijapur was simultaneously attacked by several armies, one of which was that of “Negtaderee,” brother of Rāma Rāja. Peace was speedily concluded with Vijayanagar, and the Hindu army retired (*id.*, 271). In 1551 an agreement was made between Rāma Rāja and the Nizām Shāhi Musalmāns, which resulted in Mudkal and Raichūr being captured from Ibrahīm 'Adil. Six years later Rāma Rāja was called to the assistance of Ibrahīm and sent his brother Venkatādri with a large army to aid him. Venkatādri was successful (*id.*, 284). Ibrahīm died in 1557 and was succeeded by 'Alī 'Adil, one of whose first actions was to affect a warm friendship for, and interest in, Rāma Rāja, who had just lost a son (*id.*, 289). In 1558 these two monarchs, now allied, fought against the armies of Husain Nizām Shāh, in which expedition the Muhammadan historian accuses the Hindu soldiers of being guilty of gross barbarities and excesses (*id.*, 291). Rāma Rāja then insulted the Musalmān sovereigns by his arrogance and haughtiness, and the result was the grand Muhammadan league which overthrew utterly the power of Vijayanagar. In 1564 the four princes met on the plains of Bijapur and marched to Talikōṭa on the Kṛishnā. Rāma Rāja sent his “youngest brother Eeltumraaje” to block the passages of the river, while he himself, preceded by an army under his brother Venkatādri, marched to the attack of the allies. Ferishta gives a graphic description of the battle (*id.*, p. 295—298). The Hindus were utterly defeated, Rāma Rāja was captured by the soldiers of Nizām Shāh, who promptly decapitated him; and the Muhammadans, entering Vijayanagar in triumph, “razed the chief buildings, and committed all manner of excess.” “The raaje of Beejanuggur since this battle has never recovered its ancient splendour, and the city itself has been so destroyed that it is now totally in ruins and uninhabited” (*i.e.*, in A.D. 1593—1606, the period of the composition of Ferishta's History).

Leaving Ferishta, we will now revert to the inscriptional evidence as to the chief kings of the

Narasimha dynasty down to the destruction of the kingdom. A number of inscriptions combine to give the following genealogy :—



An inscription, noted as No. 107 of my List of Copper-plate Grants (*supra*, p. 16), states that Krishna's successor, Achyuta, was younger brother of Krishna, while that noted similarly as No. 207 (*id.*, p. 30) gives this relationship still more clearly and minutely. It relates that Krishna's father, Narasa, besides his wife, Tippājidevi, and Nāgalā, the mother of Krishna, had a wife Ōbāmbikā, and that to each of the ladies was born a son, Achyuta being son of Ōbāmbikā. On the other hand, the two inscriptions noted as Nos. 25 and 26 of the same list (*id.*, pp. 4, 5), both from the same place, Pūṇḍi in North Arcot, state that Achyuta, or Achyutendra, was son of Kṛishnadeva. Achyuta reigned from A.D. 1530—1542.

The relationship of Achyuta's successor, Sadāśiva, who succeeded as an infant in 1542 and was kept entirely under the control of his ministers, is equally doubtful with that of Achyuta. An inscription of A.D. 1532 at Conjeeveram (*Vol. I*, p. 182, No. 115) mentions that Achyuta had a wife named Varadādevī, and a son Venkatādri, while a copper-plate grant from the banks of the Kṛishnā (No. 81 of my list above, p. 12) mentions the name of Achyuta's son as Venkatadeva, and states that he reigned a short time and died deeply regretted, being succeeded by a relative named Sadāśiva, who was son of Raṅgarāya and his wife Timmāmbā. But the inscription at Hassan, of which Mr. Rice gives a translation in his *Mysore Inscriptions* (p. 228, No. 129) states (as far as I gather) that Sadāśiva was son of Achyuta.

No doubt the further study of inscriptions will make these matters all more clear. At present it is useless to theorize.

One thing, however, must be noticed. Whether it arises from oral tradition, or from the number of inscriptions and grants made to temples in his reign, it is a fact that the name of Kṛishnadeva Rāya is held by all natives of the peninsula to this day as that of one of the greatest monarchs that ever ruled the country; whereas Muḥammadan writers absolutely ignore him and his successors, and declare that the ministers usurped the entire sovereignty, keeping the Rāyas in absolute subjection. This apparent discrepancy needs solution. One fact only I am able to assert positively;—if the ministers were so powerful, as stated by the Musalmān historians, at least in all inscriptions that I have met with their sovereigns were recognized as paramount and the names of Rāma Rāja, Raṅgarāja and the others never appear as those of supreme rulers.

<sup>1</sup> Called Bukka by the first of the two inscriptions under notice. Ferishta states that Īvara was Raja of Kurnool (*Asiatic Researches* XX, 10).

<sup>2</sup> This prince actually came to the throne and was succeeded by Kṛishnadeva Rāya, according to an inscription published by Mr. Rice (*Mysore Inscriptions*, p. 242, No. 136).

Krishnadeva was crowned in A.D. 1509.<sup>1</sup> He extended the conquests of the Vijayanagar family considerably. He is said to have first settled the *Drāviḍa* country about Conjeeveram, and then to have crushed a refractory rāja in the Maisūr country, the Gaṅga Rāja of Ummatūr. In the war against the latter Krishna Rāja captured the strong fort of Sivasamudram and the city of Śrīraṅgapattana (Seringapatam), after which all Maisūr submitted to him.<sup>2</sup> In A.D. 1513 he conquered the fortress and dependencies of Udayagiri in Nellore, and brought thence an image of *Krishnasvāmi*, which he set up at Vijayanagar and endowed.<sup>3</sup> In A.D. 1515 he conquered the hill fort of Koṇḍaviḍu south of the Krishna from a Gajapati ruler who then held possession,<sup>4</sup> Timma Arasu being the general commanding the victorious army. By this conquest, which followed the capture of fortresses further south,<sup>5</sup> the whole country along the east coast of the peninsula was reduced to subjection. In the following year (A.D. 1516) he defeated a hostile army north of the Krishna.<sup>6</sup> In 1529 Krishnadeva endowed the great statue of *Narasimha*, which forms so prominent a feature of the rock-cut remains at Vijayanagar, and which was carved by a Brahman, or at his expense.<sup>7</sup>

The reign of Achyuta seems to have been as remarkable for the number of gifts to Brahmans and endowments of temples as was that of his predecessor Krishna. He finally reduced the Tinnevely country in A.D. 1532-3.<sup>8</sup>

From the inscriptions examined by me, or of which information has been sent to me, I gather the following names as those of certain of the great ministers and chiefs during the reigns of Krishna, Achyuta, and Sadasiva :—

Names.	Dates.	References.
Saluva Timmarasu ... ..	A.D. 1518 ...	See above, Vol. I, p. 48. Inscription at Bezvāḍa.
Do. ... ..	Do. ...	Do. do. p. 82. Bāpaṭla.
Saluva Timmayya ... ..	Do. ...	Do. do. p. 75. Kakani.
Do ... ..	Do. ...	Do. do. p. 82. Bāpaṭla.
Saluva Timmarasa Ayyaṅgār ...	Do. ...	Do. do. p. 70. Koṇḍakāvuru.
Timma Rāja, son of Chikka Timmayyadeva Mahā Arasu.	A.D. 1520 ...	Do. do. p. 107. Vijayanagar.
Salaka Rāja Chinna Tirumalayyadeva.	Do. ...	Do. do. p. 118. Mallināyanipalle, Anantapur.
Rāma Bhaṭlu, first Governor of Udayagiri, and	} A.D. 1536 ...	Do. do. p. 139, 140. Malyakoṇḍa, Nellore.
Veṅkaṭādrī, his subordinate ... ..		
The son of Salaka Rājendra and Tippāmbikā.	In reign of Achyuta.	Do. Vol. II, p. 4. C.P. No. 25.
Chinna Timmayyadeva, son of Rāma Rāja.	A.D. 1545 & 1548.	} Do. Vol. I, p. 125. Niḍujuvvi, Cuddapah, and
Aliya Rāma Rājayyadeva ... ..	A.D. 1547 ...	
Rāma Rāja Veṅkaṭādrīdeva ... ..	Do. ...	Do. do. p. 138. Podile, Nellore.
		Do. do. p. 95. Guṇṭanāla, Kurnool.

Kistna District.

<sup>1</sup> Inscription at Vijayanagar (*supra*, Vol. I, p. 107; J.B.B.R.A.S. XII, 343; *Ind. Ant.* V, 73).

<sup>2</sup> Mr. Foulkes in the *Salem District Manual*, p. 46. The account is taken from the summary of a manuscript given in the *Madras Journal*, XIV (I), 39.

<sup>3</sup> (*Above I*, 107), Inscription at Vijayanagar, A.D. 1513.

<sup>4</sup> Inscription at Maṅgalagiri (*supra*, Vol. I, p. 76).

<sup>5</sup> See above, p. 187, under the "REDDI CHIEFS OF KONDAVĪDU."

<sup>6</sup> Inscription at Mēḍṭuru, Kistna District, (*supra*, p. 51).

<sup>7</sup> Inscription at Vijayanagar (*supra*, Vol. I, p. 107).

<sup>8</sup> Inscriptions at Conjeeveram (Vol. I, p. 181, No. 86, and p. 182, No. 115).

Names.	Dates.	References.
Rāma Rāja Viṭṭhaladeva ... ..	A.D. 1547 to 1556.	See above, Vol. I, p. 292. Madura.
Timma Rāja, son of Timmayyadeva ...	A.D. 1551 ...	Do. do. p. 129, Yerragudipādu, Cuddapah.
Rāma Rāja ... ..	} A.D. 1552 ...	Do. do. p. 62, Taṅgeḍa, Kistna.
Rāmadeva ... ..		
Tirumaladeva ... ..		
Tirumalayyadeva, son of Raṅga Rāja, son of Āra Vijaya Rāma Rāja.	A.D. 1555 ...	Do. do. p. 130, Vaṅṭimitta, Cuddapah.
Tirumala, son of Raṅga Rāja ... ..	A.D. 1556 ...	Do. do. p. 107, Vijayanagar.
Rāma Rāja, son of Tirumaladeva ...	A.D. 1565 ...	Do. do. p. 120, Pennakoṇḍa.
Pāpa Timmayya, son of Rāma Rāja Timma Rāja.	<i>Grant given in reign of Sadāśiva.</i>	Do. do. p. 124, Bollavaram, Cuddapah.

It has already been mentioned <sup>1</sup> how, after repeated struggles, the whole strength of the Muhammadan kingdoms of the Dakhan combined against Vijayanagar, and, in the battle of Talikōṭa, crushed for ever its widely-extended power, reducing the members of the ruling house to the position of mere zemindars. In spite of the entire loss of power, however, the feeling of the Hindu population of the south seems to have been always loyal to their old rulers, for, even as late as the year 1793, I have seen copper-plate documents which acknowledge the representatives of the family as paramount sovereigns.

Inscriptions at Ahobilam <sup>2</sup> show that there at least the authority of Sadāśiva was recognized up to the year 1568, three years later than the fatal battle which ruined his family. But at the same time (*i.e.*, in 1567) we find Tirumaladeva, the second of the three usurping brothers who had kept Sadāśiva captive—the elder brother, Rāmadeva, having been captured and killed at Talikōṭa—giving a grant in his own name.<sup>3</sup> Other grants of this Tirumala's in 1567, 1568, 1572, 1573, 1577,<sup>4</sup> are to be found amongst the inscriptions noted in Volume I. He retired to Pennakoṇḍa in A.D. 1567.<sup>5</sup> The inscription at Pennakoṇḍa in 1577 notes the name of his minister as Chinnappa Nāyuḍu

With Sadāśiva expired, or sank into obscurity, the old line of Narasimha, and the family of the usurping ministers were recognized both by Hindus and Muhammadans as rightful sovereigns. Several inscriptions appear to recognize Rāma Rāja as the founder of this dynasty, as they affix his name (*more Indicum*) to that of the reigning sovereign or scion of the house specially requiring notice. We may therefore call the three Vijayanagar dynasties by the names of (1) the Dynasty of Harihara, (2) the Dynasty of Narasimha, (3) the Dynasty of Rāma Rāja. We are now concerned with the latter.

It has been stated above that the Muhammadan historians believe Rāma Rāja and his brothers to have been sons of "Heem" Rāja; Dr. Burnell <sup>6</sup> calls them sons of "Virappa Nāyak"; an inscription at Devanhalli in Maistr<sup>7</sup> styles him "Śri Raṅga." Rāma Rāja married the younger of Krishnadeva Rāja's daughters, and was therefore called "Aliya" Rāma Rāja, *aliya* meaning son-in-law. Dr. Oppert <sup>8</sup> points out that in the "Local Records," Vol. XLVII, p. 65, his wife's name is mentioned as "Tirumalāmbā." He was killed at Talikōṭa.

<sup>1</sup> See above, p. 247.

<sup>2</sup> Above, Vol. I, p. 101.

<sup>3</sup> Above, Vol. I, p. 132, Kandukuru, Cuddapah District.

<sup>4</sup> At Pennakoṇḍa, Khairuvvāla, and Chintakuṇḍa in the Kurnool District, and at Conjeeveram. (See Vol. I, pp. 119-93, 181, 102, 119).

<sup>5</sup> According to Purchas II, p. 1705. (Burnell's *South-Indian Palaeography*, p. 55, n.)

<sup>6</sup> *South Indian Palaeography*, p. 55, n.

<sup>7</sup> Rice's *Mysore Inscriptions*, p. 252, No. 140.

<sup>8</sup> *Madras Journal* for 1881, p. 269, n.

From Mackenzie's "View of the Principal Political Events that occurred in the Carnatic, from the dissolution of the Ancient Hindu Government in 1564 till the Mogul Government was established in 1687" <sup>1</sup> we gather some valuable information; but it must be confessed that all is, at present, singularly confused, the different lists varying in most important particulars. From the inscriptions which I have examined, or of which I have received information (if the dates given are reliable) it would seem that Rāma's brother Tirumala, and the latter's son, Śrī Raṅga, ruled from 1567 till A.D. 1585, or for twenty years after the battle of Talikōṭa. The inscriptions tabulated above (p. 137) give Tirumala in 1567, Raṅga 1572, Tirumala 1573, Raṅga 1574, Tirumala 1577, and then Raṅga 1578—1585. The "Traditional List" published by Ravenshaw (*Asiatic Researches* XX, 1) and repeated in Mr. Kelsall's *Bellary Manual*, gives us Tirumala (1564—1572), Raṅga (1572—1586), and the list tabulated by Ravenshaw from inscriptions gives Tirumala (1560—1571) and Raṅga (1574—1584). In this uncertainty we can only be sure that Tirumala became head of the family after Talikōṭa, that he removed the seat of government to Pennakoṇḍa after the sack of the capital, and that he was succeeded at Pennakoṇḍa by his eldest son Śrī Raṅga I.

Some writers have definitely fixed the accession of Śrī Raṅga at the year A.D. 1574. We learn a little more, however, from other sources. After the battle which decided the fate of the Hindu monarchy, the allies marched as far as Vijayanagar and Ānēgundi. They plundered the capital, committing all sorts of excess, and only retired on receiving the cession of all the lands north of the Tuṅgabhadra which had been captured by the Hindus. The acknowledged head of the family was then Veṅkaṭa, Rāma Rāja's youngest brother, Timma being for the time ousted. This state of things did not, however, last for very long.<sup>2</sup> Almost immediately after the Dakhānī allies had broken up their joint camp at Raichūr, where they fixed their rendezvous after their victorious campaign, Huṣain Nizām Shāh of Aḥmadnagar died, and was succeeded by a minor. This event encouraged 'Alī Ādil Shāh of Bijapur to attempt largely to add to his dominions. Timma Rāja applied to him for aid in order that he might regain his position as chief of the family—a position which Veṅkaṭa had usurped—and 'Alī Ādil moved with an army to Ānēgundi ostensibly to his aid, but in reality with the view of adding, first Ānēgundi, and afterwards Vijayanagar itself, to his own dominions. This design was frustrated by Veṅkaṭa calling on the other Dakhānī sovereignties to aid him to maintain his position, and 'Alī Ādil was forced by fear of his rivals to retreat back from Ānēgundi.

In 1577 the Muḥammadans advanced against Pennakoṇḍa, which was so bravely defended by Jagadēva Rāya, son-in-law of Śrī Raṅga, that the invaders were defeated and driven back. Jagadēva was rewarded by large grants of land added to the territories of the province (parts of Maisūr and Salem) that he governed. His governorship was then widely extended.

Śrī Raṅga was succeeded in A.D. 1585 by his brother, Veṅkaṭapati, who removed the seat of government to Chandragiri. Veṅkaṭapati ruled with some degree of magnificence at Chandragiri and Vellore, having his territories governed by viceroys. Mackenzie gives the names of some of the principal viceroys and their provinces about the year A.D. 1597. They seem to have been—

Kṛishnappa Nāyakka	...	...	...	at Jīñji (Gingee).
? Nāyakka	...	...	...	at Tanjore.
Kumāra Kṛishnappa Nāyakka	...	...	...	at Madura.
Jagadēva Rāya	...	...	...	at Chennapaṭṭana.
Tirumala Rāya	...	...	...	at Śrīraṅgapaṭṭana.
?	...	...	...	at Pennakoṇḍa.

About the year 1593 or 1595 he seems to have roused himself to make an effort for the recovery of at least part of his patrimony from the Musalmāns. "Taking advantage of the attention of the Golkōṇḍa Government being taken up by the invasion of Aḥmadnagar by the Mogul forces under Prince Murād, son of Akbar, he approached the limits of Guṇṭūr with a view of recovering that province; but speedily retreated on finding the Golkōṇḍa officers were disposed to receive him in force, and apologized, "alleging that his movement was from motives of religion" to visit and perform ablutions "at the great tank at Cummam." In 1599 Veṅkaṭapati was at war with the Nāyakka of Madura, his vassal.<sup>3</sup> The European missionaries were well received by the sovereign at Chandragiri, and he encouraged the trade of the East India Company. The Dutch were then established at Pulicat, where they had recently built a fort. He died in A.D. 1614. Floris, the traveller, heard of his death while at Masulipatam, on October

<sup>1</sup> J.A.S.B. XII (1844), p. 421.

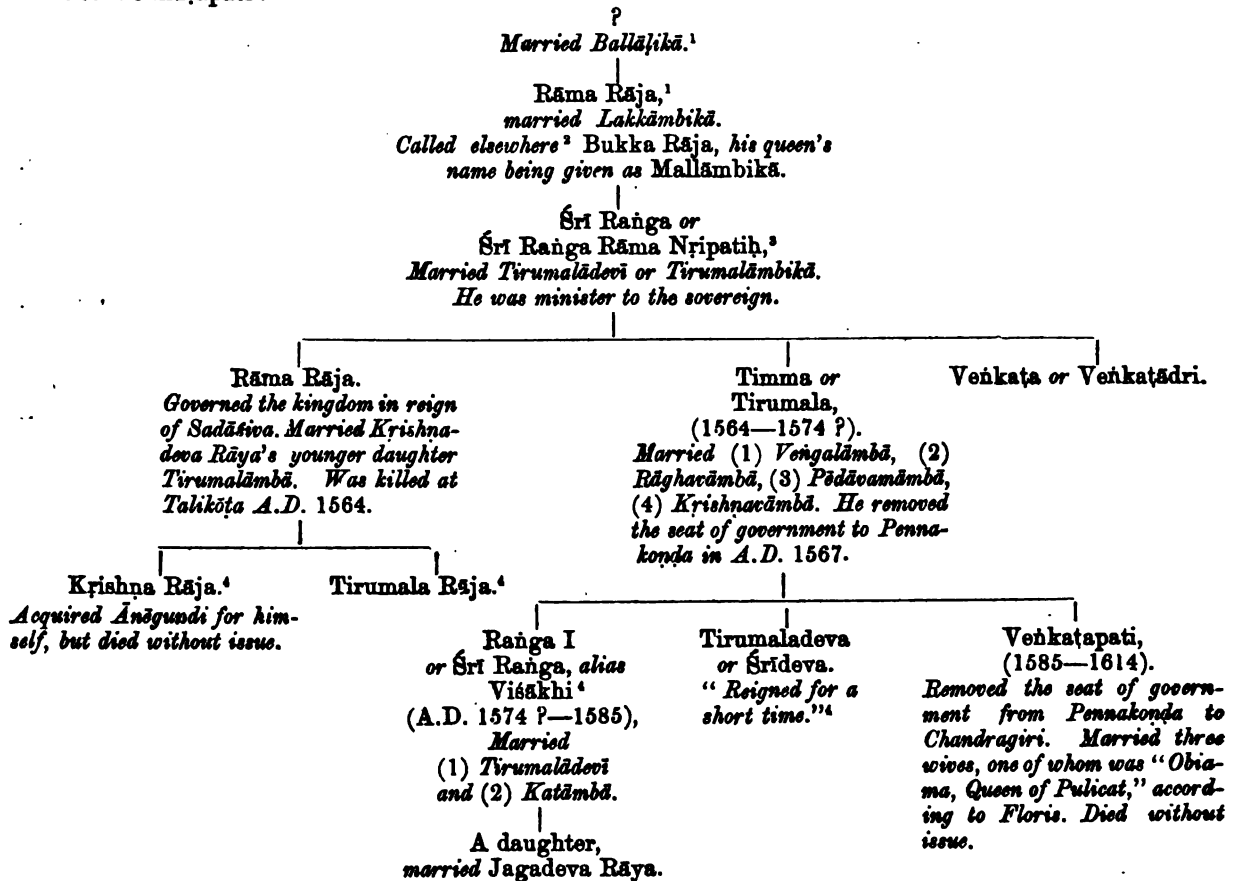
<sup>2</sup> J.A.S.B. XII (1844), p. 421.

<sup>3</sup> Pimenta's account. He was a "visitor" of the Jesuits. "Purchas (Vol. II, pp. 1744—1750) gives an abridgment of it, as also does Jarric ("Thesaurus," I, pp. 625—690)." Burnell's *South-Indian Palaeography*, p. 55, n.

25th of that year. He states that the king's three wives burned themselves on his funeral pyre. One of them was "Obiama, Queen of Paleakate," or Pulicat.

His death was followed by great confusion and disturbance. The various viceroys throughout the south of India began to assume an independent attitude and emancipate themselves from their position of vassalage. The government of the Vijayanagar territories above the ghāts was virtually destroyed by the capture of Śriraṅgaṭṭana (Serīngapatam) in 1609 A.D. by Rāja Uḍaiyar of Maistūr from Tirumala Rāja, the aged viceroy, who retired and died at Talkād. And all over the country the Poḷegars began to acquire more and more power.

The following genealogical table exhibits the relationship of the kings of the Rāma Rāja dynasty down to Venkaṭapati :—



My information regarding inscriptions gives me the following list, the dates being those of the inscription of sovereigns (so-called) who succeeded Venkaṭapati.

	A.D.
Śrī Raṅga II ... ..	1619
Rāma ... ..	1620—1622
Śrī Raṅga II (?) ... ..	1623
Venkaṭappa ... ..	1623
Rāma ... ..	1629
Venkaṭapati ... ..	1636
Śrī Raṅga III ... ..	1643—1665

<sup>1</sup> Inscription at Devanahalli; Rice's *Mysore Inscriptions*, p. 252, No. 140. The genealogy is partially confirmed by my copper-plate inscription No. 12 (see above, pp. 2, 3).

<sup>2</sup> See above, pp. 2, 3, copper-plate inscription No. 12.

<sup>3</sup> I go by inscriptions. Muhammadan historians call Rāma's father "Heemraaje," as given in Scott's *Ferishta*. Burnell styles him Virappa Nayak.

<sup>4</sup> According to information supplied to me by the present Rāja of Anāgundi.

This seems to accord well with the "Traditional List" as published by Ravenshaw (*Asiatic Researches* XX, 1) so far as the order of names is concerned, except that my inscriptional list interpolates a Śri Raṅga and Rāma at the beginning; but all my stone inscriptions require examination. Śri Raṅga, however, certainly began to reign before the year 1639, for it was he that gave the site of the city of Madras to the English in that year.

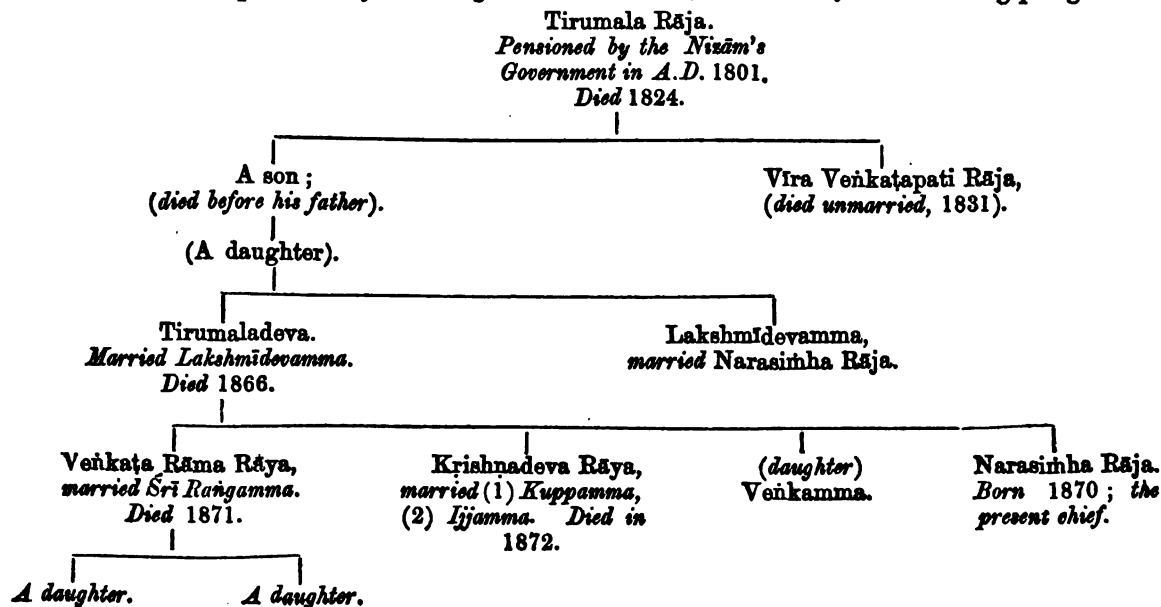
Mr. Ravenshaw's list runs—

Śri Raṅga II.  
Veṅkaṭa.  
Rāmadeva.  
Veṅkaṭapati.  
Śri Raṅga III.

We then have—						A.D.
Śri Raṅga IV	...	...	...	...	...	1665—1678
Veṅkaṭapati	...	...	...	...	...	1678—1680
Śri Raṅga	...	...	...	...	...	1692
Veṅkaṭa	...	...	...	...	...	1706
Śri Raṅga	...	...	...	...	...	1716
Mahādeva	...	...	...	...	...	1724
Śri Raṅga	...	...	...	...	...	1729
Veṅkaṭa	...	...	...	...	...	1732
Rāma	...	...	...	...	...	1739 (P)
Veṅkaṭapati	...	...	...	...	...	1744
(?)	...	...	...	...	...	(P)
Veṅkaṭapati	...	...	...	...	...	1791—1793

In a letter to Government, dated 12th July 1801, Munro gave an account of the Ānēgundi Rāj so far as he had been able to gather it. He states that the then Rāja was a descendant of the Vijayanagar family by the female line, his ancestors having obtained the territories of Ānēgundi, part of Harpanahalli, and part of Chitaldurgam in jāghir from the Muhammadan Governments. Early in the eighteenth century they paid a tribute of Rs. 20,000 to the Mogul Emperor. In A.D. 1749 the jāghir fell under the Mahrattas and paid tribute to them till 1775, when it was reduced by Haidar 'Ali, who fixed the tribute at Rs. 10,000 and the obligation of furnishing a force of 1,000 foot and 100 horse. In 1786 Tipū completely subverted the jāghir. The Rāja fled to the Nizām's dominions, where he remained a fugitive till 1791, when he tried to regain his jāghir during the war. In 1799 he seized Ānēgundi on Tipū's fall, and refused to submit to the English. This he was compelled to do, and the estate was handed over to the Nizām, when the Rāja was made a pensioner. His name was Tirumala Rāja. He died in 1824.

From him the present Rāja of Ānēgundi is descended, as shown by the following pedigree :—



## VIJAYAPURA, OR BIJAPUR, 'ĀDIL SHĀHI DYNASTY OF—.

(See DAKHAṆ, Muḥammadan Kings of the—.)

## WARAṄGAL, SOVEREIGNS OF—.

(See GAṆAPATIS of Oraṅgal.)

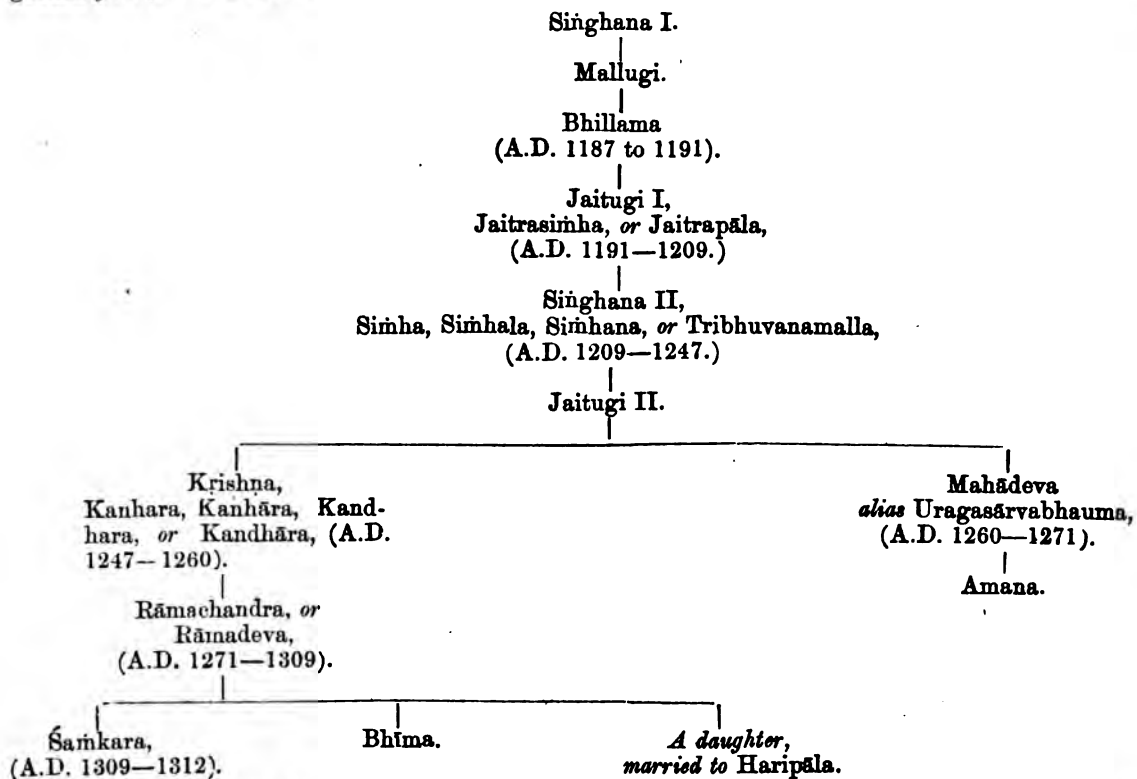
## WESTERN CHĀLUKYAS.

(See CHALUKYAS.)

## YĀDAVAS OF DEVAGIRI.

(See Mr. Fleet's *Dynasties of the Kanarese Districts*, pp. 71—78, for an account of this family. From it the following summary is compiled.)

On the downfall of the Kalachuris, the southern parts of their dominions fell into the hands of the Hoysāla Ballālas, or Yādavas of Dvārasamudra, while the northern were appropriated by another family of Yādavas, who eventually settled at Devagiri (*hod.* Daulatābād.) The device of their house was a golden *garuḍa*. The following is the genealogy of the dynasty :—



Sīnghana I is stated in an inscription to have subdued the "King of the Karṇāṭaka," whom Mr. Fleet identifies with the Hoysāla king Vishṇuvarḍhana.

In Bhillama's lifetime, his son Jaitugi seems to have been defeated by the Hoysāla king Ballāla II in a battle fought, according to tradition, at Lakkundi in the Dhārvāḍ District.

Jaitugi I resided at Vijayapura or Bijapur. He is stated in a later inscription to have slain the "King of Trikalīṅga" and seized his kingdom. Whether this is true or not remains to be proved. The



king of "Trikaṅga" would, apparently, be the Chōla sovereign, or his viceroy in his northern possessions. Kulottuṅga II appears to have reigned over the Chōla country till after the year A.D. 1158; and I have received copies of inscriptions about the Kṛishṇā and Godāvāri rivers which would give us a Chōla prince named Rājendra reigning till at least 1194; after which we hear nothing of any sovereign till the Gaṇapatis of Oraṅgal appear on the scene, the country being apparently in the hands of a number of petty chiefs. It is therefore not at all improbable that the Chōla sovereign or viceroy of Teliṅgāna (*Trikaṅga*) was conquered by a Yādava sovereign between the years 1191 and 1209, the date of Jaitugi's reign.

It is in the reign of Siṅghana II, viz., in the year A.D. 1210-11, that Devagiri is first mentioned as the capital. He claims to have conquered the "King of Teluṅga" (Teliṅgāna), the Kalachuri king, and the Āndhra king. Thirty-eight inscriptions of his reign are extant, which prove that the kingdom had extended in size.

Siṅghana II was succeeded by his grandson Kṛishṇa, whose viceroy (*Mahāpradhāna*) in the southern provinces was the son of a general who is declared to have conquered the Raṭṭas, the Kādambas of the Koṅkaṇa, the Paṇḍya who shone at Gutti," (?) and the Hoyśāla king, and to have set up pillars of victory near the Kāveri.

Mahādeva was possibly a usurper. His son Amana seems to have been forcibly ousted by Rāmachandra, who succeeded in A.D. 1271.

Either Rāmachandra or one of his vassals prosecuted a war against the Hoyśālas which seems to have been successful. Rāmachandra's sway "extended over all the dominions, in the central and southern parts of the Bombay Presidency, of the dynasties that preceded his." In A.D. 1294<sup>1</sup> he was attacked by a predatory band of Muḥammadan horsemen under 'Alā-ud-dīn Khilji, nephew of Jalāl-ud-dīn,—their first inroad into the Dakhaṇ,—was defeated and driven into his fort, the town being pillaged by the marauders. Rāmachandra bought off the invaders and concluded a peace, but meanwhile his son Śaṅkara advanced with a large army to the capital. In the battle which ensued the Muḥammadans were ultimately victorious, and the Hindu sovereign had to make further concessions before the invaders would retire.

In 1306 A.D. Rāmachandra having refused tribute, 'Alā-ud-dīn, who, by the murder of his uncle, was now on the throne of Delhi, sent one of his eunuchs, Malik Kāfur, with 100,000 horse, to subdue the Dakhaṇ. Devagiri was defenceless against this host, and Rāmachandra submitted and was sent to Delhi, where he was received honorably and liberally. He was restored, and continued to pay tribute till his death. In 1309 he hospitably entertained Malik Kāfur on his march against Oraṅgal.

In 1310 A.D. Malik Kāfur again marched south, this time against the Hoyśālas, and returned to Delhi. Śaṅkara, then sovereign of Devagiri, refused tribute, and in 1312 Malik Kāfur again marched into the Dakhaṇ, seized Śaṅkara and put him to death. He ravaged the Dakhaṇ, and took up his residence at Devagiri. Being summoned soon after to Delhi, Rāmachandra's son-in-law, Haripāla, stirred up the Dakhaṇ to arms, expelled a number of the Muḥammadan garrisons, and asserted his power over the former territories of Devagiri.

In 1318 Mubārak, then on the throne of Delhi, marched in person against Haripāla, who was captured, flayed alive, and decapitated, and his head set up over the gate of his own city.

Thus ended the Yādava dynasty.

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#### YĀDAVAS OF DVĀRASAMUDRA.

(See the HOYŚĀLA BALLĀḤAS.)

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#### YĀDAVAS OF MĀNYAKHĒTA.

(See the RĀSHṬRAKŪṬAS.)

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<sup>1</sup> Mr. Fleet's summary of what follows is taken from *Ferishta*.

## SUPPLEMENTARY NOTES.

## BĀNA KINGS, THE—.

The publication of Mr. Le Fanu's *Manual of the Salem District* with Mr. Foulkes's Historical Paper in Vol. I, and his exhaustive notes on inscriptions in the Appendix to Vol. II, enables me to make some additions to the above sketch of the dynasties of Southern India.

I had omitted to notice the Bāna Kings of Maisūr. This was a very ancient dynasty and apparently ruled over the eastern portion of Maisūr. (*Op. cit.* II, 395, etc.)

At an early date, in the reign of the Gaṅga King Koṅgaṇi I (*see p.* 190), the Bāna kings were conquered, but they subsequently recovered their power and prestige. They were conquered again by a chief in the reign of Prithivī Koṅgaṇi, prior to the year A.D. 777.<sup>1</sup>

Mr. Foulkes's inscription (*id.*, p. 369) gives us a certain chief named Hasti Malla, king of the Bānas, who was subject to the Gaṅga Kings of Maisūr, who in turn were feudatories of the Cholas. The Gaṅga Prince Keśari "Prithivīpati" consecrated Hasti Malla, of Padivipuri, king of the Bānas by permission of the Chola "Parakeśari." A short time previous to this the Bānas were conquered "suddenly" (*id.*, p. 372, *Ins.*, *verse* 9) by the Chola Vira Nārāyaṇa, and since the inscription in question bears an endorsement in the fifteenth year of the said Vira Nārāyaṇa, it would appear that this conquest, followed by the giving back of the kingdom and consecration of the Bāna king, took place within the first fifteen years of his reign, and therefore that "Parakeśari" or "Koppara Kesari" was a title of this Vira Nārāyaṇa Chola. In the endorsement the latter is mentioned by the title of "he who took Madura."

In another grant the same Bāna chief, Hasti Malla, is represented as having captured a Pallava fort, and being in consequence highly honored by the Chola sovereign and the Gaṅga King Prithivīpati. Mr. Foulkes argues (*id.*, p. 388), and I think rightly, that this must have taken place before the conquest of the Pallavas by the Cholas, and probably only shortly before.

Another grant published in the same work (*id.*, 391) gives us the following table of eight kings. Bāna was the first sovereign. A long time after him came Bānādhirāja. Again a long time after him came Jayanandivarmā, who ruled as far as the "Andhra country," *i.e.*, the Telugu country.

Jayanandivarmā.  
|  
Vijayāditya.  
|  
Śrī Malladeva, *alias* "Jagadekamalla."  
|  
Bāna Vidyādhara.  
|  
Prabhumēruḍeva.  
|  
Vikramāditya.  
|  
Vijayāditya, *alias* "Pukaṛavippava Gauda."  
|  
Vikramāditya, *alias* "Vijaya Bāhu."

The last is called the "friend of Krishna Rāja." Another Bāna king is mentioned in inscriptions at Gulgānpōde in the Kōlār District of Maisūr, 15 miles north of Kōlār (*Mysore Inscriptions*, pp. lvi, 304, 305), *viz.*, the "Śrī Mahāvali Bānarasa," Vikramāditya, surnamed "Bāna Vidyādhara."

Reference to the sketch of the rulers of the Malayālam country given above (p. 196) will show that one of the early Perumāls was Bāna Perumāḷ "from Bānapuram in *Paradeśa*."

<sup>1</sup> Inscription at Nāgamaṅgalam (*Rice's Mysore Inscriptions*, p. 287).

CHALUKYAS.

Mr. Fleet (*Ind. Ant.* XII, 218, 220) mentions an Eastern Chalukyan inscription from the Krishna, which states that King Vijayāditya Narendra Mṛigarāja fought 108 battles in twelve years with the Rāshtrakūṭa feudatories, the Gaṅga *Mahāmandalesvaras* and the Rattas; that Gunagāṅka-Vijayāditya was successful in the war with the same opponents; but that, after his reign, Veṅgi was overrun and crushed by the "Ratta claimants,"—for the time, of course.

CHOLAS.

Mr. Foulkes (*Manual of the Salem District* II, 369) publishes a grant which gives a genealogy of three Chola sovereigns, which seems to correspond with a set of three mentioned in the *Kōṅgudeśa Rājākkal*.

<p><i>Mr. Foulkes's Grant.</i> Vijayālaya.   Āditya.   Vira Nārāyaṇa.</p>	<p><i>Kōṅgudeśa Rājākkal.</i> Vijayada.   Āditya.   Vira Chola Nārāyaṇa.</p>
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We learn that previous to these there had reigned a "Karikāla Chola," since the grant states (v. 4) that "in his line, which the fame of Kokkili Chola Karikāla rendered illustrious, and which was the original stock from which Kochohaṅkana and other founders of royal dynasties sprung, the victorious and wealthy Vijayālaya was born....." Vira Nārāyaṇa is said to have married the daughter of the King of Kerala, and to have conquered (1) the Bāna kings, (2) King Tumba and other kings, (3) Rāja Sīṁha Pāṇḍiyan, (4) the King of Ceylon. He assumed the title of "Saṅgrāma Rāghava."

Mr. Foulkes (*id.*, p. 367) thinks that the Chola Ādityavarṇa, who conquered the *Kōṅgudeśa* about the year A.D. 894 according to his computation, and who had a son Vira, is the same as the Chola Parakeśari, who seems to have had a son Vira; but the whole history of the Cholas is, at present, so confused that it is, as Mr. Foulkes remarks, dangerous to theorize.

The Kōṅgu chronicle mentions a Chola "Arivarideva," or "Harivarideva," *alias* Rājarāja, as great-grandson of Vira Nārāyaṇa. On page 380 of the same publication Mr. Foulkes gives us a list of seven Cholas and the dates he assigns to them. But as a great deal of his reasoning seems to be based on the Kōṅgu chronicle, neither the dates nor names can be trusted.

	A.D.
Vijayālaya	855—880
Āditya	880—905
Vira Nārāyaṇa	905—930
Desotya	930—950
Parāntaka	950—970
Divi	970—990
Harivari <i>alias</i> Rājarāja	990

One thing is quite clear, that if the Vira Nārāyaṇa of this list be the same as Rājendra Kulottuṅga Chola, the date must be wrong.

Another list has kindly been given to me by Dr. Burgess, who got it from Dr. Burnell. This also is from a chronicle, the *Bṛihadīśvara Mahātmya*, or legend of the great temple at Tanjore. Dr. Burnell had no confidence in it, though he thought that some of the names were doubtless real ones. It will be observed that the list does not at all correspond with the lists drawn from inscriptions.

<p>Kulottuṅga. Deva Chola. Śaśīsekharā. Śivaliṅga Chola. Karikāla Chola. Bhīma Chola. Rāja Rājendra. Vira Mārtāṇḍa.</p>	<p>Kirtivardhana. Jaya Chola. Kanaka Chola. Sundara Chola. Kālakāla Chola. Kalyāṇa Chola. Bhadra Chola.</p>
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## GANGAS OF MAISŪR.

In a grant published by Mr. Foulkes in Mr. Le Fanu's *Manual of the Salem District* (Vol. II, p. 372) is a short Gaṅga genealogy. In the royal line was born Śiva Māra, who had a son named Prithu-yashā *alias* Prithivipati. He saved a certain Diṇḍikojeriga from Amoghavarsha. [The first of these latter names sounds like a Pallava name. Amoghavarsha was probably one of the three Rāshtrakūta kings of that name (*see above*, pp. 233-4).] He also saved Nāgadaṇḍa (another Pallava?) from death. Prithu-yashā seems to have lost his life in battle with the Pāṇḍiyan King Varaguṇa.<sup>1</sup> His son was Narasiṅha, and the latter's son was named Keśari, *alias* "Prithivipati." The latter was subject to the Chōla king Parakeśari (or Kopparakeśari?) and consecrated Hasti Malla king of the Bānas. The Bānas had been shortly before defeated by the Chōla king, the same Parakeśari, also called Vira Nārāyaṇa.

## KALĪŅĀ.

The kingdom of Kalīṅgā was one of the oldest in India. Though not actually mentioned by name in the Rig Veda, the sage Kakshivat is frequently alluded to, and he was the son of a female slave of the queen of Kalīṅgā. The country is mentioned in all the most ancient chronicles. According to Buddhist legends, when Buddha's relics were divided at his death, Brahmadaṭṭa, the King of Kalīṅgā, obtained his left canine tooth. Kalīṅgā is also mentioned in the *Jātakas*, such as the *Wessantara Jātaka* and others. In the time of Aśoka (B.C. 250) the country was of sufficient importance to justify that king's engraving his celebrated rock-edicts there for the enlightenment of the people. Pliny divides the country into three portions, *Kalīṅgā*, *Madhya Kalīṅgā*, and *Mahā Kalīṅgā*. With all this, very little is known of the names of the kings who reigned over the country, except through native chronicles, which, as before stated, are very untrustworthy.

Dr. Rajendra Lāla Mitra, in his *Antiquities of Orissa* (Vol. II, pp. 12, etc.) gives us some Pāli inscriptions in the Lāt character on the caves in Orissa, which mention King Vira (or *Vera*, according to the Pāli letters as they appear in print), Prince Vidhuka and King Aira, who seems to have defeated a king of Kalīṅgā named Nanda, and seized his kingdom. The author thinks that this Nanda is either "Sunanda, son and successor of Kāsi, and grandson of Brahmadaṭṭa" above alluded to, or one of the nine Nandas of Magadha. Aira's date is the fourth century B.C.

Mr. W. Taylor, now residing at Parlakimedi in Ganjam, has sent me a newly discovered copper-plate inscription of Indravarmā, King of Kalīṅgā, found at Kimedi. It is on three small plates, and dates apparently from about the eighth or ninth century. Two other inscriptions of this king are known (*see above*, page 183), dated respectively in the 128th and 146th year of the "victorious reign" of the dynasty. This is similarly dated in the 91st year, proving either that Indravarmā enjoyed a very long reign, or that there was more than one king of that name.

## MAISŪR.

Mr. Foulkes (*Manual of the Salem District*, II, 403—430) has published a grant of Dodḍa Kṛishṇa Raja (A.D. 1714—1731), and has printed (pp. 426—430) several genealogies of this royal house from different sources. My table (*above*, p. 194) is defective, but it is at least as reliable as any other, seeing that seven different tables compiled by Mr. Foulkes from different sources vary in important details.

## RĀSHTRAKŪTA KINGS.

Mr. Fleet has just published a number of new grants in *Ind. Ant.* XII, 215, from which we gain the following principal particulars:—

(11.) Amoghavarsha I was surnamed "Atisayadhavala" and "Nripatūṅga I." He defeated the Chalukyas, and built (restored?) the city of Mānyakhṣṭa. He came to the throne in A.D. 814-15 or 815-16, and enjoyed a long reign.

<sup>1</sup> Mr. Foulkes points out that Kamban, the great Tamiḷ poet, is said to have lived in the reign of Varaguṇa Pāṇḍiyan, while "local tradition" makes Kamban also a contemporary of Rājendra Kulottūṅga Chōla. This would help in the identification of Vira Nārāyaṇa with Rājendra Kulottūṅga Chōla were it not that so much confusion exists in regard to all these dates and names. Patient working will probably throw light on all this before very long.

An Eastern Chalukyan inscription from the Krishna states that a long war took place in the time of Vijayaditya Narendra Mrigaraja of that dynasty with the Gaṅgas and Raṭṭas. These Gaṅgas were feudatories of the Rāshtrakūṭas. 108 battles were fought in twelve years.

(12.) Krishna II was also called "Kannara," "Kandhara-Vallabha," and "Krishna-Vallabha." His wife was of the family of the Kalachuris of Tewar or Tripura.

The Eastern Chalukyan inscription mentioned above states that the wars between that dynasty and the Rāshtrakūṭas continued into the reign of Krishna II. Gunagaṅka-Vijayaditya was successful in his wars, but after him "the province of Veṅgi was overrun by the army of the Raṭṭa claimants, as if by dense darkness on the setting of the sun."

(13.) Jagattuṅga II. Mr. Fleet has ascertained (p. 222, note 47) that the name "Jagadrudra" might be expunged both from this king's names and those of his great grandfather Govinda III. The title "Jagadrudra" is due only to a mistake in reading an inscription. Jagattuṅga II gave a grant in A.D. 929-30 under the title of "Prabhūtarsha." His son,

(14.) Indra IV, gave a grant in A.D. 916-17.

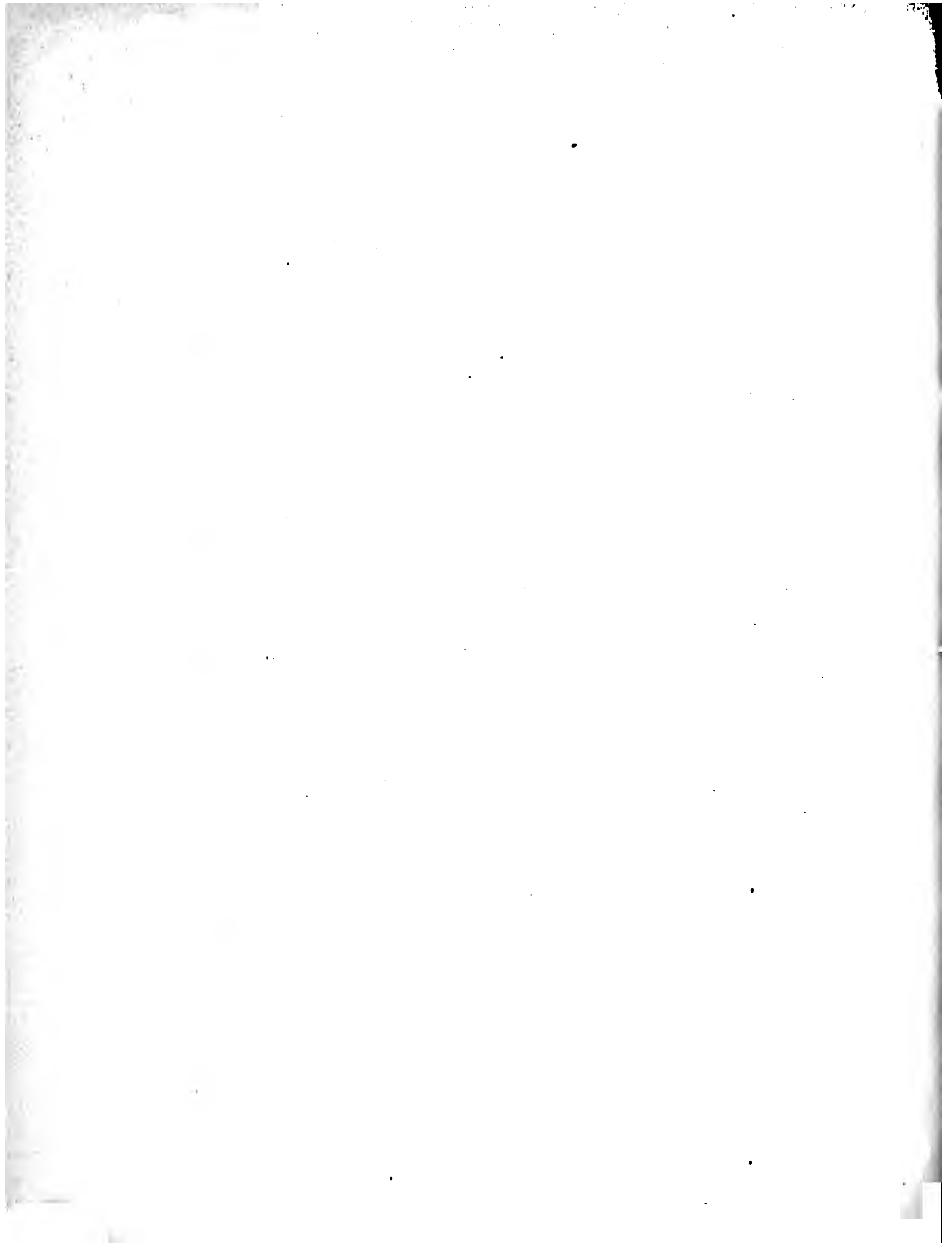
Mr. Fleet (*Ind. Ant.* XII, 248) mentions two royal *insignia*, which it seems were formerly adopted by the Guptas, acquired from them by the Chalukyas, and wrested from the Chalukyas by the Rāshtrakūṭas. These are the figures of the rivers Gaṅgā and Yamunā.

Govinda V is called "Gojjigadeva," "Nripattuṅga," "Vira Nārāyaṇa," and "Raṭṭa-Kandarpa" in an inscription at Kalas in Dhārvāḍ. (*i.d.*, p. 249). An army of his was defeated by Rāja Bhīma of the Eastern Chalukyas.

#### VIJAYANAGAR.

On page 436 of the Chingleput District Manual, Mr. Crole has printed a translation of an inscription in the *Varadarājāśvāmi* temple at Conjeeveram, which gives some interesting details of Krishnadeva Rāya's conquests (*see above*, p. 249) and of his visit to Conjeeveram after his return. He is described as capturing, first, the hill forts of Udayagiri, Bellamkoṇḍa, Vinukoṇḍa, Koṇḍaviḍu and others, from Nellore up to the Krishna river, subduing some chiefs whose names are given;<sup>1</sup> then Bezvāḍa, Koṇḍapalle, and many places north of the river; and finally Rajahmundry, north of the Godāvāri, where "the youngest of his wives, Tirumalādevi, was caused to make many gifts. In A.D. 1516 he went and worshipped at Conjeeveram and gave gifts."

<sup>1</sup> It is interesting to notice that this inscription confirms the Koṇḍaviḍu chronicle (*see above*, p. 188) that the Gajapatis of Orissa had possession of that fortress in those days, and that the last of them, Vrabhadra, son of Pratāpa Rudra Gajapati, was conquered by Krishnadeva Rāya in A.D. 1516.



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