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ART. I.—A Grammar of the Pashtoo, or Afghánee Language. By LIEUT. R. LEACH, Bombay Engineers, Assistant on a Mission.

To the Secretary to the Asiatic Society.

Political Dept.

Sin,—I am directed by the Honorable the President in Council to forward to you the accompanying Grammar of the Pashtoo or Afghán Language, compiled by Lieutenant Leach, for such notice as the Society may deem it to merit

2. I am further directed to request that the Grammar in question may be returned when no longer required.

I have the honor to be, Sir.

Your most obedient humble servant,

H. T. PRINSEP, Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Fort William, 20th Feb. 1839.

This language is called Afghánee or Avghánee by Persians and other foreigners, and Pashtoo, Pukhtoo, and Pastoo, severally, by the Afgháns of Candhar, Peshawar, Teerai, and by the Afreedees, Khybeerees, &c. &c.

The language is decidedly of Sanscrit complexion, from the frequent occurrence of the  $\nabla$  jh and  $\nabla$  kgh; indeed these two letters with the Devnagary  $\nabla$  compose the peculiarity of the language.

The difference between the Peshawar and Candhar dialect is, that in the former the Persian  $\dot{z}$  is used, when in the latter the Sanscrit occurs.

The Candharee is reckoned the purest dialect; and when correctly spoken, resembles in the plaintiveness of its tones the peculiar dialect of Ireland.

The Alphabet is as follows.

<i>Af</i> gh <i>ánee</i>		Devna- gary.	E	nglish.	Pronunciation.
<b>5</b>	•••	쾨	•••	a	as the second a in parable,
ب	•••	ब	•••	b	as the English,
ب	•••	प	•••	p	Ditto, ditto,
پ ت	•••	त	• • •	t	as the Continental t,
ر ن ،	•••		• • •	th	as th in things,
ت	•••	ट	• • •	t	as the English $t$ ,
ح	•••	<b>ज</b>	•••	j	as the English j,
<u>@</u>	•••	च		ch	as the English,
				h	as the aspirated h,
ح خ.خ		•		$kh \dots$	as ch in the Scotch loch,
ż			•••	z	the Afghan z used for coupling,
د		<b>₹</b>	•••	d	
ذ			•••	th	as th in those
ذ ر ما	• • •	ड	• • •	d	the harsh English $d$ ,
ر ر	•••	₹	• • •	r	* the English r,
		ख़	• • •	d .,.	the peculiar Maratha d,
ر ز ژ	•••			z	the English z,
ژ	•••		•••	j	the French j in jour,
<del>س</del>	•••	स	•••	s	the English s,
ۺ	•••	श्	•••	sh	
ښ	• • •	ष	•••	jh	
ص	•••		• • •	s	· the Arabic dwad,
ض	•••		•••	dz	· the Arabic dzwad,
ط	, <b></b>		• • •	t	· the Arabic t,

#### The Alphabet (Continued.)

<i>Af</i> gh <i>án</i>		evna jary.	- E	nglish.	Pronunciation.
ظ	•••		•••	Z	the Arabic z,
ع	•••		•••	$_{77}\mathbf{X}$	the Arabic mark for guttural vowels,
غ	• • •		•••	gh	the Persian guttural,
ف	• • •	पा	• • •	$\mathbf{f}$	the English f,
ق	••,•			k	the harsh English $k$ ,
ک	•••	क		k	the English k,
گ	•••	ग	•••	$\mathbf{g}$	$\dots$ the English $g$ ,
Ĵ	•••	च	•••	l	the English l,
۴	•••	म	•••	m	the English m,
ن	• • •	न	• • •	n	the English n,
•		व	• • •	$\mathbf{w}$	the English $w$ , or $v$ ,
<b></b>		ह	•••	h	the English h,
ي		य	•••	y	the English $y$ ,
₩.,		च्	, • • •	kgh	the Sanscrit.

The same story is told of the Afghán language, that the Mahrattas tell of the Canarese, viz., That a certain king sent his vizier to collect all the vocabularies and dialects of the earth; on the vizier's return he proceeded to quote specimens before his royal Master: when he came to speak of the Afghánee dialect, he stopped, and producing a tin pot containing a stone, began to rattle it. The king in surprise asked the meaning of this proceeding. The vizier said that he had failed to get a knowledge of the Afghánea language, and could only describe it by rattling a stone in a tin pot.

It is also said, that Mahammad, the Arabian prophet, gave it as his opinion that the Afghánee was to be the language of the infernal regions, as Arabic was to be that of heaven.

In the comparison of languages, in which Arabic is called science, (ilm); Turkish accomplishment, (hunar); Persian sugar; Hindustance sall; the Afghán is complimented with the appellation of the "braying of an ass."

An Afghán is immediately discovered by another by the correctness with which he distinguishes between a masculine and feminine noun.

#### Declension of a Noun Masculine.

Singular.

Nominative ás, a horse asán, horses

Genitive da ás, of a horse da asáno, of horses

Accusative & ás ta, a horse asánoo ta, horses

Dative la ás, from a horse la asánoo, from horses

#### Declension of a Noun Feminine, ending in a Vowel.

Singular.

Nominative aspá, a mare aspe, mares
Genitive dá aspá, of a mare da aspo, of mares
Accusative & aspeta, a mare aspota, mares
Dative la aspe, from a mare la aspo, from mares

#### Examples of forming the Feminine from the Masculine Noun.

Masculine. Feminine. a bitch dog spe, khar, a donkey khara, a she-ass buza, a she-goat buz, a he-goat gid, a fat-tailed ram gida, a female sheep orárá, nephew orerá, niece tara, uncle tarala, aunt

#### Declension of a Compound Noun.

Singular.

Nominative gha sadai, a good man gha sadee, good men
Genitive da gha sade, of a good man da gha sadee, of good men
Acc. & Dat. gha sade ta, a good man gha sadea, good men
Ablative la gha sade, from a good man la gha sadee, from good men

#### Declension of the 1st Personal Pronoun.

Nom. I za, muj, we Gen. zmá. mine. zmuj, ours Acc. & Dat. málá. mujla, us Abl. la má, from me. la muj, from us

la taso, from you

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la tá, from thee

Nom.

Gen.

Abl.

#### Declension of the 2nd Personal Pronoun.

#### Plural. Singular. táso, ye thou ta, istáso, yours stá, thy tásolá, you Acc. & Dat. tálá, thee

#### Declension of the 3d Personal Pronoun-proximate.

Nom.	da <i>gh</i> á,	this	dagho,	these
Gen.	da de,	these	da deev,	of these
Acc. & Dat.	dela,	this	deevla,	these
Abl.	la de,	from this	la deev,	from these

#### Declension of the 3rd Personal Pronoun—remote.

Nom.	ha <i>gh</i> á,	that	ha <i>gh</i> o, those
Gen.	da ha <i>gh</i> á,	of that	da ha $gh$ o, of those
Acc. & Dat.	ha <i>gh</i> á ta,	that	hagho ta, those
Abl.	la ha <i>gh</i> á,	from that	la hagho, from those

#### Declension of the Reflective Pronoun.

Nom.	Pa <i>kh</i> pul,	I myself
Gen.	Akhpul,	my own
Acc. & Dat.	•••	wanting
Abl.		ditto

#### Declension of the Interrogative Pronoun—animate.

3	Singular.	
Nom.	sok,	who
Gen.	da ehá,	whose
Acc. & Dat.	chá ta,	who
Abl.	la chá,	from whor

#### Declension of the Interrogative Pronoun—inanimate.

Nom.	sa,	what
Gen.	a sa,	of what
Acc. & Dat.	sa la,	why
Abl.	la sa,	from what

#### Cardinal Numbers.

l	you	•	11	you las
2	dwá		12	dwá las
3	dare		13	dyar las
4	salor		14	swár las
5	pinz.		15	pinz las
6	shpaj		16	shpadas
7	avo		17	olas
8	atha		18	athlas
9	nah		19	nolas
10	las .		20	shil
21	you visht		31	you dergh
22	do visht		32	do dergh
23	dre visht		33	dre dergh
24	salerisht		34	salor dergh
25	pinzvisht		<b>35</b>	pinz dergh
26	•		36	shpaj dergh
27	ovisht		37	o,o dergh
28	athvisht		<b>3</b> 8	ath dergh
29	novisht		39	nah dergh
.30	dergh		40	salweght
41	you salweght		51	you pinzost
42	doo salweght		<b>52</b>	doo pinzost
43	dre salweght		<b>53</b>	dre pinzost
44	salor salweght		54	salor pinzost
45	pinz salweght		55	pinz pinzost
46	shpaj salweght	V.	56	shpaj pinzos
47	o,o salweght		57	o,o pinzost
<b>4</b> 8	ath salweght		58	ath pinzost
49	nah salweght		59 '	nah pinzost
<b>50</b>	pinzast	•	60	shpeta
61	you shpeta		71	you avyà
62	doo shpeta	** .	72	doo avyà
63	dre shpeta		73	dre avyà
64	salor shpeta		74	salor avyà
65	pinz shpeta		<b>7</b> 5	pinz avyà
66	shpaj shpeta		76	shpaj avyà
67	o,o shpeta		77	o,o avyà
68	ath shpeta		<b>7</b> 8	ath avyà
69	nah shpeta		79	nah avyà
70	avyà		80	atyà

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81	you atyá	91 you nawee
82	doo atyá	92 doo nawee
83	dre atyá	93 dre nawee
84	salor atyá	94 salor nawee
85	pinz atyá	95 pinz nawee
86	shpaj atyá	96 shpaj nawee
87	oowa atyá	97 oova nawee
88	ath atyá	98 ath nawee
89	nah atyá	99 nah nawee
90	nawee	100 sil
_	00zil	1,00,000 lakh

#### kror 1,00,00,000

#### Ordinal Numbers.

lst	yawam	6th	shpajam
2nd	doowam	7th	owam
3rd	dreyam	8th	atham
4th	salaram	9th	naham
5th	pinzam	10th	lasam, &c.

#### Conjugation of the Auxiliary Verb (masculine.) Indicative Mood.

#### Present Tense.

Sing	ular.
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1st Person, zaiyam, I am

2nd 3rd taiye, thou art hagha, dai, he is Plural.

muj yoo, we are táseyást, you are haghádee, they are

#### Perfect Past Tense.

#### Singular.

1st Person, zawum, I was ta we, thou wast 2nd do haghá woo, he was 3rd

#### Plural.

muj woo, we were tási wást, you were ha*qh*á woo, they were

#### Imperfect Past Tense.

#### Singular. 1st Person, za kedam, I was being

2nd do ta kede 3rd do ha*gh*á keda

#### Plural.

muj kedoo, tási kedást, haghá keda,

#### Plunerfect Past Tense\_HAD BEEN.

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lst Person	za sawai wam	muj siwee woo
2nd do	ta suwai wee	tasi siwee wást
3rd do	ha <i>gh</i> á sawai woo	ha <i>gh</i> a siwee woo

#### Future Tense-Shall BE.

lst l	Person,	zakeajam	muj keajam
2nd	do	ta keaja	tási keajai
3rd	do	haghá keajee	ha <i>gh</i> o keajee

#### Imperative Mood.

ta sa, be thou

tasi sai, be you.

#### Subjunctive Mood.

#### Present Tense. - MAY BE.

lst P	erson,	zawam	muj woo
2nd	do	ta we	tasi wást
3rd	do	ha <i>gh</i> á see	$\mathtt{ha} gh$ o soo

# The Relative Conjugation IF is expressed by KA. Perfect Past Tense.

lst Person,	za wai	muj wai
2nd	ta wai	tási wai
3rd	ha <i>gh</i> á wai	ha <i>gh</i> o wai

# Infinitive Mood Keda, "Being," or "To Be." Past Participle, Sawai woo, "Been." Conjugation of the Verb Waivil, "to speak." Present Tense.

Singul	ar.	Plural.
lst Person,	za waiyam	muj waiyoo
2nd do	ta wai	tasi waiya'st
3rd do	ha <i>gh</i> a wai	ha <i>gh</i> o wai

The feminine gender only changes the 1st Person Singular, as a woman says, za waiyama.

#### Perfect Past Tense.

lst P	erson,	ma' waiyil·	muj waiyil
2nd	do	ta' waiyil	ta'si waiyil
3rd	do	hagha' waiyil	ha <i>gh</i> o waiyal

#### Imperfect Past Tense.

lst Person,	ma' waiyil	muj waiyil
2nd do	ta' waiyil	ta'si waiyil
3rd do	ha <i>gh</i> a' waiyil	ha <i>gh</i> o waiyil

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#### Pluperfect Past Tense.

1st Person, má waiyalaiwomuj waiyaleewoo2nd do. tá wo waiyiltási waiyaleewoo3rd do. haghá waiyalaiwohagho waiyalai woo

#### Future Tense.

Singular.
1st Person, za bawowaiyam
2nd ditto ta bawowaiye
3rd ditto hagha bawowai

Plural.

muj bawowayoo
tasi bawowaiyast
hagho bawowai

#### Imperative Mood.

ta wawaya

tási wowáyást

### Subjunctive Mood.

#### Present Tense.

1st za wowáyam 2nd ta wowáye 3rd haghá wowáyee muj wowáyoo tasi wowáyást hagho wowáyee

#### Perfect Past Tense.

1st ma waiyalaiwoo 2nd tá waiyalaiwoo 3rd ha*qh*á waiyalaiwoo muj waiyaleewoo tasi waiyaleewoo hagho waiyaleewoo

#### Adverbs, Post- and Pre- positions, Conjunctions, &c. &c.

porta, above k*gh*ata, below danana, in dabándee, out dilta, here halta, there de khawa, on this side haghá khawá, on that side doudande, before douroosta, behind jirr, quickly ro ro, slowly man rwaz, to-day paroon, yesterday sabhá rwaz, to-morrow ba, till

sarangá, how bul jalá, again os, now biyá, afterwards makh á mukh, in front bas, enough ham, also ho, yes nah, no makava, don't ka, if pára, sake of wodya, gratis az, than o, hollá sarra, with

mudám, always kala, when cherta, where

wo, and ya, or belá, without wale, but

#### Vocabulary of Nouns.

rwaz, day, shpa, night, halak, boy, zoe, son, jilai, girl, loor, daughter, peghla, maid,plár, father, mor, mother, uror, brother, khor, sister, oba, water, or, fire, dode, bread, ghahar, city, kalai, hamlet,

ás, horse, aspá, mare, osai, deer, khar, ass, *gh*àtar, mule, behan, colt, yaboo, poney, chirg, fowl, chirga, hen, kaftara, pigeon, gidada, fox, chaghál, jackal, koj, hyena, spai, dog, pishee, cat, muj'ak, mouse,

yaj, bear bizo, monkey sarkaza, hog bza, she-goat waz gadai, he-goat murghumai, kid mej ewe maj, ram warg maj, fighting ram dusherlá, middling ram psherlai, ram wuchkulai, ram urai, lamb ghwa, cow ghwáyai, bull sukhwanda calf

kijde, tent woollen kor, house khoona, room ghole, a yard wanai, tree bootai, bush tirkh, brushwood már, snake tá ooz, peacock zirká, Greek partridge huja, leak gazir, carrot malkhaze, thyme anár, pomegranate hindwáná, water melon mana, apple meda, man qhaza, woman mándiná, female náreená, male

chughuka, sparrow ongh, camel ghanum, wheat wurijjee, rice urbushee, barley nakhud, pulse phascolus, maximus pyáz, onion tanzire, partridge kurak, quail thalla, sole of foot warghawe, palm of hand punda, heel padkai, ancle pandai, calf zangoon, knee khwale, perspiration pgha, leg waroon, thigh nas, belly

málgá, salt tel, oil ghodee, ghee shakar, sugar marach, pepper largai, wood kuchee, butter hagge, an egg shide, milk maste, curds shalumbe, butter-milk lástai, pestle khat, bedstead tiltak, coverlid bálight, pillow nihále, bed ospana, iron surp, lead mio, copper kál, year zyad, brass myasht, month sirazar, gold speen zar, silver tirkha, bitter garm, hot sod, cold klak, hard narm, soft porta, } high boad. garan, dear arzán, cheap spuk, light duroond, heavy wach, dry noombd, wet zulf, lock of hair tsoonee, woman's hair bret, mustacheos jeera, beard arkh, armpit

kunatai, bullock tatar, beast lás, hand oia, shoulder sha, back ghádá, neck shund, lip ghágh, tooth zinne, chin bárkhoo, cheek paza, nose sajme, nostril stirgha, eye bánoo, eye-lash waridza, eye-brow tandai, forehead qhwai, ear partookh, trousers partoogagh, breeches string ozgár, idle pagde, turban khaj, sweet turwá, sour mukh, nail spajme, moon store, star wah, woo, wind garz, dust zoná, light tyárá, darkness angoor, grapes oma, raw pakha, cooked shkar, horn swa, hoof changul, divided hoof wadai, wool pumba, cotton jibba, language *gh*wajai, hunger tajai, thirst kough, shoes

tirkhe, armpit kund, widow oghke, a tear meda, husband ghaza, wife dároo, gunpowder purod, grass ghalla, grain speen, white soor, red tor, black ábee. blue zyad, yellow sheen, green mahee, fish ghwashe, meat lmar, sun rikeboona, stirrups muloona, bridle ghar, hill seen, river khight, brick nikka, grandfather wurr nikka, great grandfather masai, grandson

chaplai, slippers doond, blind gung, dumb koon, deaf god, lame with both legs rást, straight koj, crooked tsappa, upset lewânai, mad khapa, angry ranzoor, ill starai, tired dard, pain lár, road safar, journey noom, name zeen, saddle kad wasai, great grandson kosai, great great grandson zoom, son-in-law warindára, sister-in-law orara, nephew orerá, niece tra and aka, uncle troree, aunt

#### Vocabulary of Verbs.

rátalal, to come
tlal, to go
rávdal, to bring
odal, to carry away
pátakedal, to place
odaradil, to rise
porta kawil, to raise
kghenastan, to sit
nkhistan, to take
wenissa, to seize
khudal, to eat
clighil, to drink
zbeghil, to suck
chichil, to bite
ghwkhan, to chew the cud

talal, to weigh ve pemawal, to measure pakhawal, to cook khlas wal, wáz wal, to open paránatal, tadal, to blind parkawal, to cut seere kawal, to tear mátawal, to break zghastal, to run lwastan, to read girzedal, to stroll skawul, to pull pákawal, to wipe

jo owal, to chew khandil, to laugh jadil, to weep wahal, to beat jagh to call kawal 🛭 skandal, to pinch gandal, to sew beredal, to fear tukhedal, to cough teláwúl, to push ghakhá wal, to press lád eghwurzawul, to spit ghwul kawal, to ease one's self leedal and katal, to see tisháwul, to employ bázee kawal, to play waiyil, to speak wuruk kawal, to lose mudal, to die

purewatal, to fall zejal, to bring forth purawal, to borrow por warkawal, to lend put wal, to conceal ghakhauwal, to bury zij dedal, to tremble kháls wal, to loosen garawul, to scratch togawul, to pour pookawul, to blow mityaze to make water kawal, dakawul, to fill ment jaghawul, to play on an instru₌ lirekawal, putting away mzaka kandan, to dig pá*gh*al, to sow waswa, to burn

## Sentences and Dialogues.

The Afghán Salutation—" Rogh Bod."

Jod e gha táze gha khushal e gha  $\int$  Are you well? quite fresh? quite raghale? happy? welcome?

ma*kh* wár reje.

Answer. Jha wose pa khair wose May you be well. May all be right with you. May you never be badly off.

Sta noom sa de? Ta soke? Kum yánye? Tási chare zai Tási la kum záe rágháliyást Candhára rá*gh*ale yam Dá lár da Shikarpoor de?

sapar yanı

Lár waghaiya

Whence come you? Dwa myasht me sooeedee chi la l It is two months since I came from Candahar.

Is this the road to Shikarpoor? Za khabar neyam pakhpula mu- \ I don't know, I am myself a traveller.

Shew the road.

What is your name?

Where are you going?

Who are you? Who is there?

Tsa khabrá la Bádsháh ávaradi- \ Have you heard any news of the leeyast?

Grammar of the Pashtoo, or Afghánee Language. JAN. 14 Wai ee chi Shikarpoor ta wara \ They say he has arrived at Shikarpoor. seda. Da Hinduwano pa kaghaz kghe What was the news from Herat da Harát da bábata tsa kghein the Hindoo's letter? lawoo? Kshilawoo da kajar tag o da Kam- ( It was written that the Persians ran chapáw pa Farrah bánde had made a descent on Farrah. oda Mahammad Siddeek Khán and taken away Mahammed bandee wodal. Sideek Khán prisoner. So rwaze soo, ee dee chi Kásid la) How many days is it since a Cossid arrived from Loodiana? Loodiáne rághale de ? Ka za durwágh zam na gham pinz } If I remember right it is five days. rwaze soo i dee Wale jar ra naghale? Why have you not come quickly? I will go out riding by afternoon Ma psheen spareshan prayers. Za be khartsa yum muwajam me I have no money, will you give ráka? me my pay? Madar woka chi da hinde mudda ) Wait till the bill of exchange be due. poorá see Dode zmá da para pakhaka chi ) Get ready dinner for me, as I am wujee yum chi wakhuram f hungry and have an appetite. Tsa bara sta zoe zma deedan lara What's the reason your son does ranághai? not come to see me? Why don't you do that? Sa lara da kár na kave? What is become of you? Tasta sawe? Ka za spansee darkam dá shpaj If I give you ready money, what kameesa pa tso mazdooree ba will you take for making six shirts? iod ke? Has this mountain a name or not? Da qhar moom laree ka na laree Sardárán da Candahár chi dee pa The Sardars of Candahar when they want to get money from wakht da mukadame chi da cha tsakha tsaghwadee akhpul - any one in time of need, are in da ourate psol wa hagha sadee the habit of pawning their wives ta giroje k*qh*ee dee iewels

Akhpul maindina biya wo poo-hawee chi byá pa fand tara da-khpul psol bidta zeenee rávdá

They instruct their wives to get the jewels out of pawn by a contrivance of their own.

Pa Candahár ki jha ás tsa keenruet \ What is the price of a good horse laree?

Gha ás pa salor souwa pa lás razee A good horse can be got for 400 Rs.

laree

Dergh zara rupo, ee mályá laree

in Candahar?

Deráwat tso zara rupo, ee mályá What is the revenue of Derawat in thousands?

It is a revenue of 30,000 Rs.

Sháh Shuja chi raghalai woo Sar- ) dárán tola razá woo chi ghar warkee ba*gh*air la you Sardár Kohn Dil Khánchi waigil chi zma sar dai o da Kalá Kungre J

mad Shah aká Shikarpoor lare ra*qh*alai dai ?

When Shah Shuja appeared, all the Sardars were content to give up the city except Kohn Dil Khán, who said, my head with these parapets.

Tási arvedalai dai chi da Maham- ) Have you heard the uncle of Mahammad Sháh has arrived in Shikarpoor?

#### Specimen of Afghan verse from Abdul Rahman.

Har matloob chighwaje tá, uka When the musician turns the da rabab

Padá táuk ihee zmá zada kandee By each turn that is made my kabab

Chi saiye panaghma pa taránash- When I pay attention to the tune

Dewána sham grewantsiree most \ I get mad, and tear my clothes

ka

Chi hetsok na takat laree na tab

Youve sáz, bulawáze da belto

Dream shaar paraghaz ka intikháh

Tsalaram you sakeeye tar sangk- Fourth, let a cupbearer be near ... *gh*enee

na áftáb

Da talor wada fitne dee pa tslor These four are four traitors in kunja

Ou owam shughal da bayazoda And the seventh reading of alkitáb

Chidá hoomree áfatoona sara tol If all these wonders be collected shee

ijtanáb

Chi dá hasee dilbarán par as ar-) He who is not affected by any of naka

Ya ba devee ya deewaz dai yadaw ) Must be either more than human, ab

screw of the Rebeck

heart is burnt.

and the tone

frantic and lost.

Hame tar hame guftar hose as ar- \ The strings and burthen of the song so distress me

> That none could bear it or endure it. Let there be music first, then the theme of absence,

Third, let a poet recite his good 🕠 verses,

Che makh na mahtab K' dilaivee Who has never been looked on by sun or moon-

four corners—

O pinzame suraeedai da mai nab And the fifth be a bottle of the spajame wakt da noubahar o da best wine, and the sixth the time zawanee of the new spring and youth,

bums and books.

together

Turo tsok saranga zeenee kande) Who can deliver himself from them:

these rarities

a wall or a beast.

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1. HARI, husband of SRI, dwelling in the fortunate abode of VASUDEVA, to reform the world, though himself the abode of worlds, saw descending from the sky, the sage, who sprang from a portion of the being, that was conceived in the golden mundane egg.

## दिधाकृतात्माकिमयंदिवाकारोविधूमरोचिःकिमयंक्रताश्चनः । गतन्तिरश्चीनमनूरुसारयेःप्रसिद्धमूर्द्धज्वज्वलनं हविर्भुजः । पतत्यधोधामविसारिसर्वितःकिमेतदित्याकलमीचितंजनैः ॥२॥

2. Is this the Sun itself parted into two orbs? Is it fire shining with light divested of smoke? The motion of the luminary whose charioteer has no legs is curvilinear. The ascent of flame is a well known property of fire. What is this, which descends diffusing light around? Thus was the sage contemplated by wonder by the people.