

**Palāśa**, like **Parṇa**, denotes 'leaf' in the Brāhṃaṇas.<sup>1</sup> It also<sup>2</sup> designates the tree *Butea frondosa*, of which Parṇa is the early name.

<sup>1</sup> Kauṣītaki Brāhṃaṇa, x. 2; Śatapatha Brāhṃaṇa, i. 5. 4, 5; v. 2, 1, 17 etc.; Chāndogya Upaniṣad, iv. 14, 3.

<sup>2</sup> Aitareya Brāhṃaṇa, ii. 1; Śatapatha Brāhṃaṇa, i. 3, 3, 19; ii. 6, 2, 8, etc.

Cf. Zimmer, *Altindisches Leben*, 59.

**Palita**, 'grey-haired,' occurs frequently from the Rigveda<sup>1</sup> onwards.<sup>2</sup> It is the distinctive sign of old age. Those who, like certain descendants of **Jamadagni**, do not grow old,<sup>3</sup> are said not to become grey-haired, while **Bharadvāja** is described as having in his old age become thin and grey-haired.<sup>4</sup> The Śatapatha Brāhṃaṇa<sup>5</sup> in one passage observes that grey hairs appear first on the head, and elsewhere<sup>6</sup> alludes to the hair on the arms having become grey.

<sup>1</sup> i. 144, 4; 164, 1; iii. 55, 9; x. 4, 5, etc.

<sup>2</sup> Vājasaneyi Saṃhitā, xxx. 15, etc.

<sup>3</sup> Taittirīya Saṃhitā, vii. 1, 9, 1; Pāncaviṃṣa Brāhṃaṇa, xxi. 10, 6. Cf. Hopkins, *Transactions of the Connecticut*

*Academy of Arts and Sciences*, 15, 54, and Rv. iii. 53, 16, where *palasti* seems to mean *palita*.

<sup>4</sup> Aitareya Brāhṃaṇa, iii. 49.

<sup>5</sup> xi. 4, 1, 6. 14.

<sup>6</sup> iii. 8, 2, 25.

**Palpūlana** is found in the Atharvaveda<sup>1</sup> and the Taittirīya Saṃhitā<sup>2</sup> apparently meaning, properly, 'lye,' or water impregnated with some biting substance for washing clothes. In the Atharvan passage urine seems to be meant.<sup>3</sup> The verb *palpūlaya*, 'to wash with alkaline water,' occurs in the Taittirīya Saṃhitā<sup>2</sup> and the Taittirīya Brāhṃaṇa,<sup>4</sup> and the Sūtras refer to hides (*carman*)<sup>5</sup> and garments<sup>6</sup> so washed. Cf. also **Vāsaḥ-palpūli**.

<sup>1</sup> xii. 4, 9. Cf. Kauśika Sūtra, xi. 16.

<sup>2</sup> ii. 5, 5, 6.

<sup>3</sup> Whitney, Translation of the Atharvaveda, 695. Cf. Bloomfield, *Hymns of the Atharvaveda*, 74, 175.

<sup>4</sup> i. 3, 5, 2, 3.

<sup>5</sup> Kauśika Sūtra, 67.

<sup>6</sup> Sāṅkhāyana Śrauta Sūtra, iii. 8, 12. Cf. Baudhāyana Dharma Sūtra, i. 6, 13, 15; Böhtlingk, Dictionary, s.v.

**Palli-gupta Lauhitya** ('descendant of Lohita') is mentioned in a **Vaṃśa** ('list of teachers') in the Jaiminiya Upaniṣad Brāhṃaṇa (iii. 42, 1) as a pupil of **Śyāmajayanta Lauhitya**.