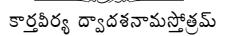
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కార్తవీర్యార్డునో నామ రాజా బాహుసహస్థవాన్। తస్య స్మరణమాత్రేణ గతం నష్టం చ లభ్యతే ॥ ೧॥ కార్తవీర్య: ఖలద్వేషీ కృతవీర్యసుతో బరీ । సహస్రబాహుః శత్రఘ్నా రక్షవాసా ధనుర్గర $\mathfrak s$ ॥ $\mathfrak s$ ॥ రక్తగన్లో రక్తమాల్యో రాజా స్మర్తురభీష్టదః । ద్యాద్థశేతాని నామాని కార్తవీర్యస్య యః పఠేత్ ॥ ३॥ సమ్పదస్తత జాయనే జనస్తత వశం గతః । ఆనయత్యాశు దూరస్థం క్షేమలాభయుతం ప్రియమ్ ॥ ४॥ కార్తవీర్య మహాబాహో సర్వదిష్టవిబరణ। సర్యం రక్ష సదా తిష్ణ దుష్టాన్నా శయ పాహి మామ్ ॥ 🛪॥ సహస్థబాహుసశరం మహితం సచాపం రక్తామ్మరం రక్తకిరీటకుణ్ణలమ్ 1 చోరాది-దుష్టభయ-నాశం ఇష్టదం తం యస్య స్మరణమాత్రేణ సర్వదు:ఖక్షయో భవేత్ । యన్నామాని మహావీర్యశ్చార్లుని కృతవీర్యవాన్ ॥ ८॥ ైవాహయాధిపతేః స్టోత్రం సహస్టావృత్తికారితమ్ । వాఞ్చితార్థప్రదం నృణాం స్వరాజ్యం సుకృతం యది ॥ ౮॥ ॥ ఇతి కార్తవీర్య ద్వాదశనామ స్పోత్తమ్ ॥

Note:-

(1) Srimad Bhagavatam says a few lines about Arjuna (he was the son of Kritavirya and hence called Kartaviryarjuna), in verses 23 to 27 in chapter 23, Book9. The verses and their rough translations are given here.

అర్జునః కృతపీర్యస్య సప్తద్వీపేశ్వరో బ్రావత్ । దత్తాత్రేయాద్ధరేరంశాత్ ప్రాప్తమోగమహాగుణః ॥ న నూనం కార్తపీర్యస్య గతిం యాస్యన్తి పార్తివాః । యజ్ఞదానతపోయోగశ్రుతపీర్యజయాదిభిః ॥ పఞ్చాశీతిసహస్రాణి హ్యవ్యాహతబలఃసమాః । అనష్టవిత్తస్మరణో బుభుజే బ్రామ్మ పడ్వసు ॥ తస్య పుత్రసహస్రేషు పఞ్చైవోర్వరితా మృధే । జయధ్వజః శూరశేనో వృాషభో మధురూర్జితః ॥

Arjuna, the son of Kritavirya became the ruler of the entire world with its seven continents. From his guru Sri Dattatreya he attained a part manifestation of Sri Hari. He became an expert yogi and was blessed with the siddhis (mystic powers). No other king could be compared with Arjuna in valour, munificence, asceticism, wisdom and other virtues. He ruled for 85,000 years and enjoyed all the pleasures. His strength (of body, mind and senses) remained unimpaired. His very remembrance proves to be a security against loss of wealth. He had a thousand sons. All of them, except five, were killed by Parasurama. One of Arjuna's descendants was Yadu. Yadu's descendants were known as Yadavas.

(2):- Arjuna or Kartaviryarjuna, as he is popularly known, also finds a mention in the Uttara Kanda of Valmiki Ramayana. (chapters 31 - 33). Sage Agastya narrates the story of Ravana to Rama.

Ravana did severe penance and as a result got great powers from Brahma. He felt he was invincible. He could defeat anyone he came across with ease. He became puffed up with pride and was looking out for someone with whom he can have a good fight.

He went to the city of Mahishmati, the city on the banks of river Narmada, from where Arjuna ruled. Soon, he got into a severe fight with Arjuna. Ravana was hit on his chest by Arjuna and fell down crying. Arjuna trussed him up and imprisoned him. Sage Pulastya, the grand father of Ravana, heard of Ravana's defeat and subsequent imprisonment by Arjuna.

He felt pity for Ravana's condition and came to Mahishmati and requested Arjuna to release Ravana. Arjuna immediately acceded to the request and released Ravana. Later both Arjuna and Ravana entered into an treaty of friendship. Another version of the stotram containing his twelve names is given below.

These verses say that one who remembers the twelve names of the great Arjuna, son of Kritavirya, will be blessed with prosperity.

He will draw (attract) people to him. He will not lose his wealth or property by theft etc., and will also get back the money that he had lost.

॥ ఇతి కార్తవీర్య ద్వాదశనామ స్త్రోత్రమ్ సణ్పూర్ణమ్ ॥

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