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| | Tirtham | |
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| 1. Indra | | East. |
| Samboo | " | South-East. |
| Rudra Koti | " | Do. |
| Bashistha | " | South. |
| Mayi Guana | " | South-West. |
| Markandayem | " | Do. |
| Koshikam | " | Do. |
| 5. Augustia | " | Do. |
| 6. Nandi Varna | " | West. |
| 7. Agali Ghaie | " | North-West. |
| 8. Champa | " | Up the hill. |
| 12. Shankha | " | (Principal Tirtham) |

HILLS :—

1. Kakai Kundroo
(back yard of Tiruwadi Matham.)
2. Gram devataie
(adjoining Tiruwadai Matham.)

DEVATAS :—

- Paramaishwar ; Bal Subramaniam and Parvati,
- Veda Giri Ishwar (Principal God.)
- ≡ Panch Moogh Brahmah.
- ≡ Chandi Kayswar.
- . Nandi.
- .. Soorya.
- ... Chandra.
- Nattan Vinayakar (Ganieish.)
- × Subramania.
- ×× Nut Baju.
- ××× Shiva Kam Valli.
- ×××× Chockkammah.
- + Pusha and Vidhata.
- ++ Dakshana Moorty.
- +++ Maha Vishnu.
- Markandayem, worshipping Shiva Lingam.

INTRODUCTION.

This *little pamphlet* has been written in a hurry amid the worry and pressure of professional duties. It has also been cut down to compress it, within the space settled by the printer. Neither profundity of matter, nor perfection of style is aimed at. It is written in everyday language, and may limp a little here and there. Under the circumstances, I earnestly and respectfully request my readers to take it as it is.

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Its History.—In ancient time, Dakshanamoorthy, while teaching some of the Bhagtas at Kashi, (Benares), cursed eight Rishis.

“ That you Rishis, from this day, will be changed into birds, and will have to take meals from the hands of non-brahman (pandas). ”

Soon after these Rishis were changed into birds.—They travelled far and far and arrived at Veda-Giri (Veda-hill).

One of the Panda, was so struck with the beauty of these birds (ancient Rishis) that he brought some food and gave them. These birds were so hungry that they were obliged to take that food.

After giving the food, the said Panda went away. These birds (Rishis), being very thirsty, made hollow, with their beaks, in the rocks, to show that they were very thirsty. Finding their efforts useless, prayed to the Veda-giri Ishwar and after some time a sufficient quantity of water was found in the hollow, made by the beaks of these birds (cursed Rishis). Since that time, it is known as Pakshi Tirtham (Pakshi = birds ; Tirtham = water place).

Now, the whole village is known as Pakshi Tirtham or Tirukalli Kundram, (Tiru = beautiful ; kali = birds ; Kundram = hills, viz., hills where the beautiful birds dug tanks with their beaks.

Names of birds (Cursed Rishis) :—

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|-----------------|-----|---------------------------------------|
| (a) Krita yuga | ... | Champati and Jatayoo, (Rama's reign). |
| (b) Tirata yuga | ... | Jumboo Guptam and Maha Guptam. |
| (c) Duapar yuga | ... | Jumboo and Adi. |
| (d) Kali yuga | ... | Pusha and Vidhata. |

Six of these birds (cursed Rishis) got their *moksham* in the *three yugas*.

Now, only two birds (cursed Rishis) are living and they are still accustomed to come and take their food from the hands of the non-brahman (Pandas).

At the dead of the night these birds always used to go to Kashi (Benares), for bathing in the Ganges and from there used to come between 11 A.M. to 1 P.M. to Veda-Giri hill and take their meals from the hands of Pandas, and then go to Rameshwaram for *Dhurshan* and from there to Chidambaram for taking their bed,

Veda-Giri = Giri = hill, *viz.*, Veda-hill.

Veda-hill.—In most ancient times, hundreds of thousands of years fore the Christian era, the Rishis of different part of the globe used to come and perform their *Tapishsha* in the jungles and hills of Pakshi-Tirtham.

These Rishis also used to come and worship the Veda-Giri Ishwar (Ishwarar), the principal God.

One day, the Veda-Giri Ishwar said some *Kathas* to one of the Rishis. The said Rishi, listened to it very attentively and went into some corner of the mountain and wrote all this Katha (story, here it means instructions) on plantain leaves and Bhoj patra. In the same way, three other Rishis, listened to the katha and wrote it on plantain leaves. These four *kathas* (different stories, here it means instructions) written by different Rishis at different times were known as Vedas (Atharvan, Sama, Yajur, and Rig) and from that time, this hill was known as Veda-giri Ishwarar, *viz.*, (the hill, where the instructions of the principal God were written by Rishis).

SHANKA-TIRTHAM.

Its History :—Markandayer Rishi, coming to a tank (now Shanka-Tirtham), had no Kamandal to take the holy water for Abhishakam of Shiva, adjoining the said tank, uttered some *mantrams*, and suddenly a Shankham was found floating.

He filled the said Shankham with the holy water and thus performed his Abhishakam, and since then, *once in twelve* years, the shankham used to float. It was also found floating in the Shivaratri day in the month of March '09. It is also a common belief that *Markandayer is still living here.*

Abhi-shakam.—Pouring water, milk, fruits, sandal-wood paste over the Shiva.

Idi-Abhi-shaykam.—Idi = *Thunder*, or *lightning*. Once in every twelve years, *Lightning* used to fall over the head of Shiva without breaking the image, and without giving the least injury to the Gurkool (Chief functionary of the temple), who always used to busy himself with the worship. It is the *Devendera* himself (not the Lightning), who used to worship the principal God (Veda-Giri-Ishwar) in every 12 years and this Abhishakam is known as *Idi Abhishakam*, Abhishakam through Lightning).

Last time it occurred in July 08.

Chockammah.—Sometime back, there was a certain *Chetty* (well-to-do persons in Madras Presidency), who had no issue. He, with his wife, came to Veda Giri Ishwar Temple and made a vow :—

“That, from this date forward, if they had any issue, they will present the same to the said Ishwara.”

After some time, they had a *female* child, and on her 16th year, they again came to worship the said God. While, making a round of the hill, they were rather trying to settle the following question :—

“Whether, it is advisable for them to separate their *only loving daughter.*”

When they turned their heads, (because, the daughter was behind them and they were rather very busy, in settling the most critical question), they found, that their daughter was missing :—

They called out :—

Chockammah ! Chockammah ! and a voice was heard up the hill :—

I am here, mother ! I am here !

They went up the hill and found their daughter, busily engaged in worshipping the God.

Soon, they made up their mind, and presented their *only daughter*, to *the God*, with great joy and went away.

In course of time, the Veda-Giri Ishwar was so pleased with her *Bhagti*, that the Veda-Giri Ishwarar, used to call her as a Deity and since then she was known as a Deity.

Tirupoora Soondari.—She is the wife of Veda-Giri Ishwar. Her temple is situated in the *centre* of the village.

Sri Gan-anadhar Chintadri Yiniakar (Ganapati).—In just ascending the hill, the said temple is situated.

Rudri-coti:—Rudra = Devatas. } Crores of Devatas used
and Coti = Crore. } to worship in this temple.

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