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From J. BURGESS, Esq., LL.D., C.L.E., Director-General of the Archaeological Survey of India, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Calcutta, 6th February 1889, No. 128.

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4. Two identical inscriptions of Krishnaraya, which are dated in Saka 1431 (Nos. 29 and 30), inform us that the large Siva temple, which is now called Pampapati (No. 13 of the *Survey map*), and whose handsome, though recent *gopuras* are one of the chief sights of the modern village of Hampi, was formerly called Virupakshadeva. Several other temples at Vijayanagar were dedicated to Vishnu. One of them, which was called Ramachandra leva (No. 63 of the *Survey map*) probably owes its existence to one of the princes of the first dynasty, as it contains a Sanskrit verse in praise of the Narasimha avatara (No. 26 of the *Survey map*), there is a stone contains a colossal statue of the Narasimha avatara. Krishnaraya made certain gifts to the temple of Lakshminarasimbadeva, which he had built himself. According to two other inscriptions (Nos. 25 and 26), which are dated in Saka 1436, the same king placed a figure of Krishna, which he had brought from a victorious expedition against Udayagiri, or Udayadri, in a mandapa in front of the Krishna temple (No. 16 of the *Survey map*). The beautiful temple of Vithala leva (No. 4 of the *Survey map*) contains some inscriptions of the same Krishnaraya and of Sadasiya, the last king of the second dynasty. Close to it is a small temple (No. 3 of the *Survey map*) with two Telugu inscriptions of Sadasiya, which are dated in Saka 1478 and 1483 (Nos. 51 and 52).

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APPENDIX.

Number of inscription.	Number on the Madras Survey map.	Language.	King.	Saka year.	Cyclic year.
16	86	Canarese	Achyuta	1463	Sarvaria.
17	68	Sanskrit	Harihara	1307	Krothana.
18	68	Telugu	Sadasiva	1467	Visavasu.
19	34	Canarese	Krishnaraya		
20	North-east of	Canarese	Chimmaraja, son of Chikattimayadeva.	1443	Vikrama.
21	67	Do.	(Annapadevi)		Durmukhin.
22	63	Do.	Devaraja (?)	1435	Srimukha.
23	63	Sanskrit	Krishnaraya	1435 expired.	Bhava.
24	63	Canarese	Do.	Do.	Do.
25	16	Sanskrit and Canarese	Do.	1461	Vikarin.
26	16	Do.			
27	16	Sanskrit	Krishnaraya	1430 expired.	Sukla.
28	16	Do.	Do.	Do.	Do.
29	13	Sanskrit and Canarese	Do.		
30	13	Do.	Devaraja II	1348	Parabhava.
31	13	Sanskrit			
32	South-west of	Sanskrit	Achyuta	1465	Nandana.
33	35	Do.	Krishnaraya	1451	Virothin.
34	16	Canarese	Sadasiva	1467	Visavasu.
35	26	Do.			
36	28				
37	27				
38	27				
39	East of 16.				
40	18				
41	18	Sanskrit and Canarese	Achyuta		
42	In a gateway near "Kudderukula"				
43	Jain basti south of Hampi.				
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51	3	Do.	Do.	1478	Nala.

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