Mahâdeva. –4 N. of a king. [Prithu was the son of Vena, son of Anga. He was called the first king, from whom the earth received her name Prithvi. The Vishnu Purana relates that when Vena who was wicked by nature and prohibited worship and sacrifice, was beaten to death by the pious sages, and when consequently robbery and anarchy prevailed in the absence of a King, the Munis rubbed the right arm of the dead king to produce a son, and from it sprang the majestic Prithu, glowing like Agni. He was immediately declared King, and his subjects who had suffered from famine, besought the monarch for the edible fruits and plants which the earth withheld from them. In anger Prithu took up his bow to compel her to yield the supply so much needed by his subjects. She assumed the form of a cow and began to flee chased by the King. But she at last yielded and requested him to spare her life, and at the same time promised to restore all the needed fruits, plants &c., ' if a calf were given to her through which she might be able to secrete milk '. Prithu thereupon made Svayambhuva Manu the calf, milked the earth, and received the milk into his own hand, from which proceeded all kinds of corn, vegetables, fruits &c., for the maintenance of his subjects. The example of Prithu was afterwards followed by a variety of milkers–gods, men, Rishis, mountains, Nagas, Asuras &c., who found out the proper milkman and calf from their own number, and milked the earth of whatever they wanted ; cf. Ku. 1. 2]. –**थु** *f.* Opium. –**Comp.** –**उदर** *a.* big-bellied, corpulent. (–**रः**) a ram. –**जघन**, **-नितंब** *a.* having large or broad hips or slopes ; **पृथुनितंब नितंबवती लव** V. 4. 26. –**पत्रः-त्रं** red garlic. –**प्रथ, -यशस्** *a.* far-famed, widely renowned. –**रोमन्** *m.* a fish. °**युग्म**, the sign Pisces of the zodiac. –**शेखरः** a mountain. –**श्री** *a.* highly prosperous. –**श्रोणि** *a.* having large hips. –**संपद्** *a.* rich, wealthy. –**स्कंधः** a hog.

पृथुकः-कं Rice parched and flattened (Mar. पोहे). –**कः** A child ; **निम्नुर्जनम्यः पृथुकान् पथिभ्यः** *Si.* 3. 30. –**का** A girl.

पृथुल *a.* Broad, large, wide ; **श्रोणिषु प्रियकरः पृथुलासु स्पर्शमाप सकलेन सलेन** *Si.* 10. 65.

पृथ्वी [पृथु-ङीष्] 1 The earth. –2 The earth as one of the five elements. –3 Large cardamoms. –4 N. of a metre ; (see App. I.)–**Comp.** –**ईशः, -पतिः, -पालः, -भुज्** *m.* a king, sovereign. –**खातं** a cavern. –**गर्भः** an epithet of Ganesa. –**गृहं** a cave, grotto. –**जः** 1. a tree. –2. the planet Mars. –**धरः** a mountain.

पृथ्वीका 1 Large cardamoms. –2 Small cardamoms.

पृदाकुः 1 A scorpion. –2 A tiger. –3 A serpent, adder. –4 A tree. –5 An elephant. –6 A panther (चित्रक).

पृशन *a.* Ved. 1 Clinging, attached to –**नं** Clinging to, attachment.

पृश्नि (ष्णि) *a.* [स्पृश् -नि० किच्च पृषो० सलोपः; Un. 4. 52] 1 Short, small, dwarfish. –2 Delicate, feeble. –3 Diversified, spotted. –4 Various, diverse (Ved.). –**श्निः** A dwarf. –**श्नि** *f.* 1 A ray of light. –2 The earth. –3 The starry sky. –4 N. of Devaki, mother of Krishna. –4 The earth. –5 A cloud. –6 Milk. –**Comp.** –**गर्भः, -धरः, -भद्रः** epithets of Krishna. –**शृंगः** 1. an epithet of Krishna. –2. of Ganesa.

पृश्नि (ष्णि) का, पृश्नी (ष्णी) N. of an aquatic plant.

पृष् 1 A. (पर्षते) 1 To sprinkle. –2 To hurt, injure. –3 To give. –4 To vex, pain, weary.

पृषत् *a.* 1 Spotted, variegated. –2 Sprinkling –*m.* The spotted antelope. –*n.* 1 A drop of water or of any other liquid ; (said by some to be used only in pl.).–**Comp.** –**अंशः, -अश्वः** 1. wind, air. –2. an epithet of Siva. –**आज्यं** ghee mixed with coagulated milk. –**पतिः** (**पृषतांपतिः**) wind. –**बलः** N. of the horse of Wind.

पृषत *a.* [पृष्-अतच् किच्च] Spotted. –**तः** 1 The spotted antelope. –2 A drop of water ; **पृषतैरपां शमयता च रजः** Ki. 6. 27 ; R. 3. 3 ; 4. 27 ; 6. 51. –3 A spot, mark. –4 An antelope considered as the vehicle of Vâyu.–**Comp.** –**अश्वः** air, wind.

पृषत्कः An arrow ; **तदुपोढैश्च नभश्चरैः पृषत्कः** Ki. 13. 23 ; *Si.* 20. 18 ; Vb. 1. 1 ; **धनुर्भृतां हस्तवतां पृषत्काः** R. 7. 45.

पृषंतिः A drop of water ; **पयःपृषंतिभिः स्पृष्टा वांति वाताः शनैः शनैः** Bharata on Ak.

पृषभाषा =**पृक्षभासा** q. v.

पृषाकरा A small stone.

पृषातकं Mixture of ghee and coagulated milk.

पृषोदरः Wind, air. (The word is supposed to be compounded of **पृषत्** and **उदर**, the **त्** of **पृषत्** being dropped as an irregular case. The word is thus taken as the type of a whole class of such irregular compounds) ; **पृषोदरादित्वात् साधुः**, see Gana to P. VI. 3. 109.

पृष्ट *p. p.* [पृष्-प्रच्छ्-वा क्त] 1 Asked, inquired, interrogated, questioned. –2 Sprinkled.

पृष्टिः *f.* 1 Inquiry, interrogation. –2 Ved. A rib. –3 Touch. –4 A ray of light.

पृष्टहायनः 1 A species of grain. –2 An elephant.

पृष्ठं [पृष् स्पृश्-वा थक् नि० ; Un. 2. 12] 1 The back, hinder part, rear. –2 The back of an animal ; **अश्वपृष्ठमारूढः** &c. –3 The surface or upper side ; R. 4. 31, 12. 67 ; Ku. 7. 51; so **अवनिपृष्ठचारिणीं** U. 3. –4 The back or the other side (of a letter, document &c.) ; Y. 2. 93. –5 The flat roof of a house. –6 The page of a book. (**पृष्ठेन, पृष्ठे** ' behind, from behind'). –**Comp.** –**अनुग, -गामिन्, -यायिन्** *a.* going behind, following ; Pt. 1. 59. –**अस्थि** *n.* the back-bone. –**उदय** *a.* an epithet of particular signs of the zodiac, *i. e.* Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Sagittarius and Capricorn. –**गोपः, -रक्षः** a soldier who protects the rear of a warrior while he is fighting. –**ग्रंथि** *a.* hump-backed. –**चक्षुस्** *m.* a crab. –**तल्पनं** the exterior muscles on the back of an elephant. –**दृष्टिः** 1. a crab. –2. a bear. –**पातिन्** *a.* following. –**फलं** the superficial contents of a figure. –**भागः** the back. –**मांस** 1. flesh on the back ; **प्राक् पादयोः पतति खादति पृष्ठमांसं** H. 1. 81. –2. a fleshy protuberance on the back. °**अद, °अदन्** *a.* back-biter, slanderer, calumniator. (–**दं -दनं**) back-biting ; **पृष्ठमांसादनं तद्यत् परोक्षे दोषकीर्तनं** Hemachandra ; see **पृष्ठमांस** above. –**यानं** riding. –**वंशः** the back-bone. –**वास्तु** *n.* the upper story of a house. –**वाह्, m.**, –**वाह्यः** a draught-ox. –**शय** *a.* sleeping on the back. –**शृंगः** a wild goat. –**शृंगिन्** *m.* 1. a ram. –2. a buffalo. –3. a eunuch. –4. an epithet of Bhîma.