ings, and five treble; single instances occurring of four, five, seven, eight, and even nine meanings attached to roots identical in sound. It will only be necessary to give the few following examples:-

PA="drink;" whence Skr. pi-bû-mi="I drink;" Gr. pe-pô-ka, po-sis (="drink"), &c.; Lat. po-tus, po-to, po-culum, &c.

PA="protect," "maintain," "rule;" whence Skr. pd-mi="I protect;" Gr. po-sis (="husband"), des-poi-na, des-po-tês, po-tnia, pa-têr; Lat. pa-ter, po-tis, po-tens, po-tiri, pa-sco, pā-bulum, &c.* DA="give," "divide," "bind."

AD (a variety of DA?)="eat," "smell," "hate."

KAR, or KAL (r and l being interchangeable)="call," "do," "move," "curl," "divide," "conceal," "cook," "gladden."

II .- VARIATIONS OF MEANING IN DIFFERENT WORDS DERIVED FROM THE SAME ROOT, OR FROM DIFFERENT ROOTS IDENTICAL IN MEANING.

My illustrations under this head will be taken from Geiger's work,† already so frequently referred to, and will be confined to derivatives traceable to the single idea of "binding," as represented by different roots, all containing that meaning. The root DA="bind," mentioned above, which occurs in the Gr. deô (whence diadem, and perhaps dei, implying necessity), is referred by Geiger to an older form, dja. With this is closely connected the root dam="tame," whence, in this signification, Lat. domare, dominus, &c. The primary signification was doubtless "bind," "join," &c., whence Gr. demas, "body," "frame;" dêmos, "community," "people;" damar, "wife" (con-jux); demô, "build," and domos, "house;" Lat. domus. Corresponding to this root dam="tame," we have the Skr. jam, with the same signification. Then we have the root ju="unite," "bind," to which the same authority refers zonnumi, and to which may also be referred the Lat. jus, and Engl. justice, jury, &c. Closely akin to this in sound and meaning is the root jug, or jung, Lat. jungo, Gr. zeugnumi, to yoke or harness, Lat. jugum (and con-jux), Germ. joch, Eng. yoke. To dam and jam Geiger adds another root, gam. Skr. dampati and gampati="husband and wife; jama="twin" and gami="brothers and sisters" (Geschwister), Lat. gemini. Skr. jûmi="sister" and "daughter-in-law;" for the latter we have also gama; gamatri and jamatri="son-in-law." With this are connected Gr. gambros, Lat.

^{*} I only give derivatives with the first examples, as they are sufficiently well known to the general student.

[†] Op. cit., p. 80, et segg.