Kashmiri or Köshirü

The Kāshmīrī language is the language of the Valley of Kashmīr. In a dialectic form it has spread south-west into the Valley of Kashṭawāṛ (Kishtwar), and to the south it has flowed over the Pīr Pantsāl Range into the lower hills lying north of the River Chināb, where it reappears in a number of mixed dialects.

The word 'Kashmīrī' (عَدْرِي) is Persian or Hindī, and is derived from the Sanskrit Kāśmīrikā. It is not the name used by the people of Kashmīr itself. There the country is called Kashīr', and the language Köshīr'. This word itself is an excellent example of the fact that the language belongs to the Dardio sub-family, for in India the change of śm to ś or sh would be impossible.

Kāshmīrī is bounded on the north by the Shinā language of the Dard group of the Dardic sub-family. On the west it is bounded by Linguistic Boundaries. the Chibhāli and Punchi dialects of Lahnda, a language belonging to the North-Western group of the Indo-Aryan vernaculars, but strongly affected by Dardic influence. To its south it has, on the west, the Dogri dialect of Panjābi; and, to the east of Dogri, the Bhadrawāhī dialect of Western Pahārī. Pogri (see Vol. IX, Pt. i, p. 637) is a real dialect of Panjābī, but Bhadrawāhī is a transitional form of speech between Western Pahārī and Kāshmīrī,—leaning more to the former than to the latter,—and therefore classed under the former (see Vol. IX, Part iv, pp. 888ff.). To the south-east of Kāshmīrī we find Pādarī, another Western Pahārī dialect of a character similar to that of Bhadrawāhī (Vol. IX, Part iv, pp. 903ff.). On the rest of the eastern side of Kashmīrī, and also a little to its north-east, going northwards on the east of Shinā, lie a series of Tibeto-Burman dialects, Purik (Vol. III, Part i, pp. 42ff.), Ladakhī (pp. 51ff.), and Baltī (pp. 32ff.), all separated from the Kashmir Valley by inhospitable ranges of mountains and in no way affecting its language.

Kāshmīrī has one true dialect,—Kashṭawārī, spoken in the Valley of Kashṭawār (commonly known as Kishtwar), lying to the south-east of the Valley of Kashmīr. Kāshmīrī has also overflowed the Pīr Pantṣāl Range into the Jammu Province of the State, and in the valleys between the southern hills of the range, between the water-shed and the valley of the Chināb, there are a number of mixed dialects, such as Pogulī, Sirājī of Doḍā, and Rāmbanī. The first two of these represent Kāshmīrī merging into Western Pahārī, while the third rather represents Kāshmīrī merging into Dogrī. Farther east, over the greater part of the Riasi District of the State, there are more of these mixed dialects, about which nothing certain is known, except that the mixture is rather between Kāshmīrī and the Chibhālī form of Lahndā. Grammars are given below of Kashṭawārī, Pogulī, Sirājī, and Rāmbanī; but no materials are available for these Riasi dialects.

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¹ According to the system of transliteration followed in this Survey, the word should properly be spelt 'Kāshmīrī,' with a ligature under the 'sh.' But the word is of such frequent occurrence that I have here dropped the ligature as an unnecessary complication. The 'sh,' however, is not to be considered as therefore the same as the Sanskrit sh (w). It is rather the same as the Sanskrit sa (x) or the Persian shīn (...).

Printed 'Chhibhali' in the map. See the remarks on p. 505 of Part I of this Volume.

In the standard Kāshmīrī of the Valley, there are minor differences of language, which, however, are not sufficient to entitle us to divide it t into further separate dialects. For instance, the Kāshmīrī spoken by Musalmāns differs from that spoken by Hindūs. Not only is the vocabulary of the former more filled with words borrowed from Persian, but also there are slight differences of pronunciation. Again, there is, as in all countries, the distinction between town and village talk. In villages a few old forms have been preserved that have disappeared in towns, and there are also variations of pronunciation. Finally, there is the language between the language of prose and that of poetry. As in other languages, the latter preserves many forms that have disappeared in the modern prose speech.

Returning to the dialects of the Musalmans and of the Hindus, it should be remarked that there are more than nine Musalmans in the Valley to each Hindu. As already stated, the Musalman dialect borrows freely from the Persian vocabulary. On the other hand, the Hindus borrow from Sanskrit, but not to the same extent, and, although the speech of a minority of the population, their dialect is much purer Kashmiri than that of their Musalman brethren.

The figures, based on the Census of 1891, originally returned in the earlier operations of this Survey were incomplete for Kāshmīrī, and I therefore give the population figures for Kāshmīrī spoken in its proper home as recorded in the Census of 1911:—

Standard Käshm	iri spo	ken :	n Kas	hmir	itself							1,039,964
Kashtawārī .									•			7,464
	•		•									8,158
Sirājī of Dodā								•				14,732
Rāmbani .							•				•	2,174
Mixed Dialect of	f Riaei		•		•		•		•	•	•	20,252
	!	rota!	Num	ber of	Speak	ers o	f Kāsl	hmiri	at Ho	me	•	1,092,744

In addition to the above there were recorded 95,013 speakers of Kāshmīrī in the State of Jammu and Kashmīr, who did not reside in that part of the country of which it was the vernacular.

Kāshmīrī is also spoken by emigrants from Kashmīr to other parts of India. The figures are as follows:—

NW. Frontier 1	Provir	nce							533
Panjab						•			6,480
Panjab States								•	710
Other Provinces	•					•		•	422
						Тот	АL		8,145

¹ The principal is the Musalman tendency to shorten final vowels. Thus, for 'what' the Musalmans say kya and the Hindus kyā or kyāh; for 'I should have struck,' the former say maraha, and the latter mārahö. The Musalmans also have a Dardic preference for dropping an r. Thus, they say bonth, before, while the Hindus say bronth; gāngal, distraction, where the Hindus prefer grāngal.

³ For differences of forms we may quote as an example the village wanamow, instead of the city wanow, we shall tell you. In pronunciation, we may quote the frequent interchange of d and r, as in kūd, for kūr, a girl; mod, for mor, a body. Also, in villages the Dardie confusion between cerebrals and dentals is much more marked. This also occurs in city talk, as in wothun, to arise, as compared with the Hindi uthnā, but in villages it is extremely common.

The total number of speakers of Kashmiri is therefore as follows:—

At Home	•	•	•		•	•		•	•	•		1,092,744
Elsewhere in												95,013
Elsewhere in	India	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	8,145
									Tot	rat,		1,195,902

These figures differ from the total given in the Indian census tables (1,180,632), ow g to differences of classification of some of the mixed dialects.

related to Shinā. It has, however, for many centuries been subject to Indian influence, and its vocabulary includes a large number of words derived from India. Its speakers hence maintain that it is of Sanskritic origin, but a close examination reveals the fact that, illustrious as was the literary history of Kashmīr, and learned as have been its Sanskrit Pandits, this claim of Sanskrit origin cannot be sustained for the vernacular of the latter. Kāshmīrī is a very old language. Three words in it are quoted by Kalhana (circ. 1150 A.D.) in his Rājataranginī, and these are not very different from the language of the present day.

To the philologist Kāshmīrī is a language of great importance, as it is the only example of an Aryan language in the condition of being converted from an analytic to a synthetic language. The oldest known form of Indian speech is Vedic Sanskrit. This was highly synthetic, with a system of declension of nouns and of conjugation of verbs as complicated as in Latin or Greek. In process of time this, or a kindred and similar language, developed into, say, Western Hindi, a language as analytic as English or French, in which nouns have, at most, only two cases and are declined with the aid of postpositions, while only one or two tenses of the verb have survived, the rest being made up with the help of auxiliary verbs. For instance, in Sanskrit 'a house' is grihah, and in Latin mansio, and 'of a house' is, respectively, 'grihasya' and mansionis, in both of which the change of case-meaning is indicated by a change in the form of the word. This is synthetic declension. But in Hindi 'a house' is ghar and in French it is une maison, and 'of a house' is, respectively, ghar-kā and d'une maison, in which the change of case-meaning is indicated by suffixing or prefixing a post- or pre-position. The word itself undergoes no change. This is analytic declension. Again, 'he speaks' is in Sanskrit kathayati, and 'to speak' was in Mediæval Latin parabolare (from the Latin parabola, a parable). 'He will speak' is respectively kathavishvati and parabolabit. Here the change of tense-meaning is indicated by a change in the form of the word, and we have an example of synthetic conjugation. But in Hindi 'he will speak' is $kah\bar{e}$ - $g\bar{a}$, literally 'he is gone $(g\bar{a})$ that he may speak $(kah\bar{e},$ which is merely a corrupted form of the Sanskrit kathayati), and in French it is parler-a, literally, he has (a) to speak (parler, which is a corrupted form of parabolare as if we said " parabolare habet").' In Hindi and French the change of tense meaning is not indicated by a change in the form of the word, but by the addition of the auxiliaries $g\bar{a}$ and a

¹ This question is dealt with at length in an Appendix to this introduction. See pp. 241ff.

¹ See Sir Aurel Stein's note in his translation of R. T. v. 397. The words are Rangassa Hillu dinne, which in modern Kishmiri would be Rangas Hillu dynn", (the village of) Helu is to be given to Rang.

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respectively. Here we have instances of analytic conjugation, as compared with the synthetic conjugations of Sanskrit and Latin.

Now, Kashmiri illustrates a further stage in the development of language. The declension of nouns is in the main analytic. There are a few survivals of the ancient synthetic cases, but in the main cases are differentiated by postpositions, as in Hindi. Thus, we have gara, a house, and garuk" (for gara-k"), of a house. But note, here, that the k^* has become attached to the gara, and is no longer a separate word like the Hindi Garuk" is now as much one word, and a word in the genitive case, as the Sanskrit grihasya or the Latin mansionis. In other words the declension is again becoming synthetic, and the process has been 'first analytic (gara-k') and then again synthetic (garuk"). But in other cases the declension remains analytic, as in gara-manza, from the house, in which the noun and the postposition are still two entirely distinct words and as yet show no signs of becoming amalgamated into one.1 Similarly, the conjugation of the Kashmiri verb may be analytic. The word for the past participle 'said' is dop", and for the past tense, 'I said,' we may have (as in the Hindi mai-ne kaha) me dop", literally, 'by-me said.' But we may also add a suffix meaning 'by-me' to dop", so that the two become one word,—thus, dopum, I said. Here we have a synthetic method of conjugation in optional course of formation. We may have dopum, I said; doputh, thou saidst; dopun, he said, and so on, which is just as synthetic as the Latin dixi, dixisti, dixit, with this difference, that in the case of Kashmiri, we know exactly how these synthetic forms came into existence.

If, now, we return to India, and take languages of the Outer Circle, like Bengali or Marāthī, we find again a state of affairs similar to that of Kāshmīrī, but more advanced. In Kāshmīrī, the synthetic conjugation is optional. We may use either the analytic me dop" or the synthetic dopum. But Bengali or Marathi have gone a step further. The analytic conjugation has been abandoned and only the synthetic conjugation is now employed. It is no longer optional, but is now compulsory. We have only the Bengali kahilām, and only the Marāthi mhanilo, for 'I said,' from the past participles kahilaand mhanil-, respectively. From these examples, we see the importance of Kashmiri to the philologist. It is a language caught, so to speak, in the act of changing its nature from analytic to synthetic, and thus shows how the synthetic conjugation of Indian languages of the Outer Circle, such as Bengali and Marathi, has arisen. Hitherto there have been many speculations on the subject, which we now see were all wide Kāshmīrī substitutes certainty for speculation. We can now watch of the mark.2 Indian speech in its developments from birth to birth. First synthetic; then, as in Hindi, analytic; then, as in Kashmiri, agglutinative or semi-synthetic; and then, as in Bengali and Marāthī, again synthetic; and so, as in the Indian belief as to the fate of the soul, the chain of samsara, or weary round of transmigration, goes on perpetually ohne Hast, aber ohne Rast.' In future ages future philologists will, if they have a language like Kāshmīrī to guide them, observe the same series of changes occurring over and over again, synthetic to analytic, analytic to agglutinative, and agglutinative back again to synthetic.

¹ It may be noted that we can see similar instances of the development of analytic declension into synthetic occasionally occurring in Panishi. Thus, the Panishi for 'in a house' is either the analytic ghar-vicheh or the synthetic gharicheh.

² The usual, but incorrect explanation is that the terminations of kahilan, mkanilo, etc., are relics of an old verb substantive.

Kāshmīrī has a small, but respectable, list of literary works, about which not much is known. So far as I am aware, the oldest author was a Literature. woman named Lalla or Lal Ded. She probably lived in the 14th century A.D. Hundreds of her verses are quoted all over the Valley and are in everyone's mouth, and MS. collections of them have from time to time been made under the Sanskrit title of Lallāvākyāni. She is said to have been a holy woman, and to have been accustomed to wander about the country in an almost nude condition, her excuse being that he only was a man who feared God, and that there were very few such men about.' Her verses are all religious and are strongly tinged with Saiva philosophy. The first poem that can be dated is the Bānāsuravadha, the name of the author of which is unknown to me. It is in the Hindu dialect, and was written in the reign of Sultan Zainu'l-'abidin (1417-1469 A.D.).2 Other poems of which the approximate dates are known are the following: - Devakara Prakasa Bhatta was alive during the eight years of the reign of the Hindu king Sukhajivana Simha, who came to the throne in 1786 A.D. He lived in the Gojawar (Sanskrit, Gulikāvātikā) quarter of Srinagar, and wrote a history of Rama entitled the Ramavataracharita, with a sequel entitled the Lavakuśacharita. Both of these are highly poetical works in pure Kāshmīrī. They are specially interesting as containing many legends not found in any Paramananda of Indian version of the Ramayana with which I am acquainted. Martanda is said to have died in 1822 A.D. at the age of 68 years. He wrote a history of Krishna entitled the Krishnavataralila, a work which follows the Indian tradition much more closely. These three works are all excellent specimens of the Kāshmīrī language, and, though in the Hindu dialect, are not too highly Sanskritized. With a much fuller Sanskrit vocabulary is a history of the circumstances connected with Siva's marriage with Parvati, entitled the Sivaparinaya, written by Krishna Razdan, or Rājanaka, who was alive as an old man at the end of the last century. He lived at Vanpuh (Sanskrit, Vanaposha) in the Anatnag Pargana, and his poem is much admired by Kāshmirī Pandits. It is full of Saiva philosophy. The late Professor Bühler, in the Report (pp. 1ff.) referred to below in the List of Authorities, mentions the following Hindu works of which he obtained MSS. I have not seen any of them:—

Name of Author.	Name of Work.
Ganakaprasasta.	Samsāra māyāmõhajā lasukhaduhkhacharita.
Sāhib Kaul.	Krishņāvatāra.
Anonymous.	The Sanskrit Amarakisha, with a Kashmiri explanation.
))	Janmachasita.
**	Nirvāņadēśaślōk is tava.
,,	Rāmāvatāra (perhaps the work already mentioned).
,,	Sivalagnavarnana.

Of writers in the Musalman style the best known is Mahmud, or Muhammad, Gami, who died in the year 1855 A.D. He wrote a Yūsuf Zulaikhā, a Lailā wa Majnūn,

¹ See Hinton Knowles, Kāshmīrī Proverbs, p. 20.

² Bühler, Report, etc., p. 90.

³ As a sample, in these poems Sītā, the wife of Rāma, is said to have been the daughter of Mandôdarī, who abandoned her immediately after birth and subsequently married Rāvana.

An edition is in course of publication by the Asiatic Society of Bengal.

and a Shirin o Khōsrau, all on familiar Persian models. An edition of the first-named, with a partial translation, has been prepared by the late K. F. Burkhard, regarding which particulars will be found in the List of Authorities. Other works in the Musalman dialect mentioned by Bühler, and which I have not seen, are:—

Name of Author.

Saifu'd-dīn.

Sumty Pandit.

Anonymous.

Hārūn Rashīd.

Mahmūd-i-Ghaznavī.

Shēkh Sannā.

The Serampore Missionaries published a version of the New Testament in 1821. This was printed from type in the Śāradā character. Similar editions were issued at Serampore of the Pentateuch (1827) and of Joshua-Kings (1832), but the Bible was not completed. The British and Foreign Bible Society published a version of the New Testament in 1884, and of the Old Testament with a revised version of the New Testament in 1899, all in the Persian character.

In the year 1879 A.D. the late Pandit Isvara Kaula completed an excellent grammar of Kāshmīrī, in the Sanskrit language and entitled the Kasmīrasabdāmrīta. This has been edited by the present writer, and was published by the Asiatic Society of Bengal in 1898. The same author was engaged on a Kāshmīrī-Sanskrit Dictionary at the date of his death in 1893. The materials collected by him for this purpose were subsequently made over to the present writer, and from them and other sources a Kāshmīrī-English Dictionary is now in course of preparation.

Connected with formal literature, though not a part of it, are the subjects of folktales and proverbs. Kashmir is a land of proverbs, and common speech is profusely interlarded with them. A valuable collection of Kāshmīrī proverbs has been made by the Rev. J. Hinton Knowles, particulars regarding which will be found in the List of Authorities. This should be in the hands of every student of the language. It is full of information regarding the customs and the character of the people. Kashmir is also celebrated for its folktales. Not only are some familiar in every home, but there are also professional rāwis, or reciters, who make a living by telling fairy-tales worthy of the Arabian Nights. These men recite with astonishing verbal accuracy stories that have been handed down to them by their predecessors, now and then containing words that have fallen out of use, and with the meaning of which they are now unacquainted. Sir-Aurel Stein has made a collection of such tales, as dictated by one of these men, which he has handed over to the present writer for translation and publication. Long after they had been recorded it was found necessary to check the texts, and Sir Aurel found the man again, and had him recite again the doubtful passages. They were given by him in exactly the same words as those recorded some sixteen years previously. An interesting illustration of the way in which they have been handed down is given by their form. Every now and then the narrative is broken by the phrase 'dapān wustād,' i.e. '(and my) master says (as follows).' An excellent collection of Kāshmīrī folktales

³ Some years ago, having occasion to print something in this character, I made enquiries in Calcutta regarding this type. I found that it, and the punches, had long disappeared, having been sold as waste metal. It is the only Sarada type that has been cast.

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APPENDIX.

THE LINGUISTIC CLASSIFICATION OF KASHMIRI.

In the Kashmir Census Report for 1911 (p. 179) the following remarks are made regarding the classification of Kāshmirī:—'Kāshmirī used to be hitherto treated as of Sanskritic origin. It has this time been grouped with Shinā-Khō-wār according to the revised system of classification, but the claim locally urged that it is essentially a Sanskritic language persists, and in view of the historical fact that the Valley of Kashmīr, before its conversion to Islām, was wholly populated by Brāhmans with their shastric lore, that claim might merit reconsideration.' As this point has thus been raised in an official publication of the Kashmīr State, it is advisable to discuss the question of the correct classification of the Kāshmīrī language in some detail.

In the first place, questions of sentiment, however much we may sympathize with them, must be put altogether to one side in dealing with a purely scientific question. No one values the contributions of Kashmir Pandits to Sanskrit literature more highly than the present writer. For upwards of two thousand years Kashmir has been a home of Sanskrit learning, and from this small valley have issued masterpieces of history, poetry, romance, fable, and philosophy. Kāshmīrīs are proud, and justly proud, of the literary glories of their land. During all these centuries, Kashmir has been subjected to the civilization of India proper. The Piśācha tribes to its north and north-west remained a hostile and barbarous people, devoid of Indian culture and with no literary history of their own. Kashmiris themselves maintain that their country was formerly inhabited by Piśāchas, who were ultimately overcome by Aryan immigrants from India, and this tradition is borne out by the features presented by their language. That the literary activity of the country and the imported Indian culture should not have reacted on the vernacular speech of the inhabitants is impossible. It has reacted most powerfully, and under that influence the language has become deeply imbued with forms and idioms derived from the languages of India proper. But all the time the basis,—the old speech of the original Piśacha inhabitants,—has, as will be shown in the following pages, remained firmly established, and it is upon this basis that linguistic science demands that classification be founded. It in no way follows from this that the Brahman inhabitants of Kashmir are of Pisacha origin. The contrary is almost certainly the case. Tradition, ethnology, and linguistics unite in asserting that they are representatives of an early immigration from India.

It has been previously pointed out that the Dardic or Pisacha languages occupy a position intermediate between the Sanskritic languages of India proper and the Eranian languages farther to their west. They thus possess many features that are common to them and to the Sanskritic languages. But they also possess features peculiar to themselves, and others in which they agree rather with languages of the Eranian family. It is unnecessary to discuss here those common to them and to Sanskritic languages, but, as regards the others. we shall see that they are also to be found in Kāshmīrī. That

¹ For further details, see The Pisaca Languages of North-Western India, by G. A. Grierson, published by the Royal Asiatic Society in 1906.

Bsh. $br\bar{o}h$, a brother; Sh. $d\bar{o}n\bar{o}$, a bull; Bsh. $k\bar{o}r$, Kl. $kur\tilde{o}$, Sh. $k\bar{o}n$, an ear, and many others, a or \bar{a} has become u or o. Many more examples could be quoted, but the above are sufficient to show that Kāshmīrī shares its tendency to epenthesis with all the Dardic languages.

In Kāshmīrī, when a word ends in one of the letters k, ch, \underline{ts} , t, or p, that letter is aspirated, and becomes kh, chh, $\underline{ts}h$, th, th, or ph, respectively. There is nothing like this in India, but it certainly also occurs in V., and probably in other Dardic languages. Thus, the Ksh. krak-, noise, becomes krakh, and similarly the V. masek-, moon, becomes masekh.

In the introduction to the section on Lahnda (pp. 237ff. of Part I of this Volume) it was pointed out that when a Prakrit word contained a double letter, this letter was, in the modern languages of India proper, either retained unchanged, or else reduced to a single letter with a lengthening of the preceding vowel in compensation. Thus, the Pr. bhatta, boiled rice, becomes the Pañjābī bhatt, and the H. bhāt. It was also pointed out that in Ksh., and in Lahndā and Sindhī (two languages much subjected to Dardic influence) the vowel was not lengthened, although the double consonant was reduced to a single one. Thus, the same Sanskrit word becomes bhut in Sindhī and bata in Ksh. It also, perhaps, reappears in the Bsh. bita, meat. There are hundreds of similar examples in Ksh. which it is unnecessary to repeat here. Several will be found in the table given on the pages above referred to. Here we may quote a few from Bsh. to show how typical this is of Dardic generally:—Pr. uchcha-, high, H. ūchā, but Bsh. ucha-sth, to raise; Pr. chamma-, skin, H. chām, Bsh. cham; Pr. katṭēi, he cuts, H. kāṭē, but Bsh. katā, a knife; Pr. piṭṭhī, the back, H. piṭh, Bsh. ptī (for pitī). Similarly for the other Dardic languages.

So far we have dealt with general phonetic rules, but when we consider letters in detail the connexion between Kāshmīrī and Dardic is equally manifest. Thus:—

In the Dard group of Dardic languages an initial k sometimes becomes g, as in My. $g\bar{\imath}$, what? The same occasionally happens in Ksh. $g\bar{a}sh$, light, as compared with the Skr. $k\bar{a}\delta a$ -.

In India, when the letter v in Sanskrit forms the latter member of a compound consonant, the first member of which is a mute, it is elided in Prakrit, and the first member is doubled. Thus, Skr. pakva-, ripe, Pr. pakka-, H. pakkā. In the Dardic languages, including Ksh., exactly the reverse process is followed. It is the first member that is elided, while the v is retained and is hardened to p. Thus, the Skr. pakva- becomes the Ksh. pop*. There is very little like this in the modern Indian languages, but in Dardic we have cases like Bsh. $ps\bar{u}_f$, a father-in-law (Skr. śvaśura-); V. pseh, what?, derived from a word akin to Av. chvant-. It will be observed that in these the sibilant is preserved as well as the hardened v, and the same is the case in the Kh. ispusār, a sister, connected with the Skr. svasār-. In Indian languages this only occurred in Apabhramśa Prakrit, where we find such forms as $pa\tilde{i}$ for Skr. tvam, thou, and other cases of the change of tv to pp, but no other compound, with v for the second member, became p.

In Indian languages an original t between two vowels is as a rule dropped, as in Skr. kṛita-, done, H. kiā; Skr. pitā, a father, H. piu; Skr. śata-, a hundred, H. sau.

In Paisachī Prakrit this t was, on the contrary, preserved, and this rule is followed with great consistency in the modern Dardic languages, as well as in Kāshmīrī. Thus, from the Pahlavi katak, a house, we have Kh. khatan; Skr. tata-, a father, Bsh. tot, Wai. tata, and so others; Skr. krita-, Bsh. kutt, done, Ksh. kyut" (i.e. kit"), for; Skr. sata-, a hundred, Bsh. sher (with change of t to r), Ksh. hat- (with change of s to h); Skr. bhūta-, become, Ksh. (Sirājī) butō, was.

In India an original ty becomes ch, as in H. sach, true, from Skr. satya. In Dardic and Ksh., on the other hand, ty often becomes t, as in Ksh. sat-, true. So, corresponding to the Skr. nrityati, he dances, we have the Bsh. root nāt- and the Sh. root nat, but H. nāch.

In India a Skr. tr becomes t, as in Skr. putra-, a son, H. pūt; Skr. gotra-, a clan, H. gōt, and so on. In the Dardic languages and in Ksh. it may remain unchanged, as in Wai. piutr, Kl. pūtr, Ksh. pŏtr, a son; Skr. trīni, three, H. tīn, while, compared with the Av. thrāyō, three, we have Bsh., Kl., Ksh. trĕh, Wai., Sh. trē, Kh. troi.

We have seen that in the Dardic languages tr usually remains unchanged. Often, however, in the Dard group it is, as already stated, changed to ch or sh. Thus, we have the Sh. root chak or trak, see; the Skr. gōtra-, a clan, becomes gōt or gōsh, in Sh. The Skr. putra-, a son, is push in Sh. and pūch in Grw.; the Skr. strī, a woman, is chei in Sh. Similarly, in the Rāmbanī dialect of Ksh., we have chēī or trai, three, corresponding to the Sh. chē, V. chhī, and My. chā. It may be noted that a similar change occurs in the neighbouring Eranian Ghalchah languages, as in Wakhī pötr, Sarīqōlī pöts, a son.

One of the most persistent consonants in India is the letter n. In the modern languages it almost always survives, but in the Dardic languages and in Ksh. it is liable to elision. Thus, Skr. manusha-, a man, is Kl. mōch, V., Sh. mush. In Ksh. we have the corresponding word mōts-, which is said to be the word for 'man' used by demons, the ordinary word being manōsh, which is borrowed direct from Skr. In other words, the original Dard term has been discarded as vulgar in favour of the high-flown borrowed Skr. word. Another important example is the Ksh. word dyār, money, which, strange to say, is a corruption of the Latin denarii, come to Kashmīr through Greek and Sanskrit, or through Greek direct. The Skr. form of the word is dīnārāḥ.

The Hindu Prakrit grammarians noted as a peculiar fact that in Paiśāchī Prakrit ny became ñ. This is not the case in India, where ny became n, as in Skr. dhānya-, H. dhān, paddy; Skr. anya-, H. ān, another. But Ksh. exactly follows the Paiśāchī Prakrit rule. It has dāñē, paddy, and several other similar words.

In modern Dardic languages r, when standing alone, is frequently elided. Thus, we have the Sh. root mir, but Gwr. root mi, die; Pash. karam or kam, I do; Bsh. shei, the head, as compared with the Skr. kiras; Bsh. dio, wood (Skr. diru-); Kl chau, four (H. chai). So in Ksh. we have bos, a kind of almanac, derived from the Skr. bnaskari; grangal or gangal, distraction; grond or gond, a leg; and bronth or bonth, before. So, in the Kashtawari dialect of Ksh. we have nyit for nirit, having emerged; and in the Sirāji dialect ichchh for richchh, a bear, and many others.

In India, when r originally preceded another consonant, it is usually dropped, as in H. sah, all, from Skr. saroa-; but in the Dardic languages and in Kāshmīrī the r is

usually retained, and if any consonant is dropped it is the second one. Thus, corresponding to the Skr. karna-, an ear, we have Bsh. kōr, Kh., Wai. kār, Kl. kurõ; to the Skr. gardabha-, an ass, we have Kl. gardōk, Kh. gurdōah; to Skr. sūrya-, the sun, we have Kl. sūri, Gwr. suri, Kh. sūrī, My. swīr, and Ksh. sirī; and to Skr. sarva-, all, Ksh-sōr*.

In India, a sibilant now and then becomes h, as in Skr. $\bar{e}kasaptati$ -, H. ikhattar, seventy-one. This change is, however, rare except in Lahndā and Sindhī, which are under strong Dardic influence. On the other hand, in the Dard group, including Ksh., this change is very common, and is subject to the rule that it is mainly confined to an original \acute{e} or sh, s being rarely changed. Moreover, the sibilant is retained before certain vowels. A good example of this latter point is the Ksh. hih (pronounced hyuh), like, derived from an older $hi\acute{e}u$. But the feminine of hih is hish, even in the modern language, because a sibilant does not become h when followed by \ddot{u} - $m\bar{a}tr\bar{a}$. Other examples of this change are:—

Skr. upaviśati, he sits down, Ksh. běhi, and so other Dard languages; Skr. vimśati-, twenty, Sh. bēh, Ksh. wuh; Skr. daśa-, ten, Ksh. dah; Skr. śata-, a hundred, Ksh. hat-; Av. khśvaś, six, Gwr. shoh, My., Kl. shōh, Ksh. shěh; Skr. śiras-, a head, Ksh. hār; Skr. śava-, a corpse, Ksh. hap-; Skr. visha-, poison, Ksh. věh, and many others. It should be observed that this obtains almost exclusively in the Dard group. For instance, in the Kāfir Dardic dialects we have Bsh. vitsi, twenty; dits, ten; shai, a head; and wish, poison.

The compound consonants shp and sm of Skr. sometimes become a simple sh in Dardic. Thus, Skr. pushpa-, a flower, becomes Kl. $p\bar{u}sh$ -ik, Ksh. $p\bar{o}sh$; and the Skr. $Kasm\bar{v}ra$ -, Kashmir, becomes $Kash\bar{v}r^{\bar{u}}$ in Ksh. Similarly, sk becomes s in $b\bar{o}s^{\bar{v}}$ for Skr. $bh\bar{a}skar\bar{v}$, a kind of almanac. There is nothing like this in India.

It has been stated that the Dardic languages often show changes peculiar to Eranian, especially East Eranian, languages, and which are not found, or are rare, in India. A few of these may be mentioned here, as they are noticeable in Ksh.:—

In East Eranian the change of ch to ts is common. So also in modern Dardic and Ksh. The same change occurs in the Indian Marāthī, but only before certain vowels. Here it occurs before all vowels. Thus, while Kl. and Pash. have kuch, the belly, Wai. has kiuts. Compare H. chār, four, with Gwr. tsūr, Ksh. tsōr; H. pāch, five, with Gwr. pants, Ksh. pānts; Burushaski chōmar with Gwr. tsimar, iron; Skr. chhāgala- with Ksh. tshāwul", a goat.

Another very similar change,—that of j to z,—is frequent in Eranian. It is very common in Ksh. One example will suffice. Compare Skr. jīva-, life, with Gwr. zien, alive, Ksh. zuv, life. There is a similar change on the Indian Marāṭhī, but not before i.

The change of d to l is regular in East Eranian. It is common in the Dardic Veron, and is also found in other Dardic dialects. An interesting example is the Prs. $m\bar{a}dar$, a mother, which corresponds to the Sh. $m\bar{a}l\bar{\imath}$. In Ksh. l, but not d, becomes j before \bar{u} - $m\bar{a}tr\bar{a}$, so that we get $m\bar{o}j^{\bar{u}}$, a mother. From Sh. $m\bar{a}l\bar{\imath}$, a secondary masculine is formed, viz. $m\bar{a}l\bar{o}$, a he-mother, i.e. a father, the Ksh. form of which is $m\bar{o}i^{\bar{u}}$.

In Eastern Eranian sht is frequently changed to t. So, in Dardic and Ksh., the Prs. pusht, the back, becomes Bsh. pti, Sh. patō, Gwr., Ksh. pata, behind, and so on in others, just as in the East Eranian Balochi it becomes phut.

In modern Indian languages, the sh of the Skr., shat, six, becomes chh, as in the H. chha, Bengali chhay, Pañjābī $chh\bar{e}$. The Dardic languages, including Ksh., follow the Eranian method of changing the initial $\underline{kh}\delta v$ of the Av. $\underline{kh}\delta va\delta$, six, to sh, instead of using the Indian chh. Thus we have Bsh. sho, Wai. $sh\bar{u}$, V. ushu, Pash. sh^a , Kl. $sh\bar{o}h$, and so on, which agree with the Ksh $sh\bar{e}h$. There is nothing like this in India.

In modern Eranian dialects, an original δ sometimes changes to ch, as in the Kashāni $ch\bar{u}m$ for the standard Prs. $sh\bar{u}m$, evening. This, also, is not uncommon in Dardic and in Ksh. Thus, the Av. $a\delta i$ -, an eye, is represented by Bsh., Wai. $ach\tilde{e}$, Kl. $\check{e}ch$, Ksh. $achh^i$. So Skr. $\delta \bar{u}nya$ -, empty, becomes Ksh. $chhon^n$; Skr. root $pa\delta$, see, is represented by the Sh. pach; Skr. $a\delta ru$ -, a tear, is osh^n in Ksh., but achu in Bsh.; Skr. $\delta v\bar{e}ta$ -, white, Ksh. $chhot^n$. In India, the reverse is the case, chh often becoming s, and the change from δ or sh to chh, as in the H. chha, is very rare.

Finally, Ksh. has certain phonetic changes of its own that are quite foreign to India. In India, dm becomes dd, as in the Bengali $p \check{o} ddo$, from Skr. padma-, a lotus. In Ksh. this becomes m, as in the word pam- $p \check{o} sh$, a lotus-flower. Again, in Ksh. ld becomes l (a thoroughly un-Indian change), as in gal, a shout, connected with the vedic Skr. galda-, and with the Bsh. $gijj\bar{i}$, speech. This word is also heard, under the form gall, in Pañjābī and Lahndā, which are, as we know, strongly influenced by Dardic. Sanskrit itself in post-vedic times borrowed it from Prakrit in the form $g\bar{a}li$ -, from which there is a series of modern Indian derivatives meaning 'abuse.'

Accidence.—Turning now to accidence, in the first place it should be noticed that, like Eranian languages, Kāshmīrī possesses a suffix with the force of the indefinite article, equivalent to the Persian $y\bar{a}$ - \bar{e} wahdat. Just as in Persian \bar{i} (ancient \bar{e}) is suffixed, so, in Kāshmīrī, \bar{a} is suffixed. Thus, Prs. yak- \bar{i} , Ksh. akh- \bar{a} , a certain one, a. It is hardly necessary to point out that there is nothing like this in India; but the same phenomenon is presented by Bsh., as in $pal\bar{e}$ -i, a servant.

The main principles of the declension of nouns is very similar in Indian languages, in Eranian languages, and in Dardic. We may, however, point out that there are some important differences of detail between Ksh. and Indian languages. Thus, in all the languages of northern India, strong masculine nouns, such as $gh\bar{o}r\bar{a}$, a horse, end in the nominative singular in \bar{a} , and in the nominative plural in \bar{e} $(gh\bar{o}r\bar{e})$. In Ksh., the corresponding nouns end in v-mātrā in the singular, and in i-mātrā in the plural, as in gur^* , a horse, plural gur^* Moreover, all masculine nouns have, in Ksh., a dative singular ending in s (as in $ts\bar{u}ras$, to a thief, guris, to a horse), and a dative plural in n (as in $ts\bar{u}ran$, to thieves, $gur\tilde{e}n$, to horses). In some Indian dialects there are oblique plurals in n, but there is nothing like the Kāshmīrī dative singular in s till we reach Marāthī, far to the south. Further, Ksh. has cases of the agent (as in gur^* , by a horse) and ablative (as in guri, from a horse), to which there is nothing corresponding in India. The s-dative is not peculiar to Ksh., but also exists in Kl. and Pash., and also perhaps in Sh., where it has the force of the agent.

To add definiteness to the meaning of the cases, postpositions are employed in Indian and prepositions in Eranian languages. In the Dardic languages both are used, though Ksh. prefers the former. Of the postpositions, one or two only remind one of India, the rest being peculiar to Dardic. The Ksh. postpositions of the genitive, sond, uk, and un, all have parallels in India,—a relative of sond being found in the Mārwārī handō, of uk in the H. $k\bar{a}$, and of un in the Gujarātī $n\bar{o}$. Similarly, it is possible to compare manz, in, with the H. $m\tilde{a}jh$, but it more nearly resembles the Dardic V. munj and the My. maz. But the other postpositions are either quite peculiar to Dardic or are borrowed from Persian. As Dardic examples, we may quote kyut (an adjective), for; $pu\underline{ts}hy$, for; $p\tilde{e}th$, on; $k\tilde{e}th$, in; and $p\tilde{e}tha$, from

Ordinary adjectives here call for no remarks, but the Ksh. numerals are so decidedly Dardic and so distinct from the forms current in India that some attention must be paid to them. Thus:—

One. This is ak-. It may be either Indian, Eranian, or Dardic, but is more like Prs. and Gwr. yak than Indian ēk.

Two, $z^{z}h$. In Ksh. di becomes z, so that the word is connected with the Bsh. diu and the Kh. $j\bar{u}$, rather than with the Indian $d\bar{o}$.

Three, treh. This is regular Dardic. Cf. Bsh. Kl. treh, Wai.-tre, Sh. tre, Kh. troi, and so on. India has tin, and the like.

Four, tsōr. The ō is Dardic, as in Kh., Grw. chōr, Gwr. tsur, Sh. chorr. India has ā, as in chār.

Five, pānts. This may be Indian, Eranian, or Dardic.

Six, sheh. This is Dardic, as in Bsh. sho, Wai. shu, V. ushu, Pash. she, Gwr. shoh, Kl. shoh, Sh. shah, and so on.

Seven, sat. This, with the short a, is Dardic, as in Pash., Gwr., Kl., Grw. sat. Sh. satt, and so others. India has sāt.

Eight, öth or aith. This may be Indian or Dardic, but the vowel is not Indian.

Nine, nav. This may be Indian, Eranian, or Dardic.

Ten, dah. This is Dardic, with the typical change of & to h.

Twenty, wuh. The same remarks apply.

Hundred, hat-. The same remarks apply.

From the above we see that all the first ten numerals may be of Dardic origin, and that some of them must be. Some are distinctly not Indian.

The first two personal pronouns may be shown as follows:-

I,	bóh	thou,	te°h.
me,	m e	thee,	teĕ.
my,	myón"	thy,	chyón".
we,	as ⁱ	ye,	tŏh'.
us,	asĕ	you.	tŏhĕ.
our,	ิ่งอัก ^น ั	your,	tuhond

It will at once be seen that not one of these forms agrees with the corresponding Indian pronouns.

Similarly for the demonstrative, pronouns we have :—

	This.	That (near).	That (far).
Sing. Nom.	yih	huh	suh.
Dat. (animate)	yimis	humis, amis	tamis.
Dat. (inanimate)	yith	huth, ath	tath.
Plur. Nom.	tim	hum, -am	tim.
Dat.	timan	human, caman	timan.

Again it is not necessary to draw attention to the various points of difference between this and the Indian forms. It may be especially pointed out that India has nothing corresponding to the distinction between the proxximate and remote demonstrative pronouns, although it once existed in Sanskrit.

While none of the above forms are Indian, they alll have their cognates on other Dardic languages. This has been fully worked out irin my Piśāca Languages of North-Western India, and need not be repeated here.

The above remarks also apply to the other pronounces, and space need not here be wasted in considering them. Particulars will be found in the work just mentioned.

As regards verbs, the general principles of conjugation are on the whole the same in Indian, in Eranian, and in Dardic, but a few facts stand out. While the present tense of the verb substantive, based on the participial for rm chhuh, he is, is also to be found in India, the past tense, formed from the root $\bar{a}s$, sit,t, in δs^* , he was, is not at all used in that sense in that country. This root $\bar{a}s$ is, however, common in Dardic. Thus, for 'he was' we have My. $\tilde{a}s$, Grw. $\bar{a}sh$, Kh. $\hat{a}sistai,i$, Kl. $\bar{a}sis$, and so on.

In the conjugation of the ordinary verb, the present participle ends in ān, as in mārān, striking, a form that does not occur in India,, but which has many Dardic relatives, such as Bsh. vinan, Gwr. thlimān, Kl. tīman, all r meaning 'striking.'

While the Indian verb has only one past participle, Ksh. has three,—one (môr*, struck) indicating past time in the near past, another (r (māryōv) indicating past time indefinitely, and a third (māryōv) indicating remote past tirtime. One of these (māryōv, for māryō) has the same origin as the past tense of India (a (Braj māryau), but the others have had an independent line of growth. Although we è do not yet know enough in regard to the other Dardic languages to distinguish betweenen the meanings of the various forms of the past participle in them, it is certain that Wai., i., Kh., Sh., and My. have at least each two. Thus, Wai. has vinā and vinasta, Kh. ganani and ganista, Sh. shidō and shidēgō, and My. kuta and kuṭagal, all meaning 'struck.'

The Ksh. infinitive is built on the same lines as in Indindian languages, i.e. it ends in $un\ (m\bar{a}run)$, which may be compared with the H. endingng in $n\bar{a}\ (m\bar{a}rn\bar{a})$. In most Dardic languages, the infinitive ends in k, but in V. it et ends in n to which k is added, as in pesumti-n-ik, to strike. The termination is therefore re not specially Indian.

In the formation of the tenses Ksh. differs widely from m Indian languages. The old present, a tense that survives alike in Indian, Persian, and Dardic, in India generally

¹ It is not the same as t as the root as, be, which does occur in several Indian languages.

has the force of the present subjunctive, but in Ksh. it is used as a future. In its conjugation it shows little relationship with Indian languages. Thus, to compare Ksh. with H., we have:—

		Ksh.	H.
Sing.	1.	māra, I shall strike	mārữ, I may strike.
	2.	mā rakh	mārē.
	3.	māri	mārē.
Plur.	1.	mārav	mār ё .
	2.	mā ri o	mā r ō.
	3.	māra n	mār ë .

On the other hand, as shown in the book above referred to, the Ksh. conjugation closely follows that of the other Dardic languages. The same remarks also apply to the imperative.

As regards the participial tenses, they are made in the Dardic languages on the same principles as in India. A present and imperfect are formed from the present participle conjugated with the appropriate tenses of the verb substantive, and a perfect and pluperfect from the past participle conjugated with the same. These call for no remarks.

Ksh. has three past tenses, one corresponding to each of the three past participles. Indian languages, of course, have only one. Some Indian languages form the past tense by adding pronominal suffixes to the past participle, as in the Bengali $m\bar{a}ril\bar{a}-m$, struck-by-me, i.e. I struck. In Ksh. the same procedure is followed, but with the important difference that the suffixes do not form a necessary part of the word. They are removable, and may be used or not as the speaker desires. Thus, he may say either $m\delta rum$, struck-by-me, or $m\delta m\delta r^*$, by-me struck, for 'I struck.' This affects the whole structure of the language.

Syntax.—In the order of words in a sentence, Ksh. differs altogether from Indian languages. In the latter the subject comes first, then the object or predicate, and last of all the verb; but, in ordinary Ksh. the verb precedes the predicate, as in Persian. Thus, in Ksh. they say:—

suh chhuh gāṭul" mahanyuv",

he is clever man,

while in H. they say:-

wõh hõshyär ādmī hai.

he clever man is.

Now, the order of words used by a man in speaking indicates the order of his thoughts. Hence, the order of thought in Kashmīr is different from the order of thought in India.

Prosody.—In prosody, although the whole literary history of Kashmir is intimately connected with Sanskrit, modern Kāshmīrī has abandoned Indian metres. The metres used are all Eranian, and what may be called the heroic metre of the language, employed even in Hindū epics like the Rāmāvatāracharita, is the well-known Persian metre called Baḥrī Hazaj.

Vocabulary.—Finally we come to the question of vocabulary. It is on this that the claim that Kāshmīrī is a Sanskritīc language is most strongly based, and, if languages were classed according to vocabulary, the claim would be difficult to controvert. But it is well known that vocabulary cannot be used as a basis of linguistic classification. If it were, High Urdū would have to be classed with Persian as an Eranian language, for the great majority of its words are borrowed from Persian. So, if vocabulary were the test, the Kāshmīrī spoken by Musalmāns, who form nine-tenths, and more, of the population of the Valley, might be classed as a form of the same language.

As has been stated above, Kashmir has for at least two thousand years been under Indian literary influence. It is the only one of the Dardic languages that has a written character and that has a literature. For centuries it was the home of great Sanskrit scholars, and at least one great Indian religion, Saivism, has found some of its most eloquent teachers on the banks of the Vitastā. Some of the greatest Sanskrit poets were born in and wrote in the Valley, and from it has issued in the Sanskrit language a world-famous collection of folklore. Under such circumstances it would be extraordinary if the great bulk of Kāshmīrī vocabulary were not closely connected with the vocabularies of the neighbouring Sanskritic languages, and such, indeed, is the fact.

But, nevertheless, some of the commonest words,—words that are retained longest on any language, however mixed, and that are seldom borrowed, such as the earlier numerals, or the words for 'father,' 'mother,' and the like,—are closely allied to the corresponding Shinā words, and are therefore of Dardic origin. The following is a list of some Shinā words which have cognate forms in Kāshmīrī. Some of these words also occur in Indian languages, but they are also Dardic, and are examples of the same form appearing in both families of Aryan speech.

English.	Shina.	Kāshmiri.
acid	churko	<u>ts</u> ok™.
after	phatū	pata.
anger	rösh	rash.
army	ร์รั	sīna.
arrow	kon	kān.
aunt (father's sister)	papi	poph.
aunt (mother's sister)	mā	mās.
autumn	sharō	harud.
bad	kachō	koch*.
be	b o~	bŏw-
bear (the animal)	ich	ichchh (Sirājī).
beard	da ĩ	dör [®] .
between	majja	mans, in.
bite	chup- (verb)	<u>isop</u> * (noun)
blow	phū-	phukh
blue	nilo	nīl".
bone	ati	a ģij^e
be born	jo-	αφη- z ĕ•.
both	bêye	biyë, a second time.
bow	dānā	dust.
bo y	shud a r	shur".
break	put-	phut.
breath	shã	shāh.
brown	gäro	guruļ*.
bull	dōñō	dānd.
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English.	Shipā.	Kachmīrī.
camel	£a\$	tja.
cold	shidalo	shatil.
CO W	g o	gāv.
crooked	kölö	hal*.
CLOM	kā	kār.
dance	nat-	nate.
day	des	doh.
death	mären	māra.
die	mir	mat.
dog door	shū	hūn" (or, dialectic shān").
dry	dar	dar.
	shuko	hökh".
ear earthquake	kon	kan.
earing name	b ü y iäl ko-	buAul".
eclipse	gr ã	khš.
elephant	hasto	grôn". host".
escape	much-	mökal
еуе	ăchi	achhi.
face	mukh	mökh.
far	dūr	der.
father	mālo, bābo	môl", b āb a.
finger	ag ū i	ong*j*.
flour	& nt	ôŧ".
foot	рā	p&d.
forget	amush-	mash
fortnight	pach	pack,
fox	$l \widetilde{o} y$	lô h.
give	di-	di
gold	son	eőn.
grape	jach	dachh.
grass	kach	hach,
great hand	baddo	boda.
handle	hat dono	atha.
hot	aono tāto	dan.
industrious	,	tot*.
kill	gresto mār-	grisia, a farmer.
knee	kutū	m är köth ".
language	bāsh	bāshē, child's cry
lay down	po-	pāw
lead (metal)	nāng	nāg.
leaf (of tree)	pāto	pater
learn	sich	hěchh.
lip	ōnt i	wufh.
little	chon	chhon", empty.
man	manusho	mahanyuv ^u .
meat milk	mos	mās.
muk moon	dut võn	død.
month	yūn māz	sün. mäs.
more	mü <u>t</u> s	
mother	māl š	matā, much. möj ^s (for möl ^s).
mouth	aî	ös (for äsi).
naked	nanno	non.
name :	nām	nio.

English.	Ships.	Kāshmīrī.
new	ทอเซลิ	now.
night	rāti	rāt
Dose	nāto	nast.
old	pron 5	prônu.
place	dish	dieh.
plough	hal	ala.
pride	badyār	bajër (for başyër), greatuess.
ram	karšlo	bat
receive	lay-	lab
return	far-	phör.
right (not left)	dashino	dachhin".
rise	uth-	woth
- sand	sigel	•čk
scatter	shij-	chhih
beed	b8	by∂l•.
shoulder	piow	pyuk".
silver	rūp	rop.
singing	gai	gĕv
sit	bas-	bšh
em oke	dūm .	d*h.
smooth	ptchiliko	pishul".
snow	hin	shin.
son	puch	putr
soul	jil	s8.
spade	bel	b81.
atrength	shat	hčkat
sun ·	sūri	eirl.
sweet	mõro	mödur".
take hold	lam-	lam-, pull.
tear (vb.)	<u> 18</u> 87-	Hai
throat	shoto	hof*.
today	acho	ås.
tongue	jip	sĕv.
tooth	dŏn	dand.
vein	nār	nör [®] .
village	girom	gām.
wall	kut	kuțh", a room.
weep	70-	riw
wife	g ren	gariff, mistress of a house.
window	dari	dör ² .
wine	mo	mas.
with	eāti	edf.
woman	chai	trai.
work	köm:	köm ⁸ .
write	lik-	lökh
yes	āwā	avea.

We therefore arrive at the following conclusions. Kāshmīrī is a mixed language, having as its basis a language of the Dard group of the Dardic family allied to Shinā. It has been powerfully influenced by Indian culture and literature, and the greater part of its vocabulary is now of Indian origin and is allied to that of the Sanskritic Indo-Aryan languages of Northern India. As, however, its basis,—in other words, its phonetic system, its accidence, its syntax, its prosody,—is Dardic, it must be classed as such, and not as a Sanskritic form of speech.

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