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OR

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*** **GYNDEA** گینڈہ۔—*Rhinoceros*. A four-footed beast, larger than the buffaloe. Its skin black and indented; it is very hard, and used for making shields, which are held in great estimation. It has a horn near its nose. Its flesh is used in disorders of wind, and decreases urine and faeces. The smoke of the horn while burning is excellent in the cure of piles, and for producing easy labour; drinking water from a cup made of the horn will also cure the piles. P. *Kurguddun*.

*** **KENKRA** گینکرا۔—Its flesh is cool, and strengthens the seven component parts of the body; is aphrodisiac, and remedies profuse discharge of the menses. “ *The Crab*.”

*** **KESUR** گیسر or *Kunkunn*. *Saffron*. It is pungent and hot; exhilarates the spirit; useful in hiccup and in affections of the skin from a taint in the blood; it is beneficial in head-ache; allays vomiting; is vermifuge; cures boils and disorders of the three secretions, and cleans the complexion. P. *Zaffraan*.

*** **KYTE** گینٹی۔—When unripe, it is light; induces costiveness; used in disorders of the three secretions. When ripe, it becomes of a bitterish sweet, and is useful in dropsy, eruptions of the mouth, and in wind. It is heavy, clears the throat, is slow of digestion, and allays thirst.

*** **KYPUTTRIE** گینٹی پتڑی۔—Its leaves resemble the *Kyte*; it is hot and pungent; used in disorders from poison, phlegm in the throat, and seminal weakness.

*** **KYLOOT** گیلوٹ۔—Cool, astringent; useful in eruptions of the mouth, in mucus, and flatulent disorders.

*** **KEORA** گیوڑا۔—*Pandanus Odoratissimus*, (Roxb.) It is like the *Ketki*, but it is twice as large; its leaves are prickly, and about the same thickness throughout. It is in fact like a head of Indian corn before its leaves recede. It has a very powerful, penetrating, diffusible scent, more perceptible at a distance than when close; and after it is dried the smell remains. If it is put amongst linen, the smell will adhere to it for a length of time. The plant is about 12 feet high; its leaves resemble the *Juwar*, and are long and trefoil, with prickles upon all of them; it flowers when four years old. Earth is thrown up round the roots every