Matrimonial Relationship between the T[·]u-fan and the T[·]ang Dynasties

(Part II)

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IV.

Princess Wên-Ch'êng's Advent to Tibet and Her Remarriage

Among the Tibetan documents collected by Sir Aurel Stein from Central Asia, there is a fragmentary text which tells the circumstances of the advent of a Chinese Princess, $W\acute{e}n$ -ch'\acute{e}ng to Tibet. This text was already introduced with a deciphered reading by Dr. F. W. Thomas⁽¹⁾. However, since there are many parts where his version is not acceptable, the present writer will try to present here a new translation with his own reading⁽²⁾.

The text in question was obtained by Stein on his third expedition. Thomas refers to this text as *Vol. 69*, *fol. 84* of the Stein Collection. About two/fifths of the width of paper is missing from the right side of every sheet, and as a result 16 or 17 words from every line cannot be read.

Although it is somewhat long, the whole text will be examined here on the basis of the photo-copies offered by the India Office Library. On the sentences difficult to get the meaning, a decipherment of Thomas, when acceptable, is given in [] brackets. A reading by the present writer, when differently deciphered, is given in (()) brackets. For reference's sake, Thomas' reading is given in (\otimes) at the end of the lines. The parts that Thomas reconstructed, when acceptable, are given in Italics, while a tentative reconstruction by the present writer is given in () brackets.

⁽¹⁾ TLTD. II, pp. 8-15.

⁽²⁾ As to the doubt entertained by L. Petech, see Yamaguchi: "*rTsan yul* and *Yan lag gsum pahi ru*," The Toyo Gakuho, Vol. 50, No. 4, (March 1967), pp. 2–7.

- 1. gy((i Mu tho))...((g-Yan ca))n Mu tho ofg-Yan can fort..... (⊗g-yań∼na mdz…) m((khar))
- 2. ...s ston khri [g]das dan/ Cog [ro] Cun bzan hdam kon $(\otimes \dots s \operatorname{sto}(?))$ (dan)...
- 3. ... Ma ga tho gon kha gan la phyag b((gyi))so/ston mo ched po gsol... $(\otimes [bgiso])$
- 4. sras.((u)).((ston)) mo pha hbabs d[nul] lna dan/ bya dgah ched po (stsal te)...

 $\ldots s ston khri gdas^{(3)}$ and $Cog ro^{(4)}$ Cun bzan hdam kon (and)....

paid respects⁽⁵⁾ to Ma ga to gon kha gan, \dots respectfully held a great banquet⁽⁶⁾

the Son [of God] [=the Crown prince]⁽⁷⁾graciously holding a banquet⁽⁸⁾, gave, as the royal grants⁽⁹⁾, five pieces of silver(?) and a great number of re-

- (3) This gdas is the last part of a personal name. Cf. TLTD II, pp. 394, 409, 610, and 634, n. 18. Thomas' reconstruction to read sGra ya sto- (p. 10) cannot be accepted.
- (4) In this text there are two men with the name of Cog ro. Especially one of them, sTon re khon zun, was promoted to a higher rank when his daughter became a queen of the Ha sha King. (Cf. Lines 48, 49) According to dPaho gtsug lag hphren ba (KG, Ja, f. 18b-19a), Sron brtsan sgam po appointed five khos pon/khod pon (=mkhos dpon), the highest responsible officers, each for every region. The name of Cog ro rGyal mtshan g-yan gon is cited as mThon khyab khod pon among the list. Cog ro, as is mentioned in a form of Cog ro za of hDam in the T'un-huang documents (DTH, p. 120), seems to be a tribe settled around hDam (達木), i.e., 玉樹, 納克書 (Yos çus, Nags çod). See Yamaguchi, "rTsan yul and Yan lag gsum pahi ru", op. cit., p. 56, n. 117.
- (5) Those who paid respect to the Ha sha ruler must be the retainers of lha sras $Gu\dot{n}$ sron gun brtsan when he stepped into the Ha sha territory. This visit must have taken place after the eleventh month in the 9th year of Chên-kuan (635), when he made Mu-jung shun 慕容順 killed.
- (6) It may refer to the feast held by the $T^{\cdot}u$ -fan retainers together with the Kha gan to celebrate the victory over Mu-jung shun, puppet ruler support by the T'ang Court.
- (7) lHa sras (Gun sron gun brtsan) must have been at the 15th year of age at that time. If we are to accept Thomas' version "rtahi lo", then the prince was at his 14th year of age.
- (8) There is a space for about four words after sras. After that, gyis (kyis) or nas must have followed. Before mo, which appears next, ston must have been there. The reason for that is explained in Note 9.
- (9) pha hbabs is used as lo gsar gyi pha babs, to mean the gift or grant given from a superior person to a man in lower position. (See Desgodins: Dictionnaire Thibétain-Latin-Français, DTLF, 1889, Hong Kong, p. 621). The translation by Thomas is not acceptable here either. (Cf. TLTD II, p. 10; III, p. 22). Bya dgah is another word to mean "reward", given by a superior person to a man in lower position. In this case, it sounds a little presumptious for gnam gyi sras of Ha sha, who became hbans (vassal) to give by a dgah to the retainers of lHa sras. Judging from the context of the document as a whole, it is not appropriate to take kha gan as the subject of the sentence. This sentence, just like the one in Line 33, should be interpreted that the reward was given by lHa sras to important Tⁱu-fan persons. It must be the reward in recognition of their services in having overthrown Mu-jung shun and made Ha sha a vassal of the T'u-fan Court.

wards(10).

5. [du bta]((b nas l))u(gi lohi)was built and then the Sheep

lo sar dan/ dbyar sla ra bahi year⁽¹¹⁾ passed into a new year [636 [sku bla] ched po g((s))o((l))... A.D.], when the great feast⁽¹²⁾ in the first $(\otimes \text{ lo sor})$ summer to pray for the king's longevity (was respectfully held).

- 6. ((ston mo)) (gsol / dehi) dbyar(respectfully held) a banquet. rMa chab ((g))yi Mu to lyin na (That) summer, a cluster of tents were pitched⁽¹³⁾ at Mu to $lyin^{(14)}$ on the River $(\otimes \text{spyan})$ chud du btab... rMa chab⁽¹⁵⁾. When hunting for yaks was held⁽¹⁶⁾, the 7. ...(gnag) lins ched po bgyis te/ wild beast⁽¹⁷⁾, too, ri dags kyan n... The royal residence of (the son of) khri 8. ((Khri s))(ron brtsan gyi sra)s
- (10) Just as in the case of Line 33, there should be a continuation to make the sense that such rewards were granted in recognition of the services of the retainers. Then probably there came a sentence to the effect that prior to celebrating the new year the residence of winter was built somewhere.
- (11) From the photographic copy, the present writer could not confirm the presence of rta hi here. But a vowel sign u can be figured out in the preceding space. That makes the present writer think that there was a phrase lugi lohi. According to Thomas, because of the presence of hi, lugi or sbrul gyi cannot come in here and only rtahi lo fits here. However, since there are many occasions of the usage "lohi lo", his theory does not convince us in this case though we can agree with him that there was hi. Cf. To mean "came", there is a The word sor does not mean "came". Note 20. Tibetan expression of "...lo la bab". As far as can be deciphered from the photographic copy, sor is more likely to be sar. sar is the verbal form of an adjective gsar ma and means "be renewed", "change into", or actually to mean "pass into". Its related word htshar means "is completed". See Note 101. This can be confirmed from a similar expression for the date in Line 41 (Note 80), and also from the fact that the verb "sar" is generally used here in combination with dan, which means "then". For the grounds to read lugi lo, see Notes 5, 6, 9 and 20.
- (12) sku bla is an honorific for bla, and is taken to mean the King's bla. This word is discussed in T. V. Wylie: The Geography of Tibet according to the Dzam-glin-rgyasbshad, Roma, 1962 p. 130, n. 143; Nebesky-Wojkowitz: Oracles and Demons of Tibet, the Hague, 1956, pp. 481-483. It means the source of life. There is an etymological relation among the words of bla/la/lha. The passage here can be interpreted to mean that at the festival of sku lha, the King's longevity was prayed for. From this document, we can tell that the sku bla festivals were held in early summer and in early winter.
- (13) chud du is an ancient form of chun btu, or hchun hthu. The words mean "cluster" of hphru, or sbra, tents, that is hphru ma=dmag sgar (military encampment).
- (14) TLTD II, p. 14, n. 6.
- (15) rMa chab is probably another form of rMa chu. Cf. TLTD II, p. 15; R. A. Stein: Les tribus anciennes des marches Sino-Tibetaines, (TAMS), Paris, 1958, p. 48, n. 131.
- (16) (gnag) lins. gnag means the wild animals like g-yag or hbri, which can be domesticated. lins is an old form of glin or rlins, meaning "to gather" or "to collect". The form gnag lins is often found in the T'un huang Annals.
- (17) ri dvags, wild animals which cannot be domesticated.

	((gyi)) pho bran dehi dg[u]n	(sron brtsan) ⁽¹⁸⁾ was built at g-Yan can
	Sra bal gyi g-Ya[n ca]n (mkhar	fort of Sra bal in that winter, (and the
	du btab nas dgun sla ra baḥi	great feast, also, of the first winter to
	sku bla ched po yan der gsol)	pray for the king's longevity was respect-
	(\otimes khrin sa)	fully held there) ⁽¹⁹⁾ .
9.	de nas [dehi] (dgun)gnam gyi	Then in that $(winter)^{(20)}\dots(as a$
	sras Ma ga tho gon kha gan gyi	queen) of Ma ga tho gon kha gan, the
	(btsun mor) $(\otimes gi)$	son of heaven ⁽²¹⁾ ,
10.	s[e] t[o] ($(\tilde{\tilde{n}}$ in)) khab tu bshe[s]	Se to $\tilde{n}in^{(22)}$ was taken in marriage; the
	te Ha sha rjehi dpyan [lagi]	long-held wish of Ha sha's ruler was ful-
	$((sa))$ bkab nas/(\otimes ñaḥi)(\otimes su)	filled ⁽²³⁾ . After that
11.	((re dahi lton)) jen du spar/de	re was promoted to Dahi lton
	nas spreņu ((loņi)) lo((sar)) Sra	$jen^{(24)}$. And then the Ape year passed

- (19) This part is supplied, taking into consideration the number of letters and also from the context as a whole.
- (20) Although Thomas places the change of years in Line 6, there is no ground for doing so. As it is clearly seen in Line 41 that they built the royal residence during the winter and welcomed the new year. If we are to yield to Thomas and place the phrase *lugi* (*lohi*) *lo sar* somewhere, then it can be placed only in Line 8. In order to check if the number of letters would fit to the space or not, a Tibetan sentence would be tentatively supplied (see Line 50, Note 88) as follows: "mkhar du btab nas lugi lohi lo sar dan dbyar sla ra bahi sku bla yan der gsol". This, even spelled in an abbreviated way, is much too long for the space. It would be more natural to think that there was no change of the year in Line 8, too. What should be supplemented is shown in our reconstructed text. As a result, we can assume that the marriage of the *kha gan* took place in the winter of that year (*dehi dgun*). Cf. Lines 47 and 48.
- (21) The phrase gnam gyi sras is a title put on top of the name Ma ga to gon kha gan.
- (22) This seems like the last part of the name of the consort who was then married by the kha gan. Thomas translates this as a place name, perhaps suggested by the word Sa ton in Line 17. Sa ton is the name of the place where a summer residence for lha sras was built.
- (23) dpyan [lagi sa] is more correctly dpyan lag gi sa. lag is ldag, and can be taken as a different form of thag in today's usage. Then, dpyan thag gi sa, thus formed, means "a position suspended for a long time". Thomas reads sa as su, but what he thought as the sign for the u vowel is actually a stain on the sheet. bKab is a transitive verb form of hkhob or hgab, meaning "to fill vacance". It also means "to take a woman as bride". Since the Ts'ê-fu yüan-kuei 冊府元亀 and the Chapter of T'ai-tsung pên-chi in the Chiu T'ang-shu 旧唐書 recorded the visiting of Mu-jung No-ho-po 慕容諾曷鉢 for the twelfth month of 636 A. D., he could not be Ma ga to gon kha gan. It will be all the more certain if there be actually a phrase dehi dgun in Line 9. Cf. Note 20.
- (24) This sentence shows that the daughter's father was promoted to a higher rank. spar means "to increase". The phrase ((r))e dahi might be a mistake for da re dahi. And dahi is possibly derived from d'âi 大 in Chinese.

⁽¹⁸⁾ n in khrin in Thomas' reconstruction is quite unclear. So, the present writer deciphered the phrase as shown in the text above. Perhaps there was hphrul gyi lha bisan po, before this line.

ba[l] (gyi g-Yan can mkhar du bshugste dbyar sla ra baḥi sku bla ched)...

(⊗[b]d[e?]ḥi Lyoṅ)(⊗spreḥu losor)

 po yan [der] gsol/dehi dbya[r] yum btsan mo Khri bans gyi sham ((rin)) (du...

(\otimes du is not deciphered)

13. stoň ((re yo sar bkral)) nas/pho braň rMa chab gyi g((La))ň ma luň du b((tab))...

(⊗ stoň sde mo [spar] bkal)

- 14. deḥi ston pho bran Tsogi Sra bal gyi g-Yan can mkhar du btab nas (bya loḥi lo sar dan dbyar sla ra baḥi sku bla yan der gsol/deḥi) (⊗ lacks Tsogi)
- 15. dbyar ((g-Yan)) [ca]n mkhar du bshugste/shan rGyal tsan sug

into a new year [637 A.D.], (since the king was at gYan can fort of) Sra bal, (the great feast of the first summer)

also, was respectfully held there. In the summer of that year. Queen *Khri* bans⁽²⁵⁾, mother of [King *Ha sha*], accompanied by.....

A new levy of 1,000.....was imposed respectively⁽²⁶⁾, and a [new] royal residence was built at $gLa\dot{n}$ ma $lu\dot{n}^{(27)}$ on the River Ma chab.....

In the autumn⁽²⁷⁾ of that year, a royal residence was built at gYan can fort of *Sra bal* in *Tso*. And then (the Cock year passed into a new year—[638 A.D.]—, the great feast, also, of the first summer to pray for the king's longevity was respectfully held there. Of that year)⁽²⁸⁾

In the summer, the king stayed at g-Yan can fort⁽²⁹⁾, when Shan rGyal tsan (ful-

- (25) Considering for the fact that her son reached the marriageable age, yum btsan mo Khri bañs should be around forty years old at that time. Khri sron brtsan was at his 57th year of age in that year. So, Khri bañs should be either his eldest daughter, or a daughter of his father in the father's later years of age, i. e. Khri sron brtsan's younger sister. There seems to be more likelihood that she was his own daughter.
- (26) Thomas translated the sentence as "lady of the Ston-sde having been commissioned to erect." However, as seen above, it refers to a new taxation on the needs for construction of a royal residence. The reading *sde* in *ston sde* seems to be a mistake for *re* because of a stain, and *mo* is possibly *yo*, and *spar* is correctly *sar*. Thomas improperly deciphered the part where *sar* was cut in between and was shown out of position. "yo *sar*" seems to be the abridged form of "yo byad gsar ma". *bkal* should be definitely read as *bkral*.
- (27) Continuing on from Line 12, it refers to the event in the summer. Cf. Line 14.
- (28) Since it says in Line 14, "the autumn of that year", and at the beginning of Line 15, it says, "in the summer", we know that the change of years must have been mentioned in the part missing in Line 14. In addition to this fact, Sra bal gyi g-Yan can mkhar is the settlement where they spent the cold season every year. Since the place they spent the winter season was fairly regularized as we see also in the T un huang Annals, a fixed building for that purpose must have been there, or in the course of time they must have begun to live in a fixed residence. The missing part was tentatively supplemented on the basis of the number of letters to fill up the space.
- (29) Against the custom of changing the royal residence in summer, they stayed at g-Yan can mkhar, winter residence, in the summer of that year. We should remind of the fact that it was the year of his enthronement. Cf. Notes 30, 35.

las...

16. shan lo[n] hdi gñis [sug las] rjes nas rtsis ched po bgyis/ (de nas khyi lohi lo sar dan dbyar sla ra bahi sku bla ched)

(⊗ [rjes])

- 17. [p]o ya[n] der gsol/[de]hi
 dbyar pho bran Sa ton du btab/ de nas... (⊗ se)
- ((ḥi sku)) bla yaṅ der gsol/de nas ḥphrul gyi lha btsan po[ḥ]i (shal ṅa nas?)... (⊗ Ḥa sha sla)

filled) his task⁽³⁰⁾.....

After⁽³¹⁾ the task was completed, a big inspection was conducted by the two *Shan* lon. (And then the Dog year passed⁽³²⁾ into a new year—[639 A.D.] —, when the great feast of the first summer to pray for the king's longevity, also, was respectfully held there.) In that summer, a royal residence was built at *Sa ton*. And then⁽³³⁾,

the feast, also⁽³⁴⁾, to pray for the king's longevity was held there. And then, (His Majesty) btsan po, who is the God's incarnate, $[=Gu\dot{n} \ sro\dot{n} \ gu\dot{n}$ $brtsan^{(35)}]$

- (30) The missions or duties (sug las=lag las) of Sha'n rGyal mtshan mentioned here in Line 15 and those of the two Sha'n lon in Line 16 must respectively be related with the expelling of No-ho-po and the expedition to the Sung-chou 松州 area where a battle was fought against Hou-chün-chi 侯君集 in 638 A. D. Cf. Notes 105, 108.
- (31) Thomas' translation for *rjes nas* "having changed" is not acceptable. This word means "after" or "and then". The battle with the T'ang army ended in the ninth month of that year in the Chinese calendar.
- (32) A "big census" or "inspection" (rtsis ched po) was generally carried out in winter. It was the time during which there were little movements for the nomad (hbrog pa), and no busy tasks for the farmers (shin pa), nor the military men (rgod sde) were engaged in battles. From this census (in winter), we could tell that the change of years was mentioned in the missing part in Line 16. Also we can guess from the beginning of Line 17 that the sku bla festival of early summer was held there (=g-Yan can mkhar). It is indicated that the royal residence was then changed for summer. From the context in the beginning of Line 18 we can tell that something on the royal residence for winter was continuously mentioned at the end of Line 17. From the fact that another audit (rtsis ched po) was referred to in Line 20, we can tell that a complete cycle of seasons for one year was dealt with between the end of Line 16 and Line 20.
- (33) In the missing part, there must have been sentences which refer to the following: After they moved to the royal residence for winter, the feast, also, to pray for the king's longevity was held there. This succession can be confirmed by the phrase in the beginning of Line 18. Possibly the place was g-Yan can mkhar.
- (34) Thomas reads this sentence as "invited the Ha sha again (sla yan=slar yan) there". However, the part he reads as Ha sha can only be deciphered as hi shu. There is no r for slar and it is more likely to bla than to sla. It is quite obvious when we compare this sentence with other letters in this document. See Line 21.
- (35) After the ceremony of enthronement, the Prince (*lha sras*) came to be called here by the official title of the King: *hphrul gyi lha btsan po*. The missing part was tentatively supplemented by the author. It should be noted that the royal residence which had been called by this year, "sras gyi pho bran" or "*lha sras gyi pho bran*", was thenceforth called simply "*pho bran*". It was none other than Gun sron gun btsan who became the King of God's Incarnate (*hphrul gyi lha btsan po*) from the Prince (*lha sras*) at that time.

- dBahs⁽³⁶⁾ sTon re gnad ñun⁽³⁷⁾ 19. dB((ahs)) sTon re gnad ñun la stsogs pa mchis te/ḥdun ma $(\otimes \text{ dben sa})$ (bsduste?)...
- 20. rkan [bkris] sna drugi ((srun)) btab/rkan ton dan rtsis ched po bgyi... (phagi lohi) (⊗ [g]yuṅ)

others came, and the Council (was held) Six obligatory⁽³³⁾ services for $rkan^{(39)}$

- [=a unit of groups] were imposed to perform⁽⁴⁰⁾. Conscription(?)⁽⁴¹⁾ and a big inspection were carried out..... (The Hog year $^{(42)}$)
- 21. lo sar dan/dbyar sla ra bahi sku bla ched po gsol/de nas zla ba... (hphrul gyi lha btsan po Gun sron gun)

passed into a new year-[640 A.D.]-. The great feast, also, of the first summer to pray for the king's longevity was respectfully held.

- And then⁽⁴³⁾.....for.....months..... $(\otimes \text{ sor})$ (the God's incarnate, btsan po Gun Sron gun-(44))
- (36) Thomas reads this part "an assemblage... at the hermitage (dben sa)". Since there is no la don to express the locative sence of "at the hermitage", the author takes this as one of the famous clan names: dBahs of dBahs sTon re gnad ñun.
- (37) gnad $\tilde{n}u\dot{n}$ should be read as the last part of a personal name since it is followed by lastsogs pa.
- (38) Ususally, bkris is taken to be another form of hkhrid (to lead), but here it can be considered to be derived from the causative form of hkhri (to be engaged in), to mean "obligation" "compulsion". Thomas' interpretation, "foot wrapping" is not acceptable here (TLTD, II, p. 11).
- (39) rhan is the name for a unit of groups. In Desgodins: DTLF, p. 36 b, there is rhan rub, an ancient form for the presentday form, gar mo, to mean "masse compacte". rub pa is "to forge", therefore, rhan rub means "a lump of material which was forged". Even today rkan has the meaning of "a basic group", "material", or "one's place of origin".
- (40) There are two divisions of g-yun sde and rgod sde. As to the meaning of g-yun sde, there are different opinions. It is supposed to mean functional groups of citizens, while rgod sde is the organization of military groups. According to KG, f. 20b, g-yun sde is defined as the (khein=bran) and their servants (yain khein=yain bran). It enumerates 9 lords (rje dgu) (=agriculture), 7 shepherd groups (rdzi bdun), 6 artisan groups (mkhan drug), 5 tradesmen groups (tshon pa lina), and three underservant groups (hdzin gsum). If the 6 kinds of g-yu \dot{n} are referred to here in this line, then it can be taken that the allocation of 6 professions (mkhan drug) was carried out. As to rgod and g-yun, see R. A. Stein: "Deux notules d'histoire ancienne du Tibet", Journal Asiatique, 1963, pp. 327-330. From the photographic copy, all I could decipher is srun, which means with btab "were imposed to perform".
- (41) rKan ton means "drawing out (hdon, bton) from the unit of group (rkan). This phrase is often used in the T'un huang Annals. Thomas' interpretation is untenable (TLTD II, p. 428).
- (42) "The Hog year (phagi lohi)" is supplemented here on the grounds discussed in the Note 32.
- (43) It should be noted that, contrary to the usual style, no shift of the royal residence for summer is mentioned here, and it goes right into the story of Princess Wên-ch'êng.
- (44) The end of the missing part of Line 21 must have been what is shown in () brackets in the present text.

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- 22. btsan gyi (btsun mor) (khab tu?) rGya rjehi sras mo Mun ç[e]n kon co bshe[s]...
- 23. shan bTsan to re dan hBro shan Khri bzan kha ce ston dan/Cog ro... (hBro shan brTan) (⊗ bta'n)

24. [sg]ra ya sto mch[is] nas/de nas btsan mo Khri bans dan/ sras Ma ga tho gon kha gan... $(\otimes$ ya is not clear)

25. gçegs nas/yum sras kyi sham rin du/Ha shahi shan lon [ched po]...

-sgra ya sto came⁽⁵⁰⁾, and then Queen Khri bans, [the Mother of King Ha sha], and her Son Ma ga (tho gon kha gan)

Princess Wên-ch'êng, a daughter of

the Chinese ruler, was taken [as a

queen of (the God's incarnate, btsan po

shan bTsan to re⁽⁴⁶⁾ and hBro shan Khri

bzan kha ce ston⁽⁴⁷⁾ and Cog ro⁽⁴⁸⁾...

Gun sron gun) btsan]⁽⁴⁵⁾...

....., (hBro shan brTan-)⁽⁴⁹⁾

arrived, and then as the Lord chamberlain for the Queen Mother and the Prince, Great shan lon of⁽⁵¹⁾ Ha sha.... 26. Da ((re da)) blon yi dan/ Mug Da re da blon yi, and Mug lden dahi

lden dahi dvon svon dan/ dvon svon, and Dahi son hvan⁽⁵²⁾... ((dahi)) son hvan...

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- (45) In the missing part, it must have been indicated where and for what purpose the persons mentioned in Line 23 were dispatched. There is absolutely no reason for them to go to Kashmir as Thomas suggested (see Note 46). Possibly they were sent to China to welcome the Princess on the way.
- (46) The KG, Ja f. 47b, mentions a sNubs bTsan to re as a minister for Gun sron gun btsan. However, this is not suitable here, for there is no evidence in documents that sNubs was a shan.
- (47) kha ce is a part of a personal name; Thomas' translation "sent to Kashmir" is not acceptable. There is no particle of locative, la don, here, and in the old Tibetan literature there are hardly any example of locative in lack of a particle la don.
- (48) As to the Cog ro family, see Note 4. Cun bzan hdam kon is mentioned in Line 2 and sTon re kon zun, in Line 48.
- (49) hBro shan brTan sgra ya sto is mentioned as mDo blon ched po in Line 32. He came to pay respects to the bTsan po after a new royal residence for summer had been founded. See Note 64.
- (50) sgra cannot be clearly read in the photographic copy. The one who is referred to must be mDo blon ched po brTsan sgra ya sto. Probably he came from Khams (see Line 32 and Note 64) and other officials of high ranks came from Tibet proper to welcome the Princess.
- (51) In Line 34, it says that shan lon gyi gtso (bo) Da re da son (da pon?) of the Ha sha Court died. It is possible for us to take that a shan lon (ched po) mentioned first as one of the retainers of the Kha gan could have been he. The Kha gan's party came to welcome Princess Wên-ch'êng.
- (52) Thomas' reading of this line is not acceptable. Both dni dbon and rta dpon in his reading is untenable. The vowel sign i of $d\dot{n}i$ is not clear. It should rather be deciphered as "Mug Iden dahi dvon svon" (Cf. Line 52). The word in Line 27 is not dpon to mean "chief", but must be the end of a place name where a cluster of tents were pitched.

(S) Da red blon yi daň/
(Mug lden dňi dbon sor daň/
[rta] dpon Waň...)

- 27. o(n) dur/phuḥi thob pa/thabs can gi mchis bran la stsogs e... (⊗[p]on dan)
- 28. Mun çen khon co dan mjal nas/phan tshun phyag bgyis/ ston (mo ched po gsol nas... hbul skyems)
- 29. sna man po phul/de nas Mun çe[n kho]n co rTsan yul dbusu ... (⊗ Dbon)

at.....on du, the residences⁽⁵³⁾ and others of the men⁽⁵⁴⁾ of high rank⁽⁵⁵⁾ who were assigned (to welcome the Chinese Princess) and of men with titles⁽⁵⁶⁾ were

granted an audience⁽⁵⁷⁾ to Princess $W \acute{e}n$ ch' $\acute{e}ng$ and [the two] each exchanged the greetings. (A great) banquet (was held)(from the Princess to $bTsan \ po$ the presents)

of many sorts were offered⁽⁵⁸⁾. After that, at the center of the rTsan country⁽⁵⁹⁾, Princess Wên-ch'êng.....

- (53) In the presentday *mchis bran* means "madam", but in old documents it means a residence for the aristcracy, in contrast to the royal residence (*pho bran*). See Yamaguchi: "Retrospect and Prospect", in the *Shigaku Zasshi*, 75–5, 1965, p. 257.
- (54) The word *thob pa* means "the men on duty", "one who is entrusted to do something", "one who is chosen, (or assigned) to do things". It seems to be derived from the same root with *thabs*. See Note 55.
- (55) The word *phu*, together with the meaning of "the recesses of a mountain", means "men of high ranks", "men of the upper class" or "the superior". It is known also in the sense of "elder brother".
- (56) Judging from the usage of *thabs spar* in Line 49, *thabs* means clearly "a rank of officials". It can be confirmed by its usage seen on the South Face of the *T* ang *fan-hui-meng-pei* 唐蕃会盟碑.
- (57) This paragraph refers to the event that Gun sron gun btsan granted an audience to Princess Wên-ch'êng and the two exchanged the greetings. In today's usage, mjal is a honorific term to say an act of meeting by a person in the superior position. For instance, the king grants an audience to his subordinate (mjal kha gnan); A subordinate begs to have an audience of the King (mjal kha shu). In the text, it says, "khon co dan mjal", so that it cannot mean that some one in the lower position than the Princess saw her, it must be Gun sron gun btsan who met the Princess. It is just impossible to take this passage in the sense that the Kha gan of the Ha sha court, whose authority the T'ang Court did not recognize, exchanged greetings (phyag bgyis) with the Chinese Princess. Nor in the documents there is any scriptual evidence to prove such an incident. (Cf. TLTD, II, pp. 14-15) One should always keep in mind that the main concern of the description of this document is on Gun sron gun btsan.
- (58) This was done by the Princess to Gun sron.
- (59) The reading of the rTsan Country (rtsan yul) is verified by other sources; rtsan (DTH, p. 17), rtsan chen (ibid., pp. 16, 17, 21, 22, 24), rtsan bod (ibid., pp. 100, 106, pp. 111-112), rtsan bran (ibid., p. 107). Thomas' reading, "in the middle of the Dbon country", is not acceptable, because his o vowel for dbon is based on the misreading of the upper part of the letter tsa and what was taken for the prefix d- by him, compared with other occurences of d- and da in this document, must be r. The letter rtsis in Line 16 should be consulted.

- 30. dur btab/de nas pho braň Tsogi ((Jo))ň yo dur btab nas/ dgu[n] (hphrul gyi lha btsan pohi pho braň Tsha çod du spos daň dgun)
- 31. sla ra baḥi sku bla ched po yaṅ der gsol/deḥi dbyar pho bra((n))...

erected at... $du^{(60)}$. Then⁽⁶¹⁾, a royal residence was built at Jon yo $du^{(62)}$ of *Tsog*; in winter (the residence of *bTsan po*, God's incarnate, was moved to *Tsha cod*⁽⁶³⁾, and)

the great feast, also, of the first (winter) to pray for the king's longevity was respectfully held there⁽⁶⁴⁾.

 $(\bigotimes[bran]Lda(?)mn[mj]?)$

-[The following is the record of that year having no direct relevance to the Princess Wén-ch'éng.]

- (60) Perhaps this can be reconstructed for some place name as Tsogi Jon yo du.
- (61) The phrase "after that (de nas)" refers to "after the marriage" in the autumn. (See Note 100).
- (62) Thomas' reading "Tsogi Rbon yo du" can be replaced by "Tsogi Jon yo du, (?=rDzin bu hdu, a cluster of swamps in Tsog)". Tsog is a place name (see TLTD, III, p. 23). This cluster of swamps possibly refer to Pai-hai 栢海. rbon is a misreading of Jon which is not clearly written.
- (63) Judging from the entry on Line 31, the shift to a new royal residence for winter must have been referred to in the missing part. In Line 37, as an event of the next year, it say, "In the winter of that year also, (bTsan po) lived in Tsha çod," Therefore, it must have been no other place but Tsha çod that the King moved to live in the winter of this year. See Note 28. After the King gave up Sra bal gyi g-Yan can mkhar for the winter residence, he stayed at Tsha çod, ultimate the summer time also in this place. Possibly, a passage in the Hsin T'ang-shu: "He had such a fine castle built for the Princess as to be proud of in later years" refers to his royal residence at Tsha çod. According to the T'un-huang Annals, the Princess's settlement at Bod yul happened in the year 640. (See DTH, p. 13 and Note 70 in the first half of this article.) The country of Ha sha cannot be called Bod dran po (Bod proper). Therefore, it is not unreasonable to assume that they settled in the royal residence at Tsha çod in this year (640 A. D.).
- (64) From the conclusion reached in Note 63, it is the word dgun, not dbyar, that comes at the end of Line 30. After the King's settlement at Tsha çod, the indispensable feast to pray for the King's longevity was held there. To place a change of years in the missing part of Line 30, which is found just between "dgun" and "dehi dbyar", is too mechanical (cf. TLTD, II, p. 11). The royal residence at Tsogi Jon yo du, in Line 30, is a special one built immediately after the Princess's advent to Tibet, in late autumn, and it was not a regular pho bran for summer. After the phrase "dehi dbyar" in Line 31, what happened in that year, other than those related to the advent of the Princess, are retrospectively described from the summer of that year (see Note 43). This can be proved on the following reasons: 1) Even considering for the missing parts, there is no room than here in Line 30, for the most important references to the shift of the royal residence for winter to Tsha god and to the feast of winter to pray for the King's longevity, down to Line 35. 2) On Line 32, there is a reference to the visit of hBro shan brTan sgra ya sto. Since he was a minister (blon ched) of mDo (Khams), it is very probable that the primary purpose of his visit was to welcome the Princess W en-ch' eng at Ha sha. As for the sequence of the matters, the events described in Line 24 come after these mentioned in Line 32. See Note 65.

In the summer of that year, royal residence⁽⁶⁵⁾....

- brTan sgra ya sto la stsogs pa phyag htshal (te ston mo ched po gsol...)
- 33. pha hbabs dan/bya dgah ched po stsal te rlag brdzańs/dehi s((t))o((n))...
- 34. deți dgun Ha shați shan lon gyi ((gtso))/Da ((re da son)) yi gum/de nas...

(\otimes gco/ da red po
ń)

thob/nan gi blon po shal ce p[o]r... (byi ba lohi)

32. mDo blon ched po hBro shan hBro shan brTan sgra ya sto, Minister of $mDo^{(66)}$, and others paid respects to [bTsan po.] (A great banquet was held ...)

> Royal grants and big rewards were given to remunerate their services⁽⁶⁷⁾. In the autumn of that year....

> In the winter of that year, Da re da son yi, chief⁽⁶⁸⁾ of shan lon of Ha sha, passed away. Then later⁽⁶⁹⁾,

35. g-yuhi yi ge ni dehi rtsa rol du A warrant of appointment⁽⁷⁰⁾ written in turquoise powder was given⁽⁷¹⁾ to the family⁽⁷²⁾. As the Home Minister⁽⁷³⁾....

- (65) On Line 21, dbyar sla ra bahi sku bla (the feast of the first summer to pray for the King's longevity) is mentioned. Between Line 21 and Line 31, nothing is mentioned on the summer residence (dbyar sa). The feast of summer to pray for the King's longevity was held after the royal residence was built at a new place (see Lines 11 and 12), but more often was held before the shift of the royal residence (see Lines 5, 6, 16, and 17).
- (66) See Notes 49 and 64.
- (67) This sentence seems like a cliché for the the deeds of the King for his subjects. See Lines 3 and 4.
- (68) It should definitely be read gtso. See Note 51.
- (69) Possibly, something like "from the Tibetan court, in praise of the meritorious deeds of Da re son yi'' was written in the missing part. There is no room for another personal name in the missing part and it is continued to Line 35, which say that a higher rank was granted to his family (rtsa rol), Ha sha was already in vassalage (hbans) to the Tibetan court.
- (70) g-Yuhi yi ge is an official notice, given to a person of the highest rank. It corresponds to sê-sê 瑟瑟 (kao-shen 告身) in the Chinese books. According to KG (Ja, f. 21a, 1. 5), there are 12 kinds of the official notes, consisting of 6 classes each with the upper and the lower divisions. (See Note 87). In the Ts'ê-fu yüan-kuei there is a detailed description and in the beginning of the T'u-fan-ch'uan of the Hsin T'ang-shu there is a short description of these official notes. The first is g-yu, and the second is gser gyi yi ge. The g-yu yig chen po is given only to dgun blon chen po, and g-yu yig chun $\dot{n}u$ is a form of the official notice given to dgun blon hbrin po and nan blon chen po. The official notes for the other tribes have not always the same value as these for Tibetan to indicate the official rank. See M. Lalou: "Revendication des Fonctionnaires du Grand Tibet au VIII siècle", Journal Asiatique, 1955, pp. 171-212.
- (71) Thob is related with thabs, or hdams meaning "to allot", and corresponds to gtams or bltams of the present-day.
- (72) The word rol means "gap", "room" and "groove", and then it comes to mean "about there". rtsa means "blood relationship". rtsa rol means "kinsman" or "clan-member".
- (73) Nan gi blon po shal ce po must the same as nan blon chen po. shal ce is shal lce, meaning a title given by the order of the bTsan po himself. The following is a list of the nine ministers (shan blon ched po dgu; shang-lun-ch'ê-pu-t'u-chü 尚論掣連突翟)

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36. lo s((a)) $\stackrel{\otimes}{r}$ dan/dbyar sla ra bahi the (Mouse) year passed into a new year ston [mo]... $(\otimes s[a]r)$

sku bla yan der gsol/de nas [641 A.D.], the great feast, also, of the first summer to pray for the king's longevity was respectfully held there $[=Tsha \ cod]^{(74)}$. Later a great banquet

37. de nas dehi dgun yan Tsha çod

Then, in the winter of that year also du bshugste/btsan mo Khri [bTsan po and the Queen] lived in Tsha

in the T'u-fan-ch'uan of the Hsin T'ang-shu and in KG, Ja. f. 21b, 1. 3:

Hsin Tʻang shu Tʻu fan chʻuan	論 Ĕ	論 茞 扈 莽	悉編掣逋	
Tibetan equiva- lents to the above Chinese	blon che	blon che ḥog pon	spyan (=spyan khyab) ched po	
KG	1. dgun blon chen po	2. dguṅ blon ḥbriṅ (po)	4. dgun blon chun	
Notes	They behave like a husband, and have the exclusive power to appoint and dismiss officials. (KG f. 21b, 1.3)			

Hsin Tʻang shu Tʻu fan chʻuan	曩 論 掣 逋	曩論覓零逋	曩 論 充
Tibetan equiva- lents to the above Chinese	naṅ blon ched po	nań blon ḥbriń po	nań blon chuń
KG	3. naṅ blon chen po	5. nan blon ḥbrin (po)	7. nań blon chuń
Notes	They behave like a wise woman, and manage to find temporizing financial measures. (KG. f. 21b, 1.3)		

Hsin Tʻang shu Tʻu fan chʻuan	喻寒波掣逋	喻寒波覓零逋	喻寒波充	
Tibetan equiva- lents to the above Chinese	yo gal (ḥchos) pa ched po	yo gal (ḥchos) pa ḥbriṅ po	yo gal (ḥchos) pa chuṅ	
KG	6. bkaḥ yo gal ḥchos pa chen po	8. bkaḥ yo gal ḥchos pa ḥbriṅ (po)	9. bkaḥ yo gal ḥchos pa chuṅ	
Notes	They praise a virtuous act of an enemy's son and punish even their own son for a sinful act. (KG f. 21b, 1.6)			

See KTK pp. 719-723. The figures in the table show the ranking of the nine ministers in KG.

- * btsan pohi bkah la yo hgal byed pa bcos pa means "to rectify those who disobey the bTsan po's words".
- (74) The description between dgun in Line 30 and der gsol in Line 31 is followed by the entry on the New Year and the feast in this line.

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baņs (dan sras Ma ga to gon kha gan gyi hbul skyems nod du mchiste dBahs...)

- 38. shan ñen gyi bu/dBahs Khri bzan spo skyes la stsal te brdzans... Ma ga to
- 39. gon kha gan gyi khab du/Mug lden Ha rod par gyi bu mo/ Mug (lden)...
- 40. bkvag nas/mtshan yan A lye ban dig shin du btags/...
- 41. de nas [glan] gi lo la/pho bran Tsha çod du btab nas/lo [⊗] sar dan dbya[r] (sla ra bahi sku bla yan der gsol/...

(⊗ s[o]r)

- 42. las pyuńste/skyin bar Çud pu Khri gzu sbur cuń bskos/byuń (baḥi)... (⊗ byuň)
- 43. dehi dbyar pho bran Tsha çod du bshugste/lcam Khon co gñi hod (dan hdrah bar gdans pahi lha sras sku bltamste ston mo)

(75) Cf. Notes 63 and 64.

- (76) This is a tentative reconstruction.
- (77) The words spo skyes must be a part of a personal name. In the modern usage, skyes means a gift, but in the old days, skyems was used to mean a gift. The word brdzans is "sent a gift", and here it means "delivered something (in return)". Considering this exchange of gifts together with ston (mo) in Line 36, we can take this envoy for the purpose of celebrating the Princess's conception.
- (78) The word bkvag seems to be the same as khab tu bshes. If the spelling bkvag is right, it shows the word in a process of change from bkug to bkag and it retains the original meaning of "to keep in custody". Or it may be deciphered bkab.
- (79) This dig shin comes at the end of the name of the Ha sha queen. Probably it was a title for the queen. Cf. Line 49. See TLTD, II, p. 16.
- (80) "Then, within the Ox year, a royal residence was built at *Tsha cod*. Thereafter, the year passed into a new year..." Since, prior to this line, already there was the description of the events in the Ox year, lo sar, qualified explicitly by no name of year, should mean that "the Ox year passed into a new year". If lo sar is to mean "the year came", then the sentence here would be contradictory like "after building the royal residence within the Ox year, the Ox year came". Cf. Note 11.
- (81) The word $g\tilde{n}i$ hod should be read as $\tilde{n}i$ hod, and it cannot be the name of the Princess. *lCam khon cho* is none other than $W\hat{e}n$ -ch' $\hat{e}ng$, and the term needs not any qualification more. In the T'un-huang documents, it is not unusual that $\tilde{n}i$ is

 $cod^{(75)}$. From Khri bans, Queen Mother, (and her son Ma ga to gon kha gan, Ha sha King, the presents were brought. dBahs).....⁽⁷⁶⁾

-shan ñen's son, dBahs Khri bzan spo skyes⁽⁷⁷⁾ was ordered to deliver presents [in return].... For Ma ga to -gon kha gan, as his queen a daughter of Mug lden Ha rod par, Mug (lden).....

was taken⁽⁷⁸⁾ and was named A lye ban $dig \ shin^{(79)}$.

Then, within the Ox year, a royal residence was built at $Tsha\ cod$. Thereafter, the year passed into a new year⁽⁸⁰⁾ [642 A.D.], the feast, also, of the first summer was respectfully held there to pray for the king's longevity.

was relieved of (his office). In his place, *Gud pu Khri gzu sbur cun* was appointed. Discharged

In that summer, residing in the royal residence of $Tsha\ cod$, the Queen (Wênch'êng) Khon co (bore a prince who was as radiant as) the sun-beam⁽⁸¹⁾. For

celebration,)

- 44. ched po gsol te/rdzońs kyan nod du mchis/slar yan yan...
- 45. ((gzaḥ)) brgyaḥ daṅ/rňa mo yaṅ rňa rdzi daṅ bcas/rta yaṅ rta rdzi daṅ bcas...

(⊗g[z]a)

- 46. dań bcaste brdzańs/((de naš))
 [m]chis paḥi dBaḥs dpon g-yog ri[1] (por ston mo pha babs dań bya dgaḥ stsal...) (⊗ pha sde)
- 47. de nas pho bran Tsha çod du bshugste/dgun sla ra bahi sku bla ched po gsol/(dehi dgun... gnam gyi sras) Ma ga tho
- 48. gon kha gan gyi khab tu/Cog ro sToń re koń zuń gi

a great (banquet) was respectfully held and (congratulatory) presents were brought. Furthermore, again and again.....

hundred pieces of silk⁽⁸⁴⁾, camels together with men in charge of camels, and horses together with men in charge of horses

together with(....) were presented⁽⁸³⁾ [in return]. Then⁽⁸⁵⁾, to all of dBahsand his followers who came, (a banquet was given and the gifts and rewards were granted⁽⁸⁶⁾....)

Then, $[bTsan \ po$ and the Queen] stayed at the royal residence of $Tsha \ cod$, while the great feast, also, of the first winter, to pray for the king's longevity was respectfully held [there.] (In that winter,) for (the son of the heaven,) Maga tho gon kha gan, as a consort, Cog ro, daughter of Cog ro sTon re

- written in the form of $g\ddot{n}i$. On Line 44, it says that a great feast was held and the congratulatory presents were brought, probably for celebrating the birth of the Prince. From the context, the missing part in Line 43 can be reconstructed, for example, as shown in the above text. This reconstruction is supported in view of the fact that the year of birth of *Man slon man brtsan*, as critically calculated on the basis of the theories of the later historians, fell on this year and also that there was no other important incident, concerning *lcam Khon co* at that time, than this birth of the Prince. *gdans* is an ancient form of *mdans*.
- (82) The verb nod is explained as thob, bshag, brnag or len to mean "to receive", or "to accept". (See DTLF, p. 566a). It is an intransitive verb, originally to mean "to contain", out of which a noun snod, "a vase, container", is formed.
- (83) In the missing part, there must have been an entry about the gifts from the father, *Khri sron brtsan*. In Line 46, it is mentioned that *hBahs* and his followers were present at *Tsha çod*. (As to the relation between *dBahs* and *Khri sron brtsan*, see DTH, pp. 108-110.) The gifts given in return, mentioned in Line 45, must have been addressed to *Khri sron brtsan*, in view of their scale and quantity.
- (84) Thomas' notation in TLTD, III, p. 23, cannot be accepted. gzah is an archaic form of za. Seen from the modern usage like za ber, za bab, za hog or na bzah, in all except in the last case, za means silk fabrics. za hdzom is fine cotten fabrics but seems to be derived from za rdzu ma (fake silk).
- (85) *Pha sde* in Thomas' reading means "parental relatives." If this word comes to mean "people who came from the father's side", then it must have been written, not as *pha sde*, but as *yab sde*. The present writer chose to read *de nas* as shown in the text, after distinguishing the stains on the sheet.
- (86) The missing part could be reconstructed approximately as shown in the above text.

bu mo Cog ro... (bsheste mtshan yan)...

- 49. dig shin du btags/sTon re khon zun thabs spar te dnul gyi yi ge...
- 50. btab nas/stagi loḥi lo sar dan ((dbyar sla)) ra baḥi sku bla ched po (yan der gsol/...) (⊗ s[o]r) (⊗ d[gun sla])
- 51. riň lugs/dBah sTag sgra khoň
 -o- daň/Cog ro sToň ((re)) (khoň zuň) (⊗[lod(?)daň])(⊗na)
- 52. sTon ñen ((sb))ur kon dan/Mug Iden dahi dven sven dan/Da re da (⊗ [ur(sbur?)]) (⊗ Da red)
- 53. stsal te/Ḥa sha yul du mchis nas/ḥbaṅs Ḥa sha phrogs... (⊗ phyogs)

kon zun, (was taken and she was named)

..... -dig shin. [Her father] sTon re khon zun was promoted to a higher rank and [given] an official warrant of appointment in silver letters⁽⁸⁷⁾.....

was built. Then, the Tiger year passed into a new year [643 A.D.], when the great feast, also, of the first summer⁽⁸⁸⁾ (was held there to pray for the king's longevity)

a commissioner⁽⁸⁹⁾ [of bTsan po], and dBahs sTag sgra khon -o- and Cog ro sTon re (khon zun)

sTon ñen sbur kon and Mug lden dahi dven sven⁽⁹⁰⁾ and Da re da

were ordered, so that [they] went to the country of *Ha sha*. Later, *Ha sha*, which was in vassalage, was plundered⁽⁹¹⁾,....

- (87) He was promoted to a higher rank in recognition of his services in offering his daughter as a consort of the Ha sha king. As to the word thabs, see Note 56, and as to spar, see Note 24. A similar context can be found in Lines 10 and 11. In the present case, however, it is clear that the promotion of ranks was accorded by Tibetan court. There are twelve kinds of the official notes of appointment: 1. g-yu; 2. gser; 3. phra men; 4. dnul; 5. zans; 6. lcags; each class having the upper and the lower divisions. KG (Ja. f. 21a, 1. 5) gives a different order of rankings as 2, 1, 4, 3, 5, 6. See Note 70. According to K.G., (Ja, f. 21a-b), the official note in silver (dnul gyi yi ge) comes in reality at the 10th or 11th in grades.
- (88) Thomas reads this word *dbyar* erroneously as *dgun*. These two words are similar in script and are apt to be mistaken. In the photocopy in TLTD, III, it is more clearly seen as *dbyar* rather than *dgun*.
- (89) It seems to mean "high commisioner" here (Cf. TLTD, II p. 16). riñ lugs, as in the case of riñ lugs of bSam yas in the rBa bshed, means the cardinal abbot (都僧統). It can be paraphrased as "bkah la ħbriñ ste (in accordance with the words of the Buddha or King), lugs (put in a mold or develop into a definite shape)". The original meaning of lugs is "to pour", and then here it means "to realize (a project)". Derived from this original meaning, riñ lugs sometimes comes to mean "an ordinance". (Cf. DTH, p. 23, stagi lo (726); ibid., p. 27, phagi lo (747); TLTD, III, p. 182. TLTD, II pp. 56, 59, 66, 139. For the latter usage: TLTD, II. pp. 51, 81.
- (90) Tahi dven sven seems to be the name of an office, probably of Chinese origin. Cf. Line 26. Thomas' interpretation is not acceptable. (See TLTD, III, p. 23).
- (91) "Later, *Ha sha*, which was in vassalage of Tibetan court, was plundered." Naturally, the persons mentioned on the Line 51 and 52 were those who were mobilized to take precautionary measures against the disturbance.

The relationship between $T^{\cdot}u$ -yu-hun with the support of the $T^{\cdot}ang$ court and Ha sha with the support of the Tibetan court, as the present writer understands it, is as

follows:

In DTH, p. 111, it says: "After that, before bTsan po himself started for subjugative expedition (byan pa, to tame), or moved his forces, there took place already a diplomatic complication (dpyah gcal/dpyah hchal; such as dispute on the tributary relations) between China and Ha sha (=T'u-yu-hun). Thog ma Ha sha, who had been in alliance with the Tibetan camp, after that, came to be in vassalage (to the Tibetan court)." With this occurance as the turning point, Thog ma Ha sha came to be called as Bans Ha sha in the succeeding part of this document.

As we could see in the *T*'ung-tien, *T*'u-fan Tibet was no despicable power already in the beginning of the *T*'ang period (618—). The reference in DTH, as quoted above, is found in the entry on Myan Man po rje shan snan, the Chief Minister (blon che) of Khri sron brtsan in his earliest time. These two facts lead us to conclude that the diplomatic complication mentioned in DTH must be the one caused by Fu-yün 伏允 of *T*'u-yu-hun and his battle against Yang-ti 煬帝 in the 5th year of Ta-yeh 大業 (609), which is described fully in Bk. 181 of the Tzu-chih t'ung-chien 資治通鑑. It is not clear what "after that (de nas)" actually means, according to this document alone.

Thog ma Ha sha, as named in p. 111 of DTH, seems to refer to Ha sha in association with the Tibetan court after Khri bans of the T'u-fan family got married to the Ha sha King. When did this marriage of Khri bans take place? Since her son, Kha gan, took a consort in 636, he must have been 15 or 16 years old by that time. If so, her marriage should have taken place in a year prior to 620 at least. On the other hand, Fu-yün recovered his old territory at the end of the Sui Dynasty and later he attacked Li-huei 李軌 after taking Kao-tsu's pledge to return Fu-yün's eldest son, Mu-jung shun(-kuang) 慕容順 (光), who had been held as hostage in the T'ang court and who became in later years the Prince of T'ai-ning 太寧王. It is dated in the 2nd year of Wu-tê 武徳 (the 1st and the 5th months in 619. T'ungchien, Bk. 187) After the battle with Li-kuei, Fu-yün "frequently sent envoys to the T'ang court with tributes, requesting the return of Shun'', (頻遣使朝貢以順為請 in the T'u-yu-hun ch'uan of the Chiu T'ang-shu, Bk. 198). (According to the Chapter of the Foreign Tributaries 3 in the Ts'ê-fu yüan-kuei, Bk. 970, the envoys were sent in the second, the ninth, and the eleventh months of that year-619.) After that, Fu-yün's request was granted, Shun was released from hostage. It must have been after 620. Shun was held as hostage in Sui in the fifth year of Ta-yeh 大業 (609) after the defeat of Fu-yün. And, he was out of his home country about ten years. During his absence, it is said that his younger brother (according to the Hsin T'ang-shu, but t'a-tzu 他子 according to the Chiu T'ang-shu) was made the heir apparent to the Crown. It is very probable, therefore, that the husband of Khri bans was this younger brother. Fu-yün invaded Shan-chou 鄯州 right after the ascension of T ai-tsung in 626. When T ai-tsung accused him of his invasion, he dared to ask T'ai-tsung to grant a Chinese princess as a bride of his son, Tsun-wang 尊王. (See the T'u-yu-hun ch'uan in the Chiu T'ang-shu, Bk. 198). Wasn't it right that the heir apparent mentioned above was this son? It is possible that Fu-yün requested a Chinese princess with an intention to hold the balance between the T'ang and the T'u-fan pressures, rather than to find how T'ai-tsung felt toward him as said in the Hsin T'ang-shu.

Later, Shun slew T'ien-kuei-wang 天桂王 and betrayed T'u-yu-hun to the T'ang side. As a result, isolated Fu-yün fled to west and comitted suicide there. Then, Shun himself was murdered by his subjects. All these happened between the 4th and the 11th months of the 9th year of Chên-kuan 貞観 (635). When we check these events with the descriptions in this Stein document, we can tell that Shun was killed by a delibarate maneuver of the T'u-fan side. Having *lha sras Gun sron gun btsan* as their chief the T'u-fan army was provided against the T'ang's move, in the Ho-yüan 河源 district.

- 54. slar Ha sha [yul du]((brla))d de Again⁽⁹²⁾, bTsan po went out to sup-gçegs nas/çul [du] s-e...o... port⁽⁹³⁾ the country of Ha sha, and in his absence⁽⁹⁴⁾,
 - They did not give positive support to Fu-yün nor to T'ien-kuei-wang. Their reluctance may be explained partly by the tributary relation they established the year before with the T'ang court and the visit of P'ing tê-chia 馮徳假 to the T'u-fan court. But, it is more likely that Khri sron brtsan was biding his time to get Ha sha under his rule without taking too much trouble. Needless to say, it was the most undesirable for them to recognize, as the Khan 汗, Shun who was on the T'ang side. The passage "after that, Ha sha came to be in vassalage (de nas bans su mnah ho)" in DTH (p. 111) refers to Ha sha after these events of 635. Judging from the context of this document, the husband of Khri bans seems to have been dead by that time. In Chinese books, in reference to the revolt of Su-ho-kuei 素和貴, T'u-fan is said to be in the relationship of "chiu" 舅 for T'u-yu-hun, "sheng" 甥. (See the entry on Chung-tsun 仲琮 of the T'u-fan-ch'uan of the Hsin T'ang-shu). This description of their relationship seems to endorse the above statement on Khri bans' husband. For the view of Thomas on this point, see TLTD, II, pp. 13-16.
- (92) As it is said here, "Again, bTsan po went out to support the country of Ha sha", we can tell that bTsan po's first stay in Ha sha since 635 was also for the purpose of "supporting Ha sha". Prior to the second expedition of the King Gun sron gun btsan, in T'u-yu-hun, Hsüan-wang 宣王 (Ch'éng hsiang wang 丞相王, in the Chiu-Tâng-shu) plotted treason against Mu-jung No-ho-po 慕容諾曷鉢 and Princess Hung-hua 弘化. The plot was laid bare and the latter two took a refuge in Shan-shan 鄯善. Hsüanwang himself hoped to flee to the T'u-fan camp, but was attacked by the Chinese force led by Hsi-chün-ku 席君賈 (Tu-fêng 杜鳳 in the Chiu T'ang-shu) and was killed together with his three brothers. According to the Tzu-chih t'ung-chien, it was the event in the 4th month of the 15th year of Chên-kuan (641). It is rather difficult, therefore, to find a direct connection between the King's second expedition of assistance and the incident described here. According to the two T'ang-shus, and the T'ungchien, after the disclosure of the treason, the country of T'u-yu-hun fell in a utterly chaotic state and T'ai-tsung sent T'ang-chien 唐儉 (and Ma-chou 馬周, who is mentioned only in the Hsin T'ang-shu), for pacification. The Chiu T'ang-shu described this pacification after the entry of "the report of the envoy 遣使言状". According to the Ts'e-fu yüan-kuei, after the upheaval, the T'u-yu-hun court dipatched the official envoys to China twice, in the first month of the 16th year (642), and in the first month of the 17th year (613) of Chên-kuan. Therefore, it was after either one of these two official envoys that T' ang-chien was sent for pacification. Ma-chou, who is mentioned only in the Hsin T'ang-shu, might have been sent separately from T'angchien. If so, the Chinese expedition for pacification might have taken place twice. It is possible that Gun sron gun btsan went to T'u-yu-hun at the time of the second disturbance in order to support Ha sha in alliance with the T'u-fan court. The 'above line of incidents could be supposed on the basis of the descriptions in the Stein document and the Chinese historical data.
- (93) Thomas reads this as *bslad*. But the present author deciphers *brlad*. The phrase *brlad de gçegs* can be translated as "returning into" with difficulty. (TLTD, II, p. 12) The verb *brlad* is another form of *bslad* which can be interpreted to mean "to cooperate with followers" or "to do something in cooperation with someone inferior". Probably, it is derived from the same root as *slad* "behind" (The usage of *slad du* to mean "for the sake of" or "in favor of", is similar to the usage of *phyir* (<*phyi*) in the same connotation.)
- (94) In the historical documents of later years, *lHa bon*, but not *Man slon man rtsan*, is said to have died by the fall from a horse. Cf. Note 196.

55. (gçegste) yum sras

[he] died. The Mother [Chinese Princess] and the Son, [Man slon man rtsan]⁽⁹⁵⁾

Thomas seems to have made a mistake, first of all, in determining the dates. There are only three dates that are clearly mentioned in the abovequoted text: *sprehu lo* (the Ape year) in Line 11, *glan gi lo* (the Ox year) in the Line 41 and *stagi lo* (the Tiger year) in Line 50. The Ape year falls on 636 A.D., the Ox year 641 A.D., and the Tiger year corresponds to 642 A.D. A cause of his mistake⁽⁹⁶⁾ is that he paid no attention whatsoever to the way the dates are mentioned in the Chinese historical documents⁽⁹⁷⁾ and that he was not aware of the miscalculations of the dates made by A. Csoma de Körös in the translation⁽⁹⁸⁾ of the *bstan rtsis* of the *Vaidūrya dkar* $po^{(99)}$. This led Thomas to confusion, and as a result, he took *khyihi lo* (the Dog year) in one place for 638 A.D. and in another place for 639 A.D., attributing the discordance to the two different calendars used in China and in Tibet. The year 639 in Körös' Chart was wrongly calculated, which should have been 641, and there is no difference in the calendric system in China and Tibet, so far as this point is concerned⁽¹⁰⁰⁾. In the second place, Thomas took

- (95) Thomas, too, deciphers this word as sras.
- (96) TLTD, II, p. 13.
- (97) So far as the present writer sees it, a date mentioned at the beginning of an item in the Chinese annals generally refers very often to the last incident recorded under that item or to the main subject. Incidents mentioned as factors at the first part of the entry were not necessarily dated. Cf. Note 104.
- (98) Alexander Csoma de Körös: A Grammar of the Tibetan Language in English, Calcutta, 1834, pp. 181–191.
- (99) The Vaidūrya dkar po is a work on calendar and astrological systems, written by sde srid Sans rgyas rgya mtsho (1653-1705) in 1687. It was customary for a book of this nature to have an independent chapter to discuss the dates of important events in Buddhist history, starting from the Buddha's death as the first year. This is called bstan rtsis. In his translation of bstan rtsis, Csoma de Körös made a mistake by one year and put down the Fire-Hare Year (me yos) of the rab byun dan po as 1026 (p. 181). In his Chart he made another miscalculation by two years. (p. 183). Thomas just copied these mistakes without checking them. What Sans rgyas rgya mtsho actually indicated was that the Princess came to Tibet in 641 (f. 19b). This date is based on the information from a Chinese document which was known to Tibet through the rGya yig tshan, but not on the Tibetan tradition as Thomas asserts. There is no support-
- ing evidence either, to set the date for the Dog year (khyihi lo) or 639.
 (100) Concerning the Tibetan calendric system of this period, the T'ang-fan-hui-meng-pei 唐蕃會盟碑 furnishes important historical materials. The Tibetan name of the era, skyid rtag, was based on a translation of Ch'ang-ch'ing 長慶, the name of an era of the T'ang Dynasty. The Tibetans invented this name as they seemingly understood it as a matter of dignity to have a proper name for each reign. This inscription gives the oldest example in the Tibetan historical documents in which the Five Elements in Male and Female were employed together with the Twelve Animals to show the dates. The dates mentioned in the 58th and 59th lines of the East Face of

this inscription correspond completely with what is known from the Chinese sources:

"skyid rtag lo bdun (=the 7th year of Ral pa can's reign)... lcags mo glan gi lohi dgun sla ra ba tshes bcu''="年在癸丑, 冬十月癸酉", (the Pact of Alliance, in the Section of the Foreign Subjects 外臣部, 盟誓 of the Ts'é-fu yüan-kuei, Bk. 981).

We cannot generalize, however, just by this example alone that Tibet adopted from the old days the Chinese calendar. As the improvised naming of a Tibetan era insinuates us, it seems true that the system of calender actually used at that time in Tibet was not shown in the inscription of the T-ang-fan-hui-meng-pei.

In a book on calendar, entitled as rTsis dkar nag las brtsam pahi dri len ñin byed dban pohi snan ba, written by the Fifth Dalai Lama Nag dban blo bzan rgya mtsho (1617-1682), it says, "it is said that under the influence of the Chinese calendric system introduced to Tibet at the time of Princess Chin-chieng, the Tibetan methods of calculation and of setting up the beginning of a year were greatly disturbed." (f. 28b). This book enumerates the four stages of the introduction of the Chinese calendar to Tibet: 1) the period of Princess Wên-ch'êng (actually it means the period of Princess Chin-ch'êng), 2) the Period of Khri sron lde brtsan, 3) the period of Ral pa can, 4) the later period. The four stages are classified into two groups. The former two, 1) and 2), are thoroughly identical. The Phug lugs, which became the dominant school in the science of calendar in later years, were the followers of this system (f. 28). According to this system of calendar, the month which contains the winter solstice within is the basic month 正月 and it is the eleventh month of a year (f. 29b). (See Klon rdol gsun hbum, Chap. Ma, f. 21a, 1. 3; Sans rgyas rgya mtsho: Vaidūrya dkar po, f. 12b.) It is clearly a copy of the calendric system called Chou-cheng 周正 established under the reign of Tse-tvien-wu-hou 則天武后. (See Takeo Hiraoka: Tōdai no Koyomi [Calendar in the T'ang Period], Kyoto, 1954, p. 8.) Therefore, this calendar which is said to have been brought by Princess Wênch'êng is definitely a mistake for the one introduced around the time of Princess Chin-ch'eng. And the calendar which is said to have been translated by Vairocana at the time of Khri sron lde brtsan (742-797) must have been the same system. The Chou-cheng was an irregular calendar adopted in a limited term of the T'ang Dynasty. Once that was introduced to Tibet, there must have been unavoidable confusion, as is described in the above-quoted passage in the book of the Fifth Dalai Lama. Prior to the Phug lugs, there was the Nag rtsis pa, which means "the school of the Chinese calendric science". They followed the Chinese calendric system of Hsia-cheng 夏正 which sets the basic month in the first month of a year. (See Klon rdol gsun hbum, Chap. Ma, f. 21a). It is probable that this method, introduced at the time of Ral pa can (=Khri gtsug lde brtsan, 815-841) and employed for the dates in the T'ang-fan-hui-meng-pei, was traditionally preserved among the Tibetan Nag rtsis pa since then.

The division of four seasons, however, was different from that in China, owing to the climatic conditions of Tibet proper. According to these Tibetan calendar specialists (sKar rtsis pa, different from the Kālacakra school), dpyid zla ra ba corresponds generally to the second month in the Chinese lunar calendar. (See Klon rdol, op. cit., f. 24a). Moreover, the second month in the Chinese lunar calendar and Hor zla gñis pa can be one month apart, since the method to place intercalary months (that should always come theoretically at an interval of 32.5 months) is different from the Chinese calendar, so long as the calculation was based upon the same system as that of the rtsa rgyud and bsdus rgyud of the Kālacakra, which is considered to have started from 1027. It is natural that the naming of four seasons mentioned in the T'un-huang documents must have been the same as traditional ones which have been handed down to the sKar rtsis pa, and even to the present day. Therefore, their seasons are generally behind at least by one month to those of the Chinese calendar. So, even when the T'u-fan court set dpyid sla (/zla) ra ba at the beginning of a year, it should have been a month later than the New Year of the T'ang calendar. Furthermore,

"sar" for "sor" to mean "came", but this word sar should be taken for a verb of gsar (new), to mean "to be renewed", "to change" or "to turn into"⁽¹⁰¹⁾. This can be verified by the usage found in a sentence of Line 41. As chance would have it, though, because of these dual mistakes, the dates mentioned in Lines 11, 41, and 50 happen to be correct ones. As Professor Hisashi Sato pointed out, the other dates are alloted rather in a haphazard manner⁽¹⁰²⁾, which cannot be accepted.

In the text, a frequent reference is made to the royal family of Ha sha, but it is always related in terms of its relationship with the Tibetan royal family. Therefore, *pho bran* (royal residence) in this chronological text means *lha sras kyi pho bran* in the entries preceding to the year 638 A.D., but after that year, the word came to allude to *hphrul gyi lha btsan pohi pho bran*. It was really a remarkable event that Princess *Wên-ch'êng* stayed in the country of *Ha sha* in the autumn of 640 A.D. and then moved to *Tsha çod*⁽¹⁰³⁾ of the

- (101) It is more appropriate to compare sar with tshar, (to be completed). Generally speaking, tsha (tsa) and sa match well. Examples of correspondence could be found among tshogs (tsog)/sogs/bsags or tshans/sans/(gtsan). See Note 11.
- (102) KTK, pp. 279-280.
- (103) Tsha çod is not near Sha-chou 沙州 as Thomas says. (See TLTD, II, p. 15). It is in a region called Tsha ba ron today, situated in lat. 29° N. and long. 98° 30' E. It is not the same as rGya mo (tsha ba) ron. The place is mild in climate so that it is named as Tsha ba ron (warm valley), it is said. It can be reached by going down south from Pa than. It is an important spot on the route passing from sKye dgu mdo 玉樹 to reach Ta-li 大理. The rGyal rab gsal bahi me lon gives, for the names of the places where Princess waited mGar's arrival, IDan ma brag rtsa, Phun po ri, Khams kyi Padma çan and sGo don sgo mo (GS f. 54a). IDan ma is IDan khog, Têng-ko 鄧柯 of today and Padma çan would be a corrupt form of Padma than, Pa-ma-t'ang 八馬塘, which is found to the north of today's Yen-ching 鹽井, and in the district of

the following examples should be examined carefully. In the T-un-huang Annals, the spring season (dpyid) is mentioned at the beginning of a year in some cases (675, 705), but in other cases (701, 708, 725, 726), it fell on the end of a year. This fact leads us to understand that the beginning of a Tibetan year should not be dpyid zla ra ba, but either dpyid zla hbrin po or dpyid zla tha chun. The latter two months correspond to the 3rd and the 4th months of the Chinese calendar which practically coincides, apart from the distance produced by the difference of the methods to place the intercalary month, with the Hor zla, a popular Tibetan calendar of later periods. In the T'ung-tien, it is said, "The time when the wheat ripens is the beginning of a year. 以麥熟爲歲首'' The T'u-fan-chuan of the T'ang-shu mentions the same. This is the so-called New Year of Husbandry (so nam pahi lo gsar), and is based on the etymological explanation of the word lo tog or lo thog (the beginning of a year= harvest.) Since the Tibetan wheat is sown in spring, this statement is at variance with the actual state of things. Anyway, it has nothing to do with the Administrative New Year (rgyal pohi lo gsar) in question here. It is rather difficult to determine whether the beginning of a year in the old Tibetan calendar came on the third month or the fourth month of the Chinese calendar. If we admit that nag zla, i. e., the third month of Hor zla which is made the beginning of a year in the Kalacakra calendar of the later period, was the beginning of a year in Tibet at that time, the beginning of a year in Tibet in old days was at least two months behind to that of the Chinese calendar.

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Tibetan territory in the following winter, and it was in this period that thog ma Ha sha (Ha sha in alliance) became hbans Ha sha (Ha sha in vassalage). These must be the reasons for the frequent references to the country of Ha sha in the text. This text, however, is not a history of the country, but rather an independent chronicle centering around the history of Gun sron gun btsan. The date mentioned in the text corresponds to the date (640 A.D.) of the advent of the Chinese Princess in the DTH. And the parts already reconstructed by the present writer as for the birth of Man slon man brtsan in 642 and the death of Gun sron gun btsan in 643 would be accepted with references to the general context of this fragmentary text.

In the text, there is no direct reference to Gun sron gun btsan except simply as btsan in the beginning of Line 22. But, all of those dates mentioned in the text, inclucing the date of ascession to the throne, correspond well to the dates of Gun sron gun btsan which have been chronologically arranged on the basis of the theories of the Tibetan historians of later periods. As regards the date of enthronement, the appellation *lha sras* (God's son) changes to *hphrul gyi lha btsan po* (King, God's incarnate) on Line 18 and subsequent lines. From the fact that the entries on Line 18 refer to the events in the summer of 639, we may safely take it to mean that the ascession took place in the expected date of 638 A.D.⁽¹⁰⁴⁾. If so, it comes to be cleary indicated in the text that Princess Wen-ch'eng was the queen of bTsan poGun sron gun btsan. In combination with the conclusion we reached in the first half of this article, it will be reasonable to infer that *Khon co man mo rje khri skar* is none other than Princess Wen-ch'eng herself.

Concerning the above, a Chinese document, *T'u-fan-ch'uan* 吐蕃伝, Bk. 1 of the *Hsin T'ang-shu* 新唐書 says as follows:

十五年,妻以宗女文成公主,詔江夏王道宗持節護送,築館河源王之国,弄贊率兵 次栢海親迎,見道宗執婿礼恭甚,見中国服飾之美縮縮媿沮,帰国自以先未有昏帝 女者,乃為公主築一城以夸後世,遂立宮室以居。

In the 15th year (of *Chên-kuan* 貞観), for the wife [of *bTsan po*] Princess *Wên-ch'êng*, a daughter of the imperial family, was given. *Tao-tsung*, Prince of *Chiang-hsia*, 江夏王道宗, was ordered to accompany her

Tsha çod. See Wang-chung: Hsin T'ang-shu T'u-fan-chuan chien-chêng 王忠: 新唐 書吐蕃伝箋証 pp. 30-31. Note 150, T. V. Wylie: The Geography of Tibet according to the 'Dzam-gling-rgyas-bshad, Roma, 1962, pp. 178-180, n. 584 and n. 594.

⁽¹⁰⁴⁾ According to the $T^{\iota}ung$ -chien Bk. 195, in the 8th and 9th months of the previous year in the Chinese calendar (638), the $T^{\iota}u$ -fan forces were engaged in a battle at Sung-chou 松州. Prior to that incident, already the influence of Mu-jung No-ho-po had been cornered to the north of Chin-hai 青海. Because of these situations, the $T^{\iota}ang$ Court eventually had no other means but to grant a Princess to $T^{\iota}u$ -fan, accepting their wish. Examining the series of events, we can tell that it was not necessarily the $T^{\iota}ang$'s decisive victory as recorded in the Chinese sources. It is very probable that the enthronement of Gun sron was realized taking the opportunity of this Tibetan advantage. (See Notes 29, 35).

from China, holding an emblem of official dispatch. Her residence was built in the country of *Ho-yüan* King 河源王. *Lung-tsan* 弄贊 led his men and stayed at *Pai-hai* 栢海 to welcome them in person. He had an audience with *Tao-tsung* and paid deep respect as the son-in-law. *Lung-tsan* was very much ashamed of himself seeing how beautiful the Chinese costumes were. He went back to his country thinking, 'There has been no one in Tibet who took a daughter of the Chinese Emperor as the wife before me. Therefore, I should have such a fine castle built for the Princess as to be proud of in later years.' Finally, he had a palace built for her and let her stay there.

The passage in the Chiu T'ang-shu 旧唐書 is approximately the same. The $Tz\bar{u}$ -chih t'ung-chien 資治通鑑 gives the sixteenth day of the first month 正月 丁丑 of the fifteenth year of Chén-kuan (641 A.D.) as the date for the equivalent events. However, the T'ung-chien, under the passage for the twenty-third day of the intercalary tenth month of the previous year (640 A.D.), says, "... gave Princess Wén-ch'éng for the wife." From this, it is quite reasonable to infer that the marriage took place in 640 and that Tao-tsung, Prince of Chiang-hsia, returned to the Chinese Court with the report of the marriage in the first month of the year, $641^{(105)}$. Instead of Lung-tsan 弄贊 in the

^{(105) &}quot;The sixteenth day of the first month of the fifteenth year of Chên-kuan (641)", which the T'ung-chien give at the beginning of the item reporting the Princess' marriage, might be rather the date for the general report of the mission that Tao-tsung 道宗, Prince of Chiang-hsia 江夏王, accomplished. As to the dates in the Chinese Annals, this kind of examples can be found elsewhere. (See supra p. 27) Therefore, in this column, all events leading to the construction of the new royal residence for the Princess in Tibet are reported. In the T'ung-chien, there is another entry for the 23rd day of the intercalary 10th month of the previous year (640), which says, "The Princess was given for the wife". This must refer to the date of the first report of Princess Wên-Ch'êng's marriage. Because Line 30 of the Stein document tells us the arrival of winter just after the departure of Wên-ch'éng for Tsha çod. The winter of Tibetan calendar began usually from the 11th Chinese month. According to Tibetan version of the story, mGar sTon btsan yul zun who had been sent to the T'ang Court to welcome the Princess was detained there for more than three months and less than five months since that time (GS, f. 51a, 54a). It also says that the Princess left for Tibet in disregard of mGar ston's detainment. Or, the date mentioned above in the T'ung-chien may be taken as that of the arrival of the Princess to Tibet, if the 23rd day of the intercalary 10th month fell on the last month of autumn (ston zla tha cun) in Tibetan calendar (cf. Note 100). The fact that mGar ston bisan yul zun's name is not mentioned in this T'un-huang document may confirm the story that he was detained in the T'ang Court as hostage until they were sure of the Princess' marriage. The conferment of the rank of Yu-wei ta-chiang-chün 右衛大将軍 on Tungtsan 東贊 (=mGar sTon btsan) on the 12th day of the 1st month of 15th year of Chén-kuan, as recorded in the T'ung-chien Bk. 196, should be understood as a reward in recognition of his services after the return of the Chinese mission. This record indicates that he was detained at the Chinese Court in reality. Until this date he seems to have passed 5 months after the departure of the Chinese mission which, then, could have taken place in the 9th month of the year before. The story of Princess Lang-

Hsin T'ang-shu, the person who welcomed the Princess on the way was referred to as Tsan-p'u 贊音 in one Chinese document⁽¹⁰⁶⁾. This fact helps us in identifying Gun sron gun btsan with Lung-tsan in the two T'ang-shu-s. As far as the Stein document in question explains, it is clear that the king reffered to in this Chinese text should be Gun sron gun btsan, and not Sron btsan sgam po who is usually referred to by the Chinese characters Lung-tsan 弄贊. The country of Ho-yüan King means the Ho-yüan province which was nominally in the domain of No-ho-po, king of T'u-yu-hun.

In the T'ang Court only No-ho-po was acknowledged as the authentic King of T'u-yu-hun and that is the reason why his name was especially mentioned to indicate the place of Ho-yüan in the T'ang-shu. The Hsin T'angshu says simply that a house for the Princess was built in the country of Ho-yüan King, and there is no reference as to whether the King himself or his wife, Princess Hung-hua 弘化公主, came there to welcome Princess Wên-ch'êng. This is worthy of special note. The Tibetan text in the Stein Collection says that, after the retainers of the Tibetan Court arrived to welcome Princess Wên-ch'êng, Ma ga to gon kha gan and his mother, Khri bans together with the subordinates went out to welcome her. The Chinese documents ignored of their presence because he was acknowledged to be the king of T'u-yu-hun only by the Tibetan Court⁽¹⁰⁷⁾. The meaning of "built a house \mathfrak{Pgi} "⁽¹⁰⁸⁾ if

hsieh 琅邪公主 is also preserved more or less accurately in the Tibetan tradition. (GS, f. 51a-b).

⁽¹⁰⁶⁾ The Chapter of T^{*}u-fan-chuan in the two T^{*}ang-shu-s and the Ts^{*}ê-fu yüan-kuei Bk. 978 tell that Lung-tsan 弄讚 (=Khri stron brtsan) went out to welcome the Princess in person. The Chapter on the Defense of Frontiers 5, in the T^{*}ung-tien Bk. 190 通 典一九〇辺防五 tells merely that Tsan-p^{*}u 贊普 went out to receive the Princess personally, in the passage which relates that "She reached her husband Ch^{*}i-su-nung-tsan 至其主棄蘇農贊". The T^{*}ung-chien</sup> mentions no name at all which can correspond to Khri sron brtsan.

⁽¹⁰⁷⁾ If Thomas is right to say that Ma ga to gon kha gan was no other than Mu-jung No-ho-po (TLTD, II, p. 16), then there should have been, in this T⁴un-huang document of the Stein Collection, a passage of some sort about Princess Hung-hua who was married to him in the 12th month of the previous year (639), and also some reference to her in such passages as quoted in the present article from the Chinese historical books. In reality there are no allusion in this Tibetan document about such serious incidents as those of the 12th months of the 10th year (636) and again of the 13th year (639), of Chên-kuan, when No-ho-po himself came to pay respects at the T'ang Court (as recorded in the Ts'ê-fu yüan-kuei Bk. 999), and the event (which is recorded in the T'ung-chien Bk. 195,) that the T'u-fan forces drove out No-ho-po, to the north of Chin-hai before the 8th month of the 12th year of Chên-kuan, who had interferred (probably on the occasion of his visit to the T ang Court in 636.) with the Chinese princess' marrying into the T'u-fan royal family. What is more, at the end of the 10th year of Chên-kuan, when No-ho-po visited in fact the T'ang Court, Ma ga to gon kha gan got married under the T'u fan's influence (Lines 9 and 10). Prior to that, from the entry in the present Stein document for the summer of the 9th year of Chên-kuan (Line 3), we could get some indication that they celebrated over the banishment of Shun 順. (See Notes 91 and 105).

it is to be explained, corresponds to the fact described by the sentence, "... was built at ... du in the country of rTsan", from Line 29 to Line 30 of our Tibetan text. Possibly, *Pai-hai* may mean the same place. The castle which he built, after the return to his country, would be the "pho bran" built at *Tsha çod*. From the Tibetan text, the royal couple seems to have spent both summer and winter there, so that the house must not have been a group of tents $(hphru \ ma \ or \ sbra)^{(109)}$, but a fixed building. *Tsha çod* was in a Tibetan territory from an old time, and is called *Tsha ba ron* today⁽¹⁰³⁾.

dPaho gtsug lag hphren ba and hJigs med rdo rje's History of Mongolian Lamaism⁽¹¹⁰⁾, both tell that the King was at the 20th year of age when Princess Wén-ch'éng arrived in Tibet. Naturally in those documents the King is referred to as Sron btsan sgam po, not as Gun sron gun btsan. If we apply this age of twenty to the chronology of Gun sron gun btsan, it falls also on 640 when the Princess arrived in Tibet. In the Chapter Ha of the Collected Works of Klon rdol bla ma, she is referred to as Zan chin in a Chinese name⁽¹¹¹⁾.

It is possible that Gun sron gun btsan's expedition to Ha sha in 643 was related to the incident that Hsüan-wang 宣王, Prime Minister, rebelled against the king Mu-jung No-ho-po 慕容諾曷鉢. When Hsüan-wang's plot was detected, he was attacked by Hsi-chün-ku's 席君賈 Chinese forces and as a result the country was plunged in an utter confusion in this period. Thus, King Gun sron gun btsan died⁽¹¹²⁾.

As for *yum-sras*, Princess $W \hat{e}n$ -ch' $\hat{e}ng$ and her son, who were left alone in *Tsha çod*, there is a following passage in DTH⁽¹¹³⁾:

After that (643 A. D.) six years passed (i.e. 649), when bTsan po Khri sron rtsan died. He had had three years of married life with his queen, Princess Wên-ch'êng.

- (108) The entry that "a residence for the Princess was built in the country of Hoyüan king" is found only in the Hsin Tang-shu. Other Chinese documents (the Tang-tien, the Tang-chien, the Chiu Tang-shu and the Tste-fu yüan-kuei) all say only that they arrived at Ho-yüan. It seems probable that a temporay residence consisting of a group of tents was prepared at the place where the Princess was welcomed, Tsogi Jon yo du.
- (109) See Note 3, 28, 63. Yamaguchi: "Retrospect and Prospect", in Shigaku Zasshi 75-5 (1965), p. 257.
- (110) ñi çu pa me sprel (636) rgya bzah phebs. KG, 41b. "At the 20th year of age, he took a Chinese woman, Kluń cu, as his consort. (dguň lo ñi çu la rGya bzah kluň cu btsun mor bshes). kluň cu is a corrupt form for Khon co". Koho Hashimoto ed.: Hor chos hbyuň, 1940, p. 7.
- (111) The collection (gsun hbum) of Klon rdol bla ma Nag dban blo bzan (1707/19-1805) has 31 chapters. Chapter Ha is "the names of the patrons of Buddhism (bstan pahi sbyin bdag byun tshul gyi min gi grans)", which has 20 folios in the Kun bde glin edition. See ibid. f. 10a.
- (112) See Notes 91, 92 and 94.
- (113) de nas lo drug nah/ btsan po khri sroň rtsan dguň du gçegs so/ DTH, p. 13. btsan muň caň koň co daň dguň lo gsum bços so/ DTH, p. 13.

With regard to the above-quoted passage in DTH, Sato argued that the King's married period was between 641 and 643, on the basis of the assumption that the punitive expedition to *Shan shun* was carried out for six years, in 643 and afterwards⁽¹¹⁴⁾. Sato's argument, however, is not acceptable, as DTH itself tells under the column of 641 A.D. that the expedition was completed after the reascension of *Khri sron brtsan*. Therefore, the passage in question should be interpreted as follows: "…was quelled, and was kept under subjugation. (. . . *hbans su bkug ste mnaho*)."

Princess Wên-ch'êng, after spending three years in mourning for her husband⁽¹¹⁵⁾, had three years with the father of her deceased husband, from 646 to 649. This is the interpretation of the present writer.

There is a following entry in the T'u-fan-ch-'uan of the Chiu T'ang-shu.

太宗伐遼東還,遣祿東贊来賀奉表曰.聖天子平定四方,日月所照之国並為臣妾,而 高麗恃遠闕於臣礼,天子自百万度遼致討,隳城陥陣指日凱旋,夷狄纔聞陛下発駕, 少進之間已聞帰国,雁飛迅越不及陛下速疾,奴忝預子壻喜百常夷,夫鵝猶雁也,故 作金鵝奉献。

"T'ai-tsung 太宗, after conquering Liano-tung 遼東, came home. Tibet sent Lu-tung-tsan 祿東贊 [mGar ston rtsan]⁽¹¹⁶⁾ to congratulate the Emperor. He addressed a memorial of [bTsan po Khri sron btsan] to the throne which says, 'The Holy Emperor has pacified the four directions; the whole land under the sun and the moon is subject to Him. Only, Kao-li 高麗, complacent of being in a remote area, was remiss in paying respects to the Emperor as a vassal. The Emperor personally led a million of his men, crossed the River Liao to make a punitive expedition. After destroying castles and purging the enemy forces, he came back victorious in a short while. We, ignorant provincials, heard a rumour of the Em-

⁽¹¹⁴⁾ KTK, p. 284.

^{(115) &}quot;The Princess was riding a white mule (drel), and Dar rgyal man po rje was conducting her (kon jo dre dkar mo shig la beibs te dar rgyal man po rje(s) sna khrid)" in KG, Ja f. 30a. Dre dkar mo must be the corrupted form of the princess' name, khri skar. Dar rgyal man po rje (=Da rgyal man po rje) was one of the influential retainers (ming wang 名王) of the T'u-yu-hun camp and, fighting with Su-ting-fang 蘇定方, died in action in 656. (DTH, p. 14). This entry sounds as if Da rgyal man po rje conducted the Princess to Tibet from Tsha çod, after the death of Gun sron gun btsan. But, it would be more reasonable to interpret this as a remnant part of the record that they passed Ha sha and went to Tsha çod. It is traced in the passages of the mKhas pahi dgah ston (f. 33 a-b) or the rGyal rabs gsal bahi me lon (f. 56b) that the Princess might have once determined to return to China before she saw Sron btsan sgam po.

⁽¹¹⁶⁾ The Chinese character lu 融 can be a transcription of r in mGar. See KTK, pp. 303-304, R. A. Stein: "Deux Notules d'histoire ancienne du Tibet", Journal Asiatique, Paris, 1963, pp. 330-333. *hBri Se ru gun ston* who appears as a rival for mGar in the Tibetan historical works of later years (GS, ff. 32b, 49b, 51a; KG, f. 29b) seems to be a fictitious character who was erroneously reconstructed, in combination with the corrupt form of *hBro*, from the Chinese wrong transliteration *hsüeh lu kung tung tsan* 薛藤公束贊.

peror's departure for the expedition. In no time at all, we also heard that He is already back at home. Wild geese can fly very fast, but they are no faster than the Emperor. I am fortunate to be your *son-in-law*, and my pleasure is hundred times greater than that of the foreign subjects. Since a goose \mathfrak{B} is like a wild goose \mathfrak{K} , I had a goose made in gold. I would like to present it respectfully to the Throne.''

The Chiu T'ang-shu tells that the goose bottle was seven feet tall, and it could contain three hu 斛 of wine. According to the T'ai-tsung pên-chi in the Chiu T'ang-shu, the Emperor came back from the expedition in the third month of the twentieth year of Chên-kuan (646 A.D.) In the Chapter of the Tributaries (in the Section of the Foreign Subjects) of the Ts'ê-fu yüan-kuei Bk. 970 it says, "In the seventh month, the twentieth year of Chên-kuan, the Tibetan addressed a congratulatory memorial to the Throne and dedicated a gold goose to the Emperior." In China, goose bottle would be emblematical of conjugal fidelity⁽¹¹⁷⁾. We know that Princess Wên-ch'êng was already, by this time (646), married again to Khri sron brtsan after her first widowhood. bTsan po Khri sron brtsan, who ascended to the throne for the second time after the death of his son, called of himself that "I am fortunate to be your sonin-law." It may be the case that he, taking advantage of the opportunity to congratulate the victorious return of the Chinese Emperor, was asking the tacit approval from the Chinese Court on Princess Wên-ch'êng's remarriage. In the Chiu T'ang-shu, after the above-quoted entry, it reads as follows:

高宗嗣位,授弄贊為駙馬都尉,封西海郡王,賜物二千段。

Kao-tsung 高宗 succeeded to the throne. He conferred to Lung-tsan [Khri sron brtsan] the rank of Fu-ma tou-wei accorded him the title of Hsi-hai chün-wang and gave him two thousand pieces of grants.

This passage shows that on the occasion of enthronement of *Kao-tsung Khri* sro'n brtsan was recognized officially as the "husband" of the Princess⁽¹¹⁸⁾.

It may be noted in this connection that there were only two cases of the personal visits of the Tibetan chief minister (*blon che*) to the *T*'ang Court during the period of the *T*'u-fan Dynasty: once, when to invite Princess Wênch'êng to Tibet, and the other, when to ask for the approval of the Princess' remarriage⁽¹¹⁹⁾. Both times mGar ston rtsan yulzun was dispatched. We can tell the

(119) In the T[·]un-huang Annals, mGar ston rtsan yul zun, who was sent for the invitation of the Princess to Tibet, is not called with the title of blon che. It is, also, a little

⁽¹¹⁷⁾ See H.A. Giles: A Chinese English Dictionary, London, 1912, p. 404 a 鴉酒禮.

⁽¹¹⁸⁾ According to the T'ung-chien, this is an event in the 10th month, in the winter of the 23rd year of Chên-kuan. Mu-jung No-ho-po, ruler of the T'u-yu-hun, got Princess Hung-hua as his consort in 639, and was conferred the rank of Fu-ma tou-wei ten years later, in 649. In view of this similar case, it sounds probable that Khri sron brtsan (弄贊) also got married to Princess Wên-ch'êng about ten years before the conferment of the rank. (f. 33 a-b)

importance of these two occations for the Tibetans. It seems probable that Princess Wén-ch'éng's reluctance to remarriage caused her to remain widow for three years from 643 to 646. There is small wonder if the *T'ang* Court tried to suppress the fact of her remarriage from the public notice deliberately. It would have infringed on the authority of the *T'ang* Court to record that they impossively left the Chinese Princess to obey to such a barbarous customs as being remarried with her deceased husband's father.

V.

Chronology on Khri sron brtsan

There have been several studies made concerning the chronology of Khrisron $brtsan^{(120)}$ and there is no space here to examine all of them. The date of his death is definitely known, since there is a reference in DTH. As to the date of his birth, on the other hand, some scholars are misled in the interpretation of the tradition that the King lived till his 82nd year of age, while some others discard the tradition thoroughly thinking that it was a groundless prediction (lun bstan) in the Mañjuçrīmūlatantra (hJam dpal rtsa rgyud). While discarding the tradition, those people come to make another mistake in adopting to the chronology of the King the dating system of "the Five Elements in Male and Female", which was a sheer invention of the later Tibetan historians. As a result, they assert unduly that the King was born in 617 or 629.

What is accepted in common among the Tibetan historians is that the King was born in the Ox year that he ascended to the throne at his 13th year of age, that he ruled the country for 69 years, that during his life-time in his place *Gun sron gun btsan* ruled the country for some period, and that he died at his 82nd year of age.

His death is confirmed to be in $649^{(121)}$ by DTH⁽¹²²⁾. A passage in the Kao-tsung pên-chiastric the Chiu T'ang-shu Bk. 4, reads:

永徽元年五月,吐蕃賛普死,遣右武衛將軍鮮於匡済,齎璽書往弔祭。

strange that there is no mention of his name in our Tibetan document from the Stein Collection. (Cf. Note 105). According to KG, Ja f. 47b, the Chief Ministers (blon che) for Gun sron gun btsan were Myan man po rje shan snan and sNubs Tsan to re. The former is the blon che for the early period of Khri sron brtsan's reign. (DTH, pp. 101-111). The name of shan bTsan to re appears in Line 23 of the Stein document, but it is not known that sNubs was shan po. It could be explained that a fragmentary record about the time of the ascension of Khri sron brtsan and that of shan bTsan to re (DTH. p. 20) who went to welcome Princess chin-ch'êng were mixed up into the story of Gun sron gun btsan.

⁽¹²⁰⁾ See KTK, p. 206.

⁽¹²¹⁾ The years in the Christian Era do not correspond exactly with those in the Chinese or Tibetan calendars. In this article, a year in the Christian Era is shown for a convenience's sake, when a year in the Christian calendar is common in the duration more than half of the annual term with the other calendars.

⁽¹²²⁾ DTH, p. 13.

In the fifth month of the first year of Yung-hui, tsan-p'u (btsan po) of Tibet died. The Emperor dispatched Yu-wu-wei chiang-chün Hsien-yü-k'uang-chi with an Imperial letter to mourn for the King's death.

This date should be taken to be that of the dispatching of the Emperor's envoy to mourn for the King's death, or rather, the date of the envoy's report to the Chinese Court on his return from Tibet.

One this date of 650 in the *Chiu* $T^{c}ang$ -shu was introduced to Tibet through the rGya yig tshan⁽¹²³⁾, the date of the King's death was fixed to be in 650, Dog year. Since this date agrees well with both of the established traditions that the King was born in the Ox year, and that he lived till the 82nd year of age, no Tibetan historians have ever doubted its veracity⁽¹²⁴⁾.

However, if we calculate retrospectively, not from 650, but from 649 as we have known from DTH, the two traditions, of the Ox year for the King's birth, and of his 82nd year for the date of his death, contradict each other with a discrepancy of one year. The calendar by means of the Twelve Animals, not with a combination of the Five-Eelements in Male and Female, was established in Tibet from the old time. So, as to the Ox year we have no reason to deny the veracity of the tradition. At first, therefore, we will examine the tradition that the King lived till the 82nd year of age and see how this tradition was formed.

From various works of the later Tibetan historians, I will take up those descriptions especially contradictory so as to draw out some hints from them. In the $rGyal \ rabs \ gsal \ bahi \ me \ lon^{(125)}$, it says as follows:

Thus, the Great Dharmarāja, God's incarnate, stayed on the throne just for 70 years . . . When he reached his 82nd year of age, . . . he dissolved himself into the heart of his protector God.'

Here it is maintained that the King died at the 82nd year of age, while it is asserted that, instead of 69 years which are more commonly accepted, the King stayed on the throne for 70 years. Naturally what is meant here is that his reign extended to his 70th year of reign. However, it seems probable that the 70 years was the alteration by the author of the *rGyal rabs* or others from the original 72 years. Because *dPaho gtsug lag hphren ba*⁽¹²⁶⁾ says as follows:

⁽¹²³⁾ The rGya yig tshan comes to be known well since this book is quoted in the Hu lan deb ther. As to the details, see A. Macdonald: "Préambule à la lecture du rGya-Bod yig chan", Journal Asiatique, 1963, pp. 69-83.

⁽¹²⁴⁾ See KTK pp. 214-224.

⁽¹²⁵⁾ de ltar sprul pahi chos rgyal chen po de/ dgun lo bdun cu tham pa rgyal sa bzun/ .../ dgun lo brgyad cu gya gñis bshed pa na/.../yid dam lha yi thugs kar thim par gyur/ GS, f. 77a; f. 81a.

⁽¹²⁶⁾ sprul paḥi rgyal po des dguň lo bcu gsum la chab srid mňaḥ mdzad pa nas lo don gñis su chab srid chos bshin du bskyaňs te dguň lo brgyad bcu rtsa gñis bshes pa sa

This King, incarnate of God, assumed the power at his 13th year of age, and his rule extended for 72 years in a lawful manner. On the 10th day of the 10th month⁽¹²⁷⁾ in the Male Earth Dog year, at his 82nd year of age, he laid his hand on the head of *Man* sron, his grandson, and said, . . . These were his last injunctions.

Here, the two traditions that the King was enthroned at the 13th year of age and that his reign extended for 72 years are accepted without deliberate consideration. However, the King's death at his 82nd year of age evidently conflicts with those two traditions. How should we explain the co-existence of the contradictory passages in this literature? There must be also some grounds for the tradition of the King's reign for 72 years. In order to get a clue, we would like to examine the age of *Khri sron brtsan* when he ascended to the throne.

As seen in the first half of this article⁽¹²⁸⁾, almost all the historical works accept the tradition that the King was at his 13th year of age at the time of enthronement. Only dPaho gtsug lag hphren ba(129) introduces the view of the Ka bkol $ma^{(130)}$ that the King was enthroned at his 4th year of age⁽¹³¹⁾. If the present writer is permitted to run his imagination, the view that the King's reign extended for 72 years might be derived from the combination of the two traditions that he was enthroned at his 4th year of age and that he lived till his 69th year of reign. There must have been originally, before this tradition of "reign for 72 years", a tradition that the King died at his 72nd year of age. The conclusion thus derived, however, would have lost its persuasiveness because of the defect that his birth does not fall on the Ox year if they take that he lived till the Cock or Dog year. For its place, the tradition that the King died at his 82nd year of age became more dominantly supported (more so especially after the tradition that the King died in the Dog year was formed from the rGya yig tshan). Finally the tradition on the length of the King's reign was modified in the form as we see in the rGyal

- (128) Cf. Note 72, p. 161 in the first half of this article.
- (129) KG., Ja. f. 15a.
- (130) This work is the last injunctions (bkah chems) of Sron btsan sgam po, which is said to have been discovered (gter kha) by Atiça. It is quoted in the mKhas pahi dgah ston (KG, Ja, f. 15a).
- (131) Reading the sentence in the Ka bkol ma: "After hearing that a king in a remote area, of four years old, administered his territory in an ideal manner (mthahi rgyal po lo bshi lon pa cig gis rgyal srid chos bshin du bskyon shes thos nas)", dPaho gtsug lag hphren ba interprets it as follows: "It seems that his father died at his fourth year of age and he came to administer the country."

pho khyi lo smin drug gi zla bahi tshes bcuhi (53b/54a) ñin dbon sras man sron gi spyi bor phyag bshag ste bkah stsal pa/...shes shal chems su mdzad to/ KG, Ja ff. 53b-54a.

⁽¹²⁷⁾ If this date is credible, the year of King's death must be in the Cock year. Because the Chinese ambassador for mourning returned to China or started out in the fifth month of the Dog year, the first year of Yung-hui, as seen above.

rabs gsal bahi me lon. The inconsistent passages by dPaho gtsug lag hphren ba must be a reflection of the state a little before the modification took place. There is another tradition to take the King's enthronement at his 10th year of $age^{(132)}$. This will be discussed in a later part of this article.

As stated above, the tradition to take the King's enthronement at his 13th year of age requires a careful consideration. If there was a tradition that after his enthronement at the 4th year of age, he died at the 72nd year of age, then it will be reasonable for us to doubt that the tradition to take his death at the 82nd year of age after his enthronment at the 13th year of age might be another invention of later period as well. There is found a basic figure, 69 years, that is given for the term of the reign both in the two traditions. Only this figure is left now for us to believe the veracity.

As we have already seen, the tradition of the King's death at his 82nd year of age could not be trusted, since by retrospective calculation it does not give us the Ox year in which he was supposed to have been born; there is a discrepancy of one year. However, if the figure 69 designates the number of age at his death, but not of years of his reign as usually taken, then this discrepancy of one year in the calendar of the Twelve Animals will be eliminated instantly; *Khri sron brtsan* died in 649 at his 69th year of age; he was born in 581, in the Ox year⁽¹³³⁾.

As we have already examined⁽¹³⁴⁾, the death of Gun sron gun btsan and the re-ascension of Khri sron brtsan to the throne took place in 643. This would be confirmed also by the Tibetan text in the Stein Collection which we discussed at the beginning of this part of article. As the present writer has already asserted (p. 165), Khri sron brtsan was at the 63rd year of age at the time of re-ascension. This assumption goes without conflict with the present theory that the King died at the 69th year of age in 649.

Because Khri sron brtsan (Sron btsan sgam po) had another name of

⁽¹³²⁾ The story of his enthronement at his 10th year of age is known from the Hor chos hbyun, (Cf. Note 110). This story seems to have been formed to find a compromise between the death at the 82nd year of age and that at the 72nd year of reign. As to another interpretation, see the Text p. 93. In the Tibetan history, there was another king, Khri gtsug lde brtsan (=Ral pa can), who was enthroned at his 10th year of age in 815. Khri lde gtsug brtsan, too, is said wrongly to have been enthroned at the 10th year of age. (G S, f. 82a; DMS, f. 19b). See Notes 72 and 85 in the first half of this article.

⁽¹³³⁾ In the case of the enthronement at the 13th year of age, consisting of twelve full years, the dates of death respresented by the Twelve Animals does not differ ordinarily one from other, whether the original age of death was erroneously modified to mean the years of reign until his death or not, so far as the figure was not counted in full year. In the present case, as it is lucky for us, the figure of age was altered to mean the full years of reign, in order to settle the date of death at the Dog year (650), misled by the Chinese source, so that the contrivance is now disclosed unsuccessful with a discrepancy of one year in the calendar of the Twelve Animals.

⁽¹³⁴⁾ pp. 164-5 in the first half of this article.

Sron lde brtsan, by attaching Khri at the top, he would be easily mistaken for Khri sron lde brtsan. Khri sron lde brtsan, on the other hand, is referred to in the chronicle of DTH as btsan po Sron lde brtsan⁽¹³⁵⁾. As for the year of death of Khri sron lde brtsan, too, the influence of the confusion between the two Kings can be clearly observed.

Generally it is held that *Khri sron lde brtsan* abdicated the throne at his 55th year of age in 796⁽¹³⁶⁾ in favor of *Mu ne brtsan po*, the eldest son borne by *Tshe spons bzah*⁽¹³⁷⁾, and he died at his 56th year⁽¹³⁸⁾ of age in the Ox year, in 797 A. D.⁽¹³⁹⁾. However, in the *Bu ston chos byun*⁽¹⁴⁰⁾, the *Deb dmar gsar ma*⁽¹⁴¹⁾, the *bsTan pa dan bstan hdzin gyi lo rgyus*⁽¹⁴²⁾, the *Chronicle of the 5th Dalai Lama*⁽¹⁴³⁾ and the *Klon rdol gsun hbum*⁽¹⁴⁴⁾, the King is said to have passed away at his 69th year of age. This must be a result of confusion with the date of *Sron btsan sgam po* (=*Sron lde brtsan*)'s death. *dPaho gtsug lag hphren ba*⁽¹⁴⁵⁾ quotes the following passage from a certain unearthened text (gter ma)⁽¹⁴⁶⁾ to tell the circumstances:

(135) Note 85 in the first half of this article.

- (136) He was enthroned at the 13th year of age and he was on the throne till his 43rd year of reign (HD f. 17a). Then he abdicated the throne in the Mouse year (byi ba lo) at his 55th year of age. (KG, Ja, f. 126a). Cf. Note 82 in the first half of this article.
- (137) The eldest son was Mu khri btsan po (?) who was born in 760 (DTH, p. 58), but died young. His mother was famous hBro bzah, and he was mentioned as "sras" in the inscription on the bell of the bSam yas Monastery. At his death, his mother took the tonsure and became a nun follower of Ha çan Mahāyāna. Her name as a nun was Jo mo Byan chub rje. Mu ne brtsan po was a son of Khri sron lde brtsan, born of another queen, Tshes pon za rMa rgyal ldon skar (DTH, p. 82) or Me tog sgron (according to the historians of later period. GS, f. 93a; KG, Ja, f. 126a). He was born in 774. His younger brothers were Mu rug brtsan po and Khri lde sron brtsan alias Sad na legs. See Note 83 of the first half of this article.
- (138) GS, f. 92b. KG (*Ja*, f. 126b-127a) introduces several different theories and says "it is recorded in an old royal chronicle (*rgyal rabs*) merely that the King disappeared for meditation at the 55th year of age."
- (139) GS, f. 92b; HD, f. 18a. However, in KG, Ja, f. 126b, the Ox year (glan lo) is given only as the year for the death of Mu ne brtsan po. The 5th Dalai Lama alone gives the Male-Iron-Dragon year (lcags pho hbrug gi lo=800) as the date of his death. (See SG, f. 39b)
- (140) DC, f. 123b.
- (141) DMS, f. 22b. a Fire-Tiger year (me stag lo) falls on 786. If it was 798, 12 years later, it was the year of Mu ne brtsan po's death; if 60 years later, it was the year of Glan dar ma's death.
- (142) bsTan pa dan bstan hdzin gyi lo rgyus, f. 65b. (Note 79 in the first half of this article.)

- (144) Note 112. Klon rdol gsun hbum, Ha, f. 7b.
- (145) gter mar grags pa kha cig las, khri sron gi sku tshe lna bcu rtsa lna las med pa la slob dpon gyis tshe sgrub mdzad pas bcu gsum bsrins te drug (126b/127a) bcu rtsa dgu la gçegs ces/ KG, Ja, f. 126b.
- (146) The word gter kha (ma) is here an unearthened article like those discovered at $T^{*}un$ -huang.

⁽¹⁴³⁾ SG, f. 32a.

According to a certain text called *gter ma*, *Khri sron* could not live over the 55th year of age, but since *slob dpon (Padmasambhava)* held a rite of prolongation, his life was prolonged by 13 years, and he died at the 69th year of age."

If we follow this version, at first the accounts do not tally; his natural term of existence at the 55th year of age, and then 13 years of additional existence by force of the rite do not fit in with his death at the 69th year of age. As we have seen on the other hand, if we take his 55th year of age as the time of abdication and his 56th year of age in the Ox year as the time of his death, an addition of 13 years by force of the rite of prolongation fits well in with his death at the 69th year of age. Apart from those who believe in the efficacy of sorcery, I think the truth was that the editor of this gter ma got to know from some reliable source the 55th year of age, which actually falls on the age of Khri sron ide brtsan's abdication, and also from some other source the 69th year, which is the age of Sron lde brtsan alias Sron brtsan sgam po at his death. Being ignorant of the fact that these were the two different Kings, the editor of the gter ma worked out a story of Padmasambhava's magical skillfulness⁽¹⁴⁷⁾. He alone cannot be blamed here, since even such a man of profound knowledge as Bu ston made a similar mistake without distinguishing these two Kings⁽¹⁴⁸⁾.

Thus we conclude that Khri sron brtsan (=Sron lde brtsan=Sron brtsan sgam po) died at his 69th year of age.

In a Chinese historical work, the $T^{i}ung$ -tien $\mathbb{E}\oplus^{(149)}$, there is a following passage:

隋開皇中,其主論贊率弄贊,都蛘轲西疋播城,已五十年矣。

In the Kai-huan era of the Sui Dynasty, the Lord Lun-tsan, with Lungtsan, held the court at P'i-po-ch'êng⁽¹⁵⁰⁾ in the west of the Tsang-ko."

Sato quotes the phrase "Lun-tsan Shuai-lung-tsan" and said, "The author of the *T*'ung-tien overlooked the fact that the name of gNam ri sron brtsan is repeated twice in the original document, and understood the phrase to mean a single name of the King⁽¹⁵¹⁾." But, as the present writer showed above in his translation, they are two different kings; Lun-tsan 論贊 is gNam ri slon mtshan, (Khri slon btsan in DTH and sLon btsan rlun nam in the Table of the Royal Lineage in DTH) (=so-lun-tsan 案論贊)⁽¹⁵²⁾, and Lung-tsan 弄贊 is Khri

⁽¹⁴⁷⁾ This is one of the examples of the later additions to the original text of the gter ma. (148) DC, f. 123b.

⁽¹⁴⁹⁾ T'ung-tien Bk. 190, pien-fang, 6, T'u-fan (通典, 巻一九〇, 辺防六, 吐蕃)

⁽¹⁵⁰⁾ As to the identification of the place of the royal residence, see KTK, p. 191.

 ⁽¹⁵¹⁾ Ibid., p. 190; Wang-chung: Hsin T'ang-shu T'u-fan-chuan chien-chêng (See Note 103),
 p. 22. Wang-chung takes it as a corruption of Slon brtsan rlun nam.

⁽¹⁵²⁾ DTH, p. 101; p. 106; p. 82. As to the royal lineage, see DTH, p. 81.

sron brtsan (=Sron brtsan sgam po). In the case of "Lun-tsan-so-lun-tsan 論贊索論贊" in the Wen-hsien t'ung-kao 文献通考,⁽¹⁵³⁾ on the contrary, it was a mistake of the compiler to read the above original two names "Lun-tsan 論贊 with lung-tsan 弄贊" into one name 論贊索論贊.⁽¹⁵⁴⁾

If we apply our present interpretation to the passage of the T'ung-tien, shuai is understood, neither a replacement for so nor a mistake, but to mean "leading", "together with". The Kai-huang era of the Sui Dynasty falls on 581–600 in the Christian calendar. Since Khri sron brtsan was born in 581, there is no contradition in the entry. Does this passage refer particularly to the 9th year of the Kai-huan, when the Sui Dynasty succeeded in bringing the whole Chinese land under one sway? Khri sron brtsan was at his 9th year of age at that time. However, as it will be explained later, we can take another view.

As it has been mentioned already, there are three theories as to the year of *Khri sron brtsan*'s enthronement: at his 4th year of age, at his 10th year of age, or at his 13th year of age. It is difficult to decide which to follow. In $DTH^{(155)}$, there is a following passage:

Father, gNam ri slon mtshan, was poisoned to death ⁽¹⁵⁶⁾. Son, Sro \dot{n} brtsan, driven ⁽¹⁵⁷⁾ by youthful ardor, showed no mercy in exterminat-

- (153) Wên-hsien t'ung-k'ao Bk. 334, Ssǔ-i-k'ao 11, Tu-fan, (文献通考, 巻三三四, 四裔考十 一, 吐蕃)
- (154) Perhaps a cause of this mistake may be found in the $T^{\cdot}u$ -fan-ch'uan of the Hsin $T^{\cdot}ang$ -shu which contains the following passage:

詎素生論贊索論贊生棄宗弄讚

"Chü-su had a son Lun-tsan. So-lun-tsan had a son Ch'i-tsung-lung-tsan".

The complier of the Wên-hsien t'ung-k'ao probably overlooked the fact that the name of Slon-btsan is repeated twice here and replaced, upon his own discretion, "Lun-tsan shuai Lung-tsan" in the T'ung-tien by this "Lun-tsan-so-lun-tsan" of the Hsin T'ang-shu. So-lun-tsan corresponds to Slon btsan as Sato correctly analized (KTK, p. 189). The first Lun-tsan in Lun-tsan-so-lun-tsan also means Slon btsan. So is dropped or omitted from it. There are several similar cases in the Chinese historical documents that, while transcribing foreign names, once the form in the Chinese letters is established, the Chinese writers sometimes take the liberty of dropping or omitting certain letters out of the established form. Therefore, Lun-tsan 論贊, whether with or without so, indicates only slon btsan. The reading "Lun-tsan 弄讚 or Lung-tsan 弄蠻, and invariably means Khri sron brtsan. Incidentally, Chü-su 詎素 is an abbreviation of Chü-su-jo 詎素若 which corresponds to the Tibetan g-sña. The Chinese letters which correspond to sTa in sTag (bu) sña (gzigs) are possibly dropped out.

- (156) yab gnam ri slon mtshan dug bon te bkrons so//sras sron brtsan sku gshon ma phan te//gzod ma dkuh ba dan/dug pa rnams rabs bchad do//dehi rjes la/dehi myi log kun hbans su slar bkug goh// As to the correspondence of bon=gsol, see G. Uray: "The old Tibetan verb bon", Acta Orientalia, Hungary, 1964, pp. 323-334.
- (157) "ma phan te" should be taken in a positive meaning "to turn out unfortunately." See Note 160.

⁽¹⁵⁵⁾ DTH, p. 111.

ing⁽¹⁵⁸⁾ treacherous and suspicious persons⁽¹⁵⁹⁾. After a while all of those who had been once against him became totally submissive to him.

This paragraph tells us that *Khri sron* brtsan was in his vigorous youth when his father was murdered. The passage "sku gshon" was usually translated to mean his childhood, but it is more likely to mean that the King was in his vigorous youth to do things without mature judgment ⁽¹⁶⁰⁾.

The Ka bkol ma says that the enthronement of Khri sron brtsan took place at his 4th year of age. In other texts there are passages telling that he stayed in one place for 4 years to learn how to write, or that he meditated for 4 years. We cannot ignore this period of 4 years, whatever it may mean, so far as there is a tradition of the King's death at his 72nd year of age. The King's enthronement at his 10th year of age is asserted only by $hJigs \ med \ rdo$ $rje^{(162)}$. Possibly this is a product of combination of the two traditions: the King's rule for 72 years and his death at his 82nd year of age. The passage quoted above from the $T'un \ huang$ document would interfere with the interpretation in taking the King's enthronement at the 4th year of age. dPaho $gtsug \ lag \ hphren \ ba^{(163)}$ gives a following interpretation on this point:

When the God's son reached his 13th year of age, his father gave him the authority to administer the State affairs. [The following in the translation of the explanatory remarks written in finer letters.] It is generally known that at his 13th year of age, his father passed away and the Son [=he] was enthroned ⁽¹⁶⁴⁾. However, according to the Testament of the King's Injunctions ⁽¹⁶⁵⁾ and others, even after the abdication of the Throne, Father gNam ri sron btsan made several requests to the son. From this fact, it is definite that the Father, while in life, ab-

- (159) The word dug pa or gdug pa means "a suspected person of rebellious intention."
- (160) DTH, p. 147. The translation "le fils Sron brtsan était trop jeune pour agir utilement" is perhaps wrong. In KG, (Ja f. 15a) too, it says that he was enthroned when he was very young (*cin tu gshon nu*). However, we know that gshon is now used as *shon bu/gshonhu(/gsho nu)/gshon nu*, always by adding a diminutive to the original gshon. DTH (p. 112) refers to Khri hdus sron as "From his infancy, he bravely, killed a big bore and trapped wild yaks (sku chun nas gshon gyis kyan//phag rgod la bçan gyis mdzad//g-yag rgod sgog du bcug//". In view of such a word as shon pa, "to ride a horse", gshon has not always "puerile", but rather "young and virile", for its connotation.
- (161) DC, f. 118b; KG, f. 18b.
- (162) See Note 110.
- (163) lha sras dgun lo bcu gsum bshed paḥi tshe/yab kyis rgyal poḥi chab srid mnaḥ dban phul/ bcu gsum lon dus yab gçegs nas sras rgyal sar bskos ces grags kyan shal gdams kyi bskor las gnam ri sron btsan gyis rgyal srid phul nas shus pa sogs gsuns pas yab bshugs dus rgyal srid phul par nes so/ KG, Ja. f. 14a.
- (164) GS, f. 29a; f. 30a.
- (165) Maņi bkah hbum, Part II.

⁽¹⁵⁸⁾ Probably rabs bcad means "to exterminate a lineage". The usage is found in other texts. (AHE, p. 27, Inscript., Line 28).

dicated the Throne in favor of his son.

Even after *Khri sron brtsan* was enthroned at his 13th year of age, his father still held substantial power of the State affairs for four years. When his father was poisoned to death, he was at the $16th^{(166)}$ or the 17th year of age, (if four years be counted as four years in full). In his vigorous youth, he resored to merciless means to retaliate. This is how the present writer looks at the case on the basis of the above-quoted passage.

If this assumption be acceptable, the sentence in the T'ung-tien, "In the Kai-huan era of the Sui Dynasty, . . ." could be taken as a report on the situation in Tibet between 593 and 596/7. If it was true also in the case of Khri sron brtsan that the enthronement was held at the 13th year of age, this fact would have misled people easily to mix up Khri sron brtsan with Khri sron lde brtsan.

The tradition of his enthronment at the 10th year of age could be composed also out of the assumption that the King ruled his country together with his father for four years preceding his father's death which took place at his 13th year of age. Even if we grant that his father's abdication and death took place respectively at his 10th and 13th years of age, still the King seems to be too young to fit the description of his vigorous vengeance in DTH.

After the passage quoted above, in the T'ung-tien there is the following entry:

國界西南与波羅門接,自大唐初,已勝兵数十万,号為強國。

"The south-western border of the country is contiguous to Po-lo-mén 婆羅門 (=Nepal). From the early T ang period, there were hundreds of thousands of strong soldiers and it called itself a powerful country."

It is possible that "the early *T*'ang period" might refer to the Wu-tê 武徳 era of Emperor Kao-tsu's reign. In the first year of Wu-tê (618), Khri sron brtsan comes to have been in his 38th year of age.

"He made his Minister Myan man po rje shan snan to secure all the Sum pa..... Later, when the King himself was ready to depart for the front, Ha sha came to be at discord with China⁽¹⁶⁷⁾." This discord between Ha sha and China possibly refers to the subjugation of T'u-yu-hun made by Yang-ti in the 5th year of Ta-yeh 大業五年 (609). At that time Khri sron brtsan was at his 29th year of age. Within ten years after the event, btsan mo yum Khri bans, who is mentioned in our text from the Stein Collection, married to the Ha sha royal family. Nearly from that time, there must have existed a country of T'u-yu-hun, which was referred to by the Tibetans as

⁽¹⁶⁶⁾ It is said that he was at the 16th year of age when for the first time his marriage became the topic of consideration. (GS, f. 38b; KG, Ja f. 41b). However, the similar story could be found in the case of Gun sron gun btsan, too.

⁽¹⁶⁷⁾ This is based on DTH, p. 111. See Note 91, for the translation and explanation of this part.

"thog ma Ha sha (Ha sha in alliance with Tibet)". The time of thog ma Ha sha corresponds well to the time of the T'u-yu-hun in the description of the T'ung-tien, "it boasted of itself as a powerful country". The King of T'u-yu-hun, Fu-yün 吐谷渾王伏允, after recovering his son Mu-jung shun 慕容順 who had been held in hostage in China, plundered frequently the bordering areas of China around the 5th year of Wu-tê (622 A.D.) and afterward ⁽¹⁶³⁾. With this fact in mind, it is quite reasonable to assume that at least around that period Fu-yün cannot be antagonistic to Khri sron brtsan ⁽¹⁶⁹⁾. However, Fu-yün's T'u-yuhun was not yet submissive (hbans su mnah) to Khri sron brtsan at the time. T'u-yu-hun under Fu-yün's rule must have had a considerable military influence. In fact, Fu-yün had a tributary relationship to the T'ang Court as an independent country. Soon after Tai-tsung's ascession to the throne, Fu-yün dared to request a Chinese princess to be granted for a bride of his son Tsunwang 尊王.⁽¹⁷⁰⁾

Khri sron brtsan waited to see a better opportunity to beat Fu-yün without effort. In the 9th year of Chên-kuan, when Fu-yün met the punitive force of the T'ang Court, Khri sron brtsan did not render any aid to Fu-yün, but looked on him defeated. What the Tibetan King did was only to help Ma ga tho gon kha gan, the son of Khri bans, to be enthroned as Fu-yün's successor. After the event, there came into existence two different T'u-yu-hun courts; one, Ha sha in Tibetan vassalage (hbans Ha sha), and the other, T'uyu-hun supported by the T'ang Court (rGyahi khams su/rGya la gtogs pahi Ha sha)⁽¹⁷¹⁾. The latter one was established by Mu-jung shun and his son No-ho-po 諾曷鉢. Some time between the 11th year of Chen-kuan and the seventh month of the 12th year of Chên-kuan, they were driven out of the country to the north of Koko Nor to become a tenacious enemy to Tibet, in Shan-shan 鄯善 and Ch'ieh-mo 且末, known as ''Ten thousands households of T'u-yu-hun in the west (Ha sha khri sde stod pa)⁽¹⁷²⁾.

- (169) $T^{\cdot}u^{-}yu^{-}hun$ could not dare to oppose to the $T^{\cdot}ang$ Court, when they had an enemy of the powerful forces of $T^{\cdot}u^{-}fan$ at the back. This also led me to think what the $T^{\cdot}u^{-}fan$ called thog ma Ha sha might be the force of $Fu^{-}yun$ and that $Khri^{-}bans$ might be the wife of his son.
- (170) Chapter of T'u-yu-hun, in the two T'ang-shu-s; entry for the 5th month of summer in the 8th year of Chên-kuan, in the T'ung-chien Bk. 194; entry for the 14th year of Chên-kuan, Chap. of Reconciliation, Section of Foreign Subjects, in the Ts'ê-fu yüan-kuei Bk. 978 (冊府元亀, 九七八, 外臣部, 和親)
- (171) Ha sha khri sde stod pa rGya la gtogs, TLTD, II, p. 30; rGyahi khams su gtogs pahi Ha sha, ibid., p. 32. In the latter case, thog ma of thog ma drans pahi dmag dpon is translated as "first", but it should be translated as "the allied forces". (cf. Note 91). This usage can be confirmed by the example found in the inscriptions (AHE, p. 17, Inscrip. 1. 27) and in the T'un-huang documents (TLTD, II, p. 32; p. 74; p. 279).
- (172) See KTK, p. 252, n. 31. T'u-yu-hun was invaded by the T'u-fan forces who had it as an underlying motive that the King of T'u-yu-hun had interferred, in the occasion of his visit to the T'ang Court, with the Chinese princess' marrying into the T'u-fan

⁽¹⁶⁸⁾ Tzu-chih T'ung-chien Bk. 190, T'ang-chi 6 (通鑑, 巻百九十, 唐紀六)

After these events $Gu\dot{n}$ sro \dot{n} gu \dot{n} btsan ruled Tibet for five years⁽¹⁷³⁾. After his death, *Khri sro\dot{n} brtsan* ascended to the throne for the second time in 643. This King got married with Princess $W \hat{e}n$ -ch' $\hat{e}ng$ in 646 and died in 649. This is what we have already discussed above.

VI.

Mixing of the Traditions of Princess Wên-ch'êng and Princess Chin-ch'eng

In the first half of the present article, the writer discussed the dates of the Tibetan kings on basis of the assumed confusion of traditions concerning the two Chinese Princesses⁽¹⁷⁴⁾ and the similar mixing of the history of *Khri sroň* brtsan with that of *Khri sroň lde brtsan*.

While examining the Tibetan tradition that *Khri sron lde brtsan* was born of Princess *Chin-ch'êng*, we already introduced the entries in *Bu ston Chos hbyun* and *Hu lan deb ther* (175) that Princess *Chin-ch'êng* was at first married to *hJans tsha lha dbon*, son of *Khri lde gtsug brtsan* and *hJans bzah Khri btsun*, and that after her husband's death she was married for the second time to *Mes Ag tshom*. In addition to these two books of history, there are similar entries in the *Deb dmar gsar ma* (176), the Chapter *Ha* of the *Klon rdol gsun hbum*, (177) the *dPag bsam ljon bzah*, (178) and the *mKhas pahi dgah ston* (179): the Princess was married at first to *lHa dbon*, and later she was remarried to his father *Mes Ag tshom*. Together with this version, the *mKhas pahi dgah ston* introduces a divergent story that *lHa dbon* had been dead before the arrival of the Chinese Princess. This latter version is introduced

(175) See pp. 152-153 in the first half of this article.

royal family. This visit of the T'u-yu-hun King to the T'ang Court is recorded in the entry for the 12th month of the 10th year of *Chên-kuan*. (The visits of the Foreign Subjects, Ts'e-fu yüan-kuei Bk. 999 冊府元亀, 九九九, 外臣部, 入戰) The return of the T'u-fan messenger from the T'ang Court must have been later than the beginning of the next year as the earliest possibility; therefore, the attack by the T'u-fan forces against T'u-yu-hun could be after the beginning of the 11th year of *Chên-kuan*.

⁽¹⁷³⁾ See Notes 91 and 92.

⁽¹⁷⁴⁾ The confusion in the description concerning the two Chinese princesses was quite extensive. It was indicated in Note 100 already that one example of the confusion can be found in the Tibetan tradition concerning the introduction of the $T^{*}ang$ calendar to Tibet.

⁽¹⁷⁶⁾ DMS, f. 19b.

⁽¹⁷⁷⁾ Klon rdol gsun hbum, Chap. Ha, f. 10a.

⁽¹⁷⁸⁾ dPag bsam ljon bzaň (hPhags yul rGya nag chen po Bod dan Sog yul du dam pahi chos byuň tshul), fol. 317. The present writer used the text in the collection of l'Ecole Française d'Extreme-Orient, f. 97b. (cf. Das edition, p. 151).

⁽¹⁷⁹⁾ KG, Ja, ff. 71a-73a.

in the Chronicle of the Fifth Dalai Lama⁽¹⁸⁰⁾ and the rGyal rab gsal bahi me $lo\dot{n}^{(181)}$. The rBa bshed has a similar version⁽¹⁸²⁾.

The Chronicle of the Fifth Dalai Lama describes most simply the latter version in the following way⁽¹⁸³⁾:

Khri lde gtsug brtsan Mes ag tshom took Khri btsun of the hJan family in marriage. Their child lHa dbon, grand-son of hJan, was a handsome boy, no less handsome than God himself. Since there was no young girl in Tibet suitable to be his bride, many presents were sent together with the messenger to receive as his bride a princess (kon jo), a daughter of the Chinese sovereign Yag hjam (184) khri bsher lan ma of the Li family. (The princess) looked into the mirror (of miracle) in her possession which told her luck.... There appeared (for her groom) in the mirror, a figure of a prince so handsome as God's own son. She left for Tibet. (In the meanwhile in Tibet), gÑags Khri bzan yan hdon, resentful of the prince's not marrying a daughter of the gNags family⁽¹⁸⁵⁾, murdered the prince. . . . At that time, the princess looked (again) into the mirror, and saw an ugly figure which did not bear the slightest resemblance with the prince she had seen before. From Tibet, there came a man with the sad news (of the prince's death). (Without being troubled about the news) the princess resumed her journey for Tibet. . . . At mChims phu, she was asked to be the consort of Mes ag tshom, (father of the prince).

This version, however, does not correspond at all to what is informed from the T'un-hung Annals⁽¹⁸⁶⁾. In the entry for the year 739, in the T'un-huang

- (180) (Khri lde gtsug brtan mes ag tshom gyis) hjan mo khri btsun khab tu bshes par sras hjan tsha lha dbon shes pa lha bas chog mi çes pahi mdzes sdug can shig hkhruns par, bod la dehi btsun mor hos pahi na chun ma rñed pas/ rgya rje yag hjam li khri bsher lan mahi sras mo kon jo bsu bahi skyes kyi dnos po dan pho ña mnags par, legs ñes ston pahi me lon shig yod par bltas pas.... rgyal bu de lhahi khyehu ltar mdzes pa shig tu mthon nas byon nahan/ gñags kyi bu mo ma blans pahi hkhon gyis gñags khri bzan yan hdon gyis rgyal bu bkrons/...../ dus der kon jos me lon la bltas pas/ rgyal bu bshin mi sdug pa shig tu mthon ba bshin, bod nas gtam nan pa skyel mi byun nahan byon/...../ mchims phur mes ag tshoms kyi btsun mor mnah gsol lo/ SG, f. 31a.
- (181) GS, ff. 82b-83a.
- (182) BSh, pp. 2-3.
- (183) SG, f. 31a.
- (184) Khri bsher lan ma or Khri bsher man ma (KG, Ja f, 71a-b)should be Yung-wang Shouli 雍王守禮, but we do not know why he came to be called so in the Tibetan documents. Since nan blon ched po is called Lun-mang-jê (論莽熱 blon man bsher) in the Chinese documents, khri bsher may be taken as a rank next to khri (btsan po) in importance, and man bsher, next to man po rje. As to Yag hjam, see Note 37 in the first half of this article.
- (185) $g\tilde{N}ags$ is written as $r\dot{N}egs$ in the T^{un}-huang documents.
- (186) yos buhi lo la/...../sras lhas bon dron na bshugs pa las noñs/ btsan po yab dgun bod yul du slar gçegs/ btsan mo kim çen khoñ co noñs par lo gcig/ DTH, p. 25.

Annals, there is the following passage:

In the Hare year, Prince *lHas bon* was at *Dron*, and died there. His Father, *bTsan po*, went to the Bod district again in winter. Queen Princess *Kim çen* died. One year (passed over).

This was the 30th year after Princess Chin-ch'êng's arrival at Tibet. It is not known at what year of age lHas bon died. What we know is that his father was Khri lde gtsug brtsan and his mother was, as the legends would have it, the so-called hJan mo Khri btsun. However, it is not very clear whether she was the same as Jo mo Khri btsun whose funeral is said in the T'un-huang Annals to have taken place in 745⁽¹⁸⁷⁾. In any case, there is no trace which suggests Princess Chin-ch'êng's marriage with lHa dbon. Far from the marriage with this Prince, according to what we know from the T'un-huang Annals, in 710 when the Princess came to Tibet, Khri lde gtsug brtsan (father of lHas bon), who was called "Meg ag tshom (grandfather with white beard)" in the books of later years was only at his 7th year of age (188). Again, it was in the same year (704) that the said King Khri lde gtsug brtsan (=rGyal gtsug ru) was born and his father died. Therefore, one could hardly mistake for the tradition of her remarriage with the father of the deceased prince the impossible case of her remarriage with the father of Khri lde gtsug brtsan.

Here again, we can find three factors which led to the confusion of the two Princesses: 1. Gun sron gun btsan died in a Hare year just as lHa dbon died in another Hare year. 2. Princess Chi-ch'êng and lHa dbon

- (187) Generally speaking, it takes about two or three full years after one died (nons), until to be buried (mdad btan). In the Annals in DTH, the death of yum (sNa nams) man mo rje, the mother of Khri sron lde brtsan, is recorded, but not her "funeral". On the other hand, no reference is there to the death of Jo mo khri btsun. Besides, the word khri btsun can be taken as a sort of title for the queen. Then, considering for the lapse of three years between "death" and "funeral", it is possible that these two names are actually of the same person. If so, this Jo mo khri btsun cannot be hJan mo khri btsun. Another possibility is that Jo mo was hJan mo herself, because Myava la kag paid a visit to the T'u-fan Court in 733. (DTH, p. 25).
 (188) Sato explains in minute details the circumstances concerning this part. (KTK,
- pp. 393-411). Sato translates *bltams* as "birth" (*ibid.*, p. 395). In the preceding parts, however, he translates *bltams* of the same context to mean "ascension to the throne" (*ibid.*, p. 331; p. 336). Naturally, in both cases, the word should have been translated as "birth", and we cannot accept his contention (*ibid.*, pp. 382-383, n. 33).

Sato takes the word "re-naming, *mtshan gsol* (*mtshan bond*)" to mean "ascension to the throne" (KTK, pp. 396-397; p. 401; p. 409), but we cannot find any ground for it. Again, he follows Bacot in translating *rGyal gtsug ru* as "Crown Prince". This was, in fact, another name for *Khri lde gtsug brtsan*, and did not mean "Crown Prince". If the change of name is to be taken for ascension to the throne, then how can Sato explain the fact that *Khri hdus sron* who was enthroned in 676 according to Sato (KTK, p. 331; p. 336) changed the name in 685?

The story in the Chinese documents that *Khri lde gtsug brtsan* was enthroned at his 7th year of age (KTK, p. 393) can only be explained reasonably as a mistake of his age at the time of the advent of the Princess to Tibet.

died in the same year. 3. When "the Princess and Khri btsun" are mentioned, they can be taken to mean either Princess Wên-ch'êng and Bal bzah Khri btsun, or Princess Chin-ch'êng and hJan bzah Khri btsun.

The conclusion the present writer built up on the mixed traditions of the two Chinese Princesses was as follows: Gun son gun btsan, son of Khri sron brtsan, took Princess Wên-ch'êng as a consort. As he died shortly afterwards, his father Khri sron brtsan got married with her. Khri sron brtsan was really the grandfather (Mes) to Man slon man brtsan, the Princess' son. It is permitted for her to borrow the appellative from her son. And it is not strange for him at his 66th year of age (646) to have a white beard (Ag tshom).

According to Bu ston Chos $hbyun^{(189)}$, after the death of her husband, Princess Chin-ch'éng obtained an image of the Buddha from China. It must be based on the mistaken report for the fact that Princess Wên-ch'éng did so to have the Ra mo che Shrine built for the sake of her deceased husband.

As we discussed already, *dPaho gtsug lag hphren ba*, a great historian who lived almost at the same period as the Fifth Dalai Lama, introduced the two different stories concerning to the marriage of Princesses *Chin-ch'êng*; first he told us the story of her remarriage ⁽¹⁹⁰⁾, and then he introduced a different version that she was married to *Mes ag tshom* for the first time⁽¹⁹¹⁾. Let us now examine the story of her remarriage introduced by *dPaho gtsug lag hphren ba*:

When it was known that there was a daughter of *Khri bsher man* ma of the Chinese royal family Li, called *Kyim çan kon jo*, it was agreed to take her as the Prince's bride. *Khri bzan yan ston* of gNags was dispatched with thirty retainers to take the bride, and a box (with the letter from bTsan po) was presented to the Chinese ruler. The Chinese ruler told his daughter to go (to Tibet). She looked into the magical mirror in her possession which would tell the lives of the past, present and future. . . . She came to Tibet. Before $long^{(192)}$ the Prince, while he was riding⁽¹⁹³⁾ at night, was shot by the sorcerer's arrow, and died⁽¹⁹⁴⁾ at *hJan than dge ra*.

- (191) Ibid., ff. 71b-72a.
- (192) The meaning of the word *cul du* is "immediately after".
- (193) The word bcags means "to whip a horse to run". Cf. rta lcag, "whip"; lcag po= mgyogs po, "speedily".
- (194) The story of the Prince's death by a fall from the horse is also told connected with the record concerning Princess Chin-ch'êng. For instance, in KG, Ja f. 71b, 1. 5, it is told as a quotation of a Chinese book as follows: "rgyahi deb las rgya rje hkhor

⁽¹⁸⁹⁾ See p. 152 in the first half of this article.

⁽¹⁹⁰⁾ rgya rje li khri bsher man mahi sras mo kyim çan kon jo bya ba yod zer de blan bar hcham/gñags khri bzan yan ston la hkhor sum bcu dan bcas nas gñe bor btan nas rgya rje la sgrom bu phul bas, rgya rjes bu mo la bsgo bas, bu mos ran gi hphrul gyi me lon srid gsum mthon ba shig yod pa la bltas pa....rgyal bu lhahi bu hdra ba mthon nas hgro bar byas nas bod du hons/ çul du rgyal bus mtshan la rta bcags pas hjan than dge rar snags pahi zor mdah hphans pas phog ste grons/ KG, Ja f. 71a-b.

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In the above-quoted entry, $g\tilde{N}ags \ Khri \ bzan \ yan \ ston$, who was referred to by the Fifth Dalai Lama as the murderer of the Prince, is mentioned as the royal envoy for China. Does not the passage that the Prince was killed while riding a horse remind us of the 54th line⁽¹⁹⁵⁾ of the text in the Stein Collection which was introduced in the very beginning of this fascicle ?

Those facts that Tsha çod, the place of residence of Gun sron gun btsan, was in immediate north of hJan yul, and that the place name where the murder of the Prince took place is thus clearly indicated by dPaho gtsug lag hphren ba lead us to suspect that hJan than dge ra⁽¹⁹⁶⁾ might be the spot where Gun sron gun btsan died⁽¹⁹⁷⁾.

I heard that the porcelain image of "Princess $W \ell n - ch^{\ell} \ell n g$ " which is made and sold in market in China today has a mirror in her hand. So far, however, I cannot substantiate this story. In any case, this story may serve as an evidence of possibility of the switch of the traditions of the two Chinese Princesses. A considerable number of the readers of the present article may not be quite satisfied when they are told that there was a switch, or a mixing up of the stories on the two Princesses. I did not say anything so far about the evidences that the stories on Princess *Chin-cheng* were switched to mean Princess *Wench'eng*. Although I am going to discuss about these cases in a later occasion, I wish in the meanwhile that the readers will refer to the examples I collected in the Note 100.

Explanations were made in the pertinent places of this article as to the reasons why the stories originally meant for Princess Wên-ch'êng were changed to designate Princess Chin-ch'êng. To make the new stories sound natural, several distortions and falsifications of the historical facts must have been made. E.g. The Princess's remarriage came to be told as if it were her first marriage and so on. However, the historical truth is not to be easily concealed in this way.

- (196) As seen in Note 103, Tsha god was an important strategic spot leading to hJan yul.
- (197) The death by a fall from a horse is said of *Khri sron lde brtsan* and also of his son, *Mu rug brtsan po.* It is in this text only that the place-name of the accident is mentioned. In one version of the stories about *Mu rug brtsan po's* death, he is said to be on the way home from *Mon yul*. In compliance with the extention of *Mon yul* in old days, *Tsha çod* might have been confused with the place where *Mu rug brtsan po* died. However, there is no positive ground for that.

dan bcas pas kon jo la mkhar chen po shin phen hen gyi bar du skyel thun mdzad, mkhar dehi ñes pa can hthar du bcug, dmag dan ldab nor lo gcig med par byas". The part of this quotation corresponds to the passage of "The Emperor went to Shih-ping...He granted amnesty to the Shih-ping District. Death punishment was repealed and the people were exempt from the imposition for one year 帝為幸始平,... 為赦始平県, 罪死皆免, 賜民繇賦一年" in the T[.]u-fan-chuan of the Hsin T[.]ang-shu. The sentence following it, however, which describes the death by a fall from the horse (rgyal bu bod tu rta brgyugs pas rtas bskyur ste hdas) has no corresponding passage in the Chinese document. This part must be a later addition to the original story after the confusion of the histories of the two princesses.

⁽¹⁹⁵⁾ In the missing part of Line 54 of the Tibetan document must have been a description of the death by a fall from a horse.

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ABBREVIATIONS

AHE Richardson, H.: Ancient Historical Edicts at Lhasa, London, 1952.

- BC dGe hdun chos hphel: Bod chen pohi srid lugs dan hbrel bahi rgyal rabs deb ther dkar po, 46f., 1946.
- Stein, R. A. (ed.): Une chronique de bSam-yes: sBa-bzed, Paris, 1961. BSh
- Bu ston rin chen grub: bDe bar gçegs pahi bstan pa gsal byed cho skyi hbyun DC gnas gsun rab rin po chehi mdzod, 203f., 1322/3. (The Chronicle of Tibet begins from f. 122b)
 - bSod nams grags pa: Deb ther dmar pohi deb gsar ma (rGyal rabs hphrul gyi DMS lde mig), (Mr. gDan sa pa's MS), 80f., 1538.

In his 'Tibetan Historical Documents' (Tôhôgaku 14, 1956, p. 12), Tucci ascribes this work to bSod nams rgyal mtshan, a monk from the hBras spuns Monastery. It is cited as the work of Panchen bSod nams grags pa in the Vaidūrya gser po, p. 72 (Catapitaka).

- Bacot, J., F. W. Thomas, Ch. Toussaint: Documents de Touen-houang relatifs à l'histoire du Tibet, Paris, 1940. (Pelliot nos. 1286, 1288; Stein Or 8212 (187).)
- Grags pa rgyal mtshan: rGyal rabs, Sa skya pa grags pa rgyal mtshan (1147-GR 1216) gyi bKah hbum, Ta; ff. 196b-200a.
- GS bSod nams rgyal mtshan: rGyal rabs rnams kyi byun tshul gsal bahi me lon chos byun 104f., 1368(?).

Bla ma dam pa bsod nams rgyal mtshan (1312-1375); cf. DMS f. 4 a, Sa skya gdun rabs (Mr. gDan sa pa's MS) f. 156b, and Bla mahi rnam thar [Lam hbras, Ka.], f. 201a.

Accepting Thomas opinion, Tucci mistakenly admits of influences of the Deb ther snon po in this work, TPS. p. 141. The work, wrongly named by Thomas gSal bahi me lon (TLTD II. p. 34), is in fact none other than the Chronicle of the 5th Dalai Lama; cf. Note. 51 of the first half of this article and TPS p. 142. Incidentally, Klon rdol bla ma cites a work entitled rGyal rabs gsal bahi me lon by gShu khan ba legs pahi çes rab in his gSun hbum, Ha, f. 57a, The details of which is not known however.

- HD Kun dgah blo gros: Hu lan deb ther, 1346. (The Red Annals, Pt. I, Gangtok, 1961.)
- dPaho gtsug lag hphren ba: mKhas pahi dgah ston [lHo brag chos hbyun] KG (1545-1565), Ja (Çatapițaka, New Delhi, 1962).
- Sato Hisashi: Kodai Tibetto shi no Kenkyū (The Study of Ancient Tibetan KTK History) 2 vols., Kyoto, 1958/59.
- MBT Tucci, G: Minor Buddhist Texts, Part II, Roma, 1958.
- SG Blo bzan rgya mtsho: Gans can yul gyi sa la spyod pahi thos ris kyi rgyal blon gtso bor brjod pahi deb ther rdzogs ldan gshon nuhi dgah ston, 113f., 1643.
- TAMS Stein, R. A.: Les tribus anciennes des marches Sino-Tibétaines, Paris, 1958.
- TLTD II Thomas, F. W.: Tibetan Literary Texts and Documents concerning the Chinese Turkestan, Pt. II, London, 1951.
- TPS Tucci, G.: Tibetan Painted Scrolls, 3 vols., Rome, 1949.
- Tucci, G.: The Tombs of the Tibetan Kings, Rome, 1950. TTK

TΥ Yamaguchi Z.: rTsan yul and Yan lag gsum pahi ru, pp. 1-69, The Tôyô Gakuhô Vol. 50, No. 4, Tokyo, 1968.

DTH