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THE JAVA WAR 1825-30 :

SOME JAVANESE ASPECTS

including an excerpt from  
the Babad Dipanegara of  
the bupati of Purwardja

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To my wife, Rosemary

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## PREFACE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The story of the Java War (1825-30) and of prince Dipanegara, who led the Javanese forces against the Dutch, has been recounted many times. Very full accounts are to be found in Bahasa Indonesia and Dutch, while brief but adequate summaries are to be found in English language works. The field would seem to be so thoroughly covered that further study could scarcely reveal anything else of interest. Yet one aspect of the Java War - the Javanese view - has been neglected. Few attempts have been made to understand Javanese attitudes to prince Dipanegara, the causes of the war, and the Dutch. Yet the means for exploring Javanese attitudes have been readily available in the form of several babads (Javanese historical books) of the Java War.

In this work the author has attempted to discover how the period prior to the outbreak of the war, and the principal protagonist, Pangéran Dipanegara, were seen by contemporary Javanese. To do this, the Babad Dipanegara of the bupati of Purwardja was used. The first nine cantos of this babad have provided an interesting and uniquely Javanese account of the events that led to the beginning of the war, as well as other important aspects of the war and Dipanegara's part in it.

From the value of the small excerpt of the babad used in this work, one can gauge the importance of the large

number of babads that remain neglected. This work thus merely points the way to further studies of the babads of the Java War.

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## CHAPTER I

### JAVANESE SOURCES FOR THE JAVA WAR

#### A Existing versions and MSS. of the Babad Dipanegara

Though Dutch scholars have often pointed to the usefulness of Javanese sources for a better understanding of the Java war, they have shown little enthusiasm for the preliminary task of translating and editing the many sources available. Still today there is no authoritative edition or translation of any of the many babads about Dipanegara. The two translations of babads that exist are incomplete and largely inaccessible. There are no translations into English.

The earliest interest in the babads about the Java War was shown by Taco Roorda who undertook the translation of the early parts of the babad that had been written by Tjakranegara, at that time bupati of Purwardja. This babad was completed in 1843 and a copy was later presented to Governor-General Rochussen by Tjakranegara himself. This babad was important to the Dutch because the author had fought on their side during the Java War and had been rewarded for his bravery with the position of bupati:

Kang mangké radèn dipati  
 pan sampun djinundjung deradjat  
 kumpeni kang nglahiraké  
 tuwan besar ing Néderlan  
 wit sawabing luhur baga  
 saking rama miwah ibu  
 kasertan takdiring Allah.<sup>1</sup>

The scholar Winter had made earlier attempts to translate the babad, but its poor style and grammar deterred him. In 1860 Roorda continued his work and translated, together with notes, a portion of the babad.<sup>2</sup> No romanized or Kawi text was included. This early work covers only the events leading up to the war, and its causes.

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Translation:

He (Tjakranegara) is now a prince, he was promoted in position by the Dutch (lit. the 'Company') i.e. by the great lord in the Netherlands as a result of the great favours bestowed by his father and mother and as a result of the will of God.

from Babad Dipanegara, I.6.

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The result of Roorda's translation is to be found in his article 'Verhaal van het oorsprong en het begin van den opstand van Dipanegara', BKI (1860) nieuwe volgrees no.IV, p.140, sq. The translation only goes as far as Dipanegara's proclamation as Sultan while at Silarong, which took place soon after the outbreak of war. Only three copies of this early volume of the BKI are to be found in Australian libraries: at the Queensland, Melbourne and Monash University Libraries.

At about the same time the Batavia Society<sup>1</sup> began to show an interest in another Babad Dipanegara which was reputed to be the work of Dipanegara himself, written in exile in Manado. There was doubt as to whether he actually wrote it himself or whether he commissioned poets to compose it, but the fact remained that it could be of considerable interest as it would have expressed Dipanegara's own ideas of the war and its causes. Therefore van der Valck was commissioned by the Batavia Society<sup>2</sup> to translate the work but he completed only 91 pādās.<sup>3</sup> For him the work was too unhistorical and the labour expended in translating its many pages would not be justified by the amount of historical fact to be extracted from it. It was also compared unfavourably with Tjakranegara's Babad which was already partly available in translation.<sup>4</sup> The Batavia Society procrastinated for many years, refusing to make any further decision on Dipanegara's autobiography. However in

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The 'Bataviaasch Genootschap voor Kunsten en Wetenschappen', founded to promote the study of the indigenous Indonesian cultures.

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The record of the Society's vacillating interest in Dipanegara's autobiography is to be found in the 'Notulen Bataviaansch Genootschap van Kunsten en Wetenschappen', vol.II, p.252, vol.VI, pp.28 and 29 and vol.XV, p.94. The 'Notulen' are not available in Australia but the most relevant passages are reproduced in Van Praag, 'Onrust op Java', pp.18-23.

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Javanese for 'verse', 'stanza'.

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Roorda had published it in 1860, while the debate on the value of Dipanegara's autobiography went on from about 1864 to 1876 when it was finally decided that it was historically valueless.

1870 it made a positive step towards finishing the translation begun by van der Valck:

So as to do something, the Government placed an advertisement in the 'Javasche Courant' stating 'Translators Required!'. There was no shortage of applicants, including inspectors of inland revenue and cultures, a commissioner of one of the departments of local government and a teacher.<sup>1</sup>

All these applicants were assigned sections of the babad to translate and the collation and correction of these separate translations was undertaken by the 'contrôleur' Palmer van den Broek. When he had finally prepared a translation of the work in the year 1876, the Society again rejected it as being of no historical value. Since that time Palmer van den Broek's translation has remained in manuscript form.<sup>2</sup>

However the autobiography of Dipanegara continued to attract attention. P.J.E. Louw, using Palmer van den Broek's translation in particular,<sup>3</sup> made a study of it when

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Van Praag, op.cit. p.23. The 'cultures' mentioned are the cash crops forcibly cultivated by the Javanese peasants.

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e.g. MS. 589(a) 'Babad Dipanegaran', belonging to the Koninklijk Instituut voor T-L- en V-kunde. See H.J. de Graaf 'Catalogus van de Handschriften in Westerse Talen', 's Gravenhage, Martinus Nyhoff, 1963, p.109. A microfiche copy of this translation is available in the Australian National University Library (Cat.No.MZ-OS-I). Negatives are available from the Leiden University Library. There may also be copies of Palmer van den Broek's translation in the Museum Pusat in Djakarta: Pigeaud mentions without comment three Babad Dipanegara in Dutch from the collection of the former Batavia Society (BG 246, B15 and 317). See Pigeaud, 'Literature of Java', vol.II, pp.876 and 877. It was the Batavia Society which commissioned the translation and it is very likely that these are copies of the translation finally prepared by Palmer van den Broek.

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See Louw, 'De Java Oorlog', vol.I. Louw mentions his use of Broek's translation in a note to p.84.

preparing volume one of his six volume De Java-Oorlog.  
1825-1830. He wrote of this babad at the time:

Unhesitatingly we would attribute such a high historical value to the Babad Dipanegara that any history of the Java War could undoubtedly be branded as highly incomplete if it had not<sup>1</sup> utilized the Babad Dipanegara as a source.

Later in Surakarta in 1908-9, part of the babad was published in Javanese script.<sup>2</sup> The work was without notes and much of the text, particularly those parts dealing with the early history of Java, was omitted.<sup>3</sup> As recently as 1965, H.J. de Graaf has called for the publishing of this babad (and all Javanese historical writings), but it has remained largely neglected.<sup>4</sup>

A third babad had attracted the interest of the scholar Hageman. This was a work in Malay by Aria Djajadiningrat, the regent of Karang Anjar.<sup>5</sup> He had taken part in the war on the side of Dipanegara and his work would have made an

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This English translation of Louw's words is from J.H. de Graaf 'Later Javanese Sources and Historiography' in 'An Introduction to Indonesian Historiography', ed. Soedjatmoko, Cornell, N.Y., 1965. See p.132. The original text is from Louw, vol.I, p.94.

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See pangéran Diponegoro, 'Serat babad Dipanagaran karanganipoen swargi kangdjeng pangeran harja Dipanegoro pijambak....' (for full title, see Bibliography), 2 vols., Serat Kabar Djawi Kanda, Soerakarta, 1908-9. This edition was published by a scholar named Rusche: see Pigeaud Literature of Java, vol.II, p.392.

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This edition consisted of vol.II only of MS.6547. (now in the Leiden Library), which in its entirety consists of four volumes in MS. form. Volume II of this MS. dealt with Dipanegara's own time, which accounts for its choice for publication. See Pigeaud, op.cit., p.392.

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J.H. de Graaf, op.cit., p.133.

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See J.P.F. Louw, 'De Java Oorlog', vol.I, p.85.

interesting comparison with Tjakranegara's babad. Perhaps with this in mind Hageman prepared a translation of the work but this translation was lost! Since that time the original Malay MS. has lain, presumably untouched, in the old Batavia Society Library in Djakarta (now the Museum Pusat).<sup>1</sup>

When Louw,<sup>2</sup> Kemp<sup>3</sup> and de Klerk<sup>4</sup> began their major works in the 1890's they had access therefore to three Javanese sources in translation: the translation of the early parts of the Babad of Tjakranegara; Palmer van den Broek's translation of Dipanegara's autobiography; and the Babad by Aria Djajadiningrat. Louw and Kemp both resorted to Roorda's and van den Broek's translations and do not seem to have referred a great deal to the original Javanese works. Louw did translate, or had translated, a few passages of minor importance from Aria Djajadiningrat's work which is in Malay,<sup>5</sup> but did not refer to this work very much at all. Thus while he (and Kemp) paid lip-service to the importance of the Javanese sources, they in fact had a very patchy knowledge of them and used only those parts available in Dutch translation.

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See further Pigeaud, op.cit. vol.II, p.290.

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P.J.F. Louw, 'De Java Oorlog van 1825-30', vols.I-III, Batavia and 's-Gravenhage, 1894-1904.

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P.H. van der Kemp, 'Dipanegara, een Geschiedkundige Hamlettype', BKI, 1896, pp.278-433.

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E.S. de Klerk, 'De Java-Oorlog van 1825-30', vols.IV-VI, Batavia and 's-Gravenhage, 1905-9.

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See Louw, vol.I op.cit., pp.85-9.



One might have expected the obviously inadequate knowledge of the Javanese sources for the Java War to have spurred some scholars to publish and translate the babads in the years between 1900 and today. This has not been the case at all. Interest in Dipanegara has remained strong and has grown, at least in Indonesia, but no effort has been made to improve on the position that has prevailed since the days of Louw and Kemp. Scholars in the twentieth century have merely referred to Louw and Roorda if they felt in need of a Javanese source to corroborate their argument about some aspect of the war. This is particularly obvious in the works by Hallema (1936)<sup>1</sup>, van Praag (1947),<sup>2</sup> Sagimun (1957)<sup>3</sup> and van der Kroef (1958).<sup>4</sup> Because they have used the same sources these works often are worded in a disturbingly similar way. Above all, no attempt has been made by any writer in this century to look critically at these sources they have borrowed wholesale from Louw and Roorda.

There is today a need for a total review of the Javanese sources available and a renewed attempt to translate and publish them for as wide a reading public as

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A. Hallema, 'Iets over het karakter en de geestelijke gesteldheid van den Pangeran Dipanegara', De Indische Gids, 1936, pp.896-912.

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S. van Praag, 'Onrust op Java', Amsterdam, 1947.

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Sagimun, 'Pahlawan Dipanegara Berdjuang', Jogjakarta, 1957.

4

J.M. van der Kroef, 'Indonesian Social Evolution', Amsterdam, 1958.

possible. In particular the publication of Pigeaud's catalogue<sup>1</sup> of Javanese MSS. in the Library of the University of Leiden has revealed that there are now more than the three versions of the Babad Dipanegara that were known to Louw when he compiled his work. Moreover there are at least 20 MSS. of the Babad Dipanegara in Javanese, Malay and Dutch translation, in libraries in Holland and Djakarta.<sup>2</sup> Pigeaud's catalogue has revealed the inadequacy of our knowledge of the sources. It is time to stop looking to Louw and Roorda for Javanese material and to seek it at its true source, the Javanese MSS. themselves. In the following pages the existing MSS. of the various versions of the 'Babad Dipanegara' will be described with notes on their possible usefulness for future studies.

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Th. G.Th. Pigeaud, 'Literature of Java: Catalogue Raisonné of Javanese, Manuscripts in the Library of the University of Leiden and other Public Collections in the Netherlands'. Vol.I, 'Synopsis of Javanese Literature 900-1900 A.D.', was published in 1967 and vol.II

'Descriptive Lists of Javanese Manuscripts' was published in 1968. This catalogue brings up to date the work done by Juynboll at the beginning of the century. The descriptions of MSS. are not as long as those in Vreede (1892) or Juynboll (1907 and 1911) but the setting out is admirably clear and it is in English.

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See Pigeaud, 'Literature of Java', vol.I, pp.167 and 168, 'Histories of the Dipanegara Troubles' where he enumerates the MSS. of the Babad Dipanegara available in Holland. In vol.II of the same work, pp.872-912, Pigeaud has provided lists of Javanese MSS. in libraries in Java, which show that a further 15 MSS. are available in Indonesia. In total there are about 28 MSS. of the Babad Dipanegara extant.

1 General Histories of Javanese Kingdoms<sup>1</sup>

Many of the voluminous histories of Mataram, Surakarta and Jogjakarta contain brief references to the Java War and Dipanegara e.g. LOR 2251, LOR 6408 a-b-c.<sup>2</sup> The exact number that do refer to the war is not known. Such brief references are relatively unimportant and their utilization for the study of the Java War must await the extensive study of those works dealing exclusively with Dipanegara and the war, the so-called 'Babad Dipanegara'.

2 Versions of the Babad Dipanegara

- a) The version of Tjakranegara,<sup>3</sup> also called the 'Buku Kędung Kębo (tanah Bagelen)'<sup>3</sup>

This is the version partly translated by Roorda in 1860<sup>4</sup> and also the version used by the present author in his study. Five MSS. of this babad are to be found in the Leiden Library: LOR 1823,<sup>5</sup> 2115,<sup>6</sup> 2163,<sup>7</sup> and Dev. Ath.

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See Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.I, pp.158-68.

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The two MSS. quoted are only examples. It is impossible to know at the present time how many babads do mention the Java War. For LOR 2251 see Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.92; and for LOR 6408 a-b-c, see Pigeaud, op. cit., vol. II, p.370.

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Kędung Kębo is the old name of Purwardja where the author Tjakranegara served as regent. Purwardja is in the district of Bagelen.

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Roorda, op. cit., p.140 sq.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.35.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.69.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.78.

VI.<sup>1</sup> Roorda compared Codices 2115 and 2163 only for his translation. The present author used a slightly different but incomplete version which is in the possession of the Koninklijk Instituut voor Taal-Land en Volkenkunde, and its codex number is KITLV OR 13.<sup>2</sup> KITLV OR 13, though incomplete, nevertheless contains all the material covered by Roorda in his translation. Also the differences between it and the other four complete MSS. are slight.

In the collections in the Museum Pusat in Djakarta there would seem to be at least three MSS. (Nos. BG 117,<sup>3</sup> C8/31,<sup>4</sup> Br 113<sup>5</sup>) of the Tjakranegara Babad. Thus there are eight MSS. of the Buku Kĕdung Kĕbo of which only three (LOR 2115, 2163 and now KITLV OR 13) have so far been studied at all. There is an obvious need for at least a romanized edition of the complete Babad, with hopefully an English translation. This would be a formidable task, for the Buku Kĕdung Kĕbo is at least 300 pages long in MS. form.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.869. This is the copy of the work presented by Tjakranegara to Governor-General Rochussen and later bequeathed by G.G. Duymaer van Twist, his successor, to the latter's home town Deventer where it now resides in the Athenaeum Library.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.825. This MS. was recopied in Semarang by mas bĕhi Suranegara in the year 1866 A.D. See Summary of Canto I.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.874.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.893.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.897.

But the justification for such an editing is convincing. Here is a work by a Javanese contemporary of Dipanegara who was at the same time his opponent during the war. His views of Dipanegara would provide a useful comparison both with the views expressed by Dipanegara about himself in his autobiography and with the views of Tjakranegara's own Dutch companions in battle.

b) 'Babad Dipanegara' - the autobiography of Dipanegara

There is one Javanese MS. of this babad in Dutch libraries: LOR 6547 (in four volumes)<sup>1</sup> in the Leiden Library. This is a copy made for Hazeu and the original is presumably still in Djakarta, where there are at the moment three MSS. of this work - BG.282 and 283,<sup>2</sup> and Br.149.<sup>3</sup>

A translation of this important babad was eventually prepared by Palmer van den Broek in 1876 but it was never published. MSS. of this translation are available in the Museum Pusat, Djakarta (BG 246,<sup>4</sup> 315,<sup>5</sup> 317<sup>6</sup>) and there is at least one copy of it in the Netherlands, in the Instituut voor Taal - Land en Volkenkunde. This is MS. 589(a) 'Babad Dipanegara' which is referred to in de Graaf's Catalogue.<sup>7</sup>

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.392.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.876.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.897.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.876.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.876.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.877.

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As noted above - de Graaf, Catalogus, p.109.

For those unable to procure either the original Javanese texts or the translation, portions of the translation appear in Louw (and his imitators).

Again there is an obvious need for a romanized edition of the work and the publishing of Palmer van den Broek's translation or an English revision of it. Again the size of the original makes this a difficult task but there is strong justification for such a move.

Originally the Batavia Society rejected the work for publication because it was too fantastic and unhistorical. In fact a third of the work is a partly non-factual history of the early kingdoms of Java, for Dipanegara had a keen appreciation of traditional history and the part he felt he had to play in it. Likewise his description of his own life and the events of the war must inevitably be coloured by personal bias and also by traditional concepts of mythology and religion. But this does not deny completely the historical value of the work. Dipanegara's autobiography is vital for an understanding of the War and why it eventuated, and its publication and translation will surely initiate more reasonable assessments of this period.

- c) The Babad Dipanegara by the bupati of  
Karanganjar, Aria Djajadiningrat

There is only one copy of this MS. in the Museum Pusat, Djakarta, and this would seem to be BG 314<sup>1</sup> the only

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.876.

Malay version of the Babad Dipanegara mentioned by Pigeaud in his Catalogue. Hageman's translation has been irretrievably lost.<sup>1</sup>

This babad has been even more assiduously avoided than the former two babads, though Hageman seems to have attempted a translation. One difficulty may be the language, for though it is written in Malay many Javanese words and expressions are used which make both the Javanese and Malay sometimes incomprehensible. However, once again lack of interest seems to be the major cause for its neglect.

Aria Djajadiningrat fought on the side of Dipanegara. His work should therefore show why at least one Javanese deemed it worthwhile to fight for the prince. His general bias should also complement that of Diapanegara and contrast with that of Tjakranegara. Therefore this babad also deserves publishing and translation to further elucidate the Java War and Dipanegara's part in it.

These are the three different babads known to Louw in 1896 and commonly regarded since that time as the only Javanese sources available on the war. However, at least four other Javanese versions of the war have come to light during this century, and found their way into the Leiden Library.<sup>2</sup>

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See Louw, op. cit., p.85.

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These new versions were collected over the years by G.J. Oudemans, Rinkes and Hazeu and later presented to the Leiden University Library. See Pigeaud, 'Literature of Java', vol.II, pp.6-9.

d) Surakarta and Jogjakarta court versions  
of the Dipanegara troubles

There are four MSS. in this category. Nos. LOR 2114,<sup>1</sup> 6199 and 6200 represent the Surakarta tradition and the Yogya version is No. LOR 8603.<sup>2</sup> LOR 2114 was written in 1825 and there are considerable differences with the Buku Kẽdung Kẽbo. LOR 6199 and 6200 were both part of the Audemans collection presented to the Leiden Library in 1921. As Pigeaud has described them the end of 6199 corresponds to the beginning of 6200. LOR 8603 is dated 1867 and this particular copy was made in 1904. It was part of the collection of MSS. belonging to Dr Rinke, bequeathed to the Leiden Library in 1954.

The contents of these four MSS. are completely unknown and should provide an interesting comparison to the three better known babads. All four babads seem to have been copied from MSS. in possession of court notables and this may point to their taking an anti-Dipanegara attitude. Confirmation or otherwise of this assertion must await their editing and translation.

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LOR 2114 was presumably known to Roorda for it came from his own collection. However, it was naturally of no use to him, as it was a completely different version from the one he translated in 1860. This MS., which is only a fragment of some original work, has attracted little attention from scholars. It is described at some length in Vreede, 'Catalogus', 1892, pp.143-5, and is briefly mentioned in Pigeaud, op. cit., vol. II, p.69.

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Pigeaud, op. cit., vol. II, p.346.



e) Ali Basah's history of Dipanegara

Only one MS. is available of this version: LOR 8553.<sup>1</sup> This history, written in Jogja and dated 1883, is supposed to have been written with information provided by Ali Basah, one of Dipanegara's captains in the war. If this is true (its editing and translation can verify this) then this version can add an interesting perspective to the others already known. It could be compared to Aria Djajadiningrat's Babad or fruitfully contrasted with Tjakranegara's. But this babad is as yet a closed book.

f) The Babad Dipanegaran Surja Ngalam

The codex number of this MS. is LOR 6488.<sup>2</sup> It is a history of the Java War by Muhammad Arip. This work, part of the Hazeu collection, was apparently meant as an edifying work for the author's descendants. Its contents also are completely unknown.

g) The Djajabaja Babad Dipanegaran

This fragmentary version forms part of MS. No. NBS 37 pages 5-9.<sup>3</sup> It is unfortunate that this MS. should be fragmentary and unfinished for it could have proved to be quite important to our study of Dipanegara's aims and motives. The babad begins with a mention of the Djajabaja

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<sup>1</sup> Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.489.

<sup>2</sup> Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.480.

<sup>3</sup> Pigeaud, op. cit., vol.II, p.720.

prophecies which foretell the coming of the Messiah. It is interesting to see the prophecies mentioned in context with the Babad Dipanegaran for Dipanegara later took the Messianic title Erutjakra which is known from the Djajabaja prophecies. This version of the Babad Dipanegaran may therefore have given us some clue as to Dipanegara's relation with the Djajabaja prophecies. But it is unfinished and untranslated.

One final Javanese source has often been totally overlooked. This is the correspondence of Dipanegara. One can only guess at the nature of his correspondence and where to find it, let alone the number of letters he may have written. It is astonishing that no interest has been shown in this possible source which might have revealed intimate details of Dipanegara's life and given some insight into his most personal thoughts.

In fact only two such letters have ever been published and translated.<sup>1</sup> Here also much work remains in a field which could produce points of view quite different from those to be found in the specifically historical Javanese sources.

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In the light of the above review, only one conclusion is possible. There is no justification for complacency about our knowledge of the Javanese sources for the Java War.

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J.J. de Hollander, 'Twee Brieven van Dipa Negara', BKI (25), 1877, pp.192-6.

It has been shown that very little is in fact known about the three most famous versions of the Babad Dipanegara, upon which scholars in this century have most often relied. There are no authoritative editions of them and translations are either incomplete or inaccessible.

Moreover, in this century four further versions have come to light but nothing is known of their contents. How can one properly write a history of the Java War when one is compelled to ignore the great volume of Javanese material awaiting scholarly analysis. There is no alternative but to undertake the massive task of editing, translating and publishing these works so that they can become accessible to large numbers of scholars and excite new interest in the field of Javanese history generally.

B Why use a Javanese source?

The controversy among historians of Southeast Asia regarding 'Europe-centric', 'Asia-centric' or 'Java-centric' perspectives has achieved some success in so far as it has forced historians to take more account of the indigenous historical sources available in their fields. Though the majority of the histories of Indonesia are still records of the Dutch in Indonesia and of limited interest to the

student of the indigenous societies,<sup>1</sup> an increasing number of works have consciously set out to see events and periods through Indonesian or Javanese eyes. These studies have confirmed that beneath the veneer of the Netherlands East Indies, indigenous societies remained viable and functioning.<sup>2</sup>

The period of the Java War has been studied almost exclusively from the Dutch or Western perspective,<sup>3</sup> and in

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This problem was most obvious when the need arose to prepare notes for a résumé of the history of Mataram from the sixteenth century to 1822 (see Chapter II). In Hall's 'History of Southeast Asia' this period is covered by two chapters whose titles betray their Europe-centrism: Chapter 16 'The Zenith and Decline of the V.O.C.'; and Chapter 25 'Indonesia from the Fall of the V.O.C. to the Recall of Raffles, 1799-1816'. This approach to the history of the period was common to the majority of works consulted. To read this Europe-centric history, one would imagine that the Dutch overwhelmed the Javanese, whose courts and social institutions had consequently ceased to function or be of importance. This is of course nonsense and there are a number of Javanese babads which could demonstrate that Javanese society still functioned quite healthily.

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Resink, in a recapitulation of his views on the relations that obtained between the Netherlands and her East India domains, emphasised that both legally and in practice the Netherlands' power in 'East India' was very much a veneer. Indigenous society in the native states (and these included Jogjakarta and Solo) still flourished under the umbrella of Dutch suzerainty. It is this indigenous society and its history to which we should increasingly turn our attention. See G.J. Resink, 'Indonesia's History Between the Myths', The Hague, 1968, especially 'The All-but-inverted Image', pp.327-48.

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An important exception to this, is the growing body of post-1945 Indonesian histories of Dipanegara and the war. These are written with a nationalist bias, and refute the Western interpretations. In these works Dipanegara becomes a nationalist, a supporter of ideas suspiciously akin to Pantjasila (Pantjasila: The Five Principles, the Indonesian State ideology embracing Belief in God; Nationalism; Humanitarianism; Democracy; Social Justice). See Sagimun, 'Pahlawan Dipanegara Berdjjuang', Jogjakarta, 1947; J.H. Tarumeter, 'Aku Pangeran Dipanegara', Gunung Agung, Djakarta, 1967; Tamar Djaja, 'Pusaka Indonesia', Djakarta, 1966. Pp.385-407, 'Pangeran Diponegoro'.

academic and populist works the war has come to be regarded as an epoch in the history of the extension of Dutch power in the Indies. In brief, it is depicted as the Dutch victory which brought Java to her knees and assured the Dutch of pre-eminence in the Archipelago. Some have even characterized the war as a salutary lesson to the Javanese after which they gave up Islamic fanaticism and debilitating wars, and took on modern ways and the task of filling the Netherlands' treasury. Such an extreme 'Europe-centric' view has developed because the only sources properly analysed and readily available have been Western sources. The neglect of Javanese sources is to be deplored particularly in view of the number of babads that were written. If the Javanese held the war to be sufficiently important to produce several histories of it, their views may well have some bearing on assessments of it.

This study of Tjakranegara's babad has confirmed that the Javanese had distinct and valuable opinions to offer about the war. These opinions, with proper analysis, would have been of interest to the nineteenth century scholars who first established a view of the war. It is true that the Javanese perspective in Tjakranegara's babad is blurred by traditional motifs and the intrusion of myth and its merging with fact.<sup>1</sup> However, with careful analysis, it has provided a formulation of a Javanese view of the war.

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<sup>1</sup> There has been considerable debate on the usefulness of traditionalist histories to the Western historian whose principal preoccupation is 'fact'. There has been a tendency to wholly reject the babads as fictional and mythical. However studies by scholars such as Professor Berg have demonstrated that there is much valuable material in the babads, and techniques and insights have been suggested to facilitate the sifting of historical facts from the myth and fiction.

The establishing of distinct Dutch and Javanese views should not be an end in itself. Rather, in the comparing and reconciliation of the two views there should emerge an assessment which, because it takes account of all sides, is more accurate and therefore more authoritative.

There is an urgent need for a balanced view of the Java war. The 'Europe-centric' view has tended to emphasise the role of the Dutch military and thereby to neglect the fact that the war was fought by Dipanegara principally against the Jogja court. It will be shown that the war had its origins in a bitter conflict for supremacy between the 'patih' of Jogja, Danuredja, and Dipanegara.<sup>1</sup> This view of the origins of the war suggested by Tjakranegara, emphasises Javanese motives for forcing this personal conflict to a violent denouement, thereby removing the Dutch to the periphery of events. In the Dutch conception, their armed forces intervened to defend their interests in Java. According to the Javanese view, the Dutch were embroiled in the conflict by the wily Danuredja who used them to attain his aim of eliminating Dipanegara.

Much has been written by Western scholars on the causes of the war, and a number of factors have been referred to as

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See further Chapter V.

interacting to bring about the war.<sup>1</sup> In particular the Dutch have pointed to economic causes, including the cancellation of land rentals by Governor-General van der Capellan in 1824,<sup>2</sup> the cession of various lands to the Dutch in 1825,<sup>3</sup> and the excessive charges made by Chinese toll-gate proprietors.<sup>4</sup> It is understandable that economics should loom so large in the Dutch perspective of events in Indonesia for money-making was their principal purpose in

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Those who have speculated on the causes of the war include:

- (i) Those who wrote during, or just after, the war  
Those who wrote at this time often did so for self-preservation (Governor-General van der Capellen, Smissaert) while others speculated on causes in order to bring the incumbent administration down and replace them (Nahuys, de Salis, Mac.Gillavry, van Sevenhoven). The Commissioner-General, du Bus de Gisignies, who arrived in Java in 1826 to investigate the causes of the war also cast a wide net. See P.H. van der Kemp, 'Diponegara, een Geschiedkundige Hamlettype', BKI (1896), pp.278-433.
- (ii) The scholars of the 1890's  
Foremost among these are Veth, van der Kemp, and Louw. See Bibliography.
- (iii) Twentieth century writers  
These include van Praag and Hallema. See Bibliography.

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P.H. van der Kemp, 'De Economische Oorzaken van den Java - Oorlog van 1825-1830', BKI, vol.47 (1897), pp.1-48, especially Part II 'De Intrekking van de Landverhuuring'; P.J. Veth, 'JAVA, Geographisch, Ethnologisch, Historisch', Part II, Haarlem, 1898; D.W. van Welderen Rengers, 'The Failure of a Liberal Colonial Policy', 1947, Chapter V, 'G.-G. van der Capellen'.

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P.H. van der Kemp, 'De Economische Oorzaken', op.cit., Part III, 'De Ontneming der Landen Karangkoabar en Djabarangkah'.

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P.H. van der Kemp, 'De Economische Oorzaken', op.cit., Part IV.

maintaining colonies.<sup>1</sup> For Tjakranegara neglect of the sawahs and dwindling commerce were signs of the impending destruction of the kingdom and not indicators of economic mismanagement.<sup>2</sup> Moreover he makes no mention at all of the Chinese exactions nor of the cancellation of land rental, and he only briefly refers to the cession of lands to the Dutch.<sup>3</sup>

The Dutch also considered as causes Dipanegara's ambitions on the throne and his bitterness towards the court and the resident when these ambitions were thwarted; his religious fanaticism; and his weak character.<sup>4</sup>

Tjakranegara on the contrary continually emphasised Dipanegara's disinterest in the throne.<sup>5</sup> Tjakranegara does

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This was particularly the policy of the Company (V.O.C.), but the profit motive remained even after the disbandment of the Company in 1795:

In its report the Commission (of 1803) stipulated that all colonies existed for the benefit of the Mother Country. This was a maxim to which even the most progressive persons of these days would not object.

F. van Welderen Rengers, op.cit., p.16.

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See further Chapter III.

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See Canto IV, v.70, and relevant section of the Summary.

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Van der Kemp provides the following list of Dipanegara's character traits (as he saw them):

innate melancholia; desire for rejection of society and women; suicidal tendencies; inertia; passivity; sarcasm; capacity for sudden bursts of anger; irritability; tendency to be domineering; susceptibility to hallucinations; insanity.

See P.H. van der Kemp, 'Dipanegara, een Geschiedkundige Hamlettype', BKI (1896), pp.283-433.

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Canto I, v.17-31; Canto II, v.20; Canto III, v.54-6.



state that the patih and Queen Mother often tried to persuade the Resident that Dipanegara did covet the throne. This may well be the source for the Dutch insistence on Dipanegara's ambition. With respect to Dipanegara's 'religious fanaticism', Tjakranegara as a Muslim himself admired the prince's religiosity (though he once playfully criticized some of his excesses).<sup>1</sup>

The Dutch views on the causes of the war have been expounded at considerable length over the last 140 years and their perspective has moulded the conception of the Java War which is generally accepted today. This conception is unfavourable to Dipanegara,<sup>2</sup> and it tends rather naturally to overplay the Dutch role. The babad of Tjakranegara provides a balance. It is not biased in favour of Dipanegara. In fact, it states unequivocally that Dipanegara's cause must fail.<sup>3</sup> Yet Tjakranegara does paint a sympathetic picture of the prince and we may assume that many Javanese shared the same view. The Dutch moreover are removed to the periphery of events in the babad. For

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Canto IV, v.41-5. See also Chapter III.

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The obvious exception to this is the group of post-1945 Indonesian histories (see above). Because Dipanegara fought the Dutch, and because Dutch comment on him has generally been unfavourable, the feudal prince, who may have had little time for the ideas of Pantjasila, has been turned into a pahlawan (hero) and a fighter for Indonesian nationalism before it even existed. These works have not based themselves on indigenous sources as might have been expected and are no more than a rewriting or 'retooling' of the Dutch sources.

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See Chapter III, 'Signs and Portents in the Babad'.

Tjakranegara the only vestiges of Dutch power are the 'Residèn' in his 'Lodji',<sup>1</sup> far away 'Semarang',<sup>2</sup> and even further away the 'Gubenur Djendral ing Batawijah',<sup>3</sup> and his 'Ratèni'.<sup>4</sup> In short the whole feeling of the babad suggests the remoteness of the Dutch power. The babad also suggests that the Resident had no sweeping powers, and functioned not as a law-giver but merely as the envoy of a foreign country to its vassal state. The residents gave their assent - they never gave orders. With Dutch power placed in this new perspective, Tjakranegara developed his concept of the origins of the war. As he saw it, the war grew out of the conflict of the patih Danuredja and the senior prince of the kingdom, Dipanegara. In the past, princes and ministers had fought for supremacy on many occasions and in the eyes of Tjakranegara this fresh struggle must have fitted easily into the pattern that was familiar from the past.

This Javanese concept of the war was moulded by the Javanese world view and picture of the past, and taken on

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From Dutch 'Loge', lodge, i.e. the Residency.

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The capital of the Dutch North Coast District which had long been under direct Dutch rule. Jogjakarta seems to have had its principal connections with Batavia through Semarang and thereafter by sea. The North Coast district had its own 'governor'.

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The Governor-General in Batavia.

4

A Javanese corruption of Raad van Indie, the Council of the Indies, the body whose function it was to assist and advise the Governor-General in Batavia. See Canto III, v.39.

its own it gives a valuable insight into these two facets of Javanese society. In conjunction with the Dutch views, it will enable a more balanced assessment of the war and its origins to be made. The achieving of a more balanced and representative assessment is a compelling reason for making more use of the indigenous Javanese sources.

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## CHAPTER II

A HISTORY OF THE MATARAM AND JOGJAKARTA PERIOD FROM ITS BEGINNING CIRCA 1575 A.D. UNTIL 1822 A.D.<sup>1</sup>

In the second half of the sixteenth century a certain Ki Gedé Mataram was given the district of Mataram in Central Java by his master, the Sultan of Pajang, in return for having killed a rival of the sultan. Ki Gedé Mataram established a settlement at Kuṭa Gedé, which was at that time still barren and deserted. People came to settle there and his settlement began to prosper.<sup>2</sup> This was the modest beginning of the powerful Mataram dynasty.

<sup>1</sup>This very brief history of the Mataram period has been included to provide a historical background to the present study. Dipanegara as an heir of Sultan Agung and Sénapati was aware of, and influenced by, the deeds of his forebears. A proper understanding of Dipanegara and the political atmosphere of early nineteenth century Java therefore requires an appreciation of the history of Central and East Java during the whole Mataram period, which includes Jogja and Surakarta. It is important to realise that for Javanese in the early 1800's 'Mataram' still existed in the form of Solo and Jogja. (Tjakranegara repeatedly refers to Jogja as 'Mataram'). 1822 A.D. is the date of the accession of Sultan MénoI of Jogja, Dipanegara's nephew. The years 1822-5 are covered in the chapter describing events leading up to the outbreak of war.

<sup>2</sup>The idea that a 'man of destiny' like Ki Gedé Mataram could build a new state in a jungle wilderness and attract a population because of his generoisty or kasektèn (supernatural powers) was very popular among the Javanese. It appears in the Pararaton where Widjaja sets up the kingdom of Majapahit in the forest of the Trik people (J. Brandes, Pararaton, revised ed. 1920, pp.118-9). It is also to be found in popular works, e.g. the 'Hikajat Pandji Semirang', Balai Pustaka, 1953, p.48: 'many people from the neighbouring country of Kuripan came to the country of Kelana Pandji Semirang and became its citizens, so that the country prospered'. This tradition finds a practical explanation in the fact that while Java's population was still small the citizens of one state who were being sorely pressed by their ruler, could easily move into a deserted area not under his jurisdiction. Here they would come under the protection of an energetic and ambitious man who could eventually challenge the old king. In this he would be backed by the resources of the refugees who had gathered around him.

In about the year 1575 Ki Gedé died and he was succeeded by his son Sénapati. It was Sénapati who bore the first fruits of the prophecy that the descendants of Ki Gedé would rule all Java. He developed a power base in Kuṭa Gedé and defeated the Sultan of Pajang. By subduing Surabaya and East Java, he established the pre-eminence of Mataram.

Sénapati died in 1601 and was succeeded by his son Panembahan Krapjak,<sup>1</sup> who ruled until 1613. Panembahan Krapjak was succeeded in 1613 by his son Radèn Mas Rangsang.<sup>2</sup> The latter, better known by his posthumous title Sultan Agung,<sup>3</sup> extended the power of Mataram over most of Java. Surabaya, Gresik, Madura, Giri and Tjeribon were all subdued. Only Bantam and the extreme East did not recognize the suzerainty of Mataram. In 1629 Sultan Agung unsuccessfully challenged the Dutch by laying siege to Batavia. Sultan Agung had an ambivalent attitude towards Islam. He took the

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His full posthumous title was Panembahan Séda-ing-Krapjak (the lord who died in the hunting field).

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Sultan Agung did not immediately succeed to the throne. A younger brother, radèn Marta Pura, ascended the throne, but for a very short time only. See H.J. de Graaf, 'Regering van Sultan Agung', op.cit., p.26.

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When he first acceded to the throne he had the title Prabu Anjakrakusuma (Tjakrakusuma). This title has been preserved in babads and other traditional writing, e.g. the Djajabaja predictions. See further Chapter IV. In 1624 he took the title 'Susuhunan' (the lord who is carried on the head). This title has been preserved in Surakarta. In 1641 he acquired the title of Sultan from Mecca. In full his new title was 'Sultan Abdul Muhammad Maulana Materani'. His posthumous title Sultan Agung 'The Great Sultan' derives from this Islamic title acquired from Mecca.

Islamic title of Sultan, and in several ways expressed support for Islam.<sup>1</sup> However he did not convert Mataram into a Muslim state and the interior of Java retained its Hindu-Buddhist aspect. Sultan Agung died in 1645 and he was buried at Imagiri, a mountain-top not far from his kraton of Karta. Since that time Imagiri has been used as the burial place for the kings of Mataram, Jogja and Solo.

His son succeeded him with the title Amangkurat I. He was a particularly cruel king, slaughtering 5,000 muslims who had assembled in the alun-alun of the palace.<sup>2</sup> In 1674 a serious rebellion broke out in East Java under the leadership of Trunadjaja, a Madurese prince. He captured most of East Java and established his kraton in Kediri. In 1676 (the Javanese year 1600) Trunadjaja attacked Mataram itself and captured it. European histories usually claim

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E.g. in 1633 he made a trip to Tembajat, the burial place of the wali Ki Pandan Arang and an important Muslim centre. After this he announced that the Saka era (i.e. the era beginning A.D. 78) would be retained, but the solar year of 365 days would be replaced by the Islamic lunar year of 354-5 days. This is the origin of the unique Javanese calendar.

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The cruelty of a king is often a sign of the impending downfall of the kingdom. This is certainly true of the account of Sunan Djarot in the Babad Dipanegara (see Canto III). In the context of Amangkurat I's reign it must be remembered that according to tradition the kingdom of Mataram was to end in the Javanese year 1600 (1676 A.D.) i.e. during the reign of Amangkurat I. (see further Chapter IV and Babad Tanah Djawi, op.cit., p.168). Thus the cruelty of Amangkurat I may be no more than a fiction devised by the Javanese writer of the Babad to reinforce the view that Mataram was destined to end in the near future.

that Amangkurat was driven from his kraton: 'Trunadjaja, profiting by the Dutch half-measures, stormed and sacked the kraton of Mataram, and Amangkurat, fleeing to place himself under Dutch protection, died at Tegalwangi'.<sup>1</sup> The Babad Tanah Djawi however states that Amangkurat left the kraton willingly, knowing that it was God's will that Mataram, because it had already lasted 100 years,<sup>2</sup> should now be replaced by another kingdom.<sup>3</sup>

Amangkurat having left Mataram died soon after at Tegalwangi. His son's claims however were taken up by the Dutch and by 1677 they had captured Kediri and soon after Trunadjaja himself. The son of Amangkurat was therefore crowned as susuhunan and took the title Amangkurat II.<sup>4</sup> The new king constructed a new capital at Kartasura. Amangkurat II died in 1703 and was succeeded by his son who took the title Amangkurat III. He also is depicted as a bloodthirsty tyrant, but in view of Pangéran Puger's impending usurpation, the king's cruelty may have been no more than the babad writer's fiction designed to make the fall of Amangkurat III seem presaged by fate.<sup>5</sup>

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D.G.E. Hall, op.cit., p.302.

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Sénapati succeeded Ki Gedé Mataram in about 1575 A.D. See above.

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Babad Tanah Djawi, op.cit., p.168. Traditional political theory in Java held that kingdoms could endure no longer than 64, 80 or 100 years. See further Chapter III.

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Thus proving the predictions and tradition to be wrong. See further Chapter IV, 'Messianic Traditions'.

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See above, note 1.

An uncle of Amangkurat III, Pangéran Puger, sought assistance from the Dutch in 1704 in order to gain the throne for himself.<sup>1</sup> With Dutch help he was installed in Kartasura and took the title Pakubuwana I. Amangkurat III fled from the capital and joined forces with the Balinese rebel Surapati who, having been expelled from West Java in the 1680's by the Dutch, had established a new power base in East Java. Only in 1707 were Sunan Mas<sup>2</sup> and the sons of

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According to the Babad Tanah Djawi (p.260) Pangéran Puger had already been given the right to rule Kartasura, for he had received the wahju (royal lustre) from the former king Amangkurat II. In traditional terms the Babad Tanah Djawi also related how Pangéran Puger obtained the assistance of the Dutch in his usurpation of the throne:

The Governor-General in Batavia discussed with his councillors what should be done about the accession of Amangkurat III to the throne of Surakarta. They advised that the tenung Welanda (Dutch wizard) should be hired to kill the new king. He had killed several kings in other countries. He was therefore hired and sent to Kartasura. Arriving at the palace he appeared before the king in the middle of the night and said to him: 'I am the tenung Welanda; are you the king of Java?' The king was so terrified by the horrible sight of the wizard that he replied: 'I am not the king. The king of Java is my uncle who lives in the Kapugeran (Residence of the prince Puger), to the north of here!'. The wizard then went to the house of Pangéran Puger, who when told that Mangkurat III had said that he was king accepted it graciously. Pangéran Puger then pitted his magical powers against those of the wizard, whom he turned into a dwarf. The wizard returned to Batavia.

In this way the author of the Babad showed how Pangéran Puger was accepted as king by the Dutch, because Mangkurat III had stated this to the envoy of Batavia, the wizard. The author also made it clear that Puger was not to be considered a puppet of the Dutch, by making Puger's magic stronger than that of the wizard. See Babad Tanah Djawi, op.cit., pp.264-5.

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Another name for Amangkurat III.



Surapati<sup>1</sup> defeated in battle and Sunan Mas exiled to Ceylon.

In 1719 Pakubuwana I died and his son succeeded him as Amangkurat IV. The succession of Amangkurat IV was contested by his own brothers Pangéran Purbaja, Pangéran Blitar, Pangéran Dipanegara,<sup>2</sup> and Pangéran Dipasanta. These rebel princes<sup>3</sup> established themselves in the eastern area of Java,<sup>4</sup> where the remnants of Surapati's supporters were also still active. The Dutch supported Amangkurat IV and by 1723 all the rebel princes had been captured and exiled, either to the Cape of Good Hope or Ceylon.<sup>5</sup>

Amangkurat IV died in 1727 and was succeeded by his son who took the title Pakubuwana II. The reign of Pakubuwana II was seriously disturbed by the Chinese and the Madurese wars which lasted from 1741 to 1745. The rebellion of the Chinese was occasioned by the mass slaughter of Chinese in Batavia. Chinese in Central Java allied

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Surapati himself was killed in 1706.

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The namesake of Pangéran Dipanegara of Jogja; he also took the title Erutjakra. See further for detailed history, Chapter IV, 'Messianic traditions'.

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They also had the support of Pangéran Mataram, a brother of Pakubuwana I.

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Pangéran Dipanegara Erutjakra I was overlord of all the lands 'east of Mt Lawu'.

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See J.J. Meinsma, 'Geschiedenis van Kartasoera Volgens de Babad in prozawerking van den heer C.F. Winter Sr', BKI 28 (1880), pp.565-78.

themselves with dissident princes and attacked Semarang and Kartasura. Semarang was relieved by Dutch reinforcements, but Kartasura was overrun and Pakubuwana II forced to evacuate the kraton. The rebels proclaimed a grandson of Amangkurat III<sup>1</sup> susuhunan. The Dutch however defeated the rebels and reinstated Pakubuwana II, who then had to make great concessions to the Dutch. He ceded the North Coast to the Dutch and gave up his claims to the island of Madura.<sup>2</sup> Because the old kraton had been defiled by the Chinese rebels, Pakubuwana II built a new capital at Surakarta.

The Madurese had greatly assisted the Dutch during this rebellion, in the hope of gaining their independence. However when peace returned in 1743, the Madurese found themselves under Dutch 'protection'. Under their leader Tjakraningrat IV they also rebelled and it took another two years for the Dutch to restore peace in Java.

Pakubuwana II's reign was further disturbed by a dispute with his brother Mangkubumi.<sup>3</sup> In 1745 Pakubuwana

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The former Sunan Mas, who had been exiled to Ceylon.

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The North Coast area was made into a directly governed province, with Semarang as its capital. This was the largest grant of territory made by Mataram to the Dutch up until that time, and it marked an important change in the relations between Mataram and the Dutch. However it must be remembered that Mataram still controlled most of Central Java and retained its claims in East Java.

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An important source for the period of the Mangkubumi war is Dr Soekanto, 'Sekitar Jogjakarta', Djakarta 1952.

had promulgated that whoever captured the rebels Raden Mas Said<sup>1</sup> and Martapura,<sup>2</sup> would be given the district of Sukawati. Mangkubumi was able to quell the rebellion and destroy its forces, but Mas Said and Martapura escaped. Though Mangkubumi had achieved a great deal of success, Pakubuwana, at the suggestion of his jealous patih Pringgalaja, did not reward him with Sukawati and gave him instead 1,000 tjatjahs<sup>3</sup> of land. Mangkubumi could in no way get satisfaction from the king, and so on the 19 May 1746 he left Surakarta and went to Sukawati, where he joined forces with Mas Said and Martapura. The Dutch supported Pakubuwana II against the rebels. This war continued for nine years and Mangkubumi and his allies were able to inflict several defeats on the Dutch. In 1749 Pakubuwana II died and he was succeeded by his son Pakubuwana III. In a controversial agreement with van Hohendorff, the governor of the North Coast Province, Pakubuwana II on his deathbed gave over Mataram to the

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Raden mas Said had rebelled because Pakubuwana II, under the influence of an earlier patih Danureja, had banished his father Pangéran Mangkunegara to Ceylon. Mangkuregara was a younger brother of Pakubuwana II and of Mangkubumi.

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Martapura, the bupati of Grobogan, had simply rebelled against the authority of Pakubuwana II.

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A Javanese measure of area.

protection of the Company.<sup>1</sup> By 1754 the Dutch had realized however that they were close to defeat and determined in consultation with Pakubuwana III to come to terms with Mangkubumi by dividing the kingdom.<sup>2</sup> Thus by the treaty of Gianti, concluded on 13 February 1755, the kingdom of Mataram was divided into two halves. Pakubuwana III retained the capital Surakarta and his domain included the eastern portions of the kingdom. Mangkubumi received the southern and western portions and he set up a new capital which he called Ngajogjakarta Adiningrat.<sup>3</sup> Mas

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The Javanese and Dutch texts of this agreement are to be found in Soekanto, *op.cit.*, pp.178-81. The agreement was 'controversial', because it was taken by some to mean that Mataram had been given outright to the Dutch. This was not in fact the case, It was placed under Dutch protection, in the same way that the Crown Prince was placed under their protection. It is interesting to note that the legal and administrative status of Mataram did not change as a result of this agreement. Jogja and Surakarta were not incorporated in the directly governed territories, and retained their territorial identity and independent government. The presence of residents in the two principalities suggests that they were under the protection of the Netherlands, and not possessions as some have claimed from a reading of this agreement (see G.J. Resink, Indonesia's History between the Myths, *op.cit.*).

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The same offer of an independent territory to govern was made to Dipanegara when he met with General de Kock in Magelang in March 1830. De Kock discussed with Dipanegara how much territory he wanted, and promised that he would be an independent prince like the Mangkunegara and the Paku Alam. Dipanegara is reported to have refused, claiming that he wanted to be recognized as Head of the Islamic religion in Java. See P.H. van der Kemp, 'Dipanegara een Geschiedkundige Hamlettype', *op.cit.*, pp.426-7.

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Ngajogjakarta, the original form of the name of Mangkubumi's capital (it is to be found in Tjakranegara's babad) is probably a Javanese corruption of the Sanskrit Ayodhya, the mythical capital of Rama, the hero of the Ramayana. Thus Mangkubumi's capital was linked with the illustrious capital of Rama.

Said continued to fight the Dutch until on 24 February 1757 he surrendered to the susuhunan of Surakarta. By the treaty of Salatiga Mas Said was given territory which he could govern as an independent principality. This territory which was ceded by Surakarta was termed the Mangkunegaran, and Mas Said and his successors were the Mangkunegara princes.

### The History of Jogjakarta

On his accession to the throne of Jogja, Mangkubumi took the title Sultan<sup>1</sup> Hamengku Buwana I. He also appointed temenggung Judanegara his patih (prime minister) and he gave him the name Danuredja, which was later taken by all the patihs of Jogja. The treaties of Gianti and Salatiga brought peace to Central Java and the reign of Sultan Hamengku Buwana I was peaceful. He died in 1792 and was succeeded by his son who took the title Hamengku Buwana II, and who is also known by his posthumous name of Sultan Sepuh or the 'old Sultan'. Sultan Sepuh's reign was difficult in view of the increasing Dutch pressure on the independent kingdoms of Java. The conflict between the Dutch and the Javanese rulers was exacerbated by the appointment of Williams Daendels as Governor-General. He arrived in Java in 1808, the representative of Louis Bonaparte, king of the Netherlands, with orders to fortify

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The kings of Jogja used the title of Sultan which had not been used since Sultan Agung acquired it from Mecca in 1641. The kings of Surakarta retained the title of Susuhunan.

Java against the British. Daendels did much to alienate and cause anxiety to Sultan Sepuh. In 1808 he led an army into Bantam, deposed its Sultan and incorporated it in the territory of the Netherlands. He also established new regulations for ceremonial in the principalities whereby Dutch officials no longer had to pay due respect to the rulers. Anxiety about Dutch intentions towards Jogja led to the creation of two opposing cliques within the court. Sultan Sepuh allied himself with the princes Natakusuma, Natadiningrat (the former's son) and Radèn Ranga Prawiradirdja III, the bupati of Madiun and overseer of the Mantjanegara.<sup>1</sup> This group was firmly opposed to the further extension of Dutch power into Jogja. Allied to the interests of the Dutch were the Crown Prince Pangéran Adipati Anom,<sup>2</sup> and the patih Danuredja II.<sup>3</sup>

In February 1810 Daendels heard that Radèn Ranga had burned and plundered the villages of Ngebél and Sekedok in Surakarta. Immediately he ordered Sultan Sepuh to surrender Radèn Ranga for punishment. Sultan Sepuh hesitated and replaced Danuredja II with the anti-Dutch Natadiningrat. Daendels however insisted that Danuredja

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The state of Jogja was divided into the 'Nagara agung' the inner area of the country with the capital at its centre, and the Mantjanegara, the outlying areas. The bupati of Madiun was traditionally the overseer of the Mantjanegara and this post had remained with the family of Radèn Ranga.

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Father of Dipanegara.

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Danuredja I died in 1799 and was succeeded by his grandson Radèn Temenggung Martanagara. He took the title Danuredja II.

be re-installed and on 12 Novembr 1810 this order was carried out. Radèn Rangka's departure for Bogor was set for 26 November 1810. Radèn Rangka however left the kraton secretly on 20 November and began a rebellion in the Mantjanegara. Daendels, hearing of the rebellion, called on Sepuh to arrest Natakusuma and Natadiningrat who were implicated in the rebellion. Sepuh was forced to comply with this demand.

In December 1810 Radèn Rangka was killed and peace returned to the Mantjanegara. Daendels used this occasion to go personally to Jogja and on 28 December he deposed Sultan Sepuh and made the Crown Prince king, with the title Kangdjeng Sultan Mataram.

Events however were moving very quickly in Batavia. On 16 May 1811 Daendels was recalled and he was replaced by Janssens. In August 1811 the British landed in Java and on 18 September the Dutch surrendered to the British. Immediately Sultan Sepuh resumed the throne and his son became Crown Prince again. Sepuh murdered his principal enemy Danuredja II in October,<sup>1</sup> and replaced him with the candidate of his own choice, Sindunegara. Having regained his throne Sepuh began to plot with the susuhunan and make plans to eliminate the power of the English from Java.

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This is referred to in passing in Tjakranegara's Babad. In Canto II verse 27, he refers to the wife of Sultan Djarot (Dipanegara's brother) as the daughter of the patih Danuredja, who 'died in the palace, murdered by the king'.

The resident John Crawfurd reported the intentions of Sepuh to the new Governor of Java, Thomas Stamford Raffles.<sup>1</sup> Raffles moved quickly and entering Jogjakarta in June 1812 with an army of 1,200 men he deposed Sultan Sepuh and reinstated the Crown Prince. The old king was banished to Penang island, and the Crown Prince was installed on 28 June, taking the title Hamengku Buwana III.<sup>2</sup> The new king, better known as Sultan Radja, had to pay dearly for the English assistance. Pangéran Natukusuma was made an independent prince with the title Paku Alam and he was given 4,000 tjatjahs of land. All of Sepuh's treasury was taken by the English. Sultan Radja also gave up lands in Kedu, Patjitan, Djapan, Djipan and Grobogan. Tjakranegara describes how Sultan Radja came to

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Raffles was the founder of Singapore, but he first acquired fame as Governor of Java and the author of the two volume work 'The History of Java', See Maurice Collis, 'Raffles', London, 1966.

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Tjakranegara's babad begins with the banishing of Sultan Sepuh. In Canto I, verse 13, he describes how, as a result of a devastating storm (the arrival of the English), the king of Djogja was exiled:

ing Ajogja sang akatong  
kabur binuwang ing sabrang

I, 13, c. - d.

the king of Ajogja (Jogja)  
was forced into exile abroad.

He was succeeded by his son:

ingkang putra gumantya  
djumeneng ratu linuhung  
djudjuluk djeng Sunan Radja

I, 13, e. - g.

his son succeeded him  
he was installed as the excellent king  
he took the name Sunan Radja



regret the concessions he had made to the English:

Kawarnaa sang prabu Mentawis  
 Kangdjeng Radja ing Ngajogjakarta  
 sampun tetep keratoné ...  
 semu mérang sadjroning galih  
 kaduwung ing pratingkah ...  
 kang rama binuwang Wlanda  
 marang Mantja ing Kedu sabrang nagri  
 djinaluk mring Welanda.<sup>1</sup>

At the same time the patih appointed by Sepuh was dismissed and Radèn Temenggung Sumadipura, bupati of Djipan was made patih with the title Danuredja IV. It seems that prince Dipanegara played an important part both in the appointing of the new patih and in the accession to the throne of his father, Sultan Radja. European sources agree that Dipanegara negotiated with the English resident to have his father placed on the throne, after Sepuh had killed the patih Danuredja II and seemed to threaten his own son, the Crown Prince, too.<sup>2</sup> In return for his assistance to the

<sup>1</sup>

Canto II, verse 1, a.-c.; e.-f.; i.-k.

Let us now describe the king of Mataram,  
 Kangdjeng Radja by name, ruling in Jogja,  
 his kingdom was firmly established ...  
 but he seemed ashamed in his heart  
 and he regretted his actions ...

because his father had been banished by the English  
 and the Mantjanegara lands in Kedu and other lands  
 were requested by the English.

We should note that Tjakranegara fails to distinguish between the Dutch and English, always referring to the latter as 'Welanda', i.e. Dutch. This indicates how vague the notions held even by sophisticated Javanese were about things European.

<sup>2</sup>

E.g. see P.H. van der Kemp, 'Hamlettype', op.cit., pp.298-9.

English and to his father Dipanegara is supposed to have been offered the position of Crown Prince. This however he refused:

Let us look at the situation in Jogja (in early 1812). The English wish Dipanegara, in return for his services in the war against his grandfather Sepuh, to be named Crown Prince, while his father Radja becomes Sultan. He hesitates however because he does not wish to usurp the morally stronger claims of his brother Djarot'.<sup>1</sup>

Tjakranegara corroborates the European sources. In Canto I he relates how Sultan Radja offered to make Dipanegara Crown Prince, as he had already promised to do.<sup>2</sup> This promise was presumably made when his father came to the throne. Dipanegara refused his father's offer, because his brother Djarot, as the son of the chief queen, had a stronger claim to the throne.<sup>3</sup> Tjakranegara also states that Dipanegara had Radèn Temenggung Sumadipura appointed as Danuredja IV in 1812.<sup>4</sup> Thus it seems that Dipanegara was in a position of considerable influence in the years 1810 to 1812, and he was therefore able to ensure the succession of his father and the appointment of the patih who was to become his inveterate enemy in the 1820's.

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<sup>1</sup>

P.H. van der Kemp, 'Hamlettype', op.cit., p.304.

<sup>2</sup>

Canto I, verse, 18, a.

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Canto I, verses 23-4.

<sup>4</sup>

Canto III, verse 69; Canto IV, verse 72; Canto V, verse 10. This same Danuredja was to become a confirmed enemy of Dipanegara and was instrumental in provoking the prince's rebellion.

Sultan Radja died in November 1814 and he was succeeded by Dipanegara's younger brother Djarot, who acceded to the throne on 16 November 1814 with the title Hamengku Buwana IV. Djarot was only ten years of age when he became king, and his mother took him under her wing. He acquired a taste for the pleasures of the flesh, and he lived an extravagant and wasteful life. He became cruel, and when he went riding in his carriage soldiers in the accompanying retinue were often knocked from their horses and run down.<sup>1</sup> Djarot died in 1822, possibly as a result of the strenuous and debilitating life he had led. There were unconfirmed suspicions that he had been poisoned, and some European writers suspected that Dipanegara had poisoned him.. However Tjakranegara states that the food that Djarot was eating when he died was provided by Pangéran Mangkubumi, the uncle of Djarot. There is little reason to suspect Dipanegara's complicity in the death of his brother.

Djarot was succeeded by his son Menol who was only two years old when he succeeded to the throne on 19 December 1822 with the title Hamengku Buwana V. European sources have claimed that Dipanegara had expected to succeed his brother because the Crown Prince was so young. It is said that Dipanegara had the written agreement of his father that he should succeed his brother. Tjakranegara on the

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See Canto II, verse 33 sq., and Summary.

contrary states that Dipanegara willingly assented to the succession of his nephew:

Déné ta atmadjaningwang  
tetep madeg narapati.<sup>1</sup>

Though the succession of Menol may not have aroused the anger of Dipanegara, as some have suggested, other factors were already in evidence which were to trigger off a new rebellion like those of Radèn Ranga or Pangéran Mangkubumi which had shattered the peace of Mataram in the past. The events which led to war in 1825 are taken up in Chapter V.

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<sup>1</sup>

Canto III, verse 56 a.-b.

As for my son (in fact, nephew)  
he should be firmly established as king.

## CHAPTER III

## SIGNS AND PORTENTS: THEIR ROLE IN THE BABAD

One problem for historians of Java working from Javanese sources is the manifestly unhistorical nature of mythological and traditional elements that are a natural part of Javanese historical writing. The tendency has been to reject, rather than to understand. However in understanding these elements and the rationale of their inclusion in historical works, one can gain an important insight into the Javanese view of events. Indicative of this problem is the importance of the presumably mythical search for signs which Dipanegara is supposed by Tjakranegara to have instituted. This episode, which covers over two cantos of the babad, could be dismissed as nonsense, but an understanding of the meaning of the various signs supposedly revealed to Dipanegara gives us a valuable insight into the author's own attitudes towards the prince, and, incidentally, an insight into Javanese historiography generally.

In writing his history of the Java War, Tjakranegara placed some emphasis on the inevitability of the war and of Dipanegara's failure to defeat the Dutch. His reasons for holding this view are largely personal. His means of conveying it derive from traditional Javanese beliefs. In the early cantos, Tjakranegara's theme is expressed in general traditional symbols. In Cantos VI to VIII, the theme is substantially developed in the story of the search

for signs and portents, that was supposedly carried out by the servants of Dipanegara.

Tjakranegara inherited the Javanese world view which held that king, country and heaven were sympathetically attuned to each other, and that when the cosmic order approached its periodic destruction, decay spread in the world, and kings were totally evil and rapacious.<sup>1</sup> According to this view, the messiahs, and the kings of the Golden Age, were unassailable and their kingdoms were strong and illustrious. Tradition described such kingdoms in the following terms:

gedé oboré	-	great is its torch
padang djagadé	-	radiant is its realm
duwur kukusé	-	high rising its smoke
adoh kuntjarané	-	far-reaching its fame. <sup>2</sup>

The evil king, on the contrary, was cruel, profligate and always drunk. He neglected administration, and the people fled from his kingdom. Moreover, the country was continually devastated by earthquakes, storms, floods and showers of ashes. There were eclipses of the sun and moon and other omens. These portents and the uncontrolled behaviour of the king were considered by Javanese tradition to signal the impending downfall and destruction of a kingdom.

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<sup>1</sup>See section on the Javanese Messianic tradition.

<sup>2</sup>S. Moertono, *op.cit.*, p.61.

The post-Gianti period in Javanese history<sup>1</sup> seems to have been regarded as such a 'bad' era, and Javanese came to hope for a period of destruction which would sweep away the problems that had accrued.<sup>2</sup> When the Java War came in 1825, many must have welcomed it as a 'cleansing' war, which promised to rejuvenate society under the leadership of its messiah. Tjakranegara also saw the period before the Java War as essentially 'bad', and he uses traditional motifs to communicate the view that the kingdom of Mataram was doomed to destruction.

In Canto I he speaks of the coming of God's judgement in the form of a devastating storm. Such storms were considered portents of bad times and it seemed to be no coincidence that, as a result, Sultan Sepuh was exiled from his kingdom.<sup>3</sup> The reign of Djarot, Dipanegara's brother, was for Tjakranegara even more ominous and his account of the reign is strongly influenced by the traditional motifs of the 'bad' king. Djarot was still quite young when he came to the throne in 1814. With the connivance of his mother he came to lead a most profligate life, consorting with the most beautiful girls in the kingdom. He was surrounded by the most expensive luxuries and he amused himself with fine clothes, perfumes, aromatic oils, the

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<sup>1</sup>  
i.e. 1755-1825 A.D.

<sup>2</sup>  
See Messianic Traditions.

<sup>3</sup>  
Canto I, verses 8-13.

best food and wine, gamelan orchestras and dancing girls. In particular he was cruel. For example, he liked to go riding in his carriage with an escort of 200 mounted soldiers; 100 would precede the carriage and the remainder followed behind. The king liked speed and the carriage often travelled at higher speeds than the mounted escort in front. Consequently soldiers were overtaken, knocked from their horses and killed by the wheels of the carriage. Moreover Djarot was overbearing in the exercise of power, ordering the pulling down of houses and the destruction of gardens in order to straighten a road.<sup>1</sup>

These attributes of Djarot are those of the evil king who presages the end of the kingdom. Tjakranegara relates how Dipanegara, aware of the behaviour of his brother, and the dangerous consequences, tried to advise him to act in a manner appropriate to kings. He couched his advice in the form of two stories from the Fatah-ul-Muluk (Victory of Kings).<sup>2</sup> The first concerned a king who had forgotten religion and now only sought his own pleasures. He dressed well, had many palace girls, and he drank and ate much. He went walking one day in the city and he saw a beautiful horse. He mounted it immediately. The horse reared up violently, throwing him to the ground. The king's head was split open on a rock. The second story concerned a king of Syria who was equally bad. As a result his kingdom and palace were destroyed in a mighty storm which shook the earth.

<sup>1</sup>See Canto II for the life of Djarot.

<sup>2</sup>See Canto II, verses 41-55.



In the narration of these two stories Tjakranegara emphasises the implication that Djarot's reign was God's firm sign that Mataram was soon to be destroyed. Dipanegara himself is made to predict the early demise of his brother in view of his many evil deeds:

Gedé temen dosané ariningwang  
 temahan midjil waspané  
 duh-aduh jaji prabu  
 kaja-kaja wus mertandani  
 tan awèt madeg nata  
 amengku Mentarum.<sup>1</sup>

In Cantos VI, VII and VIII, Tjakranegara using more explicit traditional signs, reiterates that Mataram was soon to be devastated by a great war, and he also clarified Dipanegara's part in this war. In this episode Dipanegara is said to have despatched his servants in search of traditional signs which could indicate how he might fare in the event of the war that seemed inevitable. Tjakranegara explains at some length how the prince's servants set out on two pilgrimages to holy places and the grave of his ancestor Sultan Agung. Here they sought the traditional tokens of kingship, or awaited signs from God or the ancestors regarding the question which was uppermost in the

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Canto II, verse 44 b-g.

How great are the sins of my younger brother.

He began to cry,

"O my younger brother the king

it is as if it is a sign

that you will not be king for long  
 ruling in Mataram".

prince's mind: whether he could expect to be Messiah-king in the near future as a result of a 'cleansing' war.

Tjakranegara, in stressing Dipanegara's supposed dependence on traditional signs, had a particular end in view. The signs he claims were revealed to Dipanegara are all inauspicious. He thereby demonstrates that the defeat of Dipanegara was presaged before the war broke out. There is however a less obvious reason for Tjakranegara making Dipanegara the recipient of inauspicious signs concerning the war. Dipanegara was undoubtedly for Tjakranegara a highly sacred person, most worthy of reverence and yet he fought against him on the side of the Dutch. Writing his babad after the war Tjakranegara must have felt obliged, for reasons of self-justification, to make it seem to have been inevitable before the war that Dipanegara's cause was doomed. To this end he included in his babad a large section enumerating the inauspicious signs which forewarned that Dipanegara must fail in the impending war with the Dutch. Tjakranegara in this way showed that he fought with the Dutch because Dipanegara foolishly flew in the face of hostile fate. This ploy of Tjakranegara explaining Dipanegara's failure in traditional terms must have put his mind at ease and at the same time enabled him to write a history laudatory of the prince, though he at all times reserved this ultimate sanction against the prince of the futility of his cause.

Dipanegara in his autobiography would seem to put a point of view contradicting the views of Tjakranegara.

Dipanegara himself claims to have seen and sought traditional signs of kingship but he also asserts that all such signs were auspicious. This basic difference of opinion derives from the completely different interests of the two authors. In contrast to Tjakranegara, Dipanegara in his autobiography could not admit to having been wrong or misguided and he therefore maintained the assertion that he was destined to be king and Messiah.

Tjakranegara in Canto VI begins to narrate the story of Dipanegara's searching for signs. It is stated that Dipanegara had already become aware of the plotting of the minister Danuredja with the Queen Mother, who were attempting to force the Dutch to take some action against the prince by either imprisoning or banishing him. Danuredja in fact began to circulate rumours that Dipanegara had already begun to mobilize at his estate at Silarong. It is at this point that Dipanegara for the first time considered the real possibility of rebellion. He was however troubled by doubts. Would he be successful? Would he be king? Were God and the ancestors in accord with his ambitions? To allay these doubts, he sent his servants on two pilgrimages in search of signs to answer these questions.

Dipanegara first sent his closest advisor Djajamustapa on a lone journey to Imagiri, the burial place

of Sultan Agung.<sup>1</sup> It is interesting that Tjakranegara should claim that Dipanegara sought in this way to divine the will of his most august ancestor. Dipanegara was in fact a descendant of Sultan Agung through the line of Amengkubuwana I, founder of Jogjakarta. Before he attempted to seize the throne he had first to see if this in fact was agreed to by Sultan Agung who was regarded as having hegemony over the welfare and future of his clan.<sup>2</sup>

Tjakranegara relates how, on the orders of his master, Djajamustapa travelled alone to Imagiri and spent the night there praying at the foot-end of the grave. Here Djajamustapa prayed that a sign be shown him:

'Adedonga Djajamustapa selalu  
duta muga-muga

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Tjakranegara records that Dipanegara visited Imagiri himself (Canto IV, verse 39 g) and that he also often visited the Southern Ocean district just as Sénapati did. See further Canto III, verses 1-3; and Canto IV, verses 39-40. These visits were part of Dipanegara's religious pilgrimages, but he cannot have been unaware of the connection of Imagiri and the Southern Ocean with the fortunes of the Mataram dynasty. For Sénapati and Njai Rara Kidul see Babad Tanah Djawi (Javanese version), pp.80-1; and Soemarsaid Moertono, 'State and Statecraft in old Java', Cornell Monograph Series, 1968, p.64.

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Such seeking of signs from ancestors is not uncommon in Java. Many intending rebels have sought advice in graveyards. Even today in Java exam, time signals pilgrimages to grave sites where students beseech their ancestors to bestow on them blessings to help them to pass.

wontena paring wasité  
 lamun bésuk pinaringan alamat.<sup>1</sup>

The following morning he and the custodian of the grave, Ki Balad, re-entered the burial place, and having swept and tidied the area, they sat down to pray. It was then that Djajamustapa noticed a red spot like blood on the curtain covering the grave:

Abang bunder sapiring wetaranipun  
 pernahé kang erah  
 tengah beneré langséné  
 makamipun Sultan Agung Mentaram.<sup>2</sup>

This was in fact the sign he had been sent to find. He went outside to ask Ki Balad if the red spot had been there long and what was in fact the meaning of this apparition, Ki Balad explained that God in this sign had decreed that warfare would descend on Java and that much blood would be spilt. For good or bad, this was the will of God and no one could avoid it:

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Canto VI, verse 31.

Djajamustapa prayed the whole night  
 "O may (my master's) envoy  
 be given a sign  
 if he be given a message."

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Canto VI, verse 35.

(The spot was) red, and round, the size of a plate  
 (it was) like blood,  
 (it was) in the very centre of the curtain  
 which shrouded the grave of Sultan Agung  
 of Mataram.

wus karsané Allah  
 ing tanah Djawa badéné  
 katah erah kang badé tumibèng lemah.  
 Genah rusak wus pinesti tekdiripun  
 tan kénging tinambak  
 lamun wus prapta tekdiré.<sup>1</sup>

So declared God and the ancestors. As Dipanegara had feared, there was to be a great and destructive war, but it had not been revealed if Dipanegara was to prosper by it. All he knew was that it was decreed by God that there was to be a war and it was his fate to be involved in it.

Djajamustapa returned home immediately and informed his master of the sign revealed to him. Dipanegara realised the full import of the sign and also its ambiguity. He had next to discover how he should fare in this impending war. Dipanegara, in Tjakranegara's eyes, had obviously begun to have designs on the kingship of Jogjakarta. He now wished to know whether he would be king.

As before, Dipanegara is made to seek the answer to his questionings by traditional means. He sent Djajamustapa on a second, more extensive mission. Djajamustapa's initial task was to journey to the town of

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<sup>1</sup>

Canto VI, verses 38 b-39 c.

It is already the will of Allah  
 that in the future of Java

much blood will be spilt on the earth.  
 For better or worse, his will has already been  
 determined

it cannot be averted  
 if (your) fate has been decided.

Tjilatjap on the south coast of Central Java, there to seek the Djajakusuma flower which was reputed to grow on Nusakambangan, an island off the coast.

The name 'Djajakusuma' or 'Widjajakusuma' means 'flower of victory', and its possession is a portent of victory or success. According to tradition, the Djajakusuma flower had to be sought in Nusakambangan by claimants to the throne, but if the flower could not be found it was clear that the pretender's claims were not legitimate and his cause must fail.<sup>1</sup> The Babad Tanah Djawi records how Mangkurat II, king of Mataram, succeeded in finding a Djajakusuma flower. Mangkurat II, also known as Pangéran Adipati Anom (his official title as crown-prince), was the son of Mangkurat I, who left the kraton of Mataram in the year 1600 A.J. when the Madurese prince Trunadjaja invaded Java.<sup>2</sup> Mangkurat I died at Tegalwangi soon after his flight and Pangéran Adipati Anom succeeded to the throne of Mangkurat II. The Dutch decided to support his claims against those of Trunadjaja who was soon driven from the rebel capital of Kediri. Mangkurat II was then crowned at Kartasura. Nevertheless, he would seem to have been unsure of his position for the Babad Tanah Djawi records that he sent his servant Pranataka to search for the Widjajakusuma flower which would legitimize his position:

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T. Roorda, 'Verhaal van de Oorsprong en het Begin van de opstand van Dipanegara'. BKI (1860), p.171.

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The significance of his attack in 1600 A.J. has been discussed above (Chapter II).

Pranataka, you are to go to Donan or to the island Kambang. Seek the Widjajakusuma flower. Be sure to find it. Do not come back if you have not found it.<sup>1</sup>

Pranataka went to Nusakambangan and meditated for seven days and seven nights in the 'Mesdjid Watu' (Stone Mosque), the very place that Dipanegara's servants were to visit.<sup>2</sup> Here he found a pair of Djajakusuma flowers and having picked them returned to his master.<sup>3</sup> Mangkurat II was very pleased with this, for it had proved his kingship to be legitimate:

The king was very happy, for he realized that his kingship would be prosperous.<sup>4</sup>

Mangkurat II did in fact have a prosperous reign from 1677-1703 A.D. Moreover he was to kill the rebel Trunadjaja with his own hands soon after obtaining the Djajakusuma, and in this way was seen to remove the only threat to his position.

<sup>1</sup>W.L. Olthof, Babad Tanah Djawi (Jav. version), p.176.

<sup>2</sup>Dipanegara's servants visited the Stone Mosque, after they had failed to go to Nusakambangan where the Djajakusuma flower grew. In view of the fact that the Babad Tanah Djawi clearly states that the flower could be found at the Stone Mosque, it would seem that Tjakranegara was confused both about the tradition itself and the geography of the Tjilatjap-Nusakambangan region. For example he seems to call Nusakambangan by three different names: pulo Madjeŕi, Nini or Nini-Nini, and Brambang. Moreover from what he says in Canto VI one would assume that the Mesdjid Séla was not on Nusakambangan nor near it, principally because it cost much more to be ferried to Nusakambangan than to Mesdjid Séla. Yet the Babad Tanah Djawi story of Mangkurat II would seem to suggest that the Stone Mosque was in fact on Nusakambangan. The solution may be to accept that Tjakranegara was confused about the geography of the region and one should therefore ignore the difficulties outlined above. Tjakranegara's basic contention was that Dipanegara sought the Widjajakusuma in the area where it traditionally grew and failed to find it.

<sup>3</sup>W.L. Olthof, op.cit. (Jav. version), p.177.

<sup>4</sup>W.L. Olthof, op.cit. (Jav. version), p.177. 'Sang nata sakelangkoeng soeka, tjipta, jèn toeloes nggènipoen djoemeneng nata'.



Possession of the Djajakusuma flower was therefore important for any person wishing to embark on a prosperous and successful kingship, but it also seems to have had general application. For example in the wayang lakon Wisnu Krama,<sup>1</sup> Wisnu has to obtain a Djajakusuma flower before he can marry Déwi Pratiwi. Only he who finds this flower can have her hand. Wisnu obtains the flower on Mt Argadjati, but only after he has married the daughter of the seer who lives on the mountain. Another contender for Déwi Pratiwi's hand also obtains a Djajakusuma flower, but in his case it is to be found on the neck of a blue-coloured buffalo.<sup>2</sup>

Dipanegara's own search for the Djajakusuma flower is therefore part of a very old Javanese tradition. To find this flower was to achieve success, just as Mangkurat II achieved success. Not to find it was to realize that one's cause was doomed to failure.

Dipanegara gave further orders that if Djajamustapa could not obtain a Djajakusuma flower, he was to make a long pilgrimage to many places in Central Java to discover what in fact his fate would be. Djajamustapa was to visit Pasir, Gumelem, Mt Segara Windu, Tjahjana, Pekiringan, Lawet and other holy places. In all of these places Djajamustapa was to meditate and pray, beseeching God to reveal Dipanegara's role in the coming war. A number of persons

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J. Kats, 'Het Javaansche Tooneel', vol.I Wayang Poerwa, Volkslectuur, Weltevreden, 1923, pp.237-8.

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The difficulty caused by both contenders finding the flower is solved in battle. Wisnu wins.

were assigned to accompany Djajamustapa including Djanodin, his son Abukasan and a holy man from the village of Gujangan, Kjai Mopid.

When eventually sent on their way by Dipanegara, the party travelled almost due west from the city of Jogjakarta, crossing wild and heavily forested country, until they came to the Seraju River. They crossed the river in a ferry, but they were most terrified to see a very large crocodile in the river:

Agengipun kang baja kelangkung-langkung  
gigiré seklasa  
sami trataban atiné  
aningali dumateng baja kang ngambang.<sup>1</sup>

They reached the other side of the river safely and they quickly disembarked, obviously a little concerned at the sighting of this crocodile.

Was this a sign? The Babad Tanah Djawi records that Djaka Tingkir did battle with a crocodile army and, having defeated them, he forced them to send one crocodile a year as tribute. This episode has been interpreted as metaphorically describing a battle between Djaka Tingkir and the city of Surabaja, whose name ending in 'baja' is

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<sup>1</sup>

Canto VI, verse 57 i-iv.

The crocodile was very large  
its back was as big as a mat  
and they were scared in their hearts  
seeing the floating crocodile.

reminiscent of the Javanese word for crocodile 'baja'.<sup>1</sup> The sighting of a crocodile on the Seraju River in South Central Java could hardly have a connection with Surabaya in East Java. It may well be that Tjakranegara may have introduced this encounter with the crocodile merely to add local colour or perhaps comic relief.

Having alighted from the boat on the other side of the river, the group continued their journey and soon came to the coastline which faces the island of Nusakambangan, some ten to fifteen miles from the mouth of the Seraju River. They followed the coastline, making for Tjilatjap. Suddenly they saw seven deer from the island coming down to the shore<sup>2</sup> and gambolling on the waves. When spotted by the pilgrims, the deer fled into the forest. This chance meeting with the seven deer is less easy to dismiss as insignificant than their earlier encounter with the crocodile. One is compelled to ask why were seven sighted and why were they deer? Did Tjakranegara intend that this be interpreted as a sign? The number seven has been accorded a great deal of significance and magical power by many cultures, being considered lucky and fortuitous. Deer also have been regarded as regal symbols, while the Buddha has been symbolized as a deer because his

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<sup>1</sup>This interpretation was pointed out by Professor Berg in seminars given at the A.N.U. in 1969.

<sup>2</sup>As one approaches Tjilatjap the coast and the shoreline of Nusakambangan converge until there remains only a narrow channel between them. The author presumably meant that when the shoreline of the island came into view they happened to see these seven deer.

first sermon after attaining enlightenment was preached in the Deer Park at Benares. Thus the sighting of seven deer by the pilgrims may have been a fortuitous sign forecasting kingship for Dipanegara, but this interpretation is by no means sure and is unsupported by similar incidents in other Javanese historical works.

Late on the same day that they had sighted the seven deer, they arrived in Tjilatjap, which in those days was only a small village with few inhabitants:<sup>1</sup> 'Désa suwung wung aparek wana agung'.<sup>2</sup> Here they stayed the night in the home of the village head Kjai Resajuda and inquired of him the cost of travelling by boat first to the Mesdjid Séla (Stone Mosque)<sup>3</sup> and then to the island of Nusakambangan<sup>4</sup> where they intended to seek the Widjajakusuma flower.

Kjai Resajuda, to their chagrin, explained that the cost of travelling by boat to pulo Madjeti (Nusakambangan) was indeed expensive, costing 100 ringgits:

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<sup>1</sup>Tjilatjap under the Dutch developed into an important port and the most important centre on Java's South Coast. It is interesting to note that while Tjilatjap, as early as 1905 had approximately 16,000 inhabitants, in the middle of the nineteenth century it was only a small hamlet.

<sup>2</sup>'The village was inhabited by few people, it was like a great forest.' Canto VI, verse 63 i.

<sup>3</sup>This is referred to as Nini-nini island, and, as pointed out in an earlier note, the author seems to use a number of names for Nusakambangan including Nini-nini, though in fact two separate localities or islands are intended, i.e. Nusakambangan itself and a smaller island or possibly a rocky outcrop which is the 'Stone Mosque' they eventually visit instead of Nusakambangan.

<sup>4</sup>

Nusakambangan is referred to as Madjeti island.

Jèn sampéjan arsa  
 pulo Madjeṭi pernahé  
 pan akatah puniku weragadira  
 satus ringgit mangké kula terken bagus  
 alampah baita  
 pulo Madjeṭi marginé  
 nengguh ladjeng dateng pulo Nini pisan.<sup>1</sup>

Djajamustapa did not have 100 ringgits to pay for the boat and as a result Dipanegara failed to obtain the Djajakusuma flower, the symbol of a legitimate claimant to the throne. There was no way for Djajamustapa to reach the island where this flower grew and thus Dipanegara's future as king was placed in extreme jeopardy.

Having failed to find the Djajakusuma flower, they sought to carry out Dipanegara's supplementary orders. They asked the cost of a journey by boat to the Mesdjid Séla and Resajuda informed them that this would cost only two rials. This they could afford, and so they departed for the Mesdjid Séla. They spent several days at this lonely holy place. First they cleared the interior of sand and grass and lit a fire. Each night they prayed and meditated in the cave and during the day they went out into the open. In their

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Canto VI, verse 66 b-7 d.

If you want  
 to go to pulo Madjeṭi (Nusakambangan)  
 it will be very expensive  
 for one hundred ringgits I will take you there  
 by boat  
 to the island of Madjeṭi  
 and then even to the island of Nini.

prayers they asked that Mataram (Jogjakarta) prosper and that their master also be looked upon with favour:

Anenedā mring Allah kang Mahasutji  
ardjané Mentaram  
sampun kawis-kawis  
djeng pangéran selameta.<sup>1</sup>

While ki Djanodin was asleep one night in the Stone Mosque, there came the sign that they all awaited. Dipanegara appeared to ki Djanodin in a dream, riding on the cow Gumarang. This beast was as big as a hill, but its feet were caught in the roots of a Balaran vine.<sup>2</sup> The cow however broke loose and quickly ran off carrying the prince with it.

Ki Djanodin awoke from his sleep and thought over the meaning of this sign. It was in fact a most ominous sign, intimating that Dipanegara was to be the cause of misery and destruction in Java. The cow Gumarang is a wajang figure connected with the rice myths of Déwi Sri and Prince Sedana. There are many variations of the Déwi Sri-Prince Sedana stories, but W.H. Rassers in his article, 'On the Meaning of Javanese Drama',<sup>3</sup> gives a precis of one story which is helpful for an understanding of Djanodin's dream:<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Canto VII, verse 9 i-iv.

They prayed to God the All Pure  
they prayed for the prosperity of Mataram  
it was hoped  
that the prince may prosper.

<sup>2</sup>Canto VII, verse 11 i-iv.

<sup>3</sup>W.H. Rassers, 'On the Meaning of Javanese Drama', in 'Pañji, The Culture Hero', The Hague, 1959, pp.1-63. See in particular pp.14-9.

<sup>4</sup>This story is summarised here in the author's own words.

Baṭara Guru in order to obtain the favours of the lovely Ken Tisnawati has been forced to fulfil three of her wishes. She desires a garment that will not wear out; food which, once eaten, satisfies for the rest of one's life; and the gamelan keṭopjak. Baṭara Guru calls on the demon Kala and his son Kala Gumarang to fulfil these demands. (It is interesting to note that the two demons are supposed to live on the island of Nusakambangan, while ki Djanodin dreams of the cow Gumarang in the Mesdjid Séla, presumably not far off from Nusakambangan).

The demon Kala Gumarang becomes arrogant as a result, and angers the gods who wish that he turn into an animal. He later meets Déwi Sri and begins to chase her. He meets Wisnu, the husband of Dewi Sri, and demands that he hand over his wife. Both Dewi Sri and Wisnu run off, chased by Kala Gumarang. Wisnu, three days later during the chase, confronts Kala Gumarang in a wood and fires arrows at him. At this Kala Gumarang becomes a pig.

In the meantime Ken Tisnawati has died and her body, returned to earth, has brought forth various agricultural products, including rice. In his animal form Kala Gumarang still pursues Dewi Sri and coming across the new rice-fields tramples them. To protect the rice Wisnu shoots at the pig and kills him, but from his blood proceed all kinds of insects and diseases which destroy the rice crop.

The soul of Kala Gumarang passes into the bodies of the ascetic Puṭut Djantaka's children, all of whom have the form of animals, including a wild bull and a buffalo. These animals also destroy the rice crop. Therefore the king of the country sends out his servants to kill the animals and are largely successful, but the wild bull and buffalo remain free. These too however are defeated and they are tethered by their conquerors to a large tree.

The two beasts thus subdued could well have been known as lembu Gumarang (the buffalo Gumarang) or the sapi Gumarang (cow Gumarang), because they had their origins in the soul of the demon Kala Gumarang. If this is so, the sapi Gumarang of the babad can be seen as identical with the beasts which sprang from the soul of the

demon killed by Wisnu. In this context it is important to note that the sapi Gumarang of the babad was tied down with the vine of a balaran tree. In the same way, the bull and buffalo of the rice myth were tethered by their conquerors. This striking similarity of detail strongly suggests that the cow Gumarang ridden by Dipanegara and the rampaging beasts of the rice myth are identical.

What therefore is the significance of Ki Djanodin's dream? It is suggested that the beast's breaking loose and escaping with Dipanegara on its back is most probably a prophecy that Dipanegara, in releasing the beast, would be a destructive force in Java, just as Kala Gumarang and sapi Gumarang were destructive of the rice crop as they chased after Déwi Sri. This interpretation accords with the other ominous signs that were to be revealed as the servants of Dipanegara continued their journey.

Having received this sign at the Mesdjid Séla, the next day they all returned to the mainland and journeyed northwards to Pasir. Thereafter they visited all the holy places their master had ordered them to visit, all the time praying for the prosperity of Mataram:

Kang tineda ardjané nagri Mentawis  
hajwa kongsi rusak.

Their prayers may well have been more earnest now in view of the ominous pattern that had already begun to emerge.

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Canto VII, verse 20 a-b: 'They prayed for the prosperity of Mataram; and that it should not be destroyed.'



They spent one night on a mountain called Segara Windu and here a great and terrifying storm descended on them. All during the night, wind, rain, cold and the mountain spirits assailed them.<sup>1</sup> Was this also a sign of impending doom?

At Pekiringan the pilgrims spent the night at the burial place of the wali Prakosa:<sup>2</sup>

Kawarnaa semana lampahé prapti  
nenepi kuburan  
sawengi makamé wali  
kang arannja wali Prakosa.<sup>3</sup>

Here they meditated and made penance during the night and again a sign was revealed to them. The wind tore down the curtain surrounding the grave and bore it away.

At Tjahjana they also spent one night in meditation at a graveside and again the curtain surrounding the burial place had disappeared by morning. These signs all troubled Ki Mopid and Djajamustapa:

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Canto VII, verses 21-4.

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The walis are reputed to be the Muslim teachers who first spread Islam in Java. Their burial places are important pilgrimage spots and Javanese believe that by sleeping at such burial places, one can obtain great favours from the wali buried there. It is only natural that Dipanegara's envoys should stop there.

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Canto VII, verse 26 i-iv.

It is described how they arrived  
and did penance at the grave  
one night (they spent) at the burial place of the wali  
called wali Prakosa.

Duk semana Djajamustapa lan Mopid  
 langkung susahira  
 sesmita datan ngénaki  
 deladjat negri Mentaram.

Kaja-kaja negara Mentaram iki  
 harep karusakan  
 djalarané apa béndjing  
 rusaké nagri Mentaram.<sup>1</sup>

All the signs pointed to the imminent destruction of Mataram (Jogja). The following day they climbed Mt Lawet and spent the day there praying. They were soon to be rewarded with yet another sign. The curtain surrounding the burial place on this mountain also disappeared as before, but here a ravine opened up and part of the mountain collapsed into the ravine. Thus the sign from the wali buried there agreed with the spectacular sign sent by God and revealed by the destruction of the mountain, Mataram was to be destroyed. Ki Mopid and Djajamustapa in discussing the significance of all these signs were most disturbed by their ominous portents but nevertheless recognized that if this was the will of God then no human could avert it. They exclaimed 'Wit ora,

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Canto VII, verses 29-30.

At that time Djajamustapa and ki Mopid  
 were very disturbed  
 there was an omen which was bad  
 as far as the power of Mataram was concerned.

It seems as if Mataram  
 will be destroyed  
 what should be the reason  
 that Mataram will be destroyed.

maring ora',<sup>1</sup> meaning we humans originate from nothing through the goodness of God, and we cannot avert the will of God that we should go to dust. It is the plaintive cry of those who are helpless to avoid the future fraught with destruction.

The pilgrims, having visited the two mountains Merapi and Merbabu, made their way home to Tegalredja. Drawing near to Tegalredja one evening, they were compelled to spend the night in the mosque at Kuwaron rather than travel at night. Here ki Mopid received another sign in a dream. The ancient seer ki Gedé ing Séla (Ki Ageng Séla) appeared to him in a dream and gave him a warning which was to be transmitted to his master:

Dipanegara bésuk  
 meksa arep amurwèng urip  
 ngrata agama sarak  
 djinurung Al-Sabur  
 sinung rahmat ingkang Mulja  
 nanging ana béka rentjanané béndjing  
 sisip sembir wruh bakal  
 jén sumimpang ing patang prakawis  
 hudjubrija tekabur sumengah  
 pesti lulusé karepé  
 jèn adoh saking iku  
 lamun nradjang patang prakawis

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Canto VIII, verse 2 j.

rahmat hidajat benggang  
wangsul wahjunipun.<sup>1</sup>

In this prophecy Ki Geḍé ing Séla first stated that it was God's will that Dipanegara should be king and that as king he would spread the Islamic religion and its law in Java. Nevertheless God's blessings on Dipanegara would be withdrawn if at any time in the future Dipanegara should give way to conceit, vanity and recklessness.

In some ways this particular sign seems to contradict the basic theme of all the previous signs which overwhelmingly had declared that Dipanegara was not to be king, because he had failed to find the Djajakusuma flower and secondly that Dipanegara was to instigate a great war which would devastate the whole of Java. Now Ki Geḍé ing Séla would seem to be saying that all was not lost for Dipanegara if he retained the humility he had already been noted for.

Yet this also is an ominous sign for Dipanegara. It is in fact Tjakranegara's method of disposing of Dipanegara's claims to the Jogja throne and also of explaining the prince's failure in the war. Tjakranegara later shows that

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Canto VIII, verses 10 iv.-11 viii.

'Dipanegara in the future will have decision over life (and death); he will spread (the Islamic) religion and the Sjariah law; he will be assisted by God; and he will be given the blessings of the Blessed One; But there will be a difficulty later on; I see a risk in the future;

If he avoids these FOUR things: recklessness, pride and conceit (only three are quoted) He will succeed in his efforts.

If he strays from this path, if he falls prey to these four things, the Blessings and the Guidance of God will disappear, nay the Light of God will disappear.

in proclaiming himself Sultan at Silarong at the insistence of Kjai Madja, Dipanegara neglected the advice of Ki Ageng Séla, succumbing as he did to the vain attraction of the title of Sultan.<sup>1</sup> God's blessings were accordingly withdrawn from Dipanegara and thus his cause was doomed. The reader is left to assume that Tjakranegara was well aware of this and thus thought it wise to fight with the Dutch.

The morning after Ki Mopid's dream, the group set out and arrived at Tegalredja at noon. They immediately reported to Dipanegara that all his orders had been duly carried out. They conveyed the various signs that they had seen and explained their significance. They also had to report that they had been unable to obtain the Djajakusuma flower. Dipanegara quietly accepted the signs and their ominous portents, affirming that if he was to be the cause of destruction in the kingdom, then this was God's will and no man could avert it:

Lamun kaja mengkonoa  
 pralambang kang dawuh  
 ija negara Mentaram  
 hura-huru djalaran saking ing mami  
 terus karsaning Allah.<sup>2</sup>

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T. Roorda, 'Verhaal van de oorsprong en het Begin van de Opstand van Dipanegara', BKI (1860), p.196.

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Canto VIII, verse 15 vi-ix.

If that is the case with the predictions which have come (i.e. they have all been bad), that is to say that the state of Mataram will fall into confusion and disarray because of me, then that is the will of God.

The message of Ki Gedé ing Séla was repeated to Dipanegara by a mysterious voice as he sat meditating on the signs that had been revealed to his servants. This reinforced in Dipanegara's mind the warning that his kingship would not succeed if he gave way to conceit and vanity.

In this way Tjakranegara concludes his lengthy account of the signs revealed to Dipanegara before the outbreak of war. The whole episode is undoubtedly a fiction created by the author for his own ends, for the events recorded by him are not to be found anywhere else, in particular in the autobiography of Dipanegara. Whether fiction or not, this episode plays a most important part in Tjakranegara's babad. It is a resort to traditional magical means to explain post-eventum, Dipanegara's failure in the Java War, by showing that before the war had even begun his failure and the war itself had been predestined by God. It is also a means for Tjakranegara explaining his participation in the war on the side of the Dutch even though he obviously respected Dipanegara very much indeed, as one can gauge from the rest of his babad. In this respect it is important to note Tjakranegara's anti-Dipanegara stand in his narration of the journeying after signs. It has been generally assumed that he was wholly partial to Dipanegara, however it is clear that for largely personal motives he was prepared to question Dipanegara's actions by traditional means.

Dipanegara in his autobiography also relates how he received various signs from God. He does not claim to have sent his servants in search of signs. He claims to have

received himself all the signs revealed to him. More significantly, these signs generally do not accord with those enumerated by Tjakranegara and they are nearly all propitious. For Dipanegara, the heavens foretold his kingship. When he was still a baby his great-grandfather took him in his arms and stated that this child would one day be a king, and greater than he.

However a warning in some ways similar to that allegedly delivered by Ki Gedé ing Séla in the Tjakranegara account, is also to be found in the autobiography. From Sunan Kali appearing before him one night as he fasted in a cave, Dipanegara claims to have received this prophecy:

hèh Ngabdurahim sirèku  
 wus pinasti hjang Suksma  
 lamun sira iku béndjang  
 dadi ratu ngérang-érang nuli musna.<sup>1</sup>

This enigmatic warning in Dipanegara's autobiography would seem to have some connection with the pattern of signs elaborated in Tjakranegara's babad. But it would seem to be the only point of similarity.

<sup>1</sup>Pangéran Dipanegara, 'Babad Dipanegara pijambak' (ed. Rusche), 2 vols., Surakarta, 1908-9. Vol.I, p.2.

hèh Ngabdurahim  
 it has been determined by God  
 that if in the future  
 as king you are humiliated, then  
 you will perish.

Sunan Kali(-djaga) is a famous legendary saint, popularly linked with the introduction of Islam to Java. During his pilgrimages and fasts, Dipanegara took an Arabic name, either Ngabdurahim or, later on, Ngabdulkamid. P.J. Louw, op.cit., vol.I, p.92, has quite a different translation for what must be the same passage. There Louw has read 'ratu ngérang-érang' as 'ratu hiring'. The difference may result from different MSS. having been used.

Dipanegara also relates that he went to Imagiri, the burial place of Sultan Agung and the Mataram dynasty, and here he meditated at the junction of the Opak and Oja rivers. Here the guardian of the Mataram dynasty the queen of the Southern Ocean, Njai Rara Kidul, visited Dipanegara and offered him assistance for the fulfilment of his ambitions, just as she had offered to help Sénapati, the founder of Mataram. Sénapati, like Dipanegara, had journeyed to the shores of the Southern Ocean and he began to pray at the mouth of the Opak river, but the power of his prayers upset the balance of nature and the sea was greatly disturbed. Therefore Njai Rara Kidul, protectress of the ocean, granted all his wishes, prophesying greatness for him and his descendants: 'You and your descendants shall surely all be kings and rule over Java and you shall have no equals.'<sup>1</sup>

Dipanegara most certainly thought of himself as a descendant of the Mataram dynasty and as one who had a right to share in the fame and fortune of that line. For this reason he records that he too encountered Njai Rara Kidul:

Djeng Ratu Kidul wus prapta  
 nèng arsa Sèh Ngabdurahim  
 mapan padang djroning guwa  
 ing djeng Ratu wus udani  
 lamun Sèh Ngabdurahim  
 lagi suwung tjipatanipun  
 datan kénging ginoda

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<sup>1</sup>

W.L. Olthof, 'Babad Tanah Djawi', p.78.



dadya umatur ubanggi  
lamun béndjang tekèng masa badé prapta.<sup>1</sup>

Like several kings of Mataram before him,<sup>2</sup> Dipanegara also received the royal lustre which is the symbol of all legitimate kings. One day he was sitting meditating when from the heavens came a bolt of lightning, which then stuck in a rock. This was the arrow called Sarutama, or excellent arrow, and Dipanegara had it fashioned into a kris.<sup>3</sup> In this way Dipanegara claimed for himself the receipt of the royal lustre. Every legitimate king should possess it in some form or other, and it is only to be expected that Dipanegara should make such a claim.

The autobiography also records that during one of his pilgrimages Dipanegara was acclaimed by the Ratu Adil, the traditional Javanese Messiah. Dipanegara was later to take on himself the title Erutjakra which belongs to the Messiah, but at this stage he was supposed to have merely accepted the armies of the Messiah:

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Rusche, op.cit., vol.I, p.4.

Ratu Kidul came  
before Sèh Ngabdurahim (Dipanegara)  
it was bright in the cave  
the Queen knew  
that Sèh Ngabdurahim  
was deeply involved in his thoughts  
and he could not be disturbed  
then she said  
that when the time came, she would come.

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In particular Pangéran Puger (later Pakubuwana I) who received the royal lustre in the form of a tip of light on the penis of his dead predecessor, Amangkurat I. See Babad Tanah Djawi (Jav. version), p.260 and S. Moertono, 'State and Statecraft in Old Java', 1968, pp.56-9.

He spoke: "Hear me, Ngabdulkamid! I have brought you here to tell you that you must lead my entire army into battle. Conquer Java with it."<sup>1</sup>

Though Tjakranegara makes no mention of the Messiah except in connection with Dipanegara's title when proclaimed Sultan, it is important to note that Dipanegara showed a great deal more interest in it. Finally Dipanegara claims that it was God who proclaimed him Sultan, even before the war had begun. How different an interpretation is this from that put forward by Tjakranegara. The autobiography states:

The Prince was sitting under a banyan tree, after the midday prayer, about half-past three, in the garden called Modang when he heard from the distance a clear voice which called out to him: "Listen Ngabdulkamid! God Almighty bestows on you from now on the name of Sultan Ngabdulkamid Erutjakra Sajidin Panatagama Djawa Chalifat Rasulullah."<sup>2</sup>

The signs purported to be seen by Dipanegara vary quite radically between the babad of Tjakranegara and Dipanegara's autobiography. Their very significance is made to vary. Dipanegara himself claims to have been revealed only fortuitous signs. Tjakranegara on the contrary suggests by means of a number of traditional symbols that the Java War was inevitable and that Dipanegara's defeat in the war had been foretold. This striking difference reflects the different motives and prejudices of the authors and it also demonstrates the need to be aware not only of such prejudices, but also the traditional and often enigmatic way in which they can be expressed in Javanese historiography.

<sup>1</sup>P.J.F. Louw, op.cit., vol.I, p.131.

<sup>2</sup>P.J.F. Louw, op.cit., vol.I, p.136.

## CHAPTER IV

## DIPANEGARA'S SOURCES OF SUPPORT

Tjakranegara states that immediately prior to the outbreak of war, many people flocked to the support of Dipanegara, from all classes of society, from the villages and from the capital:

Dalū katah djalma prapti  
désa mjang pradja<sup>1</sup>

It is important to investigate the sources of this support, and to assess what charisma Dipanegara held for these Javanese from all sections of Jogja society. Two aspects are suggested as a partial answer. In Part A of this chapter possible reactions to Dipanegara's devotion to Islam, and in Part B the possible impact of Javanese messianic traditions are examined.

#### A Dipanegara and Islam

In Tjakranegara's depiction of Dipanegara's life-style, the Islamic religion and its mystical school, Sufism, emerge as the most important single element. This aspect was not often properly appreciated by Dutch scholars, for the Dutch had much to fear from the uniting power of Islam within the archipelago. Thus Dipanegara's devotion to Islam has been dismissed by some European commentators as fanaticism and a

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<sup>1</sup>

Canto IX, 9, e-f.

At night many people came  
from the villages and the capital.

weakness.<sup>1</sup> Tjakranegara on the contrary provides a sympathetic view of Dipanegara's religiosity and it is for us to explore the Javanese view of and reactions to this aspect of Dipanegara's character.

Unlike most of the princes and high officials of Jogjakarta, Dipanegara led a very simple life. Having wholeheartedly accepted the Islamic religion, he turned all his energies to the problem of salvation in the hereafter and the absolution of sin. He became obsessed with death and man's helplessness in the face of his sinful nature:

Amung kang késti wardaja  
 ing bésuk jèn ingsun mati  
 adja nganti géndong dosa  
 jèn tjilaka djroning pati  
 sapa ingkang nulungi  
 ana ing neraka bésuk  
 siksané tumpa-tumpa<sup>2</sup>

Convinced he was carrying a great burden of sins, Dipanegara set about whittling them away by performing acts of piety and by constant prayer and meditation. He avoided licentiousness, lived an ascetic life, fasted and made frequent gifts to the poor.

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<sup>1</sup>For example, see P.H. van der Kemp, 'Dipanegara, een Geschiedkundige Hamlettype', BKI (1896), pp.283-433.

<sup>2</sup>Canto III, v.5.

The only thing I desire in my heart  
 is that if, in the future, I die  
 may I not carry a burden of sins  
 for if I do when I die  
 who can help me?  
 in hell later on  
 the torments will pile up.

The desire for a simple ascetic life was an ideal of the Sufis, the mystics of Islam.<sup>1</sup> They believed that only by eschewing wealth and worldly things could one attain the eternal fruit of Gnosis or knowledge of God. The story of Ibrahim bin Adham, one of the earliest Sufi ascetics, shows how this prince abandoned the world when God warned him of its falseness:

'My father was of Balkh,' Ibrahim bin Adham is reported to have said, 'and he was one of the kings of Khorasan. One day I was out riding with my dog, when a hare or a fox started. I pricked on my horse; then I heard a voice behind me saying, 'It was not for this thou wast created: it was not this thou was charged to do.' ..... I stopped and said, 'I have been roused! A warning has come to me from the Lord of the Worlds. Verily, I will not disobey God from this day on.' Then I returned to my people, and abandoned my horse; I came to one of my father's shepherds, and took his robe and cloak, and put my raiment upon him.'<sup>2</sup>

Tjakranegara describes how closely Dipanegara conformed to the Sufi ascetic ideal. When fasting, for example, he ate only once every two months.<sup>3</sup> Moreover he visited his wives in the harem on Thursdays only, and if one can judge

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The Sufis were the mystical school of Islam which developed under the influence of Christian, Indian and Persian mystical beliefs. Their principal goal was personal knowledge of God through meditation and through the heart. See R.A. Nicholson, 'The Mystics of Islam', and A.J. Arberry, 'Sufism', London, 1963. For Sufism in Java see: A.H. Johns, 'Sufism as a Category in Indonesian Literature and History', Journal of Southeast Asian History, vol.II, July 1961; and C. Geertz, 'The Religion of Java', Glencoe, 1960.

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A.J. Arberry, 'Sufism', London, 1950, p.36.

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Canto III, verse 4.

from the complaints of one of his wives, he abstained from sexual intercourse even then.<sup>1</sup>

For the Sufi mystic, asceticism was no more than a preparatory stage before one could properly turn to mystical and spiritual exercises. Dipanegara also did not restrict himself to outward displays of piety, but also involved himself deeply in prayer, meditation and mystical regimens. Dipanegara was accustomed to meditate in the open, sitting on the Watu Gegilang,<sup>2</sup> or in one of the many caves he visited in the region of Jogja. Here he performed the ojrat technique of mysticism:

Pangéran Dipanegara  
 tan pegat amangun téki  
 ing guwa Silarong gonnja  
 winangun dèn busanani  
 sri kinarja nenepi  
 pangéran ngodjrat nèng ngriku  
 pangran karem tirakat.<sup>3</sup>

This form of meditation involved long periods of silent reflection, the rapid repetition of prayers and exhortations,

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 Canto IV, verses 41-5.

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 A large flat stone capable of seating a man. Sénapati also meditated on a stone called Gegilang.

<sup>3</sup>  
 Canto III, verse 1.  
 Prince Dipanegara  
 unceasingly performed penance  
 in the cave at Silarong  
 it had been improved and decorated  
 it was made suitable for meditation  
 the Prince performed ojrat in there  
 the Prince was fond of asceticism.

such as 'Allahu Akbar!' (God is Great), and readings from the Kur'an and other works by mystics and Muslim scholars. Tjakranegara emphasises again and again that meditation was a constant joy to the prince.

Dipanegara was very familiar with the Kur'an. It is related how on a visit to the Upas cave, Dipanegara was impressed with the glory of the Creation when he came across a chill, limpid stream in the centre of the cave. He therefore had his servant read the Ya Sin Surah which praises the beauty of the Creation, but which also warns of God's destruction:

Alas for My bondsmen! They laugh to scorn every apostle that comes to them. Do they not see how many generations we have destroyed before them? Never shall they return to them: all shall be brought before Us.

Let the once-dead earth be a sign to them. We gave it life, and from it produced grain for their sustenance. We planted it with the palm and the vine, and watered it with gushing springs...

We have taught Mohammed no poetry, nor does it become him to be a poet. This is but a warning: an eloquent Kur'an to admonish the living and to pass judgement on the unbelievers.<sup>1</sup>

Every night the Kur'an was read by Dipanegara and he would also have it read to him by his servants during the day:

Pangéran Dipanegara

lamun dalu matja Kur'an sang pekik

mung tiga djus wangenipun

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Ya Sin Surah. N.J. Dawood (trans.), 'The Koran', Penguin Books, 1959 ed., pp.170-3. This was a sober message for the unbelieving court of Jogja.

nimbali dasihé éndjang  
 kinumpulan sagungé kang sepuh-sepuh  
 kapan kinèn matja Kur'an  
 sami ndarus ganti-ganti.<sup>1</sup>

Dipanegara's reading was not restricted to the Kur'an. He was familiar with many Islamic works originating from the Middle East and India. Dipanegara's servants would read to him from books on law, or from the Anbija, the 'Lives of the Prophets'. They would read Sufi works on gnosis (makripat) and mysticism (tasawup). There were didactic books about the good and bad kings of Arabia and Syria, and Dipanegara drew many lessons from the tales of evil kings in the 'Fatah-ul-Muluk' (Victory of Kings).<sup>2</sup> The traditional works of Javanese literature with their Hindu gods and heroes and non-Islamic philosophy were also studied. Dipanegara often called upon his servants to read from the Ardjunawidjaja, Serat Rama, Ardjunawiwaha and the Bomantaka.<sup>3</sup> The reading of these works was a constant task. Each month the books were changed so that the prince did not become bored.

<sup>1</sup>Canto IV, verse 32.

Prince Dipanegara  
 would read the Kur'an at night  
 three chapters were his limit  
 in the morning he would summon his servants  
 and all the elders were gathered together  
 then they were ordered to read the Kur'an  
 and they each read in turn.

<sup>2</sup>The lessons were for the benefit of Dipanegara's irreligious and immoral brother Djarot. See Canto III, verses 41-55.

<sup>3</sup>For Dipanegara's reading tastes, see Canto IV, verses 32-9.



Dipanegara spent much of his time at Tegalredja, not far from Jogja, and at another of his estates, Sélaradja, to the east of Tegalredja. However he frequently gave up his reading and prayer in the relative comfort of his various residences, and he went out on pilgrimages, dressed in simple clothes, in order to perform more severe acts of penance. Tjakranegara relates how these pilgrimages took him to lonely places such as the South Coast and the Southern Mountains, or to caves 'far from home':

Kèndel dènnja sami matja  
 djeng pangéran tirakat mring pasisir  
 Pemantjingan kang djinudjug  
 mungguh marang aldaka  
 Gunung Kidul Balimbing Palijan iku  
 Sampar lawan ing Wulusan  
 tanapi ing gunung Giri,  
 lan guwa kang adoh omah  
 sarupané kang ageng lan kang alit.<sup>1</sup>

Dipanegara also made frequent pilgrimages to caves in the vicinity of Jogjakarta. Tjakranegara relates that he visited the Sura Lanang cave, situated in the Southern

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Canto IV, verses 39 a - 40 b.

They would all cease reading  
 and the prince would go to do penance on the coast  
 there he would go to Pemantjingan  
 and to Aldaka  
 the Southern Mountains, Balimbing and Palijan  
 to Sampar and to Wulusan  
 and to the Giri mountain (Imagiri)  
 and to caves which were far from home  
 both big and small.

Mountains,<sup>1</sup> the Suleman cave,<sup>2</sup> the Upas cave, west of the Praga river,<sup>3</sup> and the famous cave at Silarong where Dipanegara was to declare himself Sultan.<sup>4</sup>

Dipanegara's pilgrimages and his meditation in caves accord with the Sufi ideal of fleeing from the world and worldliness by wandering in the desert. Like Ibrahim bin Adham who 'went towards Iraq, wandering from land to land',<sup>5</sup> Sufis wearing their simple habits of wool went out from their homes and wandered over the Islamic world in their search for the spiritual realization of God. It has already been pointed out that Dipanegara's austerity and many of his religious practices and forms of mystical meditation seem to have been derived from Sufi practice, and this desire to wander about and live in caves accords equally well with Sufi doctrine. Thus it would seem that Dipanegara, like many other Javanese Muslims, was a follower of one of the Sufi orders and practiced the tenets of the mystical school of Islam.

It was the renowned devotion to Islam and Sufi mysticism that won for Dipanegara the support of that section of the population of Jogjakarta wholeheartedly

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Canto III, verse 2 e-f.

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Canto III, verse 2 a.

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Canto III, verses 9-28.

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Canto III, verse 1; Canto IV, verses 1-4.

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A.J. Arberry, op.cit., p.36.

devoted to Islam. In his study of a twentieth century Central Javanese town, Clifford Geertz<sup>1</sup> was able to identify three distinct socio-religious groupings in Javanese society. These he named the santri, abangan and prijaji groups. The santri group were strict followers of the Islamic faith. The abangan element were nominal Muslims but still adhered to customary beliefs and practices, many of which were pre-Islamic or pre-Hindu. The prijaji were the elite bureaucracy descended from the Javanese nobility. They adhered to the Hindu-Javanese tradition though they also were nominally Muslim. Javanese society has in all probability displayed the same divisions since the introduction of Islam. It is not difficult to discern them in Jogjakarta society as portrayed by Tjakranegara. Dipanegara associated almost exclusively with the santri element, and they in turn looked to Dipanegara as the leader of the Islamic community. Many came to consider him as the Chief of Religion, a title normally reserved for the king. When the pangulu (chief) of the Islamic community, Rahmanudin, was replaced on the orders of the enemies of Dipanegara in the name of Sultan Menol, many of the Islamic scholars and lawyers refused to recognize the validity of new appointment.<sup>2</sup> In this they were encouraged by Dipanegara and his reading of the law books.<sup>3</sup> This dilemma

<sup>1</sup>C. Geertz, *op.cit.*, Glencoe, 1960.

<sup>2</sup>The incident of the Pangulu is dealt with at length in Canto V. See Summary.

<sup>3</sup>Canto V, verses 9-10.

was eventually resolved by Dipanegara being regarded as king and chief of religion, and it was Dipanegara who affirmed the appointment of the new pangulu, Kamalodiningrat, and not his nephew who was supposedly king. Thus around Dipanegara there polarized a clique which was strongly Islamic and which also sought the extension of Muslim ethics throughout the court and kingdom. Dipanegara was, as has been shown, inclined to the Islamic faith and was devoted to it. This incidentally won him the support of one of the most important groupings within Jogja society, when the time came for him to rise against the court. For this santri group, the Java War may well have been a holy war against all unbelievers, Dutch and Javanese alike.

Though Dipanegara's devotion to Islam must be seen first of all for the honest piety that it was, one must also take account of a second role such devotion could have played when viewed in the context of traditional Javanese politico-religious theory. Non-santri elements in Jogja society in the nineteenth century still believed in spirits, protective gods and goddesses, invulnerability, divine intervention and the ability of mortal men to obtain supernatural powers and win success through tapa (asceticism and meditation). Dipanegara's love of meditation in seclusion, his pilgrimages to caves and mountains, and his religious zeal can therefore be seen in a traditional and non-Islamic light. According to traditional Javanese beliefs the rebel in Java was a man who had to be possessed of great

supernatural powers so as to ensure victory and gain invulnerability for his supporters. This power was won by religious devotion:

The felt need for inner strength and unquestionably also for magical powers (especially invulnerability) made it natural that in the late nineteenth and twentieth centuries the initiative to revolt should most often be in the hands of gurus and kyais, men who by virtue of their religious life had already acquired the reputation for possessing supernatural or at least more than human capacities.<sup>1</sup>

Javanese history records how many aspirants to the throne avoided the capital and by meditating in caves and forests gained the power to seize the throne.<sup>2</sup>

Moreover the Southern coast of Java has important mystical connotations for the Mataram dynasty. It was on the shores of the Southern (Indian) Ocean that Sénapati himself meditated with such vigour that he won the protection of Njai Rara Kidul, the spirit queen of the Southern Ocean. In marrying her, Sénapati also enlisted her support for his descendants. Each king of Mataram and each pretender to the throne had in turn to seek her approval and, having gained it, marry her. Thus the kings of Mataram were assumed to have two kratons, one in the capital and one on the shores of the Southern Ocean where they resided with Njai Rara Kidul. Dipanegara's pilgrimages to the Southern Ocean, as described by Tjakranegara, could therefore be seen as his courting of Njai Rara Kidul in order to gain her favours

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S. Moertono, *op.cit.*, p.80.

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e.g. Airlangga; see also Moertono, *op.cit.*, pp.79-80.

prior to his rebellion, so that with the help of her armies of spirits, it would succeed. Though Tjakranegara in his account of Dipanegara's pilgrimages to the Southern Mountains and the shore of the Southern Ocean, does not mention the intervention of Njai Rara Kidul, Dipanegara in his autobiographical babad not only describes a meeting with this lady, but also relates how she bestowed her blessings on his future kingdom in Java.<sup>1</sup> Tjakranegara prefers to signal Dipanegara's prospects for kingship with signs much less propitious than intervention by Njai Rara Kidul. However the stories which must have circulated in Jogjakarta in the years before the outbreak of war regarding Dipanegara's wanderings, where before him Sénapati had met and won the favour of the future protectress of his dynasty, must surely have signalled to many Javanese still influenced by the old beliefs that Dipanegara was preparing himself for rebellion in a time honoured way. He may in this manner have won the support of many abangan Javanese who looked on him as the one well prepared with magical powers and invulnerability for the task of rebellion, as one who had properly courted his potential protectress, and even as the true Messiah, the true Erutjakra. The additional aspect of Dipanegara's pretensions to Messiah-hood are examined in the next section, but it is sufficient to state here that Dipanegara's devotion to religion as portrayed in our Javanese source may well have won support for his cause from outside the Islamic community and particularly among the superstitious and tradition-minded peasantry.

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<sup>1</sup>S. Moertono, op.cit., p.64.

B Diponegara and Javanese Messianic Traditions

The yearning for a Messiah is common to many peoples. In times of war, famine and disorder, when it would seem that the world is soon to end, prophets inevitably appear proclaiming the imminent arrival of the Messiah. At his arrival, the Messiah is to save the virtuous from the horrors of the final destruction of the world, and restore to them the 'golden age' our ancient forebears once enjoyed.

The concept of the Messiah is familiar to Christians through the prophecies concerning the second coming of Christ. From the earliest days of the Church, Christians have looked for the imminent return of Christ to his earthly kingdom. Muslims also have their Messiah, who is called the Mahdī.<sup>1</sup> The word Mahdī means 'guided one', and Muslims believe that the Mahdī, having disappeared circa 880 A.D., will one day come again to save the faithful. Mahdī's have appeared in many countries, including the Sudan.<sup>2</sup> Though the belief in the Mahdī is particularly strong in the Shi'a sect of Islam, it is also widely held amongst Sunnis, the orthodox sect of Islam.

Amongst the Javanese, Messianic expectations have been particularly popular. The Javanese Messiah is known by

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In the following pages many references will be made to Islamic Messianic traditions. See further, A. Guillaume, 'Islam', 1966, pp.117, 120-1; Drewes, 'Drie Javaansche Goeroe's', 1925, pp.168-88; S. Hurgronje, 'Verspreide Geschriften', 1923, vol.I, essay III.

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e.g. the 'Mad Mahdi' who defeated General Gordon at Khartoum.

many names - in recent times the Messiah has been called the Ratu Adil, or 'Just King'. However, he has also been known under the names of Erutjakra, Si Tundjung Putih, Prabu Asmarakingking and even the Mahdī. Since the seventeenth century (and perhaps before) the indigenous messianic traditions surrounding the Ratu Adil have considerably augmented the amount of support dissident princes have rallied from among the populace. Prince Dipanegara sought popular support by claiming to be the Messiah. He was however only the last of several princes who took up arms against Mataram, claiming to be the Messiah, the bringer of the golden age.

Hindu and Buddhist messianic traditions have played a large part in the moulding of the Javanese traditions. From Sanskrit works such as the Puranas,<sup>1</sup> Javanese became familiar with and adopted into their own world view, the Hindu theory of the ages of the world and its final destruction. Indian philosophies generally held that the universe is alternately in a state of being or non-being. When the universe is first created, it is at its apogee. From that time on, however, it moves inexorably and by degrees towards its final destruction. At the destruction of the Universe begins an equal period of non-existence, until once again the Universe is created in exactly the same form as before. This alternation of equal periods of

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See J. Dowson, 'A Classical Dictionary of Hindu Mythology and Religion', London, 1957.



existence and non-existence was portrayed in mythology as days and nights in the life of the supreme god, Brahma.

When he slept, the world slept. With him, creation awoke.<sup>1</sup>

Within the periods of existence there were four distinct ages or yugas. Each was shorter and less desirable than the preceding yuga. The four ages were, in chronological order, the kṛta or golden age, the trta, dvāpara and kali yugas. It is the kali-yuga, the worst of all four, in which we live at the moment. According to Hindu theorists writing as early as the beginning of the Christian era, one could already see signs of the imminent destruction of the universe which is due to follow the end of the kali-yuga. For example no one obeys the caste laws. Depravity is rife. Warfare, famine, disease are all too common.

Though the kings of today are not the kings of yore, yet a good and strong king could, for a moment, arrest the decline towards destruction and reinstitute a semblance of the golden age:

For he was clear-sighted as to the difficulties of protecting the world, such as it ought to be carried out in the age of Kali; he held firm to esoteric ceremonies and religious observances, firmly adhering to the Buddhist church, so as to imitate the honoured kings of the past, in order to consolidate the prosperity of the world.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>The days and nights of Brahma were constituted by hundreds of thousands of human years.

<sup>2</sup>From the Nagarakṛtāgama, Canto 42, verse 3 b-d, trans. from Pigeaud, 'Java in the 14th Century', 1960, vol.III, p.48.

A bad king on the other hand merely hastened the ultimate calamity and brought misery to his people:

In the event of the king being intoxicated there arise grave evils: unrighteousness leading to admixture of the castes grows in extent: there is cold in the hot season and vice versa: there is drought as well as heavy rain: diseases overtake the people: comets make their approach, inauspicious planets are seen and various evil omens portending the king's destruction are visible.<sup>1</sup>

For the Hindu, destruction was inevitable even for the gods, but rebirth and regeneration were likewise inevitable. Just as there was the night of Brahma, so must there be the day of Brahma. Life and history therefore consisted of a never-ending sequence of 'rebirth and regeneration - decay - destruction - non-existence - rebirth - decay - destruction.'

These Hindu and Buddhist concepts were current in Java for a considerable time, and may well have been introduced during the earliest influx of Indian thought into Java. As direct contact with Hindu and Buddhist states in India and Southeast Asia became more difficult as a result of Muslim and European incursions into the area, and as Islam became more powerful in Java itself, these purely Hindu (and Buddhist) concepts no longer remained in currency in Java. They did nevertheless influence the later indigenous developments. For example the purely Javanese pralambangs (predictions) retain the Indian terminology for the four

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B. Schrieke, 'Indonesian Sociological Studies', Part II, p.88. This passage derives ultimately from the Mahābhārata. See 'Signs and Portents' for a detailed examination of the signs and omens which preceded the downfall of a king.

ages of the world (the yugas).<sup>1</sup> One of the names of the Messiah, Erutjakra, may also prove to be derived from the name Vairocana, one of the dhyani-buddhas of Mahayana Buddhism.<sup>2</sup> Moreover the Javanese seem to have transposed into their picture of history several of the Hindu concepts of time and history mentioned above.

Popular Javanese historical tradition, as epitomized by the pralambangs, holds that each kingdom of Java, past, present and future, can last only a set number of years, either 100, 80, 64 or 35 years. Despite the variation, the principle was always recognized that a kingdom had a set period of existence allotted to it. The end of one kingdom and the beginning of the next was sometimes set for the turn of a century. Thus in one version of the pralambangs, the kingdoms of Mataram, Padjang II (Surakarta), the kingdoms of the first Messiah, Tandjung Putih, and of the second, Erutjakra, began in the years 1500, 1600, 1700 and 1800 A.J.<sup>3</sup> respectively, but only after the previous kingdom had demised.<sup>4</sup> Thus a king knowing that his kingdom was about to end would often depart from his capital to make way for his usurper-successor.<sup>5</sup>

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Drewes, op.cit., pp.164-8.

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The derivation of Erutjakra is discussed at length below.

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A.J. = Anno Javani, i.e. the Javanese calendar.

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See Wiselius, op.cit., p.232, 'Chronological Survey'.

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As did Mangkurat II in 1600 A.J. (1677 A.D.). See Chapter II.

The period between the changes of power were often periods of disorder and devastation. This was particularly true of the periods preceding the coming of the Messiahs. This alternation of periods of disorder with regular kingdoms is reminiscent of the Hindu concept of the cycle of existence revolving between rebirth and destruction. The concept of the specific duration of kingdoms is also similar to the Hindu belief that each of the four ages had a set but diminishing time span allotted to it.

These Hindu influences were later augmented by Islamic influences. It has already been pointed out that the name Mahdī is often used for the Javanese Messiah. The Mahdī's role as a 'just king' (Ratu Adil) and the promoter of religion has also been grafted onto the Javanese traditions. The influence of Islam on the indigenous predictions has however been marginal.<sup>1</sup>

In the eighteenth century A.D. a new indigenous form of Messianic tradition developed in Java. This new genre is most often referred to as the pralambangs of Djajabaja, king of Kediri. Djajabaja is the reputed author of all the pralambangs, but this claim is impossible when one considers that Djajabaja is supposed to have reigned circa 100 A.J. (1000 A.D.), according to the Javanese traditions (the historical Djajabaja however was living in the eleventh

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<sup>1</sup> e.g. 'The islamization [of the Javanese predictions] is limited to a few features which include in the main the prophesying of a just king who shall rule over Java, and shall in particular restore peace and justice and reinstate religion!'. G. Drewes, op.cit., p.182.

century A.D.), while the pralambangs began to appear only during the eighteenth century.<sup>1</sup> Thus much of what Djajabaja 'prophesies' is in fact history (or a Javanese view of it) masquerading as prophecy. Nevertheless each pralambang does have its portion of true prophecy expressing pious hopes for an imminent Messiah. It is this actual prophecy regarding the Messiah rather than the historical prologue which has had the greater attraction for the Javanese.

Published versions of the Djajabaja pralambangs are few. The text of the 'Serat Djaja Baja' appears in de Hollander's anthology of Javanese writing,<sup>2</sup> Raffles included some examples in his 'History of Java',<sup>3</sup> as did Winter in his 'Zamenspraken'.<sup>4</sup> In 1872 Wiselius described in detail the prophecies and their contents.<sup>5</sup> In 1889 Brandes published a prototype of the predictions with a Dutch translation.<sup>6</sup>

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There is no evidence of the existence of the pralambangs in the intervening centuries. No copies of the pralambangs could have existed from the time of their supposed composition in the ninth, tenth or eleventh centuries to be exploited in the eighteenth century, for in the Javanese climate they would have quickly rotted and disappeared.

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J.A.B. Wiselius, 'Djaja Baja Zijn Leven en Profetieën', BKI (19) 1872, p.174 sq.

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T.S. Raffles, 'The History of Java', vol.II, p.70.

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C.F. Winter, 'Zamenspraken', vol.II, p.248.

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J.A.B. Wiselius, op.cit, pp.172-217.

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J. Brandes, 'Iets over een ouderen Dipanegara in verband met een prototype van de voorspellingen van Jayabaya', TBG 32 (1889), pp.368-431.

The text published by Brandes in 1889 is interesting for several reasons. First, it is extremely old, as evidenced by the fact that the last date mentioned which is identifiable as historical is 1640 A.J. (1715 A.D.). Also the second Messiah is supposed to come in 1800 A.J. (1871 A.D.), whereas all later pralambang claim the first Messiah is to come in 1800 A.J. (1871 A.D.). The text also shows no Islamic influence. Its basic framework is to be found repeated in the later pralambang supposedly written by Djajabaja, but nowhere in this particular text is Djajabaja mentioned. For all these reasons, the text has been considered the 'prototype' of the later predictions.

The content of the prototype is summarised by the present anihor as follows:

Java is first to see a number of kingdoms including Madjapahit, Giri, Demak and Padjang. Specific mention is made of Anjakrakusuma (Sultan Agung). His reign is said to be followed by disturbances arising out of succession quarrels.<sup>1</sup> In 1601 A.J. (1678 A.D.) the Messiah Erutjakra is to appear. He is to establish his residence in Madiun and institute a 'golden age', but for a short time only, for in 1640 A.J. (1715 A.D.) he is to disappear. Disorder will return and the 'prediction' is made that the princes will war against themselves.<sup>2</sup>

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The disturbances referred to are the attack of Trunadjaja on Mataram in 1677 A.D., and the expulsion of Amangkurat III from Kartasura by Pangéran Puger (later Pakubuwono I). There were also various rebellions, including the Surapati troubles. These disturbances are attested to by Dutch sources and are historical.

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The war between Pangéran Mangkubumi and Pakubuwono II which resulted in the splitting of Mataram may be meant here, but it may also be the product of the author's imagination.

A new Messiah Prabu Asmarakingking is to appear in 1800 A.J. (1871 A.D.) and the prophesy is made that he will institute 100 years of good government.<sup>1</sup>

The text ends with a reference to this second Messiah's reign: 'Djaman iku muli kadi ing trita'.<sup>2</sup>

In the prototype a basic pattern is distinguishable which is to be found in the later predictions:

EVENTS AS RELATED IN PROTOTYPE	PATTERN
(i) Historical kingdoms of Java down to Mataram and Anjakrakusuma	STABILITY AND ORDER OF 'GOLDEN AGE'
(ii) An ensuing period of disorder (perhaps Trunadjaja attack; accession of Pakubuwono I)	DISORDER
(iii) Appearance of first Messiah, reigning in Ketangga in Madiun for 40 years	REBIRTH AND STABILITY
(iv) 'Disappearance' of first Messiah and ensuing disorder	DISORDER
(v) Appearance of second Messiah, who reigns for 100 years	REBIRTH AND STABILITY

The later pralambangs fill out and embellish the pattern of the prototype and also provide a pseudo-historical prologue which introduces Djajabaja as the revealer of the predictions. This prologue is usually in the following form:<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>This claim is manifestly unhistorical.

<sup>2</sup>That age reinstates the trta age'; J. Brandes, op.cit., p.387. The trta age is the second of the yugas. The krta age of course is the best of the yugas, and it is this age which most probably was 'intended.

<sup>3</sup>The following summary, based on a summary in Wiselius' article, is the author's own.

Java was originally uninhabited until the Sultan of Rum<sup>1</sup> (Turkey) sent settlers there, with priests to exorcise the local spirits. 170 years later, God sent down the first king and thereby instituted the Djaman Tirta (Skt. trta-yuga<sup>2</sup>). There followed a series of kingdoms similar to those in the prototype: Wirata, Ngastina, Prambanan, Mendang Kamulan.

In 800 A.J. king Djajabaja established his capital at Daha (Kediri). During his reign there arrived a sheikh from Rum, who taught him the secret sciences contained in the Kitab Musarar. From this sheikh Djajabaja learnt that only three of his descendants would rule over Daha, whereafter this kingdom would disappear and be replaced by another. Djajabaja was also told of the seven future periods of Javanese history.

The sheikh returned to Turkey, and Djajabaja continued to rule in Daha. He later paid a visit to the Buddhist priest Ki Adjar Subrata, who lived on Mt Pandan. The king was accompanied by his son. They were served seven dishes of food on their arrival, but no sooner was the food served than Djajabaja slew the priest, and the nun who had prepared the seven dishes. In his subsequent explanation to his son of his killing of the priest, Djajabaja revealed the future history of Java. The priest had been killed because he had dared to reveal the secrets of the Kitab Musarar, for the seven dishes were allegorical representations of the seven future periods of Javanese history.

Djajabaja's revelations of the future history of Java are set out in the pralambang in the following form:

The first period to follow Djajabaja and his three descendants is to be the narpati period, covering the kingdoms of Djenggala, Kediri, Singasari and Ngurawan. The end of this age is to be marked by war and fighting. Next comes the period of Padjadjaran which, after 100 years, is to be torn apart by disputes. Peace returns

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In the mention of Turkey, the Kitab Musarar and the sheikh, we can see the intrusion of Islamic cultural elements, of which the prototype was free.

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Again the trta age is referred to, when it is the krta age, the true golden age, that is meant.



with the establishing of the Madjapahit kingdom, which is to last 100 years. After Madjapahit's demise, Demak is to establish the Islamic religion in Java, but this kingdom's power is soon to be transferred to Padjang. The combined rule of Demak and Padjang is to be 99 years.

Mataram is to succeed to Padjang and it is described as a very powerful kingdom. But only three people shall reign there, and after 100 years the kingdom will disappear in the face of wars among the princes.<sup>1</sup> In the disorder following the fall of Mataram, sea-traders (Dutch and English) shall come to Java and divide the land. One division of the land will be a second kingdom of Padjang (Surakarta). This second Padjang will last 60 years and four kings shall reign before another period of disorder and bloodshed comes. Following the second Padjang, injustices are to abound, all moral precepts are to be abandoned, crops shall fail and storms and floods devastate the fields. Two merchants of high rank are to oppress the people, only to disappear. Devastation is to return:

"But now is the end of that kingdom nigh. Solar and lunar eclipses, rain, wind, earthquakes, whirlwinds, and showers of ash shall come about... everywhere the enemy (the sea-traders) change their position. They become very powerful; many of them come to Java...."<sup>2</sup>

In the midst of all this destruction there shall come the first Messiah and he shall be called Si Tundjung Putih (or Erutjakra).<sup>3</sup> He is to restore peace and order to Java. He is to disappear and disorder is to return.

<sup>1</sup>The end of Mataram is variously set at 1650 A.J., 1670 A.J., or 1600 A.J. in the predictions. The latter date of 1600 A.J. agrees exactly with the Babad Tanah Djawi's date for the 'end' of Mataram. The pralambang's references to the end of Mataram and ensuing disorder therefore concur to some extent with the historical fact of the attack of Trunadjaja on Mataram, which technically ended the rule of Mataram, and thereby initiated a series of Succession wars in Java.

<sup>2</sup>Wiselius, op.cit., p.186.

<sup>3</sup>No firm tradition was ever established about the names of the two Messiahs. The names Si Tundjung Putih (White Water Lily), Erutjakra, Prabu Asmarakingking and Mahdī, were all used to refer to either the first or second Messiah or to both, without distinction.

However Erutjakra shall come as the second Messiah. He shall have two residences, one in Arabia<sup>1</sup> and the other in Madiun. He shall institute a period of good government and his reign will last 100 years. After that, there will come a series of kingdoms alternating with periods of disunity and disorder.

It may be opportune at this moment to examine the meaning and the derivation of the Messianic title, Erutjakra, which Dipanegara later assumed. Wiselius first suggested the meaning of Erutjakra to be 'good spear'. He took 'eru-' to be derived from Arabic 'chairun' meaning good, and '-cakra' as in Javanese was taken to mean 'spear'.<sup>2</sup> This meaning was immediately challenged by Cohen-Stuart.<sup>3</sup> Though uncertain, he felt that '-tjakra' may be derived from 'cakravartin', a Sanskrit word for king. He also felt that 'eru' came from Arabic 'chairun', and so he suggested the meaning 'good king', arguing that this was consistent with the Islamic idea that the Messiah was a 'Just King'. Brandes in 1889 further contended that Erutjakra in fact meant 'jewel of the world': 'eru' meaning 'jewel' and 'tjakra', 'world'.<sup>4</sup>

There the matter rested until 19~~5~~<sup>4</sup>7 when Pigeaud proposed a radically different solution to the problem.<sup>5</sup> He

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Another example of increasing Islamic influence.

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Wiselius, op.cit., p.213.

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A.B. Cohen-Stuart, 'Eroe Tjakra', BKI (1872), pp.258-88.

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Brandes, op.cit., p.369.

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Th. P. Pigeaud, 'Erucakra-Vairocana', in India Antiqua, Leiden, 1947, pp.270-4.

argued that Erucakra was derived from vairocana, one of the dhyāni-buddhas of Mahayana Buddhism. 'Eru-', he contended was derived from 'vairo-', and he explained the change of '-cana' to 'tjakra' by claiming that in later centuries people were more familiar with the termination -tjakra in connection with kings. Thus vairocana came to be Erutjakra. In 1960 he reaffirmed his theory in his work 'Java in the 14th Century'.<sup>1</sup> Philologically, Pigeaud's interpretation is the most convincing but it remains to be shown why the name of a dhyāni-buddha should be chosen as a name for the Javanese Messiah. It may in fact hearken back to the days of Buddhist Majapahit, and have some connection with one of the illustrious kings of that period. As yet, however, only its derivation seems determined. It remains for future research to demonstrate the reasons for its adoption.

From the point of view of dating,<sup>2</sup> the pralambangs can be divided into four categories:

<sup>1</sup>Th. P. Pigeaud, 'Java in the 14th Century', The Hague, 1960, vol.IV, p.130.

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One can date with relative ease the various Djajabaja predictions, or at least provide for them dating in the form of termini a quo. The writer of a pralambang usually made the distinction between actual and post-eventum prophecy clear. For example, a reference to the kingdom of Majapahit is obviously historical. When a pralambang refers to Anjakrakusuma, it is not to be doubted that it is referring to Sultan Agung, the greatest king of Mataram. Often the veracity of facts mentioned can be attested to by the Dutch or other European sources. However at a certain point in a pralambang, 'historical' references become manifestly mythical. 100 years of peace, 50 years of unending turbulence, the Messiah himself, are clearly prophetic. By identifying and then dating the last historical facts mentioned in a pralambang, one can establish the earliest date at which that particular pralambang could have been composed. In this way one can attempt to provide dating in the form of termini a quo.

- (i) pre-Gianti (pre-1755) pralambangs
- (ii) post-Gianti "
- (iii) post-Java War "
- (iv) post-1870 "

The 'prototype' of Brandes is the only extant example of the pre-Gianti pralambangs. The claim that the ancient king Djajabaja composed the pralambangs is quite impossible when one considers that this earliest example of the pralambangs dates only from the period circa 1720 to 1755 A.D. This dating of the prototype has been calculated from the reference in the text to the 'disappearance' of the first Messiah Erutjakra in 1640 A.J. (1715 A.D.). This is the last date mentioned, and subsequent details are largely unhistorical. The 'disappearance' of Erutjakra in 1640 A.J. should be compared with the historical fact of the exile of the rebel prince Pangéran Dipanegara Erutjakra I to the Cape of Good Hope in 1648 A.J. (1723 A.D.).

Pangéran Dipanegara Erutjakra I first appears in the Babad Tanah Djawi as Radèn Mas Sengkawa,<sup>1</sup> one of the 12 children of Pangéran Puger. His adult name was Radèn Mas Taruna.<sup>2</sup> On the occasion of his father's accession to the throne he was given the name Pangéran Dipanegara.<sup>3</sup> When the realm was later threatened by many rebels including some of his own brothers, his father ceded to him half the

<sup>1</sup>  
Babad Tanah Djawi, op.cit., p.250.

<sup>2</sup>  
Babad Tanah Djawi, op.cit., p.253.

<sup>3</sup>  
Babad Tanah Djawi, op.cit., p.258.

kingdom of Kartasura, including all the land east of Mount Lawu.<sup>1</sup> The similarity between this and Arilangga's division of the realm<sup>2</sup> to avoid schisms is striking indeed:

I have already bequeathed to your younger brother Dipanegara . . . the country from Mt Lawu eastwards to the land of Blambangan. You have this country to rule between the two of you. But do not try to extend your rule westwards of the Lawu.<sup>3</sup>

Dipanegara I left Kartasura and travelled eastward to his new domain. He was crowned 'Panembahan Érutjakra Sénapati ing Alaga Ngabdur - Rahman Sahidin Panatāgama'<sup>4</sup> and he set up his residence in Madiun, later to become the traditional residence of Erutjakra, the Messiah. However, he ignored the orders of his father and crossed westward from Mt Lawu in search of conquests. From this point onwards Dipanegara I was doomed to defeat. Nevertheless he was possessed of very considerable divinity, a fact which is demonstrated when one of his servants Sasranegara died a horrible death after having had intercourse with his seven concubines:

The seven concubines (of Dipanegara) were taken by Sasranegara. After three days the penis of Sasranegara began to swell and burst. He cried and moaned, asking forgiveness

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Babad Tanah Djawi; op.cit., pp.331-2.

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As the Nagarakṛtagama explains, the kingdom of Airlangga was divided to prevent disputes among his sons. A priest was engaged to perform the division.

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Babad Tanah Djawi, op.cit., p.332.

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This is the traditional title of the kings of Mataram, save for the addition of the title Erutjakra. Prince Dipanegara I seems to have been the first to have used the title Erutjakra.

of his lord...after an illness of seven days he died.<sup>1</sup>

Diponegara I's cause rapidly collapsed and he was forced to flee eastwards to escape the Dutch and Kartasura armies which were sent to capture the various rebels in the East. During his flight eastwards, he stayed for a week at Tembajat, the burial place of Ki Pandan Arang.<sup>2</sup>

The last mention of Diponegara I in the Meinsma Babad Tanah Djawi describes his flight to Lumadjang in 1646 A.J. (1723 A.D.) in the company of his brother Pangéran Purbaya.<sup>3</sup> However from other babads it is known that he was captured and exiled to the Cape of Good Hope in 1648 A.J. (1725 A.D.) where he died.<sup>4</sup>

The identical title of Erutjakra held by the Messiah of the prototype and by Prince Diponegara I, the fact that both had their residences in Madiun, the similarity of their fates (exile and 'disappearance'), and the closeness of the

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Babad Tanah Djawi, op.cit. (Jav. version), p.345. In many societies there are beliefs in the danger resulting from the handling of the property and clothing of chiefs, princes, priests and other tabooed persons, e.g.: 'In Fiji there is a special name (kana lama) for the disease supposed to be caused by eating out of a chief's dish or wearing his clothes. The throat and body swells, and the impious person dies' - from J.G. Frazer, 'The Golden Bough' (abridged), New York, 1947, p.202.

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Babad Tanah Djawi, op.cit. (Jav. version), p.346 and Rinke, 'Ki Pandan Arang te Tembajat', De Heiligen van Java (IV), TBG (vol.53, 1911), pp.435-581, see p.502.

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Babad Tanah Djawi, op.cit. (Jav. version), p.360.

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J.J. Meinsma, 'Geschiedenis van Kartasoera volgens de Babad in prozabewerking van den heer C.F. Winters Sr.', BKI (28), 1880, pp.565-78.

two dates 1640 and 1648 A.J. in connection with their similar fates strongly suggest that the Messiah Erutjakra of the prototype and Prince Dipanegara Erutjakra I are one and the same. Therefore the prototype of Brandes can only have been written after the prince's exile, that is after 1648 A.J. or 1723 A.D.

Later post-Gianti pralambang mention the division of the realm by the 'sea-traders' and the establishment of a second Padjang (Surakarta) either in 1600 A.J. (1677 A.D.), 1650 A.J. (1725 A.D.) or 1670 A.J. (1745 A.D.). Again the dates do not wholly agree but the idea of the creation of a second Padjang in 1745 A.D., according to some versions, is apparently a reference to the Treaty of Gianti (1755 A.D.) which settled the succession disputes within the Mataram royal family by dividing the kingdom into two parts, Jogjakarta and Surakarta. This is the last historical fact to be mentioned by this type of pralambang, for after the division of the kingdom they prophesy gross disorder and lawlessness, though it is known from Dutch sources that the treaty of Gianti restored peace to Central Java for many years. Therefore the terminus a quo for this type of pralambang can be set at + 1755 A.D.<sup>1</sup>

After the Java War (1825-30 A.D.), when Dipanegara's messianic mission had failed, new prophecies were formulated setting the appearance of the first Messiah in 1800 A.J. (1871 A.D.), and the appearance of the second in

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Wiselius (Djaja Baja op.cit.) also states this.

1900 A.J. (1970 A.D.). Again, after 1871 A.D. passed without the appearance of even the first Messiah, further prophecies were formulated, in particular those of the budjangga Ranggawarsita. Many of these prophecies look forward to the appearance of the first Messiah in 1900 A.J. (1970 A.D.) and the second in 2000 A.J., or even in 2100 A.J.

It has already been noted that, for a number of reasons, Pangéran Dipanegara Erutjakra I should be considered as the historical prototype of the Messiah Erutjakra. It would seem that around this prince, who first used the name Erutjakra, there were crystallized many messianic hopes current in the period 1670-1720 A.D. This period was disturbed by the rebellions of Trunadjaja in 1677 A.D., of Pakubuwana in 1704 and of Pangéran Dipanegara I and his brothers from 1719 to 1723. This long period of disorder and chaos, it is suggested, produced the initial impetus for the development of the pralambangan genre. Pangéran Dipanegara I seems to have played a politico-religious role at this time for he is attributed with divine characteristics and his father Pakubuwana I is supposed by the Babad Tanah Djawi to have given him sway over all of Eastern Java. This politico-religious aura may explain why he was taken as the prototype of a Messiah. The fact remains that in the development of the pralambang literature in the early and middle eighteenth century A.D., the memory of Pangéran Dipanegara I and his abortive rebellion was preserved in references to a first Messiah who comes to



Java, establishes his residence in Madiun, but alas soon disappears.

One of the first princes after Dipanegara I to be influenced by the predictions of an Erutjakra was Pangéran Singasari.<sup>1</sup> This prince had been making war against the Dutch and the Surakarta court before the Third Succession War (1746-56).<sup>2</sup> His centre was East Java and his capital was Kediri, Trunadjaja's former capital and a city closely associated with the Messiah. After the 1757 Treaty of Salatiga which brought peace to Central Java he continued his rebellion in East Java, aided by the descendants of Surapati. He soon took the title of Prabu Jaka and proceeded to establish a new capital at Madjapahit, the former centre of a renowned kingdom. Later still he took the title Panembahan Erutjakra.<sup>3</sup> However, the Sultans of

<sup>1</sup> Sources on this Pangéran Singasari are few. See A.C.Vreede, 'Catalogus van de Javaansche en Madoereesche Handschriften der Leidsche Universiteits-Bibliotheek', Leiden, 1892, pp.95-8. - J.K.J. de Jonge, 'De opkomst van het Nederlandsch Gezag over Java', The Hague, 1883, vol.B, pp.IX-XVII. - H.J. de Graaf, 'Geschiedenis van Indonesië', The Hague/Bandung, 1949, pp.272-3.

<sup>2</sup> i.e. the war between Pangéran Mangkubumi and his brother Pakubuwana II.

<sup>3</sup> Pangéran Singasari, Pangéran Dipanegara Erutjakra I and Dipanegara II were the only rebels who overtly took the title of Erutjakra. Professor Shrieke however speaks of Pangéran Kadjoran, a contemporary of Mangkurat II and Trunadjaja, as 'appearing' to be an Erutjakra, but Professor Shrieke sees the concept of Erutjakra merely as a descriptive label to stick on rebels of all kinds, whether they took the title or not. In this way he can claim that 'Trunadjaja, Pangéran Puger, Pangéran Mertasana and the aged panembahan of Giri, all manifested Erutjakra characteristics'. Such a diverse and unwarranted application of the title Erutjakra dilutes its messianic overtones and reduces it in meaning to 'rebel'. The use of the title Erutjakra should properly be restricted to those who claimed it. See B. Schrieke, 'Indonesian Sociological Studies: Vol.II', Ruler and Realm in Early Java, pp.81-95.

Jogja and Solo decided to move against him and pacify East Java. In this they were aided by the Dutch who feared English overtures in the extreme East of Java. The rebellion of Pangéran Singasari was not easy to suppress, but he was eventually captured in 1767 A.D. and he died a year later in 1768. Though Pangéran Singasari's rebellion was as abortive as that of Pangéran Dipanegara I, his use of the title Erutjakra may well have firmly established its fame and function within Javanese society.

The predictions of Djajabaja would seem to have become increasingly popular after the division of Surakarta in 1755, as the Dutch became increasingly powerful and as the power of the Javanese courts waned. These two factors made the appearance of the Messiah, 'the regeneration of the realm', even more imperative. One can imagine the growing concern among Javanese literati in view of the continuing uncertainties about the future direction of the kingdom. This concern was augmented by the confusion and disillusion felt because of the deterioration of morals and standards of conduct, referred to in several contemporary works.<sup>1</sup> Such deterioration was a certain indication of the imminent destruction of the kingdom. Many Javanese became sympathetic to the idea that there soon must come some holocaust which would eliminate all sinfulness and immorality. From this destruction there would rise the Messiah in the year 1800 A.J. (1871 A.D.), as foretold in

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S. Moertono, op.cit., pp.46-52.

the prophecies of Djajabaja, and He would institute the Golden Age. The 1870's did in fact witness sporadic, religiously inspired rebellions in Central Java, and these disturbances first turned the attention of Dutch scholars to the source of their inspiration, the predictions of Djajabaja.<sup>1</sup> The year 1800 A.J. also had some significance for the opponents of Islam. The Serat Dermaganḍul, written in 1878/1879 A.D. saw the year 1800 A.J. as the end of 400 years of Islamic domination in Java,<sup>2</sup> and the beginning of a new 'Buddhist' age.<sup>3</sup> Thus for the opponents of Islam, traditionalists, and the devotees of the Messiah, the nineteenth century and the 1870's A.D. in particular were crucial.

In this atmosphere of doubt, frustration and, at the same time, heightened expectations, many in all classes came to believe that only through violent measures could there be a rejuvenation of Javanese society:

...this period immediately preceding the Java War was considered a time of decline, a time in which society lay in a state of abject inertia. Should we not see the Java War, then, in its five-year long serenity as a desperate effort to recapture<sup>4</sup> past grandeur and independence of kingship.<sup>4</sup>

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Wiselius, for example, in his study begins by referring to these disturbances and the increasing Dutch interest in their inspiration.

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G.W.J. Drewes, 'The Struggle between Javanism and Islam as illustrated by the Sĕrat Dermaganḍul', BKI (122,3-4), 1966.

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The new Buddhism was in fact Western knowledge, because ka-buda-n in Javanese, derived from Sanskrit, means knowledge as well as referring to Buddha.

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S. Moertono, op.cit., p.47.

Prince Dipanegara II shared the same concern for the future of Java, and he turned to the predictions to signal his opposition both to the Dutch and the incapable court of Jogja. In proclaiming himself to be the Messiah, Erutjakra, he was expressing a desire to regenerate the state, its religion (Islam in his case) and its institutions. In accepting the Messiah's mantle in 1753 A.J. (1825 A.D.), Dipanegara ignored the timetable set out in the pralambang, whereby Messiahs appeared only at the beginning of centuries (1800 A.J. or 1900 A.J.). Yet this did not affect the amount of support Dipanegara as Messiah was able to rally amongst both superstitious abangan villagers and the people of the capital. As Tjakranegara says, people from town and village flocked to the defence of the Messiah. The unfurling of the banner of the Messiah aroused deep feelings and found widespread support among the mass of frustrated and confused Javanese. The Javanese Messianic traditions must therefore be seen as making important contributions to the level of support that Dipanegara was able to maintain, and it may help to explain to some extent the bitterness and length of the war that ensued.

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## CHAPTER V

## TJAKRANEGARA'S VIEW OF THE CAUSES OF THE JAVA WAR

One of the aims of this work has been to determine whether the Javanese, looking at the war from their own unique perspective, could find causes for the war, different from those advanced by Europeans. In discussing the war, Europeans have assigned to themselves a principal part in the events leading up to the war and have referred to economic causes as paramount. It is interesting therefore to note that Tjakranegara in his largely factual account of events assigns Javanese to the principal roles and the Dutch are seen to play only a marginal part. Moreover he advances as sole reason for the war the increasing conflict between two cliques at the Jogjakarta court leading to the outbreak of hostilities.

The first clique was that of Dipanegara and his supporters. The senior position of Dipanegara in the kingdom of Jogjakarta should not be overlooked. He was a great-grandson of Pangéran Mangkubumi (Sultan Hamengku Buwana) who had founded Jogjakarta. He had been of great assistance to his father when the latter was appointed to the throne by the English in 1812. He had been offered the throne by his father but had refused, making way for his younger brother. When his nephew succeeded to the throne in 1822 he had acquired a great deal of seniority as one of the few remaining princes of royal blood. Only his uncle, Pangéran Mangkubumi had more seniority and standing. Though

Dipanegara did not reside in Jogja and tried to avoid the 'corrupting' capital as much as possible, he nevertheless presented himself at court for consultations and state business. He considered that his opinions ought to be sought on state matters, and he chided the minister Danuredja for once not bringing to his attention the cession of lands to the Dutch.<sup>1</sup> Thus in his own estimation, Dipanegara was a grandee of the kingdom who by virtue of his eminence should have had an important part to play in the formulation of state policy.

Aligned with Dipanegara was the Islamic (or santri) community in Jogjakarta. Islam had not yet become fully entrenched in Central and East Java, and the court of Jogja particularly neglected religion. Tjakranegara relates that Dipanegara himself wrote to the Queen Mother regarding the immoral education she was giving to his brother, Sultan Djarot.<sup>2</sup> Dipanegara considered that his brother had forgotten religion, for he called him to Tegalkedja to tell him stories of the deeds of evil kings of Arabia and Syria. In this situation where the court did not place a high value on religion, the leaders of the Islamic community turned to Dipanegara whose devotion to Islam and Sufi mysticism was renowned. From him they sought protection and through him they furthered the interests of Islam in Jogjakarta.

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<sup>1</sup>  
Canto IV, verse 70.

<sup>2</sup>  
Canto II, verses 23-5.

Dipanegara was also able to rally considerable support from among the abangan peasantry. Though of different temperaments and beliefs, nevertheless the abangan peasantry eagerly supported Dipanegara who was linked with the Messiah and Erutjakra.<sup>1</sup> Dipanegara's pilgrimages and visits to caves and the Southern Ocean were inevitably regarded by this group as a proper preparation for royal power. Dipanegara was for them a highly magical and powerful person. Their devotion to Dipanegara was due to the strength of traditional pre-Muslim beliefs. The group supporting Dipanegara was thus a formidable combination of santri and abangan elements.<sup>2</sup>

Opposed to the Dipanegara clique and anxious to preserve the status quo in Jogja was a group composed of the Ratu Ageng, the Queen Mother who was the chief queen of Sultan Radja and mother of Djarot; Wiranegara, a Balinese who held the rank of Major in the palace guard; and the patih (minister) Danuredja IV. As this group<sup>3</sup> represented the established power it had the support of the Dutch, which made the opposition of the Islamic clique of Dipanegara even more urgent. The Queen Mother was opposed to Dipanegara because she feared that he had ambitions to seize

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See above, Chapter IV.

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In Canto IX, verse 11, line a, Tjakranegara also relates that a number of palace functionaries and noblemen joined his cause. Dipanegara's uncle, prince Mangkubumi, also joined him immediately before the outbreak of hostilities.

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This group corresponds well with Geertz's prijaji, the aristocracy and government functionaries.

the throne from her son Djarot and, after Djarot's death, her grandson Menol. In this context she reviled Dipanegara as the son of a lesser wife:

Kelamun ta wajah mami  
tan sida madeg hadji  
kasela kang dadi ratu  
pangran Dipanegara  
pan iku anaké selir.<sup>1</sup>

She had little reason in fact to fear Dipanegara's ambition. The latter had given up his opportunity to become king when he had recognized the stronger claim of his brother who, though younger, was the child of the Chief Queen.

Dipanegara also agreed to the accession to the throne of his nephew and placed no difficulty in the way of his coronation. He made one request only, that he be relieved of the duty to act as a guardian of his nephew so that he could continue his religious devotions. Nevertheless the Queen Mother suspected Dipanegara of ambitions on the throne and she manoeuvred to alienate all possible sources of support for his claims. The Dutch residents de Salis and Smissaert she easily won over. Wiranegara was completely her creature.

The patih Danuredja willingly allied himself with the Queen Mother to achieve their joint aim of eliminating

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Canto III, verse 60, d-h.

If my grandson  
does not become king  
in his place prince Dipanegara  
will become king  
and he is the child of a lesser wife.



Dipanegara. As patih, Danuredja already held a prominent position in the state hierarchy. However he aspired to a position of pre-eminence among the princes of the realm, which would have made him the most powerful man in the kingdom, for Sultan Menol was still only a child in the years 1822-5. In these ambitions he met the opposition of Dipanegara who regarded himself quite correctly as senior prince of the royal line and more worthy of such pre-eminence. Dipanegara's feeling of superiority towards Danuredja was further increased by the fact that Dipanegara had secured the appointment of Danuredja as patih in 1812. The fact that he had risen to a position of power through the good offices of Dipanegara served only to feed the jealousy and hatred of Danuredja for the prince. Danuredja was also quick to take offence at Dipanegara's continuing failure to pay courtesy calls to his home:

kelawan para pangéran  
 mring Danuredja pan samja iring  
 mung pangéran Dipanegari  
 tan kersa mring wismanipun.<sup>1</sup>

The concept of the struggle between cliques for pre-eminence in the kingdom is a familiar concept in Javanese history. The rebellion in 1810 of Radèn Rangga

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Canto III, verse 69, c-f.  
 and the various princes,  
 they all respected Danuredja  
 only prince Dipanegara  
 had no desire to go to his home.

Prawirjadirdja, provoked by the patih of Jogja Danuredja II conforms to the pattern. Radèn Ranga, openly supported by the princes Natakusuma and Natadiningrat and covertly encouraged by Sultan Sepuh, was opposed to the further extension of Dutch power in the kingdom. He was opposed by the patih who relied on the Dutch presence for self-preservation, and also by Dipanegara's father who had early ambitions to the throne. Radèn Ranga was forced into rebellion when the patih secured from the Dutch an order that the prince go to Bogor to receive punishment for certain attacks he had made against the territory of Surakarta. The splitting of Mataram was similarly the result of a personal conflict between Pangèran Mangkubumi and his brother Pakubuwono II, wherein both engaged in a struggle for pre-eminence. The Javanese state with its autocratic court reflecting no real interest of the people, but rather the personal ambition of individuals, proved to be highly unstable. Power could easily shift from one personality or clique to another as temporary alliances were forged and broken. Thus rebellion and murder often brought about substantial change in personnel at the centre.

Tjakranegara traces the clear development of the conflict between Dipanegara and the Danuredja clique through several incidents which led up to the outbreak of hostilities on 20 July 1825. Tjakranegara also emphasises that it was Danuredja who sought to provoke Dipanegara into rebellion, so that he could be crushed by the Dutch, who would support the established order.

The first such incident of provocation occurred at the time of the accession of Menol in 1822. The coronation had been delayed while the resident de Salis sought permission from Batavia to relieve Dipanegara of his guardianship of Menol. The Queen Mother thought that Dipanegara might be planning to seize the throne and she began to cajole the resident into ordering an immediate coronation. Danuredja supported her in this campaign. Thus Menol was crowned only three days after the death of his father and in the absence of Dipanegara, who was at Silarong engaged in meditation. Dipanegara was horrified to learn soon after that he had not been informed of, nor invited to, the ceremony. Stunned, he locked himself in his house at Selaradja where he slept for three days and three nights. When he emerged he called together his closest advisors and his friends in the Muslim community to discuss this insult:

Déné saking kangdjeng kula  
 jèn wus serat semajané puniki  
 sajektiné kula mantuk  
 dadak kula tinilap  
 pan seléntja lan rembagé wau-wau  
 lah puniku sabab napa  
 akarja malaning ati  
 kados mekaten punika  
 inggih akalé ibu lawan Danuredjèki  
 lawan Wiranegarèku  
amrih nepsu kawula

kados pundi jèn kula nuruti nepsu  
pesti gègèring Ngajogdja.<sup>1</sup>

The Muslim scholars he had assembled cautioned him not to respond to this provocation because this was a test of God. They pointed out that he should beware of the temptations of the devil which counselled violence. He should put out of his mind discordant feelings of revenge for these present the realization of tauhid (Divine Unity) and ma'rifat (gnosis).<sup>2</sup> Dipanegara accepted this advice and the matter was forgotten.

Danuredja soon conceived a new provocation. He and Wiranegara suggested to the new resident, Smissaert, that a road be built to connect the southern areas of Jogja with the highway that led north to Semarang. It was to pass through the western areas of the kingdom avoiding the capital. The road was also to pass through land belonging to Dipanegara and on which he had established a pleasure garden.<sup>3</sup> Smissaert agreed to the proposal in principle, but

<sup>1</sup>Canto IV, verses 17 a - 18 f.

It was my intention  
that when the letter (in reply) had come (from Batavia)  
I would certainly return to Jogja.  
Suddenly I am pushed to one side  
what had happened is not in accordance with the former  
advice.  
Why should they  
cause sorrow in my heart?  
This must be  
the trick of my mother and Danuredja  
together with Wiranegara  
they try to make me angry  
but what would happen if I acted on my anger  
surely Jogja would be torn asunder.

<sup>2</sup>Sufi goals.

<sup>3</sup>Canto IV, verse 59.

warned Danuredja that he should first obtain the permission of Dipanegara before commencing work.<sup>1</sup> Danuredja and Wiranegara had no intention of seeking the prince's permission. Tjakranegara continues on to describe how Dipanegara was resting in his pleasure garden when he caught sight of workmen driving stakes into his land. The gardener informed him that they were the servants of the patih and were under the supervision of Bratakusuma. Dipanegara was incensed and he ordered the gardener to pull up all the stakes, and if any person resisted, he was to be hit on the head. Bratakusuma and his men were quickly dispersed with sore heads and a report was made to Danuredja. Danuredja eagerly informed the Resident of Dipanegara's rebellious behaviour, but Smissaert recognized that there had been provocation and the matter was dropped:

Bijèn ingsun wus wekas  
 dèn abetjik mring pangéran sidji iku  
 samubarang ing prakara  
 rembuga dipun ararih  
 iku sigra Bratakusuma  
 tanpa tembung dènira masang andjir  
 bener kang naboki iku.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Canto IV, verses 55-7.

<sup>2</sup>Canto IV, verse 67 d - 68 c.

Formerly I (Smissaert) told you (Danuredja) to be polite towards this one prince, all matters should be discussed peacefully with him Bratakusuma set out stakes without permission he deserved a knock on the head.

The hostility between Dipanegara and Danuredja increased appreciably when on a later occasion Dipanegara struck Danuredja on the cheek with a slipper. Dipanegara had summoned Danuredja to explain the cession of the Redjawinangun sawahs to the Dutch.<sup>1</sup> The patih replied flippantly and Dipanegara struck in order to remind him of his proper station:

Umatur radèn Dipatja  
 ririh sendu pinirsa sumengit  
 gya sinampluk uwangipun  
 lan agemé tjenéla  
 sanget kanggeg wirangé sadjroning kalbu  
 katah djalma kang wuninga.<sup>2</sup>

Danuredja dwelt on this humiliation for some time, and in self-defence he drew closer to the Dutch, gaining their confidence and support. Tjakranegara makes the interesting comment that in the months immediately prior to the outbreak of the war Danuredja became increasingly friendly towards the Dutch, while Dipanegara stood aloof, concentrating on meditation and his religious pursuits:

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Perhaps the Djabarangkah lands ceded in January 1825. This was only seven months before the outbreak of hostilities.

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Canto IV, verse 73 a-f.

The minister replied  
 he was joking, but Dipanegara took it seriously  
 (the patih) was struck on the cheek  
 with a slipper  
 he felt very ashamed  
 because there were many people who saw it.

Danuredja raket Walanda  
 djeng pangéran semu tebih  
 ... radjaputra karsanipun  
 donja akérat antuka.<sup>1</sup>

The Dutch responded to the overtures of the patih, and began to interfere extensively in the affairs of state. Dipanegara was not asked to participate in government, and he became increasingly concerned about the concentration of power in the hands of Danuredja and the Queen Mother, who had allied themselves with the Dutch:

Narpaputra tyas kagugu  
 ginugu saja ngranuhi  
 gerahé werdajanira  
 sabab déning ibu sori  
 sabarang-barang prakara  
 Danuredja Wiranegari  
 lan Welenda kang kinantjan  
narpasiwi tan tinari.<sup>2</sup>

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Canto IV, verse 77 f-g and verse 79 c-d.

Danuredja drew close to the Dutch  
 while the prince seemed far off  
 his (the prince's) one desire  
 was to attain [prosperity] on earth and hereafter.

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Canto V, verses 49 a - 50 b.

The more the prince followed his heart  
 the more  
 he was sick in his heart  
 because his mother  
 discussed all the affairs of administration  
 with Danuredja and Wiranegara  
 and the Dutch who were made allies.  
 The prince was not asked (to contribute).

Tjakranegara did not hesitate to brand the growing power of this clique as destructive of religion and harmful to the well-being of Mataram:

dadi kompro kang nagari  
 tatané agama rusuh  
 wit saking rekjana patih  
 kelawan Wiranegara  
 rina wengi ngorak-arik  
 tan pisan ngambah agama.<sup>1</sup>

Dipanegara also looked on the increasing power of the Dutch with some concern:

Welanda iki lawas-lawas jèn saja gung  
 tamtuné jèn telas  
 bumi ing Ngajogja kijé  
 kena kabèh dawuhé marang Welanda.<sup>2</sup>

Within this atmosphere of mutual hate and distrust, and as Dipanegara was progressively alienated from the court and, more importantly, from the Dutch, Danuredja began to spread false rumours of Dipanegara's intention to rebel. These rumours were initiated by the Queen Mother:

<sup>1</sup>

Canto V, verses 51 f - 52 f.  
 The state is in a bad way  
 the rules of religion are flouted;  
 this is due to the minister Danuredja  
 and Wiranegara  
 they destroy the rules of religion  
 and they do not pay heed to religion.

<sup>2</sup>

Canto VI, verse 14.  
 The Dutch become increasingly powerful  
the country of Jogja will  
 certainly  
 fall into Dutch hands.



Danurdja ngandikan agé  
malbèng pura rembug lan dajinta nata  
angandika wau kangdjeng ratu ibu  
hèh, paran kang warta,  
Dipanegara sing mangkè kang  
sun angrungu arang-arang saba wisma  
nèng Silarong .....  
angadeg kraman karepé.<sup>1</sup>

Danuredja immediately conveyed this rumour to Smissaert, hoping that the Dutch would take quick action against Dipanegara who reputedly wished to 'angadeg kraman' (rebel). Smissaert however made no reply, evidently aware that this 'news' of imminent rebellion was no more than a ploy of the minister to achieve the crushing of Dipanegara by means of Dutch armed strength.

It was at this time that Dipanegara, according to Tjakranegara, sent out his servants to search for signs. These pilgrimages confirmed his apparent premonition that a war was imminent and inevitably he was to play a part in it, but his success was uncertain. Tjakranegara also claims that these signs aroused in Dipanegara the resolve to fight his enemies and the 'Kafir' Dutch. In this resolve to

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Canto VI, verses 5 c - 7 c.

The minister Danuredja entered the palace and talked with the Queen Mother.

The Queen Mother said:

"Hey, what is the news

about Dipanegara?

I hear rumours from his residence

that in Silarong .....

he desires to declare himself a rebel".

fight, Dipanegara inevitably turned to Islam for inspiration. He is depicted by Tjakranegara as linking his projected rebellion against the court and their allies, the Dutch, with the support of religion and 'the carrying out of the laws of the Prophet':

keraos-raos ing drija  
 kaja paran déningsun djumeneng adji  
 anèng pradja Mentaram  
 jèn Welanda mèlu amengkoni  
 banget gèsèh lan daliling kitab  
 ..... jèn wis takdiripun  
 jèn ingsun dadi djalaran  
 panedaku mring Allah kang Mahasutji  
 muga sun tinrimaa  
 djumenenga naléndra agami,  
 madeg ana ing rat nusa Djawa  
 babon anglakonaké  
 saraké kang djeng Rasul  
 adja tjampur lawan wong Kapir.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Canto VIII, verses 16 h - 18 e.

The prince thought on these things:

"Perhaps I shall be king

ruling over Mataram.

If the Dutch meddle in affairs of state

this is in conflict with the words of the Kur'an.

..... if it is God's will

that I be the cause (of great destruction in the kingdom)

I pray to God the all-Holy that

I be accepted

as the Chief of Religion

ruling over the island of Java!

It shall be my task to carry out

the sjariah (law) of the Prophet

and to avoid contact with the

Kafirs (unbelievers)."

In this way Dipanegara came to accept that the growing conflict between his group of Islamic traditionalists and the group of Danuredja supported by the Dutch could be resolved only by violent rebellion. This had been accepted long before by Danuredja who had plotted the destruction of Dipanegara by provoking him into rebellion and using Dutch forces to suppress him. Danuredja had so far failed to impress upon the Dutch the need to suppress Dipanegara by force. The Dutch had ignored his rumours and had seen through his provocations. So far they had failed to detect any rebellious behaviour on the part of Dipanegara. Two incidents, which were the result of misunderstandings, were to convince the Dutch that Dipanegara did in fact have rebellious intentions. On two occasions Smissaert invited Dipanegara to parties. The first was in the Residency itself, and the second was held at Smissaert's country home at Bedaja. On each occasion Smissaert required that Dipanegara not bring armed servants with him. This stipulation aroused Dipanegara's suspicions and he feared that the Dutch intended to seize him. Thus on both occasions he took with him an armed escort and declined to go inside to join the Resident and his party. Because Dipanegara had been accompanied by an armed escort and also refused to join him, Smissaert began to give credence to the rumours of Dipanegara's rebellious intentions.

At the same time, Dipanegara also became convinced of the Dutch resident's intention to seize him. Tjakranegara relates how he gave increasing weight to the rumours that

the resident, in league with the prince Paku Alam, Danuredja and Wiranegara, intended to attack Tegalredja. This growing fear only strengthened his belief in the necessity for a preventive war, which had already taken on the aspect of a Holy War on behalf of the Prophet and God Almighty:

Wikan dalu atanapi sijang  
 osiking tjas wis pestiné  
 Allah kang Mahagung  
ingsun murwa ing perang Sabil  
 lah ija pati apa  
 manungsa dèn lurus  
 kedjaba pati utama  
 donja akérat wus midak saréngat Nabi  
 karsané Allahtangallah.<sup>1</sup>

Dipanegara therefore began to prepare the defences of Tegalredja against attack. All males in Tegalredja were ordered to be armed and to stand guard at night. He also called on all the people from surrounding villages who supported him to join the people of Tegalredja in standing guard over him at night. Soon 300 people assembled at Tegalredja each night to protect the prince. During the day however they would disperse to their homes.

<sup>1</sup>Canto VIII, verse 31 b - j.

Day and night  
 he thought to himself: "It is predestined  
 by God Almighty  
that I should begin a Holy War.  
 Indeed, what sort of death  
 is sought by Man?  
 Surely it is a glorious death  
 in this world and the next I follow the religion of  
 the Prophet.  
 It is the will of God Almighty."

As Tjakranegara himself says, it was 'unavoidable' that news of this nightly assembly of armed supporters of the prince soon reached the capital. Danuredja learnt of it from the spies he had sent to Tegalredja and the news was relayed to Smissaert. In the tense atmosphere that had developed the initial reports of armed villagers gathering at Tegalredja to protect the prince were exaggerated until it was generally rumoured that in the month of Sura<sup>1</sup> Dipanegara would leave the capital and declare himself king at Silarong:

Geder gumrah sapradja Mentaram  
 mundak-mundak pawartané  
 kang djeng pangéran tamtu  
 ngadeg kraman nggitik negara  
 pandjangé kang pawarta  
 sapradja misuwur  
 karsané kangdjeng pangéran

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The month of Sura is the first in the Muslim year. In 1825 A.D. the month of Sura began on the 15th or 16th of August. (The Islamic lunar months are shorter than the Christian solar months, and thus occur at different times each year when compared with the Christian calendar). The striking of Danuredja by Dipanegara, it is suggested, occurred in January at the time of the cession of the Redja Winangun lands (see above). The war began on 20 July. These rumours of rebellion in August may therefore have been current as early as February 1825 or as late as June 1825. Events moved quickly after the spreading of these rumours, and therefore May-June 1825 is suggested as the more likely period for the generation and spread of the rumours.

wulan Sura wedalé saking negari  
 nèng Silarong madeg nata.<sup>1</sup>

Dipanegara on hearing these rumours that he intended to rebel and declare himself king in the month of Sura was no longer disturbed at the prospect, in fact he accepted the rumours as God's call to battle:

Radjasunu mupusing galih  
 ija kinapakena  
 djer saderma iku  
 kabèh kang agawé warta  
 mobah-mosik atas Allah kang akardi  
 mangsa sun undurana.<sup>2</sup>

It would seem that Dipanegara then accepted the month of Sura as the time for his rebellion as had been rumoured, for Tjakranegara states that his supporters had received an order that they were to assemble on the night of the seventh of the month of Sura (24 August 1825 A.D.) for an attack on the capital:

<sup>1</sup>Canto VIII, verse 35.  
 (The rumours) spread wildly through the whole of Mataram these rumours increased, (they say) the prince will certainly rebel and attack the capital the rumours were exaggerated and were known throughout the kingdom, (they say) the prince in the month of Sura will depart from the capital and will declare himself king at Silarong.

<sup>2</sup>Canto VIII, verse 36 e-j.  
 The prince was composed in his heart:  
 "What can I do?  
 Those who spread the rumours  
 are all mortal beings  
 all living creatures are subject to the will of God  
 I cannot argue."

Dawuhé pangéran  
 sampun wradin sedaja  
 dèn pesti dinané sami  
 pada pepaka  
 ing sasi Sura iki  
 tanggal pitu ing wengi pada tekaa  
 ésuk ngepung negara  
 ... désa lan negara  
 ngantosi kang ubaja  
 wulan Sura dènnja anti  
 pan dèrèng prapta.<sup>1</sup>

Dipanegara also began to make overt military preparations appointing friendly village heads as his temenggungs (commanders). He also sent letters to surrounding villages calling on the people to join his army. As well as villagers, townspeople and soldiers in the royal army came to Tegalredja in support of Dipanegara. An indicator of

<sup>1</sup>Canto IX verses 12 c - 14 f.

The orders of the prince  
 had gone out in all directions  
 the day had been set.  
 They should all assemble  
 in the month of Sura  
 on the seventh day at night they should come  
 and on the following morning they would attack the  
 capital  
 ... people from the villages and the capital  
 awaited the promised day  
 they awaited the month of Sura  
 but this had not yet come.

Dipanegara's orders were more explicit than the rumours, specifying the seventh day of the month of Sura. Since Sura began 15-6 August in the year 1825 this puts the projected assembly of his supporters at 23 August and their subsequent attack on Jogja on 24 August. This is a month before the actual outbreak of hostilities, which would suggest that the Dutch and the court did in fact decide on a surprise pre-emptive attack.

the wide spectrum of support rallied by Dipanegara is the mention by Tjakranegara of Buginese soldiers (daéng) joining the army at Tegalredja. In fact, Dipanegara gathered supporters from most sectors of the kingdom:

Dalu katah djalma prapti  
 désa mjang pradja  
 tuwin abdi pradjurit  
 ... Suranata sami prapti  
 pradjurit Pantjas  
 daéng prasami prapti.<sup>1</sup>

There can be little doubt that Tjakranegara believed that Dipanegara had planned to rebel. The seventh of the month of Sura was, according to him, accepted by Dipanegara and acknowledged by his opponents as the date for the commencement of his rebellion. Although it is recognized that Dipanegara planned a rebellion, Tjakranegara clearly states that Dipanegara had been subjected to provocation and threatening rumours before he determined on a Holy War, almost as an act of self-preservation.

In Canto IX, Tjakranegara provides a graphic picture of the three days that directly led up to the war.<sup>2</sup> These three days were filled with negotiations and hasty preparations for war by both sides. On 18 July Smissaert

<sup>1</sup>Canto IX, verses 9 e-g and 11 e-g.

By night many people came  
 there were people from the villages and the capital  
 and there were soldiers  
 ... those from the Suranata  
 and Pantjas regiments came  
 and the Buginese soldiers too.

<sup>2</sup>The details of these three days are recounted in the summary of Canto IX.



returned from his country residence at Bedaya.<sup>1</sup> He had been forced to return because of disturbances in the region, probably caused by the call to arms sent out by Dipanegara. He returned to a capital in fear of an attack from Dipanegara. There were firm indications that such an attack might come on 24 August, a month away. Many had already left the capital to join the prince, while many in the native armed forces had gone over to the prince's side. Noblemen too had allied themselves with Dipanegara. Though the situation had possibly deteriorated too far for conciliation Smissaert nevertheless tried to retrieve it by sending an envoy, Sindunegara, to Tegalredja calling on the prince to come to the Residency to discuss the reasons for his discontent.

Dipanegara rejected two missions from Sindunegara on the 18th and 19th, and a mission by his uncle Pangèran Mangkubumi on the 19th resulted in the latter joining the rebels' cause. By 20 July, Smissaert had become convinced that prince Dipanegara could be subdued by force alone. Thus on the morning of the 20th a force of Javanese and Dutch soldiers were prepared and set out to disperse the supporters of Dipanegara and arrest him in order to avert a war. Danuredja and Wiranegara led the Javanese forces, undoubtedly overjoyed that the Dutch had at last been forced to arrest Dipanegara.

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P.H. van der Kemp, 'Hamlettype', op.cit., p.391.

As they set out on that morning the Dutch were certain of victory, and Danuredja perhaps visualized the imminent exile of Dipanegara to the Outer Islands, just as former rebels had been exiled to Ceylon or the Cape of Good Hope. It is clear however that both the Dutch and the Danuredja/Queen Mother clique had seriously underestimated the support that Dipanegara had rallied. Dipanegara's reputation as a Holy Man and the aura of a Holy War against the unbelievers had won support from devoted Muslims, while Messianic beliefs and the hope for a new Erutjakra had also won over traditionalist and superstitious villagers.

In the battle at Tegalredja the forces of Dipanegara were dispersed, but the prince himself escaped. His supporters were to rally at Silarong where the rumours of the preceding months were proved true. Here Dipanegara called upon the people of Java to rebel, and he was declared Sultan of Mataram and the Messiah Erutjakra.

For his opponents in the court, their plans had failed badly. The subjugation of Dipanegara was to take five years. In Tjakranegara's view of the cause of the war, the personal conflict between Dipanegara on the one hand and Danuredja and the Queen Mother on the other, had led to division and polarization within Javanese society, which had given way to open warfare. In his estimation the patih of Jogjakarta, Danuredja, had been the evil genius who forced this personal conflict to the point of war. The Dutch had been drawn into the conflict as an instrument of Danuredja

and the Queen Mother. However at the conclusion of the lengthy war, only the Dutch could claim victory.

Dipanegara had been sent into exile, as his enemies had desired, but Danuredja, who had used the Dutch as his instrument before the war, had been reduced to impotence by the Dutch and had become no more than their puppet.

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TRANSCRIPTION OF KITLV OR 13

(TO END OF CANTO 9)

PRINCIPLES OF TRANSCRIPTION OF KITLV OR 13

- (i) The system of spelling used is that generally adopted for romanised Modern Javanese.
- (ii) As far as possible spelling inconsistencies have been eliminated from the transcription. A number of irregularities regarding spelling in the MS., which have been removed from the transcription, should be noted:
- (a) [è] and [é] are not distinguished;
  - (b) [d] and [ḍ] are not often distinguished. (ḍ) is used regularly in the MS. for (d);
  - (c) (a) in open syllables is often represented by [o];
  - (d) for the suffix (-irèki), MS. regularly has [-èrèki];
  - (e) (a) is used at the beginning and end, and in the middle of words to separate vowels.
- (iii) The transcription has been given verse and canto numbers.
- (iv) A *Variae Lectiones* follows the transcription. Where amendments have been made to the MS., there appears an asterisk which refers to the *Variae Lectiones*.
- (v) Comments on metre are placed as footnotes to the text. A summary of metres used, with notes, is placed after the transcription.
- (vi) An English summary of the transcription is appended.

CANTO I

Metre: Asmaradana

- 1 Kasmaran samja\* ring galih  
galihé\* pikir kang nista  
saking sru sanget papané  
kinundjara nèng Samarang  
mangkja sengsem ing drija  
amurwa lelakonipun\*  
pangéran Dipanegara.
- 2 Duk harsa mangun agami\*  
ngrata ing rat tanah Djawa  
tjarita puniku wité  
anurun kagunganira  
nenggih Mangunsubrata  
mister Djawa kang linuhung  
pilenggah nagri Samarang.
- 3 Mangunsubrata ingkang wit  
dènnja anurun tjarita  
babad Dipanegarané  
mas bèhi Suranegara  
patih dibja ing Samarang  
kang kagungan babonipun  
babad Serat Dipanegara.
- 4 Nalika murwa ing kawi  
mangun langening tjarita  
ing senèn legi wantjiné  
tigang sijang tanggalira  
sangalikul kang wulan  
rabingulakir kang tahun  
halip ing mangsa katiga.
- 5 Djulung\* pudjut wukunèki  
sengkalané tanah Djawa  
tata lawang adjaring wong

mas bèhi Suranegara  
 dènnja nurun tjarita  
 dyan dipati ing pilungguh  
 ing negara Purwardja.

- 6 Kang mangké radèn dipati  
 pan sampun djinundjung deradjat  
 kumpeni\* kang nglahiraké  
 tuwan besar ing Néderlan  
 wit sawabing luhur baga  
 saking rama miwah ibu  
 kasertan takdiring Allah.

- 7 Mila [ta]<sup>1</sup> kang tjarita mangkin  
 dyan dipati langkung wirja  
 dumugi barang karsané  
 hédjrah nabi dipun étang  
 sirna\* tasik [a]ran<sup>2</sup> ningrat  
 menggah ing sengkala Djawa.<sup>3</sup>

- 8 Bumi ardi resi sidji  
 ing mangké amangun kanda  
 nagri Mentaram kandané  
 inggih nagari Ngajogja  
 pradja geng tanah Djawa  
 ri kala katekan bendu  
 saking Allahutangallah.

- 9 Angin ageng kang ndatengi  
 hudan adres pantjawara  
 peteng sanegara kabèh  
 gelap ngampar-ngampar\* pura  
 swarané adjeguran  
 tigang dinten tigang dalu  
 gègèré langkung pujengan.

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too many. Omit [ta].

<sup>2</sup>Line e has one syllable too many. Omit [a].

<sup>3</sup>Preceding line f missing.

- 10 Kadya gabah dèn interi  
gègèré sadjroning pradja  
ing Mentaram sadajané  
anenggih kala semana  
sagung para ulama  
para pandita gung-agung  
pangulu sakantjanira.
- 11 Kinèn adedonga sami  
mring Allah kang sipat rahman  
anaa ing masdjid gedé  
sagungé para ulama  
[a]mrih<sup>1</sup> sirnané kang bahja  
pantjawara ingkang dawuh  
nanging kang para pandita
- 12 Pangulu ulama mukti  
mukmin tuwin santri lumrah  
tanpa hasil pandongané  
awit saking gunging dosa  
tan ana kang katrima  
sababé kjai pangulu  
mung mikir sjahawat\* ningkah.
- 13 Pinareng praptané tekdir  
mila negri naranata  
ing Ngajogja\* sang akatong  
kabur binuwang ing sabrang  
ingkang putra gumantya  
djumeneng ratu linuhung  
djudjuluk djeng Sunan Radja.
- 14 Nanging\* duraka ing Malik  
sabab angrabasèng rama  
dadya tan tulus djenengé  
pan sampun kagungan putra

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Omit [a] for metre.



kekalih sami prija  
nanging putra ingkang sepuh  
midjil saking ing ampéjan.

- 15 Punika sepuh pribadi\*  
djeng pangran Dipanegara  
ingkang djungdjung ing ramané  
dènira djumeneng sultan  
naléndra ing Mentaram  
déné putra padminipun  
Radèn Mas Bagus Suradja.
- 16 Djenengira sri Bupati  
Naléndra Radjèng Mentaram  
sampun tetep keratoné  
keraos welas mring putra  
ingkang sepuh pribadya  
kaja ngapa awakingsun  
jèn tjidra mring kaki putra.
- 17 Kang putra gja dèn timbali  
wus prapta bjantarèng rama  
kang rama lon ngandikané  
Hèn tolé Dipanegara  
kadipatèn lungguhana  
ing saiki karsaningsun  
manira pasrah ing sira.
- 18 Manira pan uwis djandji  
ija dawuh marang sira  
jèn sun wis djumeneng katong  
kulup sira kang sun angkat  
madeg pangran dipatya  
sabab ta arinirèku  
maksih raré durung bisa.
- 19 L[aw]an<sup>1</sup> maning sira kaki  
atmadjaningsun kang tuwa

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too few. Add [aw].

nora nana timbangané  
 dasar ingangkat maring wang  
 radjaputra mijarsa  
 timbalanira sang prabu  
 kumembeng midjil kang waspa.

- 20 Tan saged sabil ing galih  
 waspa adres ingusapan  
 nerpaputra lon aturé  
 megap-megap menggak waspa  
 nembah nungkemi pada  
 mung kang kèsti djroning kalbu  
 lelakon ingkang sarira.
- 21 Keraos ing nguni-uni  
 dosa gung sun maring Allah  
 pepati luwih akèhé  
 marga awit saking ingwang  
 ingkang dadi djalaran  
 dadi dom sumurup ing banju  
 sun tepung lawan Welanda.
- 22 Narpaputra matur aris  
 mangusap lebu suku sang  
 kang rama mengkul djanggané  
 mjat kang putra asungkawa  
 djeng pangran aturira  
 aduh rama sang Aprabu  
 kawula matur\* sandika.
- 23 Timbalan dalem Ramadji  
 kapundi wonten mustaka  
 nanging ta panuwuningsun<sup>1</sup>  
 jaji bagus djumenenga  
 nama Putrandipatya  
 lila kawula satuhu  
 ing donja praptèng delahan.

<sup>1</sup>Wrong vowel ending; should be é,o.

- 24 Kawula mung mramugari  
 kang rama lon angandika  
 senadyan mengkana anggèr  
 mulunga teka ing sira  
 mungguh djeneng manira  
 luwara ubajaningsun  
 kulup lawan djenengira.
- 25 Tan ana ing nguni-uni  
 naléndra tjidra ubaja  
 jekti dahuru djagaté  
 nemu dosa rong prakara  
 donja praptèng akérat  
 pesti nemu kukum agung  
 puniku ugering nata.
- 26 Jèn anaa ratu gingsir  
 pinesti jèn akir djaman  
 kulup puniku dalilé  
 kang putra atur prasetya  
 jèn tan lamis-lamisa  
 aturipun mring sang prabu  
 dènnja rila mring arinja.
- 27 Kang rama suka ing galih  
 sru sanget sokur ing Allah  
 agung mudji mring putrané  
 lelabuhané anakingwang<sup>1</sup>  
 mirsané duwé kadang  
 wekasan ngandika arum  
 ja kulup sakarsanira.
- 28 Jèn mengkono suta mami  
 sira amilia désa  
 kang dadya senengmu anggèr  
 kang akèh pametunira

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 1

Line contains one syllable too many.

lawan ingkang prajoga  
 nerpaputra nembah matur  
 kadar pinten tijang gesang.

- 29 Katah kedik anjekapi  
 mung sok ginandjar panrima  
 tetep ginandjar tangaté  
 maring Allahutangallah  
 kang [a]rama<sup>1</sup> lon [a]ngandika<sup>2</sup>  
 sun èstoken sira kulup  
 muga Allah njatosakna.
- 30 Kang rama lon ngandika ris  
 hèh kulup atmadjaningwang  
 wus mul[i]ja<sup>3</sup> sira anggèr  
 manira aparing pirsá  
 kulup maring Welanda  
 jèn uwis lila sirèku  
 arinira kang madega.
- 31 Djeng putra nembah nuljamit  
 lèngsèr saking arsèng rama  
 djeng Sunan Radja nuljagé  
 dawuh akarja asurat  
 marang Djéndral Buntermas  
 sang bupati tjarik gupuh  
 nuwala pan sampun dadya.
- 32 Sigra parintah sang Adji  
 mring dipati Danuredja  
 tuwin pra sentana kabèh  
 éndjang kinèn magelaran  
 parintahira\* sang Nata  
 dèn samekta sadajèku  
 sang nata arsa sinéba.

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1 and 2

Two too many syllables; omit [a] before (rama) and before (ngandika).

3

Add [i] for metre; one too few syllables.

- 33 Datan kawarna ing latri  
 éndjang suraté sang Nata  
 wus tumamèng Lodji Gedé  
 tinampan maring Buntermas  
 sigra dènnja sijaga  
 Buntermas sakantjanipun  
 budal séba magelaran.
- 34 Agungé wadya kumpeni  
 ingkang sami magelaran  
 [djedjel]-djedjel<sup>1</sup> akèhing wong  
 pepakan para sentana  
 tuwin radyan apatya  
 pra tuwan\* para tumenggung  
 ngabèhi kaliwan demang.
- 35 Tanapi mantri lit-alit  
 alun-alun abelabar  
 Djendral Buntermas prapta<sup>2</sup>  
 lampah [ira]<sup>3</sup> ladjeng masuk  
 tjunduk lawan sri Naléndra.
- 36 Sang Nata Prabu Mentawis  
 sigra midjil saking pura  
 kakantèn hasta lampahé  
 kelawan Djéndral Buntermas  
 praptané Sitibentar  
 sang Nata lenggahing dampar.<sup>4</sup>
- 37 Tuwan Djéndral lenggah kursi  
 lenggahing wadya wus tata  
 sang Nata ngandika alon

<sup>1</sup>Line c has two syllables too few. Duplication of (djedjel) is suggested.

<sup>2</sup>Preceding lines c and d are missing.

<sup>3</sup>Line f has two syllables too few; add (-ira).

<sup>4</sup>Preceding line f is missing.

mring tuwan Djéndral Buntermas  
 [lawan sakantjanira]<sup>1</sup>  
 kang uwis pepak sedarum\*  
 sentana tuwin najaka.

- 38 Pajo dawuhena aglis  
 putraningsun kaki putra  
 djumenenga kadipatèn<sup>2</sup>  
 Djéndral Buntermas tampa  
 surambi pepak sedarum\*  
 merdikan sakantjanira
- 39 Semana dipun timbali  
 wus pepak nèng penangkilan  
 sampun pepak sedajané  
 pangulu sakantjanira  
 miwah para merdikan  
 pagelaran asupenuh  
 sigra sang Djéndral Buntermas
- 40 Lèngsèr dènira alinggih  
 mbopong mring Radjap[in]utra<sup>3</sup>  
 [Ra]dèn<sup>4</sup> Mas Bagus Suradjané  
 linenggahken kursi sigra  
 kéring Djéndral Buntermas  
 tuwan Djéndral nabda asru  
 hèh sagungé wong Mentaram.
- 41 Para sentana Mentawis  
 Ngajogjakartadiningrat  
 dyan dipati Danurdjané

<sup>1</sup>Line e missing in MS., [lawan sakantjanira] is suggested.

<sup>2</sup>Following line d missing.

<sup>3</sup>Line b has one syllable too many, omit [-in-].

<sup>4</sup>Line c has one syllable too many; omit [Ra].

tuwin kang para najaka  
 mjang wadya sedajanja  
 pradjurit salijanipun  
 èstokena udjaringwang.

- 42 Awiting dina puniki  
 putra nata ing Ngajogja  
 dèn Mas Bagus Suradjané  
 sun djundjung nama pangéran  
 kadipatèn lenggaha  
 sapa kang malanga iku  
 mumpung aku misih ana.
- 43 Sedaja asahur peksi  
 wadya bala ing Mentaram  
 angèstrèni sedajané  
 parintahnja\* tuwan Djéndral  
 tan ana kang malanga  
 sedaja sareng umatur  
 lir pèndah grah mangsa kapat.
- 44 Aturé sami ngèstrèni  
 pangéran Dipanegara\*  
 sagung padongané<sup>1</sup>  
 kang raji sampun pilenggah  
 kadipatèn pangéran  
 sanget sokur djroning kalbu  
 maring Allahutangallah.
- 45 Ki pangulu dèn dawuhi  
 andonga ngadeg kang putra  
 sakantja [né]<sup>2</sup> ngadeg kabèh  
 pandonga ngadeg sang Nata

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1

Line c is two syllables short.

2

MS. shows [sakantjanira] but this is one syllable too many.

andonga adeg kinarja  
aminé lir gunung guntur  
gumerah ing Sitibentar.

- 46 Tanapi paglaran sami  
abarung kahormatan  
kadya gugrag gunung kabèh  
lwir tumangkeb kang angkasa  
nanging kuwunging pradja  
sakelangkung mamring samun  
sebab pradja mentas rusak.
- 47 Kawarnaa sri Bupati  
djengkar malebèng ing pura  
kantèn hasta lan djéndralé  
paglaran bubar sedaja  
tan wonten djalma séba  
sakonduré sang Prabu  
samja mantuk sowang-sowang.
- 48 Djendrál Buntermas gja umidjil  
saking pura nglodji prapti  
tan winarna ing laminé  
sigra pamitan kalilan  
mantuk mring Batawijah  
angkaté éndjing gumuruh  
praptèng laut kudandangan.

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CANTO II

Metre: Dandanggula

- 1 Kawarnaa sang Prabu Mentawis  
Kangdjeng Radja ing Ngajogjakarta  
sampun tetep keratoné  
kumantjara\* namanipun  
semu mérang sadjroning galih  
kaduwung ing pratingkah  
sangsaja kagugu  
kang rama binuwang Wlanda  
marang Mantja ing Kedu sabrang nagari  
djinaluk mring Wlanda.
- 2 Langkung ngungun prihatin djro galih  
kaja prijé wekasané baja  
ingsun mikul doša gedé  
Allah ing kukumipun  
dinawuhken marang ing mami  
déné ingsun akarja  
rusaking pradjèng[ing]sun<sup>1</sup>  
pradjurit temah musakat  
akèh mati awit saking karsa mami  
nuruti ing tyas harda.
- 3 Selaminé djumeneng nerpati  
kusut kuntjanira<sup>2</sup> negara  
nora nana kukuwungé  
ngungun-ngungun djro kalbu  
ana keraos sumenging galih  
kaja tan ora lawas  
pandjenenganingsun  
kotjapa nimbali putra  
kang anama kangdjeng pangéran Dipati  
praptèng arsané rama.

<sup>1</sup>MS. has [pradjèngingsun] which gives one syllable too many; delete [ing] to give [pradjèngsun].

<sup>2</sup>MS. shows [kuntjarané], making one syllable too few.

- 4 Nembah sumungkem pangéran Dipati  
lon ngandika sang sri Naradipa  
sun tutur mring sira anggèr  
ingsun djumeneng ratu  
anggentèni éjangirèki\*  
wus olèh ing rong warsa  
lan sapuluh tèngsu  
tyas manira tan kapénak  
kepjar-kepjar lesu lupé\* awak mami  
ingsun dahar tan énak.
- 5 Ki Dipati sira sun tuturi  
béndjang sira jèn umadeg nata  
dèn abetjik susilané  
mring kadangira sepuh  
akèh-akèh amung sawidji  
kangmu Dipanegara  
dèn bisa amengku  
gja nganti susah drijanja  
poma-poma dèn éling wewekas mami  
kang putra matur nembah.
- 6 Gih sandika sakelangkung kapundi  
dawuh dalem djeng rama kang rentah  
kang rama ngandika alon  
hèh kulup kawruhanamu  
kadipatèn puniki dingin  
[ka]kangmu<sup>1</sup> Dipanegara  
kulup djangdjining sun  
lamun ingsun madeg nata  
kang sun angkat dadija pangran dipati  
ngong warta purwanira.
- 7 Marmaningsun kulup aperdjangdji  
lan kakangmu si Dipanegara  
ija nggèr mula-mulané

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too many. Delete [ka].

pan kakangirèku\*  
 kang sun utus silem mring Lodji  
 harep tepung lan Welanda  
 dèn bekti sirèku  
 samengko kelakoningwang  
 madeg nata kakangmu lumuh ngenggoni  
 wus rila marang sira.

- 8 Nda tatita lingira ing uni  
 dènnja djumeneng sang radjèng Mentaram  
 tetep tri tahun laminé  
 tegar mring alun-alun  
 nitih kudo sri Narapati  
 ginerbeg\* pra bijada  
 miwah para arum  
 duk antuk tiga ideran  
 sri naléndra sarira keraos sakit  
 gumeter riwé medal.
- 9 Sigra kondur\* praptèng dalem puri  
 ladjeng gerah djeng sinuwun Sultan  
 kelangkung sanget gerahé  
 usada wantu-wantu  
 gerahira saja nglajadi  
 sang Nata ladjeng séda  
 kang tangis gumuruh  
 paring priksa mring Welanda  
 mjang sentana patih bupati geng alit  
 pra putra sampun pepak.
- 10 Sri manganti djedjel pra bupati  
 pra nijaka wus kerig\* sedaja  
 mas pangulu tan asuwé  
 tumamèng djro kedatun  
 sakantjanira<sup>1</sup> ketib modin

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too few. It is suggested that MS. [sakantjané] be amended to [sakantjanira].

tuwin para ulama  
 said sarip rawuh  
 sami ngagem djobah petak  
 jèn sinawang kadi kuntul munggèng sabin  
 atap andèr nèng bangsal.

- 11 Kadji Hédrim lurah para kadji  
 sanalika wus pepak sedaja  
 siniram bangsal sedaja  
 tandang anulja rampung  
 sinalat[a]ken<sup>1</sup> lajon sang Adji  
 sampun sinung salawat  
 werata [sedarum]<sup>2</sup>  
 mas pangulu gangsal réjal  
 ketib anom salawaté tigang ringgit  
 ketib djadjar roréjal.

- 12 Modinipun njeréjal weradin  
 kadji sami njeréjal sedaja  
 ulama sami salawaté  
 suranata sedarum  
 kaumipun para bupati  
 sedaja tan kliwatan  
 werata sedarum  
 pikir miskin mjang kasijan  
 ana kedaton wonten sadjro nagari  
 sami tampi sidekah.

- 13 Pra pradjurit ingkang sami santri  
 sami tampi salawat sedaja  
 andonga sukur rahmaté  
 modin sawidjinipun

<sup>1</sup>Delete [a] for metre.

<sup>2</sup>MS. has [pra kadji] which does not have correct final vowel ending [u]; [sedarum] is suggested. This same expression [werata sedarum] occurs in corresponding line g of verse 12.

datan seru njalumik ririh  
 begdja temen awakingwang  
 tanpa nikmat agung  
 anak ngong wus telung dina  
 sabèn dinten dènnja nangis djaluk bukti  
 ingsun bisa sungakna.

- 14 Tanpa tutur mring kantja guja mulih  
 lampah anglangak sigra-sigra  
 sareng prapta ing wismané  
 rabiné lagi lungguh  
 pernahira nèng srambi djawi  
 sigra wau pinaran  
 sinanding alungguh  
 wong wadon lah ana begdja  
 kangdjeng Sultan séda salawaté ringgit  
 puniki sun atampa.
- 15 Ringgit sampun tinampan kang éstri  
 mèmsem-mèmsem kang wadon atampa  
 wong lanang kaliwat gedé  
 rahmat ingkang dumawuh  
 awit saking ratu ngemasi  
 kang wadon sigra mangkat  
 marang kamar gupuh  
 lampahira sigra-sigra  
 tanpa kemben kopèké akoplak-kaplik\*  
 atipis kadi ilat.
- 16 Lanangira ngutjap ngudubillahi  
 ja wong iku kaja anak sétan  
 nora lumrah lan wong akèh  
 kang wadon glis lumaju  
 maring warung atumbas bukti  
 kotjap lajoning nata  
 kinapapanan sampun  
 djinabela\* gja umangkat  
 pan ingiring sagungé para pradjurit  
 ing wingking miwah ngarsa.

- 17 Ki pangulu sakantjané ngiring  
 tan kawarna wau wonten marga  
 ing djimatan prapta agé  
 ja ta ladjeng kinubur  
 tan adangu wus bubar mulih  
 kotjapa djroning pura  
 éwuh\* sakedatun  
 lawas dènnja ngarsa-arsa  
 rawhipun surat saking ing Batawi  
 dutané tuwan Djéndral.
- 18 Pan antara kalihdasa latri  
 surat prapta sangking Batawijah  
 sarta lawan utusané  
 hurmat pating djalegur  
 mrijemira awanti-wanti  
 tan kotjap laminira  
 Ngajogjakartèku\*  
 djinedjeran sampun tata\*  
 soma manis adegé pangéran dipati  
 gumanti ingkang rama.
- 19 Ing tahun Djim sengkalané Djawa  
 telu warnani [rè]ng<sup>1</sup> resi ningrat\*  
 kangdjeng sultan djumenengé  
 djudjuluk Sultan Bagus  
 amengkoni nagri Mentawis  
 Sénapati Ingalaga  
 mulja djenengipun  
 asih bekti mring kang raka  
 asring tedak wau sira sri Bupati  
 dumateng Sélaradja.
- 20 Inkang raka pan semanten ugi  
 lami-laminé rongpuluh dina

1

Add syllable [rè] for metre.

panggijan lawan ariné  
 pangran Mangkubumiku  
 datan mawi sumelang galih  
 tulus momong kéwala  
 wus tunggal sakajun  
 lan pangran Dipanegara  
 kawarnaa sang Nata Prabu Mentawis  
 pan mèh birahi sandang.

- 21 Inggang ibu dènira sih  
 pan ingugung ing sakarsanira  
 dèn suprih aglis agengé  
 sagung ing putri aju  
 inggang maksih rumadja putri<sup>1</sup>  
 kinèn tutwuri mring putra  
 embanira kinèn sami amuruki  
 marang djeng sri Naranata.
- 22 Pratikélé mokal Nata resmi  
 tan winarna ing solah mangkana  
 mangkja tjinendak kandané  
 solah[ira]<sup>2</sup> sang Prabu  
 amisuwur gumrah ing warti  
 kang raka amijarsa  
 jèn mangké sang Prabu  
 ing sijang dalu mengkana  
 awit saking kang ibu karsanirèki  
 djeng pangran langkung tikbra.
- 23 Matur surat mring kang ibu aglis  
 tjarakèstri kang bekta nuwala  
 sinaosken ing ibuné  
 praptané ing kedatun

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1

Following lines f and g missing in MS.

2

MS. has [solahé] which leaves one syllable too few; [solahira] is suggested.

kangdjeng ratu ingkang nampèni  
 kang ibu kangdjeng Sultan  
 gja binuka gupuh  
 sinukmèng [ing]<sup>1</sup> sadjroning drija  
 tembungipun sembah kawula sajekti  
 kahundjuk ing pada sang

24 Kangdjeng ibu sori ing djro puri  
 wijosipun pan sampun mangkana  
 karsa paduka amomong  
 dumateng jaji prabu  
 tan prajogi ingkang pinanggih  
 menggah djenenging nata  
 dèn ardjané laku\*  
 pinanggih béndjang delahan  
 anèng donja tamtu letuh kang nagari  
 karja deladjating pradja.

25 Mila sampun paduka adjani  
 jaji prabu ing lampah duraka  
 jaji prabu maksih raré  
 titi sumaos putus  
 surat sigra dipun wangsuli  
 sinungken batur inggal  
 medal sing kedatun  
 tan winarna lampahira  
 duta prapta Tegalredja surat aglis  
 sinaosken pangéran.

26 Gja binuka tembungé kang tulis  
 ingkang ibu pan sampun sumagah  
 nda tatita ing laminé  
 wau ta sang Prabu<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Delete [ing] for metre.

<sup>2</sup> Line d is one syllable short.



lamun dalu tan saged guling  
 tansah tedak nèng latar  
 mangkana kang ibu  
 anjaosi dedaharan  
 mwang wowohan ingkang adi warni-warni  
 panakawan kang djaga.

- 27 Pan terkadang sang Prabu taruni  
 pinarakan anèng ing bangsal<sup>1</sup>  
 kadang kalangen mring kebon  
 kadang sadjro kedatun  
 taman sinung bangsal lit-alit  
 lan médja leladjuran  
 ingkang ibu ngugung  
 linémék babut kang médja  
 kadang maring gedogan mirsa turanggi  
 mangkana lama-lama.
- 28 Pan kelawun-[lawun]<sup>2</sup> agengé sang Adji  
 wus diwasa semana akrama  
 ingkang pinundut\* putrané  
 tetilaré karuhun\*  
 Danuredja radèn Dipati  
 kang séda nèng kedatyan\*<sup>3</sup>  
 dinusta\* sang Prabu  
 ginalih Malik tingal<sup>4</sup>  
 tilar putra pawèstri aju linuwih  
 ginarwa sri Naléndra.

<sup>1</sup>  
 Line b is one syllable short.

<sup>2</sup>  
 Delete [-lawun] for metre.

<sup>3</sup>  
 MS. has [kedatyèn] which has wrong final vowel ending [a];  
 [kedatyan] is suggested.

<sup>4</sup>  
 Line has one syllable too few.

- 29 Nak ing sanak panggihé sang Adji  
 wusnja krama kangdjeng sri Naléndra  
 anunggal\* sakarsané<sup>1</sup>  
 ja mangkana sang Prabu  
 ja ta sami ati mangrukti  
 mangkana wusnja dadya  
 parintah sang Prabu  
 sagungé kang wadya bala  
 kinèn sami manganggé tjara Welandi  
 Ketanggung lawan Njutra.
- 30 Mantri djero l[aw]an<sup>2</sup> Midjipilih  
 Suranata Wirabradja lawan<sup>3</sup>  
 Bradjanata Mandung akèh\*  
 lamun besijar sang Prabu<sup>4</sup>  
 sami kinèn angiring-iring  
 nganggo tjara Welandi  
 wadya kalihatus  
 lamun sang Nata mbesijar  
 satu ngarsa ingkang satu munggèng wuri  
 ginar[e]beg<sup>5</sup> ponang rata.
- 31 Lawan malih parintah nerpati  
 djroné bètèng dipun adjar-adjar  
 dèn kampung-kampung wismané  
 tinata ladjur-ladjur  
 sinukanan tunggak\* kang margi

1

Line c has one syllable too few.

2

Line a has one syllable too few. Suggest add [-aw] to lan to give lawan.

3

MS. shows [nata] lawan. [nata] omitted because too many syllables. Note Bradjanata in line c: copyist may have confused Wirabradja in line b with this and written Wirabradja[nata].

4

Line has one syllable too many.

5

Line has one syllable too many. Delete [e] giving [ginarbeg].

sinipat rantjang kang marga<sup>1</sup>  
 nora kinabengkung  
 sanadyan wisma lan karang  
 jèn katradjang ing rata kinèn angalih  
 binubrah sanalika

- 32 Wit kerambil tuwin salijaning  
 kawah sami ingkang tinegoran  
 wit katradjang ratan gedé  
 sadjawi bètèng hadjur  
 Suranatan abosah-basih  
 wong tjilik sami susah  
 kèn kang sami muwus  
 puniki ratu punapa  
 teka nora ngéman susahé wong tjilik  
 ngalamat tan rahardja.
- 33 Éndjang mijos sang sri Narapati  
 nitih rata kang timang kentjana  
 murub\* muntjar udjwalané  
 lidah umurub berung\*  
 ngadjeng wingking para pradjurit  
 nander lampahé rata  
 kadya angin laut  
 ing ngadjeng pradjuritira  
 kawah ingkang runtuh saking ing turanggi  
 ngantya wonten kang pedjah.
- 34 Wit kapipis ing rata lumaris  
 kang sawenèh ingidak turangga  
 kawah pradjurit kapatèn  
 wonten wadya umatur  
 duh gustiku sang Maha Adji  
 wadyanta kawah papa  
 kang sawenèh lampus  
 awit rentah saking kuda

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 1

Line has one syllable too many.

ladjeng kéles panggiling tuwin turanggi\*  
sang Nata amijarsa.

- 35 Tan pinirsa aturé kang dasih  
saben dina sang Nata besijar  
ngubengi bêtèng kedaton  
sagung wadya nom sepuh  
ingkang dèrèk ing saben ari  
tan wonten towong [dina]<sup>1</sup>  
ingkang sami runtuh  
kuwalik saking turangga  
ladjeng kéles katah pradjurit kang gering  
wit tiba saking kuda.
- 36 Saking sanget banter lampahnèki  
kuda [ing]kang<sup>2</sup> rada kendo sandernja  
pesti dèn idak ing akèh  
saben dina sang Prabu  
karsanira sang Nata plesir  
pradjurit sami susah  
tyasnja katah mupus  
jèn sampun dawuh ing pura  
sri Naléndra lenggah ladjeng nginum sloki\*  
tan kena ketowongan.
- 37 Nora pisan mikir gawé betjik  
[a]mung<sup>3</sup> ngugung ing sasukanira  
béda sang Nata karsané  
lan para ratu-ratu  
kang utama ing nguni-uni

<sup>1</sup>  
MS. has [ari] which gives line f the wrong final vowel.  
[Dina] is suggested. The copyist seems to have copied  
[ari], which has the same meaning as [dina] from the end of  
the preceding line.

<sup>2</sup>  
Delete ing for metre.

<sup>3</sup>  
Add [a] for metre.

mung kang dadya tyasira  
 telengé tyas[-tyas]<sup>1</sup> prabu  
 bekti taklim mring kang raka  
 mung puniku sang Nata tan lali-lali  
 mituhu sadawuhnja.

38 Nora nana kang dipun kédepi  
 mung kang raka pangran Dipanegara<sup>2</sup>  
 dèn pituhu sawulangé  
 mangkana kang winuwus  
 djeng pangéran Dipanegari  
 kang manggung among brata  
 sijang [miwah]<sup>3</sup> dalu  
 tan pegat dènira ngodjrat  
 mung jèn kemis kondurira sang apekik  
 inggal\* wangsul mring pernah.

39 Ing panepèn wau ta sang pekik  
 salat luka ing sabakdanira  
 ladjeng aderes kurané  
 saben dina sang bagus  
 datan mawi towong sahari  
 wonten ing Sélaradja  
 dènira pitekur  
 panepèné radjaputra  
 pinapantes kinotak kang taman sari  
 asri kang petamanan.\*

40 Andong abang [lawan]<sup>3</sup> andong wilis  
 andong dadu lawan andong surat  
 sinelang-selang tan tjeré\*

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<sup>1</sup> Omit [tyas] for metre.

<sup>2</sup> Line has one syllable too many.

<sup>3</sup> Add miwah for metre.

<sup>4</sup> Add [lawan] for metre.

puring lan djadjaripun  
 kaji rukmi mjang worawari  
 ngeregung ngideri gilang<sup>1</sup>  
 sri apan dinulu\*  
 warnané kang kaju emas  
 wonten kaju kemuning langkung respati  
 kèderan ing balumbang.

41 Mina wader brang-brangen [anèng]<sup>2</sup> ing warih  
 sugun-sugun angadep gustinja  
 ngodjrat munggèng gilang nggoné  
 matja Kuran sang bagus  
 swara renjah arum amanis  
 kèndelé matja Kuran  
 anulja sang bagus  
 patakulmuluk winatja  
 tjaritané para ratu dingin-dingin  
 ingkang sami utama.

42 Anèng donja tumeka ing akir  
 teka ènget ri sang nerpaputra  
 marang solahé ariné  
 duh lahé jaji prabu  
 rahmat gedé dèn orak-arik  
 nanging ta jaji nata  
 maksih muda iku  
 lamun ngrungu tjarita\*<sup>3</sup>  
 pesti ingsun tinutuh ngajunan béndjing  
 jèn nora sunga warah.

43 Iki ana tjaritané maning  
 ratu ingkang tjendak juswanira  
 saja kagugu drijané

1  
 Line has one syllable too many.

2  
 Omit [anèng] for metre.

3  
 Line has one syllable too few.

kadang ngong jaji prabu  
 dosa gedé kang dèn lakoni  
 pira bara akérat  
 mung panedaningsun  
 ing donja baé awèta  
 madeg nata terus adjenengirèki  
 adja na kara-kara.

- 44 Djeng pangéran kandek maosnèki  
 gedé temen dosané ariningwang<sup>1</sup>  
 temahan midjil waspané  
 duh-aduh jaji prabu  
 kaja-kaja wus mertandani  
 tan awèt madeg nata  
 amengku Mentarum  
 barang tingkah solahira  
 lamun nora jaji prabu amarèni  
 karsané arda sugal.\*
- 45 Djeng pangéran sigra nurat aglis  
 sinungaken tjaraka gja mangkat\*  
 surat katur sang akatong  
 datan kawarnèng hena  
 lampahira tjaraka prapti  
 tjunduk ing arsa nata  
 kang serat pinundut  
 binuka sinukmèng drija  
 osiking tyas ingsun iki dèn blakani  
 ija marang kakang mas.
- 46 Sapa maning kang mirma mring mami  
 lijaning kangmas Dipanegara  
 wadjib muruka maring ngong  
 sigra midjil sang Prabu  
 amung bekta wong kawandasi

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<sup>1</sup> Line has one syllable too many.

tanpa busana éndah  
 luwas kang rinasuk  
 tan adangu anèng marga  
 lampahira ing Sélaradja wus prapti  
 kang raka metuk lawang.\*

47 Sesalaman kantèn hasta prapti  
 sami lenggah anèng ing gegilang\*  
 sangandapé djenar nggoné  
 kang raka ngandika rum  
 pramilané ta jaji Adji  
 ngong aturi tedaka  
 mariki puniku  
 ngong dingin amatja kitab  
 si Patakulmuluk\* tjaritanirèki  
 ratu begdja lan tjilaka.<sup>1</sup>

48 Jaji prabu kersakena iki  
 sun watjané tjaritané kitab  
 mungguh dalil lan maknané  
 solahé ratu-ratu  
 djaman kuna ana nerpati[pati]<sup>2</sup>  
 pan iku negara[nja]<sup>3</sup>  
 gung keratonipun  
 karja gung amangun suka  
 lali maring ing gusti Rasulngalamin  
 mung manggung suka-suka.

49 Nora sokur rahmat ingkang prapti  
 saking Allah ingkang sipat rahman  
 ngugung nepsu karepané  
 ing sijang miwah dalu

<sup>1</sup>  
 Line has one syllable too many.

<sup>2</sup>  
 Delete [pati] for metre.

<sup>3</sup>  
 Add [nja] for metre.



gegamelan mrih sukèng galih  
 beksa lawan beḍajan  
 tuwin mangan nginum  
 ratu tan mikir agama  
 ambek suka kerep ambedah nagari  
 katah ingkang djadjahan.

- 50 Ameng-ameng ngideri nagari  
 pan ingiring sagung wadya bala  
 tuwin para bijadané  
 kang anom aju-aju  
 dèn anggoni kang adi-adi  
 kondur sang radjèng apan\*  
 prapta ing kedatun  
 ana kuda bagus prapta  
 wulu hidjo jèn pinirsa balerengi  
 sang Nata langkung suka.
- 51 Kinèn njepeng tutuk kang turanggi  
 kinambilan pan anut kéwala  
 kuda tan ana polahé  
 sigra nitih sang Prabu  
 kiniterken sadjroning puri  
 djaran mesat mring tawang  
 kagawa sang Prabu  
 nuli kiriga ponang kuda<sup>1</sup>  
 prabu apan kontal dènira anitih  
 tiba ladjeng pralina.
- 52 Srira\* hadjur ketanggor ing tjuri  
 prunggu sari jaji tjurinira  
 wonten ingkang kotjap manèh  
 ing Adjam ana ratu  
 ratu iku tan mikir betjik  
 kasukan saben dina

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 1

Line has one syllable too many.

anuruti nepsu  
 semana nudju[-nudju]<sup>1</sup> semuwan  
 sri Naléndra animbali pra bupati  
 wusnja\* pepak sadaja

- 53 Satengahé mangan nginum sami  
 ana angin agung prapta<sup>2</sup>  
 kagila-gila gedéné  
 sarta swara djumegur  
 peteng dedet sadjro negari  
 gempur kadaton sirna  
 ginawa ing lésus  
 dalasan punggawanira  
 sirna larut kabèh katut déning angin  
 tiba saparan-paran.
- 54 Djeng pangéran angandika aris  
 jaji prabu dèn ènget tjarita  
 abot wang kang madeg katong  
 kang raji matur nuwun  
 pan karaos sadjroning galih  
 sinendu mring kang raka  
 ing sakarsanipun  
 pamit kondur linilanan  
 prapta pura wau ta sri Narapati  
 galihé semang semana.<sup>3</sup>
- 55 Mring kang raka owah lan ing uni  
 éndjangipun sang Nata besijar  
 nora suda sakarsané  
 Tegalredja winuwus  
 djeng pangéran undang mring abdi  
 kinèn sami ngibadah  
 sapa-sapa iku  
 nora nglakoni ibadah  
 pan tinundung wismané dèn obrak-abrik  
 nadyan sepuh anoma.

<sup>1</sup>Delete [-nudju] for metre.

<sup>2</sup>Line has two syllables missing.

<sup>3</sup>Line has one syllable too many.

CANTO III

Metre: Sinom

- 1 Pangéran Dipanegara  
 tan pegat amangun téki  
 ing guwa Silarong gonnja  
 winangun dèn busanani  
 sri kinarja nenepi  
 pangéran ngodjrat nèng ngriku  
 pangran karem tirakat  
 Pemantjingan asring nepi  
 Parang Wédang tanapi Parang Kusuma.
- 2 Pituwin guwa Suléman  
 njamar\* amung bekta raré kalih<sup>1</sup>  
 tuwin nggèn kang sama-sama  
 kinarja panggonan nepi  
 kabèh turut pasisir  
 tanapi ing gunung Kidul  
 mring guwa Sura Lanang  
 ing Sarungga gunung prapti  
 lamun kondur ndjudjug lenggah Sélaradja.
- 3 Tan arsa ngagem kang pélag  
 njamping wulung badjo laking  
 ratu walekang dèn angkat  
 jèn pareng karsané malik  
 tan pisan nggalih mukti  
 wibawané wus kalimput  
 saking kareming odjrat  
 lamun dahar sang apekik  
 nora tamtu kataman\* pendak sawulan.

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1

Line has two syllables too many.

- 4 Puniku mung sapulukan  
kadang pendak kalih sasi  
uga amung sapulukan  
kerep-kerepé jèn bukti  
pendak samadya sasi  
mangkana tjiptaning kalbu  
pira lawas nèng dunja  
destun lawas kalihtus warsi<sup>1</sup>  
ing akérat tahuné tanpa wilangan.
- 5 Amung kang kèsti wardaja  
ing bésuk jèn ingsun mati  
adja nganti gèndong dosa  
jèn tjilaka djroning pati  
sapa ingkang nulungi  
ana ing neraka bésuk  
siksané tumpa-tumpa  
wus dèn udjaring dalil<sup>2</sup>  
laku ardja mupangat sadjroning pedjah.
- 6 Wau ta kangdjeng pangéran  
nimbali kang abdi-abdi  
kinèn sami harus Kuran  
jèn bakda pinaring bukti  
langkung kurmat sang pekik  
marang sagung para kaum  
laminé pan mangkana  
langkung asih pikir miskin  
wong mukarim anak jatim ingingonan.
- 7 Asidekah datan pegat  
marang sagung pikir miskin  
lamun ana djalma prapta  
pamit kadji dèn sangoni

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<sup>1</sup> Line has one syllable too many.

<sup>2</sup> Line has one syllable too few.

kang kèsti djroning galih  
 kautaman kang dèn gajuh  
 donja praptèng delahan  
 tan gingsir raosing galih  
 lelakoné ratu wali kang kaétang.

- 8 Kang sami tampi nugraha  
 tumindak laku utami  
 nèng akérat tampi swarga  
 ingkang adi luwih-luwih  
 laminé tanpa wilis  
 langgenging salaminipun  
 tan nganggo nggendong dosa\*  
 jèn tinrima tobatèki  
 lawan nora nedya mbalèni [gawé]<sup>1</sup> dosa.

- 9 Lamun nora nglakonana  
 saparintahé djeng Nabi  
 langgeng kekel nèng neraka  
 nora mati nora hurip  
 djeng pangran langkung adjrih  
 jèn kekel nèng neraka bésuk<sup>2</sup>  
 kotjap kangdjeng pangéran  
 mangilèn lampahirèki  
 nabrang Praga guwa Upas kang sinaba.\*

- 10 Tanpa tjipta tindakira  
 kang ndèrèk amung wong sidji\*  
 kang nama Djajamustapa  
 datan kawarna ing margi  
 ing Kedu rong wus prapti  
 wong bumi ngandikan gupuh  
 nganterna marang guwa  
 tan adangu nulja prapti  
 kinèn wangsul wong roro nèng djaban guwa.

<sup>1</sup>Line has two too many syllables. Suggest delete [gawé].

<sup>2</sup>Line has one extra syllable.

- 11 Ladjeng sami mandjing guwa  
 langkung sungil ingkang margi  
 ja ta anglangsur kéwala  
 mèh sesak tan sedeng djalmi  
 pineksa nékad mandjing  
 karsané sang radjasunu  
 nglangsuré rada tebah  
 tigang depa winatawis  
 prapta ing djro luwih djembar ponang guwa.
- 12 Gumrèndjèng swaraning toja  
 ageng hilining kang warih  
 toja srep kaliwat-liwat  
 marinding marang ing kulit  
 pangran èmeng kang galih  
 wus pinarak radjasunu  
 nulja angambil toja  
 kang dasih arsa ngabekti  
 salat sokur narima rahmating Allah.
- 13 Tinitah wonten ing donja  
 wadjib sokuring Maliki  
 sukur nikmat sinung gesang  
 angen-angen lawan budi  
 karenteg kalawan sir  
 narima saking rahmanu  
 mobah meneng sedaja  
 Allah ingkang karja jekti  
 sedjatiné manusa sarta nugraha.
- 14 Déné abdiné satunggal  
 kang ndèrèk tan kénging tebih  
 nèng wuri kinèn amatja  
 ngapalena surat Ja Sin  
 laminira anenggih  
 pitung dinten pitung dalu

sawus[nja]<sup>1</sup> salat kadjat  
adedonga sang apekik  
maring Allah anenuwun pangapura.

- 15 Pineng rasa djro werdaja  
panuwunira sang pekik  
dènira nuwun apura  
dosané kang wus kawuri  
nangis tobating galih  
histigparé [wantu-wantu]<sup>2</sup>  
sawusira histigpar  
ping satu antaranèki  
lindu obah lindu obah kaja gograk.
- 16 Memedi sadjroning guwa  
swara djumegur melingi  
peteng dedet djroning guwa  
padas tiba lir gurimis  
nanging datan kaèksi  
sawab peteng sakelangkung  
guwa kadi tangkeban\*  
miris ing tyas sang apekik  
geter\* ing tyas sang pangran lali mring Allah.
- 17 Kawedar\* dènnja neneda  
ngadjak medal sang apekik  
wong roro nglangsur kéwala  
sapraptanira ing djawi  
tjiptané sang apekik  
maksih bbah sitinipun  
ngungun éram ing drija  
bumi lir ginondjang-gandjing  
salaminé dèrèng wrin kaja mangkana.

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1

Line g has one syllable too few. Suggest add [-nja] to give [sawusnja].

2

MS. has [wanti-wanti] which gives wrong vowel ending. Suggest [wantu-wantu].

- 18 Ngandika sang radjaputra  
 tyasingsun kaliwat miris  
 Djamustapa mau apa  
 memedi anggegilani  
 tyasingsun nora sabil  
 menawa katiban watu  
 pesti lamun melarat  
 awakira lawan mami  
 pramulané djenengingsun kebat medal.
- 19 Sajekti sun lawan sira  
 nèng djro guwa bareng mati  
 jèn mangkana iki guwa  
 angkeré kepati-pati  
 Dja[ja]mustapa<sup>1</sup> turnja ris  
 mila gusti watanipun  
 winastanan guwa Upas<sup>2</sup>  
 purwané ingkang rumijin  
 wonten djalma pedjah kepanggih pan sampun lungkrah.<sup>3</sup>
- 20 Mung kantun balung kéwala  
 menawi pedjahé gusti  
 manusa\* kang tengga guwa  
 ngandika sang radjasiwi  
 mau apa memedi  
 atiku kaliwat gumjur  
 kuwatir uwas-uwas  
 Djajamustapa turnja ris  
 raos kula pan dédé tjobaning sétan.
- 21 Lan punika dédé guwa\*  
 lan malih dédé memedi  
 lepat kulaa merdika

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<sup>1</sup> Line e has one syllable too many. Omit [-ja-].

<sup>2</sup> Line g has one syllable too many.

<sup>3</sup> Line i has two syllables too many.



nuwun apuntening gusti  
 punika\* tandanèki  
 katrima tobat sang bagus  
 dosa kang wus kalampahan<sup>1</sup>  
 djer paduka duk ing nguni  
 nandang dosa geng dateng Allahutangallah.<sup>2</sup>

22 Ngandika sang narpaputra  
 ija ingsun duk karijin  
 wus rumasa nandang dosa  
 lir gunung dosa mami\*<sup>3</sup>  
 bareng ingsun krep ngadji  
 wruh sun jèn nandang dosa gung  
 marma saiki ingwang  
 poma djangga\* awak mami  
 dèn obonga kaja banteningwang.\*<sup>4</sup>

23 Guneman sarwi lumampah  
 Djajamustapa nèng wuri  
 sareng bjar prapta Praga  
 mundut prau nabrang nuli  
 tedak sing palwa singgih  
 lampahira mandek mangu  
 kagagas ing wardaja  
 wirangé kepati-pati  
 jèn tjinunduk lawan surasaning Kitab.

24 Sangsaja sanget ruditya  
 tyasira sang radjasiwi  
 déné wedi lawan sétan  
 sanget kaduwung ing galih<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Line g has one syllable too many.

<sup>2</sup>Line i has one syllable too many.

<sup>3</sup>Line d has one syllable too few.

<sup>4</sup>Line i has two syllables too few.

<sup>5</sup>Following line e missing from MS.

kaduwung ing galihipun  
 getun kaja matia  
 Djajamustapa  
 jèn gustiné tyasira sanget sungkawa.

- 25 Nanging tan wikaning karsa  
 dadya mrih\* ledjaring gusti  
 Djajamustapa tjarita  
 dingin wonten ratu salih\*  
 remen angalap ngèlmu<sup>1</sup>  
 temah sang Nata ngguguru  
 [mring]<sup>2</sup> pandita utama  
 agentur tapa sang jogi  
 nagarané ing Sabur sang maharadja.
- 26 Barang wulanging pandita  
 sang nata Sabur mèstuti  
 sanget tobat maring Allah  
 tan nijat sultan mbalèni  
 dosa kang nguni-uni  
 binanter ing tobatipun  
 aran tobat nasoka  
 tinrima tobatirèki  
 ladjeng kusus pan boten njimpang ing sarak.
- 27 Gara-gara ageng prapta  
 tandané ratu prihatin  
 katrima panedanira  
 bumi gendjot gondjang-gandjing  
 dungkar kang sélaardi  
 udan angin lir pinusus  
 kali gung bandjir bandang  
 pinggir kali nora gempil  
 tanda ratu ingapura dosanira.

<sup>1</sup> Line e has wrong vowel ending: should be [i].

<sup>2</sup> MS. has [marang] which is one syllable too many: [mring] is suggested.

28. Dana mintir saking pura  
 binagé mring pikir miskin  
 djeng pangran mèsèm ngandika  
 jèn mangkana dudu iblis  
 muga benera ugi  
 udjar kang mangkana iku  
 tan winarna [a]nèng<sup>1</sup> marga  
 lampahira sampun prapti  
 Sélaradja pepak ingkang para putra.
29. Nda tatita sampun lama  
 kawarna Sultan Mentawis  
 éndjang mijosi besijar  
 kersa angubengi biting  
 pepak para pradjurit  
 kang tjaos ndèrèk sang Prabu  
 alun-alun pungkuran  
 datan dangu sri Bupati  
 mijos kandeg nèng Sitibentar sakedap.
30. Tan dangu anulja tedak  
 sang Nata saking Sitinggil\*  
 patjara wangsul sedaja  
 para arum ingkang ngampil  
 sang Nata sampun nitih  
 nèng ngebak lenggah sang Prabu  
 kréta sigra lumampah  
 kang ndèrèk sampun miranti  
 satus ngarsa satus wuri nitih kuda.
31. Rata mamprung lir maruta  
 wingking wadya anututi  
 kang ngarsa kapelak rata  
 wonten pradjurit sawidji  
 kudané kuru alit

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 1

Line g has one extra syllable. Suggest delete [a-].

punika didalem mandung  
 tiba saking turangga  
 ketanggor tiba kuwalik  
 balung pepes dèn rerampa\* kantjanira.

32 Kuda pangiriding rata  
 njander njongklang kadi angin  
 katah tudung kang kasingsal  
 suka mijat sri Bupati  
 tingkahé pra pradjurit  
 wenèh ngirijab rikmanipun  
 ing solah kutétéran  
 kelangkung suka sang Adji  
 wusnja tepong\* ladjeng malbèng pura.

33 Lukar badjo gja pinarak  
 mundut siram sri (o)prabu<sup>1</sup>  
 linadosan pra bijada  
 kang sami aju linuwih  
 lir péndah widadari  
 kang sapepek madyanipun  
 sampunnja dènnja siram  
 ageganda burat wangi  
 amrik minging lir keratoné buwana.

34 Gja pinarak prabajeksa  
 dèn ajaping para putri  
 amirapit kéring kanan  
 ingkang ibu datan tebih  
 nijaga dèn dawuhi  
 gamelan tinabuh umjung  
 swarané kang gamelan  
 njenjed manisnja njut ati  
 nganjut-anjut anglir ngalapena djiwa.

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<sup>1</sup>

Line b has one syllable too few. Suggest [A-] before (prabu).

- 35 Tinimbangan para danjang  
 swara rum renjah tur manis  
 kabarung lawan gamelan  
 langkung suka sri Bupati  
 mundut dahar sang Adji  
 nulja linadosan gupuh  
 saosan saking ndjaba  
 saking pangran Mangkubumi  
 pan punika daharan saking kang rama.
- 36 Nulja dahar sri Naléndra  
 tan pikantuk dènnja bukti  
 sadangunira adahar  
 semang-semang djroning galih  
 semana matur aris  
 sang Nata marang kang ibu  
 duh ibu kados napa  
 lesu lupé\*awak mami  
 dènnja matur pan sarwi anggajuh ulam.
- 37 Ulam taksih wonten lésan  
 andjungkel sri Narapati  
 wedana nungkemi adjang  
 tan émut ladjeng ngemasi  
 tan waged mobah mosik  
 lir sata sinamber wulung  
 kang ibu kagèt ndjola  
 kang putra tjinendak aglis  
 sanalika napasira sampun musna.
- 38 Lir gerah sadjroning pura  
 gumuruh swarané tangis  
 kebat bjabat\* paring periksa  
 mring Tegalredja mwanng Lodji  
 sentana pra bupati  
 pangran Dipanegarèku  
 prapta lajon siningkab  
 Residèn anulja prapti  
 ponang lajon arsa binelèk wentisnja.

- 39 Djeng pangran asru ngungunnja  
 kumembeng kang waspa midjil  
 alon dènira ngandika  
 puluh-puluh jaji Adji  
 tan nggugu udjar mami  
 samengko iki tinemu  
 tan pandjang juswanira  
 tan tjidra udjaring dalil  
 ratu Islam jèn duraka juswa tjinendak.\*<sup>1</sup>
- 40 Pasti dèn matur sentana  
 jogi binelèk tumuli  
 jèn èstu kénging ing wisa\*  
 puniku supados midjil  
 sarta lawan djedjampi  
 jèn wisa puniku metu  
 waluja waged gesang  
 djeng pangéran tan marengi  
 gja mangkana mopus\* wus karsané Allah.
- 41 Jaji prabu uwis séda  
 djisimé anandang kanin  
 inggih-inggih lamun gesang  
 sadyanja sukaning galih  
 binelèk tan nguripi  
 tulus mati nandang tatu  
 pada nrimané djalma  
 pinupus wus praptèng djangdji  
 ingkang ibu adreng nuruti Welanda.
- 42 Sedaja anut kéwala  
 ing karsané ibu sori  
 kang lajon binelèk sigra  
 ing wentis pernah kang kéring  
 rahira datan midjil

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sedaja sami gegetun  
 kang ibu ndjerit karuna<sup>1</sup>  
 kaduwung solahirèki  
 dangu-dangu mupus wus karsané Allah.

43 Lajon sigra siniraman  
 sawusnja dipun sirami\*  
 ja ta wahu kinapanan  
 ki pangulu dèn timbali  
 sedaja kantjanèki  
 ketib modin gumarudug  
 merbot lawan merdikan  
 miwah kauming bupati  
 Srimenganti pepaké para ulama.

44 Kinèn sami malbèng pura\*  
 munggah bangsal\* pra wong alim  
 kinèn sami njembahjangan  
 gumuruh matja usali  
 bakdané ladjeng mudji  
 sagungé kang para kaum  
 ja ta lajon sang Nata  
 tabela sasabé asri  
 gja umangkat kang ndèrèk sampun umangkat.

45 Ing alun-alun busekan  
 sagungé para pradjurit  
 sampun nijat sedaja<sup>2</sup>  
 ja ta lajoné sang Adji  
 medal saking djro puri  
 kang ndèrèk samekta sampun  
 ngadjeng inggal lumampah  
 pra bupati anèng wuri  
 tan winarna lajon prapta ing djimatan.

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<sup>2</sup>  
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- 46 Glis kinubur lajonira  
 bubar wusnja matja tlekim  
 sidem njenjed djroning pura  
 prihatin kélangan gusti  
 déné kang ibu sori  
 sanget muwun nèng kedatun  
 nanging [da]tan<sup>1</sup> kapirsa  
 djeng pangran Dipanegari  
 tigang dinten tigang dalu nèng djro pura.
- 47 Nulja kondur djeng pangéran  
 Tegalredja sampun prapti  
 kawarna surat Welanda  
 ing Samarang sampun prapti  
 tur wrin lina nerpati  
 numpak palwa lajar gupuh  
 marang ing Batawijah  
 angin keras saking wingking  
 bekta surat katur djéndral Batawijah.
- 48 Lampahing palwa wus prapta  
 muara nagri Betawi  
 Welanda ingkang ambekta  
 pan sampun umentas aglis  
 sarta amundi tulis  
 uduné\* saking perau  
 lampahé sigra-sigra  
 ladjeng lumebèng djro Lodji  
 sampun tjunduk kelawan Gupenur-Djéndral.
- 49 Kang serat wus tinampanan  
 binuka sinukmèng galih  
 nulja sagunging kepala  
 bitjara dipun ambili  
 sagungé pra Rateni

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sedaja wus sami kumpul  
 sami sinungan pirsá  
 nukmèng serat ganti-ganti  
 sami rembag sagungé para kepala.

- 50 Putra tuwan gumantia  
 djumenenga narapati  
 pangéran Dipanegara  
 momonga dadia wakil  
 wadjib dadi gegenti  
 mring kang rama kang wus surud  
 serat tan dangu dadya  
 sinungken tjaraka aglis  
 tampi serat nulja palwa mbabar lajar.
- 51 Tan tjinatur anèng marga  
 gelisé tjarita prapti  
 tjaraka anèng Mentaram  
 ladjeng tumamèng ing Lodji  
 serat sinungken gipih  
 mring Residèn tampi gupuh  
 ladjeng parintah hurmat  
 masang mrijem wanti-wanti  
 wus parintah Residèn mring Danuredja.
- 52 Papatih nagri Ngajogdja  
 tuwin pra sentana sami  
 sedaja sami pepakan  
 marang salebeting Lodji  
 sampun pepakan sami  
 pangran Dipanegarèku  
 praptané kantjan pjambak  
 lan pangéran Mangkubumi  
 pra kumpeni kang gedé wus sami pepak.
- 53 Nèng kursi djadjar atarap  
 kumpeni sami kumpeni  
 kumpul pada bangsanira

Residèn amenjat gipih  
 tandangé ganti-ganti  
 sarwi bekta suratipun  
 marek ngarsèng pangéran  
 tembungé arum amanis  
 lah puniki pangéran Dipanegara.

54 Surat sing Betawi [wus]<sup>1</sup> prapta  
 kang sarta dutané sami  
 suwawi tur pirsaa  
 idjoané ponang tulis  
 djeng pangran tapi tulis  
 sinukmèng sadjroning kalbu  
 djeng pangran wus pratéla  
 tinudju suka kang galih  
 mung kang sidji djeng pangran sumbang ing drija.

55 Wus pan alon ngandika  
 mring utusan sing Betawi  
 tuwin ring Residèn Djogdja  
 satemené aku iki  
 pendjalukku saiki  
 adja na wong ngaru biru  
 sun tan nijat apa-apa  
 trima pandita wak mami  
 dadi santri jèn pareng Gupenur-Djéndral.

56 Déné ta atmadjaningwang  
 tetep madeg narapati  
 manira angèstrènanana\*  
 mung ta lumuh awak mami  
 kelamun dadi wakil  
 nora bisa awakingsun  
 amung rama kéwala  
 djeng pangéran Mangkubumi  
 makilana kang wajah atmadjaningwang.

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too many. Suggest delete [wus].

- 57    Residèn nora kaduga  
       djeng pangéran karsanèki  
       adjrih maring tuwan djéndral  
       ngowahi parintahnèki  
       pineksa pangran tan kénging<sup>1</sup>  
       residèn bongos anepsu  
       pangéran ris ngandika  
       kongkonana mring Betawi  
       ing adegé sutèngsun iku sarèhna.
- 58    Kasus kaselak apa  
       nganti surat sing Betawi  
       ja padangé atiningwang  
       Residèn ladjeng nuruti  
       sekala kèndel nuli  
       dènira ngadegken ratu  
       njarèhaken praptanja  
       surat kang saking Betawi  
       gja bubaran sami mantuk sowang-sowang.
- 59    Kawarna djeng ratu randa  
       sabab déné nora sida  
       kang wajah djumeneng adji  
       pangran Dipanegari  
       ingkang tansah njondang-njandung  
       rembugé pra pangéran  
       sedaja sami marengi  
       apa arep gawé karsa madeg radja.
- 60    Kangdjeng ratu tyas andléja\*  
       semanging tyas sangga runggi  
       osiking drija mangkana  
       kelamun ta wajah mami  
       tan sida madeg adji  
       kasela kang dadi ratu  
       [mring]<sup>2</sup> pangran Dipanegara

<sup>1</sup>Line has one too many syllables.

<sup>2</sup>Line has one syllable too many. Suggest delete [mring].

pan iku anaké selir  
salah galih kangdjeng ratu kang grahita.

- 61 Tjiptanira pan mangkana  
anempuh bjabat nora betjik  
kangdjeng ratu gja utusan  
residèn dipun timbali  
malebu anèng\* puri  
tan adangu sigra rawuh  
djeng ratu asasmita  
miranti enggèn kang sepi  
rerembagan adja na ingkang wuninga.
- 62 Atjaket dènira lenggah  
sapratingkah njalawadi  
garwané djeng Sultan Radja  
kang darbé tyas sangga runggi  
mring pangrañ Dipanegari<sup>1</sup>  
dèn sèngeri mring kang ibu  
kinira darbé karsa  
arsa madeg narapati  
satemené [kang]djeng<sup>2</sup> pangéran tan apa.
- 63 Sawusnja tata alenggah  
kangdjeng Ratu nabda ririh  
apa baja karanira  
nora sida madeg adji  
ija ta wajah mami  
residèn lon aturipun  
djinarwa sadajanja  
sagungé pra karanèki  
kangdjeng Ratu rembagé salah kéwala.
- 64 Mring residèn arerepa  
lah sampun kajun\* pikir<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too many.

<sup>2</sup>Line has one syllable too few. Suggest add [kang-].

<sup>3</sup>Line has one syllable too few.

pangéran Dipanegara  
 jèn tinurut angrubedi\*  
 kadjaté nora betjik  
 sedyané pan nora djudjur  
 tinggalen ndadak apa  
 tinarima angrubedi  
 salawasé pan nora amrih rahardja.

65 Alami pan nora prapta  
 serat kang saking Betawi  
 residèn sring tinimbalan  
 lumbet sadjroning puri  
 residèn lebetèki  
 marang pura dalu-dalu  
 tan ana wani malang  
 residèn sakarsanèki  
 wira-wiri lepas\* dalu sijang nora.

66 Residèn bongos punika  
 mring djeng ratu langkung asih  
 sakarsané tinurutan  
 Danuredja angrodjongi  
 Wiranegara Mukidin  
 angkatut tan arsa mingkuh\*  
 mila tan ana malang  
 wong tiga rembagé sami  
 djeng pangéran ing rembag jogi tinilar.

67 Kangdjeng Ratu Sultan Radja  
 karsané pan nora betjik  
 senadyan Wiranegara  
 Danuredja kadjatèki  
 langkung panas kepati  
 lan pada tjipta nèng kalbu  
 pangran Dipanegara  
 salamba\* lawan Welanda  
 Kangdjeng Ratu grahitané saja salah.

- 68 Mring residèn aturira  
 bok sampun susah inganti  
 surat saking Batawijah  
 Danuredja nambuti\* ngling  
 prajogi dèn tuturi  
 karsanipun kangdjeng Ratu  
 marmané Danuredja  
 njumbang rembag nora betjik  
 pan kinira pangéran Dipanegara.
- 69 Darbé renget mring Walanda  
 teka asanès pribadi  
 kelawan para pangéran  
 mring Danuredja pan samja iring\*<sup>1</sup>  
 mung pangéran Dipanegari<sup>2</sup>  
 tan kersa mring wismanipun  
 malah dèn undamana  
 margané dadi pepatih  
 ija saking pangéran Dipanegara.
- 70 Kuneng wau kawarnaa  
 surat Batawijah prapti  
 sagungé para sentana  
 sampun sami dèn dawuhi  
 patih bupati mantri  
 sedaja tan wonten kantun  
 pangéran Dipanegara  
 sampun lurmaksa djro Lodji  
 rembag dados djeng pangéran sukèng drija.
- 71 Pamunduté tinurutan  
 marang djéndraling Betawi  
 pangéran sokur mring Allah  
 nanging adeging nerpati

semaja dina nenggih  
wus rembag sedajanipun  
nulja sami bubaran  
sowang-sowang sami mulih  
tan kawarna kang rembag sampun kawuntat.

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CANTO IV

Metre: Pangkur

- 1 Pangéran Dipanegara  
 sapraptané ing dalem anulja glis  
 bakda asar wajahipun  
 karsa tindak tirakat  
 ènget djeng pangéran marang tanemanipun  
 petètan rengganing guwa  
 kang arsa dipun tingali.
- 2 Ladjeng tindak narpaputra  
 amung bekta panakawan kekalih  
 njamping wulung badjo wulung  
 ngagem teken kéwala  
 lir pandita solahé sang radjasunu  
 tan kawarna anèng marga  
 ing guwa Silarong prapti.
- 3 Wus mandjing\* sadjroning guwa  
 djeng pangéran ladjeng asalat magrib  
 bakda ngisa radjasunu  
 ningali papetètan  
 dangu anèng sadjaban guwa puniku  
 tengah dalu sigra salat  
 umandjing guwa tumuli.
- 4 [Tan]<sup>1</sup> kawarna laminira  
 nèng Silarong wus antuk tigang ari  
 ing djang mirsa radjasunu  
 swarané mrijem munja  
 susun-susun kadya hurmat surat rawuh  
 ngandika mring panakawan  
 pajo inggal pada mulih.

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- 5 Kondur sang narpaputra  
gurawalan ndatan kawarnèng margi  
ing Sélaradja wus rawuh  
ladjeng lon angandika  
bedil apa lamun sira pada ngrungu  
Kertadjaja matur nembah  
kula mirsa kangdjeng gusti
- 6 Kula dateng Sindurdjajan  
kabaripun putra dalem sang pekik  
tinetepken madeg ratu  
mengku pradja Mentaram  
djeng pangéran dangu datan saged muwus  
djadja bang mawinga-winga  
kumedut padoning lati
- 7 Mitjarèng sadjroning nala  
ija apa kang dadi sisip mami  
putra ngong djumeneng ratu  
raganingsun tinilar  
baja-baja ija akalé si besur\*  
Danurdja Wiranegara  
lawan kangdjeng ibu sori.
- 8 Kèndel tjipta tanpa nebda\*  
mandjing gedong Sélaradja kinuntji  
tigang dinten tigang dalu  
saré tan medal-medal  
langkung sanget gerahing tyas sang radjasunu  
nora kaja awakingwang  
uwis nora katon djalmi.
- 9 Danurdja Wiranegara  
lawan ibu kang gawé nora betjik  
mangkana sang radjasunu  
osik ingkang wardaja  
ingsun iki tan nijat ngrebut kedatun  
samengko tinerka hala  
pinasangana lir sandi.

- 10 Ja ta wau djeng pangéran  
 mupus ing tyas semana sigra midjil  
 ngungun mangu djroning kalbu  
 lingsem utjaping katah  
 wus pinupus pestiné sariraningsun  
 manungsa bisa punapa  
 atasé Rabulngalamin.
- 11 Lamun ingsun tan mupusa  
 pesti adjur ija nagara iki  
 mring Allahingong kaku<sup>1</sup>  
 kalebu tan narima  
 djeng pangéran nimbali pangulu gupuh  
 doko\* praptèng ngarsa putra  
 lenggah sor kaju kumuning.
- 12 Amad Bahwi tinimbangan  
 lawan Sastrawinangun sampun prapti  
 Djajamustapa tan kantong  
 patihnja Singaredja  
 pan sedaja sawarniné ingkang sepuh  
 djeng pang[é]ran<sup>2</sup> Dipanegara  
 nèng Séla Gilang alingguh.
- 13 Trawinangun kinèn matja  
 ingkang serat Ardjuna Widjajèki  
 tjaritané kinèn ndjudjug  
 nalika dukatapa  
 kèndel matja dedaharan ladjeng metu  
 tan adangu sekul medal  
 sami sareng dènnja bukti.
- 14 Wusira bubar daharan  
 djeng pangéran wau ngandika aris  
 dumateng kjai pangulu  
 lah kaki kulandika

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too few.

<sup>2</sup>Line has one syllable too many. Delete [é].

- nèng Silarong kula kénging wahjanipun\*  
 kula mireng mrijem munja  
 kagèt kula anglangkungi.
- 15 Nana kula wonten serat  
 déné kula boten dipun utusi  
 kula nunten inggal matuk  
 kula ladjeng kepanggja  
 Sutadjaja sangking Sindudjajan iku  
 takon warta bedil napa  
 Kartadjaja matur aris.
- 16 Inggih sendjata kang munja  
 hurmatipun putranta madeg hadji  
 sakedap kawula nepsu  
 klimput kalebon sétan  
 inggih salah kula nganggéja tetunggul  
 mila kula marang guwa  
 semajané maksih tebih.
- 17 Déné saking kadjeng kula  
 jèn wus serat\* semajané puniki  
 sajektiné kula mantuk  
 dadak kula tinilap  
 pan seléntja\* lan rembagé wau-wau  
 lah puniku sabab napa  
 akarja malaning ati.
- 18 Kados mekaten punika  
 inggih akalé ibu lawan Danuredjèki<sup>1</sup>  
 lawan Wiranegarèku\*  
 amrih nepsu kawula  
 kados pundi jèn kula nuruti nepsu  
 pesti gègèring Ngajogdja
- 19 Pangéran Dipanegara  
 tegesipun wus nora katon djalmi

- djinabloken rasanipun  
 tedak Sultan Mentaram  
 ki pangulu aturipun angrerepu  
 duh gusti sampun kepandjang  
 `engeta godaning `éblis.
- 20 Paduka wus ngaos kitab\*  
 mjang sarkawi pitekur rahman djuwahir  
 sadaja suraosipun  
 sagung kitab hakékat  
 tuwan sokur mring Allah kang Mahaluhur  
 paduka pinaring tjoba  
 punapaa gusti pangling.
- 21 Dateng sedajané adjar  
 jen pangling abatal karsa djeng gusti  
 tokid makripat tan terus  
 gih maksih kawoworan  
 gusti napa kasupèn tjarijosipun  
 surasa lampah utama  
 djro kitab Hakikulmodin.
- 22 Lipuring tyas djeng pangéran  
 grahitèng tyas ija ngèlmu puniki  
 ija iki kajahipun  
 jèn nora linampahan  
 dosa gedé jektiné ingkang pinikul  
 ing donja praptèng delahan  
 tanpa gawé nganggo adji.
- 23 Mundak amuwuhi dosa  
 sanalika pangran tobating galih  
 `ènira nuruti nepsu  
 supé rasaning kitab  
 lilih sirna djeng pangéran lingsemipun  
 nalangsa sokuring Allah  
 kang Agung kang Mahasutji.

- 24 Sampun dangu sigra bubar  
 narpaputra supé nora nggalih  
 sampun mandjing wektu luhur  
 sedaja sami salat  
 anèng masdjid Sélaradja gumarumung  
 bakda salat sigra bubar  
 marang wismané pribadi.
- 25 Kawarnaa éndjingira  
 wonten surat punika saking Lodji  
 kang surat tinampan sampun  
 binuka sinukmèng tyas  
 winangsulan nuwala tinampan sampun  
 narpaputra tyas nirmala  
 mendung terang gana sutji.
- 26 Nda tatita wus alama  
 tuwan bongos residèning Mentawis  
 mangkana ingkang winuwus  
 karsané tuwan djéndral  
 Batawijah residèn Mentaramiku  
 sinalinan kang madega  
 sabab wus teranging warti.
- 27 Dènnja momong pra sentana  
 tan prajoga amrih seneng pribadi  
 sentana kawah kang rengu  
 nanging nora kawedal  
 ginantènan kang dadya residènipun  
 djudjuluk tuwan Semitsar  
 nèng Betawi wus diweling.
- 28 Dumateng Gupenur-Djéndral  
 apa déné sagung para Rateni  
 poma-poma dipun émut  
 pangran Dipanegara  
 adja nganti brastèng susah galihipun  
 nadyan akèh pra sentana  
 ija negara Mentawis.

- 29 Kang sidji\* puniku poma  
 adja nganti nemu susahing galih  
 tuwan Semitsar wus rawuh  
 anèng nagri Mentaram  
 tinetepken tuwan bongos pasrah sampun  
 misuwur pradja Mentaram  
 sedaja wus amèstuti.
- 30 Laminé tuwan Semitsar  
 nèng Mentaram tentrem étja kang galih [sri]<sup>1</sup>  
 sedaja étja tyasipun  
 wong tjilik gemah ardja  
 datan ana ingkang sungkawa wadyasipun\*  
 pangéran Dipanegara  
 lan Semitsar wus pradjangdji.
- 31 Mateng dènnja sesobatan  
 datan ana [ing] kang<sup>2</sup> tinahèng galih  
 pang[é]ran<sup>3</sup> karsané tutug  
 anuruti Welanda  
 tirakat angibadaha radjasunu  
 adja na wong munasika  
 inggar tdjas sang radjasiwi.
- 32 Pangéran Dipanegara  
 lamun dalu matja Kuran sang pekik  
 mung tigang djus wangenipun  
 nimbali dasihé éndjang  
 kinumpulan sagungé kang sepuh-sepuh  
 kapan\* kinèn matja Kuran  
 sami ndarus ganti-ganti.
- 33 Tigang magrib wangenira  
 sigra ganti kantjané kang nampani  
 jèn sampun angsal tigang djus

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<sup>1</sup> Line has one syllable too many. Omit [sri].

<sup>2</sup> Line has one syllable too few. Add [ing-].

<sup>3</sup> Line has one syllable too few. Add [é].

- kèndel ladjeng daharan  
 sekul ulam wédang lan pangan apenuh  
 sabèn éndjang pan mangkana  
 jèn sampun tutug sesasi.
- 34 Nuli salin karsanira  
 matja kitab-kitabé salin-salin  
 usul kalawan tasawup  
 suluk makam makripat  
 ingkang ngutjap hening lawan sokuripun  
 pratuwin kumpulé rahsa  
 nuli salin kitab malih.
- 35 Tekarar tekarub topah  
 bab ngibadah 'Hakikulmodin' tan kari  
 sawulan sampun tutug  
 nuli asalin karsa  
 kinèn matja sagung lajang suluk-suluk  
 wus katam asalin karsa  
 ambija winatja nuli.
- 36 Katamé 'Surat Ambijá'  
 nuli salin amatja kitab muluk  
 kang surat 'Niskatulmuluk'  
 ratu kang kuna-kuna  
 tanah Arab tanah Adjam tjritanipun  
 kang nista madya utama  
 mung lakuning nerpati.
- 37 Sawulan asalin karsa  
 maos kitab Ardjuna Widjajèki  
 praptèng Rama praptanipun  
 Wiwaha Bomantaka  
 boten wonten bosenipun radjasunu  
 kang maos sami ngersula  
 sawulan anulja salin.

- 38 Amatja tapsir sawulan  
 nulja wangsul amatja Kuran malih  
 kang matja sedajanipun  
 sampun adjrih dinukan  
 sami ngliwung sabab déné saben ésuk  
 nora nana dina towong  
 karsané sang radjasiwi.
- 39 Kèndel dènnja sami matja  
 djeng pangéran tirakat mring pasisir  
 Pemantjingan kang djinudjug  
 munggah marang aldaka  
 Gunung Kidul Balimbing Palijan iku  
 Sampar lawan ing Wulusan  
 tanapi ing gunung Giri.
- 40 Lan guwa kang adoh omah  
 sarupané kang ageng lan kang alit\*  
 kinarja enggèn manekung  
 tan mbekta abdi katah  
 panakawan mung tetiga kang tut pungkur  
 angagem wulung kéwala  
 pilih djalma kang hudani.
- 41 Lamun kondur djeng pangéran  
 Selaradja dènnja anenepi<sup>1</sup>  
 mung dinten Kemis sang bagus  
 kondur madjibi garwa  
 milanipun para garwa sami nragum  
 awit tapi peparingan  
 gandjaran kenjaring ati.
- 42 Sawenèh ana angutjap  
 ija ta Allah gusti sang nerpasiwi\*<sup>2</sup>  
 nèng Sélaradja kekuwu

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puniku asil apa  
 rina-wengi [ing]sun<sup>1</sup> pikir kaku tyasingsun  
 wit arang tanpa paringan  
 bijang lembing banget ngelih.

43 Tan dojan mangan sawijah  
 ingsun bangkang\* pribadi nora apti  
 jèn nora gusti sang bagus  
 kang ndulang paring mangan  
 anèh temen panganané sangking letru\*  
 kantjané gumuju latah  
 kang anteng mèsem njekikik.

44 Kemandjur dènja gondjakan  
 rada banjol\* selir sidji iku<sup>2</sup>  
 alutju sembrana tjutjud  
 sedep lamun sembranan  
 lah ta ija aku ika darma mupus  
 batiné mangsa bédaa  
 bengi pada ngolang-aling.

45 Lamun uwis pinakanan  
 djintel baé sawengi tan ngulisik  
 aramé sami gumuju  
 kuneng ingkang sembranan  
 djeng pangéran ing mangké ingkang winuwus  
 ndatan kersa séba-séba  
 jèn karsa malebèng Lodji.

46 Jèn wus panggih lan Semitsar  
 narpaputra ladjeng malebèng puri  
 panggih lawan ratu ibu  
 miwah pangran Dipatya

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 to give [sun].

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ing kang putra djeng pangéran prabu timur  
lagja ameng[-ameng]<sup>1</sup> abebèngkat\*  
lan panakawan lit-alit.

47 Gumedér nèng pelataran  
duk semana wus juswa\* kawan warsi  
kang uwa nimbali gupuh  
emban njaosken énggal  
gja tjinandak mring uwa sigra pinangku  
dèn elus ing kang mustaka  
pang[é]ran<sup>2</sup> waspanja dres midjil.

48 Katon ari kang wus léna  
putra sidji timur djumeneng adji  
wus dangu anulja kondur  
klaju sang radja muda  
marmanipun mangkana sang Prabu Timur  
winuruk marang kang éjang  
tanapi ibu pribadi.

49 Pan kinèn basaa rama  
Radja Timur tanpa\* sudarmi<sup>3</sup>  
semana binekta kondur  
marang ing Tegalredja  
ing kang uwa langkung trisna marang sunu  
dangu anèng Tegalredja  
arsa kondur marang puri.

50 Sring tedak mring Tegalredja  
ija lawan ing kang ibu pribadi  
terkadang lan éjangipun  
terkadang tedak pjambak

<sup>1</sup>Line has two syllables too many. Suggest delete [-ameng] to give correct number of eight syllables.

<sup>2</sup>Line has one syllable too many. Suggest delete [é].

<sup>3</sup>Line b has two syllables too few.

wus mangkana alami-lami wonten rembug  
Danurdja matur Semitsar  
lan major Wiranegari.

- 51 Aturé radèn Danurdja  
sami lawan temunggung Wiranagari  
mring Residèning Mentarum  
déné rembug punika  
pan adumuk pangéran panggalihipun  
dèn pareng atur kawula  
radinan kilèn\* nagari
- 52 Ing peken Kuntjèn punika  
prajoginé sinungan ratan sami  
mangidul terusing gunung  
pantogan trus Pandawa  
bablas ngidul Silarong Pijungan ngidul  
mingèr andjoging Praga<sup>1</sup>  
tepung ratan mring Senepi.
- 53 Lèr pasar Kuntjèn tan rata  
tan terus nradjang ing dusun Tompéjan nenggih  
ing djro dusun Tompéjan iku  
djro désa kelangenan  
samubarang manggis durèn lan kapundung  
duku durèn lawan nangka  
pakèl pelem lan kuwèni.
- 54 Tompèjan ngalèr terusnja  
marang Ngluwes désa katradjang margi  
djog Terini ngalèr terus  
tepung radinan wijar  
dug iku lah asahé panginggilipun  
tijang panginggil nagara  
ngalèr Ngendangan lumaris.

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<sup>1</sup>

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- 55 Residèn alon anabda  
 Tegalredja\* pangkalan geng pribadi  
 ija rembuken dèn alus  
 adja dumèh manira  
 wis djumurung adja sira nggampang laku  
 jèn pangéran nora lila  
 wurungena adja kardi.
- 56 Jèn awèh [kang] djeng<sup>1</sup> pangéran  
 jèn pineksa pesti tan nemu betjik  
 agawé widjinipun musuh\*  
 sabab djangdjiningwang  
 lan pangéran Dipanegara rumuhun  
 sapa wiwit gawé hala  
 adja na nemu basuki.
- 57 Residèn malih anabda  
 akèh-akèh sentana ing Mentawis  
 lumuh\* iku adja na purun  
 meksaken\* tyasira  
 nora wurung nagri Djawa hèra-hèru  
 Danurdja dèn éling sira  
 ja maning weweling mami.
- 58 Radèn dipati Danurdja  
 sampun medal lan Wiranegarèki  
 saprapta nèng wismanipun  
 ladjeng sami rembagan  
 masang andjir saking lor terus mangidul  
 karsané radèn Dipatya  
 karja ratan amerapit.
- 59 Aneradjang kelangenan  
 kebonira pangéran Dipanegari  
 tan rahaju kadjatipun  
 amrih pangéran béka

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ija ana kang dadi raosing kalbu  
 sangking kedik nora katah  
 lami-lami wuwuh malih.

- 60 Kawarna kangdjeng pangéran  
 anenanem kebon sampun mepeki  
 wonten sadjroning dusun  
 aran dusun Tompéjan\*  
 warna-warna taneman pidjetan duku  
 manggis durèn lawan djirak  
 gowokagé lan kuwèni.
- 61 Genitri terballo lerak  
 ngandap lesuh\* kapulaga ngideri\*  
 ja ta wonten kang winuwus  
 dutané dyan Dipatya  
 saking pasar Pakuntjèn pamedalipun  
 tindih dyan Bratakusuma  
 dinuta amasang andjir.
- 62 Lor bener aneradjang<sup>1</sup>  
 pepetètan Patembungan asri\*<sup>2</sup>  
 wong djuru kebon agupuh  
 matur kangdjeng pangéran  
 angandika ija marang djurunipun  
 sapa ta tetindhira  
 wong iku kang masang andjir.
- 63 Djuru kebon aturira  
 abdi dalem Bratakusuma gusti  
 ngandika sang narpasunu  
 ladak Bratakusuma  
 marang aku nora nganggo tembang-tembung  
 dumèh dutané Danurdja  
 angladaki marang mami.

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- 64 Bok ija nembung maring wang  
rutjatana sagungé andjir-andjir  
lamun nora awèh iku  
ija Bratakusuma  
tabokana ija ndasé dimèn ngelu\*  
kang abdi sami sumahab  
anrutjati andjir-andjir.
- 65 Kabèh sampun rinutjatan  
ja ta radèn Bratakusuma angling  
andjir rinutjat sedarum  
sanget pamenggahira  
tinabokan marang Dermadjaja gupuh  
lumaju anundjang-nundjang  
tinilar ingkang turanggi.
- 66 Lampahira gurawalan  
tanpa djaran Danurdjan sampun prapti  
praptané ladjeng umatur  
wiwit praptèng wekasan  
Danuredja mijarsa ngungun kelangkung  
rahadèn Bratakusuma  
dèn taboki endasnèki.
- 67 Ing galih sanget murina  
malbèng Lodji matur dateng kumpeni  
residèn alon amuwus  
bijèn ingsun wus wekas  
dèn abetjik mring pangéran sidji iku  
samubarang ing prakara  
rembuga dipun ararih.
- 68 Iku sigra Bratakusuma  
tanpa tembung dènira masang andjir  
bener kang naboki iku  
dyan dipati Danuredja  
sakelangkung gerahé werdajanipun  
ginagas tan saja suda  
sangsaja angigit-igit.\*

- 69 Kawarnaa sampun lama  
 nèng keraton rikala anudjoni  
 samja lajad ratu ibu  
 gerah sanget semana  
 djeng pangéran Dipanegara puniku  
 anèng kursi dènnja lenggah  
 munggèng pelataran masdjid.
- 70 Radèn dipati Danurdja  
 tinimbangan tan dangu praptèng ngarsi  
 dangu dènnja gunem tjatur  
 Danurdja dinukanan  
 aprakara sawahing Redjawinangun  
 djinaluk marang Welanda  
 sira teka anuruti.
- 71 Senadyana nurutana  
 bok anganggo rembag kalawan mami  
 hèn Danuredja sirèku  
 gawé betjik[-betjik]<sup>1</sup> Welanda  
 angreruba pan ija dudu bandamu  
 betjiké sira angalap  
 tan kélangan olèh betjik.
- 72 Marmané kangdjeng pangéran  
 purun blaka\* melèhaken wewadi  
 awit dadi patih iku  
 narpaputra kang karja  
 pan Welanda residèn mung idinipun  
 nanging samengko tan ngrasa  
 lali banget marang kang wit.
- 73 Umatu radèn Dipatya  
 ririh sendu pinirsa sumengit  
 gja sinampluk uwangipun  
 lan agemé tjenéla  
 sanget kanggeg wirangé sadjroning kalbu  
 kajah djalma kang wuninga  
 tjipta lali marang gusti.

<sup>1</sup>Line has two syllables too few. Suggest omit [-betjik].

- 74 Radèn dipati Danurdja  
 sanalika tjipta lali ing gusti  
 tan mijat\* selaminipun\*  
 mangké wuwuh tjenéla  
 ija sapa wani motjot maring ingsun  
 jèn sun betjik lan Walanda  
 sapa ingkang wani mami.
- 75 Wus bubar mulih sedaja  
 djeng pangéran Dipanegara prapti  
 ing Tegalredja wus masuk  
 panepèn Sélaradja  
 dyan Dipati Danuredja kang winuwus  
 sapraptané dalemira  
 kelangkung dènnja prihatin.
- 76 Wong dadi wakilé nata  
 luhur tenggok uwang dipun kasuti  
 sanget mérangé tyasipun  
 ja ta kala semana  
 apan saben ésuk marang Lodji masuk  
 kang rinembug\* marang karja  
 tyasira sanget kuwatir.
- 77 Sabarang tindaking pradja  
 Dyan Dipati dadi wakil mring Lodji  
 tan suda raosing kalbu  
 sanget depèng Welanda  
 datan pegat andrawiṅa\* ing kajun  
 Danurdja raket Welanda  
 djeng pangéran semu tebih.
- 78 Tan pati raket Welanda  
 sawetara karsané sang apekik  
 sabab ènget ngèlmunipun  
 parintahira agama  
 jèn wong iku lahir batinira terus  
 asobat kalawan kowar  
 batal imané tan dadi.



- 79 Tinampik\* maring Allah<sup>1</sup>  
 djinabaken umaté kangdjeng Nabi  
 radjaputra karsanipun  
 donjakérat antuka  
 wus mangkana saja lami-lami wau  
 pangulu Rahmanudin [kang]<sup>2</sup>  
 sèlèh lelakonirèki.\*
- 80 Ginantosken ketibira  
 wasta Kamalodinningrat nenggih  
 ingkang djumenengken wau  
 djeng Ratu lan Danurdja  
 lan Welanda Radjaputra tan tinantun  
 mung Danurdja ingkang ngangkat  
 tanpa kanti radjasiwi.

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CANTO V

Metre: Kinanti

- 1 Kawarnaa sang bagus<sup>1</sup>  
 pangéran Dipanegari\*  
 sangsaja ing lama-lama  
 keraos-raos ing galih  
 pangulu lami sèlèhnja  
 wus ana ingkang gumanti.
- 2 Gawéjanira kang ibu  
 lawan Danurédja patih  
 ingidèn marang Welanda  
 sunghawèng tyas sang apekik  
 sabab pangulu adegnja  
 tan kena ginawé patih.
- 3 Wadjibé karja pangulu  
 sajektiné narapati  
 kang wadjib karja wilajat  
 kang wus sah sadjroning dalil  
 saiki si Danuredja  
 lawan ibu ingkang kardi.
- 4 Senadjan ta putraningsun  
 durung sah lamun ngidèni  
 netepken gawé wilajat  
 maksih raré madeg adji  
 pan amung dadi werana  
 durung sah adegé adji.
- 5 Mung gawéné mloja-mlaju  
 lawan bèngkat kang dèn udi\*  
 adja ngilangken lurinnja  
 paéka\* djeng rama dingin  
 wus sah dènnja madeg nata  
 agawé barang kardi.

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<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too few.

- 6 Wus trap sah wilajatipun  
lamun ta pangulu dingin  
jèn iku adja sèlèha  
tan sumelang hati mami  
binalèken nora arsa  
ladjeng pamit mungguh kadji.
- 7 Rinapung akéh tan kéguh  
mila sakarsaning\* galih  
pan asring dipun wasésa  
kukumé marang apatih  
lawas-lawas nora bisa  
ki pangulu anglakoni.
- 8 Adjrih béndjing kukumipun  
jèn wus prapta djaman akir  
sangsaja kagagas-gagas  
tyasira sang narpasiwi  
ènget bali lewening Topah<sup>1</sup>  
wilajaté kang ginalih.
- 9 'Kelamun ta ana ratu  
durung akil madeg adji  
durung sah gawé wilajat'  
dadi ingsun pikir-pikir  
pangulu iki durung sah  
ningkahaké laki-rabi.
- 10 Nindakaken kukumipun  
jekti durung sah puniki  
durung wilajating nata  
Danuredja dudu adji  
djeng ibu dudu naléndra  
lamun mengkana saiki.

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- 11 Bubrah lakuné kukum<sup>1</sup>  
sirna kitab anggernèki  
dèn taklidaken sang bagus  
maring sagungé wong alim  
mupakat para ulama  
sangsaja renteng\* kang galih.
- 12 Sigra tur surat kang ibu  
tjaraka méntar wus prapti  
surat tinampan binuka  
sinukmèng sadjroning galih  
kang drija tembungé surat  
nulja winangsulan aglis.
- 13 Nanging salah tembungipun  
pinaring kebat aglis<sup>2</sup>  
nembah méntar sampun prapta  
Tegalredja wus apanggih  
lan pangéran serat tinampan\*  
binuka sinukmèng galih.
- 14 Sun moh pangulu lawas iku<sup>3</sup>  
wong wus sèlèh ja pinikir  
ngong isin utjaping djana  
saiki wong wis didegi  
embuh ta unining kitab  
nadyan pangran meksa\* ngukih.
- 15 Pan uwis kaidèn iku  
ija maring ing Welandi  
wis adja kakéjan rembag  
dandanan\* kang uwis dadi  
pangran jèn meksa ngowaha  
mangsa ta wania Wlandi.

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<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too few.

<sup>2</sup>Line has one syllable too few.

<sup>3</sup>Line has one syllable too many.

- 16 Iti\* panukmaning tembung  
kanggeg wusira sang pekik  
wekasané kang nuwala  
sengak kelangkung njenjengat  
ngandika sang narpaputra  
kangdjeng ibu nora keni.
- 17 Pradjané pinrih rahaju  
apa baja wus pinesti  
rusaké nagri Ngajogja  
wus kèndel sang radjasiwi  
tan ana kang munasika  
sirep tan ana walang slisik.\*<sup>1</sup>
- 18 Wus lami genti winuwus  
wong Pinggir ingkang winarni  
sagungé kang darbé anak  
prasami kèndel tan laki  
miwah kakim sedajanja  
ki pangulu nora wani.
- 19 Ningkahaken sedajèku  
marang uwong désa Pinggir  
sawab puniku bojongan  
kawulané para pati  
nora kena ningkahena  
wong Pinggir kalawan kakim.
- 20 Mung kang ningkahaken ratu  
mangké ratu durung akil  
boten sah gadah wilajah  
sajekti éwuh kang ngèlmi  
dadya pangulu rembagnja  
marang sagungé wong alim.

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too many.

- 21 Sedaja rempeg kang rembug  
pangéran Dipanegari  
wus sah paringa wilajah  
paningkahé wali kakim  
wong Pinggir dalilé kitab\*  
dadya katur rembagnèki.
- 22 Dumateng ing kangdjeng ratu  
Danuredja kjana patih  
kang njaosaken pirembag  
kangdjeng ratu pan mèstuti  
ing lingsem sadjro werdaja  
mring putra déné ing nguni.
- 23 Kangdjeng ratu nurut nepsu  
tan nggalih aturing siwi  
ngandika mring Danuredja  
dawuhena aglis<sup>1</sup>  
pangulu iku sébaa  
mring putrangong nuwun idin.
- 24 Mungguh adeging pangulu  
lan maning nuwuna idin  
mungguhing paningkahira  
wong Pinggir wali kakim<sup>2</sup>  
Adipati Danuredja  
lèngsèr prapta wisma nuli.
- 25 Utusan marang pangulu  
Kamalodinningrat nenggih  
pepak ketib modinira  
mjang alim kang limit-limit  
limit-limit lamat-lamat  
lir séla munggèng djro warih.

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- 26 Jèn katiga mangsanipun  
ramjang-ramjang saling warih  
tan katingal sélanira  
kalimput lumutirèki  
nanging ta pangrasanira  
sutji lahir trusing batin.
- 27 Tjinandra tyasé lir wulung  
muluk anèng ing wijati  
milang-milang marang andap  
mespadaken pitik tjilik  
jèn pisah lawan bijungnja  
sinamber saking wijati.
- 28 Mangkana budining kaum  
jèn mitjara ngèlmi dakik  
lir wulung muluk ngawijat  
silir sileming rat gaib  
mubeng-mubeng witjaranja  
tjalekik mangarah melik.
- 29 Ja ta wau dutanipun  
Danurdja radèn dipati  
rawuh surambi agepah  
pangulu dènnja ngormati  
sigra ndawuhaken sabda  
kang saking rekjana patih.
- 30 Terang saking kangdjeng ratu  
pangulu andika tampi  
dawuhé rekjana patya  
andika séba dèn aglis  
lan kabèh para ulama  
tuwin ketib lawan modin.
- 31 Mring Tegalredja puniku  
kangdjeng ratu wus nuruti  
aturé para ulama

- kang sami amrih basuki  
tuwan residèn Semitsar  
sampun pareng lán ngidèni.\*
- 32 Dyan Dipati wus djumurung  
rembagé sagung wong alim  
rèh sampun amupakat  
dalilipun kitab pekih  
pangéran Dipanegara  
ingkang wadjib angidèni.\*
- 33 Sawab putra ingkang sepuh  
mring kangdjeng sultan Mentawis  
kang njekel waris negara  
ki pangulu Kamalodin  
matur dengku nggih sandika  
kawula sangat umiring.
- 34 Bubar sigra mangkat gupuh  
Tegalredja sampun prapti  
warnanen sang narpaputra  
alenggah ngisor kumining  
munggèng ing séla gegilang  
waspada sang radjasiwi.
- 35 Pangulu sumiwèng ajun  
sakantjané alim-alim  
kinèn ngirid panakawan  
ladjeng atumamèng\* arsi  
prapta ngarsa pangran gupuh\*  
djawat hasta genti-genti.
- 36 Djeng pangéran ngandika rum  
kadingarèn sira prapti  
baja lamun ana karja  
pangulu umatur aris  
muka sumungkem pratala  
lir péndah kondjeming siti.



- 37 Gusti hamba tampi dawuh[-dawuh]  
 ibu dalem karsanèki  
 kawula kinèn mareka  
 ing gusti sang radja pekik  
 kang mugè djasad kawula  
 djeng gusti paring idin.
- 38 Nggèn amba dados pangulu  
 wonten nagari Mentawis  
 susulih njepeng agama  
 lan ningkahaken tijang Pinggir<sup>2</sup>  
 kang jatim wus tanpa bapa  
 dados malbèng wali kakim.
- 39 Kangdjeng\* gusti mung sang bagus  
 kang wadjib darbé Mentawis  
 sampun sah ing dalem kitab  
 mèsèm ngandika sang pekik  
 dingin ibu tungkul apa  
 nora ina saking mami.
- 40 Djeneng[ing]sun<sup>3</sup> wus atur pémut  
 suratingsun pan tinampik\*  
 winangsulan prajoga<sup>4</sup>  
 tan pantes rinungu djalmi  
 laraning galih manira  
 prapta dina iki maksih.
- 41 Éwa mangkana pangulu  
 jèn ingsun nora ngidèni  
 djenengsun nemu duraka  
 mring gusti Rasulngalamin

<sup>1</sup>Line has two syllables too many. Suggest delete [-dawuh].

<sup>2</sup>Line has one syllable too many.

<sup>3</sup>Line has one syllable too many. Suggest delete [-ing-].

<sup>4</sup>Line has one syllable too few.

kalebu wong aniaja  
mungguh wong kang kaja mami.

- 42 Pangéran ngandika arum  
pangulu sun paring idin  
nama Kamalodinningrat  
dadi pangulu Mentawis  
Jogjakarta Adiningrat  
sun pasrah kukum alami.
- 43 Ki pangulu tampi dawuh  
sujud sokur ing maliki  
ketib modin lan ngulama  
sedaja sami neksèni  
wus sah pangulu adegnja  
metu tut udjaring dalil.
- 44 Batal adegé karuhun\*  
kang sangking radèn Dipati  
narpaputra tyasnja padang  
ngandika maring ing dasih  
kinèn mundut dedaharan  
werata ulama ketib.
- 45 Praptèng wisma ki pangulu  
ladjeng marek kjana patih  
wus katur ing lampahira  
miwiti malah mekasi  
Radèn Dipati Danuredja  
mijarsa mèsem tanpa ngling.
- 46 Nda tatita laminipun  
Pangéran Dipanegari  
pan asring remen tirakat  
kados duk ing nguni-uni  
tuwin dènnja maos kitab  
papan boten dèn owahi.

- 47 Malah saja sru sang bagus  
 dènira brata\* ing ngèlmi  
 persanakan lan ulama  
 kang sampun alim ing ngèlmi  
 dèn tindaki wismanira  
 ladjeng tindak marang masdjid.
- 48 Narpatmadja sarwi ngandut  
 arta ringgit uwang pitjis  
 masdjidira sinèlèhan  
 terkadang binuwang margi  
 lamun wonten wong musakat  
 pekir miskin dèn paringi.
- 49 Narpaputra tyas kagugu  
 ginugu saja ngranuhi  
 gerahé werdajanira  
 sabab déning ibu sori  
 sabarang-barang prakara  
 Danurdja Wiranegari.
- 50 Lan Welanda kang kinantjan  
 narpasiwi tan tinari  
 malah dajinta naléndra  
 sumengket dènnja rebut sih  
 lawan si Mister Semitsar  
 lamun dalu malbèng puri.
- 51 Wus tanpa wadi sang arum  
 lan Semitsar anèng puri  
 tanbuh baja karsanira  
 lawan dajinta nerpati  
 kedaton tanpa adjia  
 dadi kompra kang nagari.

52 Tatané agama rusuh  
wit saking rekjana patih  
kelawan Wiranegara  
rina wengi ngorak-arik  
tan pisan ngambah agama  
mung mutjung raosing galih.

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CANTO VI

Metre: Putjung

- 1 Pan akatah raosing tyas sang abagus  
awit ibunira  
kalawan rekjana patih  
kang asring maringi basa [da]tan<sup>1</sup> ardja.
- 2 Tjiptaning tyas narpasuta osikipun  
pinrih temen ingwang  
tjela lan wong karepané  
pan dugané sun demen dadi naléndra.
- 3 Kaja apa margané sariraningsun  
benggang lan Welanda  
djeng pang[é]<sup>2</sup>ran maro galihé\*  
saja bentar tirakat awis nèng wisma.
- 4 Akukuwu nèng Silarong radjasunu  
ketawis gèsèhnja  
pangéran barang karsané  
tinengeran marang ing Mister Semitsar.
- 5 Pan katutuh Danurdja lan Kangdjeng Ratu  
ing sawidji dina  
Danurdja ngandikan agé  
malbèng pura rembug lan dajinta nata.
- 6 Angandika wau kangdjeng ratu ibu  
hèh paran kang warta  
Dipanegara sing mangké  
sun angrungu arang-arang saba\* wisma.
- 7 Nèng Silarong amesu dènnja manekung  
baja iku apa

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Line has one syllable too few. Suggest [da-] be added.

2

Line has one syllable too many. Suggest delete [é].

- angadeg kraman karepé  
jèn ngantia dadi kraman iku béndjang.
- 8 Pesti abot sanggané puniku bésuk  
djer ketarèng tingkah  
radèn Dipati aturé  
pan pernodju metiki lan karsanira.
- 9 Pan danguné nenggih kangdjeng ratu ibu  
tjipta antuk marga  
radèn dipati kadjaté  
ènget ing tyas kala sinampluk tjanéla.
- 10 Lawan asring dèn lok-olok\* widjilipun  
lan asring dèn utjap  
duk dadi patih margané  
awit saking pangéran Dipanegara.
- 11 Aturipan kados leres gustiningsun  
kawula mijarsa  
abdinta djawi wartosé  
putra dalem pangéran Dipanegara.
- 12 Badé kersa lelana sang radjasunu  
tan arsa kungkulan  
dateng Welanda dawuh[é]<sup>1</sup>  
dadi ratu kawengku marang Welanda.
- 13 Semunipun ing galih sang radjasunu  
lumuh kaungkulan  
lan Welandi pijangkuhé  
sring kawedal timbalané radjaputra.
- 14 Wlanda\* iki lawas-lawas jèn saja gung  
tamtuné jèn telas  
bumi ing Ngajogja kijé  
kena kabèh kaduwé marang Welanda.

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too few. Suggest add [é] which gives correct final vowel ending.

- 15 Kula gusti midanget pjambak kang rembug  
 ulun gadah réntjang  
 tengga régol pakarjané  
 bapakipun ngabdi wonten Tegalredja.
- 16 Gih punika gusti ingkang asung tutur  
 jèn putra paduka  
 pan asring andawuhaké  
 badé medal Silarong kinarja pura.
- 17 Kangdjeng ratu mijarsa grahitèng kalbu  
 lamun mengkonowa  
 gedé temen pengarahé  
 arep ngrata mengku ing rat nusa Djawa.
- 18 Tur ta mangsa\* anguwisana puniku  
 mundak dadi gobrah\*  
 wusana lon ngandikané  
 Danuredja tutura Mister Semitsar.
- 19 Adja kongsi kebandjur karepé iku  
 jèn nganti bandjura  
 Dipanegara karepé  
 nora wurung jèn gègèr nagri Ngajogja.
- 20 Pesthi abot sanggané wong sidji iku  
 linulutan djalma  
 pesthi glis akèh balané  
 kangdjeng ratu kèndel tjeping sanalika.
- 21 Osiking tyas dawuhé menawa luput  
 wusana ngandika  
 Danurdja metuwa agé  
 lah pikiren adja nganti tunda béma.
- 22 Lan Welanda dèn abetjik pangrembugmu  
 kjana patih medal  
 kelangkung lega galihé  
 sukaning tyas lir péndah ardi kusuma.

- 23 Lampahira kjana patih Lodji rawuh  
lan Mister Semitsar  
residèn nagri Mentawis  
tetabéjan atata dènira lenggah.
- 24 Kjana patih matur ing sadawuhipun  
dajinta naléndra  
miwiti malah mekasi  
timbangané kabèh sang retna dajindra.
- 25 Dawuh sidji anakipun pitungpuluh  
residèn Semitsar  
tan angling mung mantuk baé  
satemené tyasira nora kaduga.
- 26 Sampun bubar genti malih kang winuwus  
wusing lama-lama  
pangran Dipanegarané  
saja sanget galihé radjapinutra.
- 27 Saja kawah asung pémut<sup>1</sup>  
dèn arah Welanda  
tinarka maro karsané  
datan arsa sobatan lawan Welanda.
- 28 Sungkawèng tyas pojang-pajingan sang bagus  
supé dahar néndra  
sigra duta mring abdiné  
Djajamustapa kinèn nepi mring djimatan.<sup>2</sup>
- 29 Makamipun djeng Sinuwun Sultan Agung  
dagan pesaréjan  
mung wong sidji rowangé<sup>3</sup>  
sampun prapta marengi dalu djumuwah.\*

<sup>1</sup>Line has four syllables too few.

<sup>2</sup>Line has one syllable too many.

<sup>3</sup>Line has one syllable too few.



- 30 Gja malebu djuru kuntji atut pungkur  
kang aran Ki Balad  
sawengi n`eng dagan baé  
langkung aserep dalu katah kang rubéda.<sup>1</sup>
- 31 Adedonga Djajamustapa sedalu  
duta muga-muga  
wontena paring wasité  
lamun bésuk\* pinaringan alamat.<sup>2</sup>
- 32 Wetu subuh semana Ki Balad wau  
nJOROG\* kuntjinira  
binuka wau lawangé  
duta kalih malebet lenggah n`eng dagan.
- 33 Angresiki makamé djeng Sultan Agung  
kanan kéringira  
sampun rata resikané  
sigra lungguh Djajamustapa dedonga.
- 34 Ladjeng matur lamun dinuta sang bagus  
wus rampung aturnja  
ningali tengahé langsé  
pan ketingal tenger barang\* rupa erah.
- 35 Abang bunder sapiring wetaranipun  
pernahé kang erah  
tengah beneré langséné  
makamipun Sultan Agung Mentaram.\*<sup>3</sup>
- 36 Duta mawas semana anulja metu  
prapta djawi tanja  
dumateng djuru kuntjiné  
kados pundi tengah langsé wonten erah.

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Line has one syllable too few.

3  
Line has one syllable too few.

- 37 Gih punapa sampun lamija puniku  
lan apa wus hadad  
Ki Balad alon aturi  
Inggih kula getun umundjuk\* wuninga.
- 38 Inggang abang ing wingking boten kadulu  
wus karsané Allah  
ing tanah Djawa badéné  
katak erah kang badé tumibèng lemah.
- 39 Genah\* rusak wus pinesti tekdiripun  
tan kénging tinambak  
lamun wus prapta tekdiré  
sigra pamit mulih ki Djajamustapa.
- 40 Tan tjinatur ing marga pan sampun rawuh  
bjantarèng gustinja  
matur kabèh sahanané  
langkung ngungun narpatmadja kang sasmita.
- 41 Ngandika rum baja uwis pestinipun  
nagri tanah Djawa  
bakal ana perang gedé  
akèh getih wutah pada tiba lemah.
- 42 Nadyan silih pandita kang agung-agung  
kinèn anulaka  
Allah jèn wis ngersakaké  
tanpa gawé panulaké pra pandita.
- 43 Djer ta makluk sedarma baé lumaku  
kang murba misésa  
ja saking Allah kabèhé  
jèn mengkana Djajamustapa sun duta.
- 44 Alungaa mring pulo Brambang sirèku  
lamun sira bisa

- ngamèka kembang ta kaé  
ija kaé Djajakusu[ma]<sup>1</sup> nora bisa\*
- 45 Lah bandjura mangalor lakunirèku  
nèng Pasir manggona\*  
jèn uwis bandjura kaé  
mring Gumelem ija sira adagana.
- 46 Lamun [u]wis<sup>2</sup> bandjura munggahing gunung  
Tasik Windu kana  
mring Tjahjana nepia kaé<sup>3</sup>  
Pakéringan lan ing Lawet anepia.
- 47 Ja ing kono pan ana pratandanipun  
negara Mentaram  
hala kelawan betjiké  
dina besuk\* lah pajo sira mangkata.
- 48 Si Djanodin miluwa marang sirèku  
lawan anakira  
Abu Kasan adja kari  
Kjai Mobid ing Gujangan ampirana.
- 49 Ja kantinen kang wus weruh pernahipun  
lawan uwong désa  
adjakken nganduta kaé  
sangu duwit adja susah ana paran.
- 50 Kawarnaa éndjangé sampun malebu  
marang Sélaradja  
pamit marang ing gustiné  
pinaringan donga\* kang wekasan pisan.

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1

Although MS. has only [Djajakusu] and this gives the line the correct number of syllables, Djajakusuma is correct form of the word.

2

MS. has [wis] which is one syllable too few. Suggest [uwis].

3

Line has one syllable too many.

- 51 Lawan tetenger\* tanda wakil sang bagus  
 wus piningan donga<sup>1</sup>  
 lèngsèr umangkat lampahé  
 nèng Gujangan ki Mobid pernodju lunga.
- 52 Kinèn nusul tan dangu nuwala rawuh\*  
 sigra dinawuhan  
 djeng pangéran timbalané  
 kjai Mobid aturé inggih sandika.
- 53 Pan sedalu nèng Gujangan éndjangipun  
 budal lampahira  
 ing Ajah\* prapta dusuné  
 kawan dalu sipeng dusun Ngadiredja.
- 54 Nèng musigit pan amung sipeng sedalu  
 éndjangé umangkat  
 angambah ing alas gedé  
 sru kalunta nèng Sraju kalangan toja.
- 55 Kali gedé santeré kelangkung-langkung  
 andjoging samodra  
 dangu nganti nèng pinggiré  
 nudju suwung djalma kang tunggu baita.
- 56 Sami salat munggèng sawétané ranu  
 sareng bakda salat  
 sedaja awas tingalé  
 mijat badjul angambang tengah bengawan.
- 57 Agengipun kang baja kelangkung-langkung  
 gigiré seklasa  
 sami trataban atiné  
 aningali dumateng baja kang ngambang.

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- 58 Tan adangu ingkang tengga palwa rawuh  
tjineluk gja mara  
anulja dèn sabrangaké  
baja ngelem banju katradjang ing palwa.
- 59 Winelahan sabrang wétan sampun rawuh  
sigra sami numpak  
sami sanget kuwatiré  
nèng baita sami munadjat mring Allah.
- 60 Tan adangu kang palwa pan sampun rawuh  
sabrang kulon inggal  
sami mentas agé-agé  
gja lumampah anurut pinggir samodra.
- 61 Sami mulat mring tengah samodra agung  
pan wonten mendjangan  
nglangi katut ombak gedé  
kambang-kambang saking ing pulo Berambang.
- 62 Praptèng pinggir mendjangan pitu lumaju  
malebet ing wana  
surja mèh praptèng surupé  
lampahira prapta anèng ing Telatjap.
- 63 Désa suwung wung aparek\* wana agung  
ngulati sipengan  
tilas patinggi\* kaumé  
sami sipeng neng wismané modin Telatjap.<sup>1</sup>
- 64 Dalu rembag ki Mukidin lamun rembug  
kularsa tirakat  
mring pulo Nini-Nini<sup>2</sup>  
ladjeng dateng ing pulo Madjetj pisan.

1

Line has one syllable too many.

2

Line has one syllable too few.

- 65 Saking sanget kapingin kalamun weruh  
lah kadi punapa  
sekar Djajakusumané  
sanget-sanget nggèn kula ajun wikana.
- 66 Lon sumaur Kjai Resajuda wau  
jèn sampéjan arsa  
pulo Madjeti pernahé  
pan akatah puniku weragadira.
- 67 Satus ringgit mangké kula terken\* bagus  
alampah baita  
pulo Madjeti marginé  
nenggih ladjeng dateng pulo Nini pisan.
- 68 Kjai Djajamustapa alon sumaur  
lan ki Mopid ika  
tan kuwawi tambangané  
satus ringgit njukani dateng andika.
- 69 Nadyan kurang kawula pan boten sanggup  
gih sandé kéwala  
ki Mopid alon udjaré  
kula sandika\* terké mring Masdjid Séla.
- 70 Neda pinten\* gih tambangané puniku  
Kjai Resajuda  
alon wau wangsulané  
kalih réjal jèn dumateng Masdjid Séla.
- 71 Sampun rembug wus kinentjèng opahipun  
éndjang sigra budal  
numpak ing palwa lampahé  
kambang-kambang kumambang tengah samodra.

CANTO VII

Metre: Maskumambang

- 1 Kjai Djajamustapa lan kjai Mopid  
tuwin kantjanira  
nèng palwa lampah djeladri  
baitané kambang-kambang.
- 2 Lautira segara hanakan nenggih  
ngilèn lampahira  
abener tan nolih-nolih  
Masdjid Séla wus katingal.
- 3 Langkung inggar sedaja raosing galih  
ngrasa tekèng paran  
sedaja suka kang galih  
palwa minggir sampun mentas.
- 4 Wedi ta sigra binuwangan aglis<sup>1</sup>  
rumput binubutan  
lawang masdjid sampun resik  
anulja karja dahana.
- 5 Damar murub sedaja sampun umandjing  
djroné Masdjid Séla  
ulengan kukus nglimputi  
labet agengé kang dupa.
- 6 Langkung mulek\* kang kukus amrik aminging  
kabèh samja donga  
pandjanga juswaning\* gusti  
sami dikir wirid sigra.
- 7 Pan sedalu tan wonten ingkang anguling  
nenuwun mring Allah  
bjar raina\* sami umidjil<sup>2</sup>  
saking djroning Masdjid Séla.

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<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too few.

<sup>2</sup>Line has one syllable too many.

- 8 Mandjing medal raina datan winarni  
wajah wetu asar  
prasami mandjing ing masjid  
jèn dalu asalat kadjat.
- 9 Aneneda mring Allah kang Mahasutji  
ardjané Mentaram  
sampun wonten kawis-kawis  
djeng pangéran selameta.
- 10 Ki Djanodin sakedap dènira guling  
sinungan sesmita  
djeng pangran katingal nitih  
anumpak sapi Gumarang.
- 11 Agengipun andaka lir péndah wukir  
ing lembu punika  
katingal sikilireki\*  
kabantjang ojed Balaran.
- 12 Pan pineksa kang ojed\* pedot tumuli  
pangran étja numpak  
lembu mamprung tan kaèksi  
iku sasmita kang prapta.
- 13 Ki Djanodin wus tangidènira guling  
getun impènira  
sampun katjatet ing ati  
kaja-kaja djeng pangéran.
- 14 Kalih dalu nèng Masdjid Séla nenepi  
éndjang sami medal  
ladjeng numpak palwa malih  
wangsul wus teka Telatjap.
- 15 Sampun mangkat ing Pasir sinedyèng galih  
Ki Djajamustapa  
sakantjané sami bali  
angétan nabrang bengawan.



- 16 Sampun praptèng Ngadiredja kilènèki  
ngalor lampahira  
ngambah wana pringga werit\*  
lampahira wirandungan.
- 17 Kalih dinten lampahé wus prapta Pasir  
laminé winarna  
pitung dinten pitung wengi  
tirakat nèng pesaréjan.
- 18 Wus mangkana\* pan ladjeng lampahirèki  
tan kawarnèng marga  
mring Apus kèndel sawengi  
ing Gumelem sampun prapta.
- 19 Wonten ngriku pan sami kèndel sawengi  
nepi pasaréjan  
para wali kang utami  
nenuwun ingkang barekah.
- 20 Kang tineda ardjané nagri Mentawis  
hajwa kongsi rusak  
rineksaa Mahasutji  
ladjeng minggah mring aldaka.\*
- 21 Wukir luhur sungil margane arumpil  
wana gung gelagahan<sup>1</sup>  
rajudan sumengkang wukir  
Segara Windu wus prapta.
- 22 Wusnja dalu nèng Segara Windu nepi  
duk kala semana  
nèng wana gung putjak wukir  
udan deres awor barat.
- 23 Sakelangkung asrepé kapati-pati  
udan pantjawara  
gumedeg swaraning ardi  
dedemit umjunging\* tawang.

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too many.

- 24 Atur-atur swarané lelembat muni  
tapa pernahira  
tan tebih swara mareki  
tan kèndel sadalu pisan.
- 25 Bjar raina sigra mudun saking ardi  
Gumelem wus prapta  
ladjeng ngalèr lampahnjèki  
Pekiringan kang sinedya.
- 26 Kawarnaa semana lampahé prapti  
nenepi kuburan  
sawengi makamé wali  
kang [a]rannja<sup>1</sup> Wali Prakosa.
- 27 Duk semana wonten sesmita kang prapta  
ingkang langsé musna  
muluk binekta ing angin  
kaja agung kàtah rebah.
- 28 Nulja ladjeng ing Tjahjana sampun prapti  
ja ta nèng Tjahjana  
sedalu dènira nepi  
kang langsé nora katingal.
- 29 Duk semana Djajamustapa lan Mobid  
langkung susahira  
sesmita datan ngénaki  
deladjat negri Mentaram.
- 30 Kaja-kaja negara Mentaram iki  
arep karusakan  
djalarané apa béndjing  
rusaké nagri Mentaram.
- 31 Éndjing ladju mring gunung Lawet sawengi  
sipeng wonten marga  
éndang mungguh marang wukir  
pasaréjan sampun prapta.

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too many. Suggest omit [a].

- 32 Wusnja donga munadjaté wanti-wanti  
neda maring Allah  
berkahé sinaré mriki  
tan dangu wonten sesmita.
- 33 Tan antara langsé itjal tan kaèksi  
sarta djurang bengkah  
ladjeng djugrug anèng\* siti  
muḍun ngalor mring djudjurang.
- 34 Duk semana ki Mobid osikning ati  
sasmitane Allah  
pra wali rasaning njunggil  
semuné akudangdangan.

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CANTO VIII

Metre: Dandangula

- 1 Tan antara mudun saking wukir  
 kjai Mopid [ki]<sup>1</sup> Djajamustapa  
 wirandungan sakantjané  
 pikir sadjroning kalbu  
 kang dèn atak\* sesmita sami  
 rasan sarwi lumampah  
 ki Mopid amuwus  
 mangsa boronga\* kang murba  
 kang misésa kang akarja bumi langit  
 temah rusaking djagat.
- 2 Dèn lebur anganti\* rontang-ranting  
 mangsa ana kang bisa [malang-]malanga<sup>2</sup>  
 pesti dadi sakarsané  
 Djajanodin sumambung  
 amangsuli sebdaning Mopid  
 leres dawuh sampéjan  
 nerus ngèlmunipun  
 Allah kang murba misésa  
 wahdanijat ana nèng djagat puniki\*  
 wit ora maring ora.
- 3 Alon-lonan ngétan lampahnèki  
 ing Tjibarang ingkang\* sampun prapta  
 datan kawarna lampahé  
 semana sampun rawuh  
 anèng kana adon nenepi  
 sedalu pesaréjan\*  
 éndjang munggah gunung  
 Merbabu prapta ing puntjak  
 Ngargadalem ing kono samja alinggih  
 ngaso-aso ambekan.

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<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too few. Suggest add [ki].

<sup>2</sup>Line has two syllables too many. Delete [malang].

- 4 Sampun dangu ngaso napasnèki  
 mantjad\* mungguh\* arsa mirsa kawah  
 Tjandragumuka swarané  
 kaja pa warnanipun  
 pan gumuruh swaranirèki  
 gja mudun marang kawah  
 dulu kaduk purun  
 kijai Djajamustapa  
 anungkuli wau dènira ningali  
 ketangkep kukus kawah.
- 5 Ladjeng sumaput panonirèki  
 napasira mapan wus tan\* medal  
 larut bijas ing tjahjané  
 kurang satitik lampus  
 gja ginèndèng mundur anenggih  
 dangu dènnja kantaka  
 duk semana émut  
 bubar angsul pernahira\*  
 mudun djurang-djurang djro kelangkung tebih  
 sarwi dipun rerampa.\*
- 6 Mring rowangé kang sami djagani  
 Ngargadalem lampahé wus prapta  
 tur peteng dedet gunungé  
 nulja ampuwan rawuh  
 barat agung djawah njarengi  
 lésus [a]sru<sup>1</sup> pantjawara  
 swara ing\* galudug  
 peteng limeng sabuwana  
 kadi wengi ampuwan gung ingkang prapti  
 aserepira kalintang.
- 7 Dasar pedut lawan kurang\* bukti  
 pan pinarag ampuwan nèng Ngarga  
 Djamustapa sru sambaté

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too few. Suggest omit [a].

tan wurung ingsun lampus  
 uwang titir kang wadja gatik<sup>1</sup>  
 praptané kang ampuwan  
 bedug wajahipun  
 sareng asar sirna hilang  
 kang ampuwan sirna hilang surja midjil  
 maruta sampun sirna.

- 8 Éndjing tumurun sangking wukir  
 tan\* kawarna lampahé nèng marga  
 ing Pentongan\* prapta agé  
 pan ladjeng munggah gunung  
 ing Merapi kawah nenepi  
 kalih dalu nèng kawah  
 ja ta sami mudun  
 langkung èwedé kang marga  
 duk munggahé kang marga kelangkung sungil  
 djurangé lamat-lamat.
- 9 Kurang titik mèh wangsul ing margi  
 awit saking angèlé kang marga  
 wirang bali dalan baé  
 prapta ing andap sampun  
 ladjeng mantuk pan sampun lami  
 sèket dinané paran  
 kedaloning henu  
 lampahira sampun prapta  
 nèng Kuwaron nèng masdjid sipeng sawengi  
 Ki Mopid asupena.
- 10 Tijang sepuh satunggal marani  
 namanira Ki Gedé ing Séla  
 alon wau pamupusé  
 Dipanegara bésuk  
 meksa arep amurwèng urip\*  
 ngrata agama sarak

djinurung Al-Sabur  
 sinung rahmat ingkang Mulja  
 nanging ana béka rentjanané béndjing  
 sisipi\* sembir wruh bakal.

- 11 Jèn sumimpang ing patang prakawis  
 hudjubrija tekabur sumengah  
 pesti lulusé karepé  
 jèn adoh saking iku  
 lamun nradjang patang prakawis  
 rahmat hidajat benggang\*  
 wangsul\* wahjunipun  
 lan maning ana bégalan  
 jèn tan awas murungaken bakal adji  
 rowang nala kang\* hala.

- 12 Kawarnaa éndjang wus lumaris  
 waktu\* magrib prapta Tegalredja  
 sampun katur sedajané  
 sigra ngandikan gupuh  
 praptèng ngarsa sedaja sami  
 andèr munggèng ajunan  
 djeng pangran lon muwus  
 kabèh pada kaslametan  
 kang dinuta sedaja umatur aris  
 asal berkah paduka.

- 13 Angandika malih radjasiwi  
 kaja paran mungguh lakunira  
 awit angkatira bijèn\*  
 tansah dadi tyasingsun  
 apa baja kang sira panggih  
 wasit miwah sesmita  
 Ki Mopid umatur  
 tuwin ki Djajamustapa  
 lampah kula sedaja ulun lampahi  
 inggih dawuh paduka.

- 14 Mung satunggal kawula tan dugi  
 inggih dateng panggènan sekar<sup>1</sup>  
 Djajakusuma margané  
 mawi prabéja agung  
 abdi dalem boten kadugi  
 anjukani prabéja  
 dateng tijang dusun  
 sedaja wus kalampahan  
 sampun katur miwiti malah mekasi  
 lamat wasit sesmita.
- 15 Ing sasolah-solahé tinuding  
 sedajané tan ana kang gitang  
 narpaputra lon sabdané  
 ija tarima ingsun  
 kèndel osik sakdjroning galih  
 lamun\* kaja mangkonoa  
 pralambang kang dawuh  
 ija negara Mentaram  
 hura-huri djalaran saking ing mami  
 terus karsaning Allah.
- 16 Bubar mantuk sedaja prasami  
 djeng pangéran pan kantun pijambak  
 nèng séla gilang pernahé  
 putek tyas sang abagus  
 ngraosaken sagungé wasit  
 kang sampun sami dawah  
 punika kagugu  
 keraos-raos ing drija  
 kaja paran déningsun djumeneng adji  
 anèng pradja Mentaram.
- 17 Jèn Welanda mèlu amengkoni  
 banget gèsèh lan daliling kitab  
 dadi gawé tan sagawé  
 ingsun mikir kedatun

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too few.



ing ajunan ingsun tinagih  
 éwa mengkana uga  
 jèn wis takdiripun  
 jèn ingsun dadi djalaran  
 panedaku mring Allah kang Mahasutji  
 muga sun tinrimaa.

- 18 Djumenenga naléndra agami  
 madeg\* ana ing rat Nusa Djawa  
 babon anglakokaké  
 saraké kangdjeng Rasul  
 adja tjampur lawan wong kapid  
 muga Allah nantosakna.  
 paringa pitulung  
 maring ing sakadjatingwang  
 lan sagungé kang anut agama Nabi  
 ija djeng Nabi duta.

- 19 Santosakna\* sarta basuki  
 anèng donja praptèng ing akérat  
 tinarimaa imané  
 dalu salat sang bagus  
 kadjat pinres raosing galih  
 ja ta nulja na swara  
 munggèng karnanipun  
 dumeling udjaring swara  
 kagèt wungu sigra utusan nimbali  
 kjai Djajamustapa.

- 20 Prapta ngarsa pangran ngandika ris  
 marma sira sun timbali ija  
 sapungkurmu tan asuwé  
 ngong salat kadjat iku  
 ana swara luwih dumeling  
 ana ing karnaningwang  
 mangkana kang tutur  
 wus karilan maring Allah  
 dadi ratu adji tekabur sirèki  
 jèn nradjang wurung bakal.

- 21 Apa tutur ija saking iblis  
 apa saking wisiking malékat  
 Djajamustapa\* aturé  
 sumangga sang abagus  
 saweg-saweg\* wetawis gusti  
 inggih saking malékat  
 sawab djeng pukulun  
 lebar saking salat kadjat  
 sanès éblis pangran ngandika aris  
 apa karsaning Allah.
- 22 Djeng pangéran angandika aris  
 ingong pasrah sakarsané Allah  
 djer kawula nora duwé  
 bener kalawan luput  
 amung Allah ingkang akardi  
 Djajamustapa mulia  
 sigra nembah mundur  
 narpaputra pesaréjan\* keladjeng  
 narpaputra ladjeng guling  
 munggèng séla gegilang.
- 23 Nda tatita pan sampun alami  
 djeng pangéran rinembug Welanda  
 dèn telik-telik solahé  
 Mister Semitsar iku  
 njatakaken pan sampun jekti  
 Radèn Dipati Danurdja  
 sampun atur rembug  
 residèn dèrèng pertjaja  
 ing samangké wus njatakaken pribadi  
 datan sumelang ing tyas.
- 24 Ingaturan pista marang Lodji  
 tan kelilan\* bekta abdi kajah  
 pangéran wus pirsá karepé  
 njata Welanda iku

temen-temen ngarah mring mami  
 ja ingsun ingaturan  
 pista Lodji agung  
 tan suka anggawa rowang\*  
 tanda temen Welanda harep ngapusi  
 sun pasrah maring Allah.

- 25 Lamun Allah durung amarengi  
 sakarepé Welanda tan sida  
 ngalani marang awakingong<sup>1</sup>  
 tindak sang radjasunu\*  
 praptèng Lodji sedajèng linggih  
 tansah pasrah mring Allah  
 djroning galih nekung  
 lenggah nora kaja adat pareng\*  
 tjelak abdi sedaja tan pareng\* tebih  
 Welanda èwed kang karsa.
- 26 Dèn aturi lumebet ing Lodji  
 ingkang ngirit\* djeng pangran tan arsa  
 wus pirsá Welanda\* karepé  
 pineksa datan purun  
 dadya éwuh dènnja ngapusi  
 Welanda sami menggah  
 ing karsané wurung  
 wus dangu sami bubaran  
 sang residèn arapet tembungé betjik  
 tan wonten éwuhira.
- 27 Sampun lami dinuga wus lali  
 djeng pangéran malih ingaturan  
 dumateng Lodji gedé  
 pangéran datan purun  
 asengadi duk lagi sakit  
 Welanda tan\* grahita  
 pangéran wus weruh

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too many.

kang dadi karep Welanda  
nora lami anulja dipun aturi  
maring Bedaja pista.

- 28 Pista ageng-agung ing kumpeni  
Mister Semitsar ingkang anadar  
pangéran tedak karsané  
ambekta wadya satus  
pipilihan ingkang ginangsing  
djeng pangéran nitih rata  
Bedaja wus rawuh  
Welanda kelangkung katah  
wus miranti nèng kantor sadjroning Lodji  
djeng pangéran lenggah djaba.
- 29 Pan ingadjak mring residèn tan apti  
wali-wali pangéran tan arsa  
anèng djro banget gerahé  
nèng djaba awakingsun  
énak ésés asilir-silir\*  
mangka ingkana béda\*  
Semitsar adjentung  
wus kapriksa kawanguran  
sampun dènnja pista bubar sami mulih  
praptané Tegalredja.
- 30 Djeng pangéran garegut kang galih  
dadya madeg surasaning werdaja<sup>1</sup>  
mjarsa rembugé wong akèh  
sinunduk jektinipun  
lan residèn karepirèki  
kumpul lan Danuredja  
lan malih kang rembug  
djeng pangéran Paku Alam

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<sup>1</sup>

Line has one syllable too many.

ingkang éjang saking misuwur ingkang warti<sup>1</sup>  
ing karsa jun kinasap.

- 31 Tegalredja pan arsa ginitik  
wikan dalu àtanapi sijang  
osiking tyas wis pestiné  
Allah kang Mahaagung  
ingsun murwa ing perang sabil  
lah ija pati apa  
manungsa dèn luru  
kedjaba pati utama  
donjakérat wus midak saréngat Nabi  
karsané Allahtangallah.<sup>2</sup>

- 32 Pan kawula tan kena sumingkir  
pati urip lara lan kapénak  
api ora pangandikané<sup>3</sup>  
kabèh sarupanipun  
uwong Tegalredja jèn wengi  
adja na djroning omah  
gegaman ja kantjan<sup>4</sup>  
pada anaa ing dadah  
lan maningé sarupané bekel dési  
kang pada trisna ingwang.

- 33 Pada djagaa maringsun jèn wengi  
wus kalakon kalih dalu djaga  
nèng dadah sagegamané  
kawertèng dusun-dusun  
kang trisna mring kangdjeng gusti  
djaga mring Tegalredja

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Line has one syllable too many.

3

Line has one syllable too many.

4

Line has incorrect vowel ending, which should be [u].

langkung katahipun  
 tigangatus winantara  
 lamun sijang sedaja wus bubar mulih  
 sanget angon iriban.

34 Bawanipun wadya kèn tan keni  
 warta gumrah\* sadjroning negara  
 malah wuwuh pawartané  
 tan kenat saben dalu  
 djalma dateng selur anggili  
 marang ing Tegalredja  
 ngadeg barisipun  
 parintah marang wong désa  
 poma-poma adja pegat ngati-ati  
 kumpeni wus ketara.

35 Dènnja arep mrih lara wak mami  
 geder\* gumrah sapradja Mentaram  
 mundak-mundak pawartané  
 kangdjeng pangéran tamtu  
 ngadeg kraman nggitik negari  
 pandjangé kang\* pawarta  
 sapradja misuwur  
 karsané kangdjeng pangéran  
 wulan Sura wedalé saking Negari  
 nèng Slarong madeg nata.

36 Djeng pangran tansah tikbra kang galih  
 awit saking wartané wong katah  
 tinerka karsa madeg katong<sup>1</sup>  
 karsa ngrusak Mentaram  
 radjasunu mupusing galih  
 ija kinapakena  
 djer saderma iku  
 kabèh kang agawé warta  
 mobah-mosik atas Allah kang akardi  
 mangsa sun undurana.

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too many.

CANTO IX

Metre: Durma

- 1 Lon ngandika pangéran Dipanegara  
 dumateng ingkang abdi  
 kang sepuh sedaja  
 Lah paran rembagira  
 déné ta warta puniki  
 wus masjur ingwang\*  
 tinerka awak mami.
  
- 2 Arsa ngraman madeg nèng\* kraton Mentaram\*  
 aturé para abdi  
 tamtu Tegalredja  
 dèn lurugi\* Welanda  
 jèn pareng karsané gusti  
 luwung sedaja\*  
 sampun Tegal\* ta gusti.
  
- 3 Lawan malih kawula mijarsa warta  
 tijang Danurdjan warti  
 dumateng kawula  
 samangké Tegalredja  
 tinarka wus madeg baris  
 dateng Walanda  
 sawab kelamun wengi.
  
- 4 Langkung kawah baris wonten Tegalredja  
 kaduké kang pawarti  
 éwon djalma prapta  
 Welanda kang utusan  
 telikipun sijang latri  
 pangran ngandika  
 jèn mangkono kang warti.
  
- 5 Samengkoné ingsun ora\* kena ontjat  
 sawabé si Kumpeni  
 atiné tan lenggah\*

- jèn sun maksih nèng Djawa  
tinarka ngéwuh-éwuhi\*  
kinapakena  
pestiné awak mami.
- 6 Lah gawéja surat marang wonging désa  
sapa kang trisna mami  
pada ngujunana  
bala wong désa-désa  
apa déné batur mami  
kang tuwa-tuwa  
sun angkat tumenggung sami.<sup>1</sup>
- 7 Anjekela surat pratanda sakingwang  
kelawan etjap muni  
pratanda dèn wenang  
ngujuni mring wong désa  
nguju\* désa sakanan-kéring  
ja ta gung pisan  
sun murwèng perang sabil.
- 8 Angimami agama ing tanah Djawa  
lamun nututa mami  
mangsa wurunga binuwang<sup>2</sup>  
dadi nora karuwan  
mungguh lakuné agami  
pira bara ta  
jèn ardja laku mami.
- 9 Pesti adil agama djeng rasulallah\*  
ana ing tanah Djawi  
semana wus dadya  
karsané narpaputra  
dalukatah djalma prapti\*  
désa mjang pradja  
tuwin abdi pradjurit.

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<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too many.

<sup>2</sup>Line has two syllables too many.



- 10 Mantri djero Pinilih Ketanggung Njutra  
marek sang radja pekik  
ngaturken sedyanja  
ndèrèk ing sakarsa  
timbangané radjasiwi  
angon iriban  
poma dèn ngati-ati.
- 11 Nadyan putra sentana katah kang prapta  
ing wengi dènnja prapti  
Mandung Wirabradja  
tanapi Bradjanala  
Suranata sami prapti  
pradjurit Pantjas  
Daéng prasami prapti.
- 12 Surjagama sakilèn kali Winonga  
sujud samija prapti  
dawuhé pangéran  
sampun wradin sedaja  
dèn pesti dinané sami  
pada pepaka  
ing sasi Sura iki.
- 13 Tanggal pitu ing wengi pada tekaa  
ésuk ngepung negara  
kulun madep ngétan  
déné kidul negara  
mangalor adèpirèki  
kang lèr negara  
bandjur ngobong-obongi.
- 14 Sampun dadya sakatahé kang rinembag  
wradin kang labuh sami  
désa lan negara  
ngantosi kang ubaja  
wulan Sura dènnja anti\*  
pan dèrèng prapta\*  
semajanira\* sami.

- 15 Kawarnaa residèn Mister Semitsar  
terang pamirsanèki  
tamtu Tegalredja  
madeging naléndra  
wit telik Danuredja nenggih  
momor wong kàtah  
ing rembag wruh pribadi.
- 16 Pakumpulan nèng Lodji para Welanda  
mjang Danuredja patih  
tuwin pra pangéran  
karsanira Semitsar  
betjiké dipun dingini  
jèn nganti ngerda  
mundak akèh pepati.
- 17 Tegalredja winarna wajang-wujungan  
kang tipis galihnèki  
pan saduwèkira  
ingilèkaken samja  
lunga mberod\* mangsa ratri  
pangran parintah  
adja na wong kang ngili.
- 18 Kangdjeng ratu utusan mring Danuredja  
ngénggalaken anggitik  
marang Tegalredja  
mumpung durung akatah<sup>1</sup>  
kumpulé bala désa  
Danuredja Dyan Dipati  
aglis aséba  
lumebu marang Lodji.
- 19 Sampun panggih kelawan Mister Semitsar  
dinawuhaken nuli  
djeng ratu karsanja  
sigra Mister Semitsar

<sup>1</sup>Verse 18 has one line too many; either line 4 or 5 is superfluous.

nimbali bupati sidji  
 bupati prapta  
 méntar ingkang tinuding.

- 20 Tan adangu kijai Sindunegara  
 sampun prapta djro Lodji  
 sigra dinawuhan  
 kinèn mring Tegalredja  
 ngaturi djeng pangran aglis  
 Dipanegara  
 malebuwa mring Lodji
- 21 Jèn tan arsa sira nuli umatura  
 apa ta sababnèki  
 jèn bengi kèh djalma  
 kumpul nèng Tegalredja  
 dyan Sindunegara aglis  
 sigra umangkat  
 Tegalredja wus prapti.
- 22 Inggal katur kijai Sindunegara  
 sowan wonten ing djawi  
 sigra tinimbangan  
 tan dangu praptèng arsa  
 radjaputra ngandika ris  
 dinuta paran  
 laku andika mariki.
- 23 Inggih amba wijosé gusti dinuta  
 sudara dalem gusti  
 residèn Semitsar  
 paduka ingaturan  
 pinaraka dateng Lodji  
 pangran ngandika  
 ngong dudu\* botjah mami.
- 24 Angandika pangéran Dipanegara  
 dateng sagunging dasih

paran karepira  
 ingsun diundang Welanda  
 lumebu marang ing Lodji  
 pada matura  
 jèn sira lila mami.

- 25 Jèn tan lila lah pada sira matura  
 jèn bisa marang mami  
 ki Djajamustapa  
 matur lamun paduka  
 amundut aturing dasih  
 inggih sedaja  
 rempeg aturing dasih.
- 26 Boten rila paduka lamun tindaka  
 pinarak dateng Lodji  
 djer tan ardjèng karsa  
 inggih ta pun Welanda  
 jèn tuwan sinaput\* gusti  
 sinten kang béla  
 jèn wonten djroning Lodji.
- 27 Nadyan taksih kataha para sentana  
 negari ing Mentawis  
 gih mangsa purana\*  
 angrebat béla pedjah  
 pangéran lingira aris  
 Sindunegara  
 sira matura aglis.
- 28 Mring residèn manira nora tumindak  
 sabab aturku sami  
 kabèh nora rembag  
 matur Sindunegara  
 pan amba dinuta malih  
 matur paduka  
 Tegalredja puniki.

- 29 Saben dalu abdi dalem langkung katah  
ngriki wonten punapi  
pangran lon ngandika  
ija Sindunegara  
mulané bengi kèh djalmi  
pan pada trisna  
kabèh marang ing mami.
- 30 Ija pada rumeksa mring awakingwang  
dèn antjam kètju maling  
akèh sedya hala  
matur Sindunegara  
gusti sinten ingkang wani  
pangran ngandika  
betjik wong ngati-ati.
- 31 Sindupradja sampun pamit sigra medal  
tan dangu praptèng Lodji  
wus katur sedaja  
wiwitan lan wekasan  
sabarang rèhira tinuding  
umatur wetja  
residèn langkung runtik.
- 32 Suku nggedrug\* topi binanting médja  
sarwi sru dènnja angling  
lan [ija]<sup>1</sup> Sindunegara  
bener arep ngeraman  
temen wani mring Kumpeni  
rainé abang  
djadja lir metu geni.
- 33 Genti kotjap wau ta kangdjeng pangéran  
langkung susahing galih  
déné dèrèng prapta  
masanirèng ubaja

<sup>1</sup>Line has two syllables too many. Suggest omit [ija].

sedaja kang samja djangdji  
 selak kasesa  
 pestiné dèn ingini.

- 34 Djeng pangéran ing dalu akarja surat  
 sinung sedaja sami  
 mring kang sagah trisna  
 mbélani ngadeg kraman  
 samja kinèn ngati-ati  
 wradin sedaja  
 satjandak-tjandaknèki.
- 35 Kawarnaa ing Lodji wus apradandan  
 dlegunder ngati-ati  
 mrijem dinandanan  
 wadya Pakualaman  
 Danurdjan sampun miranti  
 sami sedaja  
 samongsa-mongsa nggitik.
- 36 Kawarnaa wau ki Sindunegara  
 éndjing dinuta malih  
 ija ngaturana  
 pangéran Dipanegara  
 ngaturan pinarak Lodji  
 lamun tan arsa  
 pinaraka mring puri.
- 37 Jèn tan arsa pinarak sadjroning pura  
 Mangkubumèn ja betjik  
 residèn karsanja  
 papanggihjan sakedap  
 Sindupradja mangkat aglis  
 tan dangu prapta  
 Tegalredja tumuli.
- 38 Gja tumanduk ngarsané kangdjeng pangéran  
 duk semana kang dasih  
 pepakan sedaja

sumiwèng munggèng arsa  
 Sindupradja matur aris  
 amba dinuta  
 marang Residèn gusti

- 39 Djeng paduka marang ing Lodji ingaturan  
 jèn [tan]<sup>1</sup> arsa mring Lodji  
 pepanggihan kedatyan<sup>2</sup>  
 jèn tan arsa djro pura  
 Mangkubumèn sami panggih  
 lawan Welanda  
 pirembag kang prajogi.
- 40 Jèn tan arsa pinarak panggéran tiga  
 paran pinundut gusti  
 Residèn sumagah  
 nurut karsa paduka  
 mung sampun kepandjang gusti  
 andamel risak  
 ngémana mring wong tjilik.
- 41 Djeng pangéran asru dènira ngandika  
 lah ija uwis-uwis  
 jèn sanggup Semitsar  
 ngong djaluk nora lija  
 Danurdja Wiranegari  
 ing langira  
 teka pradja Mentawis.
- 42 Djer puniku kang gawé riwut\* negara  
 tan redja ing Mentawis  
 jèn isih Danurdja  
 lawan Wiranegara  
 pangéran ngandika aris  
 uwis tutura  
 marang Residèn aglis.

<sup>1</sup>Line has one syllable too few; [tan] is suggested which fits the meaning.

<sup>2</sup>Line has one syllable too many.

- 43 Tan antara kijai Sindunegara  
 anulja medal aglis  
 ja ta kawarnaa  
 Mangkubumi pangéran  
 prapta nabda dèrèng linggih  
 tolé lah paran  
 ngandikaa wong manis.
- 44 Aku iki dikonkon marang Semitsar  
 residèning Mentawis  
 tinempuhkan ingwang  
 dènnja arsa panggijan  
 lawan kowé amrih betjik  
 sun kon anggunga  
 ngedabiyah\* nampingrèki.
- 45 Lan gebalé tolé ing werangkanira  
 sun tanggung sira kaki  
 kang putra tan arsa  
 kang rama lon ngandika  
 jèn mangkono ingsun iki  
 tan wurung pedjah  
 jèn sira nora kérid.
- 46 Bali mati mogok nora wurung pedjah  
 kang putra matur aris  
 pilih pundi rama  
 séda Islam lan kapidir\*  
 kang rama mrangu\* tan angling  
 ndjetung kéwala  
 kang putra matur aris.
- 47 Jèn makaten paduka puniku rama  
 kinèn mbudjuk mring mami  
 ing mangké paduka  
 sampun katjakup kula  
 mangsa kersa mbéla mami\*  
 jekti paduka  
 adjrih dateng Kumpeni.



- 48 Djeng pangran Mangkubumi alon ngandika  
lah\* uwis putra mami  
sun labuhi sira  
begdja lawan tjilaka  
anggèr sira sun bélani  
djamaké bapa  
lan anak mati urip.
- 49 Djeng pangéran ngandika marang kang garwa  
Radèn Aju dèn aglis  
dandana ngilija  
marang Silarong kana  
sabarang gawanèn sami  
sapangkat-pangkat  
mangsa wurung djurit.
- 50 Arta pitjis pada sira wetokena  
dumna para pradjurit  
kang trisna sedaja  
nglabuhi marangingwang  
dèn werata dipun adil  
gja binagé gal  
sedaja wus weradin.
- 51 Radèn Aju Mangkubumi tinimbangan  
dalun tan wonten uning  
barang sampun telas  
budalé wandji asar  
ing Silarong kang dèn usi  
Bahwi Muhamad  
dadya sirah pangiring.
- 52 Wonten déné wadya ingkang kawah-kawah  
andèr ngarsa sang pekik  
samekta gegaman  
waos sendjata\* pedang  
déné sadjawining puri  
bala wanodya  
lir gabah dèn interi.

- 53 Ing sela mrung sijang dalu tanpa nénda  
kerta pangalanda nenggih<sup>1</sup>  
radèn Madyakrama  
kelawan Suradjaja  
embané sang radjasiwi  
ki Tirtaredja  
lulurah anèng ngarsi.
- 54 Trawinangun kelawan Djajamuhamad  
lurah lenggahirèki  
Tirtaredja muwah  
Kjai Djajamustapa  
tan sumiwèng ngarsèng gusti  
saweg tamuwan  
kang badé tulung djurit.
- 55 Kartanagri dinginipun Amad Darsah  
Djajapenawang nenggih  
ki Muljasentika  
aran Djajanegara  
lèr nagri badé ngujuni  
wus sami prapta  
singidan patjak baris.
- 56 Abdi dalem sedaja kulon Winanga  
pan sampun samja bali  
tunut Tegalredja  
miranti sesingidan  
samangsa katon pradjurit  
sangking negara  
dèn petuk kilèn kali.
- 57 Éndjingira kijai Sindunegara  
ja ta dinuta malih  
marang Tegalredja  
ngaturi djeng pangéran

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Line has one syllable too many.

nanging wuri sampun rakit  
 [We]landa<sup>1</sup> kumerab  
 badé ngantep ing djurit.

- 58 Badé njekel pangéran Dipanegara  
 jèn bangga dèn awisi\*  
 rembagipun Danurdja  
 lawan Wiranegara  
 mring residèn aturnèki  
 gandra punapa  
 pangéran Dipanegari.
- 59 Nadyan siliha digdaja\* awor lan méga  
 sundul dateng ing langit  
 kawula tan ulap  
 kedik wong Tegalredja  
 suwé midjet wohing ranti  
 nadyan wageda  
 malih buta saketèti.
- 60 Wus kagegem pangéran Dipanegara  
 munggèng selaning daridji  
 mangsa wageda gagal  
 saking ing asta kula  
 sumbaré kèh kang kawidjil  
 [We]landa<sup>2</sup> kotbuta  
 tuwin radèn dipati.
- 61 Wirjanagri putranèki Wiraguna  
 tumut nindhihi baris  
 kotjap Sindupradja  
 dinuta ambudjuka  
 Tegalredja sampun prapti  
 umarak ngarsa  
 ladjeng umatur aris.

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1 and 2

MS. has [landa] which accords with metre.

- 62    Lawan malih njepengi Wiranegara  
       jèn sampun dèn talèni  
       punapa kang karsa  
       Residèn nut kéwala  
       punapa dipun wudjuwing  
       napa sinolah  
       napa dipun lampusi.
- 63    Narpaputra ngandika lon dé mangkana  
       ja temen-temen betjik  
       lah pajo sun tindak  
       ngong panggih lan Welanda  
       saweg étja gunem kawis  
       datan antara  
       mrijem awanti-wanti.
- 64    Djeng pangéran langkung kagèt amijarsa  
       mrijem awanti-wanti  
       ambreg kang senapan  
       djeng pangran sru ngandika  
       Sindupradja dèn tudingi  
       Sindunegara  
       paran rembugirèki.
- 65    Sindupradja sigra medal gurawalan  
       sagah ngundurken baris  
       kuda njander njongklang  
       aperang\* bebedilan  
       kulon kali wétan kali  
       surak-sinurak  
       kepanggih pada wani.
- 66    Dyan dipati Danuredja nindihi juda  
       wétan tamping ngebjuki\*  
       dyan Wiranegara  
       ladju terus barisnja\*  
       nangkebi ngebjuki djurit  
       tjampuh ing juda  
       tan ana ngutjap adjrih.

- 67 Surakira swarané anglir ampuan  
awor swaraning bedil  
wadya Tegalredja  
nanging karoban lawan  
angukih-ukih kawalik\*  
sendjata munja  
mimis datan ngoberi.
- 68 Raméning prang tambah musuh lawan rowang  
dedel ukihing ukih  
mrije tunda-tunda  
mapan pradjuritira\*  
saking kidul améntari  
Tompéjan méntar  
saking Bulu[warti]<sup>1</sup> méntari.
- 69 Wirapradja prangira kelangkung panggah  
Djadirdja luranèki  
lan pradjurit Pantjas  
nama anom Widjaja  
kiwul ngamuk mrijem Wlandi  
katak kang pedjah  
Kumpeni njelod\* wani.
- 70 Mrijemira dangdung-dangdung\* anglir gelap  
anglir rubuh kang wukir  
maksih raméning prang  
Tegalredja kébekan  
putra mantu ngamuk nguni  
putra Keranggan  
tumbak agemirèki.
- 71 Apeparab radèn mas Djajaprawira  
lawung ngembat kumitir  
bagus warnanira  
pantes andoning laga

<sup>1</sup>MS. has [bulu], which accords with metre. [Buluwarti] is suggested.

numbak Wlanda lir tjitjindil  
 ngamuk manengah  
 angedrèl wanti-wanti.

- 72 Djajadirdja lelurahing Wirapradja  
 ambek sura adjurit  
 panggah judanira<sup>1</sup>  
 Kumpeni angangseg wani  
 peteng gap-gapan\*  
 déning\* kukusing bedil
- 73 Djajadirdja lelurahing Wirabradja  
 sakantjanira njirig\*  
 njirig kang turangga  
 undurira lon-lonan  
 sinander marang Kumpeni  
 sinambet pedang  
 Djajadirdja bilahi.
- 74 Gja pinutar\* mrijem saking ing kanan  
 anulja mundur aglis  
 wonging Tegalredja  
 krépotan judanira  
 akatah ingkang bilahi  
 anandang brana  
 manah katah kang miris.
- 75 Kawarnaa pangéran Dipanegara  
 lan pangran Mangkubumi  
 semana tumedak  
 ndjenengi ajuda  
 binéndrong mrijem lan bedil  
 mawur sangsrangan  
 mimis kadi gurimis.
- 76 Samja giris mimis tiba anglir hudan  
 djeng pangran Mangkubumi

<sup>1</sup>Following line d is missing from MS.

sumingab tyasira  
 ngandika mring kang putra  
 tolé pajo nglèngsèr dinging  
 pradjuritira  
 kéles karoban tanding.

- 77 Gja lumèngsèr pangéran Dipanegara  
 lan pangran Mangkubumi  
 ngilèn lampahira  
 lèpèn Bajem wus nabrang  
 Kumpeni angangseg sami  
 Djajamustapa  
 répot lampahirèki.
- 78 Anèng wuntat kapleter-pleter djebulkan  
 katututan Kumpeni  
 ngadjeng katjegatan  
 kanan kéring sendjata  
 lumaju tan angsal margi  
 tinilar kantja  
 dadya tyas ngati-ati.
- 79 Gja tumandang angamuk ngulati marga  
 lawungé mobat-mabit  
 Kumpeni kang tjelak  
 tinumbak kaperdjaja  
 tjinandak kantjanirèki  
 nèng luhur kuda  
 mundur ladjeng ngemasi.
- 80 Ingkang kilèn nutulpetis anjendjata  
 sigra tinumbak mati  
 ki Djajamustapa  
 kanan\* kénging sendjata  
 ngandap suku ingkang kanan<sup>1</sup>  
 peteng tingalnja  
 sampun anjipta pati.

<sup>1</sup>Line has incorrect final vowel ending which should be [i].

- 81 Tjiptanira sadjroning drija mangkana  
 drema baé Kumpeni\*  
 déné ingkang kaṭah  
 mbedil saking kadohan  
 mangkana osiking ati  
 Djajamustapa  
 mangsa ngong bisa urip.
- 82 Wong Welanda ingkang pedjah pan titiga  
 nulja bubar ngunduri  
 baris djadjar ngétan  
 munggèng ing ratan umjang  
 ja ta samja aningali  
 saking kadohan  
 Djajamustapa linggih.
- 83 Nèng galengan anjipta pedjah kéwala  
 osiking djroning ati<sup>1</sup>  
 Allah kang sipat kodrat  
 jèn èstu amba ngemasi  
 gusti\* kawula  
 pangéran Dipanegari.
- 84 Mugi-mugi tuwan wurung sakarsanja  
 jèn amba tuwan paring  
 taksih awèt gesang  
 mugi kula panggihna\*  
 lan gusti sang narpasiwi  
 Djajamustapa  
 kaniné sigra medal.
- 85 Ngandap suku\* kang kraos sanget tikbranja\*  
 angadeg tan kuwawi  
 pasrah maring Allah  
 munadjat djro wardaja

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Following line c missing from MS.



dikir donga djroning ati  
 ingkang katjipta  
 Allah kang Mahasutji.

- 86 Dangu-dangu sampun aring napasira  
 nulja wau lumaris  
 sinéred tumbaknja  
 lumebet padésan<sup>1</sup>  
 Kumpeni datan nututi  
 karsané Allah  
 tinakdir durung pati.
- 87 Apan ladjeng nalusup mandjing ing désa  
 tilem sangandaping pari\*  
 wus aso napasnja  
 arsa nusul pangéran  
 anulja kesaput latri  
 sanget petengnja  
 datan wikaning margi.
- 88 Meksa nékad dènnja ngulati bendara  
 lampahira ngerintih  
 mlampah murang marga  
 kjai Djajamustapa  
 napasira mempís-mempís  
 samarga-marga  
 kudandangan ngulati.

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<sup>1</sup>

Line has one syllable too few.

## SPECIFICATIONS OF METRES USED

Asmaradana

Line number	a	b	c	d	e	f	g
No. of syllables	8	8	8	8	7	8	8
Final vowel ending	i	a	é, o	a	a	u	a

Dandanggula

Line number	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j
No. of syllables	10	10	8	7	9	7	6	8	12	7
Final vowel ending	i	a	é, o	u	i	a	u	a	i	a

Sinom

Line number	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i
No. of syllables	8	8	8	8	7	8	7	8	12
Final vowel ending	a	i	a	i	i	u	a	i	a

Pangkur

Line number	a	b	c	d	e	f	g
No. of syllables	8	11	8	7	12	8	8
Final vowel ending	a	i	u	a	u	a	i

Kinanti

Line number	a	b	c	d	e	f
No. of syllables	8	8	8	8	8	8
Final vowel ending	u	i	a	i	a	i

Putjung

Line number	a	b	c	d
No. of syllables	12	6	8	12
Final vowel ending	u	a	i*	a

Maskumambang

Line number	a	b	c	d
No. of syllables	12	6	8	8
Final vowel ending	i	a	i	a

\* the text also shows [é].

Durma

Line number	a	b	c	d	e	f	g
No. of syllables	12	7	6	7	8	5	7
Final vowel ending	a	i	a	a	i	a	i

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## VARIAE LECTIONES

CANTO I

1a sumja; 1b galihjé, 1f delete ja at end of line for metre; 2a akami; 5a nudju; 6c kumpini; 7e sirta; 9d nampar-nampar; 12g sahawa; 13c Ajundja; 14a hanging; 15a pribandaði; 22g date i.o. matur; 32e parèntahira; 34f tuwin; 37f sidarum; 38f sadurum; 43d parèntahnja; 44b Dipanegari.

CANTO II

1d gumantjara; 4e éjangèrèki, 4i lupa; 7a marmahingsun, 7d kakangèrèku; 8f ginerbed; 9a kundur; 10b angerih; 15i akoplak-kamplik; 16h tinabela; 17g émam; 18g srat Surakartéku, 18h nata, 18h rata; 19b teku wargati resi ningrat;

The emendations to this line are important as they involve a chronogram. [Teku] to [telu] needs little explanation and gives the reading '3'. 'Warga' has the meaning six, which when taken with resi (7) and ningrát (1) gives 1-7-6-3 as the chronogram. This means 1835 A.D., an impossible date for the event referred to. However if 'warga' is read as warna (warna) (and the symbols for (g) and (n) are similar enough to allow for a copyist's error) then 'warna' which has the value 4 gives the chronogram 1-7-4-3, which is 1814 (1815 A.D.). This is in fact the correct date as is revealed by the western sources.

Thus it is suggested that the correct reading of this chronogram is:

telu warnani[rè]ng resi ningrat

24f jèn ardjéng; 27c pinudu i.o. pinundut, 27d karuwun, 27f keng séba nèng kedatyèn; 27g bineta i.o. dinusta; 29c harda pugal i.o. anunggal; 30c gahéh i.o. akéh; 31e tengah i.o. tunggak; 33c muru i.o. murub, 33d lida runurun lurung; 34i turangga; 36i sosi;

38e Dipanegara, 38j ingdjang i.o. inggal; 39j tetanaman  
i.o. petamanan; 40c tjenbé, 40g sri gila pinulu;  
42h bok burung ngrungu tjarita; 43i tusus;  
44e mesandani i.o. mertandani, 44j pugali; 45b manta  
i.o. mangkat; 46j kawang; 47b gigilang,  
47i pansikatulmuluk; 48a persankëna; 50f anpan i.o.  
apan; 52a sira, 52j wus ja; 54j galijé.

### CANTO III

2b njamal; 3h kadang; 9h sinupa i.o. sinaba;  
10b sadji; 16g tangkëba; 16h getyer; 17a mudar;  
20c minosa; 21a gowa, 21e punaka; 22d lir gunung  
kud dosa mami, 22g djongka, 22h branten ing wjang; 25b prih,  
25d salik; 30b sitinggal; 31i rerumpa; 32h wus  
agelang; 33i amruk minging lir kratoné dra buwana;  
35 habarung; 36g lupa; 38c bat; 39i ratu Islam  
jèn baraka juswa hendak; 40c wisma, 40i mata;  
43b sirambi; 44a puri, 44b basal; 48f hudani;  
54h pinudji; 55h mandita; 56c angéntrénija;  
57h léréna; 60a andéja; 61e malebukennja,  
61g adarmita, 61h egén; 64b kajén, 64d angubedi;  
65h lepat, 65h mara; 66 mengkuh; 67g selaha;  
68d nambur; 69d ring.

### CANTO IV

3a mandjung; 4c djang; 6a sindurdjajan; 7e betuh;  
8a kéndel tjiptan penbda; 11f dokol; 14e néng  
silarong kula kéndjing wajahipun; 16e inggih talah kula  
ngagépén tetungkul; 17b serak, 17e selaja; 20a kikam;  
25e nawala; 28e prašténg; 29a kasadji, 29g amastuti;  
30e wadjasipun; 32f kapang; 33a makrak; 40b alik;  
42b nerpasisi; 43b banglang, 43e njahiletru;  
44b bantjol; 46f amebèngkat; 47b dosja; 49b tebas  
i.o. tanpa; 51g kalén; 55b Tegal; 56c rusuh;  
57c muh, 57d ngesakaken; 60d katompéjan; 61b lesah,  
61b angidiri; 62b djiri; 64e tabokana aja dasé dimén  
ngelu; 68g angikid-ikid; 72b baka; 73c sinapulki;

74c pan nijat, 74c selamipun; 76b tenggak, 76f rinembut;  
77e wadawina; 79a tinampèk, 79g lelakonèrèki.

#### CANTO V

5b dèn adji, 5d pahéta; 7b sakrasa; 11f rengteng;  
13b kenbat; 13e tanampan; 14f nekxa; 15d dadananan;  
16a titi; 17f sisik; 19 verse 19 repeated with line  
[f] of verse 18, before correct version of verse 19;  
21e wong gir dalalé djawab; 31f ngidini; 35d atumèmèng,  
35e gepuh; 39a djerta; 40b tanampik; 44a karuwun;  
47b brangta; 50a tinantjan; 52d rina wengi  
ngorak-arik.

#### CANTO VI

3c galijé; 6c sang; 10a lok-alok; 14a landa;  
18a mosa, 18b gobras; 29d djuwah; 31c awon sahésok;  
32b njarog; 34d anger bang-bang; 35c makamipun wang  
Sultan Agung Mentaram; 37d gumundjuk; 39a gemah;  
44c ija kahé Djajakusu néra bisa; 45b dan gonja;  
47d sésuk; 50d desta; 51a anguter; 52a tan dangu  
nu.... rawuh; 53c ang ajah; 63a wusaperti,  
63c patinggah; 67a teken; 70a penten.

#### CANTO VII

6a mulet, 6c jus; 7c gja rina; 11c sikilèrèki;  
12a hajod; 16c mringga; 18a akono; 20d andaka;  
23d humjang; 33c panéng.

#### CANTO VIII

1e dèn-atang, 1h baronga; 2a akosi, 2i punika;  
3b kana, 3f sesaréjan; 4b mangtjad, 4b minggah;  
5b ta, 5h pernah, 5j rerapa; 6g ting; 72a kirang,  
7e gitik; 8b ta, 8c Pentongan; 10e urit, 10j sidip;  
11c lulusa karepé, 11f begang, 11g nungsul, 11j kuhala;  
12b wetu; 15f lamu; 16h sing; 18b maden;  
19a santosaka; 21c Djajamu, 21e sawed-saweg;  
22h sesaréjan, 22i néng gigilang before pan keladjeng  
(omitted because of metre); 24b kalan, 24h aga rowa;

25d radjasiwi, 25i rereng; 26c londa, 26b gupit;  
 27f ta; 29f mongsa sing arah béda; 34b gumréh;  
 35b gender, 35f ka.

CANTO IX

1f wjang; 2a madajéng, 2d lurugi, 2g sampun tagel ta  
 gusti; 3b tijang Danuredjan warti; 5a hona, 5c lega;  
 7e ngraju, 7f ja tang gung pisan; 9a olah;  
 13g ngabongi-abongi; 14e kating, 14g semananira;  
 17a wadang, 17e marod; 23g dangu; 26e tjinakup;  
 28e lan; 30b atjam; 42a riwuk; 44g bedahi;  
 46d kopir, 46e minggu; 47e mi; 48b jah; 52d sendjat  
 pedang, 52f djalu; 53a ing sela mring busija dalu tan  
 panénda; 57f londa; 58b dèn uwisi; 59a nadjan  
 silih wadegda awor lan méga, 59b mundul; 62g kamusi;  
 65d kang perang; 66b wétan Tompé ngebjuki, 66d ladji  
 bulu hutjulnja; 67e ketalik; 68d pinangutira,  
 68g bulu; 69g hjerod; 70a bandung-bandung;  
 71d wanter; 72f gagasan, 72g déné; 73b ngisis;  
 74a pinéntar; 80d ingkana; 81b drema bahé numpeni;  
 83e musti; 84d panggih-panggihena, 84g agra;  
 85a susu, 85a tingbrana, 85e ponga; 87b pring.

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ENGLISH SUMMARY

OF THE TEXT \*

\* Numbers next to paragraphs denote the verse number from which the summary begins. A paragraph may summarise more than one verse.



## CANTO I

## Introduction:

1) I am delighted to begin this story of Prince Dipanegara. I am pleased to copy this work for I, a Javanese gentleman living in Semarang, am in jail. 3) I am Mas Bèhi Suranegara, an excellent patih of Semarang. 5) I began to copy this work in the year Tata-lawang-adjaring-wong (1866 A.D.), I am copying the work of the bupati of Purwardja.

6) The bupati has been promoted to the rank of radèn dipati. It is the Dutch who have promoted him. He wrote this story in the year Bumi-ardi-resi-sidji (1843 A.D.).

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8) This story begins when the kingdom of Mataram (Jogjakarta) was visited by the punishment of God. The country was visited by a devastating storm and all the ulamas, santris and pangulus prayed that it might abate, but without success.<sup>1</sup>

13) Because of the arrival of God's judgement the reigning king (Sultan Sepuh) was exiled from the country and

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In traditional Javanese literature wars, famine and natural disasters were depicted as the visitation of God's anger and punishment. God's anger was normally brought against the evil kings who ruled at the end of a millenium. Thus in Tjakranegara's estimation this particular disaster visited upon Sultan Sepuh presaged the end of Mataram. Many other signs were to confirm this. The 'storm' referred to here, and the visiting of God's punishment on Java, are poetical allusions to the invasion of Java by British forces in 1811, under the leadership of Governor Raffles.

his son succeeded him with the title Sunan Radja.<sup>1</sup> This king had sinned against his father.

14) Sunan Radja had two sons. The eldest was born of a minor wife and his name was Pangéran Dipanegara. The name of his younger son by the chief queen was Radèn Mas Bagus Suradja.

16) When his rule was established the king felt pity for his eldest son and called him to his presence. He declared that Dipanegara was to be made Crown Prince because it had already been promised to him,<sup>2</sup> and his brother moreover was still young and incapable of ruling.

20) Dipanegara however tearfully requested that his younger brother be made Crown Prince. The king agreed to this request and he offered Dipanegara rich lands in return, but the prince refused even these.

38) The king informed General Buntermas<sup>3</sup> (the ruler in Batavia) of his decision to appoint his younger son Radèn Mas Bagus, Crown Prince. 48) General Buntermas agreed to this and returned to Batavia.

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1  
1812 A.D.

2  
See Chapter II, History of Mataram.

3  
The name Buntermas would seem to be derived from Thomas, the christian name of Sir Thomas Stamford Raffles, the Lt.-Governor of Java from 1811 to 1816. While in Java, Raffles became closely involved with events at the Jogjakarta court. The nomination of Radèn Mas Bagus as Crown Prince occurred between 1812 and 1814 (the year of his accession to the throne on the death of his father) and the English were ruling Java at this time. Raffles would therefore have been in a position to approve this elevation to the position of Crown Prince.

## CANTO II

1) The king of Jogja soon came to regret his actions in helping the Welanda<sup>1</sup> exile of his father. In return for English assistance he had given away lands in Kedu and the and the Mantjanegara.<sup>2</sup> For these reasons he was sad in his heart, contemplating the destruction of his kingdom.

4) The king called his younger son the Crown Prince to his side and called on him to obey his elder brother Dipanegara. The king related how Dipanegara, when offered the position of Crown Prince, gave it up in favour of his younger brother. He then repeated his order that Dipanegara be obeyed. He also warned his son of Dipanegara's dislike of the Dutch: 'Your elder brother I have ordered to obey the President but he still desires to oppose the Dutch.' (7, e-f).

8) When he had been on the throne three years, the king went riding on horseback in the alun-alun (square). As he was making his third circuit of the square he became very sick. He trembled and began to sweat. He was immediately carried into the palace but he died.

11) All the religious scholars and teachers assembled in the Sri Menganti hall and prayed for the king. In the

<sup>1</sup>The Javanese word for Dutchmen, but Tjakranegara uses it consistently to refer to the English.

<sup>2</sup>The Mantjanegara were the outlying areas of the kingdom of 'Mataram' (Jogja-Surakarta), including the areas of Madiun, Magetan, Panaraga, Blitar and Kediri. The distinction was maintained in Java between the outer and inner precincts of the kingdom. See further S, Moertono, op.cit., pp.111-8, 'Territorial division of the Realm'.

presence of Hadji Hedrim, the Chief of the hadjis,<sup>1</sup> the body was washed. The ceremonies over, gifts were distributed to the mourners; the Chief of the Islamic religion received nine rials, the anom ketibs<sup>2</sup> three rials, the djadjar ketibs two rials, and all the hadjis and the modins<sup>3</sup> each received one rial. The poor also received alms.

13) One modin reflected that the death of the king had brought him prosperity. For three days his child had not eaten, but now he had one ringgit as his fee for praying for the dead Sultan. He took the money home to his wife who eagerly took it and said, smiling: 'O my husband, great are the blessings which fall on us because the Sultan has died.'<sup>4</sup>

18) The palace awaited the arrival of a messenger from Batavia with a letter confirming the Crown Prince's elevation to the kingship. Twenty days<sup>5</sup> after the death of the former king the letter came and the Crown Prince was made king.<sup>6</sup> His reign name was Sultan Bagus.<sup>7</sup>

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Those who have made the pilgrimage (the hadj) to Mecca.

2

A Ketib is a Muslim scribe.

3

Modin (Arabic: muezzin), one who calls the Islamic faithful to prayer.

4

Surely a veiled comment on the evils of the Sultan's reign.

5

Sultan Raja died on 3.11.1814 and Sultan Djarot was installed as his successor on 16.11.1814. Thus the actual delay seems to have been 13 days, and not 20 as stated here.

6

The chronogram given in the text is 'Telu-warnaning-resi ningrat', which is 1743 A.J. This gives the year 1814/15 A.D. Western sources reveal that Sultan Bagus (Djarot) became king in 1814 A.D. (c.f. Note 5 above). See verse 19, line 6.

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He is better known as Djarot.

21) The new king was just reaching adolescence and his mother spoilt him a great deal. He was given young princesses as companions and his nurse was ordered to instruct him (in sexual matters). Dipanegara soon heard of this and was very angry.

23) He sent a letter to the Queen Mother complaining that the young king should not be educated in such things, because it would cause the degradation of the kingdom. She answered the letter immediately, agreeing to all that Dipanegara had said.

27) When he came of age, the king married, and the princess he chose was the daughter of the Danuredja who had been murdered in the kraton by Sultan Sepuh.<sup>1</sup> They loved each other and lived harmoniously.

29) One day the king ordered all his soldiers to wear Dutch uniforms.

30) When the king went out in his carriage for a pleasure ride, he was accompanied by 200 soldiers all dressed in Dutch uniforms. 100 preceded the carriage, 100 followed after.

31) The king ordered the houses within the fort to be arranged in quarters. Roads were to be marked by piles and if any house protruded beyond the markers it was to be pulled

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<sup>1</sup>This was Danuredja II, grandson of the first prince to hold this position peculiar to Jogjakarta. He was 'minister' from 1799 until his murder in 1811. Danuredja II was particularly hated by Sultan Sepuh because the former had assisted Governor-General Daendels to depose him in 1810 and replace him with his son (later Sultan Radja). With the arrival of the English in 1811 Sultan Sepuh regained the throne and used this opportunity to kill Danuredja II soon after his return to power.

down immediately. Coconut trees too were cut down. The populace were worried by these acts and said among themselves: 'This is a sign that there will be no prosperity.' (32 j)

33) The king went riding in his carriage. The accompanying soldiers rode on horses. The carriage went quickly, flying like the wind. Many soldiers were killed, being trampled by the following horses pulling the carriage and also by the wheels of the carriage. The king knew soldiers were being killed and trampled by the horses of his carriage, yet each day he went driving and each day soldiers fell from their horses and were killed by the speeding carriage.

37) The king never thought of good works, he only followed his own desires. The only thing he observed was his father's order to honour his elder brother. This he did not neglect.

38) At the same time Dipanegara was doing penance, unceasingly performing the Odjrat meditation. He was trying to protect the good name of the king and prayed that he would return to being a good king. Every day Dipanegara performed the luha prayer, next he read the Kur'an. All these things he did every day, at Sélaradja. He performed the Odjrat rites on a stone, and there he also read the Kur'an. When finished with the Kur'an he would then take up the 'Fatah-ul-Muluk'.<sup>1</sup> This work contained stories of good

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i.e. 'The Victory of Kings' an Arabic work presumably relating the lives of good and bad kings of the Muslim world.

kings of the past. Reading this work Dipanegara was reminded of the evil deeds of his younger brother. He therefore sent a letter to his younger brother calling on him to visit him to receive instruction.

46) The king left immediately for Sélaradja with only forty servants, and wearing ragged clothes.

47) On his arrival, the king was greeted by Dipanegara and they both sat down on the stone. Dipanegara then told two stories from the 'Fatah-ul-Muluk' in order to instruct the king, his younger brother, in the proper actions of rulers:

48) 'There once was a mighty king whose kingdom was very great and who lived in a large palace. He was only interested in pleasure and he ignored his Lord, the Prophet of God. He dressed in beautiful clothes, he ate and drank well, he danced with palace girls and he had the gamelan orchestra to please his heart. Though he neglected religion, he conquered many countries. 51) One day the king saw a magnificent horse. He ordered his attendants to hold it while he mounted. Then he rode it around the palace. Suddenly it reared up and tossed the king from its back. The king fell on a stone and was killed.

52) In Adjam (Syria) there was a king who enjoyed himself every day, pursuing his desires. He called together all his regents and nobles for a great party and as they drank and ate, there came a great wind. It was dark within the city, and the palace trembled and shook. Finally the

palace was destroyed and it was carried away by a whirlwind. The king and all his nobles were killed.'

54) Finishing his stories, Dipanegara implored his younger brother to remember the lesson of the two stories. As for the king, he felt that he had been chided by his brother. He asked leave to return home and when he had come to the palace he felt despondent.

55) The king however did not change, and his desires did not decrease.

At Tegalredja Dipanegara ordered all his servants to pray and whoever did not perform their religious duties was to be sent away, whether he be young or old.

### CANTO III

1) Prince Dipanegara unceasingly performed the Odjrat penance in the cave at Silarong. The cave had been improved and decorated so that it was a suitable place for meditation. The prince also performed ascetic acts at Pemantjingan,<sup>1</sup> Parang Wédang<sup>2</sup> and Parang Kusuma.<sup>3</sup>

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#### 1, 2, 3

These are all districts and villages in the southern regions of Jogjakarta. Parang Wédang is presumably a hot spring and Parang Kusuma could be the name given to a place where there was a rock shaped like a flower. As verse 2 states, the prince went often to the southern districts bordering the Southern Ocean. This area has been and remains important for the royal house of Mataram and Jogja. According to tradition the protectress of the Mataram dynasty, Njai Rara Kidul, resides in the Southern Ocean. The Babad Tanah Djawi (W.L. Olthof, Jav. version, p.80) records how Sênapati, founder of the dynasty, did penance on the shores of the Southern Ocean and obtained the protection of Njai Rara Kidul for his descendants. Dipanegara, as a descendant of Sênapati and an aspirant to regal power, was therefore following a well established tradition by making pilgrimages to this region.



2) He also visited the Suléman cave,<sup>1</sup> taking with him two servants. He made pilgrimages to the Southern Ocean, and the gunung Kidul, the Sura Lanang cave and the Sarungga Mountain.<sup>2</sup>

3) On his pilgrimages the prince wore only a dark skirt, the red jacket of kings and the back of the skirt was raised. He fasted, eating only once every one or two months. 4) Dipanegara performed these severe penances because he believed that if one did good works during one's life then one would achieve eternal pleasure in heaven. If one failed to carry out all the prescriptions of the prophet, then one would remain eternally in hell.

9) The prince once travelled westwards, and crossing the Praga river he made for the Upas cave. He was accompanied by Djajamustapa. Reaching the cave the two entered, crawling on their hands and knees for the entrance was very narrow. They soon reached an open part of the cave and from the roof there dripped ice-cold water. Dipanegara then gave thanks for all God's mercies and in particular for the Creation: 'He was moved in his heart receiving from God all that moved and all that was still - these were certainly the works of God.' (13 f-i).

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The Suleman cave may have been a cave near Sleman, north of Jogjakarta. Alternatively the translation 'cave of Solomon' may have been the meaning intended.

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The districts mentioned in this verse would also seem to be situated to the south of Jogja (see Notes 1,2 and 3 on p.270). The gunung Kidul, 'Southern Mountains', is the mountain range south of Jogja which runs along the Indian Ocean coast. Today gunung Kidul is the name of a kabupaten in the region, with its capital at Wonosari.

14) His one servant (Djajamustapa) was ordered to read and learn by heart the Ja Sin surah.<sup>1</sup> Seven days and seven nights he remained in the cave praying and asking God for forgiveness.

15) Suddenly there was a rockfall in the cave. There was a ghost whose roaring thundered in the cave. Stones fell like rain. Because of the beating of his heart, Dipanegara forgot God.

17) Djajamustapa and Dipanegara went out of the cave. Dipanegara was upset because he felt that the rockfall had been a test of Satan and by forgetting God he had been found wanting in faith.

21) Djajamustapa reassured him by pointing out that it was not in fact a test of Satan, that the cave was not an ordinary cave, and that the ghost in it was not an ordinary ghost. He asserted that it had been nothing other than a sign from God that his penance had been accepted and that his former sins were forgiven.

23-4) Dipanegara was still disturbed by the incident and still felt shame for having forgotten God.

25) Djajamustapa therefore related a story to prove his point:

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One of the surahs of the Kur'an (see Kur'an, p.170). This surah is held to be particularly sacred as it mentions the creation: 'When He creates a thing He need only say: "Be" and it is.' The Upas cave, perhaps because of its grandeur and mystery (the chill water) obviously moved Dipanegara to wonder at the Creation and the Ya Sin surah accords with his musings in verse 13.

'The king of Sabur was most religious and he did not deviate from the sjariah.<sup>1</sup> He listened to all the holy men. He practised nasoka (devotions).<sup>2</sup>

There came a great disturbance: the world was shaken, the rocks of the mountains fell down, the wind and the rain were swirled around.

This was the sign that the king's sins had been forgiven.<sup>3</sup> Dipanegara was relieved and both returned to Tegalredja.

29) Sultan Djarot one day went riding in his carriage; when tired of that, he went inside the palace and relaxed with the young maidens. The gamelan orchestra soothed his heart.

35) The king asked for food and food was brought from outside the palace, from prince Mangkubumi.<sup>4</sup>

36) As he was eating a fish, he became sick. The fish was still in his mouth when he fell down and died.<sup>5</sup>

38) When the Resident<sup>6</sup> came to see the body he desired to have the dead king's thigh cut open. Dipanegara

<sup>1</sup>Muslim law.

<sup>2</sup>Like Ojrat, a form of mystic devotion and meditation. It is derived from the Arabic nuska 'devotion'. See J.G. Hara S.J. 'Arabic-English Dictionary', Catholic Press, Beirut, p.767.

<sup>3</sup>It is interesting to note that a natural disaster could confirm a King's virtue. Normally tradition held that such occurrences were a sign of impending doom because of the evil of the reigning king.

<sup>4</sup>Uncle of the king.

<sup>5</sup>16 December 1822, A.D.

<sup>6</sup>The 'Resident' was acting Resident Baron de Salis who replaced van Nahuys only little more than a month before Djarot's death. He is referred to by Tjakranegara as the 'Residen bongos' - the 'fat' Resident.

objected.<sup>1</sup> However the Resident insisted saying that the poison in his body would be able to flow out and the king would live again. The Queen Mother agreed and the king's thigh was cut, but no blood came out.

43) The king's body was washed and placed in the coffin. All the religious teachers and scholars gathered to pray. 44) They chanted the Usali prayer. The coffin was decorated, and under an escort of guards it was taken to the royal graveyard.

47-8) News of the king's death was taken to Batavia.<sup>2</sup> The Rateni<sup>3</sup> met together to discuss it. 50) They decided that the son of the dead king should succeed to the throne and that Dipanegara should act as his wakil (guardian).

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According to Islamic belief, the dead king would carry the wound of the cut forever in the afterlife. With the resurrection of the body in heaven, the body should be whole. As Dipanegara himself says to the Resident:

If he came to life,  
I would be very happy,  
if he is cut, but does not live again  
then he is dead and he also bears wounds. (41 c-f)

2

In the following verses Tjakranegara describes drawn out plotting and delays in the coronation of Menol, which like this consultation with the Raad van Indie in Batavia just could not have happened or at least have been long and drawn out. The fact is that Menol was installed on 19 December 1822, three days after his father's death on the 16th. This completely discounts a road trip to Semarang and a boat trip from there to Batavia - and back! Delays there may have been, and there was most probably plotting amongst the Queen Mother - Danuredja clique, but it must be seen as telescoped into three days and not as occurring over a period of time as Tjakranegara seems to suggest.

3

A Javanese corruption of Raad van Indie, the Council of the Indies. This body advised the Governor-General on matters of policy.

55-7) The advice of the Rateni was transmitted to Jogjakarta. Dipanegara agreed that his nephew should be king:

As for my son<sup>1</sup>  
he should be king. (56 a-b)

However he refused to act as guardian claiming that he wanted to become a santri and a holy man. He asked that prince Mangkubumi<sup>2</sup> be the only guardian. The Resident could not agree to this, because he was afraid to change the Governor-General's orders. Dipanegara then asked that the Resident request permission from Batavia and that while a reply was awaited, the coronation of the king be postponed. The assembled nobles then departed.

59-64) The Queen Mother, the wife of Sultan Radja and grandmother of the young king, became concerned. She feared that Prince Dipanegara intended to make himself king, instead of her grandson:

If my grandson  
does not succeed in becoming king  
the vacant kingship  
will be filled by prince Dipanegara,<sup>3</sup>  
and he is the son of a lesser wife.<sup>3</sup>

(60 d-h)

The Resident was summoned into the palace and asked to explain why her grandson had not been made king. She stated that if Dipanegara's wishes were followed there would be no peace.

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1

In fact, his nephew.

2

Uncle of Dipanegara.

3

The word used for describing Dipanegara's mother, one of the Queen Mother's fellow 'wives', is selir, which can range in meaning from lesser wife to mistress.

65) Still no letter came from Batavia. The Resident began to go to the palace quite often. He visited there at nights. He loved the Queen Mother very much and he followed all her wishes.

66) The Queen Mother plotted with Danuredja and Wiranegara. She urged the Resident:

Let us not await  
the letter from Batavia. (68 b-c)

Danuredja supported her:

It would be best if  
the wishes of the Queen Mother were followed.  
(68 e-f)

69) Danuredja did this because he thought that it would bring about a dispute between Dipanegara and the Dutch. Danuredja had a personal dislike for Dipanegara. Other princes respected Danuredja and they came to his house. Only Dipanegara did not come to visit him. Danuredja also disliked Dipanegara because he had become a minister through the good offices of Dipanegara.<sup>1</sup>

70-1) The people of Jogjakarta awaited the arrival of the letter from Batavia.

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Danuredja had been elevated to that position in June 1812 at the same time as Sultan Sepuh was replaced by his son Sultan Radja. This was effected by Raffles and his English troops but Crawford, the English Resident, does record that Dipanegara negotiated with him to have his father put on the throne. We have seen in Cantos I and II that the Crown Princeship had been 'promised' to Dipanegara, presumably because of his assistance to his father and the English in 1812. It may well be that, as Tjakranegara states here, Dipanegara also manoeuvred with the English to have Danuredja appointed. (This claim is repeated in Canto IV, verse 75).

## CANTO IV

1-3) The prince returning from the capital had left his Tegalredja residence the same afternoon and travelled to the Silarong cave to meditate and pray. He took two attendants with him.

4) He had been there three days<sup>1</sup> when in the morning he heard the sound of cannon, perhaps announcing the arrival of the letter. He returned home immediately.

6) There his servant, Kertadjaja, informed him that he had heard at the house of Sindudjaja that the young prince had been installed as king. 7) Dipanegara had been ignored, and he knew that this was the work of Danuredja, Wiranegara and the Queen Mother. 8) Upset and ashamed, Dipanegara locked himself in his residence at Sélaradja for three days and nights. He asked himself why he was not called to the coronation:

I have no intention of seizing the throne  
and yet I am suspected of bad things.

(9 e-f)

He realized that he was powerless to redress this affront:

If I do not acquiesce to this  
then certainly the state will be destroyed.

(11 a-b)

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Above the question was raised of the author's credibility with respect to the time which he seems to imply elapsed between the death of Djarot and the accession of Menol. It was in fact only three days, but Tjakranegara spoke of consultations with Batavia, and delays and plots. Here however he states correctly that there was only a gap of three days from the time Dipanegara left Jogja and the installation of Menol.

12) Dipanegara called his advisers and the pangulu<sup>1</sup> of Jogja, Amad Bahwi, to discuss this matter. Dipanegara was seated on the Séla Gilang<sup>2</sup> and he ordered Sastrawinangun, a servant, to read the Ardjunawidjaja, starting from the story of misery and penance.<sup>3</sup>

14-9) Dipanegara then explained to the pangulu how he had been set aside due to the machinations of Danuredja, Wiranegara and the Queen Mother, and had not been called to the coronation of his nephew. He continued:

This has been done so as to anger me,  
and yet if I acted on my anger,  
then the country of Jogja would certainly be  
disturbed.

(19 d-f)

20) The pangulu counselled moderation. He called this incident a test of God. If the prince intended to react violently, then his mind would become impure and union with God and the mystical knowledge of the Godhead would become impossible. To seize the throne now while the heart was full of revenge and impure thoughts would only result in failure. The prince accepted this.

25) A letter arrived from the Residency and Dipanegara replied to it.<sup>4</sup>

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1

The head of the Islamic religion.

2

The stone on which he meditated.

3

An appropriate piece of Javanese literature, under the circumstances.

4

This letter presumably informed him of the installation of Menol as Sultan.



26) After some time<sup>1</sup> the Residèn bongos (de Salis) was replaced, because the rumours of his actions had spread. He had not been good in the position, and he only sought his own pleasure. He was replaced by Semitsar (Smissaert). The kingdom then began to prosper and Dipanegara and Smissaert made a friendly accord.

32) Dipanegara spent his time involved in religious practices. At night he would read three chapters of the Kur'an. In the morning he gathered about him all his retainers and they all read in turn. After reading another three chapters they would stop to eat. They would also read out various kinds of books on theology, mysticism, union with the Godhead etc. They read the Tuhfah,<sup>2</sup> books on worship and the work 'Hakik-ul-Modin'<sup>3</sup> After a month they would change and start to sing the Suluks.<sup>4</sup> They would change again and read the 'Serat

<sup>1</sup> Smissaert replaced Baron de Salis on 10 February 1823, two months after the accession of Menol.

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The Tuhfah is a Sjafi'i law book. See I. de Vries, 'Kitab Toehpah', Verhandelingen KGB vol.68, 4th part, Batavia 1929; and T. Roordra, 'Kitab Toehpah, een Javaansch Handboek voor het Mohammedaansche Regt', 2nd edition, Leiden 1874. Roordra's work provides the text in Javanese characters; de Vries has a Dutch translation and he compares the Javanese Tuhfah with its Arabic source the 'Tuhfat al Muhtadj li sjarkh al Minhadj' of Ibn Hajar (1504-67).

<sup>3</sup> Like the Fatah-ul-Muluk, both the Hakik-ul-Modin and Niskat-ul-Muluk are didactic and edifying works. See Pigeaud, 'Literature of Java', vol.II, pp.94-101.

4

The suluks were Islamic mystical songs. See Pigeaud, 'Literature of Java', vol.II, pp.85-7.

Anbija' (The Lives of the Prophets<sup>1</sup>).

26) When finished the 'Serat Ambija', they then read the Niskat-ul-Muluk, which told of the good and bad kings of yore in the lands of Arabia and Syria.

37) After another month they changed again, and they recited the Ardunawidjaja,<sup>2</sup> the Serat Rama,<sup>3</sup> up until the time of Rama's arrival in Ayodhya, the Ardunawiwaha<sup>4</sup> and the Bomantaka.<sup>5</sup>

38) After yet another month they would change and read the commentaries on the Kur'an. Then they read the Kur'an again.

39) When tired of the readings the prince went to do penance on the southern coast. He went to Pemantjingan,

<sup>1</sup>Anbiya (the text shows the corrupted form Ambija) is the Arabic plural of the work nabi, 'prophet'. Muhammad was the Seal of the Prophets, and before him there were many prophets, to whom God had revealed only part of his word. Nabi Isa (Jesus), nabi Ibrahim (Abraham) nabi Adam (Adam) and other Old Testament figures reappear in the Kur'an and Islamic religious literature. Stories of their lives and trials made good reading, it seems, for the pious. See Pigeaud, 'Literature of Java', vol.I, pp.129-33.

<sup>2</sup>An Old Javanese kakawin popular in later times too. Pigeaud, op.cit., p.188.

<sup>3</sup>A modernization by Yasadipura of the Old Javanese version of the Ramayana. See Pigeaud, 'Literature of Java', vol.II, p.240.

<sup>4</sup>An Old Javanese kakawin.

The Ardjuna Wiwaha was studied assiduously by Javanese authors of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries as well as by modern European scholars. Javanese authors saw in the poem an allegory referring to a superior man's struggle in life, his victory over demoniacal powers and his final apotheosis.

Pigeaud, op.cit., vol.I, p.181.

<sup>5</sup>The Bomantaka is another Old Javanese kakawin. This is the original title (Boma-antaka: 'Boma's Death') of the work generally known as 'Bhoma Kawya'.

the Gunung Kidul area, Balimbing, Sampar, Wulusan and Giri Mountain.<sup>1</sup> He visited caves far from his residence, taking with him only three servants.

41) At Sélaradja Dipanegara continued his penance. Only on Thursdays did he go to his harem to be with his wives. One wife complained of his infrequent visits:

What should be the result,  
day and night I think of you, but my heart is frozen,  
because we seldom receive "gifts" from you, my lord.

(42 d-f)

She continued:

If he comes to my bed,  
then during the night we do not move at all.

(45 a-b)

46-50) Dipanegara rarely attended audiences in the capital. Occasionally he met Danuredja, the Resident, the Queen Mother, and the young king, who at this time was four years old.<sup>2</sup> Dipanegara was very fond of the young king and acted as his father. Menol was often brought to Tegalredja to see his uncle.

50-4) One day Danuredja and Wiranegara were talking with Resident Smissaert. Danuredja was plotting to arouse Dipanegara's feelings and so he proposed that a new road be

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Is this Imagiri, where the burial place of the Mataram kings was situated? In his wanderings Dipanegara did visit the burial places of his ancestors to divine their intentions or seek their approval for his ambitions.

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This mention of Menol's age enables us to date surrounding events circa early 1824 (Menol was born 25 January 1820). Thus just over a year had passed since Dipanegara had been angered by his non attendance at his nephew's coronation.

built, connecting the mountaineous areas of the south with the Great North Road,<sup>1</sup> but bypassing the city of Jogja. The road would pass through Silarong and Tompéjan (the lands of Dipanegara).

55) The Resident agreed to this proposal, provided Dipanegara also agreed.

58-9) Danuredja and Wiranegara returned home to build this road, which would run through the pleasure garden of Dipanegara at Tompéjan.

64) The messenger of the patih Danuredja soon arrived in Tompéjan and his name was Bratakusuma. His work-gang placed stakes on Dipanegara's ground. Dipanegara was at that moment resting in his pleasure garden and asked his gardener who was putting in the stakes. He replied that it was Bratakusuma, envoy of the patih.

64-7) Dipanegara was extremely angry and he ordered his gardener to go and pull out the stakes and if they resisted he was to hit Bratakusuma on the head. This he did, and Bratakusuma and his supporters ran to the house of the patih to inform him.

67-8) Danuredja went immediately to the Lodji (Residency) to inform the Resident of Dipanegara's treasonable defiance. Smissaert rebuked him, saying that he had given permission for the road only if Dipanegara agreed to it. Bratakusuma had put down stakes without first

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This road led to Semarang.

asking permission and he deserved to be hit on the head. Danuredja became even more hateful as a result of this rebuttal.

70) Later Dipanegara came to the palace because the Queen Mother had become very sick. Here he met the patih, whom he called to his presence. Dipanegara and the patih Danuredja spoke for a long time, and Dipanegara rebuked him for agreeing to the cession of the Redjawinangun sawahs to the Dutch.<sup>1</sup> Dipanegara stated that the lands were not his to give and he should not seek to perform favours for the Dutch, using that which was not his.

72) Dipanegara could be so frank with the patih because he had caused him to be made Danuredja in the first place. Danuredja had forgotten his beginnings.<sup>2</sup>

73) Danuredja answered the charges frivolously, and Dipanegara hit him on the cheek with his slipper.

74) Danuredja was incensed by this and went home humiliated. He asked himself:

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These rice fields may well be the Djabarangkah and Karangobar lands which the Dutch acquired from Jogja and Solo on 1 January 1825. Dutch writers have seen their cession to the Dutch as one of the causes of the war, but it is obvious here that the question of the loss of these sawahs is secondary to the bitter personality conflict. For a discussion of the cession of the Karangobar and Djabarangkah lands see P.H. van der Kemp, 'De Economische Orrzaken', BKI volgreeks IIIe deel 1897 (vol.47), pp.1-48; in particular - section III, 'De Ontneming der Landen Karangobar en Djabarangkah'.

2

His appointment as Patih (Minister) was due to Dipanegara.

Who dares to depose me?  
 if I am on good terms with the Dutch  
 who dares to stand up to me?

(74 e-g)

75-7) As a result of his humiliation, Danuredja drew closer to the Dutch.

79-80) The pangulu<sup>1</sup> Rahmanudin was replaced, and his post was taken by Kamalodinningrat who was appointed by Danuredja, the Queen Mother and the Resident. Dipanegara was not consulted.

#### CANTO V

1) Dipanegara felt that the appointment of a new pangulu was the work of Danuredja and the Queen Mother, in collusion with the Dutch. He argued that only the king could appoint a new pangulu, not Danuredja. But was the young king himself capable of appointing a pangulu?

Dipanegara remembered one of the articles in the Tuhfah:<sup>2</sup>

If there is a king,  
 who has not yet attained his majority, but reigns as  
 king,  
 his exercise of power is not legal.

(9 a-c)

10) Further, if a young king could not legally exercise power, then he could not implement laws, nor could he appoint a pangulu.

11) Dipanegara called together the Muslim legal scholars and asked whether this rule applied to the reign

<sup>1</sup>The Head of the Islamic religion.

<sup>2</sup>A Sjami'i book on Fikh (Islamic law). In Canto IV Dipanegara is described as calling on his retainers to read to him from this work. See Summary, Canto IV, verse 32.

of his nephew. They agreed that it did.

12-7) Dipanegara wrote to the Queen Mother, saying that the appointment of the pangulu was not legal and explained his reasons for saying so. The Queen Mother replied that he should not try to cause trouble over what was already settled. Dipanegara acquiesced in this.

18) Soon the Pinggir people ceased to marry.<sup>1</sup> Those who had children could not marry them for no one could appoint a wali. The pangulu could not marry the Pinggir people, only the king could marry them, but he had not yet attained his majority. As there was consequently much confusion in the kingdom, the pangulu consulted the legal scholars.

21) The scholars replied that only Dipanegara had the power to appoint a judge as wali to marry the Pinggir people.

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The Pinggir people were originally people from Balambangan and Pati who, being captured in war, were brought to Jogja and made slaves of the king. Their name (pinggir means edge, rim) may be derived from their residing in the outer sections of the city. As slaves of the king, they could only marry with his permission and through his good offices. Islamic law holds that no one can marry without the intervention of a wali i.e. a go-between, usually appointed by the girl's father. In the case of the Pinggirs, the wali had to be appointed by the king, who functioned as their 'father'. Thus the Pinggir people could not be married, because by law Menol was not able to exercise the royal powers. Even the pangulu could not take it upon himself to marry the wards of the king. This embarrassing position was only relieved by recognizing that Dipanegara exercised royal power (until, we presume, his nephew had reached adulthood). This situation also called into the question the legality of the pangulu's appointment. In this matter too Dipanegara exercised the royal power that was implicitly recognized in respect of the marrying of the Pinggir people.

22-30) The opinion of the scholars was conveyed to the Queen Mother and Danuredja. The Queen Mother ordered Danuredja to inform Kamalodinningrat, the new pangulu, that he should go to Dipanegara and seek approval of his appointment as pangulu. He should also ask that Dipanegara give him the power to appoint a wali to marry the Pinggir people. Kamalodin agreed and departed for Tegalredja with his retinue.

34) The pangulu arrived at Tegalredja and came into the presence of Dipanegara who was seated on the Séla Gilang.

36) The pangulu then asked Dipanegara most politely for his approval that he become pangulu of 'Mataram', and that he also be allowed to marry the Pinggir people, using a judge as wali. He added:

It is only you my Lord Prince,  
who has the sole right to power in Mataram,  
it is so written in the Scriptures.

(39 a-c)

39-40) The prince smiled, remembering the letter of the Queen Mother. He was not mistaken and the Queen Mother had been proved wrong. She should not have refused to heed his letter.

41) In spite of the offence given him by the Queen Mother's letter he determined to approve the pangulu's request. To do otherwise would prejudice the safety of the kingdom.

42) The prince therefore gave permission for Kamalodin to become pangulu of 'Mataram Jogjakarta Adiningrat'.



45) Kamalodin returned to the capital and informed Danuredja that his appointment was now legal, 'according to the Scriptures'. Danuredja hearing this only smiled and said nothing.

46-8) Dipanegara continued to pray and meditate. He distributed money to holymen and the poor.

49-52) Dipanegara became disturbed in his heart, seeing how Danuredja, the Queen Mother and Wiranegara plotted and cooperated with the Dutch. Even the young king was keen to have the affection of Resident Smissaert. Things became bad in the kingdom. All the people deviated from the rules of Islam. No one thought of religion any longer. This was all due to Danuredja and Wiranegara. Dipanegara felt regret in his heart:

#### CANTO VI

1) The relationship between Dipanegara on the one hand and Danuredja, the Queen Mother and the Dutch on the other continued to deteriorate. Dipanegara was suspected of attempting to set up his own power base in Silarong. Danuredja, still mindful of the occasion when Dipanegara had struck him on the cheek with a slipper, aroused suspicion of Dipanegara by spreading false rumours of mobilization at Silarong. The Queen Mother was easily persuaded.

7) He told her that he had a spy in Dipanegara's service who had informed him that the prince intended to

leave the capital and establish himself as a kraman<sup>1</sup> at Silarong. The Queen Mother was horrified and ordered Danuredja to inform the Resident Smissaert of Dipanegara's plans. 25) The Resident heard him in silence.

26) Dipanegara also was disturbed. 27) He was beginning to realise that his enemies were preparing to remove him with the assistance of the Dutch. He feared that the Dutch might seize the kingdom of Jogjakarta.

28) Concerned for the future of Java, Dipanegara decided to seek advice in the form of signs from various traditional sources.

He ordered his servant, Djajamustapa, to go to the burial place of Sultan Agung at Imagiri, there to meditate and do penance in the hope of receiving some oracle or hint as to the future. Djajamustapa went to Imagiri and spent a night in prayer, asking that God send a sign. 32) The following morning Djajamustapa and the attendant Ki Balad entered the precincts of the sarcophagus and were surprised to see a red spot in the centre of the curtain which surrounded the tomb. 38-9) Ki Balad explained that the appearance of this spot with the colour of blood was a bad sign, as it meant that much blood would soon be spilt in Java.

40) Djajamustapa returned to Dipanegara and informed him of the sign he had seen. Dipanegara admitted that a

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Madeg kraman is the traditional Javanese term for 'initiate a rebellion'. Kraman is the word for rebel.

great war was to come to Java and much blood would be spilt, but he recognized that this was the will of God and he as a creature of God could only carry out the wishes of the Almighty. He knew that if God had decided that he should be the cause of that war, then no number of holy men could alter this fact.

44) Dipanegara now sent Djajamustapa on a much more extensive mission. He was to go to the island of Brambang (present-day Nusakambangan, opposite the port of Tjilatjap) and the Mesjid-Watu (Stone Mosque). He was to try to obtain the Djajakusuma flower (Victory Flower). If he could not find it then he was to return northwards from the southern shores and undertake a pilgrimage to a number of centres, all the time searching for signs. Some of the places he was asked to visit included Gumelem, Segara Windu, Tjahjana, Mt Lawet and Pekiringan. Djajamustapa was given the assistance of Djanodin and Kjai Mopid. 50) The next day the party left Sélaradja and headed southwards to Telatjap (Tjilatjap), stopping here and there. While crossing the Seraju river, they saw a very large crocodile and were very frightened. Arriving on the other side of the river, they continued their journey along the shores of the Southern Ocean. 61) There were seven deer from the island of Brambang gambolling on the waves. 62) They soon arrived in Tjilatjap. 66) With the priest of the village, Kjai Resajuda, they discussed the cost of travelling to where

the Djajakusuma flower grows.<sup>1</sup> Kjai Resajuda said that to go by boat to the island would cost 100 ringgits.<sup>2</sup> This the party could not afford and in this way Dipanegara was robbed of his chance to acquire the Djajakusuma flower. However the cost of travelling to the Mesdjid Séla was only two rials and so the party decided to carry out Dipanegara's secondary orders and undertake a pilgrimage to various holy places. 71) The next morning they set out by boat for the Mesdjid Séla.

#### CANTO VII

1) Kjai Djajamustapa and his companions arrived at the Mesdjid Séla. Here they prayed the whole night, beseeching God to bring blessings on the kingdom of Mataram and asking that their lord, Dipanegara, might prosper. 10) While asleep Ki Djanodin received a sign. He saw Dipanegara riding the buffalo called sapi Gumarang. The buffalo was as tall as a mountain, and its feet were entwined in the roots of a 'Balaran' tree. The buffalo broke free and bore the prince away on its back.

14) Two days later the party returned to Tjilatjap. They then made for Pasir, crossing the Bengawan river on the

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It is called either Nini-nini Island, Madjeti Island or Brambang Island. The Mesdjid Séla must be situated on some rocky outcrop near Tjilatjap and not necessarily on the island of Nusakambangan where the flower grows, judging by the different charges.

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Spanish dollars.

way. After two days travel they arrived in Pasir and spent seven days and seven nights at a burial place, praying and meditating. Thereafter they journeyed towards the Segara Windu, stopping at several places on the way. 22) Arriving at the Segara Windu, a great storm descended on the party during the night. 25) The following morning they continued their pilgrimage, stopping at Gumelem and Pekiringan. 26) They next spent a night at the burial place of the wali Prakosa. 27) The party saw a sign here. The curtain surrounding the sarcophagus was torn away and blown off by the wind, while many trees were uprooted. This was interpreted as prophesying the destruction of Jogjakarta and reinforced the concern felt by Djajamustapa and Ki Mopid after having seen Dipanegara mounted on the sapi Gumarang. 31) The next day they proceeded to Mt Lawet, but spent the night on the road. Next day they climbed the mountain and prayed at the burial place of a holy man buried there. Here another sign was revealed to them. Again the curtain surrounding the grave disappeared and a ravine opened and a part of the mountain fell into the ravine. This sign from God was as ominous as those previously revealed.

#### CANTO VIII

1) The group descended from the mountain and discussed the signs that had been received. It was agreed that if it was God's will that the world be destroyed, then it must be so.

3) They next journeyed to Mt Merbabu and Ngargadalem. They went very close to the edge of the volcano and Djajamustapa was overcome by the fumes. His friends then had to carry him down. Thick clouds and a storm surrounded them as they descended. The storm abated at evening and they were able to continue their journey.

8) They next climbed Mt Merapi and spent two nights by the crater of the volcano.

9) At this stage they had been away for 50 days and they began their journey home to Tegalredja. When close to home they were overtaken by nightfall and they passed the night in the mosque at Kuwaron. In a dream Ki Gedé in Séla came to Ki Mopid and advised him:

Dipanegara in the future  
 will certainly have decision over life and death  
 he will spread the religion of the sjariah  
 and he will be assisted by God al-Sabur  
 and to him will be given the grace of God  
 but there will be difficulties later on  
 knowing the future there are risks  
 by avoiding four things  
 recklessness, pride, conceit,<sup>1</sup>  
 he will certainly succeed in his efforts.  
 If not,  
 if he falls prey to those four things,  
 the blessings and the guidance of God will disappear  
 and so also the light of God  
 and there will be robbery  
 if he is not aware of this, he will fail to become king.  
 Beware lest the friends of the king are bad.

(10d-11j)

12) At noon the next day they reached Tegalredja and immediately reported to Dipanegara. They informed him that they had been unable to obtain the Djajakusuma flower and

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In fact, only three are mentioned.

they also told of the signs they had seen. Dipanegara accepted the message of the signs:

If such is the case  
if those are the signs which have come  
if Mataram  
is to be devastated in the future because of me  
then it is the will of God.

(15 g-k)

16) The travellers then dispersed and left Dipanegara alone to think over the meaning of the signs. He was disturbed and depressed that he should be the cause of the destruction of Mataram. How could he carry out his desire to stop Dutch interference and to spread the Islamic religion in Java as its head?

17) As he dwelt on these things and prayed to God, there came a voice which whispered:

It is already approved by God  
that you should become king  
as for recklessness, if you fall prey to it  
you will not succeed.

(20 b-j)

21) Dipanegara immediately called Djajamustapa and asked whether the voice was the voice of the devil or of an angel. Djajamustapa answered that since his master had been praying when the voice was heard, it could only be the voice of an angel. Dipanegara then dismissed Djajamustapa and fell asleep on the stone called the S<sup>e</sup>la Gegilang.

23) At this time Dipanegara was being spied upon by the Dutch. Danuredja had already spoken to Resident Smissaert (of Dipanegara's treasonable tendencies). Smissaert had not believed him then, but Smissaert was to see with his own eyes and he was no longer to be in doubt.

26) Dipanegara was invited to a party at the Residency, but he was asked not to bring many retainers. Dipanegara was wary, thinking it a Dutch ruse to arrest him. So when he went to the Residency he took many retainers with him and he remained with them outside the Residency.

27) Dipanegara was again invited to a party, this time at the country home of the Resident at Bedaja. Dipanegara was again wary of the Dutch intentions, and brought 100 soldiers with him. Again Dipanegara remained outside. When invited inside, he refused.

30) As a result of these incidents Dipanegara began to give more credence to the rumours that the Resident, in league with Danuredja and also the prince Mangkualam (Paku Alam), intended to attack Tegalredja and arrest him. Dipanegara's thoughts turned to a Holy War:

it is the predestination of God Almighty  
that I should begin a Holy War  
what kind of death  
does a man seek  
other than an honourable death.

(31 d-h)

Dipanegara therefore ordered that all the people of Tegalredja should stand guard at night with their weapons. People from other villages came to Tegalredja at night to guard Dipanegara. 33) These people numbered about 300. More and more people came as word of Dipanegara's call for assistance spread through the state.

The people assembled at Tegalredja took on the appearance of an army. 34) The order went out to the village people to be on the alert, for 'Dutch soldiers had already been seen'.



35) The activities at Tegalredja also gave rise to wild rumours:

The rumours increased:  
 (they say) that the prince will certainly rebel and attack the capital. The rumours were exaggerated and were known throughout the kingdom:  
 (they say) the prince in the month of Sura will depart from the capital and will declare himself king at Silarong.

(verse 35)

36) The prince was disturbed at the rumours that stated that he intended to make himself king. However he did nothing, accepting the situation as an expression of God's will.

#### CANTO IX

1) Dipanegara called together his elderly retainers and asked them for their advice as to what he should do about the rumours that were widespread concerning his intention to rebel and make himself king. They replied that Tegalredja was certain to be attacked and that preparations should be made to meet the attack. They pointed out that the Dutch through their spies were already aware of the presence of large numbers of people at Tegalredja.

6) Dipanegara, realising that the Dutch would oppose him regardless of anything he might do, decided to send a letter to all the village people who supported him. The letter called on the villagers to assemble in support of Dipanegara. Senior people were appointed commanders. With this army Dipanegara now intended to start a Holy War and establish Islam in Java.

9) In response to this call, many people flocked to Tegalredja. They came from the capital and the villages. They included soldiers from the royal army. Dipanegara's supporters awaited the seventh day of the month of Sura (August 1825):

They all knew exactly the day  
that they should be ready  
in the month of Sura.

(12 d-g)

15) The Resident Smissaert was also aware of the warlike preparations at Tegalredja. He was kept informed by the spies of Danuredja who mixed with the people at Tegalredja. Smissaert called a meeting of Dutch officials and loyal princes. Smissaert said that it would be better if the Dutch could nip the rebellion in the bud. If they were to wait, many more people would die. The Queen Mother sent word to Smissaert that an early attack should be made on Tegalredja while the number of supporters was still small.

19) Smissaert however procrastinated. He then sent a bupati, Kjai Sindunegara, to Dipanegara calling on him to come to the Residency.<sup>1</sup>

21) If Dipanegara refused to come, Sindunegara was to ask him why so many people had assembled at Tegalredja.

22) Sindunegara arrived at Tegalredja and invited Dipanegara to come to the Residency. Dipanegara in turn

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Western sources record that the procrastination Tjakranegara speaks of, was due to the fact that Smissaert had been holidaying at Bedaja for some time and he returned to Jogja only on 18 July. His return was made necessary by the outbreak of disturbances in the Bedaja area, perhaps resulting from Dipanegara's call to arms. It was on 18 July that Smissaert sent Sindunegara on his first mission to Tegalredja.

asked the advice of his supporters who told him not to go, for even though there were many relatives of Dipanegara in the capital it was doubtful whether they would sacrifice themselves to rescue Dipanegara from the Dutch. When told that Dipanegara did not intend going to the Residency, Sindunegara asked why so many people had assembled at Tegalredja. Dipanegara replied:

The reason for many people coming here  
is that they love me  
all of them.  
Therefore they come to guard me  
I am threatened by robbers and thieves.

(29e - 30b)

Sindunegara asked who would dare threaten the prince, and Dipanegara replied that it was better to be on one's guard.

31) Sindunegara then returned to Jogja and informed Resident Smissaert of the failure of his mission. Smissaert was most angered by Dipanegara's reply to his invitation:

The Resident was extremely angry  
he stamped his foot, and threw his hat down on the table  
he said loudly:  
Well, Sindunegara  
he truly wants to rebel  
he does dare to oppose the Dutch.

(32 a-f)

33) At this time Dipanegara became concerned that his forces were too unprepared and were unready for a possible early attack. He therefore sent another letter to his supporters calling on them to increase their preparedness.

35) The next day (19 July 1825) military preparations were well advanced in Jogja and the Residency. The Dutch dragoons were there with cannon, together with the forces of

prince Paku Alam and Danuredja. 36) Sindunegara was sent early in the morning on another mission to Dipanegara. He was to tell the prince that the Resident was prepared to meet him either in the Residency, the palace or even in the home of prince Mangkubumi, Dipanegara's uncle.

41) Dipanegara again refused to meet Smissaert anywhere and he relayed to Sindunegara what he demanded from the Resident:

What I demand is none other than  
that Danuredja and Wiranegara be dismissed  
for the good of Mataram.

(41 d-g)

43) Sindunegara then returned to Jogja, but soon after his departure prince Mangkubumi arrived. He had been sent by Smissaert to arrange a meeting and to act as a surety for Dipanegara.

45) Dipanegara resolutely refused to cooperate and he called on his uncle to join his cause:

Uncle, choose between these two things  
to die for Islam, or to die with the unbelievers.

(46, c-d)

48) Mangkubumi resolved to stay with Dipanegara and support him. Dipanegara then ordered his wife to move to Silarong in the company of Mangkubumi and to take with her supplies and the treasury. 49) That night they left for Silarong with columns of soldiers and groups of non-combatants.

57) The next morning (20 July 1825) Sindunegara was sent yet again to Tegalredja, but in Jogja preparations were already in hand for an attack that day. Danuredja and Wiranegara were confident of success and told the Resident that Dipanegara was 'already in their grasp'.

61) Sindunegara however was already at Tegalredja, informing Dipanegara that Wiranegara was in chains at that very moment and that the Resident merely awaited Dipanegara's advice as to what was to be done with Wiranegara. Did he want him to be cut into pieces?

63) Dipanegara wavered. He then told Sindunegara that he would go to meet the Resident.

64) But suddenly the sound of cannon was heard.

65) Sindunegara wisely departed, claiming that he would try to stop the advance of the army. All about was the sound of cannon and rifles. There was shouting as the people of Tegalredja joined battle with the approaching forces of the Dutch and the Javanese princes. The war had begun.

66) Danuredja and Wiranegara led the opposing forces. Coming from the south they pushed back the defenders of Tegalredja. The battle was fierce, and many were killed. Tegalredja was however overrun.

Dipanegara and Mangkubumi came down to the battlefield to participate personally in the battle while:

The rifles and cannon fired continuously  
bullets spread in all directions whistling  
falling like soft rain.

(75 e-g)

76) In the heat of the battle, Mangkubumi became afraid and he asked Dipanegara to retire from the field for the enemy was too strong.

77) Dipanegara's forces retired to the west, and they crossed the Bajem river. With his comrades, Djajamustapa fought a rearguard action. Though the Dutch eventually gave

up the chase, Djajamustapa was wounded in the ankle. By dint of great effort, he struggled on towards Silarong where his master was already rallying his supporters.

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Thus began the Java War on 20 July 1825

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- DJAWA : Tijdschrift van het Java-Instituut.
- TBG : Tijdschrift voor Indische Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde uitgegeven door het Bataviaasch Genootschap van Kunsten en Wetenschappen.
- VBG : Verhandelingen van het Bataviaasch Genootschap van Kunsten en Wetenschappen.
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