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THE

COORG COUNTRY

AND ITS

Natural Productions

God Almighty, live and rule!
Rule as our Lord and God!
Rule, O glorious sun and moon
~~In the sky as king and queen!~~
Land of our fathers, thrive!
Land of houses and of farms!
In the famous Jambudwīpa
There are many glorious kingdoms;
Which among them is the finest?
High above the lofty hills
Thrones the snowy Mahaméru;
And among the flowering trees
Is the Sampige the finest;
Thus is *Coorg*, a string of pearls,
Loveliest among the kingdoms;
Live in it, my friend, and prosper!

Coorg Palamé.