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HĀM.VAINTĪ, Zoroastrian divinity “Victory.” Louis H. Gray (*Foundations*, p. 148) wrote: “Normally the distinctive epithet of Āxšti, Hām-vaintī (‘Conquering’) is mentioned as a separate war-goddess in Yt. xi, 15; but the text here is doubtful, and the existence of the deity is highly questionable.” But the grammatical analysis as abstract noun formed with *-tī* and irregular full grade, suggests that it is a personification of the latest layer of the Avestan texts. Hām.vaintī is only attested as a companion with Āxšti “Peace” (*AirWb*, col. 311).

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