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Utterance of Pleasant Words

English Couplet 91:

Pleasant words are words with all pervading love that burn;
Words from his guileless mouth who can the

Words from his guileless mouth who can the very truth discern

Couplet Explanation:

Sweet words are those which imbued with love and free from deceit flow from the mouth of the virtuous

English Couplet 92:

A pleasant word with beaming smile's preferred, Even to gifts with liberal heart conferred

Couplet Explanation:

Sweet speech, with a cheerful countenance is better than a gift made with a joyous mind

English Couplet 93:

With brightly beaming smile, and kindly light of loving eye,

And heart sincere, to utter pleasant words is charity

Couplet Explanation:

Sweet speech, flowing from the heart (uttered) with a cheerful countenance and a sweet look, is true virtue

English Couplet 94:

The men of pleasant speech that gladness breathe around,
Through indigence shall never sorrow's prey be found

Couplet Explanation:

Sorrow-increasing poverty shall not come upon those who use towards all, pleasure-increasing sweetness of speech

English Couplet 95:

Humility with pleasant speech to man on earth, Is choice adornment; all besides is nothing worth

Couplet Explanation:

Humility and sweetness of speech are the ornaments of man; all others are not (ornaments)

English Couplet 96:

Who seeks out good, words from his lips of sweetness flow; In him the power of vice declines, and virtues grow

Couplet Explanation:

If a man, while seeking to speak usefully, speaks also sweetly, his sins will diminish and his virtue increase

English Couplet 97:

The words of sterling sense, to rule of right that strict adhere,

To virtuous action prompting, blessings yield in every sphere

Couplet Explanation:

That speech which, while imparting benefits ceases not to please, will yield righteousness (for this world) and merit (for the next world)

English Couplet 98:

Sweet kindly words, from meanness free, delight of heart,

In world to come and in this world impart

Couplet Explanation:

Sweet speech, free from harm to others, will give pleasure both in this world and in the next

English Couplet 99:

Who sees the pleasure kindly speech affords, Why makes he use of harsh, repellant words

Couplet Explanation:

Why does he use harsh words, who sees the pleasure which sweet speech yields?

English Couplet 100:

When pleasant words are easy, bitter words to use,

Is, leaving sweet ripe fruit, the sour unripe to choose

Couplet Explanation:

To say disagreeable things when agreeable are at hand is like eating unripe fruit when there is ripe