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**THE LANGUAGE OF INCANTATIONS ACCORDING TO THE DATA OF
DIALECTS OF THE KARTVELIAN LANGUAGES**

Not only in the dialects of the Georgian language proper, but also in the vernacular of the other Kartvelian languages as in Zan and in Svan the main stratum of the language of incantations is the word-forms characteristic to the literary (ecclesiastical) language. As for dialectal forms they can be distinguished as layers sediment on to the literary forms.

In the different parts of the country the language of incantation brings into the text its own "tint" which is related to the "invasion" of local (secondary) beliefs into the traditional orthodox religious texts.