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The remaining informants are Gidū'tikad⁶, Groundhog eaters. The band is now centered at Fort Bidwell, California.

Bige Archie (BA), aged 50-60, knew a considerable store of tales. His sister, Nannie Ochiho (NO), somewhat younger, also provided good material. As children, both learned tales from their grandmother, but in later years Nannie had close contact with the lore of her father-in-law, old chief Ochiho, and the agreement between her versions and those of her brother is not as close as one might expect in view of the relationship.

Charlie Washo (CW), aged 65-70, the present "chief," gave two short tales in English. Piudy (P), aged ca. 75, was one of my principal ethnographic informants. He told a number of stories, one (37) of which savors of Biblical teachings. Daisy (Limpy) Brown (DB), aged ca. 60, provided good material.

With the exception of Charlie Washo and Bige Archie, both of whom spoke English, all told the tales in the Paiute language. My interpreters were Nellie Townsend (NT) of Fort Bidwell who interpreted for Billy Steve and Tom Anderson; Nora Henderson (NH) of Alturas who interpreted for Daisy Brown and Piudy; and Susie Archie (SA) of Fort Bidwell and Beatty who worked with Nina Naneo, Dr. Sam, and Nannie Ochiho. Susie Archie herself gave two tales (1e and 2a) in English.

It is obvious that most of the original literary style is lost unless one makes a direct translation from text. However, even with interpreters, these tales do employ a definite idiom, and an effort has been made to preserve it as far as possible. There has been a fairly rigid adherence to the interpreter's vocabulary, and only the really essential grammatical changes have been made.

MYTHS AND TALES

1a. THE CREATION OF THE INDIANS (BS)

A long time ago there used to be the first Indian here. I don't know just what he was. Then something came and covered these mountains with water to kill those Indians. The Sagehen was the only kind of bird saved from the water. He saved fire on a tall mountain. He covered it with his breast; he had it under his breast; he lay on it. Then that Sagehen, he made a fire stick of sagebrush. It was about three inches long and had a hole in one end. He tied on a handle of willow. He made a fire hearth about a foot long. He put sagebrush bark outside and underneath for tinder. He put a little sand in the hole. Then pretty soon it began to smoke; the smoke fell on the bark; he picked it up and blew; and then he had fire. He had to cover the fire all the time so it wouldn't go out.

Some kind of man happened after the water dried. He was called Nūmūzōho (Cannibal: *nūmū*, people, Paiute; *zōho*, pound). He was a

he had a big kettle of rock, and in it he
lled. He ground them just like sausage,
ashed him.

tule camp. There were lots of Indians
e was just one woman who had a camp
h the others. Then that woman heard
g, "Wi, mohu, mohu, mohu"
coming from the south eating all the
h himself making that sound. Then that
d him. That woman ran over to the
ard. That woman had some kind of a
nter. She hid there and covered herself
herself in that hole.

hat song when he got to the gamblers.
id, "Pss, pss, pss." They all looked up
eyes dry."¹ They all sat still without
looked and went away. He killed them
idn't eat them. One woman was sitting
he ground at her back. That Cannibal
way. Then that baby woke up and was
ns. And that woman was safe in her
baby, and those two were saved.

theast from Fullen, and one man was
woman thought of him and thought
e packed that little baby on her back
y. She went in search of roots; she was
valley.
nibals found her, and he asked, "Why
r. She had left her baby at her fireplace.
a man at her camp with the baby and
with him. That Cannibal went over and
at baby.

oman. She pulled out sagebrush and
d for her; he thought she was buried
oked for her in the dirt with his hands.
he said, "I shall come back tomorrow

Indian. That woman came to Beaver;
Beaver gave the woman fish to eat,
at. She told that woman, "You had
hide yourself." Those Cannibals lived
the woman before the Cannibals came
e coming home, they found the woman's

"It must be just a part of his magic."

track. Then they asked Beaver about her. Beaver told them that the
woman had put on Cannibals' shoes to deceive them and that she was
still out in the sagebrush. But she was really hiding right there, and she
was wearing her own shoes.

Every night when those Cannibals came back they brought Indians
for food. Beaver never ate with them; she didn't eat what they did.¹
Early in the morning they started out again to hunt. They carried fire
in the tips of their fingers.² When all those Cannibals had gone away,
Beaver told the woman, "I am going to throw you way over a big
mountain. I am going to throw you with a long stick. I shall throw
you where they can't find you."

Beaver had a sister, Gopher. When she threw the woman over the
mountain, that woman stayed one night with that sister. Gopher
asked her to stay one day. She fixed lots of food for her to pack on her
trip. She gave her some roots; she gave her many. Then that woman
went on her way to find the man she was going to marry.

When she left, Gopher said to her, "There's a head lying on the road.
Pass it by. Don't bother it. On the other side of that head is a win-
nowing basket. It's on the road too, that basket. Don't touch it."
When the woman came to the head, she kicked it; she rolled it around.
She didn't believe what Gopher had told her. When she came to the
basket, she took a stick and turned it over. Then both the head and the
basket started to follow her.

Rat was the brother of Beaver and Gopher. He had a house on that
woman's road. Rat could hear the head. It went "hu" every time it
hit the ground. Rat knew what was coming; he knew that head was
following the woman. That basket was going in front of the head.
"Tsai'a tsa^{lu}," that's the basket's noise.

When Rat heard them coming, he painted his house. This Rat was
the woman's uncle. That's why he painted his house; he wanted to
save her in there. She stayed one night with him. When that basket
was coming ahead of that skull, it hit against Rat's house. That house
was painted hard, and that basket broke into little pieces. When that
skull which was coming behind hit the man's house, it broke into pieces—
just like a cup. That was the last of those two things. Rat gathered
up the basket and the skull and took them back where they belonged.
The woman stayed there all night and left the next morning. Her uncle
told her, "That's all of those bad things on the road."

The next day she came to the man's house. When she reached there,
she sat down outside. That man had some food, and he threw some
outside. The woman was hungry, and she took some of that food to
eat. Then the man asked her to come in. He said, "What kind of a

¹ My interpreter here remarked that it was strange the Cannibals didn't
eat at Beaver if she was an Indian.

² Obscure.

tribe do you belong to? Don't eat that food out there; there is nothing good there. Come in and eat with me." So the woman went inside. She sat down by the door; she didn't go way in. That man had mountain sheep meat, and he cooked it and gave her some to eat. Then she went outside to get the food she had packed. She was going to give him some.

That night she slept by the door, right where she had been sitting. Every night she moved a little closer to that man. I don't know just how many nights before she reached him. Then they lay together and were married.

They were the only Indians living. The rest were all killed by those Cannibals. The man went hunting the day after he was married. He came back bringing either mountain sheep or deer. When he came home, he saw two children playing outside his house—a boy and a girl. They were his children. Then the next day he came back with game, and that time there were four children playing outside that house. That many children he had, just four.

One brother and one sister were Paiutes; the other two were Pit Rivers. They never stayed home. Outside, those boys threw rocks at each other, and those girls, they took sticks and hit each other. They fought all the time and never stopped.

After a while they grew up. They went off and fought and fought. They stayed away all night and never came home. That was because they were different tribes; that's why they did that. The father and the mother tried to stop them, but they wouldn't quit. The father said, "Stop, don't do that; you are brothers and sisters." But they didn't stop; they wouldn't mind him at all. Then the father said, "If you won't stop, I'm going to throw you in different waters. Then you can fight all the time." That's what he said.

They didn't mind their father. So he threw the Paiute brother and sister over there at Doyle and the Pit Rivers over at Humboldt. When this father threw them in different places, he said, "Now fight all you want. I'm going to leave you; I'm going to the other side of the clouds." Then he went the other side of the clouds. When people die, they go over there where he is.

That's the end of that. That's where the Paiute and Pit Rivers start. I don't know what kind of tribe the father was; I think he was a Wolf. I don't know what the mother was, but she belonged on the south side somewhere.

1b. THE CREATION OF THE INDIANS (BA)

Coyote used to be a man. In those days everything could talk. Birds, trees, and animals could talk just the same as we do now. Lots of those Indians were having a gamble. They were playing the hand game. One woman was outside with a little baby. Maybe that baby had no mother. That woman had a big basket.

Pretty soon she heard something mohū, mohū." That woman told her. Or maybe they didn't listen. She covered herself and the baby. Then

Then came that Cannibal, Nūmūzōho. He said, "Pui pss. Eye out those Indians. Some of them never. Some were sitting way back. The Cannibal said, "What do you see?"

The woman ran off with that baby. She was looking for ya pá roots, and she found them. Then that same Cannibal came. "Come over here; your baby is crying. The baby was. She knew who Nūmūzōho was. She knew who Nūmūzōho was. The woman never went over there. Nūmūzōho had the baby in his belt like a rabbit. He ran toward that woman. She saw a basket. Then Nūmūzōho tried to pick up the baby. He stayed there a long time trying. When he went away. Maybe he had

The woman was alone now. She had a basket. Beaver had a camp. She had made a basket. Nūmūzōho lived with Beaver. When he came, she hid under her knees. That woman had a basket. Beaver put a basket over her knees.

Nūmūzōho came back. He saw the basket. "What smell come from?" he asked Beaver. "That's what you smell," Beaver said.

The next morning Cannibal was there. He was left alone. Beaver gave that woman a basket. Beaver said, "There's a good man there. He's alone. He eats lots of meat." Then the woman went right on top of his fireplace so that she could see. She did this. She put her feet on the fireplace. She wanted him to see the track. Then he called, "Where are you?"

Then the woman came up. She was ashamed. She was afraid of him. He handed her some on a long stick. She went to the door. She slept there where

¹ Rabbits are hung from the hu

² There is much confusion concerning this. It is a name for the arrow wrench. In some tales it figures as a magic rod.

Pretty soon she heard something come along saying, "Wi, mohü, mohü, mohü." That woman told those Indians, but they never heard her. Or maybe they didn't listen. That woman took her basket and covered herself and the baby. Those Indians just kept on playing.

Then came that Cannibal, Nümüzóho, and threw the door to one side. He said, "Pui pss. Eye ought to be dry." That meant killing those Indians. Some of them never moved; they were dead right there. Some were sitting way back. They leaned forward and looked around. They said, "What do you see?" And then they were dead right there.

The woman ran off with that baby. She went quite a distance. She was looking for ya pá roots, and she left that baby a long way from her. Then that same Cannibal came to the baby. He called the woman, "Come over here; your baby is crying." But that woman stayed where she was. She knew who Nümüzóho was. He made that baby cry, but the woman never went over there. Nümüzóho had a belt, and he strung the baby in his belt like a rabbit.¹ Then he came closer and closer toward that woman. She saw a big rock. She crawled under that rock. Then Nümüzóho tried to pick up the rock, but he could hardly move it. He stayed there a long time trying to move it. It was nearly sundown when he went away. Maybe he had a camp somewhere.

The woman was alone now. She was going somewhere to the south. Beaver had a camp. She had made lots of baskets to catch fish. Nümüzóho lived with Beaver. When the woman came in, Beaver hid her under her knees. That woman must have been pretty small. Then Beaver put a basket over her knees and hid the woman.

Nümüzóho came back. He scented that woman. "Where does that smell come from?" he asked Beaver. "You cooked here the other day. That's what you smell," Beaver said.

The next morning Cannibal went off to hunt. Beaver and the woman were left alone. Beaver gave that woman some fish to take along. She said, "There's a good man the same place you are going. He is all alone. He eats lots of meat." Then she told that woman to put her feet right on top of his fireplace so that he would see her track. That woman did this. She put her feet on the ashes and then hid herself outside. She wanted him to see the track. Then the man came in. He saw the track. Then he called, "Where are you? Who left tracks in my fire?"

Then the woman came up. She sat just outside the door. She was ashamed. She was afraid of him. That man roasted some deer. He handed her some on a long stick, a mukánu.² That woman ate outside the door. She slept there where she was sitting. The man slept inside.

¹ Rabbits are hung from the hunter's belt.

² There is much confusion concerning the translation of the term *mukánu*. It is a name for the arrow wrench and the horn flaker, and in some of the tales it figures as a magic rod.

The next day the man hunted, and the woman came inside the door and stayed there. She never cooked for him. That night the man came back. He cooked again. He gave her something to eat the same way as before. The next day the man went out again. This time the woman moved a little closer to his bed. When the man returned that night, he cooked and gave her food as before. The next day the man went out once more. This time the woman fixed that man's bed. That night they ate together. They slept together that night.

Pretty soon they had one boy. The next time they had a girl. Then they had another boy and then another girl. They had four of them. They were always playing somewhere outside. One boy and one girl and the other boy and the other girl played together. They were pretty rough. The boys fought with each other, and the girls fought too. The girls cried a lot.

The father said, "Don't fight. You fight too much. You make me angry." The father sat down. He had a girl and a boy on each side of him. He had a short stick, and he pricked them on the legs until he made blood come out. Then he kicked them away from him. He sent them in opposite directions. "Go somewhere and fight," he told them. Each pair went in a different direction. Once in a while they built a fire and then moved on again.

The next morning the man told his wife, "Stay here. I want to go away. Follow me when you die." That is what he told her. Then he went away, and the woman followed. Pretty soon he came to the ocean. He got up on it just like it was ice. That woman came along and tried and tried, but she couldn't get up. She just cried around there close to the water. The man kept on going for a long time. Pretty soon he was out of sight.

Then that woman died. Pretty soon she found that man. They stayed together again. He had water there and they bathed. Pretty soon their children died too, and they came over there. That's how the Indians started.

I. C. THE CREATION OF THE INDIANS¹ (DB)

The woman began to make a big willow bottle. When she was about ready to finish the neck, there was mumbling from inside. After this noise, they heard voices from inside. One was different from Paiute. These people in the bottle said to the man and woman, "Don't go hunting any more." Then the two said, "Let's dump it out and see what is making all this noise." The man told the woman to get water. "When you come back, we'll dump it out," he told her. As soon as she had left,

¹ The woman's adventures are omitted until after her marriage. On the fifth night the man and woman slept together, and the tale continues.

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he dumped out the jar. He wanted to get the good people. There were four that came out; two boys and two girls. If the man hadn't dumped them out, the Indians would not always have been enemies.

The man got the bad ones and the woman, the good ones. The man was angry and wouldn't go hunting any more. He lay down. As he lay there, two children were each side of his legs. They fought under his legs. He kicked them away. "Go over there and eat yourselves," he told them.

Two went one way and two the other way. The two good people left and made a fire. Theirs smoked well at the start. The other two had a fire with thick smoke. That's how they were always enemies. They were enemies before the white people came.

1d. THE CREATION OF THE INDIANS (P)

Coyote is the one who said that women should have children after intercourse. Wolf said that they should not do so. It was Coyote's idea that man and woman should cohabit. In those days the woman had vaginal teeth. This Coyote took a rock and shaped it and broke the teeth with it.

Then Coyote said to himself that people were going to turn into animals. Bear used to eat people when he himself was a person. Coyote told him, "Go out in the mountains and turn into a bear. Stop eating people." Then he told the Deer family, "Go out in the mountains and stay there. Eat kodáb¹." Deer eat that today because Coyote told them to. Then he told Eagle (kwiñá²), "Fly up high. Your feathers are nice looking; they will do for people to use for decoration. You're good for that, but fly away." Then Coyote said, "I hear some persons talking," and those people turned into Indians.

The woman who stayed with Wolf said, "I don't want to suffer. It would be pretty bad if I got sick and had a child. I don't want to suffer." So Wolf said, "Well, let's make some kind of jug." When they made it, there were people inside of it. And this woman turned the bottle upside down. Two boys and two girls came out. The woman got the two best ones, a boy and a girl, and the man² took the two others. The children used to go outside to play. The boys used to hunt with toy bows, and the girls had digging sticks.

The man had a bow, and the woman had a digging stick. When the boys played together, they shot at one another. The father tried to tell them not to do that. When they were in camp, one boy and one girl stayed with the woman, and the others went with the man. The man was lying down, his knees flexed. The woman was lying there

¹ Not the kodáb¹ (pinemat manzanita) which is smoked as a tobacco.

² This man seems to be distinct from Wolf. He is Nümüna, Paiute father, and is sometimes identified with Wolf.

beside him. Those boys shot at each other, and the girls hit each other with their digging sticks.

Then the man became angry. He pushed them aside with his legs. "Go out somewhere and eat yourselves," he said. We don't know whether it was the white man or some other kind of Indian.

When the man got up, he went south alone. The woman felt badly and tried to follow him. Some places along the shore you can see his footprints. When he left, he said, "When you people die, you have to follow me." So when Indians die they go south on the Milky Way (nümü po; po, trail).

That's how the Indian was created. When white people came here, they asked, "Where did you come from?" But the Indian has always been here.

1e. THE CREATION OF THE INDIANS (SA)

Nümüzóho carried a big rock. He carried a mortar and pestle with him. He carried them on his back when he came toward any people. He put one person in that mortar and pounded him. He was about to eat all the people.

Coyote came along then. He was going to play against Nümüzóho. He told him, "We are going to hit each other with rocks." Coyote was the first one to lie in that rock. Cannibal threw a stone at him, but Coyote had put just his skin in the rock. He wasn't inside his skin. Cannibal didn't hurt him. Then Coyote told Nümüzóho, "All right, you get in that rock." So Coyote hit him with a big stone. Cannibal was dying. He kicked around and made all these mountains. (Followed by Cannibal's pursuit of the fleeing woman.)

2a. THE PRESERVATION OF FIRE (P)

Everybody thought that the fire was going out, but it was saved. Sagehen sat on it just like eggs, and right under the neck the Sagehen has no feathers. They were all burned off. If Sagehen hadn't done that, there would never have been any fire.

2b. THE PRESERVATION OF FIRE (SA)

This earth was covered with water. These mountains showed very little. Sagehen covered the fire on top of the mountain; he lay on it; that's how they saved the fire. Sagehen burned his breast. That's why he has a black mark there.

3. COYOTE BEGETS INDIANS (BS)

Coyote was camped alone. He had a rye grass house behind his camp. A nice looking girl went by early in the afternoon. She asked Coyote

to have intercourse with her. She didn't stop. When she followed her. His net caught the net and started falling on the leg, and he fell down every time. The net was still falling down.

The net no longer caught Coyote. Coyote followed. The sun was almost down; she followed was still running up with her. He went

Then he fixed a long net. He used it for hair. Then he braided it in his hair. He put them in his hair. They would shine nicely when he opened his mouth, and Coyote couldn't sleep. The sun came up. Coyote had lots of things. He left

thing. Coyote followed the girl. He went over to where she had slept the night before. That place where she had slept. It was pretty fresh," he thought.

He sat up on the middle of a lake. He was on top of his head and he went back. Then there was a road going toward that place. There was a road going

Coyote got to the girl. He wanted to possess her. He wanted to know how that girl looks. He wanted to know to himself. The old woman knew that. That old woman knew she was the old woman.

Coyote sat there. She got home, her mother has come, and I have come outside. She brought

When it was about

to have intercourse with her. After she asked him that, she went on; she didn't stop. When she was a little way off, Coyote got up and followed her. His net caught him on the leg. He went back and put away the net and started after her again. Then that net caught him again on the leg, and he fell down. Then it caught him once more. He fell down every time. The woman was almost over the hill while Coyote was still falling down. When she got to the other side of the mountain, the net no longer caught him.

Coyote followed. That girl could fly. The sagebrush on the trail she followed was still moving. She went right on; she didn't stop. The sun was almost down; then the sun went down. Coyote couldn't catch up with her. He went home.

Then he fixed a long net for his hair. He made long hair out of that net. He used it for hair. In the middle of the night he finished his hair. Then he braided it in little braids. He made beads out of that net, and he put them in his hair. He put abalone shell in his mouth so that it would shine nicely when he opened his mouth. When he was home, he opened his mouth, and green shone all over the house.

Coyote couldn't sleep. He thought of that girl all the time. Then the sun came up. Coyote covered all his things. He must have had lots of things. He left early in the morning after he had covered everything.

Coyote followed the same route as the day before; he tracked that girl. He went over the same hill. He saw smoke. He could see where she had slept the night. He could see where she had stopped. He visited that place where she had been. Then he went on. He could see her track. It was pretty fresh. "That is yesterday's track; it looks pretty fresh," he thought. He went over another hill.

He sat up on the hill looking around. He could see an island in the middle of a lake. He tried to cross to the island. He put his trousers on top of his head and tried to cross. He got all wet. He didn't cross; he went back. Then he lay down there and went to sleep. He dreamed of a road going toward that island. Then he woke up. He looked, and there was a road going to that island.

Coyote got to the island. He sat over there with his mother-in-law. He wanted to possess her; he thought she was a girl. He said, "I wonder how that girl looks. I wonder if she is that nice." He thought that to himself. The old woman said, "She is not here. She is out hunting." That old woman knew what Coyote was thinking. Then he found that she was the old woman.

Coyote sat there very still. The girl was out hunting swans. When she got home, her mother said, "Hurry and cook something. A stranger has come, and I haven't given him anything." Then the girl went outside. She brought in those swans. She cooked lots of swans.

When it was about time to eat, Coyote went outside. He brought

his dog¹ in the house. They started to eat. The girl and her mother threw the bones under them. They had toothed vaginas, those women. When the dog heard the crunching of the bones, it growled. Coyote put just a little food in his mouth every time. When the fire died down, he put in a great deal more.

Coyote could see lots of quivers hanging on the wall. They belonged to the men these women had killed. Coyote put his dog outside. The old woman and her daughter closed the house so that there were no holes left open. It was nearly bedtime. Coyote went outside. Then the mother said to her daughter, "You watch him closely. When he tries to have intercourse, bite his organ." Then Coyote lay down with the girl. He whispered when he lay with her. He gaped all the time because he had that shell in his mouth, and it shone well. The old woman had a weapon of some sort by her side. She was going to kill Coyote if the girl missed him.

Coyote asked something to make a hole through the door. He had long finger nails. He was going to use them on that girl. He tried her, and she bit him. Then Coyote went through the hole he had made. He went outside the tent and down to the edge of the water. He was looking for some stones. He picked up a rock which they used to rub arrows. He broke off some rose twigs that had plenty of thorns.

Then Coyote went back in the house. He wasn't afraid now. He was going to try again. He lay beside the girl and inserted the stone. She broke all her teeth on it. Then he picked up the rose twig. He said, "I have never seen anything that could kill men like this." He rubbed the girl with those rose twigs. Then he took that other rock that they use to rub arrows. He took that rock and rubbed out all the teeth that were left. Then he got up and went over to the girl's mother. He used his stone on her; then he picked up the rose twig; then he took the other stone and used it on her. He did just the same thing to her. She lost all her teeth also. So Coyote finished them. When he was through, he slept with the girl.

Coyote and his wife went hunting. He packed some of the quivers that were hanging in the house. He tried to kill some swans, but he couldn't do it. All day long he hunted. They hunted every day. The girl caught just one, and it was pretty wet. Every day they went hunting, but Coyote never killed a swan.

Coyote's mother-in-law was making a water jug. This jug was next to the place where Coyote and his wife slept. After a while Coyote wanted to go. "We ought to go over to my place," he said. Soon after this the water jug began to roll around. Coyote could hear noises coming from inside it. The girl asked her mother if she could go with Coyote.

¹ I wonder where he got that. He didn't have a dog when he started (NT).

"Yes, you can go," she told her daughter when she went to her husband.

She told her daughter to go. But Coyote couldn't wait. He shouldn't have some children. "Mother says not." Even then he went to that jug. He wanted his wife. One day she asked him to go to get the jug. He came back with the jug. There was lots of water in it. He ran to the west. Their mother and others had a great big round dance. They and their mother were there.

Then Coyote said to his wife, "He went home. He didn't know that if he hadn't opened the door, his children at home. They were all there."

4. COYOTE

It was Wolf who said, "How can you get old?" Coyote said, "I can't get old. I go on the road with a cane. The woman goes on the road. The woman should be able to walk along the road."

Coyote is the one who can do all to do that. At that time...

5. THE ANTILOPE

Once Coyote was bossy. He said, "Coyote, you better go to the mountain. I am growing prettier. The Indian talked prettier. The other duck was a good doctor. "I want to feel the ground. I like to feel the ground. I don't want to move." Sagebrush said...

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"Yes, you can go," she told her daughter. Then she told her what to do when she went to her husband's home.

She told her daughter not to open that jug until they were home. But Coyote couldn't wait. "I don't see why a person who is travelling shouldn't have some children to love," he said. His wife told him, "Mother says not." Every time they stopped Coyote wanted to open that jug. He wanted his children. That woman wouldn't open it. One day she asked him to go after water because he bothered too much about the jug. He came back with the water. When he came back, he opened the jug. There was lots of noise inside. All the children came out and ran to the west. Their mother cried and followed them. The youngest child had a great big round belly. He was rolling around there after the others and their mother had left.

Then Coyote said to this child, "May you be strong in all things." He went home. He didn't know where his children were. He thought that if he hadn't opened that jug on the way he would have had all his children at home. Then they would have been raised right.

4. COYOTE STARTS A NEW REGIME (P)

It was Wolf who said, "Why can't we be young all the time and not get old?" Coyote said, "People would look better walking along the road with a cane. The man should have the cane and walk along the road. The woman should put her parching tray inside the burden basket and walk along the road with a cane."

Coyote is the one who said, "Girls ought to menstruate. They ought all to do that. At that time they must never eat any game."

5. THE ANIMALS CHOOSE THEIR HABITATS (CW)

Once Coyote was boss. His brother was Wolf. He is boss now. Bear said, "Coyote, you better stay on the mountain." Deer said, "I want to go to the mountains." Sucker said, "I want some water." Swan said, "I am growing pretty now; I am white." Bear pounded the ground. The Indian talked pretty mean. Bear bit him.¹ Duck said he wanted water. The other duck that is pretty around the neck (mallard?) is a good doctor. "I want to stay on the rocks," said Mountain Sheep. "I like to feel the ground," Rock said, "to stay here in one place and not move." Sagebrush was the same way. This is a story.

6. DEER, COYOTE, ROCK, AND OBSIDIAN (DB)

There were four people who went out into the mountains. They were going to change themselves into Deer, Coyote, Rock, and Ob-

¹ This apparently refers to the belief that the bear pounds on the ground and asks the earth if anyone has been ridiculing him. The earth indicates such persons, and the bear punishes them. This belief is still entertained.

sidian. They stopped overnight. They all lay down. One said, "You fellows dream about each other." Obsidian woke up and said, "I dreamt I flew and killed Deer." Rock said, "I dreamt I hit this Coyote and knocked off his testicles." Then Coyote was angry and picked up Rock and hit all the other Rocks with him. "I dreamt I broke lots of Rocks like this," he said.

That's how they changed, and that's how the Indians know how to kill deer with obsidian.

7. THE SEASONS (BS)

Coyote was boss to count the months. All kinds of birds gathered to talk about these months. Coyote wanted as many months in a season as he had fingers and toes, but those others didn't like it. Coyote had forgotten his tobacco; he had left it home. He said, "I forgot my tobacco. You wait a minute. I am going to get it."

After he had gone, the others said, "That's too long a winter. Let's make the months ourselves. Hurry up, let's finish it." Whippoorwill (todigu¹) said, "Three months in the fall, and three in summer, and three in spring, and three in winter." He said that, and then they all flew away before Coyote came back.

Coyote returned after they had all flown away. He came back, and everybody was gone. He said, "Come back here. Let's make it over. You don't know how to do it." But there was nobody around; he talked by himself. (Repeated in four versions: BA, CW, DB, NN.)

8. THE ORIGIN OF THE SWEAT HOUSE (SW)

In the old days birds were persons. Eagle was hunting deer. They killed nothing; when they killed nothing, they called on a little bird like an owl. He is called Topi'. Eagle told him to heat rocks. These they sweated in a sweat house that the little bird built. All those birds got in there, and the next time they hunted they killed lots of deer. That's the way they learned to sweat. You talk to the sun while you're in the sweat house; that's your god.

9a. COYOTE AND WOLF (NN)

Wolf and Sagebrush were going to have a battle. Bullfrog (á.ms) was Wolf's partner. Greasewood and Sagebrush were partners. Bullfrog and Wolf had no bow and arrows. Wolf told Frog to get some sarvisberry sticks to make arrows. "Hurry up," he told Bullfrog. That Wolf was the brother of Coyote. Coyote and Frog went after sarvisberry. They brought loads of it back for Wolf. That Wolf made arrows and put five at a time in one place. He talked to them (arrows) and they finished themselves. The feathers went on by themselves when Wolf talked.

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head and took it with the
Bushes. They were going
a post. Coyote came
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a big fire, and they danced
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Sagebrush and the other Bushes had paint on their faces, and they came toward their enemies. Wolf put his brother, Coyote, inside the wickiup and shut him in tightly. They were going to have war with the Bushes, and only Wolf and Bullfrog were going to fight. When they started to fight, they yelled, "Ah ah ah ah ah ah ah."

When Wolf put his brother in the house, he shut it tight. "If there is a hole, tell me," he said to Coyote. But that Coyote didn't tell him that there was one hole he could see through. "If you look outside, I might be killed," Wolf said to his brother.

They ran around that wickiup yelling, "Ya ya ya ya ya." Then that Coyote ran around inside the house. He said, "Oh, I wish I could see how my brother is; he is making such a lot of noise." He jumped around. When he jumped, he saw Wolf through the hole. Then that Wolf was killed. That Coyote didn't believe his brother when he told him not to look out.

When Wolf was killed, Bullfrog went into a hole. The rough places on his skin are where he was shot. When he started into battle, he painted his back with white rock. He still has that mark on his back.

When those Bushes killed Wolf, they took his head. They cut off that head and took it with them. They were going to have a big time, those Bushes. They were going to have a big dance. They hung Wolf's head on a post. Coyote came out of the house, and he followed those people. When his brother's head was on the post, he saw it. Those Bushes had a big fire, and they danced around. They had that head hanging in the middle of the circle.

One old woman who could hardly walk stayed home when everybody went to dance. That Coyote came to the old lady. He asked her, "Where are all the people? Why are you here alone?" That old woman told Coyote, "The people have a head on a post, and they are going to dance tonight. Everybody is going to have a good time."

Coyote went where those people were gathered. He wanted to cry but he didn't. He made himself into a strange person. He talked to those people, "Come on, everybody. I have a good song to sing." Then everybody came. They came when he said he was going to sing. Coyote's song was, "Ü' ü'pc ishá ta duna, ü' ü'pc ishá ta duna, ü' ü'pc ishá ta duna."¹ Coyote sang, "Sleep tight all night, never wake up." His tail wagged as he danced. Then everybody danced so hard that they fell asleep right there.

Coyote grabbed his brother's head from the pole and ran. He stole Wolf's head from those people. The old woman who had stayed home saw Coyote take the head. She yelled, "Your head (trophy) is stolen," and everybody woke up. Then those Sagebrushes followed Coyote; they came chasing him. When they were close, that Coyote changed

¹ This is said to be "old-fashioned" language.

himself into a Sagebrush. They hunted and hunted for him, but they couldn't find him. Then they went home.

Coyote turned himself into Coyote again. He took his brother's head. He took water in his mouth, and he sprinkled it on that head. Then he buried the head in damp ground. Every night he did that, until finally the head turned into a person again. Wolf called his brother. "Coyote," he said, "get up and make a fire." The next morning he was a man sitting by the fire. Then Coyote said, "Oh, my brother, my brother." He grabbed him around the neck and hugged him; he was so glad to see his brother. He had made him into Wolf again. That's the way Coyote made his brother alive.

9b. COYOTE AND WOLF (BS)

Coyote and Wolf were brothers. Wolf was the older. Over there at Humboldt there was a big cave where Wolf kept all the deer. In those days there were no deer on the mountain. They were all shut up in that cave. Elk (padühüt) and buffalo (pagúts¹) too were in that cave; and all game he had in that cave.

The brothers lived a long way from the cave. They lived alone; they had no women with them. Early in the morning Wolf went to get game. He brought just one animal home, maybe an elk, or whatever kind he liked. Coyote asked his brother, "Where do you get that game? How do you hunt those? Every time you get one." His brother wouldn't tell him. After a while he got angry because Coyote kept asking. Then he told him.

Coyote started early in the morning to hunt. He came to the cave. He turned all the deer out. When he opened that cave, and every kind of game was running out, he tried to shoot one with his bow, but he didn't hit anything. Then Coyote took off his trousers and stood on the windy side trying to head them back into the cave. He took his fire stick and shot it at a tiny little deer.

Wolf saw his brother, Coyote. He saw the dust from those deer and the other game; they made much dust running from the cave. Wolf was angry; he knew what Coyote had done. When he saw that dust, he lay down.

Coyote left that little deer where he had killed it. He thought he would tell his brother to come and get it. He thought he had killed something big. So he came home and asked his brother to go and bring what he had killed. But Wolf didn't get up; he was very angry. When he didn't move, Coyote himself went back to fetch his game. Then he commenced to cook the meat. He began to laugh. He fell down on his back with his legs in the air; he rolled around. He thought he had caught pretty nice meat. Then Wolf got up. They ate.

Then Coyote asked his brother how he hunted, how he killed anything.

Wolf told him how he hunted. Coyote, he wanted to be hunted rabbits. He and those piles turned groundhogs too. He was of little rocks. He said into groundhogs when and took them home.

Now this Coyote wanted to try to hunt rabbits. He looked back, and thought of an easy way to get rabbits. He said, "The next ones home." He piled up piles of sagebrush and went off a little distance but piles of sagebrush.

Then Coyote tried to get them to come after me." Then he said, "There, I know how to get them now and take others that again. He went to get them to come after me." And a stone fell on him and he was hurt.

When Coyote didn't know what had happened, he kicked him again. Then they went home.

The next morning Wolf told him, "I dreamed something we can use back those sticks, do up there." Coyote went up there. He went up on the hill just what his brother did. He watched it. Coyote looked the other way. They were the ones his brother had killed.

Coyote ran home. There are lots of Indians who do nothing. He worked hard. If this Coyote would happen every time, he would have sticks." The ends of

¹ Obscure.

Wolf told him how he hunted, how he hunted everything. Then this Coyote, he wanted to see how well he could do it. Wolf told him how he hunted rabbits. He put two or three piles of sagebrush in a row, and those piles turned into rabbits. Then he told him how he hunted groundhogs too. He went up on the mountain where he could find lots of little rocks. He said, "Rocks, come after me." All those rocks turned into groundhogs when he said that. Then he picked up those groundhogs and took them home.

Now this Coyote wanted to hunt the same way as his brother. He tried to hunt rabbits first. He took sagebrush and piled it like that. He looked back, and the piles turned into rabbits. Then he said, "That's an easy way to get rabbits. I'll have to eat these right now. I can bring the next ones home." Then he ate all those rabbits. Then he tried those piles of sagebrush again; he wanted some rabbits to take home. He went off a little distance and looked back, and there they were—nothing but piles of sagebrush.

Then Coyote tried groundhog hunting. The first time he said, "Rocks, come after me." Then many groundhogs came after him. He said, "There, I know how to kill groundhogs. That's easy. I'll eat these now and take others home." After he had eaten his dinner, he tried that again. He went where there were lots of rocks and said, "Rocks, come after me." And lots of rocks came rolling after him, and one big stone fell on him and mashed him. It killed him.

When Coyote didn't come home, Wolf began to look for him. He knew what had happened. When he found his brother under that rock, he kicked him out. He threw him a long way, and he was alive again. Then they went home.

The next morning Wolf told his brother what he had dreamed. He told him, "I dreamed lots of Indians had killed me. You better go for something we can use to make arrows." He said, "When you bring back those sticks, don't get way up on top of the hill. Don't defecate up there." Coyote went to get those sticks. When he had those sticks, he went up on the hill. He thought he would try it anyway. He did just what his brother told him not to do. His dirt rolled down that hill. He watched it roll. Then some more rolled a little farther. Then Coyote looked the other way, and there he saw lots of Indians. They were the ones his brother dreamed about.

Coyote ran home. He said to Wolf, "Your dream was right. There are lots of Indians coming to kill you." Wolf just listened; he said nothing. He worked to make arrows. He knew what Coyote had done. If this Coyote would do what his brother told him, those things wouldn't happen every time, but Coyote always tried it. Wolf said, "Cut those sticks." The ends tied.¹ They made points of some kind of hard wood.

¹ Obscure.

The feathers on the end were eagle feathers. Wolf just talked, and those arrows were finished. When he said, "Now, the bow," that bow flew right toward them, and that bow lay right on one side of those arrows. The bow was small at each end for attaching the sinew string. That bow was backed with sinew. Now the bow was finished.

Then Wolf put his brother in his house and shut him in tight. He told him not to look even though he heard singing and lots of noise. He covered his house all over with dirt and told Coyote not to look even through one crack. "Don't look, be sure," he said.

Then Wolf began to fight. He was killing lots of those Indians. His house was built of rye grass, and that Coyote was inside it. He heard Wolf singing; he wanted to know what he was doing. He wanted a magic way, too. So that Coyote asked the Mice to make a hole so he could look through. Those Mice made a little hole for him. He could see just a little. Every time his brother shot, lots of Indians were killed. Then he looked at his brother. The minute he saw him, Wolf was shot and killed. Coyote saw that his brother had been killed. He ran back to his bed.

Those Indians who had killed Wolf took his scalp from his head. He had long hair, that Wolf. Then they tried to look in his house. They could smell something dead inside. Coyote just made it smell that way so they wouldn't kill him. He didn't want them to bother him. They wondered where Wolf's brother could be. They thought he must have been killed.

Coyote was all by himself now; his brother was killed. He cried every day when he was alone. He decided to follow those who had taken his brother's scalp. So he followed them. He came to the shade they had left; the willows were all red. They had been there a long time before, and the people were all gone now. Coyote travelled a long time—over three nights—and pretty soon he found a fresh shade. It was a green shade. He came to a fresh trace.

Pretty soon Coyote saw some Indians. He found the place where women were gathering wood. He found one woman by herself. He asked her, "Where does the chief live?" He found the chief's house, and it had Wolf's head hanging in front. Then Coyote went to the chief; he went into his house. They had a fireplace in there. Coyote made the smoke come toward him. He began to cry, the tears running out of his eyes. Then he asked, "Couldn't you let me have that head?" They gave him the head he wanted. He said, "You have been killing a good man. I wish I had been there when you killed him." He acted as though he were not Wolf's brother. Then he looked at the head again and gave it back saying, "That was a good man all right."

Night came. They were going to have a dance. He was going to sing that Coyote. He started the dance. He started circling around. He had a song, but he couldn't sing it. He tried, "Itsá, itsá, itsá, itsá, wamahūdū-

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didn't dance, but they didn't sleep. These two old women were talking
about Coyote. They thought he must be Wolf's brother. They said,
"There were two brothers. It must be he." When day came, everybody
went to sleep right where they had been dancing. All were sound asleep.
Coyote tried to put the two old women to sleep, but they wouldn't go.

Then Coyote took his brother's head and ran away with it. Those
two old women woke everyone. Coyote was going home with that
head. They followed him. When they found him, he threw the head
away. When he threw it back, they just took it but didn't get him.

Then Coyote was angry. He said, "I'm going to kill every one of those
who took my brother's head." He was looking for a good place. He
found two good places; he found two nice green grassy places. Then
he slept in one place. He was by himself. He raised lots of children
there. He raised those children there. They were warriors. Then he
told his children what to do. He got through talking late in the evening.
Now those children were going to kill all those people who had his
brother's head. Coyote wanted that head. Then they went where he
had found Wolf's head. They all went there. They were going to reach
there late, when it was dark.

Then Coyote put on a woman's dress and put a baby on his back.
He said he was a girl. Those people started the dance again. Lots of
girls gathered around Coyote and said, "Let's see your baby. She is
crying." He didn't want them to see the baby. "The baby's father
doesn't want anybody to look at his baby," Coyote told them. Some
of those girls said, "What makes you smell like a man?" "Because I
have a man who smells that way," Coyote said.

He wanted all those girls to come with him. He said, "I have bad
magic. Lots of Indians always get killed. We had better go off some
place and sleep." They didn't dance because they were all gathered
around Coyote. They went off with him to hide somewhere and to
sleep. They found a place. Coyote had some kind of cream to grease
his eyes. He gave them some. He said, "You use some of my grease
so you can sleep." After they had used it, Coyote said, "That was not
good grease. Sleep here some place. I'm going to lay this little niece
on this side where you can't hurt her." Coyote meant the baby. As
soon as they lay down, they went to sleep. It was that grease of Coyote's
that made them do that. When they were all asleep, he tied them together
by the hair. They had long hair. When he finished, it was daylight.

That's the time those warriors of Coyote's got there. They were kill-
ing off those Indians. Pretty soon some of those Coyote children were
saying, "Where's that chief? He ought to come here and help us. Here
are two we can't kill." Then Coyote came where they were fighting.

"What are these two?" he said. "They are nothing to me." Then he kicked them around with his foot.

Then he took that head he wanted and started back. He stopped one night where he had raised those children. All those children went back. That was the last of them.

Coyote was alone now. He had Wolf's head with him. Every night he buried the head in the damp ground. He did that every night where he stopped. In the morning his brother would be fresher. Now Coyote was nearly home. The next morning he heard his brother's voice, "Black Coyote, get up." That's what he heard it say. He got up and looked around, but he saw no one. He couldn't see his brother, but he heard his voice. Every time he heard it he got up and looked around, but he saw no one. He always went back to bed crying.

Then Coyote reached home. He was still packing his brother's head. The next morning he heard his voice again. Then the next morning, there he saw his brother. He had a Wolf blanket over his head. Then Coyote said, "My brother, my brother, my brother." He was rolling under him, lying around. That's the end. Coyote made all that trouble.

9C. COYOTE AND WOLF (TA)

Wolf said, "Everything is here in this cave. If anybody wants game he can sit here in front and kill it. Then he must shut the cave tight and go."

Pretty soon Coyote came. He sat there beside the cave a few minutes. Then he was tired waiting. "Are they ever going to come out?" he thought. Then he opened the whole thing. I saw these caves a long time ago. They are this side of Tule lake. When Coyote opened the cave, everything came out; all kinds of game ran out. They made lots of dust. That dust went all over the mountains. Coyote was there trying and trying to shoot. He didn't get anything. At last he shot a very young deer. So then he went home with that little deer.

Wolf was Coyote's brother. When he saw the dust, he became angry and lay down. Soon he got up and started hunting. He came back with no deer. His legs were bleeding and scratched. He could find no game. Then Wolf made a sweat house. "Put your rabbit blanket over that sweat house. Put your bow and arrow on top," he said to his brother. They stayed there.

Then they went hunting again. Each killed a deer with his bow. Coyote stretched the hide. He didn't throw away even a bone of that deer. The next morning they hunted again. Each came home with a deer. They were going to build a house with the hides. Coyote was happy then. He was fat; he had lots of meat. They ate every bit; they never threw away even a bone. They had a spring. Coyote was running around it just like a little boy.

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Wolf made three piles of sagebrush. They turned into rabbits, and he took those rabbits home. Coyote went hunting. He went over where there were lots of rocks. Soon lots of groundhogs were coming toward him. He looked them over and killed the fattest one. He thought he would roast and eat him. When he got through eating, he went to the rocks again. They came after him, and one big stone threw him down and killed him.

When he didn't come home, his brother came to look for him. He found Coyote there under a big stone. That's the end of it.

9d. COYOTE AND WOLF (BA)

Coyote had a camp over there, the other side of that high point. Over there is a rock with a hole in it. There is water in it, and that is where Coyote used to drink. To the south were deer, mountain sheep, antelope, and all kinds of game. Wolf kept them there, but Coyote didn't know where they were.

One morning he said to his brother, "How do you hunt bucks?" Wolf said, "I keep them over there in a cave. When I open the door a little, they come out and I shoot them." Then Coyote said, "Where are they?" Wolf got up and pointed to the spot.

Then Coyote went. He found that place and opened it a little. He waited a while. They didn't come out quickly enough to suit him. Then he threw the gate wide open. Pretty soon they came out thick. Coyote tried to shoot, but he hit nothing. Then he tried to scare them back. He turned his trousers and waved them, but they never went back. Just a little yearling came behind. Coyote killed that one.

Wolf saw them come out; he saw the dust over all the mountains. He became angry; he knew what Coyote had done. He lay down. Then Coyote brought that little one home. He said, "Get up, my brother. I'm bringing soft chewing." But Wolf never said a word; he never spoke to his brother.

The next morning Coyote asked about groundhogs. "How do you kill all big groundhogs?" he asked his brother. Wolf said, "I go below the rim rock and stand there. I say, 'Rocks, come after me.' That's the way I do it. I kill all big ones."

Then Coyote wanted to try it. He stood where his brother had told him. He said, "Tupi' dūmahigⁱ; rocks, come after me." Then all groundhogs came after Coyote. "That's an easy way to hunt," he said, and he ate them right there. Then he went to another place below the rim, and he said the same thing. Then rocks rolled upon him. He jumped around. Pretty soon a big rock cut off his tail. He went back to camp. He had killed nothing; he brought nothing home.

The next morning he asked about rabbits. "How do you hunt them? You always kill lots," he said to Wolf. Then his brother told him, "I

pull up sagebrush and make little piles. I look back, and they are all rabbits." So Coyote went out again. He went to try it. He found sagebrush. He stacked it and looked back. There were many rabbits. He said, "That's an easy way to hunt," and he ate some of them. Then he went to another place and did the same thing. He looked back, but there was nothing but sagebrush; there were no rabbits. He had spoiled it. He brought nothing home that night.

The next morning he asked about birds. "How do you kill them? You get plenty all the time." Then Wolf said, "I see the birds on the tree. I just shoot at the trunk and say, 'Birds, come down.' Then I pick them up," he said. Coyote went on again. He went to kill lots of birds. He saw many on a tree. He shot at the tree, and all the birds came down. "That's an easy way to get them. I might as well eat them right here," he said. Then he went to another place. He found some birds on a tree. He shot at the trunk, and the birds all flew away. He didn't get any that time.

9e. COYOTE AND WOLF (NO)

That Wolf told his mother he was going to hunt groundhog. He went where there were many rocks. He told them to come to him. They turned into groundhogs. He killed the big ones and took them home. Coyote said to him, "How did you kill those big ones?" — "Oh, I just went over there to those rocks and told them to come to me. They were all groundhogs, and I killed the biggest ones."

Coyote thought he would go, too. He went there and said, "Come on, rocks," and all groundhogs came to him. He killed the largest ones; he killed lots. He thought, "I have plenty now. I'll cook and eat some. I can get more later." So he cooked and ate those groundhogs. After he had eaten, he went there again and said, "Come on, rocks," and all rocks came after him. One hit his tail and broke it. That's why Coyote has a short tail. Wolf thought to himself, "Well, he has spoiled my trick." He knew because Coyote had brought so little home.

Then Coyote asked his brother, "What do you do when you get lots of birds to eat?" He told him. He stayed home, and Coyote went hunting birds. He knew how Wolf caught them. Those birds were thick on a bush. He went under the bush and shook it. All the birds fell down. "Oh my, I must eat," he thought to himself. "I'm going to eat first. Then I can shake off more easily." He ate and then went back to shake down more. He shook those bushes, and all the birds flew away; he didn't catch any. His brother knew that he had done wrong because he didn't bring back many birds.

Wolf went hunting deer. The deer had a hole under the ground like the squirrel. Every time Wolf killed a big buck. Coyote asked, "How do you kill a big buck every time?" Then Coyote went hunting because

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his brother had told him how to kill deer. He told him, "You open the door and close it after you have killed one. If you don't close it, they will all come out and be scattered on the mountain." When Coyote reached there, he opened the door wide. He was careless, and they all scattered over the mountain. When they ran out, he tried to scare them back. He jumped back and forth, but they ran over him.

He killed one little fawn. All the others ran to the mountains. The valley was nothing but dust. Wolf saw the dust, and he lay down. He knew what Coyote had done. That Coyote said, "Get up, my brother, I bring nice tender meat." Wolf was angry; he lay down.

That's how deer got to the mountains.

9f. COYOTE AND WOLF (DB)

In those days there was lots to eat, but they destroyed it. They used to get game easily, but Coyote and Wolf made it hard to get food. Wolf went hunting. He was going to hunt groundhogs. He went and stood under a rock cliff. He said, "Rocks, come after me," and all groundhogs came down to him. Then he killed what he thought would be enough for a meal and went home.

Coyote was his brother. He was home, and he asked him, "How do you kill so many like that?" Then Wolf told him how he did it. Coyote thought he would try. He did what his brother had told him and got many groundhogs. Then he ate them, and afterwards he stood there and said the same thing again. Then all rocks rolled down after him. That's how Coyote spoiled easy hunting.

They went to another place. They were going to hunt rabbits. Wolf went out first. He piled sagebrush roots, as many as he wanted, perhaps three piles. He did this as he went along. Then he looked back, and there were rabbits piled there. He went home, and his brother asked him, "How do you always get lots of rabbits to eat? How do you catch them so easily?" Wolf told him once more, and Coyote thought he would try it. He did what his brother told him, and when he looked back there were the rabbits. After he had eaten them, he tried it the second time. When he looked back, he saw only sagebrush.

Then he went home and asked Wolf, "How do you always have lots of birds to eat?" — "I go along under the willows, and I shake them. Then all the birds come down. I pick them up and go home." Coyote thought he would try this. He did the same thing; he shook the trees, and many birds fell. He ate them and shook the trees again. This time all the leaves came down.

When Coyote went home, he asked his brother, "How do you always dig lots of roots to eat? How do you always have lots of ha.pi'?" Wolf said, "I go along and see a pile of mole dirt. I kick it open as I go along. When I look back, Mole (yü'atsiba) comes out with a basket

of ha.piⁱ in her hands. She has pretty beads around her wrist. She gives me the basket, and I come home." Coyote asked him again, "How do you find ha.piⁱ?" Wolf told him once more, and Coyote thought he would try it. He kicked open a pile of dirt as he passed by. He looked back and saw Mole come out with her basket full. He thought, "I'm going to reach across the basket and get her bracelet." He came to her and grabbed her wrist. She went underground, pulling him with her. He kept hold, and she went on down in the ground. Finally only Coyote's tail was left above ground. He was helpless so he let her go.

When he reached home, he asked his brother, "What do you do when you get all this ya'pá?" — "There is a woman who always gives me ya'pá. These women are always digging it. But if they give you anything you must be careful not to spill it, or they will chase you." So Coyote went to get some. When he reached there, he saw the women from a distance. "I guess I'll make love to them," he thought. Those women knew what he was thinking, and they didn't give him any ya'pá. They bunched together and sat down. They thought they would give him some kind of louse. They gathered those lice and gave them to him in a basket. Coyote thought, "Well, if they're going to give me that, I'll throw it at them and help myself to their ya'pá."

When they gave it to him, he threw it back and took their ya'pá. Then he ran home, all those women chasing him. He knew that they would follow. Wolf followed Coyote because he knew what was going to happen. He met Coyote just as he was almost caught by those women. They were making a terrible noise as they came after him. Wolf yelled to Coyote, "Throw that basket back." He did that, and those women took their basket and went home.

10a. COYOTE AND WOLF GO HUNTING (DB)

Coyote and Wolf were going deer hunting. They told their sister to parch some food for them. As they went along, Coyote kept thinking he saw something. He tried to ask his brother. Finally they found the game they were hunting. It was quite far from them. Wolf said, "You stay here and let me hunt." Coyote said, "No, let me come along." Wolf didn't want him, but they both went. They shot, and Wolf's arrow killed the deer. They looked to see where the deer had been hit. Wolf took out his own arrow; he picked up Coyote's arrow and put it in the hole where his own had been. He was going to tell Coyote that he had killed the animal.

Then Wolf said, "Go back and get our lunch. After we eat, we can clean the deer." Coyote made a hole in the lunch and ate about half of it. When Wolf saw the hole, he asked him, "Did you eat some of this?" — "Why no, I never ate any. I came along pretty fast. It must have caught on the brush as I came past." Wolf told him, "I know what

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IOB. COYOTE AND WOLF GO HUNTING (BA)

Coyote and Wolf had the same mother. They told her to cook some food for them. She gathered sawábstuni ("things on top of sagebrush"). She put them in a basket and told Coyote not to bother her while she was cooking. She started to cook, and she made a noise, "Sáwapüñ, sáwapüñ, sáwapüñ," she said. Coyote wanted to see what was happening, so he took off the lid and burned that food. He spoiled it. His mother was so angry that she ground the food just as it was. She put it up for them to take along. They were going to hunt elk.

They travelled over the mountain. Wolf saw two young deer there. He didn't tell his brother; he just told him to look around. Pretty soon Coyote caught sight of them. "I see a big deer," he said. Wolf said, "They're too young," but Coyote wanted one anyway. "If you pick them up, a fire will start and burn everything." But Coyote took one. Then a fire came after him; it came pretty close so he let the deer go. When the fire stopped, he ran back and took the deer again. Then that fire started once more. Wolf just walked along. There was fire all around. When Coyote loosed the deer, the fire stopped.

Then they went on together. They saw someone camped. Coyote wanted to see whose camp it was. Wolf told him, "Those are pretty bad people; don't go there." Coyote thought they might have some ya'pá roots. "I'll go anyway," he said. He went over to the camp. There were some Bear women in there. There was lots of ya'pá drying outside. Coyote found a basket. He scooped up some ya'pá and ran. They came after him; they came close behind him. He threw back the basket and hit those women right on the legs. He didn't eat much of the ya'pá; he didn't have time.

Coyote caught up with Wolf, and they went on. Pretty soon they came to another camp. It was Beaver's camp. He had a pointed house. Wolf said, "If you go in there, everybody will lie down on top of you." Coyote went to see; he didn't believe his brother. He went in. There was just one man lying there. Coyote asked him, "Where is everybody?" That fellow didn't answer. Coyote went inside. He saw that they had lots of hides of all kinds. He thought that he would pick out the best hides and go. He picked up one and started for the door. That fellow

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Wolf knew what had happened. He sent a little bird called Patsi'don (meadow lark) to help Coyote. He told that bird what to tell Coyote. The bird came outside the camp. He said, "Use your little finger; stick him in the ribs." Coyote said, "Stay where you are." Pretty soon he understood. He stuck his little finger in that fellow and cut him open. All the water ran out, and Coyote got up and ran away.

He found Wolf, and they went on. He saw smoke somewhere on the rocks. Woodrat (tikáwa) was chasing groundhogs under the rocks. He was smoking them to death. Coyote said to Wolf, "I'll go and get some groundhogs." — "Maybe he'll put you inside and cover you over." But Coyote didn't believe him. They came to some ryegrass. Coyote cut it and took the longest piece. He came to the place where Woodrat was lying. He was down in front of the hole pulling out a groundhog with a stick. Coyote came from behind, and Woodrat didn't see him. So he stabbed that fellow with his ryegrass. He kicked it away, and Coyote stuck him again. Then Woodrat knew someone was behind him. He was on his knees. He bent over and looked back between his legs. He saw that ryegrass. Then he saw Coyote with the grass in his hand. He told Coyote, "My grandchild, get in the hole and pull out the groundhog." Coyote went right in. Woodrat shoved a big rock in the mouth of the hole, and Coyote couldn't get out.

Wolf wondered what was going on. This time he came back himself to see. Woodrat had gone. Wolf kicked that rock. He said, "Tikwi-pūñü," and broke that rock in pieces. His brother had a groundhog in his arms. He was lying down inside. He had one groundhog anyway.

Then they both went on. That Wolf saw an elk in the timber. He said to Coyote, "Look closely." Then Coyote saw him, "That's the biggest deer I ever saw." — "Coyote, you stay here, I'll chase him." — "No, I have to follow right behind you." Wolf sneaked toward that elk. He got pretty close. He commenced shooting and so did Coyote. Both hit the animal. It ran a little way and then fell down.

Wolf said to his brother, "Go get that food we left, but don't eat any of it. If you do, I'll make this deer alive again." Coyote came to that food, and he cut open the package. He stuck in his finger and put it in his mouth. When he came back, Wolf saw the hole. "I think you ate some of this," he said. — "I think I cut it on that mountain mahogany." Then Wolf said, "Open your mouth. Let me look inside." Coyote wouldn't do it. Wolf grabbed that Coyote and tickled him. He made him laugh. He opened his mouth wide, and Wolf saw the food in his teeth.

"What are you going to do when I make that deer get up?" Wolf asked him. — "I'll follow it anyway." — "If you get on water, what will you do?" — "If I do that, I'll be a spider." — "If you go in the desert where there is no water, what will you do?" — "I can follow anyway," Coyote said. So Wolf took a mukánu and raised that deer. The animal jumped up and ran.

Coyote came behind. He followed that deer all over the mountain. It ran far into the desert where there was no water. Coyote gave out. He stopped by a big bush of sage. He put a hide on top of the sagebrush to make a shade and lay down underneath.

Wolf began to worry about his brother. He told Horned Toad to give Coyote water if he saw him. Pretty soon a Horned Toad found Coyote lying there. Wolf had told him, "Just hide. Coyote has no sense; he might shoot you." So that Horned Toad came up on the other side of the sagebrush. Coyote was lying there with his mouth wide open. Horned Toad dropped some water in. Coyote jumped up; he was pretty angry. "Who did that?" he yelled, and he shot several times. Then he lay down again, and Horned Toad gave him more water. Coyote felt better after that.

Some people ahead were having a gamble. Rattlesnake and Lizard saw the deer coming. "Long-legged one is coming," one said. Someone said, "That fellow never says that; someone must be coming." So they came out and looked around. They saw dust flying. They picked out a man to kill whatever was coming. They tried to get Dove, but he said, "I get frightened; I might fly away." Someone said, "Maybe Rattlesnake would do. He's pretty hard to see." So they took some thorns from a rosebush and put them in his mouth for teeth. He tried them on an Indian, but they hurt him just a little. Then Rattlesnake put fire on his teeth and tried that on another fellow. His hand swelled and he died. Then Rattlesnake went out and hid himself. Deer was coming along. He didn't see that Rattlesnake. He bit him on the leg, and he killed him right there. The whole camp skinned and divided that deer.

Then Coyote came along. He came in that camp and gathered the meat. He said it belonged to him. Rattlesnake was lying there, but Coyote took a stick and knocked him away. Then Coyote gathered everything and started off.

Those Indians wanted to make deep snow fall. They looked at Porcupine and said, "Here's the man to make snow." Porcupine lay down and said, "May snow cover the grass; may snow cover the grass." Pretty soon snow began to fall; it was pretty thick. It was about four feet deep.

Coyote was just half way home. Wolf was crying in his camp. He thought he would freeze to death. Frog (*pamóg*) came in. He kept quiet. The Sun was crying too. Then Coyote climbed in a tall pine

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They were crying when he came in. He put down the deer outside. The old lady was there. She came out and looked at Coyote. She stopped crying. That old lady tried to pick up the meat he had brought, but it was too heavy. Then Wolf went out. He picked it up with his little finger and brought it inside.

100. COYOTE AND WOLF GO HUNTING (NO)

Coyote and Wolf were brothers. They told their mother to cook wá.da for their lunch. She was cooking it. She covered herself, and she told them not to look at her as she cooked it. She said, "Sáwapoñ, sáwapoñ, sáwapoñ." She told them not to look at her; if they did, the food might burn. She ground that food for them on the ma'tá (metate) and put it in a buckskin bag for their lunch.

Rat was smoking a groundhog in his hole. That Coyote said, "Let me go over there; he might give me one. We could cook and eat it." Wolf told Coyote not to bother Rat. "He might put you in that hole and smoke you," he said. But Coyote went anyway. Rat didn't see him come. He stooped over and tried to get out the groundhog. When he leaned over, his testes hung down. Coyote took a long piece of ryegrass and stuck Rat with that grass. He stuck him again and again. Rat dodged each time. He made a hole in the ground and sat down over it. Then Coyote stuck him again. This time Rat looked back; he tried to see what was hurting him. He said to Coyote, "Oh, my grandchild, you are always so silly."

He told Coyote to go inside and get the groundhog, for he could not reach it. So Coyote went in, and Rat closed him in there and left him. Wolf wondered why his brother didn't come back. He came looking for him. Coyote was smoked to death, but he had the groundhog in his arms all right. Wolf said, "Tupi'ku kwána," and he broke the rock into little pieces. He kicked it aside. He found his brother dead. He took him out. He had a groundhog in his arms.

They saw fawn tracks. Coyote said, "Let me track one. I might kill one for supper and breakfast." Wolf said, "You better let them alone; they might follow us with fire." Wolf went on and left Coyote. Coyote took that little fawn all right. The fire followed him. When it had nearly caught him, he threw down the fawn. Then the fire stopped. Then Coyote ran back and grabbed that fawn again. The fire followed him once more. He grabbed the fawn and ran. He jumped on his brother. He had that fawn in his arms. The fire was blazing behind him, and it caught Wolf and singed his hair. That Wolf, he grabbed the fawn and threw it away. Then the fire stopped.

Coyote said, "There's that mountain." He kept telling. He said, "My brother, you. If you eat any, I shall bring. When Wolf shot the elk. Coyote told him to go after the lunch. He ate the lunch and ate some. Wolf hid under some brush. That's the way. Yes, you have eaten. He said, "I know you have eaten. I'm going to make that deer alive. I'll follow even if he goes in deep. I'll turn into a spider. I raised that deer. He ran away. Coyote was left in the brush so thirsty.

Lizard and some Flies were there and the Flies kept saying. He said, "Something is coming. We better see what he means. I'll see what the boy was saying. It's the same thing.

They went hunting. Maybe they were. Dove, "Go and watch. If he comes, I'm afraid of everything. So they got Rattlesnake. He didn't want to do it. He made it someone. He didn't kill him.

The deer didn't see him. He shot and killed him. Then those people went to butcher that deer. Rat-ribs and backbone because he shot him away with a stick, but he ran away from him, and threw him into them. "Maybe Coyote and I raised the meat and put it away.

He went to bed. His mother was so silly. He ate what he ate the lunch I raised the way for lack of water."

He followed the deer tracks. He carried water under the brush; his mouth was full in his mouth. Coyote didn't see. Horned Toad was on the other side

of the brush. He put water in Coyote's mouth every few minutes. When Coyote was feeling better, he jumped up and shot in the air with his arrows. Horned Toad got under the sagebrush, and Coyote didn't see him. Then Coyote was all right, but Horned Toad stayed there under the brush for good.

Coyote followed the deer tracks again. He came along. He knew that those people had killed his deer. He went to their camp and gathered all the meat they had. He packed it and went home to his mother.

They said, "Has anybody power enough to make deep snow so Coyote will freeze to death?" And Porcupine said, "I'll do that." Then he said, "Hoñi'tc^a, hoñi'tc^u, poboit^a boit^a. May a deep snow fall." The snow fell, and Coyote could hardly walk. The snow half covered the pine trees.

Coyote took his mukánu and hunted for a rock. Then he drilled fire so that he could heat the rock. He made it red hot and threw it toward his home. He told the snow to dry. It began to melt and to dry.

Wolf had told his brother not to sit on a rock. "If you sit on a rock, it will grow with you," he told him. Coyote was sitting on top of a rock. It grew way in the air, like a rim rock. Coyote's pack was on the ground. Weasel was Coyote's wife. She took the pack and gave it to his mother. She saved the fat and made it into balls. These she saved for Coyote. He was way up in the air on top of that rock. Weasel came under the rock every morning and cried and cried.

She told Eagle to bring down her husband. Eagle flew in the air. He took a little rock in his claws. He practiced to see how heavy a rock he could carry. Then he flew way in the air. Coyote thought to himself, "Well, maybe he is going to take me down." He lay on one side where Eagle could catch hold of him. Finally Eagle took him in his claws. He circled round and round in the air, coming lower and lower.

Coyote's wife was packing wood. Eagle put Coyote where she would find him. Weasel came along, and there she found her husband under the sagebrush. She was packing wood on her back, and she put him on top of it and packed him home.

Then she took that grease. She put it on the end of a stick and warmed it. When it melted, she put it in Coyote's mouth. He liked it. Then he became fleshy and stout again.

10d. COYOTE AND WOLF GO HUNTING (TA)

Coyote and his nephew were hunting groundhog. They made a fire with sticks right in front of the groundhog's hole. They did that so that the smoke would kill him. One was right in front of the hole poking. Coyote came up from behind him. He had a stick and he poked him. The man looked under his legs at Coyote and said, "There's a groundhog under here. You'd better go in and bring him out, nephew." Then Coyote went in. The man stopped up the hole and went off. When

Coyote didn't come home, his brother, Wolf, came to look for him. He found the place. He kicked the rock to pieces. There came Coyote with a groundhog in his arms.

Coyote and Wolf packed a lunch. They hung it on a mountain mahogany tree. When they killed a deer, Wolf sent his brother for the lunch. "Be sure not to eat any before you come," he said. Coyote came to the place they had left the lunch. He bit it open and ate some. When he came back, Wolf asked if he had eaten any. Coyote told him, "No, I didn't." Then his brother said, "I can see the hole." — "Oh no, I came under the juniper, and a limb tore it open." — "Let me see inside your mouth." Coyote opened his mouth, and Wolf could see food between his teeth. He said, "You have eaten some." That Coyote said, "That is from this morning."

So then Wolf was angry. He raised the deer he had killed, and that deer ran off. Coyote followed. He went right with him. He walked so long packing his arrows, that his shoulder became sore and smelled badly.

Coyote walked far without water. He was very thirsty. He dug a hole under the sagebrush and lay down with his mouth wide open. Horned Toad saw him. He climbed on the sagebrush above Coyote and dropped a little water in his mouth. Coyote didn't see him above. He took his bow and shot in the air, but he didn't see Horned Toad at all. Pretty soon Coyote had enough of this water, so he got up and went on.

Lizard was lying on the house. He saw the deer coming. "I see something coming," he said. He was the only one on the house. The others were all inside having a big game. Someone looked out. "Maybe he sees something," he said. He looked out and saw the deer coming. Then all of them said, "Who is going to kill that deer?" They sent Rattlesnake (togókwa) to kill him. He went there and lay in front of the deer. He bit him on the leg. Then that deer went a little way and died. So they divided the meat. They were all Indians then.

Pretty soon Coyote came up. This Coyote gathered all the meat they had divided. Rattlesnake was lying on the hide. "This is my hide; I killed this deer," he said to Coyote. But Coyote took the hide and shook off Rattlesnake. Then he took all the meat and put it in that hide and packed it home.

Porcupine made a deep snow fall. Coyote heated a large rock. He sent it home, that rock; he sent it ahead of him. That made a dry road toward his house. Then he came home.

That's as far as I know this story.

106. COYOTE AND WOLF GO HUNTING (NN)

Coyote and Wolf were brothers. They were going to hunt elk. Wolf told his brother, "Look around for grandma." So Coyote told Wolf. "Here's our grandmother." Coyote told his grandmother to make

lunch for them; they were going to eat seeds. She was going to tell Coyote not to look at them, she said, "Sáwa parched those seeds. My grandmother looks white as her. His grandmother ate those burned seeds for food and went hunting."

And Wolf told Coyote, "Maybe you will see her right here." And Wolf said, "But Coyote said, 'Be careful of it.'" He went along with Wolf.

Then Wolf told Coyote, "You must not eat a deer alive again." Coyote tore the covering off the deer. "You have eaten some," he said, "Oh, I tore that hole. My brother is laughing at me, but Wolf tickled me."

Wolf made that deer raised that deer, and that deer was gone for good.

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Once they had a good hunt. "Why, I smell something," he said. He went first one way and then the other. He smelled it. Then he went toward the north. He went very fast toward the north.

Then he came to the house. He was talking. Sand Hill Creek was there with Wolf, was there with his full brother. A woman was there. The chief said to her, "Drink it; make it thin with mush. He tried to poison me, but I ran right through. He swallowed it. He wanted to kill me."

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And Wolf told Coyote to look for what looks over the mountain. "Maybe you will see him," he said. And Coyote told him, "Yes, it is right here." And Wolf wanted his brother to stay there while he shot it, but Coyote said, "Brothers have to go along. We both have to shoot it." He went along with Wolf. So they shot an elk and killed him.

Then Wolf told Coyote to go for their lunch. "And when you bring it, you must not eat any. If you eat any of it, I'm going to make this deer alive again." Coyote went after that lunch. He ate a little of it; he tore the covering and ate a little of that food. Wolf said to him, "You have eaten some. See where you have torn the covering." Coyote said, "Oh, I tore that on a limb as I came back." And that Wolf told his brother to laugh so that he could see his teeth. Coyote wouldn't laugh, but Wolf tickled him and saw that wá.da in his teeth.

Wolf made that deer alive because Coyote had eaten the lunch. He raised that deer, and the deer ran off. Coyote couldn't do anything; that deer was gone for good.

11a. THE THEFT OF PINE NUTS (BS)

Once they had a gamble early in the evening. Coyote smelled pine nuts. "Why, I smell something good," he said. He kept turning around, first one way and then the other. He tried to find from which direction he smelled it. Then he knew where it was. Then he got up and went toward the north. He had smelled those pine nuts from quite a distance. He went very fast toward the north.

Then he came to the place where they had pine nuts. The chief was talking. Sand Hill Crane was chief; he was captain. Coyote's brother, Wolf, was there with Crane, and he was talking too. He was Coyote's full brother. A woman was fixing pine nuts. She was grinding them. The chief said to her, "Fix it just like water; make it thin so he can drink it; make it thin so he can't steal any." Then they gave him that mush. He tried to pour some in his blanket, but it was too thin and ran right through. He tried to hold some in his mouth, but he always swallowed it. He wanted to take some home in his mouth but he couldn't.

After Coyote had eaten those pine nuts, he went home. They were going to have a dance at home. They started to dance. The girls all

wanted to dance with Coyote because they could smell that he had eaten something good. They said, "This young man smells good."

They gathered all the Indians. All kinds of birds were Indians in those days. They had this dance, and they got all the larger birds. They left just two little birds at home; they were too small. Those two little birds stayed home. All kinds of birds went; they all went. They wanted to steal the pine nuts. They travelled to the east to the Austin mountains. They hunted all over those mountains. They killed deer and antelope and all kinds of game.

They drank all the water that they carried. They were all thirsty. They cut off all the meat and put the bones in one pile. They said, "Let's send Coyote for water. We can give him this big pile of bones for pay." Then they sent him for water. He went quickly. He went for water; he looked for water. While he was gone, Hummingbird (soñ.oi¹) sucked the marrow from the bones. When Coyote brought back the water, they had a big drink. They gave him the bones, but there was no marrow. Coyote was very angry. He grabbed that water from them and poured it all out. Not everyone had a drink.

Then Coyote went off and built a fire. He melted the grease that was left in the bones. Then Black Lizard, he took a bath in the grease Coyote had melted. Coyote took a stick and chased that Lizard. Then Lizard tipped over his cooking; he spilled every bit of that grease. Coyote called that grease water. He tried to stop the water from spilling. Everybody was going for the pine nuts, but Coyote was still fooling around with that grease. You can still see this place where the grease spilled. It is down below Lovelock. Coyote was pretty angry with this Lizard and told him, "You had better turn into a fish so that someone who is poor can have you." So that's what he did, that Lizard.

Then Coyote followed those who had gone after pine nuts. He caught up with them. They found a blockade of ice just like these mountains; it was all ice. The Cranes had done that to keep them from coming on their side. They all stopped there; they couldn't go across. This Coyote tried every way to break that down. He tried to run fast and climb up, but he fell back again. The Mice tried to bite off the ice. Then one of these Black Crows went straight up in the air. He's the one who is going to break that. Some more of these Black Crows were sitting there waiting. "Look at those black things sitting there. They can't do anything. I'm the best man around here, but I can't break this," said Coyote. One of those Crows flew way up in the air again. He went high and then came down. "I know you people can't do anything," Coyote said to those Crows. Then Coyote heard a noise. The Crow who had gone up was high in the air; he was coming down; he was making a noise. They could just hear him; they couldn't see him. Now they could see him. Then he broke that barrier in two.

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He went after pine nuts. He caught them just like these mountains, but he couldn't keep them from coming on. He couldn't go across. This Coyote tried to run fast and climb up the side of the ice. Then one of them flew off the ice. Then one of them flew into the air. He's the one who is the best. The Crows were sitting there waiting for him. They can't do anything. They can't break this," said the Crow. He went high into the air again. He went high into the air. He can't do anything." Coyote made a noise. The Crow who had been waiting came down; he was making a noise. He couldn't see him. Now they are in two.

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string pine nuts on it. He picked up that when he saw that Crow had broken the ice. He tried to go through the opening first of all, but he was carrying too big a pack. He couldn't get through. Everybody pushed him back and went by. Coyote was the last to go through. They all went through the opening, and he was the only one left. Then he went through. He was way behind. Every once in a while he would lie down because he had worked so hard to try and break that open. He gave out.

Then they came to the place they were going. It was late. They were going to have a gamble. They bet. They started gambling. The Cranes beat them. That Coyote had a gamble by himself against several Cranes. Everybody played. They played all night. While they were playing, the Mice were looking for the pine nuts. The Cranes had hidden them. They hunted all night while the others were gambling.

Then they found the pine nuts. They came and told the others. The Cranes had hidden them somewhere in the middle of a bow.¹ It was different from our bow; I never saw one; I just heard about it. There they found the pine nuts hidden. So they sent Woodpecker after it, because he could break anything hard. There were two kinds of Woodpeckers, one red and one yellow. The yellow one tried first, but he couldn't open it. So they sent the other, this red one. He got it. The Cranes didn't see him; they were still gambling.

He ran with the nut. Then they found that he had taken their pine nut. They chased him. Wolf was way behind the others. He was the one who wanted to steal that nut. When the Cranes caught up, they killed Wolf first. Then they cut him all to pieces looking for that pine nut. They thought he had hidden it somewhere inside his bones. Everyone those Cranes found they killed and cut to pieces; they killed every one of those people and searched them. But they never found the nut.

They had given the nut to Sai.bazó², the Hawk who always flies over tules (from *saiib^u*, tule). He had one leg that was rotten all the time, even when he was alive. He's still that way, that bird. They gave him the pine nut. When they gave it to him, he put that nut in the middle of his rotten leg. He was the last they killed. They thought, "Nothing could be in that rotten leg," so they threw him toward Coyote's camp.

As soon as they threw him in that direction, the leg began to travel by itself. After the Cranes had searched all the others, they thought, "Maybe it's over there in that rotten leg." When they came to look, they couldn't find that leg; it was gone. So that leg came right home with the pine nut. The Cranes came a long way after it, but they could barely see it. As soon as that leg reached home, it planted pine nuts all over the mountains. The Cranes cried when they saw all those pine nuts planted. And the rest, they all came home.²

¹ It must have been a pretty small sack of nuts (NT).

² I don't see how they did if they were all killed (NT).

So those two brothers got some of the pine nuts. They chewed the nuts as they planted them. Wolf planted good ones, nice and big. Coyote chewed the nuts and swallowed most of them. He planted very little; he spat out only a little. The ones he planted were poor, and his planting came up as junipers.

They were going to have a dance after they had planted all the nuts. They were going to have pine nuts to eat. Then Wolf said, "We shall have a dance tonight. We shall have supper and then all can go to sleep. If anyone doesn't dream of these pine nuts, he can't eat any after they have grown." Everyone was going to dream of them.

But Coyote dreamt that he never ate pine nuts. Nearly everybody dreamt that too. Now the next day all those people didn't eat pine nuts. Coyote shouldn't have eaten any, but he ate them just the same. Deer, other game, and all birds, they dreamt that they didn't eat them, and they never do eat pine nuts, even today.

That's the end of that.

II b. THE THEFT OF PINE NUTS (DB)

Coyote went out and happened to find some people eating pine nuts. As he came in the house, the head of the family said, "A stranger comes. Grind some pine nuts for him." They ground them and made soup. The man said, "Make it very thin. We don't know this man. You can't tell what he might do." They made it very thin and gave him some. He ate with his fingers. He thought, "I wish I could take some home. But it's too thin; it runs right between my fingers." He tried to hold some in his mouth, but it ran down his throat.

Then Coyote and his brother went to everyone's camp and told them to gather for a meeting. They all came. They said, "What shall we do to find pine nuts? We'll play the hand game with them." Then they were asking each other, "Who is going to look for the nuts while we play?" They chose Mouse.

Then they all went to the pine nut place. They started a hand game. Those people had hidden the nut in the middle of a bow. Toward daylight Mouse found the nut right there. Then he went to Red Woodpecker and told him. Woodpecker went there and pecked a hole, and he took out that pine nut. When he took it out, it made a yellow flash, and everybody ran out. They knew someone had stolen their nut.

They all chased that bird. Chicken (?) hawk (sai.bazó^o) is the one who took the nut from Woodpecker. He didn't want the others to know, so he put it in his leg which smelled as though it were rotten. When they caught him, they said, "Well, he smells too badly. A thing good to eat could never be buried in him," and they tossed him away. They searched all the others. They made a big ice mountain in front of Coyote's people. They couldn't cross it any way. Those people kept

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on searching, but they couldn't find their pine nut. So they turned back.

The others couldn't get over the ice. "How are we going to break this ice?" they said. Coyote told them, "Well, I'll try." He ran up and bumped against the ice. Every time he did that his nose bled. Many Black Crows were sitting to the north, way up high. Wolf said, "Why don't we have those people help us?" Coyote told him, "I'm a man, and I tried it. I don't think they would do any good." Then somebody yelled to them, "Hey, come and help us!" Those birds had black obsidian. They built a fire and made their stones red hot. They had one stone apiece. Each carried it in his mouth. Then they flew up and swooped down. They cracked that ice.

Coyote was the first to go through. Everybody ran through so fast that Coyote was knocked down. Every time he tried to get up somebody trampled on him. They all went on home.

When they reached home, they took out the pine nuts and made soup. Then Coyote and Wolf were going to plant pine nuts. Coyote took some in his mouth. They told him, "You sprinkle it out of your mouth." But Coyote swallowed his all the time. That's why we have only juniper growing up this way. Coyote did that because he ate juniper berries. Then Wolf did the same. He sprinkled his pine nuts to the south, and down there all pine nuts grow.

IIC. THE THEFT OF PINE NUTS (P)

Coyote was going to hunt good-tasting pine nuts. He called the north wind and told him. The wind blew hard from the north. Coyote stood there and stuck his nose to the north. He sniffed. He didn't smell anything, so he turned to the east. He told wind from the east to blow. He stood up and did the same thing as before. He couldn't smell anything. Then he stood there and wanted the wind to blow from the west. He couldn't smell anything from that direction either. Then he turned to the south and stuck his nose in the air. He stood there thinking that he scented something. It smelled good from the south. Then Coyote said, "I smell it. I certainly smell pine nuts to the south." Then he went that way.

He came to the place where the pine nuts grew. He met some children there. They had pine nuts in their hands, and they were all eating pine nuts. Coyote tried to ask for some, but they would give him none. He went past the children to the camp. When he came there, the people said, "Coyote is no good. Don't give him pine nuts. Make it very thin, not thick." Then they gave him some pine nut mush that was thin. He couldn't hold the stuff in his mouth; it all ran out.

So Coyote came home with nothing. He met his brother and told him what had happened. Wolf went to all the camps and told everybody.

He told them, "My brother has come from the south. There is something good to eat down there." Then he told everybody to gather at his camp. They all asked, "What are we going to do about this? Why can't we all go there and get this nice stuff that is so good to eat?"

Then everybody went. They all started in that direction. Then they came to that place. They were going to play with the people there. The people knew what they had come for. They thought they should hide their pine nuts.

Coyote told Mouse, "You're small. You can always go through small places. We'll let you hunt for the pine nuts." Then the Mouse just went every place; he went all around inside the house. He even went under the dirt in the pit where they cooked the pine nuts. He always came back to Coyote and the others. Coyote sneaked looks backward at him to see if he had found the pine nut yet. Every time Mouse whispered, "I haven't found it yet." This went on all night; it was nearly day. Then he found it hanging way up. They had hidden it in a bow.

Then Mouse came down and told them he had found it. Coyote asked those birds, "Whose bill is so hard that he can pick inside that bow?" Woodpecker didn't want to do it. "My bill is soft," he said. There was another kind of Woodpecker there; he was yellow. He said he would try. He left the game and sat apart from the others. He asked Mouse, "Just where did you see it? Tell me just where it is." And Mouse told him, "It's hanging up there," and he pointed to the place. Then that bird flew swiftly up and made one peck. He made that noise just once, and the pine nut fell out. He threw it over on their side,¹ right in front of Coyote. Then Coyote picked it up and ran out. Everybody followed.

The people who owned the nuts chased them. They killed everyone they caught. Wolf had some pine nuts, and he threw them along the way, but the owners didn't know about that. When they caught up with a person, he passed the nut ahead to someone. This Hawk had a pine nut. He always lived in the swamp. As they came along, he made a swamp for himself. Coyote and the others were on dry land. He made it swampy to one side, and he flew on that side. Then he changed half his leg into a rotten-smelling leg, and in there he hid the pine nut. The people caught him. They said, "My, he smells pretty bad. I don't think he has the pine nut." They tossed him around, but he kept on flying along. All the time, Coyote and his people were travelling north. Soon these other people went back because they couldn't find their nut.

So they brought pine nuts here. Wolf spread down his two blankets, and they emptied all the pine nuts. Wolf said, "I'm going to take all the pine nuts." He didn't want Coyote to have any. Then his brother

¹ Opposing sides were lined up for the game.

said, "Why, I was the one who ought to have some." Wherever he did that, the coyotes eat juniper berries. He did that.

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They travelled until they got to earth. They could not blockade. He tried and he got a nosebleed. He couldn't do it. Those people set fire on the north side. Wolf said, "Maybe they don't think so. They are not. But those Crows flew and broke that ice into pieces.

Coyote was the first to go down and tramped on the snow. He was the last one to catch them. He wanted to catch them. He wanted to want him this way. He told him, "You stay there. Why there are no rats."

All other animals were home. They were home.

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Coyote was camped on the north. He went to the north. A little boy had pine nuts. "My nephew, let me

said, "Why, I was the one who went down there and found them. I ought to have some." He ate all the pine nuts and spewed his saliva. Wherever he did that, juniper trees grow today. He did that because coyotes eat juniper berries in winter. Wolf was angry when Coyote did that.

This story goes way back. That is why there are no pine nuts around here.

II d. THE THEFT OF PINE NUTS (NN)

Pine nuts grew on Yamsi mountain and Gearhart mountain. Yellow Woodpecker (*ohá atsáb^a*; *ohá*, yellow) wanted to steal these pine nuts. An old man had these pine nuts in his hands. He also had a bow and arrow in his hands. This Woodpecker told Mouse (*puñá.z¹*) that the old fellow had pine nuts and a bow in his hands. Woodpecker couldn't get those pine nuts. The old man went to sleep, and Mouse came along and stole those nuts.

In those days all kinds of birds and animals were persons. When they had stolen the nuts, they travelled to the east. They had pine nuts now. They stole them because they wanted to live on those nuts.

They travelled until they came to an ice blockade. It stood from sky to earth. They couldn't cross this way. Coyote tried to break the blockade. He tried and tried, and he hurt his nose. He tried until he got a nosebleed. Everybody else tried to break that ice, but they couldn't do it. Those Crows were sitting around there. They had a fire on the north side where the people were trying to break through. Wolf said, "Maybe they might help us." Coyote said, "Oh, I don't think so. They are nothing. I am a man, and I couldn't do anything." But those Crows flew way into the air. They came straight down and broke that ice into pieces.

Coyote was the first one to run through. Everybody knocked him down and tramped on him. Everybody came through past him. Bullfrog was the last one to come through. Rattlesnake was going to come with them. He wanted to come along. But those birds and animals didn't want him this way. They took a stick and threw him back. They told him, "You stay there. Don't come here. We don't want you." That's why there are no rattlesnakes around here.

All other animals and birds were back in their own country again. They were home.

II e. THE THEFT OF PINE NUTS (BA)

Coyote was camped somewhere. He was hunting. He smelled something to the north. Then he kept on going. Soon he found a camp. A little boy had pine nuts in his hand. He came out, and Coyote said, "My nephew, let me have some." But that boy went back and said

to his mother, "That stranger asked me for pine nuts. He said, 'My nephew, let me have some.'"

Then one man said, "Take pine nuts and mix them with water. Make it pretty thin. He's not the right kind of a man." So they did that and gave some to Coyote. They gave him a cup full of it. Coyote tried to drink it, but it wouldn't stay in his mouth. It came right out through his skin. He tried to hold it in with his hands, but it came right through.

Then Coyote went home. Wolf was his brother. They were camped together. He told his brother, "That's what I saw." He told everybody. Then Coyote said, "Don't call me Coyote. Call me Tall Fellow. Say, 'This Tall Fellow finds something.'" But they didn't mind him; they called him Coyote just the same.

Pretty soon everybody set out. They travelled a whole day. All kinds of game went, everybody. When they reached there, they started a gamble. They played the stick game all night. Those people there had hidden the pine nuts. Coyote wanted to take them away. They told Mouse to look for the nuts. He looked all night, but he didn't find anything until nearly daylight. He tried to scratch out the nuts. Everybody saw him. All but the people who owned the nuts saw him. Then Woodpecker said, "I'll get it. As soon as I get it, everybody must run." Then he took the nut out quickly, and they all ran.

The people chased after them. They killed Wolf first. He and Coyote were the bosses. Then they killed all the others except Coyote. He wasn't killed because he was way ahead. Chipmunk with the red on the side didn't get tired. He put his brother on his back and carried him. Frog was with them. He gave out. But the people didn't kill him; they didn't bother him at all. Wolf got up after he had been killed. He came along and made everyone alive again. They all got up, every one of them. Frog was way behind.

Pretty soon they found ice ahead of them. It was high. They couldn't climb over. Then Coyote tried to go through, but he couldn't make it. He hit it again and again with his nose. It gave him a pretty short nose. Some of those Black Crows were at one side. Coyote said, "I never can break through this." Those Indians had some obsidian. They put it in the fire and made it red hot. Crow took this in his mouth and flew high in the air. Everybody looked up and watched. Then he went so high that they couldn't see him. He was out of sight. Coyote said, "I see him way up there," but he couldn't see him. Coyote was only talking. Pretty soon Crow came down fast. He hit that ice. It became loose. Coyote jumped through quickly. He was the first one through. Then everyone else came through.

That Frog was still coming. He saw their old fire. He put his hand in the ashes to see how long ago they had been there. Some grass was just coming up. He picked out a stick, and it burned his hand. "It's just a little while ago," he said, "because that stick burned my hand."

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well stay here," he said. He jumped into the water and stayed right
there.

The others went home. They mixed the pine nuts with water. They
cooked them. They wanted to raise some. Wolf and Coyote put pine
nuts in their mouths and spat them out, way over the mountains.
Coyote cheated and ate most of his. Wolf raised good pine nuts, but
Coyote raised juniper trees.

12. FROG¹ (DB)

They were having a war. Frog was the last one to go. The people
in front had left a camp. Frog found where they had camped a long
time ago. Grass was already growing in the fireplace. When Frog got
there, he felt around. The grass stuck his hand. He thought it was hot.
It wasn't hot; it must have been five or six months old.

13. COYOTE STEALS HIS SISTER'S PINE NUTS (BS)

Coyote stole the pine nuts that his sister had hidden away. He had
some children, but he didn't give them any. He was making nets from
some kind of vine fibers. He was pulling off the leaves. He was breaking
the fibers in his teeth and splitting them in half. Every time he chewed
that fiber he put a few pine nuts in his mouth. His children said, "What
are you chewing, father? It sounds as though you were chewing some-
thing." — "No, I'm not chewing anything. I'm just biting this netting."
Every day Coyote did that. That's all the work he did.

"He must have something to eat. He never goes to look for food,"
the children said. They looked around and found his excrement way
up on a rock. They examined it and found what he had been eating.
Coyote went way up on the rock because he didn't want the children
to know what he had been eating. He had a place fixed to hang on to
when he eased himself. The children broke that rock. Then they put
it back the way it was. They fixed it the way it was before.

Coyote went up there early in the morning. He held on to that rock.
It broke with him. Coyote fell right on his own dirt. He went home
and cleaned his body all over. He washed himself in the creek. Then
he said to his children, "Get up, you children. You sleep too long. I'm
the laziest one here, but I get up first and take a bath." Then they
got up. Coyote was sitting there. They saw that there was some dirt
left in his ears. He never thought to wash his ears.

Then his sister was going to the place where she stored her pine nuts.
Coyote saw her coming after them. She caught him coming from that

¹ Compare this with the incident incorporated in the previous tale.

place. He came a little distance and then died. He died because he was ashamed. Then his sister reached the place where he lay. The grass was growing all around him. His mother said, "He's just pretending; he's just doing that. Maybe he's stealing something." Then his mother said to her son, "Shoot him in the nose so we can see if he is really dead." The boy shot Coyote in the nose with his arrow. Then Coyote got up and ran away.

They came to the place where they kept the pine nuts. They looked and saw that they were gone. They brought home the few they could find. Coyote was home. He had a camp with his sister and his mother. After a while Coyote's sister moved away. Then after a while Coyote went away too.

14a. COYOTE AND HIS DAUGHTER (BS)

Coyote made a big storm come. He asked his daughter to fix the roof of the house. While she was there, Coyote looked up at his daughter. He saw that she was well formed; she was larger than her mother. Then Coyote wanted to possess her.

He got a toothache. He was nearly dead. "When I die, I want you to marry a good man who can do things for you," he told his daughter. "When I die, don't bury me. Just gather some sagebrush and lay me on top and burn me. When you leave me, don't look back," he said. Then he died.¹

They did as he told them. They started off, and his son had his arms on his head. He looked back over his shoulder. He saw his father fall the other way. He said to his sister, "It looks to me like our father fell the other way." Then they came to the place they were going. They camped there. After a few days there came this man whom Coyote wanted his daughter to marry. He married her.

One day he asked the boy, "Let's go where your father used to take you to hunt rats." They found a rat under the rock. The boy was on one side poking under the rock, and Coyote was on the other side. The boy looked under the rock at the rat. He wondered why his brother-in-law made a noise as though he were using his teeth. Then he looked at the man's teeth. He saw his teeth; he saw that he had a rotten tooth. When he saw that tooth, he saw that the man looked like his father.

That boy went home alone. He cried when he saw that. He came and told his mother and sister, "He has teeth just like father. It is he, all right."

Then the mother said to her daughter, "When he comes home, hunt nits on his head." So she did; she laid his head on her lap. He tried to hide his mouth and ears. But when that girl looked she found he was

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ran off.

After a while he came home, a pretty old man. He came back and found
his daughter had a little child. That was his child. She called Coyote,
"My grandfather." Then Coyote wanted to hold the baby. He said,
"You don't take good care of my little granddaughter. That's why she
has bowel trouble." That's the end of this story.

14b. COYOTE AND HIS DAUGHTER (BA)

Coyote was camped. He had a son and daughter, but no wife. He
wasn't feeling well. He thought he was going to die soon. He told his
daughter, "If I die, put some brush on the hillside. Put me on top and
burn me. But don't look back. Then go and find a man who wears
fine eagle feathers on his hat." Coyote had that kind of a hat. "When
I die, you burn that with me," he said.

Coyote died, and they put him on top of the brush. They set fire to
the pile and went away. "Don't look back," the girl said to her brother.
But he did. "Our father rolled off," he said. They went on.

When they were gone, Coyote got up. He travelled way around and
came to an Indian camp. He put on his hat with the eagle feathers.
He played around. He waited, and pretty soon his children came to
that camp. His daughter picked him because of his hat. When night
came, he sneaked in and lay with her. They were married then. I don't
know how many nights he slept with her.

He told the boy, "You better take me where your father used to
catch woodrats." They went out and looked under the rocks. There
was a hole each side of a rock. Coyote was on one side and the boy on
the other. Coyote said, "Put a stick in there and scare him out." He
put his stick down and was going to take out the rat with his mouth.
Then the boy saw that he had a sore mouth just like his father.

He didn't say a word, but he went to his sister. "That's our father
you've married," he told her. Then they hid. Coyote looked for his
wife, but nobody would tell him where she had gone.

15a. COYOTE'S SON-IN-LAW (BA)

Coyote had a camp. His daughter was Blue Jay (*izá'a bádi*). She
was married to Porcupine. He stayed with them. Coyote was hungry;
there wasn't much to eat. Mouse was staying at the same camp. Coyote
asked Porcupine to make snow so that he could track a rabbit. After
dark Porcupine said, "May snow cover the grass; may snow cover the
grass." He and Mouse were lying there. It began to snow. Porcupine
sent Mouse out to see how deep the snow was. There was just a little.
"It doesn't cover my feet yet," Mouse said.

So Porcupine kept on saying, "Poboita, poboita, poboita." After an hour Mouse went out again. "It doesn't cover my feet yet," he told him. So Porcupine kept on. Pretty soon Coyote became angry. "Go way off and try," Porcupine told Mouse. He did. He was so light that he stayed right on top of the snow. He came back and told Porcupine the same thing. The snow was really pretty deep.

Coyote tried to go out. The snow was up to the door. It was so deep he could hardly get out. He was angry with Porcupine. "You make too much snow," he told him. Then Porcupine quit, and the snow stopped.

The next morning everybody got up. They were going to chase rabbits. Coyote went ahead of them. They walked slowly, but Coyote jumped over the snow. Then he began to get tired. But Porcupine didn't get tired; he just kept on going. Coyote came back to camp tired out. Porcupine kept on and found some rabbits under the sagebrush. He killed many and brought them home.

The women were watching. They saw a black spot way out on the snow. "Maybe that is Porcupine," they said. Coyote told them, "I put some brush out there; maybe that's what you see." Porcupine came closer. He was bringing lots of rabbits.

Coyote felt better. He was going to skin those rabbits. He cut them and stuck them under his knee. He ate them without cooking.

15b. COYOTE'S SON-IN-LAW (NO)

Porcupine was Coyote's son-in-law. Coyote went hunting for rabbits. Porcupine stayed home. He made snow again. He told the snow to come down. He said, "Hoñitc^a, hoñitc^a, poboit^a, poboit^a." Coyote scolded him, "Why do you want to make deep snow? You have such short legs." That made Porcupine angry.

He sent Mouse outside. "Go and see how deep the snow is. If it's deep enough, I'll quit." Mouse went out on top of the snow. He said, "Oh, that's not very deep." So Porcupine kept on.

Coyote went out. It was in the night. He tried to open his wickiup, but the snow was too deep. He said to Porcupine, "You have such short legs, and you make such deep snow." Then Porcupine went out. He made a road for his father-in-law.

Coyote said, "Well, I guess I'll do this when I see a rabbit." He jumped and hopped over the snow and got all worn out. Porcupine just kept on going. Finally he came to the thick sagebrush. He killed lots of rabbits. He packed home half of them. He left the other half behind. It was dark when he reached home. Coyote was glad that his son-in-law had brought lots of rabbits.

The next morning he said, "I left many over there. You better go and get them. You can follow my tracks." That Coyote got stuck in the

snow. He came back and brought them home. Then Coyote said, "Find my nephews and for good."

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snow. He came back without any rabbits. Porcupine went for them and brought them home.

Then Coyote said, "Well, you stay here. I'm going to see if I can find my nephews and nieces." He told his wife that. Then he left her for good.

16a. PORCUPINE AND COYOTE (TA)

Elk was going across a big river. Porcupine wanted to go with him. "Where shall I sit?" he asked. "Where shall I sit, on your back, under your neck, or under your tail?" So he sat under his tail. Then Elk went across the water. When he was nearly there, Porcupine went into his anus and up into his intestines. He was going to kill Elk. That Elk died as soon as he reached shore. Then Porcupine came out.

He was walking around talking. He was saying, "What can I use to skin him?" He was looking for an obsidian knife. Pretty soon Coyote came up. He said, "What are you talking about? It sounds as though you had killed something." Porcupine said, "Oh no, I'm just talking." Then Porcupine told Coyote what he had. Coyote said, "Let's go and look." When they came there, he said, "What shall we do? Let's have a race. Let's run and jump over that Elk. The one who jumps best can take him." Porcupine said, "All right." They both ran. Coyote jumped clear over. Porcupine tried to jump, but he fell back. So Coyote said, "This is mine; I beat you." He started to take it away. Porcupine said, "No, that's mine." Coyote thought he would kill this Porcupine. He fought hard before he could kill him.

Coyote went home. He left his cap where he had killed Porcupine. He told his cap, "You wait here. If one of them moves, you say, 'Move,' and I'll come." Coyote went home to bring his family. When he was nearly home, his hat said, "It's moving; it's moving; it's moving." It was Porcupine moving.

Porcupine got up. He took that cap. He said, "Well, I never have seen a hat that could talk," and he threw that cap in the water. Then he started to skin and butcher that Elk. He hung all the meat high on a juniper.

Pretty soon Coyote came with his wife and his children. Porcupine was up in the tree. There, that Elk was gone; Porcupine was gone; Coyote's cap was gone. Coyote trailed that Porcupine and found him way up on top of the tree.

"My nephew, give me a piece of meat," he said. Porcupine said, "I'll give you a piece. Have your wife and all your children stand under me. I'll give them a big piece." Then he said, "I'll give them a great big piece so they can catch it." They all stood together under him. Then that Porcupine threw a great big piece of meat on them and killed them all.

This happened when Coyote was an Indian.

So he ate that meat all by himself, that Porcupine, way up on top of the tree.

16b. PORCUPINE AND COYOTE (NN)

Porcupine wanted to cross the river, but he didn't know how to do it. He went back and forth looking for a place to cross. Elk (*padühütc*: *pa*, water; *dühütc*, deer) was there. He asked, "Why do you run around so?" — "This water is too deep for me; I can't cross." Then Elk said, "I'll take you across. You ride on my back." — "No, I might fall off when you walk." — "Then you sit between my ears if you are afraid to ride on my back." But Porcupine told him, "If your ears move, I might fall off." — "You can get inside my nose." — "No, I'm afraid I'd fall if you should sneeze. Let me ride in your anus." Then Elk said, "All right, you shall ride in my anus."

Then that Elk went across the river. Porcupine was inside of him. He wagged his tail and killed Elk. He died right on the bank of the river as he climbed out. When he fell, Porcupine came out.

He said, "I wish I had a knife so I could cut him. How fat he is." He had no knife. Coyote was there and heard him. Coyote asked, "What did you say, Porcupine?" But Porcupine told him, "Why, I didn't say anything. I only wished that I had a knife to scrape something." But he knew Coyote had heard him. Then he said, "Yes, I wish I had a knife so I could butcher this Elk I have killed."

Then Coyote said, "Let's jump over that dead deer. Whoever jumps over will take the hide." And that Coyote ran and jumped over the deer. He didn't give Porcupine a chance. Porcupine went half way and then fell back. That Coyote killed Porcupine because he didn't want him to have the deer. He put his cap by Porcupine and told it to tell him if Porcupine moved. He said, "If he moves around, tell me. I'll come back and kill him again." He hadn't gone very far when the hat called, "He's moving." That Coyote had gone half way. He was going home for his children. He didn't hear his cap call. He just went on.

Porcupine got up and looked at the cap. He said, "You make me tired. I don't like hats that can talk." He threw that cap away. Then he butchered the deer and put it on top of a juniper tree. He moved that meat and the hide way up on a juniper.

Then these Ants (*a.nib¹*) went there to visit Porcupine. He gave them some meat. Coyote came back. He didn't know where the meat was. He looked for his cap but couldn't find it. Then he saw these Ants going up the tree. That's how he found where Porcupine had put the meat. He climbed that tree and found Porcupine there. He asked him where he should sit to ease himself. There was a broken limb on that tree, and Porcupine told him to sit on it. Coyote went out on that limb. It broke, and Coyote fell.

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17a. NŪMŪZÓHO PLAYS BALL (NO)

Nŭmŭzóho and the people had been quarreling. The Birds made a game so that the others would lose. "We never say anything even if you eat ŭs," they told Nŭmŭzóho.

There were some little gray Birds who had two boys. These boys were angry, and the big one shot the little one with his bow and arrow. The mother said, "Why do you treat him that way? We are nearly gone now. Everybody is killing us. There are just the three of us left." At last the big brother killed his little brother. He packed him home. The father and mother were crying in the sagebrush. They took the feathers from that little bird, and they made a ball of his feathers. They buried him under the rock.

Those two Birds told all the Birds and Animals that they wanted a big council. The Cannibals were camped alone, away from the others. They stayed in the sun even if it were very hot. These two Birds had them gather too. They told them, "We are going to play ball clear around the mountain. The losers are going to be roasted." They fixed a big hole with a fire in it. This was to cook those who came in last.

They started from this pit. They put the ball near there. They were going to kick it. Nŭmŭzóho played against the Crows. The others stayed behind to keep the fire going. The Birds hired Gopher (*pimí mabidá*^a: *pimí*, backward; *mabidá*^a, palms) to make an underground tunnel so that the Cannibals' ball would hit against it and bounce backward. They told Owl to flap his wings to make it light at night for the Birds, and they had Woodpecker do the same thing. Owl winked his eye, and Woodpecker flapped his wings.

They wanted to get rid of Nŭmŭzóho because he was destroying them. Magpie was the leader. He went over the mountain. They took turns. Coyote and Wild Cat took turns kicking that ball.

Nŭmŭzóho scolded Gopher because he made the tunnel in front of him. "What kind of an animal is this that makes all this trouble for us? He makes our ball bounce back every time." The others were already over the mountain, but they were not. They had no light, and when the ball bounced back they lost it. They fell down and skinned their knees and elbows.

The Birds were winning. Coyote was watching for them to reach the goal. Coyote felt happy. He yelled and jumped around. He kicked the ball ahead when they came to the roasting pit.

Black Crow (*áda*) was glad his people were winning. He knew they were winning because he saw the daylight coming. That's how he knew.

Black Crow yelled and jumped around the fire. He made Nümüzóho angry. "You black-legged thing, you laugh. You would make anybody angry." He took a stick and hit Black Crow. He broke both his legs. But Black Crow was happy, "I don't care if my legs are broken; I feel pretty good just the same. Bring me a stick so I can tie it to my legs." He told his people, "My legs are all right. I can jump and hop around just the same."

The Cannibals came in last. They didn't kick their ball. They just came along. They knew they were beaten. They were hot and tired. They had sore shoulders and knees and toes where they had fallen down.

Nümüzóho was so big and stout. Eagle and Owl and Badger were going to throw him in the fire. Eagle and Owl grabbed him by the head, and Badger pushed him in the roasting pit. They pressed him down on his breast right into the fire. Then they threw his wife and children into the fire to roast.

Nümüzóho kicked around in that pit. They covered him with earth. When he was cooked, they took him out; when those Cannibals were tender, they took them out. They cleaned their teeth. They took out the meat they had been eating. Coyote cleaned their teeth. He made people alive again from the meat he took from their teeth.

17b. NÜMÜZÓHO PLAYS BALL (P)

Nümüzóho and Coyote were going to have a game. Whoever won was going to eat the other. Coyote said to Owl, "Open your eyes and blink." He told the earth, "We'll make a gopher trail." Then he told Gopher, "You ought to go under the ground and fix it like that. If Nümüzóho is going along, he will be caught."

They were playing wütókoi (single goal ball). It was night, and they were going to play over the mountain. Owl was up there blinking his eyes and making light for them. Gopher went along and made the soft dirt come up right by them.

Nümüzóho lost the game. They were building a big fire to roast him. He sat down by the edge of the pit oven. I guess he must have felt pretty sorry that he lost. When they threw him into the fire, he started kicking around. That's what made all these canyons.

18a. COYOTE AND NÜMÜZÓHO (DB)

Coyote was going along. He saw Nümüzóho on a rim rock. Nümüzóho stood there and called to anyone who happened to come along. When they were close to him, he pushed them over the cliff. He told them there were mountain sheep below. He killed those people every time.

Coyote knew what Nümüzóho was doing. He came up but didn't go very close to the edge. Nümüzóho tried to get him closer. "Come on, there's a mountain sheep way down here," he said. But Coyote

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right over the cliff.

That's how Coyote killed the first Cannibal. Then he went along and
found another one. He found a shade, and he changed the willows into
old dry ones. Then Coyote made himself look sick. He lay down under
that shade. He made the camp look as though it had been left a long
time before.

This Nümüzóho came up and asked, "How long have you been here?
How long ago did they leave you?" And Coyote said, "I have been
here a long time. See the dry sagebrush. See how old the camp is."
Nümüzóho said, "Well anyway, let's play some games. Let's play a
hand game." — "No, I don't want to play that game. It hurts my
knees to kneel so long." Then he asked him to play hoop and pole,
but Coyote told him, "No, I don't want to play that. It hurts my legs
to keep running back and forth."

Nümüzóho was packing his mortar on his back. He put it down and
said, "Let's hit each other with rocks." Then this Coyote thought
how he would kill him. He crawled out. He was nothing but skin and
bones. He said, "I am weak," and fell back. Then he went outside
and sat down. He asked his siwá^a (intestinal worms), "I wonder what
I am going to do." His siwá^a answered, "When you get in the mortar,
put just your skin in the center. Put your flesh and bones around the
edge."

When Coyote came back, Nümüzóho asked him, "What have you
been talking about all this time?" Coyote answered, "That's the way
I always sound when I defecate. I'm pretty sick and weak."

Coyote climbed in the mortar first. Nümüzóho thought he would
kill him. Coyote did what his siwá^a had told him. When he was hit,
Coyote barked and jumped out. The stone hit just his skin. As soon
as Nümüzóho saw he had missed, he called, "Two times," but Coyote
said, "No, we already said just once."

Nümüzóho was pretty big. When it was his turn, he filled the mortar
plumb full. When Nümüzóho climbed in, Coyote tried to raise the rock.
He was so weak he could hardly lift it from the ground. Coyote called
out to Nümüzóho, "I didn't look at you. Turn the other way." He
made Cannibal face the other way. As he turned his head, Coyote
picked up the stone and killed him with it. He kept on pounding him
with it. "You carry this mortar all the time. You kill my brothers
and my sisters and my relatives," he was saying. He kept on pounding
and talking.

18b. COYOTE AND NÜMÜZÓHO (BA)

Coyote was going somewhere. He saw Nümüzóho coming. Coyote
saw him first. "What shall I do?" he thought. He made a camp. He

made a shade of old, red willows. He lay down there. He looked as though he had been sick a long time. He had some old poor water at his side.

Pretty soon Nümüzóho came in. "Where is everybody? Why are you staying all alone?" he asked Coyote. "Everybody left me when I was sick. You see how I look," he told him. Then that Cannibal said, "Let's gamble. Let's play the stick (hand) game." But Coyote didn't want that. "My knees are pretty sore; that's hard work," he said. — "Let's play football." — "I can't run. Let's play something else." — "Well, let's shoot at a target." — "That's pretty hard work for me. Let's play something else." Then Cannibal said, "Let's throw darts." But Coyote said, "That's the kind that makes a man pretty sore." Pretty soon Cannibal thought of something else. "Let's hit each other with rocks," he said. That was what Coyote wanted.

Nümüzóho had a big pan of rocks. He had some shaped like pestles. Coyote said, "Wait, let me go out here for a while." He went out. He talked by himself. "What shall I do?" he thought. Something told him, "Put meat outside, and hide yourself in that hole in the rock." Cannibal heard just a little bit of that. When Coyote came back, he asked him, "What did you say?" — "I always make that noise when I'm pretty sick." Coyote didn't want to tell him the truth.

"How many throws are we going to have?" Nümüzóho answered, "Only one." Then Coyote said, "I'm going to lie down first." He went to the stone. He got inside the hole. He left his flesh outside. Nümüzóho stood ready to throw. He hit Coyote right inside of that hole. Coyote jumped up. He yelped. Nümüzóho said, "Two throws." But Coyote told him, "No, we said only one."

Then Cannibal lay down in the same place as Coyote. Coyote tried to pick up the rock he had thrown. "I'm too weak to pick it up," he said. Then Nümüzóho looked away. Coyote picked up the stone and hit him on the backbone. He cut that Cannibal in two. He ran up and hit him some more. "What did you do with all my cousins? Why do you carry this kind of stone around?" Coyote yelled. Then Nümüzóho tried to kick him, but he missed every time. Coyote killed that fellow right there.

Then Coyote went on again. He heard someone on top of the rim. He was yelling. "Come over here," he called. Coyote went there. It was a pretty high rim. That fellow told Coyote, "There are some mountain sheep down here. They are right under here." Coyote came. He kept looking behind him. He was afraid that fellow would push him over the rim. He was standing behind Coyote. "They're a little farther down," he said. Coyote looked back at him.

Then that fellow started to push Coyote over the cliff. But that Coyote, he slipped under the man's legs, and that fellow himself went

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So Coyote killed two bad people.¹

19. SOME ADVENTURES OF COYOTE (NO)

That Coyote was going along a trail. It was very narrow, but he went on. He saw many tracks there. He looked up and saw a great big man coming toward him. He was going to meet him. Then Coyote sat down and eased himself. He made a dog out of his excrement; he made a white dog with a red eye out of that. The man who was coming had a dog with him; it was a black dog. That man came into the canyon. Coyote picked up piles of arrow heads and put them under his shirt. He went toward that man. It was Nümüzóho. Coyote had those arrow heads with him. Nümüzóho told Coyote, "Get out of my way; I want to go by." Coyote stood there and said to him, "Get away and let me pass." Their dogs tried to fight; they howled at each other.

Nümüzóho was wearing beads. They were made from the bones of the people he had eaten many years ago. He was nicely decorated with those beads. Coyote wanted to trade beads with him. Nümüzóho asked him, "Where are your beads, Coyote?" He still had those arrow points under his shirt. He made them rattle and said, "These are my beads." Nümüzóho asked Coyote to dance around so that he could hear the beads rattle; he liked to hear them. So Coyote danced for him, and Nümüzóho traded with him.

Coyote told him, "Put your legs on a rock. Lay the arrow heads on top of your legs and mash them with another rock." He wanted to poison him. Then Coyote showed him how to do it. He put the arrow points on his legs and hit them with a rock. "You see me; it didn't hurt; I am just as before. You can do that too." So Nümüzóho put his legs over the rock as Coyote had told him. That Coyote put points on both his legs. When Coyote was ready to hit him, Nümüzóho cried, "Oto, oto, oto, oto," and put out his hand to shield himself. But Coyote said, "That won't hurt you. You saw me; I did it."

Nümüzóho told Coyote, "There are many people where I come from. Even if they call to you, don't stop. Go right on." So Coyote left Nümüzóho there. When he had gone a short distance, he thought, "I'll look back and see how he is." He looked back. Nümüzóho was trying to walk, but he couldn't do it with those things in his legs. He fell right down in the same place. His legs were broken all to pieces. He swore at Coyote, "I wish you would die; you did me no good." So Nümüzóho and his dog were going to die because they had no water to drink. That's the way Coyote got rid of Nümüzóho.

¹ This story was told in response to a query as to whether Coyote had ever been helpful.

Coyote went on his way. Somebody called out, "You are going into a bad place. You might fall in." Coyote went running on. "I'm not afraid; I want to see it myself," he thought. Coyote hauled pitchwood with him. He packed it on his back. He made a rope of sagebrush bark and packed the wood with that. He half believed the warning he had heard.

He went on and fell into a great hole.¹ There was a blind person down in that hole. He was crying. Coyote heard him. The hole had been that way for many years. Coyote could feel the bones of those who had fallen in. The blind man had just fallen and wasn't dead. Coyote felt around and found the man's cane. The man was crying because he had lost his cane. He couldn't see anything anyway.

Coyote still had that wood on his back. He put down his pack, and then he lay down. He looked up and saw some light. He tried to punch it with his stick. That was the heart of this hole. Then Coyote told the man who was crying, "Stop crying. I have found his heart; we are going to kill him." Coyote was still singing when he said this. Coyote said, "This is my nephew." The man said, "Oh, is that so?" and he came toward Coyote, feeling his way. Then that Coyote drilled fire. He was going to light the pitchwood and burn that heart. The pitchwood burned straight upward. It made that gall burst. It exploded,² and they were thrown on earth again.

Coyote picked up all the bones and piled them in one place. He made them into persons again. He killed everyone who was a cannibal.³ "I wonder if there are any more bones around?" Coyote thought. The blind man who was saved said, "There is bad water out there. If you come by the lake, that water will swallow you." That's what he told Coyote.

Coyote travelled on. He was thinking of what he would say to that water. When he came to it, the water began to move. Coyote looked up, and the water was ready to swallow him. He was looking at that water. He went in it up to his hips. Then he jerked back, and the water didn't swallow him. Then Coyote stood up straight and talked to the water. He was standing on the edge of the bank, and the water was moving just a little. He told the water, "I'm going to make a wind come up and throw out the bones of all the people you have eaten. They are going to become alive again. You can't eat me." That's what Coyote told the water.

The wind started to blow. The water was lashed back and forth, and those bones were swept out. In a year or so green grass grew between those bones, and they became alive again.

The bones Coyote turned into people were travelling. They made

¹ White people call this hell; the Paiute haven't any name for it (SA).

² Just like dynamite (SA).

³ I guess he was like God (SA).

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He followed their tracks again. He didn't catch up with them; he just kept following. Then he camped alone again. Some little birds called Sanásiwiwi saw Coyote. They make a lot of noise. There was a big willow there, and Coyote was looking around for a place to camp. These Birds thought they would stay with him. When they were going to sleep, those Birds took out their eyes. They tossed them into the willow tree. That Coyote wanted to take out his eye, but it was very hard to take out. He worked hard and at last got it loose. He threw it into the willows. Coyote said, "Come on, my nephews, bring me my eyes. I threw them there into the willows." Those Birds began to play with Coyote's eyes. They wouldn't give them to him. That is how Coyote lost his eyes.

The Birds were following the same people as Coyote. They saw their trail and the place where they had stopped over night. They followed them, and they took Coyote's eyes with them.

Coyote couldn't travel because he had no eyes. He tried to go, but he bumped into the sagebrush, and he fell on the rocks. He fell over and bumped his head. He was very thirsty. He heard a stream running near. He took a stick and felt around with it. He found some little yellow flowers. Then he thought, "I guess I'll put these in my eyes. They always close their eyes at night and open them in the daytime." He put them in his eye sockets, and he could see again. He drank some water and followed the trail again. Then those yellow flowers wilted, and he couldn't see. He was blind again, but he went on anyway. He was following the trail of those Birds.

Two women were digging ha-pi⁴. They had never been married. They found Coyote, and he wanted to marry them. Those two women saw a deer, and they told Coyote, "There's a deer out there." Coyote couldn't see, but he said, "Uhuh, I see it." But he turned the wrong way. Then those women told him, "You're looking the wrong way; the deer is over here." Coyote said, "You go way around so that the deer will come toward me. I am going to hide and shoot as they pass by." When he heard the deer coming, he shot. He killed one little fawn.

Then he said to those women, "Go and make a shade so we can have a fire and a camp." They made a sagebrush enclosure with two openings. Coyote cut that fawn down the top of the head and down the back. "Why do you want to butcher it that way?" the women asked him. "Because there are two of you. I want to divide it evenly between you," Coyote told them. They cleaned the hide and cut it in two pieces. They were going to leave Coyote as soon as they had tanned that buckskin.

While the two women worked on the hide, Coyote lay down in camp. He was lying on his side. He put his head in the lap of one woman and his feet in the lap of the other. Coyote had no eyes. He had worms in his eyes, but he didn't want his wives to know. One woman was fixing his hair. He tried to hide his face so that she wouldn't see the worms. He went to sleep, and the woman found those worms in his eyes. She told the other one, "You take a stick and put it under his legs. And get lots of ants. We'll put them in his hair." They did that, and those ants kept moving his hair. Some of them bit him, and he said, "Don't do that; you are hurting me." His legs were resting on a stick, but he thought they were on his wife's lap.

Those two women left Coyote. One left by one door and the other by the other door. They had a fawn's hoof rattle which they shook so that they could keep together. They went toward the rim rock. When Coyote woke up, he sniffed around for their tracks. He followed the younger. Pretty soon he scented both tracks. He followed them straight to the rim rock. Those women said, "If he catches up, we will throw that rattle over the rim. He'll hear it and fall over." That's the way they tried to get rid of him. Coyote came up, and they threw the rattle over the rim. When Coyote heard it, he ran and fell over the rim.

Then those two women followed the trail. Coyote came to life again and continued to trail them. The women thought that they had killed him. They had a grandmother. She was pretty old, and she walked with a cane. They had left her because she was too old to travel. She had a basket on her back. She stayed where they had stopped overnight. These two women caught up with her and packed her on their backs. They took turns doing that.

The Birds who had stolen Coyote's eyes were going to have a big time. That's why those two women followed them. They left their grandmother and said, "We'll go ahead and see what we can see." One granddaughter came back to see if the old woman were still alive. She told her, "They are going to have a big dance over Coyote's eyes. They are over the hill. You keep on following us."

Coyote was still tracking them. Finally he caught up with the old woman. Coyote told her to sit in the shade and rest. He told her that he wanted to question her. "Do you sleep with your granddaughters or by the door?" he asked her. — "I tell my granddaughter to bring me water; I never let it get low. I keep it on my back. I say, 'My granddaughter whom men have never seen, give me water.' That's what I say." Then Coyote asked her, "What do you do when you sleep?" She told him, "When I am cold, I make a noise in my sleep. Then my granddaughters take me and make me sleep between them. That's the way I do when I am cold in the night."

Then Coyote killed the old woman. He put on her clothes and put her basket on his back. He took her cane and followed the tracks. The

two granddaughters were camped in a sagebrush enclosure. Those girls saw the tracks and reached the camp and sat down by the fire. "My granddaughter whom men have never seen," he said. One of the granddaughters said, "Coyote."

Night came. When they went to sleep, the fire went out, and Coyote was cold. He had told them, "I don't think this is a good man." She looked at Coyote, but she was afraid. The women got up and left him there to follow. They said they would follow.

The younger one said, "I don't think he comes too fast. Our grandmother said, 'Look how fast this one comes.' Every time Coyote was out of sight, he reached the camp, he was working with his cane with both hands. He is a man whom men have never seen, get up."

They had a sagebrush circle in the center. That's the way the two women heard the drum at night. They had their grandmother at camp. Every time the granddaughter said, "Bring me water, she wants to dance too." So they went to get her over there to dance.

So Coyote came. He used his cane. He heard the drum beat lively, "I feel like going up in the air." He went up in the air and snatched his eye from the enclosure. The granddaughter said, "That wasn't our grandmother."

They followed him. He ran, he took his basket and threw it away. Fox came up with Coyote. Coyote told her, "Don't bother me." So Fox came up with Coyote. He has his own eyes. He followed him.

Coyote went to the water and dug up the ground to freshen them.

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They went left by one door and the other door. They heard a hoof rattle which they shook so they went toward the rim rock. When they saw their tracks. He followed the tracks. He followed them straight ahead. "If he catches up, we will throw the rattle and fall over." That's the way they went up, and they threw the rattle and ran and fell over the rim.

Coyote came to life again. He thought that they had killed him. She was pretty old, and she walked slowly. She was too old to travel. She was where they had stopped overnight. They packed her on their backs.

They were going to have a big feast. They followed them. They left their tracks. They saw what we can see." One woman was still alive. She was blind over Coyote's eyes. They said,

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two granddaughters were camped apart from the others. They had a sagebrush enclosure. Those girls saw the old lady coming along. Coyote reached the camp and sat down by the door. He had the basket on his back. "My granddaughter whom men have never seen, give me water," he said. One of the granddaughters ran and got water and gave it to Coyote.

Night came. When they went to bed, Coyote lay at their side. The fire went out, and Coyote was cold. He made a noise like the old woman had told him. He made those women sleep so hard that they knew nothing. He lay between them and began intercourse. The younger sister said, "I don't think this is our grandmother. She smells like a man." She looked at Coyote, but she couldn't see his face. Then those women got up and left him there. They went to dance. They told him to follow. They said they would make a new camp.

The younger one said, "I don't think this can be our grandmother. She comes too fast. Our grandmother is so old she can hardly move. Look how fast this one comes along." There were lots of hills, and every time Coyote was out of sight he would run and catch up. When he reached the camp, he was worn out. He could hardly walk; he used his cane with both hands. He sat down and said, "My granddaughter whom men have never seen, get me some water."

They had a sagebrush circle in which they were going to dance. There was a pole in the center. That's where they hung Coyote's eyes. The two women heard the drum at sundown. They went over there and left their grandmother at camp. Everybody was dancing around that pole. The granddaughter said, "Bring that old grandmother over here; maybe she wants to dance too." So they sent for her. "Come on, grandmother, they want you over there to dance over Coyote's eyes," they told her.

So Coyote came. He used his cane and danced around the pole. When he heard the drum beat lively, he spoke out, "I don't feel very well; I feel like going up in the air." That's how he took his eye. He jumped in the air and snatched his eye. Then he jumped over that sagebrush enclosure. The granddaughter said, "That's what I told you; I knew that wasn't our grandmother. That's Coyote."

They followed him. He ran, and as he ran he took off the burden basket and threw it away. Fox (*wañi'*) was a fast runner. He caught up with Coyote. Coyote told him, "These are my own eyes, nephew. Don't bother me." So Fox came back and told his people, "That is Coyote. He has his own eyes. He told me so." They stopped following him.

Coyote went to the water and dampened his eyes. He put them under the ground to freshen them.

20a. EYE JUGGLER (BA)

Coyote was walking along. He heard someone laughing. "Come in," they said. Wild Cat and some others were sitting there. I think Skunk was there too. Coyote asked them, "What shall I do?" — "Take out your eyes. Throw them in the air. Then hold your head back, and they will fall in again."

Coyote tried to take out his eyes. He took them both out and threw them up, but not very far. He held back his head, and the eyes fell right in the sockets. Everybody laughed.

Then Wild Cat tried it again. He threw his eyes way in the air, and they came back. Everybody laughed and told Coyote to try it again. "Throw them way up in the air this time," they said. He did it. One had a stick in his hand. When Coyote's eyes were coming down, he knocked them to one side. Then everybody ran away. They took Coyote's eyes with them.

Coyote couldn't see a thing. He was all alone. He tried to follow, but he couldn't find the way. He ran into the Brushes, and he scolded them. They said, "We never move. You come right over us." Then he ran into the Rocks. "You're in my way all the time," he told them. But the Rocks said, "We never move. You just run over us."

Coyote heard some Birds singing. He went over there and called them. The Birds came to him. "Will you give me your little eye so that I can see?" They gave him a little one so that he could see where he was going.

Coyote travelled until he came to a camp. An old woman was there, and Coyote asked her, "Where is everybody?" She told him, "I have three daughters. They're out there dancing over Coyote's eye." — "What do you do when your girls come back? What's the first thing you say to them?" — "I tell them to get me water. That's the first thing I say," the old lady told him. Then Coyote asked, "How do you cook for them?" — "I cook wá.da for them."

Then Coyote took a rock. He hit the old woman on the head and hid her away. He took off her clothes and put them on. Then he lay down where she had been. The girls came back, and Coyote asked them for water the first thing. One ran to get water. Soon the girls said to him, "Everybody wants you over there, grandmother. They're going to dance over Coyote's eyes." — "How am I to go?" — "We can pack you on the back." One picked up Coyote and packed him. When she was tired, another packed him. The girls were pretty tired. Then Coyote said, "Let me go. I'll go myself." And then he went on alone. Those girls were over the hill, and Coyote ran to gain time. When anyone was looking, he leaned on his stick and walked like an old woman.

Then he reached the place where they were dancing. "Let me hold that Coyote's eye for a while. I want to dance with it," he said. They

gave the eyes to him. He held them like flying away," he said. They all ran after him, but they tried to take the eyes from him. Fox let him go.

Coyote put his eyes in a spruce and soaked them and put them in again.

All the animals were together. They took out their eyes. They did that, they ran under the trees.

Coyote came along and got the people making all this noise? They took out their eyes and throwing them back again." So he tried to take out his eyes; noise as they came out. He ran under them, and they caught him.

They all said, "Let's try it first. Coyote was last. One of his eyes to one side as they were going." Coyote couldn't see. Now he bumped into sagebrush.

called Tütü'tsibi¹ was singing. Bird, "Come here, my nephew." He put out his hand, and they took his eyes. He put them in his pockets. He found his own eyes.

He went along and found them at a distance and sneaked up to get them in his sockets, and they had big eyes. He skinned them.

Coyote went on again. He was beating at a distance. It was near, he changed him. He went to a house. They had his eyes. It was those people who had the eyes and gave them to the old man. Be happy and dance," they said. He started to dance like them.

He looked up at the sky. He thought, "I wish I could

gave the eyes to him. He held them in his hands and danced. "I feel like flying away," he said. Then he ran, taking the eyes with him.

They all ran after him, but nobody could catch him. Fox (*wañi'*) tried to take the eyes from him. Coyote told him, "These are my own eyes," so Fox let him go.

Coyote put his eyes in a spring to soak. They were pretty dry. He soaked them and put them in the sockets. Then Coyote was all right again.

20b. EYE JUGGLER (P)

All the animals were together, Wild Cat, and Raccoon, and lots of others. They took out their eyes and threw them into the air. When they did that, they ran under them, and the eyes fell into place.

Coyote came along and got with the others. He said, "Why are you people making all this noise?" They told him, "Oh, we are taking out our eyes and throwing them in the air. Then we run under them, and they come back again." So Coyote said, "Well, I guess I'll try it." He tried to take out his eyes; he could hardly do it. They made a strange noise as they came out. He took them and threw them in the air. He ran under them, and they came back again.

They all said, "Let's try it again," and they did it. The others did it first. Coyote was last. One of them took a stick and batted Coyote's eyes to one side as they were coming down.

Coyote couldn't see. Now he had no eyes. When he tried to go along, he bumped into sagebrush and even rocks. A little sagebrush bird called *Tütü'tsibi'* was singing. When Coyote came up, he said to that Bird, "Come here, my nephew. Why are you singing so loudly?" And he put out his hand, and that Bird lit on it. So Coyote took the Bird's eyes. He put them in his sockets. He thought he would go back and find his own eyes.

He went along and found Buffalo (*pa.gu'ts'*). He saw him from a distance and sneaked up to him. He killed him and took his eyes. He put them in his sockets, and he could look far because that Buffalo had big eyes. He skinned the Buffalo and had the hide for a blanket.

Coyote went on again. As he was walking along, he heard a drum beating at a distance. It was inside a *ka.ni* (conical house). When he was near, he changed himself into an old woman. He went inside the house. They had his eyes on a pole in the center, and they were dancing. It was those people who had stolen his eyes. They took down the eyes and gave them to the old woman. "Be merry and dance hard, old lady. Be happy and dance," they told him. They gave him his own eyes. He started to dance like the rest.

He looked up at the smoke hole. He was wondering how to get out. He thought, "I wish I could change myself into something and go through

that hole. I'll change myself into a flying spark and go through there." He changed himself into down and flew up through the smoke hole.

Fox chased him and caught him half way up the hill. Coyote said, "My nephew, why are you chasing me?" Then he told him, "You people stole my eyes. I just got them. Don't chase me; go back." And Fox came back.

21. COYOTE SHOOTS THE NIGHT (BS)

Wolf knew about the Night. He had it hanging inside his house, that Wolf. He told his brother not to fool with the Night. He said to Coyote, "You let it alone. Everybody will starve if you bother the Night." That's what he told Coyote.

Coyote took a blade of grass and shot it from his hands. He shot that Night with grass. Then he broke the Night. It stayed Night. It was Night a long time. No daylight came at all. It was Night all the time.

Coyote was drilling fire. He lighted that bark and went to look for rabbits. When he heard a rabbit, he hit him with that light. Every time the fire struck the ear of the rabbit. Then Coyote chased the rabbit wherever he saw that light on its ears. He killed many rabbits. He had rabbits to eat; everybody else was starving. Those who hunted in the daytime were getting hungry. It was Night all the time.

Then the Indians gathered and talked about the Night. None of the doctors could make the sun come up. They just couldn't do it. They asked Mallard Duck (gudá). They asked him to do it. He asked for white shell beads. He said he would do it for that price. They gave him just enough beads to go around his neck. Those beads show on his neck now. They put those beads around his neck.

He said, "If there is going to be day, I'll make a noise." About the time for daylight, he began making a noise.¹ Daylight was coming; the sun was nearly up. Then the sun came up. Then Duck told them how long the day would be. "It's going to be long," he said. Then the day was as before.

22. COYOTE AND BEAR (NO)

Coyote was living with his wife and son. Coyote went rabbit hunting. His wife and little boy were hunting ants. They found an ant nest, and Coyote's wife was gathering those ants. She sent her little boy to hunt more nests. Bear was watching him as he hunted for those nests. Bear was in an ants' nest. He was cleaning it. When the ants got on his paw, he licked them off. The little boy came to the spot where Bear was standing, and that Bear killed the little boy.

Coyote's wife went home alone. When Coyote came home, he found his wife sitting there crying. He brought one rabbit with him. She

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BEAR (NO)

Coyote went rabbit hunting. She found an ant nest. She sent her little boy to as he hunted for those nests. When the ants got on his nose to the spot where Bear was boy.

Coyote came home, he found one rabbit with him. She

told her husband that Bear had eaten their little boy. Then Coyote told her he would go and hunt that Bear.

They left home. They went in different directions. Coyote was hunting that Bear. He was looking for him on the hillside. He knew where Bear went for chokecherries. There was a spring there with lots of willows. Bear went for a drink and went under those willows. He lay down for a nap, that Bear did. Coyote tracked him there. He found him asleep.

When Coyote saw him, he called out, "Who is that sleeping there? Is it my aunt (pa'wá, father's sister)?" He called for Bear to come; he wanted to talk with him. Bear heard him, but he didn't move. Coyote called, "Come on, my aunt." Then Bear went to see him. They sat down in the shade of the willows.

Then Coyote said to Bear, "What are you hunting? Why are you lying down under these willows?" Then Bear told Coyote that he was looking for service berries and chokecherries. Then Coyote said, "Did you ever do any mischief?" — "No, I don't think I ever did any mischief." — "Sometimes people forget what they have done." Then that Bear said, "Yes, I remember, I did kill one little child about a year ago."

Coyote tried to trick that Bear. He told him, "You'll find lots of service berries on that hill. When you pass the thick places, it may look as though someone is going to shoot you. That is all right. Just go right on." That's what Coyote told the Bear. Then Bear said, "Yes, I'm going over there." Coyote said, "I am going this way through the meadows. I want to catch some mice to eat." As soon as Bear was over the hill, Coyote ran into the thick brush. Bear thought someone was going to shoot at him with a bow and arrow, but he went right on because of what Coyote had told him. Then Coyote killed that Bear.

He made a fire to roast him in the ground. He roasted him and was resting. The cottonwood trees around there were split. When the wind blew, they opened and shut. Coyote thought he would play with them. He put his hand in the split. The wind stopped blowing, and he was held fast. Some Black Crows came along. They scratched the earth off the meat and ate every bit of it. Coyote was hanging on that tree, and those Crows ate all his meat. After they had left, the wind started to blow, the tree opened, and Coyote was loosed.

He ran and picked up the bones; he gathered all of them. Then he broke them and ate the marrow. He had killed a big Bear, and that is all he got. He ate those bones and piled them all together. "I'm a pretty stout person. Even if you kill me, I'll come back to life. I'll get up in two years even if green grass grows through my bones," Coyote told that pile of bones.

23. COYOTE AND WILD CAT (P)

Wild Cat (duhú^u) was taking a nap during the day, and Coyote found him sleeping. Then he put his hand on that Wild Cat's nose and pushed it up. That's how Wild Cat got a short nose. After a while he woke up and went down to the stream to drink. He leaned over and saw his face in the water. He said to himself, "What's happened to me?"

Coyote was going along the edge of the river. There were many little Grouse there. They flew swiftly with a whirring noise. Coyote was startled when he heard them. He said, "Why, whose babies are you?" They said, "We're that kind of people." Then Coyote picked up the little ones and ate them right there. He walked along; he was on a trail alongside the river. He met the mother of those Grouse. She flew, making a great whir with her wings. Coyote jumped to one side and fell in the river.

He was about half drowned when he reached the bank. He fell asleep there. Wild Cat came along and found him there asleep. He took Coyote's nose between his palms and rubbed it until it became long. That's how Coyote got a long nose. Wild Cat did the same thing to Raccoon.

When Coyote woke up, he looked in the water as he drank, and he discovered what had happened. "What kind of a looking face have I now?" he asked.

24a. COTTONTAIL SHOOTS THE SUN (BS)

Cottontail (dabú^u) had a camp with his grandmother. He went after wood which he packed home on his back. He found Nümüzóho over there. He told his grandmother, "Make mush of atsá. The wood that burns well always whistles." They went along and heard something whistling. There was wood standing over there and whistling. Cottontail was going to try and kill Nümüzóho. The Cannibal went over to the wood. Cottontail told him to climb on it. He climbed on the wood, but when he did so a limb broke, and he fell to the ground. Then Cottontail went over there. He was carrying wood on his back. Cottontail made Nümüzóho pack some wood too.

They came home. They were going to eat. Cottontail's grandmother hung him up inside the house. She built a fire under him. Finally Cottontail cried out, "Grandmother, I'm about to burn up. Take me down." Then his grandmother loosed him. Cannibal was drinking some mush. The old woman hung him up too, right in the same place she had hung her grandson. Then she put lots of wood under him. He cried out like Cottontail had done. But they didn't take him down; they burned him. They killed him right there.

Now they were camped there alone, those two. Cottontail hunted cottontail rabbits. The days were short then, shorter than in winter

time. Then Cottontail was so short.

When Cottontail came home to say something. He heard his grandmother say, "You say, grandmother?" he said, "Yes, you said something." So Cottontail came toward her. He had lots of cottontail rabbits.

Some days after that he met some Ground Squirrels. He met them walking along there from behind a bush. He killed them there under the rocks.

Finally Cottontail came home. The Winds were Indians at all their rabbit skins and meat on himself. He was right over the door, just behind them.

In the evening the Winds were laughing. The one ahead hit his head. Then the other carried rabbit skins and blankets hung in the door.

The Winds started skinning. Cottontail married the sister that they skinned were near the ground. Cottontail did not. He was skinning his cottontail rabbits.

Then they were taking supper. He picked some of them they were taking from the eating supper. The Winds because he had the best of them. The others grabbed his meat. They were fighting for his meat. He had left their meat. He was that fattest one. After a while on fire. They were still fighting.

Cottontail reached his grandmother's house. He was inside sharpening his knife. He was going to do it by himself but he was going to stay

time. Then Cottontail was angry with the Sun because the days were so short.

When Cottontail came home from hunting, he heard his grandmother say something. He heard but acted as though he hadn't. "What did you say, grandmother?" he asked her. — "I didn't say anything." — "Yes, you said something." Finally she told him, "I said, 'My husband.'" So Cottontail came toward her. He threw her down and had his will of her. He had lots of cottontails hanging from his belt.

Some days after that he started making arrows. Then he went away. He met some Ground Squirrels. They said, "What kind of an Indian is that walking along there?" When Cottontail went along, he watched them from behind a bush. He shot at them. They ran under the rocks. He killed them there under those rocks. Then he went on; he left them under the rocks.

Finally Cottontail came to the place where the North Wind lived. The Winds were Indians at that time. He came to their camp. He took all their rabbit skins and made blankets of them. He put these blankets on himself. He was right in their house. Then he took rocks and tied them over the door, just high enough so they would bump their heads.

In the evening the Winds were coming home. He could hear them laughing. The one ahead came in the house first. Those rocks hit his head. Then the other came in. "What's in here?" he asked. Then he hit his head. After this they told Cottontail that he could have those rabbit skins and blankets. So Cottontail took down the rocks he had hung in the door.

The Winds started skinning the cottontails they had brought home. Cottontail married the sister of the Winds that noon. Those cottontails that they skinned were nice and fat. They were going to roast them in the ground. Cottontail didn't go hunting, but he got a rabbit by magic. He was skinning his cottontail too. He put his in the fire with their rabbits.

Then they were taking those rabbits from the fire. Cottontail was watching. He picked some grass and shot it with his finger at the rabbits they were taking from the fire. He took what he shot. Then they were eating supper. The Winds couldn't find any fat in their cottontails because he had the best one. Then he cut his rabbit and started eating. The others grabbed his meat. They piled up on one another when they were fighting for his meat. Then Cottontail slipped over where they had left their meat. He ate their rabbits while they were fighting for that fattest one. After a while he had enough. Then he set their camp on fire. They were still fighting.

Cottontail reached Buzzard's camp. He stood outside. Buzzard was inside sharpening his finger nails. He was going to kill Cottontail; he was going to do it by clawing him on the head. Cottontail knew that, but he was going to stay there all night. He slept in the middle. He

didn't go to sleep because he was afraid. When the Buzzards moved in their sleep, Cottontail moved too. Then he got up and moved Buzzard's son to the place he had been lying. Then that Buzzard killed his own son the way he planned to kill Cottontail.

The next morning they got up and ate some food. I don't know just what they ate. "Why does your boy want to sleep so long?" Cottontail asked. "He always sleeps a long time," Buzzard answered. "What shall we do?" Buzzard asked Cottontail. "Let's play football," he said. — "That's not much fun; let's get up on a tree and shoot at one another." Then Cottontail said, "Yes, let's do that."

Cottontail got in the tree first. He put just his skin there. He himself was on the other side of the tree. But Buzzard thought Cottontail was sitting there. He shot at him. He used all his arrows. They went right through that skin. It was just like shooting a shirt. Then Buzzard went in the same place. He sat there. Cottontail shot over him, as though he missed every time. At last he shot at him and hit him. Buzzard screamed when he was shot. Cottontail killed Buzzard right there.

Then Cottontail went on. He met nobody on the way. He stayed overnight on the road; he stayed overnight there.¹

Finally Cottontail came to the place where the Sun was. He watched before the Sun came up. Just as he started up, Cottontail shot at him. His arrows burned before they hit him; the Sun was too hot. Every time he shot an arrow it burned. Then he used all his arrows. Then he made an obsidian arrow head, and with that he killed the Sun. He knocked down the Sun. He took out his insides; he took out the gall. Then he threw that gall straight in the air. "This is the way the Sun ought to come, right in the middle of the world instead of going that short way," Cottontail said. "I've never yet been able to kill a cottontail because the days are too short." So he made the days long. Then he came away.

A fire was coming behind him when he started back. The ground was burning behind him. It burned his stockings. That's why his fur comes way up on his legs. He came to Badger's hole. When he went into that hole, some hot dirt fell on the back of his neck. Even now, cottontails have a little burned spot on the back of the neck. Then he came out and tried to go under the rocks. He came out and went on, and the fire followed wherever he went. The fire always came behind. Finally Cottontail came to some bushes called nábu. That's where the fire stopped.

Cottontail went on; he was going a long way. Then he reached home. Now the days were long. He hunted cottontails; the days were long and he killed many.

One day he found some kind of a Paiute Indian. He made him come

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'hó.nahotna,' and run through after me," Cottontail told him. "You
say that and run through where I went." Then that Paiute tried that. He
ran through. The wild roses bunched themselves on top of his head.
He stood there a long time taking those bushes off his head. "Say
something to these bushes; they're going to kill me pretty soon," he
said to Cottontail. Then Cottontail went behind those bushes and
talked to them. The bushes loosed themselves. Pretty soon the Paiute
came out with his hair all messed. They went somewhere else. They
stayed a long time, and then the Paiute left.

Cottontail stayed there with his grandmother. He hunted by himself.

24b. COTTONTAIL SHOOTS THE SUN (NO)

That Cottontail wanted to go after the Sun. He made many arrows
because he wanted to go after the Sun. Cottontail was on his way. A
Chipmunk stood on top of a rock and yelled, "Who is that?" Then
those Chipmunks made fun of Cottontail's tail. He became angry and
ran after them. He kept on going until he was just out of sight over the
hill. Then he looked back. Those Chipmunks were standing on the
rock — the mother and all her little ones. He shot at them. They were
frightened and said, "Tisúku, tisúku, tisúku." They ran in their hole.
Cottontail let them go, and he travelled to the east.

There were some Lice in the sandy ground where the Red Ants live.
They were talking. They said, "That Cottontail is from the south. He
is going to kill everybody. If he kills me, I'm going to do this," and that
Louse yelled and jumped around and fell to the ground. He jumped up
because he hadn't noticed Cottontail. That Cottontail was coming along.
He had a rope of sagebrush bark over his shoulder for packing his
quiver. His shoulder was sore. He said to that Louse, "Try again."
He took some grass roots and told that Louse to try again. He said,
"I wonder how you people happen to know anything about me. You
are always talking about me." Then he hit that Louse with the grass
rocks and killed him.

He kept on going. There are two kinds of Jack Rabbits. The smaller
kind was hunting cottontails. They hunt when the North Wind blows.
Cottontail came to the place where the North Winds were camped. They
had a wickiup. Cottontail took a long hollow pole and placed it by
the door. He tied a rock over the doorway of that wickiup. When he
had hung the rock there, he painted his eye with red paint. He was
sitting right in the middle of the room. When he heard those Winds
coming, he didn't look up until they were all inside. Then he looked up
and frightened them. They ran out. They bumped their heads on that
rock as they ran.

They gave that Cottontail one poor cottontail rabbit. They told him to eat it. They cooked the rabbits in hot ashes. When they took them out of the pit, they gave him a poor one. He said to himself, "Let all the grease come into my cottontail; let all the grease come into my cottontail." When they were ready to eat, they said, "Oh, where is all the grease?" That Cottontail had got the best of them.

He was the last one to take out his rabbit. It was full of grease. When they saw that, they all jumped on him. Cottontail slipped out; he left just his tail under the Winds, and they thought they had him. He sat outside and ate his cottontail and laughed at them. He ate all of that rabbit. Then he put one little log on the fire after the Winds had gone to sleep. Then their rye grass house caught fire. They all yelled inside that house; they were burning. That's how Cottontail got rid of the North Winds. If it weren't for him, it would be awfully cold.

Then Cottontail went on. He burned all the grass he saw. He wanted to see what wouldn't burn. He found a green bush called wazóbü that wouldn't burn. "If the world should catch fire, I'll get under this," he thought.

When Cottontail came to the Sun, it was just daybreak. The Sun was just coming up. Cottontail shot an arrow. It went just halfway and burned. He shot until he had just one arrow left. He shot the Sun with that. When the Sun fell, he ran to it, split it open, and took out its gall. He threw that into the air. "The Sun shall go this way so that it won't be dark before I kill enough cottontails for my meals," he said.

Then the fire started to burn. Cottontail ran into Badger's hole. Hot ashes fell on his neck, and he ran for the other place. He burned his paws. Finally he got into the bush that wouldn't burn. That's how he saved his life.

Cottontail killed the Sun. He took his gall and threw it into the air. That's how we got long days.

24C. COTTONTAIL SHOOTS THE SUN (P)

Cottontail tried to hunt other cottontails. He tracked them all the time, but night always came before he caught one. They had short days then, and Cottontail was angry.

He took feathers from Buzzard (*wihó*) and feathered his arrows. Then he went east. He was going along killing everybody he met. He came to some little animals called Zawa; they are a little larger than a chipmunk. When he came along, they saw him. "Who is that funny-looking person?" they called, making fun of him. Cottontail heard them, and he became angry. He went along where they couldn't see him. He tried to sneak close. He shot over their heads. They cried, "Tsitsúku, tsitsúku." and ran under the rocks. Cottontail had a stick in his hand. He killed some of those Chipmunks inside the rocks. There was one he couldn't

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me by saying that." This happened in the rocks.

Cottontail was walking along, and he came to an open place. There
was a Louse sitting and making fun of him. "What is that funny-looking
thing that is coming along?" he asked. Cottontail was angry. He
picked up a clod of earth and went toward the Louse. When he came
there, the Louse ran around an ant hill and lay down flat on the hill.
Cottontail asked, "Why do you act like that?" — "I hear that a very
short man is coming from the ocean side (*pá. nükwañ; pa*, water) killing
everybody." That Louse was running around and lying down on that
ant hill every time. He did the same thing over again. Cottontail told
him, "You do this same thing again," and he hit him with the clod and
smashed him.

Then he travelled to the east. He came to the house of the North
people. They were not home. Cottontail painted circles around his
eyes and hung a rock in the doorway. Then he sat down inside. He heard
someone coming along; they were making lots of noise. They had been
hunting cottontails. They all came inside. Cottontail didn't look around
until they were all in there. One of the North people was frightened.
He said, "Something bad is in our house," and they all rushed out. They
bumped their heads on that rock.

When they were outside, they began moaning. They were going to
give Cottontail their father's father for payment. When Cottontail
heard them say that, he rubbed off the paint and took the rock down
from the doorway. He took down the strips of rabbit skin they had
hanging there. He put them in a heap and sat down on the top.

The North people went inside. They were cleaning the cottontails
they had killed. They took the fat from all the rabbits and put it inside
of one. They said, "Why don't you give him some cottontails?" They
gave him the poorest one. They put the rabbits in the ground to cook.
Cottontail tried to put his poor one in too, but they took a stick and
knocked it out. Even then he picked it up and put it in alongside the
rest.

When the rabbits were all cooked, they took them out. When they
did that, Cottontail took his and placed it right in front of him. Those
North people puckered their lips and whistled when they took out the
rabbits. They were fat. When they opened them, there was no fat
inside.

Cottontail just sat there, never touching his rabbit. He waited until
they were through, and then he made the same noise they had made
and opened his rabbit. He had the fattest one of all. They all jumped
on him and held him down. When they were on top of him, his tail came
off. He crawled from under them and sat down by the door. His tail was
making a noise like cottontails do when they are shot. Those people

thought they had Cottontail under them. He sat there eating the fattest rabbit and laughing at them.

Early in the evening Cottontail was weaving that heap of skins into a blanket. He went outside and got a big sagebrush bush that was hollow inside. He went to bed next to the door. He put the sagebrush log in the fire to light it. The fire just smouldered inside the hollow stem. Cottontail set it near the door. When it had burned to the door, it set the whole house on fire. When it was about half burned, Cottontail ran out. He stood outside. The rest of the people were burned.

Then Cottontail went to the east. He burned everything he saw. He tried to burn some kind of willow called *wa.sób*, but it wouldn't catch fire.

Cottontail was coming to the place where the Sun rises. Just then he took his bow and began to shoot. All his arrows burned. He ran out of arrows. So he used his *mukánu* and shot the Sun. He had put flakes of obsidian under his nails, and when the Sun fell, Cottontail ran up and slashed him open. He took out the gall and threw it way high in the air. "I want you to go way up in the air. That's where you ought to go, high up, so that I may have time to hunt."

When Cottontail started back, the Sun made a fire, and it followed him. It was burning behind him. He tried to get under a big rock. Some sparks fell on the back of his neck where cottontails have a red and brown spot. The fire followed him all the time. He tried to hide in all kinds of places, but the fire always followed. When everything was burning, even the ground, Cottontail burned his paws. Finally he came to the tree that never burns. That's how he escaped the fire.

24d. COTTONTAIL SHOOTS THE SUN (NN)

Cottontail was hunting food. He was hunting cottontail rabbits. The Sun went down quickly. It went down before he had killed a single rabbit. He was going after the Sun. He wore a cottontail blanket.

Some Chipmunks (*wadá^a*) were playing on top of a rock. They had painted themselves red. They made fun of Cottontail. They yelled, "What kind of a person is that? He holds his back and walks." That made Cottontail angry, and he went after them. He shot at them with his arrows. The Chipmunks said, "Zizuhu, zizuhu, zizuhu," and they ran under the rock.

Cottontail went on. He was watching for the Sun to rise. He shot at the Sun, and his arrow burned every time he shot. It was too hot for his arrows. He had just one arrow left, and he shot the Sun with that. Cottontail took out the Sun's gall and threw it into the air. He said, "Come up here a little higher." He wanted the Sun to go higher so that he would have time to kill cottontails.

The Sun went higher; it made the days longer. Then Cottontail had plenty of time to kill cottontails. That's all.

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25a. ORION'S BELT (P)

There are three stars which are Mountain Sheep (koip^a). They are the father, the mother, and the boy. The mother comes behind. One star is brighter than the rest. You can see them in winter time; they come from the east.

There is a story about this. The father and mother quarreled. The father was angry, and he left home with his little boy. He had the boy go ahead. The mother followed them. She called to the boy to look back, but he wouldn't do it. If he had, she would have got him.

Neither the father nor the boy looked back. That made the woman angry. She cut off her vulva and threw it at them. It hit the man on the back of the neck and stuck there. The male mountain sheep has a little thing there now.

That woman never did catch up with them. That's why the stars are that way.

25b. ORION'S BELT (DB)

There were three people who were going to change into Mountain Sheep. A woman went out with her baby to dig some roots. She made that baby chase her around the mountain all day long. In the evening the baby was very tired.

The man asked his wife, "What do you do all day? You never bring back anything." She said, "Well, this one cries all day long." Then the man told her, "Next time leave the baby home and go by yourself." So the woman went alone.

The man and the baby slipped around and got way in front of her at a spring. When they left, the father told his baby, "Don't look back at your mother." The woman was going along and saw them. She saw their horns. They had made them of willow. When she saw them, she went home to tell her husband that she had seen two mountain sheep.

She came home and thought someone was lying in bed. "Get up right away. Don't sleep all day. There are mountain sheep at the spring," she said. When she found there was no one there, she left to follow them herself.

They let her follow them a long way. She called, "My baby, look back; my baby, look back." She kept on saying it, but he didn't look because his father had told him not to.

They all changed into Mountain Sheep.

25c. ORION'S BELT (NO)

Mountain Sheep was living with his wife and his brother. They had one little boy. The wife packed her baby on her back and went to dig some ya'pá. Her husband and his brother stayed home. When that woman went to dig ya'pá, she had a string, and she played with it

instead of digging those roots. She brought home very little ya'pá. When she brought the baby home, he was very tired.

The next morning she wanted to go again to dig roots. When she was out, she tied a string to a post and walked back and forth. She thought, "I'm going to turn into a deer," and she sat down on the ground and made tracks with her vulva. She had the baby on her back, and she jumped around, back and forth, and looked back at the tracks she had made.

Those two men talked about her. "I wonder what she is always doing. Why are her knees always so sore? I wonder why she makes lots of twine and brings that baby back so tired every night."

The next morning the woman tried to take the baby with her. Her husband said, "No, you go alone. I think the baby bothers you. You dig all day, and you don't bring very much home." So she went alone, leaving the baby with her husband. Toward evening she was coming home. She had quite a lot of roots. On her way she saw some mountain sheep by the spring. There were three of them, one big one, one middle-sized one, and one little one.

The men took sticks and put them in their beds, and they covered them with deer hide blankets. The woman had been cleaning willows, and she left them lying there. The two big men made horns out of them; the little one put his fists to his head for horns. This little one painted himself with white paint.

The woman came home and said, "You sleep too much. You better get up. There are three deer out here." She thought the men were in bed. She pulled off the blanket and saw the sticks there. When she saw those sticks under the blankets, she began to cry. She missed the willows she had been cleaning. She didn't know what had become of them. When she didn't find her willows, she knew who those mountain sheep were. She ran after them.

They all ran. When the husband saw her following, he told his little boy not to look back or to go to her. The little one was running between the two big ones. They kept on running, and the woman kept following. She called, "Oh, my little boy, come back." He didn't look at her; his father had told him not to. If he had looked, he would have gone to her. The woman just kept following them. They didn't go very fast. The woman called, "What kind of a man are you? You never look back." She was angry, and she cut off her vulva and threw it at him. It hit him on the back of the neck. "Look back, old man," she called.

After that the woman quit. The Mountain Sheep went where there was a big rim rock, and they stayed there for good. The woman turned into a deer (mountain sheep?).

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26. ANTELOPE RACES (P)

Deer and Antelope were going to race. Antelope said, "Let's go out in the open to race." Deer said, "Well, you have come here to my place. Why can't we race here through the brush on the mountain?" They ran a race. There were many stumps which Antelope couldn't jump over, so Deer won the race. They bet their back fat. Antelope lost his when he lost that race. He had only his kidneys left.

He went to another place and found Mountain Sheep. He bet his kidneys against him. "We'll run a race," he said. "Let's go out in the open and run this race." Then Mountain Sheep said, "Why, you come here and want to race with me. We'll do it right here." They started on the other side of a high cliff. Antelope was ahead at the start, but he stopped when he reached a cliff. Mountain Sheep went past him over the rim and won the race. That's how Antelope lost his kidneys.

Nowadays deer have lots of back fat; that's how they got it. That's how mountain sheep have lots of kidneys.

27. BEAR AND THE FAWNS (NN)

Deer and Bear each had two children. The mothers went to dig ya'pá. They left their children home. As they were digging, it started to rain. It rained hard. Bear said to Deer, "Let's go under that tree and sit down while it is raining." So they went under that tree. They sat down and began rumpling their skins. As they were doing this, Bear bit Deer on the neck. She bit off her neck. Bear took the grease from that Deer and took it home.

When she came home, she gave a little of that fat to the two Fawns. The younger Fawn thought it was his mother's grease. It tasted like it. Those two little Fawns were crying. Bear told them, "Don't cry, your mother is staying away. I shall go after her tomorrow." Night came. They went to sleep. In the morning Bear got up and was ready to go to the spot where she had killed Deer. The little Fawns said to Bear's children, "Tell your mother we're going to smoke each other." They asked their mother, and she said, "Yes, you may play that way."

As soon as she left, the little Deer went into the smoke house. They went in first. They said, "We're going to smoke to death. Take us out." So the little Bears took them out. Then the two little Fawns went into the smoke house. They said the same thing, "We're going to smoke to death. Take us out." The little Fawns took out the Bears and went in once more. Then they told the Bears to let them out. They took turns going in the smoke house.

The little Bears went inside again. The little Fawns smoked them to death. They didn't take them out because Bear had killed their mother. They took a stick and propped up those two Cubs. Then the little Fawns ran away.

Toward evening Bear came home. She saw the two Cubs there. She called out, "Maybe you have spilled your father's red paint?" Then she came closer and saw that they were dead. She threw her ya'pá and sticks on the ground and tracked those little Fawns. They were far off. They were resting; they were lying down to sleep. The younger one woke up and was crying. The big one said, "Don't cry. Bear is right here. Lie close to me and keep still." Bear caught up with them. She saw them under a log. Then those little Fawns took a long stick and put it near Bear and vaulted over her.

Crane was watching for fish. He was sitting by the river. The two Fawns came right up to him. They called out, "Put your legs across the stream so we can cross." Crane did this, and the Fawns went across. They told him that Bear was following them. They said, "If Bear comes and tells you to help her across, let her fall in the river as she drinks."

Bear came and yelled to Crane, "Put your legs across. I am following two children who have run away." That Crane put his legs across the creek. When Bear was right over the middle of the stream, she tried to drink some water. She fell in the river and drowned. She never came out of the water again.

Then the two little Fawns were free. Crane's wife told them to eat some fish before they left. The Fawns told her, "We don't eat fish. We eat pine needles. That's what we eat."

So that is why we have deer in the timber; just because those two little Fawns got to the mountains and were free.

28a. CRANE AND BEAR (NO)

Young Blue Crane (*puhí wasá*; *puhí*, blue, green) and old Grey Crane (*kó.düdü*^a) were brothers. They went fishing for *pakwí*. They stayed one year. While they were gone, Bear lived with Grey Crane's wife. Toward spring the brothers came home. They had bundles of dry fish on their backs. On their way home Gopher Woman came out of the ground and yelled, "You better give me some fish. You needn't go home. Your wife has another man." Crane didn't believe her. "Oh, you just want me to marry another woman," he told her.

They went on ahead. Then they sat down to rest and smoke. Crane was advising his brother. "I think she is telling the truth. That wife of mine was always acting like that even if I didn't go far off. She was always running after a man. If they should kill me, you must throw me in water. If they should kill me two or three times, throw me in water every time. Maybe I'll be angry then."

They reached home. Crane took off his pack and left it outside. His wife was lying there with a bear skin blanket. They were in a wickiup. Crane's wife and her mother were right across from the fire. The Cranes sat there by the door. Crane didn't go to his wife because she had that

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... Crane jumped up and came toward his wife. He threw off the blanket and stretched her legs apart. He said, "Yes, I can see Coyote has been into it." Then he cut off that black thing and threw it at his mother-in-law. He hit her in the face with it, and she cried. She rolled around crying and calling him names.

... When he had done that, Crane came back and sat down. Bear came in and sat by his wife. Bear was ready to bite; he howled at that Crane. Crane sat there watching. Bear jumped up and smashed him. Young Crane came to the water and threw his brother into it. He came to life and sat down in the same place as before. Bear killed him again, and Young Crane threw him into the water again. Crane said, "Well, my brother, I'm getting angry now."

... They went back. Before Crane fell on Bear, he jumped over him and took out his heart. He sang as he did it. He killed that Bear at last. His wife's mother cried and called him names, "You have no flesh on your legs; your legs are dirty. Your neck is about a mile long." Crane told his mother-in-law, "That is all right. Arrow heads have been on me. That's what makes me slim."

... Crane took that Bear into the meadow to skin him. He took a long pole and hung him in the meadow. He told his brother to watch, that he was going to have a battle. He was calling for more Bears to come after him. He sang. He dug in the meadow with his bill. "This is what I'm going to do if they come after me."

... An old woman Bear said to the other Bears, "Listen to that yelling. I bet they have killed our boy who was staying there. Let's see what is the matter." Crane had that Bear skin out there. He danced around. He killed every one of those Bears. He took out their hearts. He skinned them and hung the skins with the other one. The grandmother stayed home. Crane killed every Bear but that one.

... When those Bears were coming, they said, "I'm going to do this way." They broke little pine trees. When they saw the skins hanging there, they thought other Bears were battling. The meanest Bear came. Crane told his brother, "Get under a pile of wood. If they run after me, I'll come in with you." Crane ran and jumped in the water and crawled to the place his brother was. Bear ran after him. When Crane jumped in the water, that Bear bit the stick where the Crane was hiding. He tried to get them. He dug around there and broke those sticks, but he couldn't find them. Bear said, "Any time I see anyone I'm going to bite off his buttocks," and he kicked the ground and went away.

... Crane left only one Bear. That's why there are Bears on the mountain. Crane stayed in the meadow all the time. He calls, "Kó.wünün, kó.wünün." Young Crane stays by the creek and watches for fish. He doesn't make much noise. Big Crane told him to sit there and eat fish. He told

him to live on that. He said that he would stay in the meadow and eat izá'a pui (coyote's eyes) which is a kind of root growing near Paisley.

28b. CRANE AND BEAR (DB)

Big Crane (kó.düdü^u) went hunting and left his wife home. Bear came along and took Crane's wife. When he came back from his trip, Bear wasn't there. Crane found his wife lying down. His mother-in-law told him, "She's just lying there because her brother's blankets are warm."

Then Bear came in. Crane killed him by sticking him in the heart with his bill. Then he took the Bear outside and propped him up. One or two Bears came by. They thought that Bear was alive. Each time one came by, Crane stuck him with his beak and took his heart. He strung these hearts on a pole. He killed very many. He missed the last one. That one escaped. If it were not for that, there wouldn't be any bears living. Crane killed every other one.

After this, Crane flew away crying, and they name him from his cry. He changed himself into that kind of a bird.

28c. CRANE AND BEAR (NN)

Heron (Crane?) (kó.düdü^u) was married to Mole (yü'atsiba). He went hunting fish. He left his wife. He went fishing with his brother, Blue Crane. They went to the river. They found many fish. They gathered lots and spread them on the ground. They made a basket of willows to pack the fish. They packed them in that basket.

They started home. Someone was standing ahead by the road. This person yelled at them, "Somebody else is at your home." They heard, but they paid no attention. They came up to that person. Then that person told Heron, "Your wife has been taken by another man." Heron didn't believe it.

He went home. His wife was inside the house with that other man. She didn't come out. Heron and his brother put down their fish outside the wickiup. Then they went inside. It was Grizzly Bear who had taken Heron's wife. That Bear growled when the brothers came in. They went out again.

Heron said to his brother, "If that Bear kills me, throw me up; throw me in water." Then both went inside the house. Bear got up. Heron said to his wife, "Whose blanket is that under you?" The woman said, "Oh, this belongs to my brother." Bear came toward Heron. He chewed him to death. Crane took his brother and put him in water, and then he was well. He came back again, and Bear chewed him again.

This time that Heron was angry because Bear had chewed him twice. He stuck that Bear with his bill and took out his heart. He took that heart and ran a stick through it. He hung it up.

Then Heron cried out, "Come Lots of Bears came. Heron did nearly all the Bears. There were after him. He did the same thing the heart of one of them. He couldn't find it. That's why we have bears wouldn't be any bears.

29. SKUNK

Skunk (poñi'tc^a) and Weasel hunted and killed deer. He had like their uncle; he made a prey Skunk either.

Weasel went hunting and killed he didn't pack it home. He took Skunk went with him to get it the meat. He took little rock. He put grease around a hot rock. "Hühühühü, oh, it's hot." "Take it while it is hot. Then you'll

They went home. When Skunk moved camp, and his brother he was so sick. He took him to your face, don't look around. So Skunk hid his face. When he fell him over the cliff. As Skunk not on rocks."

Weasel didn't look at him slowly to see if he were really Skunk, lying on sandy ground. He saw him up there on the your ears stick out." That

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Owl (moh'ü'a) and Badger They were camped separately blood on it. Then he put

Four Mink boys were going (pa.yúna^a) came to Owl's. The boys found that knife big knife with blood on it. That blood is dangerous."

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BEAR (NN)

ed to Mole (yū'atsba). He went
t fi with his brother, Blue
r fish. They gathered
e a basket of willows to
t basket.
inding ahead by the road. This
s at your home." They heard,
up to that person. Then that
aken by another man." Heron

he house with that other man.
her put down their fish outside
as Grizzly Bear who had taken
e brothers came in. They went

Bear kills me, throw me up;
inside the house. Bear got up.
that under you?" The woman
Bear came toward Heron. He
ther and put him in water, and
nd Bear chewed him again.
e Bear had chewed him twice.
k out his heart. He took that
ng it up.

Then Heron cried out, "Come on here, all you Bears. I want to fight." Lots of Bears came. Heron did the same thing to all of them. He killed nearly all the Bears. There were just three left, and they were coming after him. He did the same thing to those three Bears. But he dropped the heart of one of them. He hunted and hunted for it, but he couldn't find it. That's why we have bears. If Heron had found that heart, there wouldn't be any bears.

29. SKUNK AND WEASEL (NN)

Skunk (poñi'tc^u) and Weasel (pa.bi'zi) were brothers-in-law. Weasel hunted and killed deer. He had lots of children. Those children didn't like their uncle; he made a pretty bad smell. That Weasel, he didn't like Skunk either.

Weasel went hunting and killed a deer. He left it where he had shot it; he didn't pack it home. He told Skunk that he had killed a deer. So Skunk went with him to get it. Weasel built a fire so that he could cook the meat. He took little rocks, and he heated them red hot in the fire. He put grease around a hot rock and told Skunk to swallow it. Skunk said, "Hühühühü, oh, it's hot." "That's all right," Weasel told him, "swallow it while it is hot. Then you'll have good luck hunting deer."

They went home. When Skunk got back, he felt pretty sick. They moved camp, and his brother-in-law had to pack him on his back because he was so sick. He took him to the highest rim rock. He told him, "Hide your face, don't look around. You make me fall when you move around." So Skunk hid his face. When they came to that high rim, Weasel dropped him over the cliff. As Skunk fell, he called, "May I fall on sandy ground, not on rocks."

Weasel didn't look at him. He thought he was dead. He came back slowly to see if he were really dead. He peeped down on him. There was Skunk, lying on sandy ground. Skunk looked up at his brother-in-law. He saw him up there on the rim rock. He called to him, "I see your ears; your ears stick out." That's as far as this story goes.

30. THE MINK BOYS (NO)

Owl (moh'ü'ə) and Badger (hü.na) were hunting mice in the meadow. They were camped separately. Owl had a big knife, and he put mouse blood on it. Then he put that knife under his pillow.

Four Mink boys were going over there. Owl was home. Those Minks (pa.yüna'ə) came to Owl's ryegrass house. Owl was lying down inside. The boys found that knife with blood on it. They said, "Oh, look at that big knife with blood on it." And Owl said, "Don't bother that knife. That blood is dangerous."

Those boys were frightened. They jumped up and ran to Badger's camp. They went inside and lay on his bed. They lay beside Badger,

and they smelled his ears. They said, "My, he has terrible smelling ears!" Badger scolded them. He said, "Your aunt smells just like that." The boys didn't like that so they went away.

31. ROBIN (P)

Robin was coming along. He was saying, "Some bad people are coming after us." He was lying. He had red paint on himself. That is why robins always chirp. They do that because they used to be like that.

32. HUMMING BIRD (DB)

Humming Bird (soñ.óip¹) wanted to see beyond the sun, way up in the heavens. He took lots of atsa seeds and filled his trousers full. He was going to eat just one seed a day. He started flying upward. He ate just one seed a day, but he turned back because he ran out of food. He didn't see anything.

When he came back, everybody was anxious to know what he had seen. He told them he had seen nothing.

33. MUDHEN (DB)

I don't know this story. I just heard that Mudhen was a doctor. Somebody shot him, and he threw up lots of blood, but he didn't die because he was a doctor.

34. EXPLANATION OF GEOGRAPHICAL FEATURES (P)

Just below Cedarville, on the west side of the highway, is a hill which is banded through the center as though a road ran around it. That was made by a Snake. We don't know where he came from. He made all those points down there along the valley. He stopped at Cedarville and made that path around the hill.

35. EXPLANATION OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL SPECIMENS (P)

Nümúzóho is the one who made all the manos (tusú), metates (ma'tá), and mortars (zohón). When the earth was burning, he jumped into the lake. That's why they find these kinds of things on all the lake shores.

Coyote had all the obsidian knives, and he jumped in the lake. That's why they find them around lakes. That's all of that.

36. MOUNTAIN LION (P)

Early in the morning two men went deer hunting. They went way up in the hills. They separated and sat down and waited for the deer to come along. Then this Mountain Lion (kakwi' duhó²) crept close to one of the hunters. He caught that man and packed him on his back. The other

hunter started home; he did not pass the Lion at a distance. He was going to kill the man and put him by a fallen pine. Then he dragged the man home and went home and told the man's place. The hunter told them that they got there, they could not take lots of dried limbs and bones. They heard the Lion howling and they burned that Lion.

37. w

Almost everything was eaten (pabá pí'ssta³). When he came and eat. When he told them

The white man was a man and the white people have eyes just like the white people took every kind of snakes. If that snake had belonged to the Indian, the white people took every kind they had come from. The Indians to go way out in

38. THE

One time this was all the people are living on now. Old man He was living right on the hill. It was lower than this mountain. He was under there, and

The Star (pá.tuzuba) jumped into the sky and stayed there. It was too bad; I pity my people. They are going to starve. That's all kinds of game.

They had this Sun for a long time. "Don't worry, come to life. You will come to life."

The Sun and the Star came home. The Indian

¹ The former chief of

hunter started home; he didn't know that his partner had been killed. He passed the Lion at a distance, but he didn't know what he had on his back.

He was going to kill the Lion. That Lion took the man from his back and put him by a fallen pine. It was hollow, and the Lion crawled in first. Then he dragged the man after him. The hunter saw him do that, and he went home and told the rest of the people. Everybody went to that place. The hunter told them, "That's the place my partner is." When they got there, they could hear the Lion munching on the man. They took lots of dried limbs and put them in that hole and set fire to them. They heard the Lion howl. He made that log roll around. That's how they burned that Lion.

37. WHITE MEN ARE SNAKES (P)

Almost everything was Coyote's way. The Indian planted the apple (?) (pabá pí'ssta²?). When he planted it, he said for all the Indians to come and eat. When he told them that, all the people came.

The white man was a rattlesnake then, and he was on that tree. The white people have eyes just like the rattlesnake. When the Indians tried to come to eat the apples, that snake tried to bite them. That's why the white people took everything away from the Indian; because they were snakes. If that snake hadn't been on the tree, everything would have belonged to the Indian. Just because they were snakes and came here, the white people took everything away. They asked these Indians where they had come from. That's why they took everything and told the Indians to go way out in the mountains and live.

38. THE BEGINNING OF THE EARTH (SW)

One time this was all water but just one little island. That is what we are living on now. Old man Chocktoot¹ was living on top of this mountain. He was living right on top of this mountain. In all directions the land was lower than this mountain. It was burning under the earth. Nümüzóho was under there, and he kept on eating people.

The Star (pá.tuzuba) was coming. When that Star came, it went up into the sky and stayed there. When that Star went up, he said, "That is too bad; I pity my people. We left them without anything to eat; they are going to starve." This Star gave us deer, and antelope, and elk, and all kinds of game.

They had this Sun for a god. When the Sun came up, he told his people, "Don't worry, come to me; I'll help you. Don't worry; be happy all your life. You will come to me."

The Sun and the Stars came with the Water. They had the Water for a home. The Indian doctor saw them coming. He let his people know

¹ The former chief of the Silver Lake band.

that they were coming. There were many of them. The little streams of spring water are the places from which silver money comes. It comes from the Sun shining on the water.

The first white man came to this land and saw that silver, but he lost himself and didn't get to it. Finally white people found this place, and they came this way looking for the silver. Those white men brought cattle, sheep, pigs, and horses. Before they came, there were no horses in this land.

The Sun told his people, "Deer belong to you. They are for you to eat." These white men don't know who put the deer and other animals in this land. I think it is all right for me to kill deer, but the white men say they will arrest me. Whenever I see cattle or sheep, I know they don't belong to me; I wouldn't kill them. I feel like going out and killing deer, but I am afraid. I am getting too old. Maybe white people don't know about the beginning of this earth.

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