

blood-thirsty marauding Apaché and their neighbors the artistic Navahoes of blanket fame, are also members of this ancient stock.

The other great stock, the Salish, now extending over the whole of Southern British Columbia from the Kootenay lakes westward, and stretching southward across the Line into Washington, Oregon, Montana and Idaho, were formerly a more compact and centralized people. Their separation into distinct tribes and divisions is of comparatively modern date. They are without doubt an intrusive and alien race. Recent investigations into their language and history make it quite clear that they are not native to this region. Where their former home was has not yet been definitely determined; but that it was not the shores and bays or the rivers and streams of the Pacific Slope is absolutely certain. The evidence from



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which we gather this, though simple, leaves no room for doubt. It is of the same nature as that by which the unity of the Aryan race is established.

The remaining stocks of British Columbia are the Kootenay, the Kwakuitl-Nootka, the Tsimshian and the Haida. Of these, the Kootenay inhabits the country included between the Rockies and the Selkirks, stretching from the 49th to the 52nd parallel of north latitude, and watered by the upper Kootenay and upper Columbia rivers and their tributaries. They are divided into two groups, namely, the Upper and Lower Kootenays. Their number is a little uncertain, but they are generally set down at one thousand, about half of whom live in this Province and the remainder in the adjacent state of Idaho.