

One of the boys took a notion to go away, and he told his brother, "You will look after my garden, and if you see the flowers withered you will think 'My brother is killed,'" So he went away the next morning on horseback. He travelled all day through the woods, and towards evening came to a big city. He travelled the edge of the bush till he came to a little shanty. He rapped at the door and found an old woman living there alone. He stayed there that night and had his supper. The woman gave him a nice supper of corn soup. After supper the woman told him about this city. "There was someone living there that had seven heads and some one (person) has to go every day and he eats them. Tomorrow morning we will see a lady, 'the king's daughter,' go by here to give herself up to the one that eats people, 'The Seven Headed Man.' His Indian name is 'Nmudwainsh' (or Nmudwaish)." Next morning the young man went to the road where the young lady was going by, and shortly after he got there he saw the king's daughter coming crying. The young man said to her, "Where are you going?" The young lady said to him, "Well, I am going over there to give my body to that man that eats people." The young man said, "I will go with you." The girl said to the young man, "No, he will kill you too if you go with me," but the young man went with the girl. He wasn't afraid of the Seven Headed Man. When they got so far they saw the Seven Headed Man, who was very glad that he'd have two people to eat. When they got close the young man hit the heads with his sword. One of the heads said, "Wait awhile," and the young man didn't cut this head off. This head took the young man away down in the ground. They went through many doors, as soon as they went through one door there would be another door. The doors were all iron. There was another door to go through; the young man could feel the heat. It was very hot there. The young man said to the Head, "Look out, you are going to kill me." This young man thought of his dog, which he left with his horse and the young girl (the king's daughter). He called for his dog. The dog opened all the doors. His brother whom he left behind to keep watch on his garden, and the time the young man was taken away down in the ground, his brother saw the garden wither, so he thought to himself, "My brother is now killed."

When the young man came out of the ground he cut off all the tongues of the Seven Headed Man and took them with him. The young man took this girl (the king's daughter) as his wife. He went to sleep. The girl cut the young man's hair while he was asleep, and when the young man woke up he said to the girl, "You can go home now," and the young girl went to start for home. There was a blacksmith living along the road and he wouldn't let the girl go by. He sent her back because he was afraid the Seven Headed Man would kill them all. This young girl told him, "The Seven Headed Man is now killed," and the blacksmith went with this girl to where the Seven Headed Man was killed. The blacksmith took the heads which the young Indian man cut off and went with the king's daughter and told the king that he (the blacksmith) had killed the Seven Headed Man. He was singing on his way. The king was very glad and told the blacksmith to marry his daughter. They were to have a party. Just when they were having it the young Indian man came in, who had killed the Seven Headed Man. Of course the blacksmith told a lie to the king. The young Indian man said to the blacksmith, "Where are the tongues?" The blacksmith was kicked out of the house, because he told a lie, and all the stuff (food) they had on the table was thrown out, and some fresh stuff (food) got to have another party. This young Indian man married the king's daughter, and after they got married they stayed with the king. At night they had a room upstairs, and the