

his estimation as second to his first wife she appears to be quite happy, and during our stay here gave birth to her third child. A similar instance was met with at Cape Chudleigh, and in each case it seemed to be understood that those who were benefited by the death of these worthless fellows should give the executioner some assistance in supporting his family.

One man who had three wives, I was informed by Ugaluk, would have been content with one, but having no family he had married a second and a third, and now poor miserable wretch he was hardly able to support one, and all were childless.

Undoubtedly some of the matches between the sexes are arranged by the parents when their children are very young nevertheless there was a good deal of love making. This was especially noticable in the early summer when they were often seen together and apparently without asking leave of anybody several started their own igloos. Much, however, as we dislike to think of it, it must be said, their love is little more than that of the birds of the air, excepting in constancy. Affection for one another they have, but such a thing as secrecy in any of the many phases of love is hardly thought of.

As far as could be seen no such thing as a marriage ceremony is performed. Girls marry at sixteen and even earlier, and when two are agreed they can be happy together they either start their own igloo or the bride is received into the house of her husband's family and there they might be seen, husbands and wives, brothers and sisters all living happily together in one room or igloo.

The affection existing between parent and child is of the roughest kind, and is very interesting to watch. Little display is noticeable, and yet there appears to be intense earnestness in looking after the child's welfare, while the child is a pattern of obedience to its parents. The affection between husband and wife is much the same, but rapidly wanes if one becomes useless in the support of the other.

Partly in natural affection and partly from selfish motives all help one another, but it is a mistake to suppose that when a hunter returns with success he immediately shares his catch with his neighbours, for some were always found richer in food and household goods