

When the ginap got to be quite an old man, he went out hunting with his three nephews to the same place where he had been captured when he was a boy; they also had their wives with them. While they were hunting, the oldest nephew said to one of his brothers, "I think that the enemy are near our camp, and if you go there, look carefully about you for tracks before approaching it." The younger brother did not believe his older brother, and when he came to the camp, he did not reconnoitre and examine, but went right in, and the enemy captured and killed him. The oldest brother told his youngest brother to go to the camp, watch carefully for the enemy, and learn if his brother had arrived safely. He did as he was bid, found his brother's tracks, and went straight into the camp. He saw the enemy at last, but at the same time the enemy saw him. He fled and the enemy followed. He went straight for the inlet of the lake. When he got about half way, he curved and made for an island, and concealed himself there.¹ When the enemy came to a place where they could see the head of the lake, they could not discern him. So they thought that he had gone over very swiftly and gotten past there, for they had not yet come to a place where the tracks turned. Therefore, they thought it useless to follow and turned back. When he saw that they had left, he went back to where his brother was. He told him of the death of his brother and warned him not to go back, because the enemy had holes in the house to look through. The older brother said it was of no use to try to protect the women, that they would not be harmed anyhow. The youngest brother felt quite downhearted, for he had just been married, but he consented. So they decided to go in search of their uncle, having great faith in his power. When they found him two days later, they told him what had happened. The young man said that if he had a man to go with him, he would go after them. "But what use is there for you to be concerned about the women, when there are lots of them at Ekpohak?"² If I wasn't so old now, I could help you." The next day the young man said again that if he had a man to go with him, he would go after them. The uncle assented, but he said that they should not go until the next day, for the enemy would be

¹ The lake was, of course, frozen over.

² Literally translated, "the end of tide water," now called Spring Hill.