

only disobeyed him. Therefore Down-Dancer threatened to kill the husband of his princesses if he should find him. It is said that the four women would fight for Most-Beautiful-One, and that made our lord feel badly. The young woman arose early to go to the place where the husband to whom she was secretly married used to stay. As soon as she came to him, Most-Beautiful-One said to his [secret] wife, "Oh, my dear, take care! I will go and leave the place where we are staying. I will borrow the [old-man] mask of the old man, and I will sit on the trail that you always take when you go bathing, so that you may find me there. Then you shall lead me on, and make me sit close to the door of your room, that I may go in when it is time to lie down in the evening." Thus he said to her. Then the young woman was pleased at his words. The young woman went back at once, and returned home. As soon as she started, our lord also went to borrow the [old-man] mask of the old man. As soon as he had obtained the [old-man] mask of the old man, he put it on and sat down on the ground in the middle of the trail. (Now that was the second time that he had borrowed the old-man mask and the [devil-fish] mask of the Devil-Fish.)

He had not been sitting there long when he heard women singing love-songs. Then he heard his name in the words of the songs. It was not long before the eldest one arrived, leading the way. She went right to the old man, and then she said that she had found a runaway slave. It

Wa, ó's'laem'láwíse há't'elax'dá'xwé
mók'wé sá'semseq. Wa, hé'mis lá'g'i-
las lá hé'menalam lá gé'nale Qa'mu-
lale qa's k'el'ax'idelxés lá'ta qá'ta-
sol bigwá'nemstés k'e'sk'edede. Wa, 5
lá'm'láe le'nemalex'id-ná'xwa'ma,
mók'wé ts'el'daq lax Ex'qá'lagema'e.
Wa, yú'mis lá ts'el'lamásex ná'qayás
g't'e. Wa, lám'lá'wíse gag'o'stáwa
ts'a'ts'adagemaxa gaá'la qa's le lax 10
ax'a'sasés 'wuná'la lá'wun-ma. G'il-
'em'lá'wíse lá'g'aa lá'qéss lá'e Ex'qá-
lagema'e 'ne'k'axés 'wuná'la geni'ma-
'ya, ada', wé'gilla 'ya'lá'lex qen lá-
lag'id bá'hsens ax'a'sex. Lá'len t'ek'o- 15
lex nómásmas nómase qen lá'lag'id
k'wa'st. Lá'xwa t'el'elax lá'laa lá'xés
lá'staá'sna'xwáos qa's wé'g'it'os qá'x-
da'x't. g'a'xen. Wa, lá'méts láf wá-
t'elal g'a'xen qa's lá'os k'wá'ga'l'id 20
g'a'xen lá'xa má'xstá'hlases ku'le'lasos
qen á'na'xwá'mélen láf lá'ts'áhlaxa lá
ku'kwa'maxa gá'nua, 'ne'x'laeq.
Wa, lá'm'láe ó's'aka ts'a'ts'adagemax
wá'ldemas. Wa, hé's'idaem'láwíse lá 25
á'tm ywé'ax'wult'eda ts'a'ts'adagemé
qa's le ná'nakwa. Wa, g'il'm'láwíse
lá qá's'idixs, lá'e ó'g'waqa qá's'ide g't'e
qa's le t'ek'ox nómásmas nómase.
Wa, g'il'm'lá'wíse lá'lux nómásmas 30
nómasaxs lá'e q'ó'st'elodes qa's lá
k'wá'g'at'is lax nixstá'yasa t'el'elá.
(Wa, lám ma'tp'óna t'ek'oxa nómá-
smé to taq'u'mas taq'wa'.)

Wa, k'el's'at'la g'e's k'wa's'x's lá'e 35
wutá's'at'elaxa sá'lala ts'el'daq. Wa,
lá'm'laxae wut'elaxés t'eg'maxs lá'e
qá'yatsa sá'lemé. Wa, k'el's'ém'lá-
wíse gá'fáxs g'a'xaeda 'nó'last'egema'e
g'a'lag'i'wa'ya. Wa, hé's'idaem'láwíse 40
lá lá'xa nómase. Wa, lá'm'láe 'ne'-
k'txs k'el'wunsaaq qá'k'ó. Wa, k'el's-