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# FARRAND, TRADITIONS OF THE CHILCOTIN INDIANS.

while boy follows. Boy comes to underground village, but cannot discover thief. For a long time cannot get back to surface of earth, but finally succeeds with aid of magic drawing of a horse, which when whipped turns into real horse. This horse the boy rides back to surface. Whips horse, and it changes back to drawing. Boy given up for lost, so his father had promised his two wives to whomsoever should ride his horse at full speed on to the point of a spear fastened in the ground. Boy returns, but is not recognized, and is made a slave. Young men all try to accomplish the feat, but cannot. Boy is successful with his magic horse. Is finally recognized, and restored to his rights.

#### XXIX. - THE MEN AND THE MONSTERS.

Man and three sons are returning from hunt in mountains. One night hear sound like owl hooting near the camp. Oldest son locates the sound in top of tree, and, shooting an arrow, kills a manlike monster. They are frightened and flee. Hide in cave on side of cliff, which they enter by bending down a tree. Soon monster's people approach in pursuit. Fugitives hold end of tree, and, when pursuers have climbed out on it, let it fly up, and monsters are dashed to foot of precipice, and killed. Man and sons return to former camp, and find old, decrepit monster sitting there. Catch him, and burn his eyes out, and let him go. Then all return home.

### XXX. — STORY OF WAIWAILŪS.

Waiwailus was great hunter. Had magic staff, by pointing one end of which at anything he killed it, and by pointing other end brought dead thing to life again. One day his slave informs him that his best friend is his wife's lover. Waiwailus starts on hunt, returns in the night and finds his friend sleeping with his wife. Makes all in house sleep soundly. Goes in and kills the man, cuts off his head, and carries it away in his canoe. Woman wakes later, and finds headless body of her lover in her bed. Carries it to his own bed near shore, and covers it with blanket. Next morning, dead man's small sister discovers it. No one knows who murderer is. Waiwailus returns in day or two from hunt, and gives his wife a sack containing parts of game which she likes best. Woman discovers lover's head at bottom of sack. Waiwailus beats her with the head, and, taking his little son and his slave, leaves in his canoe. People cannot pursue because Waiwailus has bored holes in bottoms of canoes. Had overlooked one canoe, however, and men follow in that. Waiwailus makes thick fog, and escapes. Comes to village. No signs of life except in one house. Enters, and finds an old blind woman and a young girl. Restores woman's sight, and gets girl as his wife. People have all been killed by marine monster that seized them when they went to draw water. Waiwailus kills monster with his staff, and, taking bones of victims from its belly, restores them all to life again. In same way kills party of pursuers who came to get revenge.

# XXXI. - ESTENE'IQ'Ö'T I.

Once some one used to steal bodies of the dead, and remained undiscovered. Loon pretends to die, and is buried. Next night a man comes and unearths him and carries him off on his back in a basket. Man's name is Estěnë'iq'ô't. Estěnë'iq'ô't brings Loon to his house. Just as he starts to skin him, Loon shouts. Estěnë'iq'ô't is paralyzed with fright, while Loon escapes and flees towards home. Estěnë'iq'ô't pursues ; but Loon escapes by trickery, and reaches his house. Estěnë'iq'ô't comes to village and tries to break into all the houses. People finally give him a small boy to appease him. Next day all the people take pitch-wood and go to Estěnë'iq'ô't's house. They burn it up and every one in it except one small baby, who fell into a crack in the floor and escaped. This baby lived, and now kills human babies.

# XXXII.- ESTĚNE'IQ'Ö'T II.

Once Estěně'iq'o't sat on a stone in middle of river, and wept. All the people are afraid to go by in their canoes, until one day a man goes to the stone, and joins Estěnë'iq'o't in his mourning. Estěně'iq'o't is mourning his son, who has been killed in a snow-slide in the mountains. As a reward, Estěně'iq'o't takes man to his home, and gives him many gifts,— iron, blankets, food, etc. Man returns, and gives potlatch.