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klostchmen they intended to take to their own lodge as soon as they had won their way to distinction. They dressed deer-hides till they were as soft as the finest Welsh flannel, others made them into garments. Hai-dah, and some of the more expert, embroidered moccasins which had been made by others. in pretty patterns of bead-work.

Among the spoils of the schooner were some novels; these Bee-lee read and Chuck-chuck translated, whilst others retailed the stories in every kequeally. Bee-lee and Chuck-chuck were very happy, no task was too hard for the latter, no labour a trouble so long as Bee-lee was there, and he made himself very essential to the comfort of Hai-dah. Bee-lee grew in stature and in strength. Hai-dah was proud of her protégé, for such would have been her own boy had he lived, she told herself, and she would yet see him the husband of her daughter He-he and Chief of her tribe.