

This is another song about the whites, who are spoken of as "yellow hides" or "white skins." The proper Arapaho name for a white man is Nia'tha, "skillful." A great many names are applied to the whites by the different Indian tribes. By the Comanche, they are called Tai'vo, "Easterners;" by the Kiowa they are called Be'dalpago, "hairy mouths," or Ta'ka'-i, "standing ears." It is very doubtful if the "pale face" of romance ever existed in the Indian mind.

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