

from place to place. Eventually they came to a big stream and saw a great big animal sitting there. It was a huge bear sitting in the middle of the stream catching fish to eat. While he was eating the eagle and the man came upon him. They spoke to the bear trying to make friends with him. The bear finally responded to their pleas to be friends. He joined them and the three traveled for months enjoying each others company. One day they came upon a beaver who was making a dam. He was busy gathering sticks and small limbs, setting them in the water. The man, eagle and the bear watched him while he worked. They finally spoke to him. They related the story of how they came to be together. They asked the beaver to join them because he knew how to make dams which would assure them of having plenty of water. The beaver did join them and now there are four. The beaver became acquainted with each one as they traveled around. While traveling through a timber they met a deer. They noticed his swiftness and his neat appearance. They told him how they all came to be together and asked if he would become one of them. They all related how they helped each other in different ways. The deer consented to become one of them. They next met up with an owl sitting up in a tree. Again they related the story of their group and invited him to join them. The owl joined them and they all became more acquainted with each other as they traveled. They went over the hills and through the woods and came to a flat plain where they met the buffalo. They all gathered around the buffalo telling their story of how each one of them made some sort of contribution to their survival. The buffalo joined the group and they resumed their traveling. On a hillside one day they met a very friendly dog. Once again they all told their story of how they happened to be traveling together. The dog joined them. One day the earth man spoke to his friends saying, "We must each go our separate way, travel for 2 days alone and see what we can bring back here. We must return here in two days." They all parted each going in a different direction and in 2 days they all returned. The earth man returned first bringing with him a woman. They each had returned with a female companion. After this, for some reason or