{AT327} The Children and the Ogre.

I. Arrival at Ogre's House,

(a) Children are abandoned by poor parents in a wood,

(b) but they find their way back by cloth shreds or pebbles that they have dropped; (c) the third time birds eat their breadcrumbs, or grain clue and

(d) they wander until they come to a gingerbread house which belongs to a witch; or

(e) a very small hero (thumbling) and his brothers stay at night at the ogre's house; or

(f) the ogre carries the child home in a sack; (g) the child substitutes a stone in the sack twice but is finally captured.

II. The Ogre Deceived.

The ogre smells human flesh and has the children imprisoned and fattened,

(b) When his finger is to be cut to test his fatness the hero sticks out a bone or piece of wood,

(c) The exchange of caps,

(d) the ogre's wife or child burned in his own oven (Type 1121), or

(e) the hero by singing induces the ogre to free them, or

(f) the hero to be hanged feigns ignorance and has ogre show him how, or (g) hero feigns inability to sleep until ogre brings certain objects and escapes while ogre hunts the object.

III. Escape,

(a) The children are carried across the water by ducks (or angels), or

(b) they throw back magic objects which become obstacles in the ogre's path, or (c) they transform themselves, or

(d) the ogre (ogress) tries to drink the pond empty and bursts, or

(e) the ogre is misdirected and loses them.

Motifs:

I.

- [S321] Destitute parents abandon children.
- [S301] Children abandoned (exposed).
- [S143] Abandonment in forest.
- [R135] Abandoned children (wife, etc.) find way back by clue (breadcrumbs, grain, pebble, etc.).
- [R135.1] Crumb (grain) trail eaten by birds.
- [F1045] Night spent in tree. Hero goes into tree to spend the night.
- [N776] Light seen from tree lodging place at night leads to adventures.
- [F771.1.10] Gingerbread house. House made of cake.
- [G412.1] Ogre's gingerbread house lures child.
- [G100] Giant ogre. Polyphemus.
- [G501] Stupid ogre.
- [G10] Cannibalism.
- [G401] Children wander into ogre's house.
- [F535.1] Thumbling. Person the size of a thumb.
- [G441] Ogre carries victim in bag (basket).
- [K526] Captor s bag filled with animals or objects while captives escape.
- [G422] Ogre imprisons victim.

II.

- [G532] Hero hidden and ogre deceived by his wife (daughter) when he smells human blood.
- [G84] Fee-fi-fo-fum. Cannibal returning home smells human flesh and makes exclamation.
- [G82] Cannibal fattens victim.
- [G82.1] Cannibal cuts captive's finger to test fatness.
- [G82.1.1] Captive sticks out bone instead of finger when cannibal tries to test his fatness.
- [G83] Cannibal sharpens knife to kill captive.
- [G83.1] Ogress whets teeth to kill captive.

[K1611] Substituted caps cause ogre to kill own children.

[G526] Ogre deceived by feigned ignorance of hero. Hero must be shown how to get into oven (or the like). Ogre shows him and permits himself to be burnt.

[G512.3.2] Ogre burned in his own oven.

[G512.3.2.1] Ogre's wife (daughter) burned in his own oven.

III.

[K550] Escape by lalse plea.

[G555] Rescue from ogre by means of singing.

[D1612.1] Magic objects betray fugitive, Give alarm when fugitive escapes.

[D1317.7] Magic bell gives alarm.

[D671] Transformation flight. Fugitives transform themselves in order to escape detection by pursuer.

[D672] Obstacle flight. Fugitives throw objects behind them which magically become obstacles in pursuer's path.

[K646] Confederate misdirects pursuer.

[G522] Ogre persuaded to drink pond dry bursts.

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African 2.

1 Not all annotators or archivists have used the divisions of the tale suggested below, but have made references simply to Type 327.

Three forms of the type follow:

{AT327A} Hansel and Gretel.

The parents abandon their children in the wood. The gingerbread house. The boy fattened; the witch thrown into the oven. Cf. Type 1121. The children acquire her treasure. See analysis: I a. b, c, d; II a, b, d; III.

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{AT327B} The Dwarf and the Giant.

The dwarf and his brother in the giant's house.

The nightcaps of the children are exchanged. Cf. 4 Apes 700, 1119. See analysis: I e; II; IV.

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{AT327C} The Devil (Witch) Carries the Hero Home in a Sack.

The wife or daughter are to cook him, but are thrown into the oven themselves. Cf. Type 1121.

See analysis: I f; II d.

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African 3.

{AT327D} The Kiddelkaddelkar.

The children in the ogre's house are protected by his wife but discovered. They are to be hanged, but the ogre is persuaded to show them how it is done. He is released only when he promises them a »kiddelkadderlkar» and much treasure. They flee. The ogre is misdirected and defeated. See analysis I a—e, II a, f, III e.

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{AT327E} Abandoned Children Escape from Burning Barn.

Return after long time and astonish parents.

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{AT327F} The Witch and the Fisher Boy.

Witch has her tongue made thin by a blacksmith so as to change her voice [F556.2], [K1832]. She thus entices the fisher boy [G413].

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{AT327G} (formerly 327*) The Boy at the Devil's (Witch's) House.

The daughters are to cook him, but are killed by him. The devil is then killed. With his corpse the robbers are frightened from the tree. [G512.3.2.1], [K335.1.2.1]. Cf. Type 334.

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He is beheaded by the girl.

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{AT327B*} Thumbling as Rescuer.

Thumbling (born of peppercorn) rescues stolen sister (sisters, brothers). He extorts the secret of the stolen sisters (or the slain brothers) by squeezing breasts under the door sill.

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{AT327D*} The Hill-Woman and the Peasants.

A peasant couple is robbed continually by a hill-woman. Foolish wife tells hill-woman not to take hens, cow, etc. which are hidden. Hill-woman does. Finally man kills hill-woman from ambush. Cf. Type 1703.

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