

{AT470} Friends in Life and Death.

The deceased friend followed into the other world. Cf. Type 471.

I. The Visit to the Other World,

- (a) Two friends pledge themselves never to part. One of them dies,
- (b) The living friend invites the dead to visit him on Christmas and goes with him when he returns; or
- (c) a man in a churchyard invites a skull to dinner and then goes off with the skull.

II. The Journey,

- (a) On the way they see many strange sights; among them:
- (b) fat and lean kine;
- (c) a broad and narrow road;
- (d) people and things that strike one another,
- (e) The living goes to sleep by a water; when he wakes he is covered with moss,
- (f) They see houses of feast and of mourning.

III. The Return,

- (a) When the living man returns he has been away many centuries; all is changed and he knows no one.

IV. Death,

- (a) He dies the next day by falling from a tree (or high place),
- (b) He vanishes after prayer.

Motifs:

I.

[M253] Friends in life and death.

[M252] Promise of dying man to bring news of other world.

[E238] Dinner with the dead. Dead man is invited to dinner. Takes his host to other world.

[C13] The offended skull (statue) (Festin de Pierre). A skull (statue) is invited to dinner. Attends the dinner and takes his host off to the other world.

[C954] Person carried off to other world for breaking tabu.

II.

[E481] Land of the dead.

[F171] Extraordinary sights in otherworld.

[F171.0.1] Enigmatic happenings in otherworld which are later explained.

[F171.1] Fat and lean kine in otherworld.

[F162.2] Rivers in otherworld.

[F171.2] Broad and narrow road in otherworld.

[F171.3] People and things that strike one another in otherworld.

[D1960] Magic sleep.

III.

[D2011] Years thought days. Years spent in the otherworld or sleep seem as days because of magic forgetfulness.

IV.

[F2] Translation to otherworld without dying.

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Finnish 15;

Finnish-Swedish (470*) 5;

Estonian 9;

Livonian 3;

Lithuanian 7;

Lappish 1;

Swedish 18 (Uppsala 3, Stockholm 1, Goteborg 1, Liungman 1, misc. 12) ;

Norwegian 8, Solheim 1; Danish: Grundtvig No. 82;

Icelandic 3;

Scottish 3;

Irish (470 471) 58, Beal X 25,

French 23;

Spanish 9;

Flemish (471*) 2;

German: Ranke 27, Meckl. No. 63;

Italian 4 (Tuscan [1529 a, b] 2, Sicilian 2, Gonzenbach No. 88);

Rumanian: Dima Rumanische Marchen 43f.;

Czech: Tille Soupis II (2) 127—129 3;

Slovenian 16;

Polish 13, (470A) 1;

Russian: Afanasiev 1;

Turkish: Eberhard-Boratav No. 62 IV;

Chinese (Part III only): Eberhard FFC CXX 156 No. 103, FFC CXXVIII 11 Of. No. 65.

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Franco-American 11.

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{AT470A} The Offended Skull (Statue).

Festin de Pierre. A skull (statue) is invited to dinner. Attends the dinner and takes his host off to the other world [C13] . (Type 470 Ic as independent tale.)

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{AT470B} (formerly 825*) The Land where No One Dies [F116] .

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Serbocroatian (425*) 4.

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{AT470*} The Hero Visits the Land of the Immortals

and marries its queen. Allowed to visit his home. He must not get off his horse. He breaks the prohibition and dies, [F116] .

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