

fed it [B765.6], a serpent appears at her wedding and leaves a crown of gold and silver [B112]. Cf. Type 285.

*BP II 463. — Serbocroatian 1; Polish 6.

- 672D** *The Stone of the Snake*. (a) A peasant falls into a pit and sees a snake, which licks a stone; he imitates and without food remains alive. (b) A comrade who finds that he is imprisoned, is charged with his murder. The peasant gets out from the pit with the help of the snake, and frees the accused.

Estonian (674*) 10; Czech: Tille Soupis II (2) 379, 387f.; Slovenian 5; Serbocroatian 1; Polish (674) 5; Chinese: Eberhard FFC CXXVIII 142.

- 672A*** *The Snake and the Soldier*. A soldier in his lodgings annoys a snake by giving him salted food. The snake pours water into the mouth of the sleeping soldier and causes his death.

Polish 3.

- 672B*** *Expelling Snakes*. A sorcerer undertakes to expel snakes from a certain region. He succeeds in decoying the king of the snakes, but dies bitten by the snakes, or falls down with them under the earth.

Polish (672D) 11.

- 672C*** *Testimony of the Serpent*. A girl possessing a magic serpent is raped by a prince. The serpent appears at the prince's wedding and compels him to marry the girl.

Italian (Sicilian 2, Gonzenbach No. 46).

- 672D*** *Chernobylnik*. The peasant makes the fish-soup from a snake. The driver tastes it and knows the language of the grass and trees. The master guesses this and forces the driver to name »chernobylnik,» whereupon he loses his knowledge.

Russian: Andrejev (672*B) 1.

- 673** *The White Serpent's Flesh*. Contrary to warning, the cook eats the flesh of the white serpent. He learns the speech of animals [B217.1.1].

He hears how two ravens converse: »The house will sink in the earth.» Entreats his master to flee and save himself; or he learns where the queen's necklace has been lost [N451].

BP I 131 (Grimm No. 17); Christiansen FFC CLXXV No. 3030. — Finnish (673) 3; Estonian (673*) 1; Swedish 34 (Uppsala 4, Stockholm 13, Göteborg 9, Liungman 1, misc. 7); Danish 19; French 1; German 2; Slovenian 1; Serbocroatian 3; Polish 2; Turkish: Eberhard-Boratav No. 57.

- 674** *Incest Averted — Talking Animals*. A princess, abandoned by or separated from her husband, gives birth to a son. The son is taken from her by trickery and he grows up without knowing who his true mother is. When grown, he sees his mother, falls in love with her [N365.1.1], and goes to her at night hoping to become her lover. On the way he overhears animals (calves) talking [N451] and learns the truth.

India 4.

- 675** *The Lazy Boy*. »By the word of the salmon». The princess pregnant. The hero and the princess thrown into the sea in a cask. On the island.

I. *The Hero's Magic Power*. The hero gets the power of making all his wishes come true from a salmon whom he has caught and throws back.

II. *He Tries his Powers*. (a) He makes a saw cut wood of itself; (b) he makes a boat or wagon that will go of itself.

III. *The Princess Laughs*. (a) A princess laughs at him and he wishes her pregnant. (b) She has a child and the child picks him out as father.

IV. *Banishment*. He and the princess are abandoned in a glass box in the sea or a cask in the mountains.

V. *Reinstatement*. (a) By wishing, he makes a castle next the king's and takes his wife into it. (b) He invites and humbles the king.

Motifs:

I. L114.1. Lazy hero. F1761.0.1. Wishes granted without limit. B375.1. Fish returned to water: grateful. B500. Magic power from animals. B474. Helpful salmon.

II. D1601. Object labors automatically. D1523.1. Self-propelling wagon.

III. T513. Conception from wish. H481. Infant picks out his unknown father.

IV. S147. Abandonment on mountain. S301. Children abandoned (exposed). S141. Exposure in boat.

V. D1131.1. Castle produced by magic. L175. Lowly successful hero invites and humbles king.

*BP I 485 (Grimm No. 54A); *Kohler-Bolte I 405, 588; Zs. f. Vksk. VI 174; Wesselski *Hodscha Nasreddin* II 214. — Finnish 143; Finnish-Swedish 19; Estonian 37, (572*) 13; Lithuanian 20, (*572) 9; Lappish 5; Swedish 41 (Uppsala 8, Stockholm 1, Göteborg 1, Lund 2, Liungman 3, misc. 26); Norwegian 18, Solheim 3; Danish 21, Grundtvig No. 127; Icelandic 4; Irish 32; French 13; German 10 (Archive 9, Meckl. No. 83); Italian: D'Aronco *Fiabe* 15 (Pentamerone I No. 3, Tuscan 571 a, d, 675 a—c 4, Sicilian 2); Rumanian 5; Hungarian 2; Czech: Tille Soupis II (1) 303—321 1; Slovenian 4; Serbocroatian 8, Istrian No. 21; Polish 10; Russian: Azadovsky *Russkaya Skazka* No. 26, Afanasiev 13; Greek 12, Loukatos No. 18, Hahn No. 8, Dawkins *Modern Greek Folktales* No. 4; Turkish: Eberhard-Boratav No. 69 3. — Franco-American 8; Spanish-American: Rael No. 271 (U.S.), Hansen (Puerto Rico) 3; Cape Verde Islands: Parsons MAFLS XV (1) 103; West Indies (Negro) 3; American Indian: (Ojibwa) Thompson *The Folktale* 68, (Maliseet) Thompson *C Coll* II 413.

- 675* *Birth of Child from Eating Apple*. Precocious youth as hunter. Grateful old woman gives him luck. Princess is made to laugh at his actions. He sleeps with her and disappears. She bears a child, not knowing the father. The hero escapes the king's attempts against him. Gives riddle in court (Cf. Type 851 IV). Explanation of hero's supernatural birth.

Icelandic (574*) 1.

- 676 *Open Sesame*. A poor man observes robbers who enter into a mountain