

Haixu

laxsel-1

Names

Oregon

IV

Crests

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ha-xu

(laxse'-l)

Chiefs

1. ha-xu "in dire straits" a naxn̤q name.
The performer plays a poor man in ragged garments.
2. t'leban "sea lion", a naxn̤q.
(No gitksan house has it as a crest)
3. g.ana'-o "frog", a naxn̤q name,
the performer imitates a frog, jumping among the guests.
In such cases where a crest of the phratry is adopted as a naxn̤q, the guests who ~~are~~
~~the~~ whose fathers are of that phratry must throw gifts upon the performer.
4. hatsaswε' "sneeze" a naxn̤q.

5.

Boys

1. paxsɛ'iks

g.ampaxsɛ'iks t, tɔxs
only ^{upward} spouting toward sun refers to g̑isg.a'st
paternal origin by reference
to this custom

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paternal
rights

It was a custom that the people would fill their mouths with water and spout it towards the sun to induce cooler weather. Only those of g̑isg.a'st paternal origin could do this.

2. paxt̩g̑ɔ'maks (like) "melted snow water"
(is the fat of the large grizzly)

3. 'ni.g.it "on a difficult place" (where is the den of the bear)

4. tsəmɔlɔxma'dəm

tsəmɔlɔxma'dəm t tɔ'a:tɔxs
in snowy face sun

It is snowy into the face of the sun

5. cag.ətyɛ''itu: "together like thunder"
(where fly the offspring of grouse).

When the young grouse all fly together at sounds like thunder.

6. wilse sa'qu "where sharp mountain peaks" (where appears the sun)

7. qam̩t̩ba'lt "only stripping off the leaves" (of the fireweed).

8. qamsg.a.yo:t "only roasting" (the grouse)

Women

1. p e s

2. salax li'p "suddenly falling over" (the offspring of the grouse).

Girls

1. wetligima'dəm

'wax lig i ma' dəm t dzə'a təxs

again about snowing face of sun (or moon)

The snow comes again to the face of the sun

2. ta-la'ki "in the corner lying" (the offspring of grouse).

The young grouse lie in the corner of the nest.

3. g̣am də̄x "only lying down" (the offspring of the grouse)

4. qaphi'ye "always walking" (the sun - or moon -)

5. ẉg.al 'a'm "full good" (moon) [təxs] Full moon, or the moon at its best.

6 hawit.amsha'su

hawit.amsha'su skət ha'st
much like fireweed fireweed

The fireweed is much like fireweed

7 k̓ishisto"

k̓ishisto'st ta'ot'ata qwo'yəm
towards the floats ice during spring
mouth

nɔxs

1. nɔxs ha'ntu

2. nɔxs kuxyip

3. nɔxs tsəmca'n tsəmca'n (Tsimshian)

as a naxnq, represented by a mask.

4. nɔxs qa'qu

qa'qu "sinews" is not a
naxnq name. The name compares
the sun's rays with sinews.

Orogen
Crests

hai-xu
John Brown

Orogen from Tenlaham. Same house as g.a'ldixgə't (Mem Gamble) although they divided at Tenlaham and have some different names and crests.

- Among the original Kupax

Crests

1. g.an'ax q'i'.uk



red painted lines on garments and as a ceiling decoration inside the house.

2. 'm i'. t'sat g.anal'-o ^{squeezed} "jammed frogs"

3 frogs on the pole. Williams says it originated in Kitwancool, house of Kwina. But Brown had heard that it was on a house at Tenlaham over the entrance, "having a stick across its back showing that it had been jammed or squeezed."

3. 'n i'. q.ams "on warming" A woman squatting at the base of the pole with 2 frogs at her breasts and two over her eyes. Also used in Kitwancool (kwsqaq) and at Moricetown wat'a xgə't (laxse-t), but the pole was at Hagwilget canyon where it has fallen. The crest originated at the canyon from this Moricetown house.