also, and all the animals as many as eat flesh, man also with them. Suddenly they got near the crow. The lynx spied him. and then all at once the lynx seized him. The crow therefore did the lynx seize; then the wolf opened the gate and then all the animals came out. Then the crow: Let me live, said he: what you have, with that let me live, said he, it is said. Since that time there are many animals: since that time man lives properly without doubt. Then the small animal, the fox and generally all were animals anew. Since that with man they dwell no longer, man alone; none here is not, he alone.

* Rankaule. The Montagnais thus term the spirit ducks which fly in flocks and keep up a constant cry.

† It is only by the old man's explanation that I know that it was in a park, the montagnais text says nothing.

Deluge II.

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By water all was covered; then the earth not at all; then the ducks and all the large birds, these on the water swam; then because there was no earth, they could hold out no longer. Then the birds which fed on flesh, the birds also those died of hunger, because they had eaten all. Then the one that is called rankaulé dived in the water; he alone long did not reappear; at last all at once in his claws earth he bore; then after that the earth was near, all the earth, he raised it up without doubt. Then the water disappeared, but the animals (used for food) there were none without doubt. Then those that fed on flesh, the birds also, the lynx also, all that were hungry for flesh, that is called gu*; by that they lived. Then all men, it was absolutely as a single one. Then all were colored. Then it was said to the crow: "Ane thou what dost thou wish to be?" "A handsome bird," said he. "Thou shalt be so," it was said to him. Then the crow said: "No." Then "Well, this beautiful bird", said they to him. But he said again: "No, that one is not beautiful", said he. He always said so, without doubt the crow, the crow himself for a very long time thus contradicted man, then all men in the coal have rubbed him, therefore he has no color. Then they seized him. After that a starling he took, him in the coal he rubbed him, the crow: "Be like me"

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