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gitwilgots file

## Tamlaham Kispewudwada.

\* The chiefs that came with saxsa'xt from  
damlaxa'm. members of the royal gispewudwada  
wiceks - genaxangik tsiba sa' gitxat'a  
niaswexs - g. nadziks nias'tkumitk - g. ludzar  
niasn'awa' - g. ludza a'lim laxa - genaxangik

These were all descendants of g. a' u' at damlaxam  
Gam had four sons and four daughters

1. Iigiyun the youngest son (Iig. ya' u' wən)

daughters 1. ksəm wüdzax t'ē' lə

2. ksəm hamhe'm

3 ksəm git lax wil hō' g. ə n

4 ?

The chief of all the gisp. at damlaxam was  
'nias'hä'wexs (now belonging to g. dzolas) and the other  
main chief was 'niasdax' u' x (gitsalax). The direct  
descendants of g. a' u' are niaswexs, tsibasa.

They use the myth of g. a' u' more than the other gispew.  
and also have g. a' u' a figure representing her as a crest.  
and bring it out and show it to the people when either of them  
have an 1 ya' u' k (pottatch). The other royal gisp are  
wita'isk to niaswexs & tsiba'sa and a'lim laxa.  
These three are wekt to each other. Therefore these 3  
chiefs have exactly the same crests (exclusive to them)

1. Iig. a' i' t

2. bətha'm hakwətak pearl bow in hand of Iig. a' i' t

3. mesa'ba'xs realather leggings

4. fə'tkəmənē'xt robe of Blackfish

5. neq'a'm sag'itk human scalp.

6. gətkma'ti mtn goat headdress

7. 10 layer hat of spruce roots

more details on  
file.

[ see also Swanson Myth of Royal Kispewudwade crests  
at Tamlaham. 10 crests enumerated ]

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EXCLUSIVE

Crests of the three we'kət royal groupwudwads chiefs  
ni'swε'xs, tsib'a'sa, and alim la'xa  
tsibäsa'.

- (1) ligidi't a rep. of a live human being on a totem pole, on top, made to revolve in the wind. A small figure of the same is used in warfare and made in such a way as to move and revolve not a na'x n>x
- (2) balha'm hakwata'k pearl bow which was held in the hand of the ligidi't (diff from bow of ni'swε'kət)
- (3) mεsa'ba'xs red leather leggings worn in war, naming ceremony, and iyεuk.
- (4) tət kam'ne'x t a robe of Blackfish, made of leather, covers the entire body excepting face. And the head of the ne'x t on the top of the head. On the back and front of robe are representations of the ne'x t.
- (5) ne'ga'm sag'v'ltk : a scalp of a human, with furs on top. This is the scalp headdress which the gidzax ta't took from tsibäsa' in war but was afterwards returned to him in a great ceremony in which coppers were broken, and it no longer belongs to the gidzax tət but only to the 3 royal houses.
- (6) gälkma'ti : a mountain goat headdress used on ceremonial occasions, never used on poles or robes.
- (7) la'nεmga'it a hat made of 10 layers high of spruce root. Used in ceremony of assuming a higher position or name. Not known whether used on poles.

Johnson: Iemlaham

The Iemlaham were not known as g'ispawudwa'ds but as g'isgahe's, the he's being their main crest. The royal Iemlaham came out singly to the coast and became associated with the laxm:n people. The Iemlaham people had the madi:k as <sup>their</sup> crest, and the laxm:n had the madi:gam dzag:omaks; that is why they became associated.

### laxm:n

The ginaxangik are the laxm:n: laplidzi'ust, gamaye'm, lamaxe, nisetnets, g'igksamewelp, adzaks. Their crests were the next and madi:gam dzag:omaks.

### Setnugunaks

They were called "g'ispawudwa'ds" while they were among the gidst'u. This is the name all the groups use; as <sup>long</sup> as they have the madi:k or the next, they are g'ispawudwa'ds. How did they become associated with the laxm:n and the Iemlaham? Their crest was the next, and the laxm:n also had the next. Both having the same crest, they recognized that they were related.

### gitksadz

The gitksadz came here together, all at one time, after a fight on the Nass. They are

1. neg.amdao and ni:skwe'xs (gilodza'o)

2. suhalait

3. wiget

4. niyuk, ananex, ni:sha bo'tk (g'tlen).

There are no others. When ni:yuk gives a potlatch, his helpers are the gilodzas and gispaxlts mentioned. All the other g'ispawudwa'ds are invited as guests and receive gifts.

As Johnson being misled as to niyuk's origin because they write as a potlatched unit. All have similar crests and myth.

Add elsewhere  
hal:op, g'tungunaks  
front house of lens  
ni:so mag:z  
g'tungunaks

## Gitnagunaks.

Matthew Johnson - g'ispa x'ls'ts file.

"The gitnagunaks have never <sup>found?</sup> formed any gispew groups, but the g'ispa x'ls'ts people. But they were gispewudwada among the g'idz'stsu. This was the name used by them 'g'ispa wudwa' dō'. This name was also applied to other groups. The names of different gisp groups are all more or less alike... they have no general name. It makes no difference what they are called by, as soon as they have the modio'k or 'next, they are gisp.

How did the gitnagunaks + tōmlax'am (diff myth, crests and names) come to be together and form one gisp. group? Answer: the crest of the nagunaks was the next; the crest of the lax'm?n was also the next and the modio'gōm dzax'm'aks. These people both having the same crest the next recognized that they were related to each other by using the same crest. The tōmlax'am were not known as gispewudwade but as g'isga hē's, hē's being their main crest. These people royal tōmlax'am came out singly to the coast and became associated with the lax'm?n people. The crest of the tōmlax'am people was the modio'k and coming into contact with lax'm?n group was also the modio'gōm dzax'm'aks. So that is why they became associated with them.

④ The modio'gōm dzax'an'aks does not belong to the gitnagunaks but to the lax'm?n gisp.

Isumshan. The gunaxangik are the lax'm?n

1. tōplidzwest and gamayem (not tōmladam but lax'm?)

2. also liam/lax'e e nias'et'nets, & gil'gōksmwelp

~~and~~ a azok?

gitksadz

Matthew Johnson, gilodza file.

niyuks was of gitksadz origin ... The gitksadz people came here together, all at one time, after a fight on the bass; these groups of gitksadz:

1. negamda'o and niaskwe'xs group (gilodza)
2. suhalait (gispa'lo'ts)
3. wiget (indip house) gispa'lo'ts
4. niyuks (gitlen) and an'e'x, niashabotk

the other gitksadz. When niyuks gives a potlatch, his helpers are  
1. negamda'o, lolo'skoms, yu's etc 2. suhalait 3. wiget & niaskwe'xs  
all the other group. are invited as guests and receive gifts.

gitlaxksat'i'n

The gitlaxksat'i'n group were

1. niaskse'net
  2. niaspints
- no other

These two houses were known as sam gilodza;  
real gilodza