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29. The Jackal and the Dog at the Marriage Feast. (storyteller: S. D.)

The Dog came, and said to the Jackal, "There was a marriage at our house yesterday." He said, "Let us go to the bride's house and have a feast. There is plenty of oil there. Let us go and drink it."

So they came and entered the house where the oil was. They kept on drinking, they drank and drank, they went on drinking. As they were drinking, the Jackal, the crafty one, went outside several times, and measured the door to see that his body would not (if lested) become swelled enough to prevent him passing. As for the Dog, since he had entered he had not gone out.

At length the people of the house heard a movement, and said, "Who is in the room?" They went out. The Jackal went out, the Dog came but he was unable to go out, his body prevented him.

So the people of the house came and beat the Dog well, until the Dog played them a trick and lay as if he were dead. When they saw the Dog was dead, they threw him away. Then the Dog opened his eyes, got up, and ran away.