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Description: The titles do not exactly match between the 1885 version and more recent version of 1906. The numbering below is the 1906 version; the numbering is different in the 1885 version.

There was once a mare who gave birth to her child, and went into the desert with her child. The owner of the mare and of her child had tied bells on them.

When the mare and her child had gone into the desert to eat grass, the hyena overtook them by night. The hyena wished to catch the horse's child. When the horse's child began to run, the bells began to cry; the hyena, hearing the cry of the bells, ran away, and left the child and her mother.

In the morning the proprietor of the horse said, "Where is my mare and her child?" He got up early in the morning; following the foot-marks of the mare and her child, he observed the foot-marks of the hyena following them. The proprietor went on; he found his mare and his child; he came home with them and was very glad. This is it; it is finished.