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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 221 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from Traditions of the Arapaho, Vol. 5: Collected Under the Auspices of the Field Columbian Museum and of the American Museum of Natural History In the first place there was nothing but water, except the waterfowls; and the Grandfather saw that there was a Father [flat pipe] of the Indians floating on the water, on the four sticks (tripod). Knowing that that person floating on the water was fasting and weeping and crying, and seeing that he was really fasting for the good, the Grandfather took mercy on him. So the Father floating on the water, and who was fasting on this tripod, called all the water-fowls, and so they all came. Now, says this man, I want some of you who can do the work of diving to come and search for the bottom of the sea and see if you can find dirt. So they all came in rotation according to their size. And they dived and came out dead. It took some days for these birds to dive. Finally it was the turn...



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