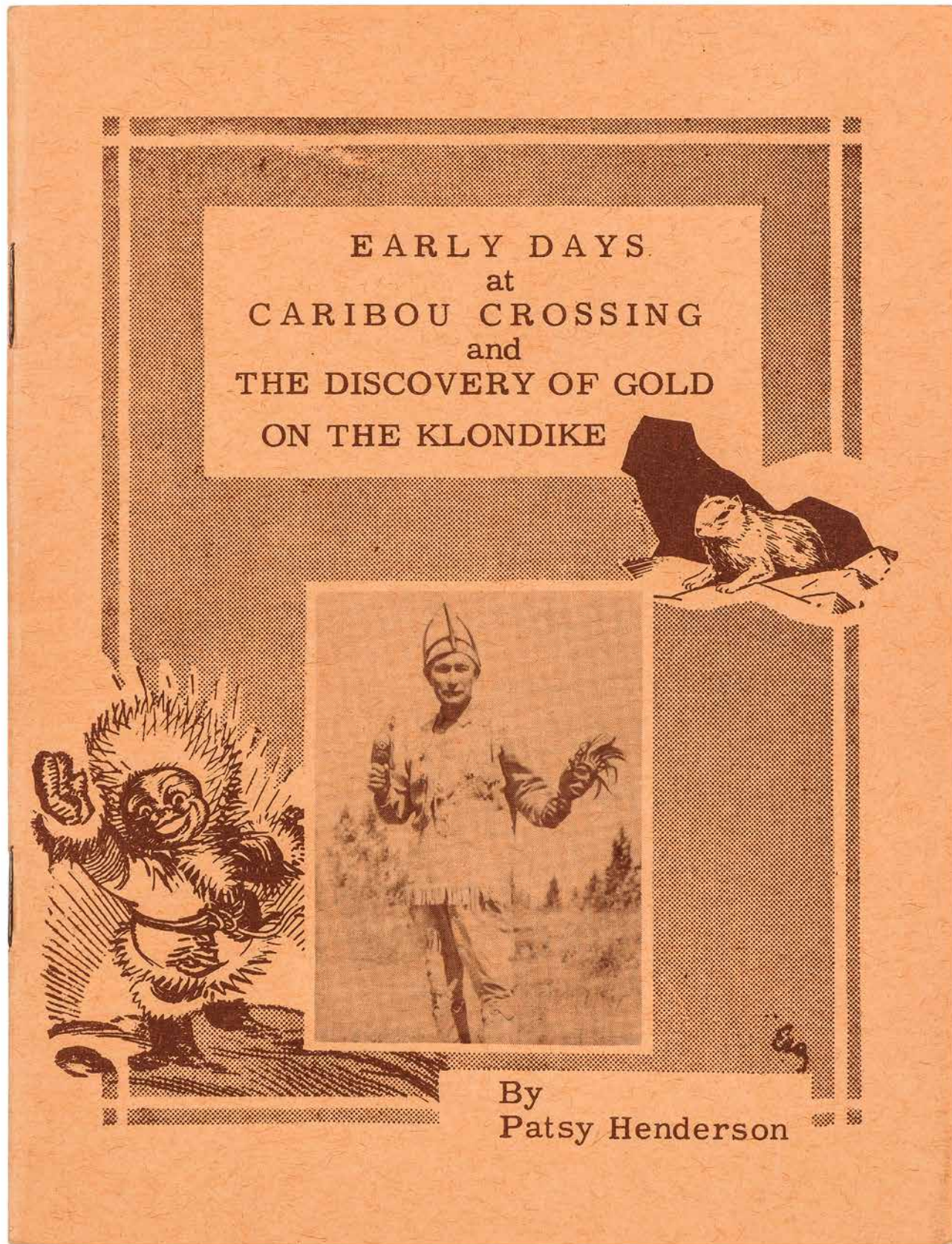


Patsy Henderson (pseudonym of Kulsin)

Early Days at Caribou Crossing and the Discovery of Gold on the Klondike

[No place - Yukon Territory, Canada?]: Jennie Mae Moyer 1950

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First edition. 16mo. [16]pp. Illustrated. Stapled illustrated wrappers. First person account of the early days of the Klondike Gold Rush and before, dictated by the author to Jennie Mae Moyer of a lecture given in the waiting room of the White Pass and Yukon Railway Station at Carcross, Y.T., as given by a male Yukon Indian Tribe member named Kulsin (born 1876), who was given the nickname Patsy Henderson by a prospector. Presumably this pamphlet was sold by Kulsin to earn small amounts of money for his performance which included dancing. *OCLC* locates 12 copies over three records (six in Canada; all but one of the others located West of the Mississippi). [BTC#424845]

THE PATSY STORY

Patsy gives this lecture in the waiting room of the White Pass and Yukon Railway Station at Carcross, Y.T. On a platform he has a table with several models of traps and snares. On the wall are several pictures which he later identifies in the Klondike Story.

Demonstrations of different wild animal calls are given: Moose, Caribou, Goat, Sheep, Muskrat, Rabbit, Fox. He makes an interesting comment on two of the calls when he says: "When rabbit hear the call he think about young rabbit---- but muskrat call makes muskrat think about another muskrat."

Patsy was born about 1876. He was born around Tagish, an old Indian village 20 miles from Carcross. He belongs to the Yukon Indian Tribe. There were nine boys and one girl in his family. His Indian name was Kulsin. ---The name Patsy Henderson was given him by George Carmack. He had two children by his second wife. The last child died last year (1948). His son-in-law, Buck Dixon, is a guide and lives in Carcross with Patsy and his wife.

This story was dictated to Jennie Mae Moyer, August 4, 1949. The phrasing, pronunciation and style of Patsy Henderson has been retained as closely as possible. It was impossible to include the animal calls and songs.

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