



POINT HOPE MASKS—Within the last ten years or so, the carvers of the village of Point Hope have found ways of utilizing what used to be useless old bones of animals found in old ruins and on beaches. Bones used mostly are those of the bowhead whales hunted for centuries at the village. Vertebrae are usually used for fashioning masks of varied expressions. The mask at the

left shows the expression of sudden and fearful surprise while the one on the right seemed to be that of a swain who suddenly realized that the object of affections has finally consented to be his wife.

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