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Runological Report on the Hogganvik Rune Stone

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Runologist James E. Knirk has <u>published a report</u> on the recently found <u>Hogganvik rune stone</u>. His transliteration is

[?]kelbaþewas:s(t)^ainaR:aaasrpkf aarpaa:inanana(l/b/w)oR eknaudigastiR ekerafaR

His translation is

Skelba-þewaR's ["Shaking-servant's"] stone. (Alphabet magic: aaasrpkf aarpaa). ? Within/From within the ?wheel-nave/?cabin-corner. I NaudigastiR [="Need-guest"]. I, the Wolverine.

So there isn't actually an explicit lord-retainer relationship in the text, just a guy whose name includes the word for servant, *thewar*. It also occurs in two names inscribed on weaponry from Danish war booty finds.