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**Miao spirits that were worshipped and those that caused
sickness**

7. The Yi gi-lao-jiw.

(Also called the ti-shao-ma.)

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This spirit was one which touched livestock and pigs only. It did not touch people. This was an Yi spirit. If one should get on bad terms with an Yi person he would make this “dlang” which he placed in the person’s cattle shed, and the cattle and pigs there would become sick and die. Silk thread was packed into a small section of bamboo which was brought and put in the cattle shed, or else put beside the road. If livestock or pigs knocked against it they quickly died. It was necessary to call the shaman-healer to come and investigate, then it would be well.