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Scull Cup Stolen From the Sapa

Yesterday evening, Pablo (aged 24) committed a crime by stealing the Sapa Inca's scull cup from his banquet, in Cusco, to provide for his young family.

Pablo lives in Cuzco and has for many years. He worked as a terraced farmer but because it very dry Pablo was not able to get enough income to support his family of ten so he decided to steal. "I am remarrying and I will find a new way to make money," said Pablo's wife after hearing about the crime. He was caught whilst leaving the palace by Lionel—aged 18—the Sapa Inca's best guard



Above: Pablo

and was marched off to see the executioner for his punishment. "I am disappointed to see such a good member of our neighbourhood stealing. As for Lionel he will receive a reward," said our leader. The governors had a tough decision to make. Finally, they made their minds up. "We decided not to throw him off a cliff or let him freeze in the cold, or be stoned on the hillside but to have his hands chopped off

instead as he was trying to provide for his family," said the chief governor after the meeting.

The situation at the moment is that Pablo has had his hands chopped off and is now sitting outside the walls of Cuzco, telling his story. It is hoped that he will not steal again.

Below: A famous artifact also stolen.



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