



# The ancient Britons. Their language and culture

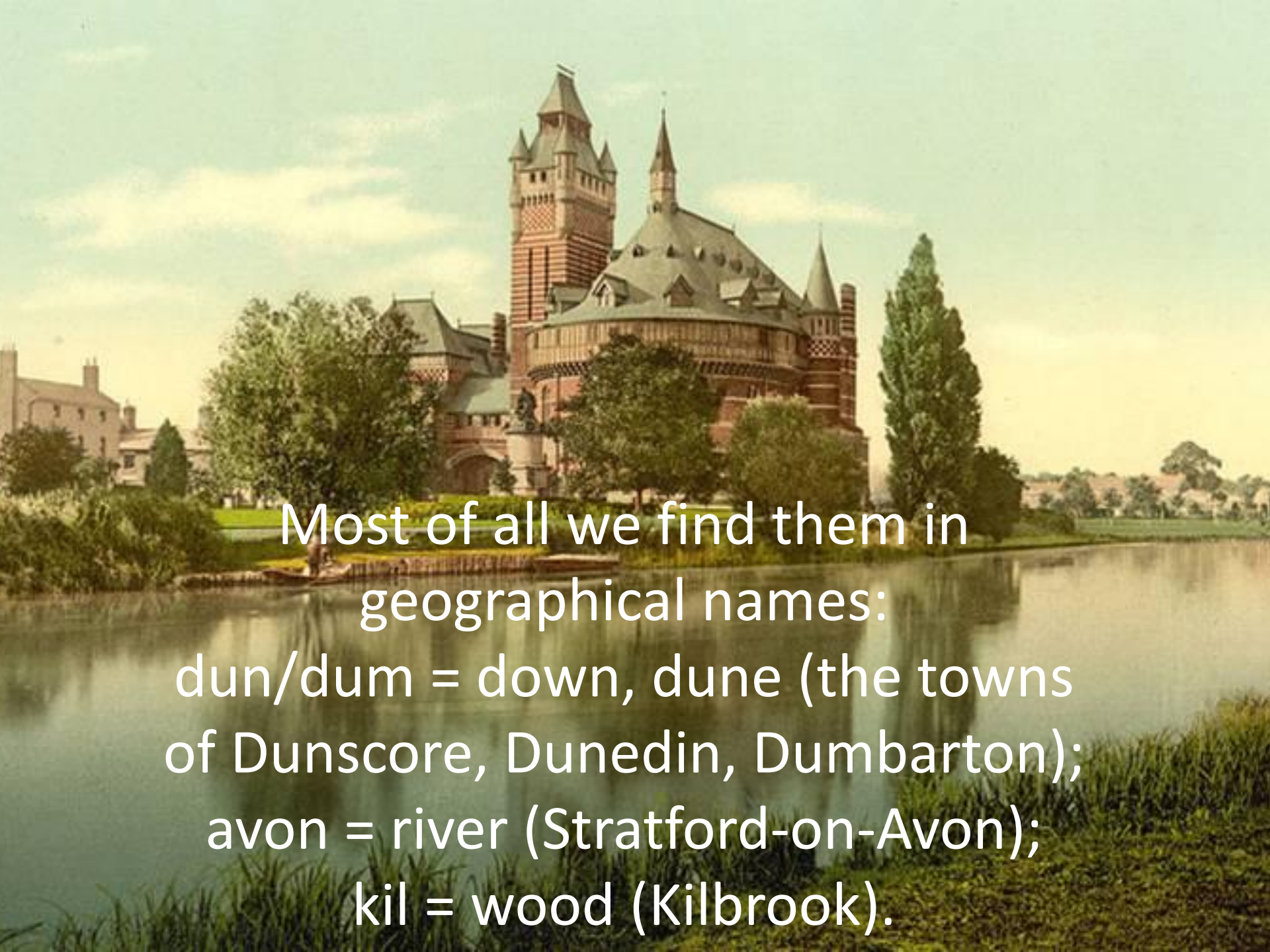
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In the 4th century B. C. the country we now call England was known as Britain. One of the tribes who lived there was named the Britons. They belonged to the Celtic race and spoke Celtic.

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There are still some  
traces of this language  
found in the English of  
today.



Most of all we find them in  
geographical names:

dun/dum = down, dune (the towns  
of Dunscore, Dunedin, Dumbarton);

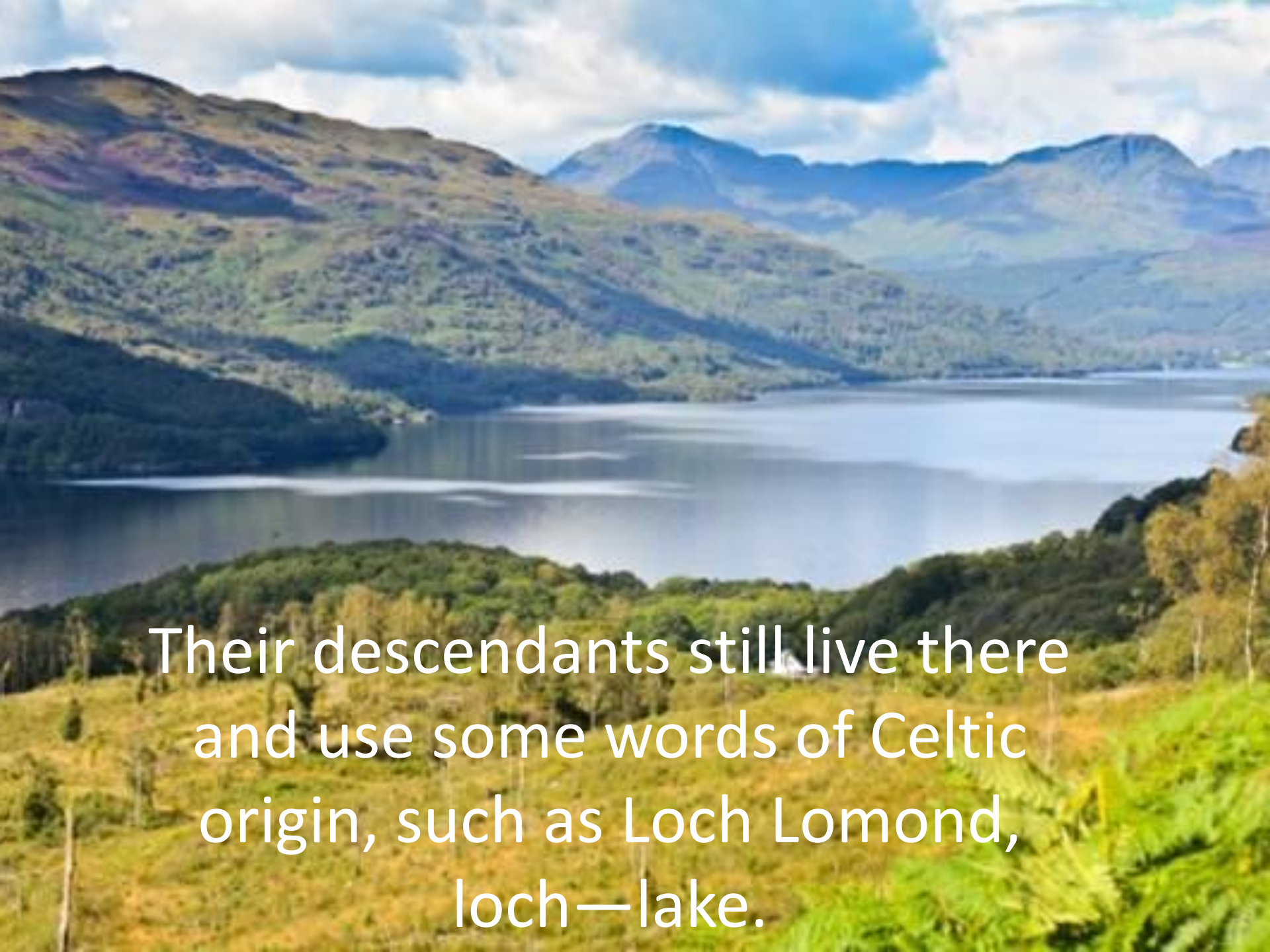
avon = river (Stratford-on-Avon);

kil = wood (Kilbrook).



Another Celtic  
tribe Gaels lived in  
Ireland, Scotland  
and Wales.



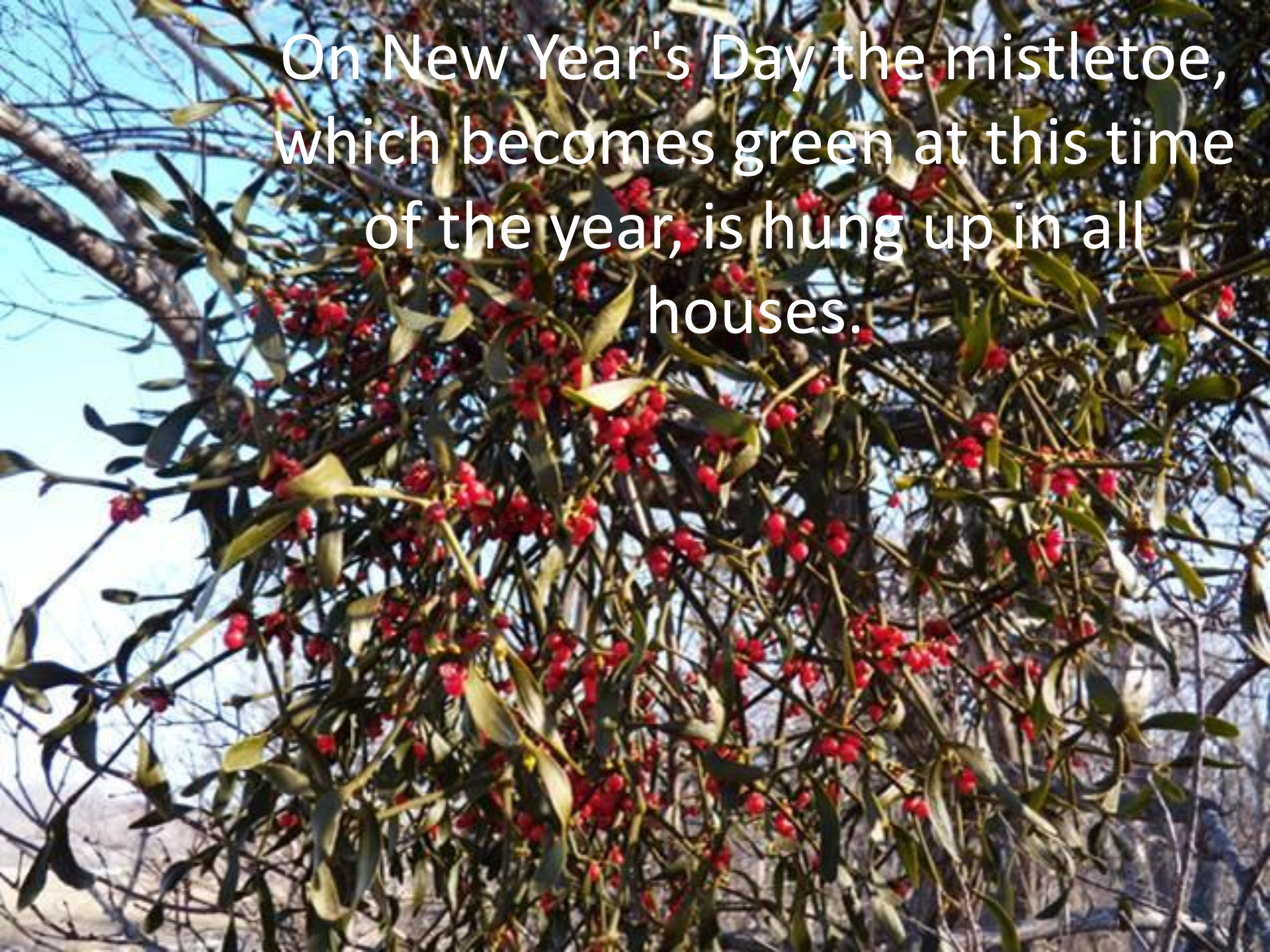


Their descendants still live there  
and use some words of Celtic  
origin, such as Loch Lomond,  
loch—lake.



The Britons had a strange and cruel religion- the religion of the Druids.  
Some customs of the Druids are kept in England nowadays.

On New Year's Day the mistletoe, which becomes green at this time of the year, is hung up in all houses.







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