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LANGUAGES OF THE KAMILAROI AND OTHER ABORIGINAL TRIBES OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

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Synopsis.—Introductory. Orthography. Grammar of the Kamilaroi Language. Yauan or Mystic Language. The Wallaroi Dialect. The Wirraiarai Dialect. The Guinbrai Dialect. The Darkiñung Language. Conclusion.

Vocabulary of Kamilaroi and Thurrawal Words. Vocabulary of Darkiñung Words. Appendix.—Some Native Tribes of Victoria, South Australia, and Queensland.

In submitting this short paper it may be stated that, having devoted several years to the study of Australian languages, I hope it will be of value to philologists if I publish some of the results of my labours. In 1901, I contributed to the Royal Society of New South Wales¹ a brief article on the Thurrawal, Gundungurra, and Dharruk languages, spoken by the aborigines of the south-east coast of New South Wales, in which I drew attention to several peculiarities of grammatical structure not previously reported in any Australian tongue. To the languages just mentioned I propose giving the name of the Thurrawal type.

On the present occasion, the Kamilaroi type of language will be dealt with, showing essential points of difference from the Thurrawal, to some of which attention will be drawn.

The Kamilaroi territory may be roughly described as extending from Jerry's Plains on the Hunter River as far as Walgett and Mungindi on the Barwon, taking in the greater part of the basins of the Namoi and Gwydir Rivers.

There are two pronouns in the first person of the dual and plural—one which is used when the person addressed is included, and another which excludes the person addressed (see pronouns). Rev. William Ridley in a short grammar of the Kamilaroi gives two forms in the dual number, but he makes no mention of their existence in the plural, which leads to the inference that they escaped his notice.²

Perhaps it should be stated that I was the first author to describe in detail the *Bora*, or initiation ceremonies of the Kamilaroi tribes, having visited and camped with the natives for the purpose of acquiring the information.³ Their social

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¹ Journ. Roy. Soc. N.S. Wales, vol. xxxv, pp. 127-160.

² Kamilaroi and Other Australian Languages (Sydney, 1875), pp. 6, 7.

³ Journ. Anthrop. Inst., vol. xxiv, pp. 411-417; vol. xxv, pp. 318-339. Journ. Roy. Soc. Victoria, vol. ix, new series, pp. 137-173.

organization and intermarrying laws were likewise fully described and explained some years ago in my articles on "The Kamilaroi Class System," in several scientific journals.¹

ORTHOGRAPHY.

Nineteen letters of the English alphabet are sounded, comprising fourteen consonants and five vowels, namely, a, b, d, e, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, r, t, u, w, and y. The system of orthoepy recommended by the circular issued by the Royal Geographical Society, London, has been adhered to as far as possible.

In a few instances I have thought it necessary to introduce the marked vowels ℓ , δ , and u, to show unmistakably their long sound. Where the short sound of u was otherwise doubtful, I have marked it thus, u.

It is frequently difficult to distinguish between the short sound of a and that of u. A thick sound of i is occasionally met with, which closely approaches the short sound of u or a. G is hard in all cases. R has a rough trilled sound, as in hurrah!

Ng at the beginning of a word, as ngu in ngu'lu, the forehead, has a peculiar sound, which car^1 be got very closely by putting u before it, as ungu' and articulating it quickly like one syllable. At the end of a syllable it has substantially the sound of ng in the word sing. W always commences a syllable or word, and has its ordinary consonant sound in all cases.

The sound of the Spanish \tilde{n} is frequent, both at the beginning or end of a syllable. Y, followed by a vowel, is attached to several consonants, as dya, lyi, tyu, etc., and is pronounced in one syllable, the initial sound of the d, l, t, as the case may require, being retained. Y at the beginning of a word or syllable has its ordinary consonant value.

Dh is pronounced nearly as th in "that," with an initial sound of d preceding it. Nh has nearly the sound of th in "that," with an initial sound of the n. The final h is guttural, resembling ch in the German word joch.

T is interchangeable with d; p with b; and g with k in most words where these letters are employed. An approach to the sound of j is frequently given by the natives, which may be rendered by dy or ty at the beginning of a word or syllable—thus, dya or tya has very nearly the same sound as ja.

In the Thurrawal words in the vocabulary attached to this article, dy or ty is sounded as one letter, when occurring at the end of a syllable or word. Thus, in birrity, sick, the last syllable can be pronounced exactly by adding e to the y, making it rit-ye. Then commence articulating the word, including the y, but stopping short without sounding the final, or added e. Dy at the end of a syllable can be pronounced in the same way, the sound of d being substituted for that of t.

¹ Proc. Roy. Geog. Soc. Austral, Q. Bch., vol. x, pp. 18-34. Journ. Roy. Soc. N.S. Wales, vol. xxxi, pp. 156-168.

In all cases where there is a double consonant, each letter is distinctly enunciated.

ARTICLES.

There are no words strictly corresponding to the English articles, α and the. The demonstrative adjectives, this and that, in their various aboriginal forms, supply the place of the definite article.

Nouns.

Number.—Nouns have no special inflection for the dual and plural numbers, but these are represented by introducing a word meaning two, or several, as follows:—

Singular ... A kangaroo ... Bŭndar.

Dual ... A pair of kangaroos ... Bŭndar bular.

Plural ... Several kangaroos ... Bŭndar gunubila.

Gender.—In the human family different words are used to distinguish the sex, as, murri, a man; inar, a woman; birre, small boy; small girl, mea. A child of either sex is kainggal.

The gender of animals is denoted by words for "male" and "female" respectively, but these words are different for mammals and birds. Wumbûrnga, a buck; kurrundi, a doe; būdyer, a cock; gunidher, a hen. Gunal is another name for a doe, as mute gunal, a female opossum. Another is, burama nyamumul, a female dog. A male dog is mundaia.

Case.—The principal cases are the nominative, nominative-agent, genitive, instrumental, accusative, dative, and ablative.

Nominative.—Murri, a man; bundar, a kangaroo.

Nominative-agent.—Murridu mindere kaui, a man at a padamelon threw. Bundaru ngunna mauiñ, a kangaroo me scratched. Inaru kainggal bumi, a woman a child beat.

Genitive.—*Murrigu burran*, a man's boomerang; inaru burama, a woman's dog.

Accusative.—In such expressions as murridu burama bumi, a man a dog beat, the accusative remains unaltered.

Instrumental.—When an instrument is the direct object of the verb, it takes a similar suffix to the nominative-agent, thus, burrandu ngaia karrawi, a boomerang I threw.

Again, when the instrument is the remote object the accusative is unchanged, and the suffix is added to the instrumental case, as, *Ngaia burrandu kainggal bumi*, I with a boomerang a child beat.

Dative.—Wullai, a camp. Wullaidha, to the camp. Murridha, to the man.

Ablative.—Wullaidhi, from the camp. Murridhi, from the man. Bundari, from the kangaroo.

In illustrating the declensions of nouns and adjectives it will be observed that the suffixes vary in the same case, according to the termination of the word to which they are attached, apparently for the sake of euphony. For example, the nominative agent has du in some instances, and u in others, as murridu, burrandu, inaru, buralu, etc. In the genitive case the suffix is gu and u, as murrigu, inaru, etc. The suffix to inar is the same as that of the nominative agent, the meaning being made clear by the other words of the sentence, as, inaru mumbal, a woman's coolamin. In the ablative case dhi and i are used. The dative has dha, ga, and a.

ADJECTIVES.

Adjectives follow the nouns they qualify, and take the same inflections for number and case.

Nominative.—Murri bural, a man large. Inar dhunggur, a woman lame.

Nominative agent.—Murridu buralu kainggal bumulda, the big man is beating the child.

Genitive.—Murrigu buralu burran, the big man's boomerang. Inaru dhungguru kunne, the lame woman's yamstick.

Instrumental.—When an instrument is the remote object of the verb, it requires a suffix, as, *Murridu buralu burrandu kurrawile*, the big man is throwing a boomerang. In such an instance the first suffix is often omitted.

Dative.—Murridha burala dhaiyannunga, come to the big man.

Ablative.—Murridhi burali yannunga, go away from the big man.

Comparison.—Equality is expressed by saying, Murruba numma—nungurrage murruba buma, good this—that other good also. Inferiority is shown by Num murruba—nungillia guggildul, this is good—that is no good at all. Or less forcibly, Murruba numma—nungurrage guggil, this is good—that is bad. The sense of the superlative is rendered by, Numma murruba bungan gigilla, this is the best of all. Numma gainmurra bungan, this is the smallest. Gainmurradyul means very small. Bulami means very large.

When used as predicates, adjectives can be conjugated like intransitive verbs, by using the fitting particles. There is a kind of auxiliary verb, *gilla*, having the sense of "to be" or "to become," which is used with such adjectives. For convenience I will introduce it here, instead of under the heading of verbs.

In the following example, the word *murru*, meaning "good," and also "well in health," will be used.

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INDICATIVE MOOD—PRESENT TENSE.
 Singular,
             Murru ngaia gilla
                                           Good (or well) I am.
 1st Person
                             PAST TENSE.
            ( Murru ngaia ginyi ...
                                           Good I was just now.
           | Murru ngaia gingén
| Murru ngaia gimyén
                                      ... Good I was this morning.
                                      ... Good I was yesterday.
1st Person
            Murru ngaia gibbén
                                       ...
                                           Good I was some time since.
            \Murru ngaia giawillen
                                           Good I was long ago.
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FUTURE TENSE.

Singular	Murru ngaiala gigi	•••	Good I will be presently.
1st Person	₹ Murru ngaiala gingê		Good I will be to-morrow.
	Murru ngaiala gingurri		Good I will be later on.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

Singular, $Murru \ nginda \ ginga$... Good thou become (be good).

CONDITIONAL MOOD.

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Singular,  \begin{cases} \textit{Murru ngaia ya gingê} & \dots & \text{Good I may become.} \\ \textit{1st Person} & \textit{Murru ngaia yelle gingindê} & \text{Good if I become.} \end{cases}
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The remaining persons and numbers of each tense can be obtained by substituting the necessary pronouns, as explained and illustrated in dealing with the verbs in later pages.

It would be better, perhaps, to include the predicative adjectives among the verbs, but I have thought it as well to illustrate them under the present heading, for the purpose of keeping all the adjectives together.

Pronouns.

Pronouns have person, number and case, but are without gender. There are two forms in the first person of the dual and plural, for the purpose of expressing the inclusion or exclusion of the person addressed. The nominative pronouns are:—

The possessive and objective forms of these pronouns are as under:—

Dual	$\cdots \begin{cases} \text{Ours, incl.} \\ \text{Ours, excl.} \\ \text{Yours} \\ \text{Theirs} \\ \dots \end{cases}$	Ngullingu Ngullingurungu Nginalingu Ngurungullingu	Us, excl You	Nungullina. Nginalunna.
Plural	$\cdots \begin{cases} \text{Ours, incl.} \\ \text{Ours, excl.} \\ \text{Yours} \\ \text{Theirs} \\ \cdots \end{cases}$	Ngeanengu Ngeanyellangu Nginnangu Ngurugunnungu	Us, incl Us, excl You Them	Ngeaninna. Nganinagunnunga. Nginanna. Nummagunnunga.

Relative Pronouns.—The equivalent of these is obtained by such expressions as the following: Ngar murri nguri yannamyen—burran ngai garamulmyen, that man away went yesterday—boomerang mine stole yesterday.

Interrogatives.—A few of the interrogatives are: Nganna, who? Ngannu, whose? Ngandu bundar bumi, who the kangaroo hit? Ngannudnyi, who from?

Minya, what? Minyadu nha gimubbi, what that did? Minyaguna, what for? Minyagu nginda dhai yannawañ, what for comest thou? Minyagu nginda yannawain, what for went thou? Minyangguddha, how many times? Minyungai, how many?

Demonstratives.—These are in great number and variety, some of which are as follows:—Nha, this. Nuggu, that. Nhungurragai, this other. Murrangurragai, that other. Nhurragwannu, that farther one. Nhai wurre, this (in rear of speaker). Ngurragudhai, that (farther this way). Ngunnundhi, this (in front of the speaker). On the left of the speaker, wurragal. On the right, thurial. Nuddhai, this way. Numma, this fellow (at rest). Nguruma, this fellow (in action). Ngurraberedha, that (in front). Nha ngunna kurriduldha, this touching me. Ngurriba, up there.

Indefinite Pronouns.—The following are a few examples:—Gunubula, a few. Guno, all. Ngurregedyul, another.

The following are a few miscellaneous examples in different cases of the pronouns:—Dhai ngunnanda yannunga, to me come. Ngunnandhi yannunga from me go. Gai ngai, child my. Gaigu ngaiungu, for my child. Baina ngai, father my. Baindulngu ngaiungu, for my father.

VERBS.

The termination of the verb differs in each of the tenses, as, bumulda, bumi bumulli. There are also variations in the past and future tenses to express slight differences in the time, thus, bumulngén, did beat this morning, etc. Bumullingé will beat to-morrow, etc. (see Conjugation below). These variations are the same in all the persons and numbers of the tense to which they respectively apply. The different numbers and persons are generally indicated by employing the necessary pronoun. For example, Ngaia bumulda, I am beating. Ngulli bumulda, we (dual inclusive) are beating. Ngeane bumulda, we (plural inclusive) are beating. It is therefore evident that each tense form remains constant through all its own persons

and numbers. In these respects the Kamilaroi verb differs materially from the Thurrawal and kindred tongues, in which there is a different verbal termination for every person and number throughout each tense.

The auxiliary verb, *gilla*, has already been described in dealing with the adjectives. The moods, tenses, and some of the numerous modifications of verbs will be gathered from the following conjugation of the transitive verb "to beat or strike." The present tense will be given in full, but in the past and future, the first person only will be taken.

ACTIVE VOICE—INDICATIVE MOOD.

PRESENT TENSE.

Singular $\begin{cases} 1st \text{ Person} \\ 2nd & \text{,} \\ 3rd & \text{,,} \end{cases}$	I beat Thou beatest He beats	Ngaia bumulda. Nginda bumulda. Nguru bumulda.
$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	{ We, incl., beat We, excl., beat You beat They beat	 Ngulli bumulda. Ngullinguru bumulda. Ngindale bumulda. Ngurugale bumulda.
$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Plural} & \left\{ \begin{matrix} \text{1st Person} \\ \text{2nd} & ,, \\ \text{3rd} & ,, \end{matrix} \right. \end{array}$	{ We, incl., beat We, excl., beat You beat They beat	 Ngeane bumulda. Ngeanyel bumulda. Ngindai bumulda. Ngurugunnaga bumulda.

PAST TENSE.

	∫I beat just now			Ngaia bumi.
Singular, 1st Person	I beat this morning	•••		Ngaia bumulngên.
	I beat yesterday		• • •	Ngaia bumulmyên.
	I beat some time since	•••	•••	Ngaia bumullên.
	I beat long ago	•••		Ngaia bumullawillên.

These five variations of the verb are repeated for each of the two remaining persons of the singular, for all persons of the dual, and for all the persons of the plural, by merely substituting, in succession, the requisite pronouns, nginda, nguru, ngulli, and so on. See table of pronouns.

FUTURE TENSE.

and so on through all the persons and numbers. It will be observed that the pronoun ngaia becomes ngaiala in the future tense.

IMPERATIVE MOOD-PRESENT TENSE.

Singular	• • •	Beat thou	•••	•••		$Nginda\ bumulla.$
\mathbf{Dual}	•••	Beat you	•••	•••		Ngindale bumulla.
Plural	• • • •	Beat you	•••	• • •	• • •	Ngindai bumulla.
The nega	tive	e form is:—				
Singular	•••	Beat thou not	•••			Kurriandu bumulla.
Dual		Beat you not	•••			$Kurriandale\ bumulla.$
Plural		Beat you not		• • •		Kurriandai bumulla.

also, Kurriaguil bumulla, do not continue to beat, or cease beating.

FUTURE TENSE.

Singular	 Let him beat	•••	• • •	Nguruwunna bumulli.
Dual	 Let them beat			Nguruwunnagale bumulli.
Plural	 Let them beat		•••	Nguruwunnagunnaga bumulli.

Other expressions are:—Ngaia bumullinga, let me beat (him, or as the case may be). Ngulli gurri bumunnami, we, (dual inclusive) may as well also beat (him, etc).

CONDITIONAL MOOD—PAST TENSE.

1st Person I may have beaten ... Ngaia ya bumi. Singular.

FUTURE TENSE.

1st Person Perhaps I will beat Ngaia wuddhai ya bumulli. Singular.

MIDDLE VOICE—INDICATIVE MOOD.

PRESENT TENSE.

1st Person I am beating myself Ngaia bumaingilda. Singular.

PAST TENSE.

1st Person I beat myself Ngaia bumaingilingên. Singular.

FUTURE TENSE.

1st Person I will beat myself Ngaila bumaingili. Singular.

The above verbs are the same for all the persons and numbers

IMPERATIVE MOOP.

2nd Person Beat thou thyself. *Nginda bumaingilia*. The negative is, Singular. *Kurriandu bumaingilia*, beat not thyself.

Reciprocal.—There is a reciprocal form of the verb in the dual and plural.

Present ... We are beating each other ... Ngulli bumullela.

Past ... We beat each other ... Ngulli bumulluñ.

Future ... We will beat each other ... Ngulli bumulle.

Various shades of meaning are obtained by modifications of the verb, and by additional words, of which the following are a few examples:—

I beat again, Ngaia bumulluiñ.

I will beat (after some event), Ilanu ngaia bumadhiale.

Beat first (before some event), Bumunummia wurrea.

I will continue beating, Ngaiala bumuldê yuggaduddha.

Beat again, Yalu bumaluia.

Beat on behalf of another, Bumullandhummi.

I am beating long, Guril ngaia bumulda.

I beat severely, Bumba ngaia bumulngên.

If a man or any living creature be lying, say, on the ground, the natives use babilla, but if the object lying be inanimate, they express it by wila. For example, Ngaia babilla, I am lying. Burran wila, a boomerang lies.

Some verbs can take terminations expressing the dual and plural, thus:-

Bumullainyillila, which means that a couple of persons are doing the beating. Bumullabuldha, shows that several are beating.

Yannungillawan, two walking. Yannawabalan, several walking.

Gwallingillila, two persons talking. Gwallawabuldha, several persons talking. Babingillila, two lying. Babiabuldha, several lying.

Ngurringillila, two sitting. Ngurriabuldha, several sitting.

Bundar ngaia ngummi, I saw a kangaroo. Buriabu ngindaiyu yannawa ngummillindhai, all of you go and see.

There is no form for the passive voice, but its place is supplied by changing the sentence from the passive to the active form; thus, "A woman was stung by a scorpion," would be expressed, "A scorpion stung the woman." This example also shows how a sentence which comes under the ablative case in English, is expressed in Kamilaroi by means of the accusative.

PREPOSITIONS.

In front, wurre. Behind, boadhe. At my camp, ngar ngaiaga wullaidha. Between two trees, dhului bulari biddhundi. Mulandha buggadha, the other side of the river. Ngurealino buggadhi, this side of the river. Iri ngaia dhai buggadhi barin, from the other side the river I crossed over. Ngaia yudile wuruñ, I went through the scrub. Mute ngurriba kubburunda dhuluo, an opossum is up in the top of the tree. Ngurriba ngaiala dhuyuli gulliawan, I am going up the hill. Ngudda ngaiala dhuyuli yarrian, I am going down the hill. Murru ngaiadhai mulandha dhulua yanne, I will walk round the tree. Dhului ngaia gulle, I will climb up the tree. Thurrawullai wullaiga, go home to the camp. Ngurunguma wullaigu, it belongs to this camp. Ngungaraguli, beyond you. Nhirrindo dhuyuli, along the side of the hill.

Adverbs.

- Of time—Now, yilladhu. Soon, ila. Early morning, bungarabi. This evening, bulului. Yesterday, yilagimyén. To-morrow, ngurugo. Long ago, yilambu. By and bye, yirala. Sometime, yiralea wuddhai. Always, yellimowungger. Again, yalu. Formerly, gibbailandhê.
- Of Affirmation and Negation.—Yes, yo. No, kummil. True or certain, giru. Nothing, guniel. Perhaps, yawawunna.
- Of Interrogation.—Where, thulla? Which (or where) is the best, thulla wurragal murruba? How, gwirrar? When, wearru? Where is thy camp, thulla wullai nginnu?
- Of Place.—Here, ngua. There, ngurragu. Inside, mudhuga. Outside, gunialla. Near, gwinba. Far, ngarribu. Yonder, ngar-ngar. Beyond that, ngaraguguddhera. Farther still, ngarribirragu. More this way, nubbodhai. Round this way murrugumadhai. Dhai, a suffix to different words, meaning "coming this way."
 - Of Quality.—Slowly, gureba. Quickly, kullier. Well, murru.
- Of Quantity.—I have a little, nungaia gainmurra. A little, burungai. Plenty, budela, or murrumurru.
- Of Number.—Once, mala. Twice, bulara. Several times, often, budlaga. First, wurrea. Last, ngurra. Few in number, gunabilla. More, yalu. Only, yel. Together, kallano.

The comparison of adverbs is similar to that of adjectives. *Kullier birre bunnagan—murri gureba bunnagain*, quickly the boy ran—slowly the man ran.

INTERJECTIONS AND EXCLAMATIONS.

Ya! calling attention to one person; yagale! two, and ya-ya-gunna, if several are called. Nuggwa! look out. Wirro wirro! well-well. Ngibai! surprise. Ngurradhul! pity. Kurria! cease. Chuh! silence.

The men have three curious exclamations which they use when playing about or talking among the women. *Ngi-nge!* copulation. *Kutthabul!* noise of the friction while copulating. *Barribundi!* emission.

NUMERALS.

One, mal. Two, bular. Three, guliba.

Conjunctions.

Conjunctions are few and unimportant. Yamma and yelle appear to have the sense of "if."

Note.—It should perhaps be mentioned that in all the expressions illustrating the several grammatical cases in the Kamilaroi and other languages herein described, the demonstrative pronouns are purposely omitted, for the two-fold object of saving space, and avoiding confusion by introducing any more words than the sentence really required. For example, where I have given "Murridu mindere kauai" (man

at padamelon threw), would be expressed by the black fellow: "This man-in-front at yonder-on-left padamelon threw," or as the subject might require.

These remarks apply to every example of aboriginal sentences throughout the several languages contained in this article.

THE YAUAN, OR MYSTIC LANGUAGE.

In a former communication, in 1896, I mentioned the existence, among the Wiradthuri tribes, of a secret language, known only to the initiated. The Kamilaroi likewise possess a mystic tongue, called Yauan, which is inculcated at the Bora ceremonies.

It is difficult to assign a reason for this language, because it is never used in the presence of women or children, but is spoken exclusively by the men when carrying out the ceremonies of initiation. It is possibly a typical remnant of the language of earlier or conquering tribes in the remote past; and whether this be so or not, its preservation is of the utmost importance to the ethnologist and linguist.

At present I shall offer only a limited number of words and expressions, but on a future occasion I hope to treat the matter more fully. The following are a few representative words and phrases:—

THE HUMAN SUBJECT.

A man	Maimbang.	Ear	Binêyulawi.
An old man	Muddhagala.	Mouth	Ngaimballumbu.
A clever man	Gŭndaidhar.	Teeth	Yirrambunna.
Father	Muddhamunna.	Thigh	Gunnimbar.
Elder brother	Muddhunga.	Foot	Gungo.
A woman	Winnilwanga.	Penis	${\it Dh @nburring a.}$
An old woman	Yambuli.	Testicles	Burumbunna.
Head	Kubbadhirba.	Vulva	Biddheru.
Forehead	Ngulumblal.	Vagina	${\it Wungodhe}.$
Hair of head	Budhulbudhulnga.	Anus	$\it Murumburringa.$
Eye	Millungga.	Sexual desire	Dharmu.
Nose	Murrunggŭn.	Copulation	${\it Wungogurrilla}.$

ANIMALS, NATURAL OBJECTS, ETC.

Dog	• • •	$Bing \ddot{u}rng a$ or	Eaglehaw	k	$Dhindurring a. \ \ $
		G $\hat{u}ngum\hat{o}al.$	Iguana	•••	Birridhunbit lirnga.
Opossum	•••	$Birridhurraburai. \ \ $	Boomeran	g	$Wang garriboldsymbol{ec{u}}l.$
Kangaroo	•••	$Ungogirgal. \ \ $	Camp		Nyimarai.
Carpet Sna	ke	${\it Millngulli}.$	Fire		$B\hat{u}ngumurragan.$
Emu	•••	<i>Illillimbai</i> and	Smoke	•••	Thugabill.
		${\it Ungodhulli}.$	Water	•••	Wung othubbil.

¹ "The Bûrbung of the Wiradthuri Tribes," Journ. Anthrop. Inst. xxv, p. 310.

Any tree ... Buddhabulli. String .. Warranggan. Wood ... Biryilnga. Camp of old stone ... Wallamara. men ... Ungomarai. Bone ... Bûnganna.

WORDS AND PHRASES.

Swim, wurunge. Be quick, birrigunni. To break a bough off a tree, wugangummil. To shout at a distance, kaimbulnga.

Ungomile, maiambanga wûnggwallandha, behold, a man is going along.

Winnilwanga wûnggwallandha, a woman is going along.

Wûnggwalliwan, he is coming this way.

Wûnggwadi, he is going away.

Wunggwalliwadhai, you can go away.

Ungomarai ûngobillegu, I am going to camp.

Nyimarai wunggowi, I am going to bed.

Ungogurrili yauanda, let us dance on the turf.

Ungonile buddhabulli, look at the trees.

WALLARAI, WIRRAIARAI, AND GUINBRAI DIALECTS.

The Wirraiarai and Wallarai are neighbouring tribes adjoining the Kamilaroi towards the north. The Guinbrai tribe is located about Gunnedah. By personal investigation among the natives of each of these tribes I have satisfied myself that the grammatical structure of their language is the same as that of the Kamilaroi of which they are merely dialects. Their rules for the declension of nouns and adjectives are substantially the same; their pronouns and verbs are inflected in a similar manner; their modes of dealing with the other parts of speech are equally concordant. Some of the words of their vocabulary are almost identical, whilst many are quite different. The following are a few examples in each dialect, by which it will be seen that their grammar is practically a repetition of the Kamilaroi.

Wallarai Dialect.—Wal, no. Yo, yes. Dên, a man. Inar, a woman. Birrai, a small boy. Miai, a little girl. Gui, an opossum. Gui yerragurai, a male opossum. Gui gunidher, a female opossum. Dên bural, a large man. Dên yambuli, a very big man. Dêngu burrallu burran, a big man's boomerang. Inaru burallu kannai, a big woman's yamstick.

Wirraiarai Dialect.—Wirra, no. Yo, yes. Bundar a kangaroo; bundar bular, a couple of kangaroos; bundar bûnlaba, several kangaroos. Mai, a man. Mugga, an opossum. Buruma, a dog. Mai bunal, a big man. Maidhu bunalu mugga bumi, a big man an opossum struck. Burumo mugga bühe, a dog bit an opossum. Bundaru guldwan, the kangaroo jumps. Maigu bunalu burran, a big man's boomerang.

Guinbrai Dialect.—Guin, no. Yo, yes. Giwir, a man. Inar, a woman. Bundar, a kangaroo. Gui, an opossum. Gunnai, a yamstick. Gulir, a spouse. Bunai, a boomerang. Wallumbun, a padamelon. Burrai, a wallaby. Bunaiba ngai, boomerang mine. Gulira ngai, wife mine. Gunnaiba ngai, yamstick mine.

I have not thought it necessary to give examples of the verbs or pronouns in these three dialects since, as already stated, they are similar to the Kamilaroi.

THE DARKIÑUNG LANGUAGE.

The Darkiñung speaking people adjoined the Kamilaroi on the south-east and occupied a considerable range of country in the counties of Hunter, Northumberland and Cook, extending from Wilberforce and Wiseman's Ferry on the Hawkesbury river, to Jerry's Plains and Singleton on the Hunter, and including the basins of the Colo and Macdonald rivers, Wollombi Brook and other streams. On the south they were met by the Gundungurra and Dharruk tribes, whose languages have been reported by me elsewhere.¹

A detailed account of "The Bûrbung of the Darkiñung Tribes" was contributed by me to the Royal Society of Victoria in 1897²—the first and only report extant of their initiation ceremonies. Their division into four intermarrying sections and their laws of descent were dealt with by me in a communication to the Royal Society of New South Wales in 1897.³

It is hoped that the following abstract of the Darkiñung grammar will be found of interest and value, because it shows affinities with the Kamilaroi on the one side, and with the Dharruk on the other. The information was obtained by me by personal inquiries among the few old natives who still speak their own dialect.

Nouns.

Number.—Nouns have the singular, dual and plural numbers. Mirri, a dog; mirribulla, a couple of dogs; mirribiñ, several dogs.

Gender.—Kuri, a man; ñukung, a woman; wungara, a boy; mirkan, a girl The gender of animals is indicated by an additional word—gaual for the male, and nguppal denoting the female, thus, kuluwañ gaual, a male native bear, and kuluwañ nguppal, a female.

Case.—The nominative has two forms, one of which merely names the subject, as *ñukung*, a woman; kuri, a man; girribil, an opossum; barkan, a boomerang. The other form represents the subject in action, as, *ñukungga wukkur manai*, the woman a perch caught. Kuria, gujagang buñbai, the man a child beat. Girribilla girrang bondalitti, the opossum is eating leaves. It will be observed that the suffixed particle varies with the termination of the word to which it is attached.

The accusative. The foregoing three examples likewise serve to illustrate the accusative case, showing that it is the same as the simple nominative.

Instrumental. When an instrument is used in the action described in the

¹ "The Gundungurra Language," Journ. Roy. Soc. N.S. Wales, vol. xxxv, pp. 151-155. "The Dharruk Language and Vocabulary," op. cit., pp. 155-160.

² Proc. Roy. Soc. Victoria, vol. ix, new series, pp. 1-12.

³ Journ. Roy. Soc. N.S. Wales, vol. xxxi, pp. 170-171.

verb, a suffix is required, as, kuria barkanda binggibai, the man a boomerang threw.

The possessive. *Nukunggai gunnai*, a woman's yamstick; *kurigai barkan*, a man's boomerang.

The dative. Ngurrayu yanna, to the camp come.

The ablative. Ngurrabirrang warri yanna, from the camp go away. Barkan dutagurbirrang bungaiwa, a boomerang out of myrtle made I.

ADJECTIVES.

An adjective takes the same inflections for number and case as the qualified noun, which it follows.

Girribil dånggang, an opossum large. Girribilla dånggangga girrang bondalitti, a large opossum is eating leaves.

Possessive. Kurigai qulqulqai barkan, a strong man's boomerang.

The dative and ablative cases are expressed by means of their respective suffixes applied to the adjective and noun.

The comparison of adjectives, and their inflection like intransitive verbs in certain instances, are analogous to the Kamilaroi.

Pronouns.

Pronouns have number, person, gender and case, as in the following table of pronouns in the nominative. They contain two forms of the first person in the dual and plual numbers.

	1st Person	I	•••	Ngaia.
Cincular	$\int 2\mathrm{nd}$ "	Thou	•••	Nginda.
Singular	$\begin{cases} 2nd & , \\ 3rd & , \\ 3rd & , \end{cases}$	\dots He	•••	Nyua.
	(3rd "	She	•••	\dots Nondwa.
	C1st Person	\cdots $\left\{ egin{array}{l} ext{we, incl.} \\ ext{we, excl.} \end{array} \right.$	•••	Ngullia.
Dual	$\begin{cases} 1st \text{ Person} \\ 2nd & \text{,} \\ 3rd & \text{,} \end{cases}$	··· \ we, excl.	•••	Ngungullia.
Duai	$\frac{1}{2}$ 2nd ,,	you	•••	Bullabun.
	$^{\circ}_{3\mathrm{rd}}$ "	•	•••	Bulloara.
	(1st Person	\cdots $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{we, incl.} \\ \text{we, excl.} \end{array} \right.$	•••	Ngeang.
Plural	į	we, excl.	•••	Ngeangwai.
	$\leq 2 \mathrm{nd}$ "	you	•••	Nyurabiñ.
	$\begin{cases} 1st Person \\ 2nd ,, \\ 3rd ,, \end{cases}$	they	•••	Gurigalgang.

It will perhaps be sufficient to furnish the possessive and objective forms of the singular number only, as under:—

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Jannunggai
1st Person
                   mine
                                                 me ...
                                                          Janna.
                    _{
m thine}
                             Nginnunggai.
                                                  thee ... Nginna.
2nd
                                                 him ... Nana.
3rd
         masc.... his ...
                             Noanggai.
         fem. ...
                                                 her ... Nonoan.
                             Nonanggai.
3rd
                   hers \dots
                                             ...
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There are other terminations, indicating "to me," "with me," etc. See also the verbal suffixes.

I was unable to discover any forms for the feminine in the third person of the dual and plural pronouns—an additional word distinguishing the gender being employed.

Interrogatives. Ngan, who (singular)? Nganbulla, who (dual)? Nganbin, who (several)? Nganda, who (did it)? Ngannunggai, whose (is this)? Nganwurribirrang, who from?

Mêing, what? Mêingga, what (did it)? Mêinggu, what for? Mênyan, how many? Mêmbai, what is the matter?

Demonstratives. *Dhi*, this. *Dhale*, that. There are several variations of these, according to their position in regard to the speaker.

VERBS.

Verbs have the same moods and tenses as the Kamilaroi. The form of the verb remains constant throughout each tense, the person and number being shown by a suffixed particle in the singular, and by a fitting pronoun in the dual and plural, as in the following conjugation of the verb *bonda*, to eat.

INDICATIVE MOOD. PRESENT TENSE.

	1	$\int 1 \mathrm{st} \ \mathrm{P} \epsilon$	erson	•••	I eat		Bondalittiwah.
Singular	3	2nd	,,	•••	Thou e	eatest	Bondalittiwi.
		3rd	,,	masc.	He eat	s	Bondalittiwi. Bondalittinoa.
		$\mathfrak{Z}^{\mathrm{rd}}$,,	fem.	She eat	ts	Bondalittin onda.

Dual. 1st person we, incl., eat, *Ngullia bondalitti*, and so on through the remaining persons, by taking the suitable pronoun from the table of pronouns given in an earlier page.

Plural. 1st person we, incl., eat, Ngeang bondalitti, and so on for all the persons, as in the dual.

PAST TENSE.

Singular	• • • •	I ate	•••	•••	•••	Bondaiwah.
Dual		we, incl., a	ıte	•••	•••	$Ngullia\ bondai.$
Plural		we, incl., a	ıte	• • •	•••	Ngeang bondai.

FUTURE TENSE.

Singular	 I will eat	•••	• • •	Bondamuttiwah.
Dual	 we, incl., will eat	•••	•••	$Ngullia\ bondamutti.$
Plural	 we, incl., will eat			Ngeang bondamutti.

All the persons of the past and future tenses can be supplied by following the rules stated under the present tense. The pronominal suffixes—wah or bah, wi, noa and nonda—given in the singular number of the present tense, are also used in the singular number of the past and future.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

Singular		2nd Perso	on	Eat thou	• • •	Bondawi.
Dual	•••	"	•••	Eat you	•••	Bonda bullabun.
Plural	• • •	"		Eat you		Bonda nyurabiñ.

The negative consists of adding the word $b\hat{u}ndi$ after the verb, as, bondawi $b\hat{u}ndi$, eat thou not. The conditional mood, the middle voice, modifications of the verb to express various shades of meaning, etc., are passed over.

The verb "to be" has its equivalent in the word guyung, which may be used with either an adjective or suitable adverb as a predicate, thus, I am good, I am here, etc. Good am I, yutta guyungbah. Good I was, yutta guyungbaiwah. Good will be I, yutta guyungbaimbah. The other persons and numbers can be supplied in the manner already explained in the conjugation of the verb "to eat."

In the last example, and in many other words, the pronominal suffix wah is changed to bah for the sake of euphony, according to the termination of the word with which it is used.

ADVERBS.

Yes, ngé. No, warpai. Now, wirrai. Soon, gubbo. By and bye, gubbowarraiu. A long time, guruwurrung. Always, guraiñ. Yesterday, burpindu. Morning, burpingal. Evening, warragal. To-morrow, burrang.

Where, wâng? Where is the camp, wâmbi ngurra? Where from, wânbirrung? Where is he, wângwurrai? How, yalingawai? When, warrunga?

Slowly, warral. Quickly, ngât. Badly, gujalang. Often, guraindya.

Here, diang. There, diwunnia. Far away, wurri. Yonder, gauinda. Hither, dengtain.

Prepositions.

Around, warwargutti. Between, willigoa. To go over, kulliwai. On, or on top of, a hill, garru bulpoa. Over, or on other side of, a hill, gullaiaba bulpoa. Inside, guri. Outside, bukkawa. In front, warrukun. Behind, wallung. In the midst, dhuluga.

Interjections.

Mah! calling attention. Gwak! take care. Yappal! exclamation of sorrow.

NUMERALS.

One, wakul. Two, bulla. Several, gurai.

Conclusion.

In the foregoing pages I have endeavoured to record and preserve the grammatical elements of some of the most important aboriginal languages of New South Wales.

When first entering upon this work it was found to posses no literature beyond a few meagre vocabularies, and all my information had to be obtained orally from the natives by visiting them at their camping places. The whole of this work has been done by myself alone, without the assistance of any person, either in collecting the vocabularies or in preparing the grammars. It is perhaps too much to expect that the details of so many languages and the materials of three vocabularies should be free from omissions and mistakes, especially when the immense geographic area dealt with is taken into consideration.

Now that I have overcome the initial difficulties of laying down the elements of several aboriginal tongues, the further study of Australian languages will be rendered comparatively easy to other investigators.

VOCABULARY OF KAMILAROI AND THURRAWAL WORDS.

In the following vocabulary, containing about 900 words, I have given the English in the first column, and have grouped together words of the same character as the human body, inanimte natural objects, different animals, and also adjectives and verbs. The Thurrawal equivalents of the Kamilaroi are supplied in the third column to facilitate comparisons in both languages. When I prepared my article on the "Thurrawal Language," referred to in the opening paragraph, I had not leisure to prepare a vocabulary of its words, but have since completed that task, and have therefore now incorporated it with the present work.

Every word of the Kamilaroi in this vocabulary, as well as every Thurrawal word, has been taken down by myself alone, from the lips of the native speakers.

English.	Kamilaroi.	Thurrawal.	English.	Kamilaroi.	Thurrawal
Man, collectively		yuiñbuloala.	FAMILY.	baina	
A man	giwir or	yuiñ.	Mother	ngumba	
An old man Husband Clever man	gulimunga		Elder brother, be- fore bora. Elder brother, after bora.		dyadyang.
Youth, before bora	wommorai		Younger brother,	kullaminga	nyammañ.
Youth, just passed bora.	tuggabilla	wurugalgang.	before bora. Younger brother,	kullamai.	<i></i>
Youth, any time after bora.	kubbora	wurugal.	after bora. Elder sister, before	buggandi	mamang.
Small boy	birre	bunbari.	puberty.	00	0
Male child A woman	birredyul inar	burijerra. ngurrunggal or	Elder sister, after puberty.	boadhi.	
Old woman	yambolinya	mega. muldha.	Younger sister, before puberty.	burrianga	midyang.
Wife Girl, till puberty	guliran mea	megamurra. ngubba.	Younger sister, after puberty.	burrian.	
Female child		jiramañ.		karremai	nanari
Child of either sex	kainggall or kogadhi.		Son-in-law	wuramai	báwii i

¹ Journ. Roy. Soc. N.S. Wales, vol. xxxv, p. 128.

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THE HUMAN BODY.

			11111 11011	III. DODI.			
Head		koga	wollar.	Nymphæ		binnabinna	mundhul.
Forehead		ngulu	ngulu.	Meatus urinarius		wirra	kumir.
Hair of head		kah	jirrar.	Clitoris		binnunggal	burrunggal.
Beard		yerre	wallu.	Vagina		same as vulva	burung.
Moustache		mūndhu	yerrañ.	Hair on pudenda		budhe	muruarain.
Eye		mill	meh.	Copulation		thadha or	ngurdamai.
Eyes when shut		mugaginne	mili.	- or		nginge	
Eyebrow		ngirr	maii or drumme.	Masturbation		kaiaiabilla	kuttakuttabaili.
Evelash		thinmir.		Sexual desire		ngingin	murli.
Nose		muru	nugur.	Sodomy		nididharri	bûmbuyûrdin.
Nostril		murubirru	nugurgumirnu.	Urine		kil	jungur.
Cheek		buddhal	birra	Excrement		guna	guning.
Neck		nun	guru.	Venereal, in wom			
Throat		wūngui	ngurnuñ.	Venereal, in men		$\left.egin{array}{l} dhumbun \ babadi \end{array} ight\}$	warnegang.
Ear		binna	guri.	Woman's milk		ngummu	ngumminyang.
Mouth		ngaih	kummi.	Shoulder		wollar	kugu.
Lips	• • • •	gumai	illing.	Shoulder-blade			wŭrdiñ.
T :		kunna	nuggunung.	Arm		bungoon	nhurung.
m	•••	4777.	dhallañ.	Elbow	•••	dhin	nguna.
77.1.	•••		urirranung.	Armpit		wurur	gŭdja-gŭdja.
Teeth	••••	1	irra.	Hand		murra	murramul.
CI.	••••		wallu.	Fingers	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	murra	murramul.
Breast, female	••••	7	ngumminyang.	Little finger		ngurrabai	wurranyung.
CIT	••••		yelga.	Thumb		gunidhirba.	warrangung.
AT .1	••••	7.2 7	nyirra.	Finger-nail	• • • • •	yulumurra	birranung.
Navel-string		7.	nyirrich.	Calf of leg	••	gowurrawa	gwullawurru.
Afterbirth	••••	7.	ngorrich. nadyuang or	701 1 1	••••	77	dhurra.
Alteroirui	• ,• .	wanguu	nguranhung.	177	••••	77 . 7 .	ngumung.
Belly		mubal	12.72.	T/	•…	7 . 7 .	wulgan.
	••••	7 -	7	611-2	••••	7	ngurri.
Rump	• • • •		bûng.	T74	•••	77,	ngurri. dhunna.
Anus Flank	• • • •	7	l	TD.	•••	same as foot	same as foot.
	••••		balganung.		••	dhinnayulu	
Back-bone	••••		bulga,	TT 1	••••	77	birranung.
Back	••••		ouiga.	Sole of foot	•		mugga.
Human voice	• • • •	77	burnda.	4 7 7	••••	gunnaba.	nukka.
Penis	••••					ngorh	wudda-wudda.
Glans penis	••••	77 7 .		Ribs	• • • • •	thurrur	binhung.
Meatus urinarius	••••			Blood	• • •	goai	ngauu.
Foreskin	••••	'nyinmaia	bugganyung.	Fat	•••	wammu	kurainyung.
Erection	••••	1 7 .		Skin	••••	yulai	bugganyung.
Semen	••••	7		Bone	••••	bura	buyu.
Testicles	•••	buru	1 .77	Intestines	••••	mubal	gunggunnung.
Vulva	••••	yangal		Scar (of wound)		yurun	birring.
Labia majora	• • • •	ili	bullu.	1			

INANIMATE OBJECTS IN NATURE.

C			D-:			kulli	
	••••	yerrai wure.	Rain	••••			bunna.
Eclipse of sun		yerrai-	Dew			$kugil \qquad$	jibbir.
•		wurundai.	Mist	••••		wunun	berrung.
Moon	••••	gille dyedyung.	Fog			goa	murdyang.
Stars, collectively		mirre jingjingurra.	Snow	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		••••	gunama.
Orion's belt		giwirnga burrara.	Frost			dhundar	dhuggalang.
Pleiades		burrian- mullamullung.	Hail			thurrian	gura.
		ngumma	Water			kulli	ngadyung.
Milky-way		thuba.	Ground			dhoan	dhulga.
		munun mullyan.	Mud			milli-milli	burra-burrak.
Sunshine	•	yerrai-dhuri wuriwure.	Stones			yarral	gurabung.
Shooting star		mirriyannun jirrawullung.	Rocks			yarralboalli	wullangurra.
Rainbow	•••	yuluwirri.	Sand			kurraian	murrang.
Clouds		yuru kurru.	Light (of a	fire,	&c.)	dhuri	wuriwure.
Sky		gunagulla minjigarri.	Darkness			ngurubillal	munnung.
Thunder	• • • •	dhulume murungal.	Dawn and	dusk		gurawawan	jirranggan.
Lightning		mi nharrawangai.	Heat			bulert	irraman.

Eng	lish.		Kamilaroi.	Thurrawal.	English.	Kamilaroi.	Thurrawal.
Cold			kurril	maiin.	Hole cut in a tree	bailuma	dhurramanga.
Camp			wullai	ngura or mungga.	Leaves of trees	bu	jirang.
Fire			wi	kanbi.	Bird's nest	dhiggeragu-	nguranung.
Ashes			girran	dubbil.	Bird's Host iiii iiii	wullai	ng ar anang.
Charcoal			kaiir		Bird's eggs	ko	kubban.
Spark			diddelan	7.5	Honey	wuddul	nguga.
Smoke	,		$thu \dots \dots$	7. 47	Edible grub (wattle	yuluqa	burrang.
Hut			dura	ngura.	tree).	gurugu	own wing.
Meat food			dhih	murni.	Edible grub (gum	yerrungun	kubbañ.
Vegetable		••••	kobaiai	dhungang.	tree).	gorrangan	naocan.
Night			bungara	burai.	Edible grub(coolaba	bira.	
Morning	••••		nguragullago	burriwurri.	tree).	00700	
Evening	••••		bulului	burabura.	Edible grub (in	••••	bungomir.
Sun-rise		••••	yerraidhuri	wuriwaulai.	grass tree).	••••	oungomer.
Sun-set		••••	yerraiyarrin	wuri-iribolai.	Pathway	warrui	yawung,
Moonrise			gilledhuri		Shadow of tree	wadhur	7 77
Moonset			gilleyarrin	dyedyung-iribolai.	Shadow of man	guramun	muddhang.
Sand-hill			kurraidhuyal	murrang.	Tail of animal	dhun	, ,
Big hill or			kubba	bullawarri.	Echo	wawal or	wungar.
Single hill			kubbadhul	bobbarung.	Lene	bungul	
Little stre			dhurra	dhurragangang.	Fur of animals	dhurun	jirrar.
Large stre			buggai	77	Feathers of birds	wirril.	J
Frass, col				bumbur.	Down of birds	uuddhar.	burun-buren.
Trees, coll				gunduwuloala.	Spines of hedgehog	gwirrel	377
Bark of tr				dhunga.	Scales of fish	ginbul	
Bark shed			dhurrah		Claws of animals	yulu	Z
Wood for				7 7 7	Splinter	bilginder	7.01.01.01.7
Hole in a		••••	birru	kumir.	T-11102		33

MAMMALS.

Native bear	guda	kurrilwa.	Flying fox		kaundhunna.
Dog		mirragang.	Bandicoot	kuru	burdula.
	gwurral.		Flying squirrel	buggu	\dots bunggu.
Opossum	mute	gurauara.	Ring-tail opossum	kurrawir	dhurrambang.
A young opossum	buggaga.	- Automotive and the second	Kangaroo	bundar	buru.
Kangaroo rat	dhuarrawai	kunnimang.	Wallaroo	yulama	warrung.
Native cat (yellow		wagara.	Padamelon	mindere	buloa.
and white).			Porcupine	wirrêla	gununggwir.
Native cat (black	muka	wungar.	Wombat		gulung.
and white).		_	Platypus		jummalung.
Wallaby	wangwi	burrah.	Water rat	¹	biawur.

BIRDS.

Birds, collectively		bujan.	Shag		minyunggura.
Crow	waru	wawarnang.	Pelican	gulaiale	kurranggaba.
Laughing jackass	kurrawurra	kugara.	Native companion	buralga	guradhawak.
Curlew	wurean	munningang.	Galah	gila	None in the district.
Plain turkey	burrawa.	ů ů	Bower bird	witha.	bumbiang.
Quail	kiddhule	burawul.	Dove	gubudhu	mutmutgang.
Brush turkey	wirrila	jirra.	Black swan	pariamul	gunyung.
Eagle-hawk	thirril	mulyan.	Musk-duck	birrala.	
Emu	dinoun	murriang or birri-	Crane (slate col-	kurraga	galu.
		$ba\tilde{n}$.	oured).	-	
A young emu	bŭrgai.		Brown-hawk (large)	$wundhulla \dots$	bibburdugang.
Common magpie	kulu	karugang.	Wood-duck		ngullaugang.
Black magpie	wiu	yungang.	Fish-hawk	gwaia-	murridha.
Peewee	burrindin	wallaiarin.		murrawai	
Black duck	kurrangai	guna.	Red-bill	buyugun	ngurribar.
Mopoke		gogôk.	Water-hen	dhillull	bungurt.
		junajanuit.	Parrokeet	binga	wullungurrit.
Pigeon (bronze-			White cockatoo	murai	yumbaiumba.
wing).			King fisher	thadhir	jugurawa.
	burangga.		Plover	baldhurra-	bindyerrang-
	yuagair.			dhurra	dyerrana.

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English.	Kamilaroi.	Thurrawal.	English.	Kamilaroi.	Thurrawal.
		FIST	HES.		
Fish, collectively	kwia di	หนัก.	Mussel, small	ginbai.	
Perch		iandea.	Frog		jerrungulli.
Bream		ramurri.	Eel		burra.
Cod Mussel, large	gudu.	in dona annan a	Whale Shark	••••	burri-burri.
russei, iarge	! dhunggal! bi	naeragurang.	Shark	' • ·'	yungga.
		REPT	ILES.		
ree iguana	yurundrali ji	ndaula.	Carpet snake	yabba	mugga.
tround iguana		urrur.	Brown snake	nurai	birragundhang.
Water lizard	77 .	aruga.	Black snake	guli	mundha.
ew lizard Sleepy lizard	dhari. dhullagul m	uggadhung.	Centipede Common grey lizard	giun	jillingurri. bunburrang
Shingleback		one in the district.	Scorpion	gumumma dhula,	ounourrang
Death adder	mundhur or m	uddyauity.	Turtle	warraba	kutumang.
	mumbal	1			
		INSE	CTS.		
Locust, large	ngurrela gi	ullang-gullang.	Mosquito	mungin	duda.
Locust, small		rrabirrin.	Grasshopper	bûnbûn	dyilwir.
Blow-fly		irrang.	Caterpillar	karrarngan.	
Common fly		irrang.	Bee	guni	gurrinhung.
Louse Nits of louse	7	unggal.	Queen bee	gunini	ngubbanhungula
Bull-dog ant (red		urrian. urrawur.	Hornet Spider	gua kurra	mur-r. murrara.
Bull-dog ant (bla		irrawur.	Spider Common ant	kurra kanal	biddhura.
fumper ant	milbauari	undi.	Common with		
Freenheaded ant	mu - un $\int m$	unut.	!	1	
		ADJEC	TIVES.		
Alive	murunbu m	urungale.	Noisy	hudla-kurrai	mural.
Dead		ullia.	Silent	kurriyalliba	jangaiiri.
large		iian.	Ripe	ili	gunnaia.
mall		urradha.	Unripe	yerri	gudya.
long hort		urrambal. ulugang.	Blunt, as a point, etc.	mur	mugu.
Hood		uggûng.	Sharp	yuddhala	dyurugun.
Bad		urnung.	Fat	wommo	gurêan.
Iungry	yulngin ka	uggaiiri.	Lean	burrubbera	buggung.
Chirsty		mbai.	Hot	buler	yirraman.
Red White		gurung-ngurung.	Cold ·	kurril	maii.
Nhite		llawaraura. gunda.	Clear Dirty	$egin{array}{lll} gillu & \\ nula & \end{array}$	bangal.
Black		udya.	Angry	hileyan	murungadha. dyurang.
	dhunggu.		Sleepy	ngurarugu	gungung.
treen, as a tree					ngwiai.
Freen, as a tree Lame Quick		lhan or jerwurt.	Glad	giaginye	
treen, as a tree fame Quick	kuraiba ja	inboara.	Sorry		ngurrumbai.
Freen, as a tree Jame Quick Blow Blind	kuraiba ja muga m	inboara. ullaraura.	Sorry Generous	 wuddhaiala	bindilang.
Freen, as a tree Lame Quick Blow Blind Deaf	kuraiba ja muga m murbinna m	unboara. ullaraura. uruñ.	Sorry	 wuddhaiala kŭmil wud-	
Freen, as a tree Lame Quick Blow Blind Deaf ttrong	kuraiba ja muga m murbinna m buddhur gr	ınboara. ullaraura. uruñ. umbul.	Sorry Generous Greedy	 wuddhaiala kŭmil wud- dhaiala	bindilang. mûdyur.
Freen, as a tree Lame Quick Slow Blind Deaf Strong Weak	kuraiba ja muga m murbinna m buddhur gr m	unboara. ullaraura. uruñ.	Sorry Generous Greedy Grey-headed	 wuddhaiala kŭmil wud- dhaiala kuddhiya	bindilang. mûdyur. yerrawullung.
Freen, as a tree Lame Quick Slow Blind Oraf Strong Weak Light (not heavy)	kuraiba ja muga m murbinna m buddhur gr m kubbunba bi	nboara. ullaraura. uruñ. umbul. ulaty.	Sorry Generous Greedy Grey-headed	wuddhaiala kŭmil wud- dhaiala kuddhiya	bindilang. mûdyur.
Freen, as a tree Lame Quick Sliow Blind Deaf Strong Weak Light (not heavy) Valiant Afraid	kuraiba ja muga m murbinna m buddhur gr m kubbunba bi buddhayul bo geliel ja	inboara. ullaraura. uruñ. umbul. ullaty. rra-birra. ûgawallung. urdu.	Sorry Generous Greedy Grey-headed Stinking Well in health	wuddhaiala kŭmil wud- dhaiala kuddhiya wibilda nue murruba	bindilang, mûdyur. yerrawullung, birrity.
Freen, as a tree Jame Quick Slow Blind Betrong Weak Light (not heavy) Afraid Sweet	kuraiba ja muga m murbinna m buddhur gr m kubbunba bi buddhayul bi geliel ja kubba dg	inboara. ullaraura. uruñ. umbul. ulaty. rra-birra. figawallung. yitbalang.	Sorry Generous Greedy Grey-headed Stinking Well in health Wide	wuddhaiala kümil wud- dhaiala kuddhiya wibilda nue murruba mungamunga	bindilang, mûdyur, yerrawullung, birrity, burung, nuggung, bilulli,
Freen, as a tree Jame Quick Slow Blind Beaf Strong Weak Jajlant (not heavy) Valiant Afraid Weet Streen	kuraiba ja muga m murbinna m buddhur gr m kubbunba bi buddhayul bo geliel ja kubba dı buddhah m	inboara. ullaraura. uruñ. uruñul. ulaty. ira-birra. igawallung. urdu. yitbalang. uya-muya.	Sorry Generous Greedy Stick Stinking Well in health Warrow	wuddhaiala kümil wud- dhaiala kuddhiya wibilda nue murruba mungamunga waddhu	bindilang, mûdyur. yerrawullung, birrity, burung, nuggung, bilulli, innimul,
Freen, as a tree Jame Quick Blind Blind Jeaf Strong Veak Jight (not heavy) Valiant Fraid Sweet Bitter Bight	kuraiba ja muga m murbinna m buddhur gr m kubbunba bi buddhayul bo geliel ja kubba da buddhah m kir-murru na	unboara. ullaraura. uruñ. uruñ. ulaty. irra-birra. igawallung. urdu. uyitbalang. uya-muya. uggung.	Sorry Generous Greedy Stick Stinking Well in health Wide Narrow Bald-headed	wuddhaiala kumil wud- dhaiala kuddhiya wibilda nue murruba mungamunga waddhu birrargôga	bindilang. mûdyur. yerrawullung. birrity. burung. nuggung. bilulli. innimul. jimbaierrung.
Freen, as a tree Lame Quick Slow Slind Deaf Strong Weak Light (not heavy) Valiant Afraid Weet Sight Vrong	kuraiba ja muga m murbinna m buddhur gr kubbunba bi buddhayul ba geliel ja kubba di buddhah m kir-murru gr kumil-murru gr	unboara. ullaraura. urun. urun. ulaty. ura-birra. ngawallung. urdu. yitbalang. uya-muya. uggung. urnaianung.	Sorry Generous	wuddhaiala kumil wud- dhaiala kuddhiya wibilda nue murruba mungamunga waddhu birrargôga budlaba	bindilang. müdyur. yerrawullung. birrity. burung. nuggung. bilulli. inimul. jimbaierrung. burumurung.
Areen, as a tree Jame Juick Juick	kuraiba ja muga m murbinna m buddhur gr kubbunba bi buddhayul bo geliel ja kubba di buddhah m kir-murru m kumil-murru gr wurrugil w	unboara. ullaraura. uruñ. uruñ. ulaty. irra-birra. igawallung. urdu. uyitbalang. uya-muya. uggung.	Sorry Generous Greedy Stick Stinking Well in health Wide Narrow Bald-headed	wuddhaiala kumil wud- dhaiala kuddhiya wibilda nue murruba mungamunga waddhu birrargôga	bindilang. müdyur. yerrawullung. birrity. burung. nuggung. bilulli. innimul. jimbaierrung.

Eng	lish.		Kamilaroi.	Thurrawal.	Eı	nglish.		Kamilare	oi.	Thurrawal.
Jealous Near Far Deep Shallow Pregnant		••••	birru kuru kunnai	yurung. bulla. vurri. guddha. bullarang. bindiwindang.	Hard Soft Dry Wet Easy	••••	•••	buddhur bunan bullal kugil guremulla	•••	dudduwar. mulaty. dyidyir. nadyunadyung. gurrumbunga

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Live			murun	murung.	Cry, as a child		dunggai.	
Die			bullage	bulling.	Cut	kurrala	kullia.	
Eat		••••	dhale	dhainmung.	Frighten	gielyelmi	jawingara.	
Drink	••••	••••	ngarrugi	ngundumurri.	Fly, as a bird	burragi	yerwai.	
Sleep	••••	••••	babi	nŭnggŭng.	Hang up	$bindabilla \dots$	bettuba.	
Stand	••••	••••	wurrai	dhurring.	Hold	gunmulla	gurrunga.	
Sit	••••		ngurri	ngullung.	Jump	barri	yaddera.	
Lie down	••••	••••	babilla	yerrambing.	Jump over anything	···· , •••	jitmurra.	
Hide	••••	••••	babia	buddhari.	Keep	ngainubba	yuindea.	
Come	••••	••••	thaiy annunga	yenngulang.	Laugh	gindume	jundung.	
Go	••••	•••	yannunga	yendea narrea.	Scratch	mauange	garwa.	
Talk	••••	•••	kurrai	gamung.	Leave off	kurria	wunnundea.	
${f Shout}$	••••	••••	kuggulla	kurrugaia.	Lose	dhullawa-	dhubbungurra.	
Tell	••••	••••	gwalla	gara.		ginni		
\mathbf{Walk}	• • • •	••••	yannawan	yenda.	Pinch	nyimulla	nyilmai.	
Crawl	••••	•••	dhura	yendung.	Praise	murrummur-	nuggungbaiamurra.	
Run		••••	bunnagaia	jauara.		rumulda		
Bring	••••	•••	dhaiganga	ngaingulang.	Rejoice	murruginni	yellagang.	
Take	••••	••••	dhumalia	mandia.	Remember	winnungullea	buindyerra.	
Carry		•••	kanumea	ngaiamung.	Forget	murginnhe	mundura.	
Make	••••	•••	gimobilli	wutgurra.	Turn off (a road)	burunga	wullaitgang.	
Sew	••••	•••	baiannin-	irrabamung.	Stare	bumbangum.	nandea.	
	••••	•••	gulda		,,,,	milli		
Chip or ch	op	••••	dhuralla	jindamung.	Send	buiaweali	irrurra.	
\mathbf{Break}		••••	kummulli	gulatbungara.	Shake	dhirramballa	imurra.	
Beat	••••		bumulli	bulmillang.	Shine	gwialda	bullajarrang.	
Fight	••••		bumullea	bulma.	Spread	dhiagurrilla	dhaumbara.	
Kill		••••	ballubud-	gulanya.	Suck (as a child)	ngummûnga	idhummai.	
			dhuna		Suck a wound		binburra.	
Get up		••••	wurraia	baitgang.	Swim	kubia	wullunya.	
Fall down			bundanga	burwura.	Taste	dhuddulli	gundurra.	
See	••••		ngummilla	nandia.	Touch	kurridhulla	buttea.	
Hear	••••		winungulli	ngurrunde.	Twist	wirrabilda	guinmurra.	
Grow	••••	••••	yuruwan	gaianwilai.	Rub	karulla	ngarwurri.	
Give	••••	••••	wuri	binding.	Search	thamaiamulla		
Love or lil		••••	gingille	ngûmbumea.	Spit	thubilla	jibbamung.	
Sing			buina	yangamung.	Smell	buia	jina.	
Weep	••••	••••	yunga	dunggung.	Throw, with force	kauila or	yerria.	
Play or da		••••	70	wurrairi.	2 mio ", " 10 m 10 m 10 m	kurruwila	<i>y</i> 0.7.00.	
		••••		kanama.	Pitch or throw	wala	yundura.	
Cook, as fo		••••	wiunga	kutthabari.	TT .1	7.4 77	ngaiindillinda-	
Cough	••••	••••	gunugunu		негр	bünmulle	dingal.	
Sneeze	••••	••••	gigwi	jirnganggali.	Sweat	a common à	ngulur.	
Steal	••••	••••	karamulle	karangara.	70771-1-41 -	ngurui	ngutur. winburra.	
Burn	••••	•••	gudhe	kunnamurri		wilea		
Ask or beg	,	••••	dhaialla	jajamung.	Avenge Pretend	kurrimea	jilliburri. nhŭrmurra.	
Barter	••••	••••	wurialea	warwala.		yeldungila		
Bite		••••	hila	bubbugai.	Kiss	ngaigaialla	mimburra.	
Blow, as w	nth mou	ath	bubilla	bimbara.	Vomit	kawila	beggarung.	
Catch	••••	••••	kunmulla	mumbunya.	Dance	yulunga	kulling.	
\mathbf{Climb}	• **	•…	gullê	bo-in-ya.	Dive	wurungaia	ngŭlwarra.	
Cover	••••	••••	gûndawulla	bidburra.	Sting or stab	dhuni	thurara.	
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VOCABULARY OF DARKINUNG WORDS.

The following vocabulary contains about 330 of the most important Darkiñung words in general use, with their equivalents in English. Every word in the vocabulary has been written down by myself in the camps of the aborigines, and much time and care have been bestowed upon the work:—

English.	Darkiñung.	English.	Darkiñung.	English.	${\it Darki\~nung}.$
A man	kuri.	Erection	ngarrukutthi.	Honey	kûdyung.
A father	biambai.	Testicles		Edible grubs	burragung.
An old man	ngarrombai.	Vulva		Red paint	wirruk.
A husband	mullamang.	Copulation		White paint	burrak.
A clever man	girrâchi.	Masturbation	ganmillutthi.	Pathway	muru.
	wungar.	Venereal	mityang.	Shadow of a tree	bûllu.
Small boy	wurrea.	Urine		Shadow of a man	
Brother	binghai.	Anus	bûng.		<i>3</i> ····································
Mother's brother	gauan.		goona.	1	
A woman	ñukung.		<i>3</i>	Mami	AALS.
An old woman	ngarrungan.	т	0		
Mother	dhunggan.	INANIMATI	e Objects.	Opossum	girribil.
Mother's sister	$ngarka \tilde{n}$.	_		Porcupine	kunyi.
Wife	ginmang.	3.5	bunnal.	Dog	mirri.
mall girl	mirkan.	Moon	gûndong.	Native bear	$kuluwa\tilde{n}$.
Sister	ngarrin,	Stars, collectively	giwanga.	Kangaroo-rat	dharrumbai
Child of either	gujagang.	Pleiades		Native cat	mitthingin.
sex.	יציייני.	Orion's belt		Rock-wallaby	wirrañ.
	buddhung.	Rainbow	garnang.	Scrub-wallaby	murri.
- 6	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Thunder	wûnggal.	Flying-fox	wannagan.
D	TT T	Clouds, or sky		Bandicoot, long	binbuñ.
PARTS OF THE	Human Body.	Strong wind		nose.	ornoun,
rar a		Lightning			burka.
Iead		Rain	murku.	Bandicoot, short	ourka.
	koko.	Dew	gillibin.	nose.	Z
Forehead	ngurran.	Fog	gurpang.	Flying squirrel	bunggo.
Hair of head	kyuar.	Frost	binnar.	Ringtail opossum	gindang.
Beard	yarring.	Hail	wallaji.	Kangaroo	wallumbang.
Еуе	mikkang.	Water	batu.		
Eyebrow	mittheri.	Ground	burrê.	Dro	
Nose	nukur.	Hollow ground1	burratu.	BIR	DS.
Lower jaw	ngandung.	Stones			
Lips		Steep rock	yirringbin.	Birds, collectively	dyipping.
Mouth	gurka.	Cave	burrung.	Crow	wattaigan.
Ear	binungari.	Hill	burpo.	Hornbill	gurrigang.
Congue	dhallung.	Sand	marrang.	Laughing jackass	kukundi.
reeth	dharra.	Mud	munyung.	Curlew	warêbun.
Breast, female	ngubbang.	Light	gilli.	Peewee	dyulinggir.
stomach	bindhi.	Darkness	minnik.	Eaglehawk	mullian.
Back	bulka.	Heat	winyu.	Pheasant	gindul.
Pregnant	bindhigang.	Camp	ngurra.	Common magpie	kurâpul.
Woman's milk		Fire	kwiang.	Wood duck	ngâwalang.
Shoulder	gŭndang.	Hut	gûnji.	Black duck	yurungai.
Arm	dharrung.	Smoke	kudyal.	Mopoke	kwanggung.
Elbow	nguna.	Food	ngunnuñ.	Black magpie	wandu.
Hand	birril.	Day	1 7 .	Wonga wonga	wonga wonga.
_eg	ngarri.	Night		Rosella parrot	murûnda.
Inee	būngur.	Morning	7 . 7	Common hawk	bibbitya.
Shin	jarra.	Evening	warrûkal.	Black swan	mulgiva.
Րիigh	dhurra.	A splinter	77	Kingfisher	dyuramba
Foot	dhunna.	Creek or valley		Crane	dhurali.
Paunch	gunung.	Bark shed by	mukkur.	Emu	gungurung.
Small guts	1 % . <i>2</i>	trees.		White cockatoo	ngaual.
Fat	wommo.	Fire-wood	kukkirang.	Plover	girragirra.
	jarra.	Hole in a tree		Fish hawk	irrumburri.
Bone					
	mulan.	Leaves of trees	girrang.	Leather-head	

¹ In some localities the ground is hollow underneath the surface, and gives a low rumbling sound when stamped upon, as in dancing or running.

English.	Darkiñung.	English.	Darkiñung.	English.	Darkiñung.
Fishes.		Waddy-shield	milluttung.	Jump	karukati.
		Canoe	nâwai.	Laugh	yaringati.
Perch	wukkur.	Net-bag	1	Scratch	kar gillitti.
Eel	burra.	2.00		Leave off	guranba.
Turtle Mussel	kutumung. biddyågan.	ADJEC	CTIVES.	Pinch	nyimmutti.
Frog	, , ,			Lose or forget	nguttiwa.
0		Alive		Rejoice	bithal.
Rept	ILES.	Dead	1 _ 0	Go on Come back	yannauerra. wallumbabaiñ.
Iguana	bûnjerra.	Large Small	dunggang. warrea.	Turn off	ngannuka.
Water iguana	bidjiwong.	Long	gurar.	See	dânditti.
Jew-lizard	wirrummin.	Short	7 7	Stare	murummitti.
Sleepy-lizard	ngulong.	Good	yutta.	Send	yanâ lang.
Black snake	mutu.	Bad	0 0	Shine	mullikutli.
Carpet snake		Hungry		Give Swim	yangga. watbutti.
Brown snake . Death adder;	birrijirral. mûnda.	Thirsty Full stomach	durral.	Swim Search	gatuma.
Centipede	7 / 7	Quick	ngât.	Spit	jukutti.
Scorpion	77 .00	Slow	7	Smell	kundatti.
_		Blind	٠	Hit with missile	dŭtbutti.
Inst	ECTS.	Deaf		Whistle	wârgutti.
Large locust	gurang-gurang.	Strong	0 0	Kiss	dyûnggatti.
Blow-fly		Heavy		Vomit Dance	
Louse	bûndyu.	Afraid Sweet	17 7 17	Dance Dive	nungara. kumbuluk.
Nits of lice		Sweet	1 7	Sting	77
Bull-dog ant		Blunt	i	Coming down	1
Mosquito Common fly	10 : 0	Lean		Die	
Grasshopper		Angry	gului.	Eat	bonditti.
Wasp	· · ·	Sleepy		Drink	ngurutti.
Bee	nyittik.	Glad		Stand Sit	ngaruki. ngullawatti.
Spider		Sorry	7 7 ~	Lie down	nunggaiu.
Butterfly	. burrudir.	Greedy Sick	buluñ. budjel.	Walk	
///	Dr	Well	1 11 7 11.	Run	7 7 .
TREES AN	d Plants.	Grey-headed	1.	Bring	
Any leaning tree	wallung.	Some	77 ~	Take	7
Any dead tree		None	1 2	Carry	7
Any hollow tree		Tired		Make Break	. burra. gutpunga.
Ironbark		Stinking Narrow		Break Strike	buñbunyi.
Stringybark Gum-tree	burun. yerra.	Wide	7 - 77 ~	Get up	buritga.
Apple-tree	dhallawang.	Many		Fall down	7 7 6
Grass-tree	wirrâkal.	Few	7 7 7 7	Hear	
Wattle	budjigai.	Half		Sing	
Ti-tree	butyoa.	Jealous		Weep	1 7
Myrtle	dutagur.	Far Near		Cook (food) Steal	7 1 7
Reeds Yam	gwambung. waiung.	Deep	7 . 7	Pretend	7 47
Yam Jeebung	1 7	Hard	1	Bite	1 7 1 1111
Ferns	1	11	yambuñ.	Blow (with the	bûmbitthi.
Oak	7 .77	Straight	77	mouth).	
Trees, collectively		Crooked		Hide	kurratti or
Grass, collectively	wuyu.	Sharp (edge)	10	Talk	dûtbutti
TT7		Cold Hot	100	Talk Tell	1
W EAPONS, U	TENSILS, ETC.	Lazy	1 7.	Climb	gulliwai.
Tomahawk	mugu.	Male	17 7	Suck (as a child)	nguppang
Koolamin	1 00	Female	7		wurramutti.
Yamstick	1	Stupid or deaf	nûkmang.	Suck (as a wound)	bûndutti.
Spear (wood) Spear (reed)		Crazy	0	Rebuke	guliñmutti. dhurramutti.
Spear (reed) Fish spear	1	Dirty	munyungger.	Watch Hunt or seek	
Spear-thrower		T7		Put down	10 4
Club, with knob	kuburra.	VE	CRBS.	Perspire	
Club, plain	. gutyer.	Cry (as a child)	dhûngga.	Touch	manabundi.
Boomerang		Frighten		Hold	
Spear-shield	guril.	Hang up	burpangga.	Twist	. warbungali.

APPENDIX.

SOME NATIVE TRIBES OF VICTORIA.

All the languages of the native tribes of Eastern Victoria, although quite different in vocabulary, are the same in grammatical constitution as the Thurrawal tongue, described by me in an article to the Royal Society of New South Wales. The nouns, pronouns, verbs, adverbs, prepositions, etc., can be inflected for number and person, as illustrated in the article referred to. There is a singular, dual and plural number, with a double form of the first person of the two latter—one including and the other excluding the party spoken to.

All the above remarks equally apply to the languages of that portion of Victoria situated west of the 145th meridian of longitude, with the addition of a trial number in all the parts of speech subject to inflection. The trial number, as existing in the native languages of Victoria, is different in character to that observed in some other countries. For example, in the New Hebrides the case endings of the dual, trial and plural are independent, and differ from each other in form, as follows: We (dual inclusive), akaijau. We (trial inclusive), akataij. We (plural inclusive), akaija.²

But among the Victorian tribes, the trial number is formed by adding another case-ending to that of the plural. For example, in the Tyattyalla, Tyeddyawurru and Wuddyâwurru languages, an additional ending, Kullik, is tacked on to the termination of the suffix of the plural; thus:—We (plural inclusive), yurwengurrak. We, (trial inclusive), yurwengurrakkullik, and so on. In the Thaguwurru and kindred tongues the word baiap is substituted for kullik, but it is employed in precisely the same manner—it is added to the suffix of the plural.

Indications of a trial number were noticed by the late Mr. Francis Tuckfield³ in the pronouns of the Woddowro (Wuddyāwurra) tribe, but its general application to other parts of speech has not hitherto been reported.

In order to illustrate the Victorian trial, I will briefly introduce the conjugation of the present tense of the verb ngurna, "to sit," through all its numbers:—

¹ "The Thurrawal, Gundungurra and Dharruk Languages," Journ. Roy. Soc. N.S. Wales, vol. xxxv, pp. 127-160.

² Rep. Austr. Assoc. Adv. Sci., vol. iv, p. 714.

³ *Ibid.*, vol. vii, p. 842.

It may be stated that the Tyattyalla numerals are:—One, kaiup; two, bulety. The numerals of the Thaguwurru language are:—One, $k\hat{o}pthun$; two, bulabil.

For further information see my article on "The Aboriginal Languages of Victoria," published in the *Journal of the Royal Society of New South Wales*, vol. xxxvi, pp. 71–106.

SOME NATIVE TRIBES OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

On the southern coast of South Australia there are a number of tribes, of which the Bûngandity is typical, whose speech is substantially the same in grammatical structure as the Thurrawal, already referred to. In all the languages of South Australia, from the Australian Bight to Port Darwin, I have ascertained that there are two forms of the first person in the dual and plural, one of which includes the person addressed and the other excludes him, a feature which has not hitherto been reported in any of the native tongues of that State. These forms are exemplified in the Bûngandity verb:—

Similar forms occur in the pronouns and other parts of speech subject to inflection, but as I am preparing a grammar and vocabulary of the Bûngandity language, no more will be said upon the subject at present.

SOME NATIVE TRIBES OF QUEENSLAND.

In all the languages of Queensland which I have yet personally investigated, the double "we" in the first person of the dual and plural is persistent; a peculiarity which was reported by me for the first time in my grammar of the "Murawarri and other Languages," published in the Queensland Geographical Journal, vol. xviii, pp. 52–68.

Most of the native tongues of Queensland closely resemble in general structure the Kamilaroi and Darkiñung languages treated in the present article although differing altogether in vocabulary.

In conclusion I beg to express my best thanks to the Anthropological Institute for affording me the opportunity, before it is too late, to preserve some grammatical records of the speech of the Australian aborigines.