NATIVE VOCABULARY

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ROEBOURNE, NICKOL BAY

MAN, HIS RELATIONSHIPS, etc.

Baby yandee yarrah

Blackfellow nunker berry (pl. munkerberry mahroo)

Blackwoman munger

Boy wallaby

Brother kijerry

Father mamun
Girl koorie

Man (old) nunkerberry meerah werry

Mother nunkan or nunga

Wife yocken

Woman (old) munger meerah worry

PARTS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE BODY

Arm chilly

Back moorah

Beard knungah

Blood mudder

Bone koochee

Bowels boongah

Breasts beebee

Calf of leg wat-ther

Drink, to pinjalgo

Ear koolgah

Eat, to budjalgo

Excrement munnah

Eye thoolah

Fat jindee

Foot jeens

Hair of the head koolgerah

Hand mahrah

Head

nead yoolgah

Knee munbool

Mouth thyer

Nose mooltha

See, to knackeroo

Sleep bumbah

Stomach

boongah

Teeth

yeerah

Thigh

woollergully

Thirsty

bubbah bookundigo

Tongue

thyley

Walk, to

wok ki

ANIMALS

Dingo

won-jer

Kangaroo

mungeroo

Opossum

wollumberry

BIRDS

Bird's egg

pimbo

Bustard, wild turkey

burroorah

Cockatoo, Lead-beater's pink pilthergoo

Cockatoo, white,

northern variety

peerera

Crow

woggorah

Duck (generic)

gnurrandap

Eaglehawk

peelegah

Emu

yallerberry

Pigeon, Bronze Wing

kalby

Swan

kullijoorah

FISHES

Dugong

yameenah

Fish (generic)

pee

Oyster

cheepoorr

Shark

nooker

REPTILES

Snake (generic)

Wolloo

Turtle

that-therookah

INSECTS

Fly (generic)

pooroo

Mosquito

koomoo

THE ELEMENTS, etc.

Cold moot-thoo

Day yander (sun)

Fire kullah

Grass worrobah

Ground (surface of) narnoo

Heat yours (sun)

Moon willarrah

Night thoondthoo

Paperbark tree millee-millee

Rain yoongo

River moorie

Sandplain bulkarra

Sea boorea

Star pindeary

Stone munder

Sun yander or yoora

Today ejallah yander

Tomorrow yander koonjerry

Water bubbah

Wind thoorah

Wood boonah kullah

Yesterday yander koonjerry bullalyee

GENERAL VOCABULARY

Bad wyleker

Big mar-mer

By and by minna-warrah

Camp, native myah

Dead nar-rimal or nunedebah

Devil joonah

Food, "bread" marramoory

Four kootharrah kootharra

Friend

Friend murrkano

Good moongah

Honey koongoowarrah

Hungry bookundigo, kumingo

Kiss, a; kiss, to chapanchalgo

Little kooloo kooloo

Me ni or niehu

No meeta

One koonjerry

Plenty moh-roo

See, to knackeroo

Smoke, of fires choochoo

Spear, reed kyjerry

Spear (war) pillarah

Stick, throwing weerah

Stop! bunnygo or bunnymah

Sulky (cross) baj-jer (not sulky = meeta bajjee

or bajjee joon)

Three pooroogoo

Throwing board meero (throwing stick = weerah)

Tomahawk kyju

Track (footprint) jeena

Two kootharrah

Wood boonah kullah

Yes ko-ko

You yengo or yender

Come here, come on kookie

Go away wok-ki

Know, I do not nichu wonyuberry joon

Natives, Where are the? wonthanny nunkerberry

White man's house,
Where is the? wonthanny white fellow myah

Water, bring me bubbah kalburrah nichu

White man, Did you see? yengo nakonah white fellow