

GURRE KAMILAROI Story book in the Gamilaraay language of Australia Public Domain

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GURRE KAMILAROI: OR KAMILAROI SAYINGS

WILLIAM RIDLEY, MISSIONARY. ILLUSTRATIONS BY W. MASON. "To whom he was not spoken of, they shall see; and they who have not heard shall understand."—Paul to Romans, xv., 21. SYDNEY: PRINTED AT THE EMPIRE

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Gurre Kamilaroi.

Kamilaroi is the language spoken by the aborigines along the Namoi River, on part of the Bundarra and Balun, and 200 miles of the Barwan (or Darling); also on Liverpool Plains, and about the head of the Hunter.

The writer believes that any one who carefully reads through this Key, especially the first 2 pages, will be able to pronounce the foregoing Kamilaroi sentences, and teach the aborigines to read them. Many of the aborigines, especially the young men, are very quick at learning to read.

It is very important that the rule of naming the letters according to their pronunciation in words should be attended to, as it will remove great difficulties from the way of beginners. How could an ignorant person guess that the letter called "double you" had the sound w in wit? or that "aitch" was merely a hard breathing?

The Christian into whose hands this little book may come, and who has any aborigines speaking kamilaroi near, is earnestly requested to consider, whether it is not worth a patient and prayerful effort to teach them to read those precious saving truths which are dimly and scantily, but in some measure really, expressed in these brief sentences.

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KEY to the foregoing "Kamilaroi speech."

RULES OF PRONUNCIATION.

Pronounce ā as a in father

a as a in mat

ē as ey in obey

e as e in net ī as i in marine

i as i in it

ō as o in bone

o as o in on

ū as oo in moon

u as u in bun ai as i in wine ao as ow in how oi as oi in noise g always as in go ŋ as ng in ring.

1

In English we use the sound ŋ or ng only at the end of a syllable; its frequent occurrence at the beginning of a syllable in Kamilaroi is therefore a slight, but only a slight difficulty. It is only necessary to use precisely the same consonant sound which we have in ring, sing, &c., with a vowel after and not before it.

N.B. Name the letters as they are pronounced; that is, call g ge (as in get), h he, ŋ eng, r re, w we, and y ye. Thus the name will guide the learner to the proper sound in spelling.

letters

a b d e g h i j k l m n ŋ o p r t u v w y ai ao oi

names and kinship terms

ippai, murri, kubbi, kumbo. (names of men;)

ippata, mata, kapota, buta. (names of women;)

yarai, gille, taon, wī, boiyoi. (sun, moon, earth, fire, pennyroyal (herb).)

giwīr, īnar, birrī, miē. (man, woman, boy, girl.)

kaiŋal, buba, ŋumba. (child, father, mother.)

wurume, ŋummuŋā.(son, daughter.) daiādi, bōādi.(brother, sister.)

1

Baiame gīr yarai, gille, mirri, taon ellibu gimobi.

God verily sun, moon, stars, earth also made.

Baiame yalwuŋa murruba; Baiame minnaminnabul

yummilda, minnaminnabul wīnuŋulda. God always is good; God everything

sees, everything hears.

Baiame gīr kānuņo kubba, kūnial, maian, tulu,

yindal, beran, boiyoi gimobi.

God verily every hill, plain, watercourse, tree,

grass, beran (a herb), pennyroyal made. Baiame gīr yārāman, būrumo, bundar, mūte, dūli,

dīnoun, buralga, biloela, millimumul, gulamboli, kobado,

mullion, guiya, nūrai, ŋundoba, burulu, muŋin, kānuŋo di gombi. God verily horse, dog, kangaroo, opossum, goanna,

emu, native companion, cockatoo, swallow, pelican, parrot,

eagle, fish, brown snake, deadly black snake, flies, mosquitoes, all animals made.

5

Baiame gīr giwīr gimobi; mal giwīr Adam. Baiame

goë: "Kamil murruba giwīr ŋāndil ŋuddelago; ŋaia

giwīrgo īnar gimbille." Īla Baiame īnar gimobi; mal

inar İv: İv gulir Adamu.

God verily man made; first man Adam. God

said, "Not good man alone for to dwell; I

for man woman will make." Then God woman made; first

woman Eve; Eve wife of Adam.

Adam buba murriŋu, buba wundaŋu, buba kānuŋo:

Īv ŋumba murriŋu, ŋumba wundaŋu, ŋumba kānuŋo.

Adam is father of the blackfellows, father of the whites, father of all:

Eve the mother of blacks, mother of whites, mother of all.

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Adam Īv ellibu warawara yanani. Kanuŋo giwīr

kānuŋo īnar warawara yanani, kānuŋo kagil ginyi.

Baiame yili ginyi, goe, "Kānuŋo giwīr, kānuŋo īnar

warawara yanani, kānuŋo kagil ginyi, ŋaia ŋārma bālu

bumāle." Immanuel, wurume Baiameŋu, goe "Kamil.

Kamil ŋinda ŋārma bumala, ŋinda ŋunna bumala, ŋaia

balugi, giwīr īnar moron gigigo."

Adam, Eve also, astray went. All men

all women astray went, all bad became. God angry became, he said "All men, all women,

astray are gone, all bad have become. I them dead

will smite." Immanuel, Son of God, said "Not so.

Not thou them smite; Thou me smite, I will die; man, woman, alive for to be."

7

Immanuel ŋeanekūnda Baiame: ŋerma Baiame giwīr

ģinyi. Murruba immanuel; kamil ŋaragedūl murruba yealokwai ŋerma.

Immanuel with us God: he God man became. Good is Immanuel; not another is good like him.

Īlambo Immanuel taongo tai-yanani, giwīr ginyi.

ŋērma gīr burula wībil murruba gimobi, burula mūga murruba

gimobi, burula mūga-binna murruba gimobi.

Long ago Immanuel to earth came, man he became.

He verily many sick well made, many blind

well made, many deaf well made.

8

Giwīr

kair Layāru. Ŋerŋu bular boādi, māri, māta. Layaru wibil

ginyi. Bular boādi gurre wāala Immanuelgo, goaldendai,

"Nai daiadi, ŋinnu layaru, wibil." Kamil yanani Immanuel.

Yerāla layaru balūni. Bularbularo bābine bālūn

taonda. Îla Immanuel taiyanani. Mari māta ellibu

yūgillona. Immanuel goe, "Ninnu daiadi yealo moron

gigi." Burula giwir burula inar yugillona. Immanuel

daonmago yanani. Yārul daonma kundawi; Immanuel

goe "Nindai ārul diomulla" ŋarma gīr yarul diome.

İmmanuel kākūldone "Layaru taiyanuŋa." Ī Layaru

moron ginyi, taiyanani. Bular boadi burul guiyē.

A man

name Lazarus. Belonging to him two sisters Mary, Marta. Lazarus sick

became. The two sisters word sent to Immanuel, saying,

"My brother, Thy Lazarus, is sick." Not went Immanuel.

By and bye Lazarus died. Four days he lay dead

in the ground. Then Immanuel came. Mary, Martha also

were weeping. Immanuel said "Your brother again alive

shall be." Many men, many women, were weeping. Immanuel

to the grave went; a stone the grave covered; Immanuel

said "Ye the stone take away." They the stone lifted up.

Immanuel cried aloud "Lazarus come forth." Then Lazarus

alive became, he came forth. The two sisters were very glad.





Jairus Daughter

Naragedūli miēdūl wībil ginyi; ŋumba boiyoi wune;

kamil miedul murruba ginyi; murru ginyi wibil, ŋullimun

balūni. Buba yanani Immanuel ŋummillego; gir

nummi; goe, "Inda barai taiyanuna, murruba gimbildi

ŋai miedul. Ŋai miedul burul wibil ŋullimun baluni;

inda taiyanuŋa ŋai kūndigo." Immanuel goe,

"Nulle yanoai kundigo." Ila yanani bular

kundigo. Numba duri, yugillona, goe "Nii! Nii! Nai

miedul baluni." Burula īnar yugillona goe "Ŋii!

miedul baluni." Immanuel goe "Kurria yūŋa. kamil

miedul baluni; yeal babillona." Burulabu gindami;

ŋārma gīr balundai wīnuŋi. Immanuel murra kawāni

miedul, goe, "Miēdūl waria." Īla miedul moron ginyi,

warine, gurre goe. Numba, buba ellibu, burul guiye.

At another time a little girl sick became; the mother pennyroyal gave;

not the little girl well became; much she grew sick, almost

dead. The father went Immanuel to see; truly

he found him; he said "Thou quickly come, well make

my little girl. My little girl is very sick, almost dead;

you come to my house." Immanuel said "We two will go to the House." Then went the two to the house. The mother came, she wept, said "Alas! alas! my

little girl is dead." Many women were weeping, said "Alas!

the little girl is dead." Immanuel said "Cease weeping. Not

the girl is dead; only she is asleep." All of them laughed;

they verily her to be dead knew. Immanuel by hand took

the girl, said "damsel arise." Then the girl alive became,

arose, words spoke. The mother, father also, very glad.

10



immanuel gir bular muga murruba gimobi.

Jesus Heals

Narageduli bular giwir mūga ŋuddelona turrubulda

İmmanuel aro yanani; bular muga wīnuŋi. Kākūldone,

"Immanuel, dūrunmi, wurume, Dāvidu ŋummilla!

ŋurrāga ŋeane." Burula giwir goe "Kurria! kurria

njindai kakūllego." Giwir muga yealo kakuldone

"Durunmi, wurume davidu, nummilla! Nurraga neane."

Another time, two men blind sat by the way.

Immanuel there came; the two blind heard, they cried aloud,

"Immanuel, King, Son of David, look!

Pity us." Many people said "Have done! cease

ye to cry aloud." The men blind again cried aloud

"King, Son of David, look! pity us!"

11

Ila Immanuel warine, goe "Minna ŋindai goalle? Minna

naia murramulle?" narma goe, "Durunmi, wuna

yeane yummildai." Ila Immanuel yarma mil tāmūlda:

baianbu ŋarma murru ŋummillego.

Then Immanuel stood still, said "What you will say? What

I shall do?" They said "King, grant

us to see." Then Immanuel them eyes touches;

instantly they are able to see.

12

immanuel baluni.

Jesus Cross

Burula kagil giwir Immanuel kunmulta. Narma

kaogo bindēa yulalle. Narma gir tulu wīmi, ŋaragedul

tulu ŋanbīr wimi: ŋarma gir Immanuel wimi; murra

biru-dūni, dinna biru-dūni; tului wirri. Narma tulu

tⁱome, Immanuel tului pindelundai. Yerāla Immanuel

baluni. Yerala giwir pilari turrur duni; gue dulirri.

Many bad men Immanuel seized. They on his head thorns bound. They indeed

a log laid, another log across they laid: they indeed Im-

manuel laid down; hands

they pierced, feet they pierced; on cross fastened. They the cross

raised, Immanuel on the cross hanging. Soon Immanuel

died. Soon after a man with a spear his side pierced; blood flowed.

Bullului ŋarma gir Immanuel taonda wimi, kundawi.

Immanuel ŋūru bābine balūn taonda; yealo malo babine

balun taonda; yealo ŋaragedul ŋuru babine balun

taonda: ŋaragedul ŋuruko moron ginyi, warine.

In evening they verily Immanuel in ground laid, covered.

Immanuel the night lay dead in ground; also one day he lay

dead in ground; also another night he lay dead

in ground; next morning alive he became, arose.

Yerala gūnagullago yanani.

Yeladu Immanuel gunagullada ŋuddela: ŋerma

kanuŋo ŋummilda, kanuŋo wīnuŋulda.

Soon after to heaven he went.

Now Immanuel in heaven dwells; he all sees, all knows.

14

Murruba Immanuel; kamil ŋaragedul murruba

yealokwai ŋerma. Yerala Immanuel yealo taongo

taiyanille; ŋeane kanuŋo ŋummille. Immanuel kaia

goalle; ila kanuŋo balun, giwir, inar, kaiŋal, kanuŋo

moron gigi. Immanuel goalle "Minna inda gimobi?

Minna inda gimboi? Inda murruba gimobi? Inda

ŋununda taiyanuŋa gunagullago. Inda kagil gimobi?

Inda biru yanuŋa, urribū yanuŋa."

Good is Immanuel; not another is good like him. Hereafter Immanuel again to earth

will come; we all shall see. Immanuel aloud

will speak; then all the dead, men, women, children, all

alive shall become. Immanuel will say "What hast thou done?

What has thou done? thou good hast done? Thou

to me come to heaven. Thou evil hast done?

thou far go, very far go away."

15

Giru ŋinda kagil ginyi; inda warawara yanani;

giru Baiame yili ginyi. Baiame yalwuŋa murruba; ŋeane kanuŋo warawara yanani. Wīnungulla: kamil

ŋaia yal goalda; giru ŋaia goalda. Immanuel ŋirribatai

yarine, gūnagulladi taongo. Kanuŋo giwir kagil ginyi:

Immanuel ŋandil murruba; Immanuel baluni, giwir

moron gigigo.

Truly thou bad hast become; thou astry hast gone;

truly God angry is. God always is good; we all astray have gone. Hearken; not

I lies tell; truth I tell. Immanuel from above

came down, from heaven to earth. All men bad are become;

Immanuel only is good; Immanuel died, men

alive for to be.

16

Yeladu Baiame goalda; "Nindai, kanuŋo giwir,

kurria kagil gigle, berūdi warraia; ŋeane murru

ŋurrile. Kamil ŋaia yili gigla. Murruba Immanuel

baluni." Yeladu Immanuel goalda: "Taiyanuŋa ŋununda

kanuŋo ŋindai iŋgil, īla ŋaia ŋindai tubbiamulle."

Now God saith: "Ye, all men,

cease bad to be, turn ye; we will be reconciled. Not I angry am. Good

Immanuel died." Now Immanuel saith: "Come

unto me

all ye weary, then I you will cause to rest."

Inda taiyanuŋa Immanuelgo.

You come to Immanuel.

17

Giwir ŋuddelona

Littraga: bain dinna tuŋgōr, ŋurribu bain ge bain;

kamil yanelina. Paul, Barnaba ellibu, aro yanani. paul

goaldone; baindūl ŋerma wīnūŋailone. Paul kaia

ŋummildone, kakuldone, "Waria ŋurriba dinnaga."

tuŋōrdūl parine, yanani ellibu.

A man dwelt

at Lystra; with sick foot diseased, very ill indeed;

not he could walk. Paul, Barnabas also there came. Paul

was speaking; the lame man him was hearing. Paul earnestly

looked, he cried aloud "stand upright on feet."

The lame man leapt, walked also.

18

Burulabu giwir ŋummi, goe "Ŋipai!" Kākūldone

"Baiame bular yarine yealokwai giwir." Paul, Barnaba

ellibu, bunnaŋunne, kakuldone, "Kurria! Kamil ŋeane

Baiame; ŋeane giwir yealokwai ŋindai. Neane guiye

murru ŋurriŋillone. Neane murru goalda burulabu;

kurria ŋindai yealo kagil gigle: berudi warraia,

ŋummilla Baiame moron. Baiame gīr gūnagulla, taon,

burul kolle, kanuŋo minnaminnabul gimobi. Baiame

yalwuŋa Baiame."

All the people saw, they wondered, they cried aloud

"Gods two are come down like men." Paul, Barnabas

also ran, cired aloud "Have done! not we

gods; we men like you. We glad

become, we sorry become, we angry become, again we

are reconciled. We good tell to all;

cease ye any more evil to be; turn ye

look to God the living. God verily heaven, earth

the great water, all, everything made. God

always is God (the same ever.")

6

b bundar.







Kangaroo

b bundar.

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^{Man} g giwīr.

i īnar.

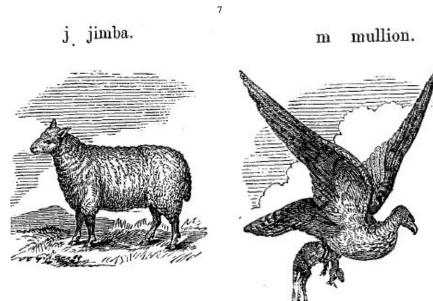




Emu

d dīnoun.

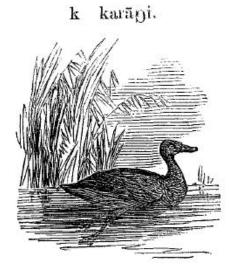




Sheep

j jimba.





Duck

k karāŋi.

^{Bird} m mullion.

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n nūrai.



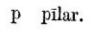
^{Snake} n nūrai.













Tree

t tulu.

w wāru.

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^{Spear} p pīlar.

^{Crow} w wāru. y yaraman. y yaraman.



Horse