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Tourahonong Tribe.

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English.		Australian.	English.		Australian.
Man -	_	- Mhara.	Star	-	Minkil.
Woman	_	- Tunumbu.	Sky	_	Murnong.
Father -	_	- Pepint.	Night	_	Boron.
Mother		- Nerung.	Day	_	Nunung.
Son -	_	- Copenyong.	Fire	_	Wein.
Daughter	_	- Nrarton.	Air	-	Lallapcorn.
Brother	-	- Wadi.	Wind	-	Urndoek.
Sister -	-	- Charki.	Earth	-	Mering.
Head -	-	- Pim.	Ground -		·
Hair -	-	- Narat.	Soil	-	Pullang.
Eye -	-	- Ming.	River	-	Wurran.
Ear -		- Wing.	Sea	-	Naumut.
Mouth -	_	- Olung.	Stone	-	Murrai.
Tongue	_	- Talian.	Tree	-	Waurut.
Teeth -		- Tungun.	Wood	-	Wein.
Hand -	-	- Murrung.	Stick	-	$m{L}eigt.$
Finger -	-	- Kiapork.	Bird	-	Purpurin.
Foot -	_	- Youk.	Egg	-	Minyong.
Toe -	-	- Merriniouk.	Snake	-	Corang.
Belly -	-	- Torkung.	Eagle	-	Neunghur.
Blood -	-	- Ghercek.	Crow	-	Warl.
Bone -	-	- Buckin.	Mopoke -	-	Mumkight.
Sun -	-	- Nuriung.	Kangaroo -	-	Corang.
Moon -	-	- Turro.			-

Is the custom of giving the name of any natural object to a man or woman common, and on the death of the person so named is the word disused and another substituted to indicate such natural object?—They name the child after the spot it is born at, and *do not* change the name of the place after the death of the so-called black.

Such a custom, it is said, leads to great alterations in the language; are there any other obvious causes in operation leading to changes in the names of things?—I cannot discover that changes are made in the names of things.

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Mr. McLeod gives the names of some of the weapons used by the natives:-

Australian.	English.	Australian.	English.
Murrawong - Mapur - Peping - Mulcarra -	like the leon-ile.a club.a kind of club.club-shield.	Coyong -	 a kind of club. large spear. little spear. spear-shield.