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#### **ESKIMO**

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#### § 1. INTRODUCTION

The Eskimo language is spoken by hardly forty thousand individuals, who live in small groups on the northernmost shores of America, from Alaska to East Greenland. Their territory extends south of Bering sea and includes the easternmost point of Asia. main groups have been separated for at least six hundred years, more likely for a thousand years or longer, it is but natural that their language should have split up into a number of dialects. It becomes evident, from a comparison of these widespread dialects as recorded by different authorities, that their differentiation has developed largely through phonetic and sematological changes, and only to a slight degree through intercourse with Indians. The dialectic differences are important, although not so extensive as to obscure the identity of the Eskimo languages of Alaska and of Greenland. We even find dialectic deviations from fiord to fiord. Nowadays an East Greenlander does not understand a West Greenlander until both have become accustomed to each other's speech; and the Greenlander has to learn the peculiarities of the dialect of the Baffin-land Eskimo to carry on conversation with him.3 The dialects of western Alaska differ fundamentally from the Greenland dialects, about as much as English and German or English and French differ from each other. Owing to lack of material, it is at present difficult to draw safe conclusions concerning the historical relations of these dialects as regards

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The ancestors of the present Central and South Greenlanders (the *Kalaallit* tribe) appeared in Greenland in the fourteenth century, but they must have separated more than a hundred years before that time from their fellow-tribes on the opposite shores of Davis strait (G. Storm, *Monumenta historica Norvegia*, 76, 205; Thalbitzer III, 111-112, and IV, 208).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> H. Rink, in his "Eskimo Tribes" (*Meddelelser om Grönland*, XI, 1887-91), was the first to undertake such a comparison; Thalbitzer, I, 181-269 (Phonetic differentiations in the Eskimo dialects).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This was tested by a Greenlander who had an opportunity to meet with some Eskimos of Baffin land. See *Atuagagdiliutit* (the Greenlandic periodical), No. 1, pp. 2-3 (Godthaab, 1861).

their common origin. All that can be done is to indicate some of the main lines of dialectic differentiation.

It is not known how many dialects there are. In Greenland at least five may be distinguished, three of which (those of Upernavik, Disco bay, and Ammassalik) have been closely examined by me. In this sketch I shall describe the dialect of the largest two fiords of West Greenland,—that of Disco bay (69°-70° N. lat.) and of the neighboring Oommannaq fiord (70°-71° N.). Of course this does not imply that that dialect is more typical than any of the others.

Notwithstanding the fact that the dialects of western Alaska differ essentially from the Eskimo dialect which is spoken at the mouth of the Mackenzie river, yet these dialects have certain peculiarities in common which show that genetically they belong together. We may speak of a western Eskimo group of dialects, comprising the many different dialects of Kadiak island, Bristol bay, the mouth of the Yukon river, Norton sound and Kotzebue sound, Point Barrow, and the mouth of the Mackenzie river, as opposed to the eastern Eskimo group of dialects; namely, those of Labrador, Baffin land, and Greenland. Within the eastern Eskimo branch I have presumed a closer relationship to exist between the dialects of Labrador and Central or South Greenland (from about 63° to 66° N. lat. on the western coast) than between those of the other parts of the group.2 The latter comprises the four northernmost dialects, which are now widespread, but which perhaps less than a thousand years ago were still a unit,—the dialects of Baffin land, Smith sound, Upernavik, and Ammassalik (East Greenland). It is probable that these Eskimo reached the shores of Davis strait at a later period than the Labrador and South Greenland Eskimo. Finally, I shall only touch on the group of dialects that are spoken on the western shores of Hudson bay, Southampton island, Melville and Boothia peninsulas, and in part of Baffin land, properly the central dialects. It remains undecided as yet with which group these dialects must be classed.

It is fitting to add here that I feel indebted to Professor Franz Boas for his kind and valuable assistance in the revision and finishing of this grammar.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The Danish Commission for the Direction of Geological and Geographical Explorations in Greenland arranged for two investigations of the Eskimo language in Greenland,—first, in 1900-01, in West Greenland (see Meddelelser om Grönland, XXXI, Copenhagen, 1904), and again, in 1905-06, in East Greenland.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Thalbitzer I, 237, 260, 262-265.

The abbreviations Al., Gr., Lab., M., stand throughout for Alaska, Greenland, Labrador, Mackenzie river, respectively.

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## PHONETICS (§§ 2-12)

# § 2. Sounds and Sound-Symbols

Following is the system of sounds, or phones, of the dialect of Disco bay, West Greenland, symbolized by phonetic symbols:

CONSONANTS

Stopped conso	nan .ts (1	ts fric	cat	ive:	s)	. {	Bilabial  p  m  vc[b]  F	Dental t n l d j L 8 S	k	.Uvular $q$ $ ilde{q}[N]$ $r[u]$ $R[u]$	voiceless voiced voiceless
	VOWELS										
1	Norm	al					U	ularized, b	eing foll	owed by r	, 2, q, or ą.
Closed vowels	•			ı	u	u					
Semi-closed .	•		•	e	r	0		E			0
Semi-open .					à			ε	á	8	•
Open § 2	•	•	•			a	1				

The majority of the symbols here used are in accordance with the signs employed by the Association phonétique internationale. I prefer the simple r instead of the u, and w instead of b of the Association, that the Eskimo words may not look more difficult than necessary; nevertheless, r and w in the Eskimo language mean something very different from the English r and w. The same is true of my signs for the s- and a- sounds, and, of course, of all the uvularized vowels, all of which only in part agree with sounds of any other language that I know of.

- : indicates length of the preceding vowel or consonant; e. g., a := aa or  $\bar{a}$ ; m := mm or  $\bar{m}$ .
  - I prefer in ordinary orthography to double the sign to indicate length of sound: thus, aa, mm, ss, etc. A single consonant is always to be considered short.
- 'stands before the stressed syllable of a word. Degrees of stress are indicated thus: 'a, strong stress; "a, very strong stress; ,a or a, weak stress.
- ~ indicates nasalization:  $\tilde{a}$ ,  $\tilde{q}$ ,  $\tilde{r}$ .
- i, we mean glides of the preceding vowel:  $a^i [a^{\bar{a}}]$  or  $[a_{\bar{i}}], a^w [a^i]$  or  $[a_{\bar{i}}], a^w [a^i]$
- w, r mean labialization and uvularization.

Following is a detailed description of these sounds:

a uvularized a, or followed by a uvular, in my ordinary transcription ar, or pronounced with the soft palate (the velum) strained and lifted. It is like a in English FAR, followed by the Eskimo fricative r (or q); see under r.

Arssaq a ball

a as in French âme, patte (rarely like French pâte, pas, or English father).

Arnaa his woman, mother ataa beneath it

à about as in MAN; a short a modified by closed consonants and point-consonants (or dentals) (Sweet, "A Primer of Phonetics," §§ 50 and 190).

qilàk sky nànoq bear pimmàt as he came

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Le Maître phonétique, 1905: Exposé des principes de l'Association phonétique internationale.— Cf. Paul Passy, Petite Phonétique comparée (Leipsic et Berlin, 1906).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>In my ordinary transcription I have tried to avoid discritical marks.

meerqat children aappaa his companion

ä about like the vowels in French LAIT, German DENN; between \( \varepsilon \) and \( \varepsilon \) of the Association phonétique internationale (Passy, "Petite phonétique comparée," \( \sigma \) 241 and 248; Jespersen, "Lehrbuch der Phonetik," \( \sigma \) 152 and 156), rather wide than narrow.

arnät [arn:ät] plural of arnaq woman 'nätteq a seal kisi'änne but

o stopped front palatal, voiceless (Passy, l. c., § 187; Jespersen, l. c., §§ 118 and 168); in ordinary transcription tj or kj. Common in some Eskimo dialects; for instance, Mackenzie river, toitamat [citamat] four; also in the dialects of Upernavik and Ammassalik in Greenland. (Thalbitzer I, 90, 190-191, 209, 221, 259.) is the same sound very far forward.

g as in German ich.

ixxia [iç:ia] his throat (see under x).

o see after o.

e more closed than e in French έπέ, and a little more forward. When it is used long, it sounds about like a long ι.

qaane over it, on its surface neesaq [n1:s4q] a porpoise

The "European" e, as in German see, may, however, occasionally be heard. Notice the different pronunciations of my ee pure, and eer which I use in my ordinary transcription for eer. The first sound is about like a long t; the latter, rather like ä.

E=e, uvularized  $\ddot{a}$  (cf.  $\Delta$  and r).

erneq [ern: eq] son
meeraq [me:raq] child, plural meerqat [me:raat]

 $\varepsilon = e$  uvularized, farther back than  $\varepsilon$ , and sometimes like  $\ddot{a}$  (Thalbitzer I, 107, 109) on account of the rounding of the innermost part of the mouth.

peerpoq [pe:rpoq] it is free, it is off

s=≥ uvularized, short mid-vowel.

F bilabial fricative.

sarraq[sarr: aq] a current (Central and South Greenland, Labrador)

g is a j articulated as deep in the mouth as a k, voiced. It is usually symbolized as g in North German REGEN, BOGEN, and in Danish § 2

DAGE, VIGE. Central and South Greenland, East Greenland, Labrador, Mackenzie river. g occurs rarely in the northern part of West Greenland instead of g. The corresponding voiceless sound is x or partly g.

iga (South Greenland), iya (North Greenland), a pot

h is heard sometimes in interjections.

i high narrow vowel (Bell and Sweet), as in French FINI.

ittaq many years ago iLLit thou

I between i and e, especially before n, m,  $\eta$ .

inaa [ina:] its (the bird's) nest

j like y in YARD, or like j in German JA.

ajaa his aunt pujoq smoke

q, r, R, and N are uvular consonants, so called because they are articulated at the uvula. The posterior part of the velum and the root of the tongue are drawn back and up toward the back of the fauces, whereby the space in that part of the mouth seems to become larger. q is a stopped voiceless consonant (TENUIS), probably identical with the QOF of the Arab (Passy, l.c., § 189).

qaqqaq [qaq:aq] mountain arqa [aq:a] his name ergaane [eqa:ne] in the vicinity

k as in French cas without aspiration; only before i, e, and u, it may be heard aspirated.

kaapoq he is hungry (pronounce k like voiceless g), but keewaa it bit him (more like [kpe:wa:])

l and z are articulated nearly alike, bilaterally, with the tip of the tongue against the back of the upper teeth. They have the latter feature in common with the Eskimo t and n. The voice-less l [z] is of rare occurrence in Indo-European languages, but it is well known from many other languages both in America (lh of the Nahuatl, l of Kwakiutl) and in Africa.

ila certainlyulo woman's knifeillo housearluk grampus

L, see l.

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a sort of l, with the tip of the tongue bent up toward the alveolar arch, in some districts assuming the character of an untrilled palatal r, like the English r in ARAB, but with a firmer pressure against the palate; for instance, in the southern part of Egedesminde district (Disco bay)  $aa^wpataartoq$  instead of  $aa^wpalaartoq$  RED.

m as in English, but it is often long in Eskimo.

ammassät [am:as:ät] capelans.

- n articulated like t and L, at the lower edge of the upper teeth or at their posterior surface.
- y like ng in sing, singer (notice that the combination yg does not occur in Eskimo). Frequently this sound is so loosely articulated that it may be described rather as a nasalized  $g[\tilde{g}]$  fricative.

anakkoq shaman
ena pot
anut man, father
panina or panina my daughter

n see  $\tilde{q}$ .

o is a little more closed than the French o in Rose.

sakko implement (used for hunting)
anore wind

oo is more like a long v (q. v.); but oor means, in ordinary transcription, uvularized o [o] or [o], which is more open.

ooneq [v:neq] a burn

o uvularized o rather closed like o in so, followed-by the Eskimo fricative r or q.

qooq urine ornippua he comes to him

o uvularized o, more open, like o in English More, or like a in ALL, followed by r or q. See o, o.

orssoq [ rs: q] blubber

p as in French PAS without aspiration.

paa mouth of a river

 $\tilde{q}$  uvular nasal = N (Passy, l. c., § 196).

ernit (dialect of Disco bay) lakes=ermit, singular imeq fresh water; in Oommannaq fiord also intervocalic: anone=anoqe wind, instead of anore.

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r usually articulated as far back in the mouth as q. It is quite another sound than the English r, but it has some resemblance to the French and German back r, when untrilled, and especially to the Danish r, produced by friction right by the back of the fauces (Jespersen, "Lehrbuch der Phonetik," § 141; Passy, l. c., § 222). It is the u of the Association phonétique internationale. Its articulation is especially tense when it is followed by q; e. g.,

sarqaq the sunny side aarqat gloves

rq is nothing but a modified form of long q [q:]; other combinations with r in Greenlandic are rt, rs, rf, rf, rq, rm, rn, ry, rn. A vowel preceding one of these sound-groups is always strongly uvularized. The r modifies the character of the vowel, and is anticipated in its pronunciation. The two sounds—the vowel + the r—in reality make up a phonetic whole (Thalbitzer I, pp. 110 and 152), and the following consonant is nearly always geminated (long). It might be symbolized thus:

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arqa his name = a^{r}qqa [Aq:a] orssoq blubber = [a^{r}s:aq] erneq son = [a^{r}n:aq]
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When the r stands alone between vowels, its place of articulation is often somewhat advanced, and the friction not very tense; e. g., in neriwoq EATS. In some districts (for instance, in the Oommannaq fiord) the outgoing air is apt to escape through the nose-passage, causing r to be nasalized, or  $[\tilde{r}]$ ; this nasal is related to  $\tilde{q}$  [n] as  $\tilde{q}$  to p or as  $\tilde{w}$  to m.

neriwoq (Oommannaq) eats

R indicates a voiceless r, short or long, = 3 of the Association phonétique internationale (Passy, l. c., § 222). It is something like ch in German (Swiss) BACH.

marraq clay errorpaa washes it

see after L.

s is usually voiceless. In rs it resembles the English s, only that the articulation is a little looser and the aspiration stronger. In ts the articulation of s is tenser and it is farther forward than



the English sound, because the t is nearly interdental. Therefore there is a difference between the s-sounds in arssaq A BALL, and  $n\ddot{a}tseq$  A SEAL. In other words, an s [s] is heard, which, although not quite identical with the  $\delta$  or f of the phoneticians, as in English SHE, bears some resemblance to it; e. g.,

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aaseet [a:se:t] (West Greenland) of course
aawsaq [a:wsaq] summer
saa [sa:] its front
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In the articulation of this s, not only the blade, but the whole anterior portion of the surface, is raised; the blade of the tongue being a little retracted and formed like a shallow groove, through which the air escapes without any strong pressure.

t as in French, without aspiration, especially before the vowels a and o.

taawna [da:wna] that there

tooq [do:q] a mattock

But before i, e, u, often aspirated, especially when the t is long, as in the imperative plural -itte in Northwest Greenland (= -itse in Central and South Greenland). It might be symbolized as  $\tau$ .

areq a name
nāreq the floor or bottom
rikeq forefinger
arerpoq he goes down
tärrit the lakes (nearly like [tätsit])

The articulation of t is very different from that of the English t, the tip of the tongue being stretched against the lower edge of the upper teeth. The Eskimo t, like the n, l, L, are alike in this respect, being sometimes nearly interdental.

r see t; q see c.
u like ou in French JOUR, ROUGE.
uffa there!

una he (she, it)

v between o and u stands for long u[u:]; e. g.,

kook [kvvk] river
oommannaq [v:m:an:Aq] common place-name

w is the voiced sound that corresponds to r, articulated alike, the lips hardly touching each other; but in West Greenland often so that the under lip is slightly drawn toward the upper front teeth. It differs from the English w in that the lips are



not rounded and there is no raising of the back surface of the tongue. w is the [b] of the Association phonétique internationale (Passy, l. c., § 210; Jespersen, l. c., § 125).

awaa the back part of the head sawik iron, knife

x the  $\varphi$  of the Association phonétique internationale, see under c. It stands also for the x of the Association (Passy, l. c., § 221;. Thalbitzer I, 86-87).

axxertoq (Central and South Greenland, Labrador) approaching  $\ddot{u}$  between [u] and [y] in French jour and Rue, German frith; midvowel with slight lip-rounding. Occurs especially between s, n, j, t; for example:

togosünnippoq it is sweet (to taste)
toossüt a beam of the house
nüjüittoq tame, not shy
itüippoq goes across

r is related to  $\ddot{u}$  as  $\iota$  to i, v to u.

suna [syna] what
tuttut [tyttyt] reindeer

z voiced s, occurs rarely, if ever, in the Eskimo dialects (Thalbitzer I, 209, 215).

## §3. Accent and Quantity

In the Eskimo language two or more long sounds may follow each other in a word without being shortened. Every sound of the language, whether consonant or vowel, may be short or long (geminated), apart from the fact that the voiced consonants, in case they are lengthened, become unvoiced (the nasals only excepted). The combination of the sounds being thus entirely independent of their quantity, four types of combinations are possible, and do occur (the same, e. g., as in Finnish):

- (1) Short vowel + short consonant, as in nuna LAND.
- (2) Short vowel + long consonant, as in manna This.
- (3) Long vowel + short consonant, as in maane HERE.
- (4) Long vowel + long consonant, as in maanna now.

The dynamic accent in a great many words is uncertain or only slightly differentiated. Examples are:

pania his daughter
nulia his wife
awoya toward the north
unnummat as it became night
ornippaa he comes to him

There is always a marked stress on the vowel before a long (geminated) consonant, or on a long vowel. Accordingly, all the syllables of the words just mentioned—unnummat, ornippaa—are stressed. Besides, the final syllable has a tendency to attract the stress to itself: ti'keq, pami'oq, seqi'neq, in'ut"taq, a'nina"me. Words of irregular form prove, if distinctly pronounced, to be very irregularly stressed; or the stress undulates through the syllables in varying degrees of strength, according to the psychic importance of each syllable or according to the traditional rhythmical formation of the language. But even the longest Eskimo word, in the flow of conversation, is kept together as a whole, or stamped as a unit, by means of a true word-stress concentrated on a single syllable, which in most instances will be found to be near the end of the word. In most words consisting of more than three syllables we may distinguish at least three, or even four, degrees of stress (1, weak; 2-3, middle; 4, strong); e. g.,

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8 2 1 1 4 1 3 3 1 2 1 4 3 2 2 3 1 1 1 4 1 8 4 1 1 1 2 4

Kaasasorujoyuuq allineq ajormat tiyumissaraluarloyo attamut iyitar-
3 1 8 1 1 2 4 3 1 1 4 2 3 3 3 11 4 3 3 2 1 1

paatt ilaai oqassapput ujaraayyittoq alliumaarpoq illut ayi-
4 1 8 1 1 3 1 2 1 1 4 2

sorsuit piniartunik ulikaartut.
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According to their stress, we may distinguish between two kinds of primary words or word-stems,—oxytone, having strong stress on the last syllable; and paroxytone, having stress on the penultima.

# Oxytone:

tu'peq tent
a'teq name
a'yut man, male
ti'pik smell
sa'wik knife

ti'keq forefinger a'put snow a'naa her elder brother ne'qe meat

#### Paroxytone:

'orssoq blubber
'illo house
'erneq son
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'tippik piece of the framework of a kayak 'sakko implement for hunting It is noteworthy that in the development of the language, in a great many words a shift of stress has taken place, whereby oxytones have become paroxytones, or *vice versa*. This is shown by many inflected forms and derivations in the Greenland dialect here mentioned, and also by comparison of other dialects.

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Greenland a'meg a skin
                                                                                                                                                               > plural 'ammit skins
Greenland ma'lik a wave
                                                                                                                                                                > verbal 'mallerpoq the sea is rolling
Greenland 'iLLit thou
                                                                                                                                                                < casus obl. i'linnut to thee
Greenland a'teq a name
                                                                                                                                                               = Alaska 'ātēq (Barnum 325)
                                                                                                                                                               = Alaska a'kutak mixed dish
Greenland aku'taq bastard
Greenland ilu'mut yes, truly = Alaska i'lumun (ibid. 336)
Greenland uki'og winter
                                                                                                                                                               = Alaska 'ukshuk (ibid. 372)
Greenland 'tällimät five
                                                                                                                                                               = Alaska tal' Lemän (ibid. 367)
Greenland a'taawseq one
                                                                                                                                                               = Labrador attauseq = 'attaawseq?
Labrador 'sittamat four
                                                                                                                                                               = Alaska st'amen (ibid. 365)
                                                                                                                                                                                                                      ('nătrok (ibid. 355) boot
Greenland na'teq bottom,
                                                                                                                                                               = Alaska
                                                                                                                                                                                                                    'nātŭk (ibid.) floor
                                                                                                                                                                = Caribou lake upélumi to-day
Greenland 'uwllume to-day
Greenland 'qallit the upper-
                                                                                                                                                                = Caribou lake kpalépit (superposés)
             most
                                                                                                                                         \left. egin{align*} \mathbf{ap} - \mathbf{a
 Greenland
            proaches
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## § 4. Changes of Palatal Consonants

The following instances show that shifting of consonants occur partly in connection with the shifting of stress and partly without such.

If the final syllable of a word that ends in q or k becomes penultima by the addition of a suffix, the syllable loses its stress and the consonant may assume an intervocalic position. In these cases the consonant becomes voiced, q shifting to the voiced r, and k to g, which, in turn, changes to g. The same changes of these sounds sometimes occur when the part added is not a suffix, but an independent word.

q>r. q becomes r in the plurals of many nouns; e. g.,

Singular	Plural	
ti'keq	tikerit	forefinger
'nerLeq	nerL $erit$	goose

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Mackenzie river, Petitot Vocabulaire, p. 7.

For further examples see Thalbitzer I, 245.

qa'noq how; qano'rippa how is it; qano'runna how is that; qanoro'garpa how did he say

'ern'neg son; 'ernne'ra (<erneg+a) his son

soog why; 'sooruna yes, certainly (soog una why do you ask)

ogarpog (West Greenland) he says; orarpog (East Greenland); orarpoq (Mackenzie river, Petitot, p. xxxiv, opakluartuark)

segineg (West Greenland); seriniktenga (Baffin land, Boas I)

- nege (West Greenland) meat; neriwona (West Greenland) I eat (cf. Southwest Alaska nugrhōa I eat)
- g > r. The shift g > r in the Mackenzie-river dialect is doubtful; e. g., in uwagut (Southwest Greenland) we, uwarut (?) (Mackenzie river, Petitot) wE.
- $q > \overline{q}[N]$ . This shift is found in the terminal sound of many words of the Baffin-land, Smith-sound, and Ammassalik dialects, which have their terminal sounds nasalized, whereas the other dialects keep the oral tenuis q. Also the dialect of the Mackenzie-river Eskimo bears evidence of a similar tendency, as shown by some few examples of it; e. g.,

Smith sound tuluang [tuluan] raven Central Greenland tuluwaq Baffin land sirinirn [serinin] the sun Central Greenland segineg

Mackenzie river aten [aten] a name Central Greenland ateq

 $r > \tilde{q}$ . This shift takes place in the dialect of Oommannaq fiord in North Greenland in those words in which r occurs between vowels; e. g., in-

> Oommannaq Fiord neqiwoq anoqe

Disco Bay neriwoq he eats anore wind

k>g. This shift appears in a comparison of some of the possessive and verbal endings of the Greenland and Southwest Alaska dialects.

Southwest Alaska

-ka my, I ătkūkā ătōrākā (Barnum 312), my coat I put it on (atkuk native fur coat)

 $-k\bar{u}$ ,  $-k\bar{e}$  it, them

 $atorl\bar{u}k\bar{u}$  (Barnum 312) atoryakōnākū (ibid.)

atog'luke (ibid.)

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South Greenland

-ga my, I kapitaga atoriga my coat I who use it (kapitak a kayaking coat) -go, -git it, them atorLugo he using it atoginago do not use it atorlugo he using them

 $k>\eta$ , probably through an intermediate g, is a shift well known in the Greenland grammar; e. g.,

Singular	Plural	Possessive
killik boundary	killiyit	killina its boundary
toollik loon	toolligit	
assik picture, portrait	assiy it	assiya his portrait

The older g, from which the y developed, may be traced in the long vowel in the plural of such words as mannik EGG, plural manneet, probably < mannigit (Thalbitzer I, 250).

The shifting from terminal k to y is known in many other dialects. y appears as a final sound in nearly all the dialects, excepting those of West Greenland, Labrador, and Mackenzie river; but most of the dialects that present forms with y abound in examples of other words ending in k. We get the impression that either the speakers' own pronunciation must have been somewhat fluctuating on this point, or else the recorders must have vacillated in their interpretation of the sounds heard.

Baffin land saviy; West Greenland and Labrador savi'k knife
Baffin land inuy; West Greenland and Labrador inuk man, etc.;
(y passim in Baffin land); but also—

Baffin land ixaluk (Boas IV, 47); West Greenland and Labrador eqaluk salmon

Baffin land qaxodluk (ibid. III, 127); West Greenland and Labrador qaqulluk fulmar

Baffin land kōuk (ibid. IV); West Greenland and Labrador kook river

[The differences in pronunciation in Baffin land are individual differences. In 1884 the old men from the east coast of Cumberland sound used throughout the oral stops; while women and young men used nasalized consonants. It seems that the nasalization is in this case due to an extension of the characteristic pronunciation of women to the male sex.—F. B.]

Smith Sound qopanung [qopanung] Greenland qupalu (arsu) sparrow

Smith Sound martun or maggon Point Barrow madririñ [-rin] Point Barrow ujarûñ [ujaran] Point Barrow -wiñ [win] Greenland marlluk two Greenland marloreek twins Greenland ujarak a stone Greenland -vik place (suffix)

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- For examples of forms ending in  $\eta$  from Southwest Alaska, see Barnum, "Grammatical Fundamentals," the stories passim, e.g., p. 286; but in his vocabulary, and elsewhere in his grammar, the words end in k or q.
- $q > \eta$ . In most of the dialects the fricative g is frequently used; but in the northeastern group it is regularly replaced by  $\eta$ , sometimes by  $\bar{q}$ . g is found also in Labrador and in the southern part of West Greenland, between Holstensborg and Julianehab (61°-66° N. lat.); whereas north of Holstensborg the same words are pronounced with  $\eta$  instead of g.

North of
Holstensborg
ajayaq cup and ball
naalayaq master
inippaa he throws it away
ina (ina) kettle
panina my daughter
qaqono when (in the future)

Cf. the Labrador forms ajagaq, iga, panniga, qaqugo, toogaq walrustusk

## Another example is:

South Greenland oqarrigaa he says to him; North Greenland oqarrigaa (Upernavik oqarpigaa; Ammassalik orarpeewaa)

g and w shift in the Labrador and North Greenland forms; e.g., in-

Labrador (and South Greenland)

\*\*Eulurgaq\*\*

\*\*Oowaq codfish inugaq\*\*

\*\*Inugaq\*\*

\*\*Inug

The interchange between y and g in uwaya 1, and uwagut we, may also be appropriately mentioned here. It suggests that ya in uwaya may have originated from ya, although at a very early period, since the Southwest Alaska form of this word is  $hw\bar{e}ng\bar{a}$  (Barnum 68); i. e., u'weya.

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## § 5. Changes of Dental and Latial Consonants

t > n as terminal sounds: e. g.,

West Greenland iput Baffin land ipun oar

West Greenland aput Smith sound apun snow on the

ground

West Greenland qulit Smith sound qulin ten

West Greenland quantit North Alaska quantin (Thal-

bitzer I, 225) sledge

West Greenland anut Mackenzie river anun man,

male

n takes the place of t at the end of words in all the dialects except those of Labrador and West Greenland, but including that of Smith sound, though terminal t may occur sporadically in most of the dialects. The n may have originated through the nasalization of t, corresponding with the shifting of k > n.

We see this shift in the Northwest Greenland dialect, too, in some instances:

kikkun uko who are they; soon u'ko what are they. Kikkun and soon are special forms of kikkut and soot (in the singular kina who, and suna what).

The same shift may have stamped the declension of nouns in the plural, since the suffixes in the oblique cases are added to a nominal plural stem ending in n instead of t; e. g.,

qaqqat mountains; qaqqanut to the mountains; qaqqane in, on, the mountains (but in the singular qaqqamut, qaqqame)<sup>2</sup>

p>m. This shift is of rare occurrence now in Greenland. It may occasionally take place in the relative (or genitive) juxtaposition of two nouns, the latter of which begins with a vowel (cf. Egede, "Grammar," p. 2, "B finale mutatur in M, sequente voce a vocali incipiente" [this B means p]; e. g.,

illum isertarria the entrance of the house (instead of illup)

The same shift is attested by records from other dialects; e.g.,

West Greenland aap yes; Ammassalik aam or eem in aamila, eemila yes, certainly; Cape York eem yes

<sup>[</sup>In Baffin land the old pronunciation of men was t; that of women and of younger men is n (see p. 985).—F. B.]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In some irregular plurals these suffixes, -nut -ne, really seem to be added to the full plural form; e.g., kikkut who, plural kikkunnut (<kikkutnut) TO whom, kikkunnue (<kikkutnue) IN, AT whom (plural). The above-mentioned regular endings may have been formed after the analogy of these "irregular" ones.

Southwest Alaska am'im kol'anun [amim goz . . . ] above the door (Nelson, tale from St. Michael, Norton sound, in "Eskimo of Bering Strait"); cf. Greenland ammip gulaanut above the skin

Southwest Alaska nunam of the land (Barnum, 9), cf. Greenland

[In Baffin land both p and m occur in the same way as  $r > \tilde{q}$ ,  $R > \eta$ , t > n, are found. See p. 985, and note 1, p. 987.—F. B.]

#### m > w or w.

Labrador imnag Gr. iwnnaq steep declivity

Gr. taawna that one Baffin land taimna

Baffin land imna (Boas II, 348) Gr. ivna that

Baffin land uvamnule but to me Gr. uvamnut to me

(ibid.)

North Alaska uûmnun [uamnun] Gr. uwawnnut to me

(Ray 56)

Southwest Alaska kūmlŏk Gr. kuw Llog thumb

Gr. pinawkkit I have thee Southwest Alaska pēkāmkin mine thou art

#### p(f)>w or w.

Greenland (Egede, 1750) iblit Gr. (1900) 'iLLit thou Gr. (1900) i'liwsse you Greenland (Egede, 1750) illipse Labrador (nowadays) igvit Gr. (1900) *illit* thou

Labrador uibvak Gr. (1900) u'i FF aq a fern

Baffin land taipkoa Gr. taawkoa those Mackenzie river tapkoa

North Alaska kablun  $\left\{ \operatorname{Gr.} \left\{ egin{array}{l} rac{q \dot{oldsymbol{a}}^{oldsymbol{w}} oldsymbol{L} oldsymbol{u} t}{q \dot{oldsymbol{a}} oldsymbol{L} oldsymbol{u} t} 
ight\}$ eyebro**w** 1750) kablo Greenland (Egede,

Greenland (Egede, 1750) kablunak Gr. qallunaaq European

Southwest Alaska kafchin [qarcin] Gr. qawssit how many

Southwest Alaska 'chupplu Gr. suvllog tube

Southwest Alaska 'aprūn main Gr. awqqut or arqqut pathway

trail, regular passage Mackenzie river (coast of Hudson Gr. niwiarsiaq girl

bay) nippiakkiak

## § 6. Shifting of Voiced and Voiceless Fricatives

It is a characteristic feature of the Greenland language, and probably of the Eskimo language as a whole, that no voiced consonant occurs which is long (geminated), with the sole exception of the nasal consonants, m (ammit skins), n (anney the greatest one), n (innik TOP OF A MOUNTAIN), N (ONNA ARMPIT). The other voiced consonants of the language (w, l, j, g, r) are always short, and are found only between weak (unstressed) syllables or in the transition from a weak to a strongly stressed syllable. If the weak syllable has the stress owing to derivation or inflection of the word, the fricative consonant becomes unvoiced and long; e. g.,

#### r > RR.

West Greenland ma'ralluk Greenland 'marraq clay morass, swamp

West Greenland neri'woq eats

West Greenland taaq darkness, shadow

Mackenzie OMBRE

Southwest Alaska a'riftaka I quarrel with him

Greenland 'nerriwik eatingplace (table, etc.)

Greenland 'tarray shadow, reflection

'arriwoq hastens
'arrappoq flies into
a passion

#### g > XX.

Southwest Greenland ni'gaq a

Southwest Greenland i'ga a

Southwest Greenland ni'geq south wind

Mackenzie river  $niye\rho k$  east wind

West Greenland 'nixxät snares (plural)

West Greenland 'ixxawik pot-place (kitchen, etc.)

West Greenland 'nixxerpog it is south wind

#### l > LL.

West Greenland a'log a sole

West Greenland il'inne at, West Greenland 'illit thou by thee

West Greenland (plural)

#### w > FF

West i'wik Greenland blade of) grass

West Greenland awa north

West Greenland a'wippaa divides it in two pieces avitoak Mackenzie river DIVORCER

West Greenland (plural)

West Greenland 'arra there in the north

West Greenland 'arrag the half part

Mackenzie River

j>s. In the evolution of the Greenland group of dialects the shift j>s appears to have been of special importance. In a great many words the dialects west of Davis strait have j, which has grown into voiceless s in Greenland.

Greenland

Labrador

(?) (?)	puije <b>an</b> gmajet	puise ammas	sät	seal capelans
$\left. egin{array}{l} iyik \ ( ext{pl.} \ iyit) \  ext{or} \ iyi ho k \end{array}  ight.  ight.$	iije (or ijje)	i'se (pl.	i'sit)	eye
nuvûya, pl. } nuvûyat	$egin{aligned} nuvuja, &  ext{pl.} \ nuvujet \end{aligned}$	'nu <b>i</b> a ( <sub>]</sub>	pl. <i>nu'issä</i>	t) cloud
$k ho\acute{e}yuk$	qejuk	qi'suk		$\mathbf{wood}$
mikiyo ho k	mikijoq	mikiso	oq	little
c(cc) > ss.				
Mackenzie River	Labrador		Green	and
tam <b>ad</b> ja or madjia	tamadja (B	ourguin	tamassa	here it is
$[\mathit{mac:a}]$ VRAIMENCERTAINEMENT	хт, § 192) her	e it is	$egin{array}{c} massa &  ext{h} \\  ext{wit} \end{array}$	ere is; to
k ho a ho io ho k flêche	<i>kargjok</i> arro	w	qarsoq a	rrow
ugiuk = ogjink [oc. PHOQUE	uk] ugjuk seal		ussuk se barbat	eal ( <i>Phoca</i> a)
itjek [ic:ek] froid	itje frost		isse fros	t, cold
todžiapk [to:c:aq]	] tootjaq bean	1	toossaq house	beam of a
(?) $-tua\rho k$ (verbal ending) (?) $-yua\rho k$	-djuaq big,	great	<i>-88uaq</i> b	ig, great
1 > 8.				

p > s. p > ts.

North Alaska (Ray)	Mackenzie River	
	tçitamat [şitamat]	four
	tçuna [şuna]	what
nutjä [nu‡:ä]	nutget or nudjiat	hair
netyä	natçepk or nad jèpk	seal (Phoca vitulina)
naityuä	naïtopk (FIN)	short
akityuä	a ho ito ho k	$\mathbf{soft}$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The original sound may still be traced in some words of the dialects of Ammassalik (kijcarma I ALONE; -kajik [suffix] BAD) and of Smith sound (Thalbitzer I, 192, 215).

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Labrador	Northwest Greenland	Central and South- ern Greenland	
sittamat	sisamat	sis amat	four
su'na	'sun <b>a</b>	'suna	what
nutset	$nutt \ddot{a}t$	nutsä $t$	hair
netseq	$n\ddot{a}tteq$	$n\ddot{a}tseq$	seal (Phoca vitulina)
naitok	$naa^ittoq$	$naa^itsoq$	${f short}$
akkitok	aqittoq	aqitsoq	$\mathbf{soft}$

In Southwest Alaska the j seems to have changed to s, too, in some few words; e. g.,

Southwest Alaska

'ukšuk winter <\*[ukjuk]?

nešqoq head <\*[näjqoq]?

Mackenzie River

'kashprůk (Barnum 341) waterproof shirt

kashbruk (Schultze) stormcoat <\*(kaj<sup>F</sup>rak]

## § 7. Shifting of Voiceless Fricatives and Stopped Consonants

The R, X, and F do not exist in the dialects of Upernavik, Smith sound, and Ammassalik. In this "northeastern group" these sounds are replaced by q, k, and p. In addition to this, the Ammassalik dialect has even carried this shifting of open and stopped consonants through in changing L to t (Thalbitzer I, 202).

Central and South- west Greenland	Upernavik	Ammassalik	
R-q.	•		
arreetumik	aqqeesumik	_	slowly
errorlo <b>y</b> o	eqqor10 <b>y</b> 0	$eqqert\"ino$	washing it
<i>X-k</i> .			
naaxxa	naakka	-	no
axxerpoq	akkerpoq	$akkerpo ilde{q}$	approaches
säxxaq	$s\dot{a}kkaq$	säkkaq̃	a thin-haired skin
F-p.			
sar Faq	sarpaq	$sarpa ilde{q}$	current
ar Fäq	arpäq	arpäq	whale
oqarriyaa	oqarpiyaa	oq arpeewaa	he says to him
<b>L-t.</b>			
innertune	-	i <b>yy</b> ertïne	singing
$i_{LLua}$	-	ittiwa	his house
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The following words of the Baffin-land and Labrador dialects may be compared with those just mentioned:

North Labrador naawkak (South: aukak)=Upernavik naakka no Labrador magguk [marruk] Bourquin § 6=Smith sound maqqon = Central West Greenland marruk two

Baffin land itirbing [itirpiy] Boas I, 660=Ammassalik iserpik= West Greenland iserfik entrance-place

Baffin land majoartune, ingertune Boas II = Ammassalik -tine (verbal ending) = West Greenland -Lune

#### $\S$ 8. The Greenlandic s Sounds

The Greenlandic s (ss) sounds may be traced to different sources. Some have originated from j, others from c, and others again from t. ss[s:] has in many cases originated from a consonant j (voiced or voiceless?).

Greenland	Labrador	Mackenzie River	Alaska
s < t.			
${m sisamat}$	sittamat	tc $i$ ta $m$ at $[ci]$	stamen four
sisit	sitte lair of a fox	tchiti [citi] ANTRE	_
iserpoq	itterpoq	itertoapk he enters	it in with me
ss < tj $[c]$ .			·
timmissät	timmitjät	(sing. $tinmia \rho k$ )	(sing. tingmēīyāk [tīm : i'aajaq]) bird
s <ts[4].< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td></ts[4].<>			
apersoot	appertsuk	?atepktçiôn	('apprun) question
ss[s:] < k.j,	g.j.		
nässuk	nakjuk antler	nagiuk or nakd- jiuk[nac:uk]	(?= <i>něshkŏk</i> head [Barnum 355] cf. §6)
sissaq	sigjak shore	tçigd jaρk rivage	<del>-</del>
wss< pj, wj.			
$ti^wssarluk$	<i>tipjarluk</i> driftwood	_	_
ss < rc.			
$issaa^{i}k$	iggak[ixxa:k snow-goggle	] (itçipapk LU- es NETTES)	('ikchāun [irca:wn] medicine for the eyes)
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The shift t>s may be observed in those grammatical forms, in which a suffix the usual initial of which is t has to be added after a word ending in i, since t between two i's will change to s; e. g., in the optative takulisit would be would see you, <\*-li-tit but takulittit would they would see you, <-li-tit. Likewise in takonamisit as he saw you (cf. takonamittit as they saw you).

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aawLaaisit your gun, the guns (<aawLaait a gun)
ilLuisiyut through his houses (<ilLuatiyut through his house)
kamisit = kamitit (both in use) your boots
-sippaa = -tippaa (verbal suffix, causative)
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The shift j>s has left few traces only in the Greenland grammar; e. g., in the inflection of some few nouns.

kana'joq, plural ka'nassut (<\*kanajjut) a sea-scorpion qarajaq, locative qarasame (place-name in Oommannaq fiord) piyasut three, plural <\*piyajoq (cf. piyajuat the third, etc.) (Thalbitzer I, 177)

# § 9. Shifting of Consonants with Change of Place of Articulation

The shifts mentioned in the preceding sections are all alike, in that the place of articulation does not change. The following examples of shift are chiefly due to a shifting of the place of articulation:

k-	a.	
••	·,	

. •			
Labrador	Mackenzie River	Greenland	
qikkertaq	k ho i ke ho kta ho k	qe'qerttaq	island
nellunaikutaq	nélunaykutaρk (SIG- NAL)	<i>nålunaarq</i> mark	utaq a
<b>e</b> rqerqoq	$k\rho ike\rho tk ho  ho k=\acute{e}k ka\"{i}kok$ coast of	<i>e'qe</i> rqoq finger	fourth
	Hudson bay)	•	

The latter word may be compared with the Alaska forms of the same word, northern Alaska yiūkutko (Ray), northwest Alaska etitkook (Wells and Kelly), southwest Alaska ikkilthkōk (Barnum) [ik:izqoq], cf. Thalbitzer I, 263.

The same shift may be observed by a comparison of the West Greenland tegergog A corner of A House, and the East Greenland ti'kergoq.

These differences are probably due to analogy, and not to successive shiftings of the parts of articulation. The same is true of the examples

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of this shift in the Greenland language, where it appears in double forms of words, like nuerloq=nuerluk, etc. (Thalbitzer I, 176).

	Labrador	East Greenland	West Greenland	
wF = X	•			
	ubva	uppa	uxxa or uffa	$\mathbf{perhaps}$
		Mackenzie River		
$XF_{-w}$	88.			
	nagvârpog	nadjuva  ho to  ho k	nåvssaarpoq	finds, invents
	$[nax_{Fa}:r-]$		` -	something
wX-F	•			
	kivgak	kivya ho k	$ki^{m{w}}$ FF $aq$	a servant
g- $w$ .	As for this s	shift, see § 4.		

## § 10. Vocalic Shifts

The shifting of o > e, u > i, is one of the principal differences between the dialects of West and East Greenland (Thalbitzer I, 196 et seq). Likewise many words of the western dialects, as spelled by the different recorders, bear evidence of vocalic changes of no less importance. In Alaska we often find u in the base of the word, corresponding to i or e in Greenland.

East Greenland	
atteqin	jaw-bones
sikin	sea-ice
martik	two
$att \ddot{a}tt ee  ilde{q}$	a seal
$nane ilde{q}$	a bear
West Greenland	
nipe	voice
tipe	$\mathbf{smell}$
$ti^{w}sinak$	fun
neri'suppoŋa	I want to eat
	it glitters
	it heals
? crisaag or	waterproof boots
ki'liffaq	the mammoth
	atteqin sikin martik attättee  nane  west Greenland  nipe tipe tiwsinak  neri'suppoya qiwllertoq mamippoq l crisaag or ermalisag

<sup>1 =</sup> Baffin land irmadlin a piece of skin used to lay in the bottom of a kayak.

11-i.

a-i, e.		
West Greenland	East Greenland	. •
imanna	iminna	thus
aap ila	{aamila} {eemila}	yes, certainly
$aa^{w} yooq$	eennooq	yes is said
Baffin Land	E	ast Greenland
aqaarpoq he says no¹		eerqe no
Southwest Alaska	West Greenland	
a- $i$ .		
$a'm$ ănă $k$ or $mar{u}k$	i = i'muk	milk
<b>u-e.</b>		
$m\bar{u}k$ or $moq$	i'meq	water
$nar{a}tuk$	na'teq	floor
$nar{e}guk$	ni'geq	north
'livruk	ili'veq	grave
$'kin \check{o}k$	iki'neq	fire
'kănŭ <b>k</b>	qa'neq	mouth
uj-ui.		
Mackenzie River	Labrador G	r <b>e</b> enland
nuvûya (pl. nuv <b>û</b> -	nuvuja (pl. $nu$ -	nuia (pl. nu'issät)
yat)	$vuj\ddot{a}t)$	cloud
iw-uj.		
ivalok (pl. ivalut)	ivalo (pl. ivaluit)	<i>ujalo</i> or <i>ujaloq</i> sinew
•	ivalo (pl. ivaluit)	• . • •

Vowel changes like those here mentioned have left distinct traces in many derivatives of the present Greenlandic language; e. g., a-i.

aawsaq summer
upernaaq spring
illuwtta our house's
ernerata of his son

aawsi-wik summer-place uperni-wik spring-place illuwttigut through our house erneratigut through his son

u-i.

aput snow on the ground

ernutaq grandchild

ikumawoq is on fire, burns kapuiwoq is one who stabs itu'ippoq goes over land, crosses over the ice iliwaa lays it (or him) down apiwoq (the ground) is covered with snow

erniwoq gives birth to a child erneq son

iki-ppaa sets it on fire kapiwaa stabs him

 $i'ti^w$ LLeq place where one crosses

iliweq or iluweq a grave

The same sounds are used vicariously in several words in West Greenland.

a-i.

kamik and kamak boot (kammikka = kammakka my boots)

u-i.

kaluwssarpoq = kaliwssarpoq pulls and jerks in order to advance isuwtterpaa = isiwtterpaa unfolds or stretches it out qappiorpoq = qappuarpoq foams, froths; chatters incessantly

#### § 11. Mutation

Thus far I have treated the established vowel-shifts belonging to older periods of the language. In addition to these, there is a steady tendency to produce certain slight shiftings of the vowels, in order to accommodate them to the following sounds. This is the Greenlandic (or probably general Eskimo) form of mutation. There are two classes of mutation, based on the same principle as the bipartition of the vowel system:

$$a > \ddot{a}$$
  $(\dot{a})$ 
 $e > i$ 
 $o > u$ 
 $u > \ddot{u}$   $(r)$ 
 $a > A$ 
 $i, e > E$   $(\varepsilon)$ 
 $o, u > o$   $(\mathfrak{d})$ 

## Examples:

 $a > \tilde{a}$ .

nä'saa his hood
arnaa his woman (mother)
tä'seq lake
sapiwaa to dike, dam
awa'taq a sealing bladder
uwana I

nä'sät pl.
arnät women
'tätts'it pl.
säwssät a dike, dam
a'wattät pl.
u'wäwttut as I u'wäwnne at me

 $a > \dot{a}$ .

a'torpa is it used sisà'maat the fourth qu'laane above it a'torpat are they used 'sisamat four qu'lanne above them

e>i.

puise seal tupeq tent sule yet taleq arm § 11 puisit pl.
tupine his (own) tent
sulilo and yet
talia his arm



o>u.

alua his sole 'arrut soles a'log sole illua his house ittut houses illo house a'torput they are used

a'torpoq it is used

 $u > \ddot{u}$ .

nuju'arpog (a dog) is shy nüjüittog not shy, tame a'jüssüsee how bad it is aju-bad, useless

A shifting in the vowels produced by the intrusion of a following uvular consonant may be termed uvular mutation. result of this juxtaposition of a vowel + r, q, or R is the uvularization by which the vowel changes according to the scheme just mentioned. The uvularized vowels are symbolized in ordinary transcription as ar (aq, aR), er (eq, eR), or (oq, OR). vowel and the consonant in reality make up a phonetic unit. The vowel is pronounced with uvular friction, while an enlargement of the innermost part of the mouth-chamber takes place (cf. § 2 under q and r). The vowels which are affected in this way have a remarkable hollow and grating sound; in case of o and e it is occasionally somewhat like  $\ddot{o}$  on account of the rounding in the posterior part of the mouth. An e between two n's and an e between two r's are acoustically widely different sounds.

a > A.

nåsaa his hood; nåsag a hood arnaa his woman (mother); arnaq [Arn:Aq] woman; arnara [Arn:Ara] my mother qarssaaq [qars:a:q] a loom; pl. qarsaa<sup>t</sup>t [qars:aat] qaqqame [qaq:ame] on, in, the mountain; qaqqaq [qaq:aq] a mountain

e > E.

amia or amee his (its) skin; ameq [a'meq] a skin e'qe=e'qeq [eqEq] corner; eqia his corner of the mouth neriwoq eats; nere'reerpoq [nərə're:rpoq] has finished eating ernikka my sons; ernera [ErnEra] my son; erneq [Eq] a son; erne [*Erne*] his (own) son

o > 0.

niaqua his head; niaqoq [niaqoq] a head nano = nanoq a bear illo a house; illorssuaq [il:ors:uAq] a big house Kaasasuk (name)+rujuk+nuaq: Kaasasorujonuaq the little poor wretched Kaasasuk

#### § 12. Retrogressive Uvularization

Retrogressive uvularization is the name of a phonetic tendency toward uvular anticipation,1 which may have begun in the earliest history of the language, since it can be traced in all dialects. transforming activity has asserted itself at different stages in the development of the language, and has penetrated the eastern dialects in a far higher degree than those of the west. It shows itself in the present state of the Eskimo language, in that many words in the Greenland and Labrador dialects have ar, er, or (uvularized vowels), when the western and partly also the central dialects have retained the original sounds, a, i, u. In the majority of cases this change may probably be traced back to a shift of the word-stress whereby the vowel of the syllable that lost its stress has in the course of time disappeared. By this contraction of the word, two consonants have come into contact, and either have been assimilated or have shifted places (cf. Alaska nimra<sup>2</sup> and Greenland nerma HIS [ITS] BINDING, both formed from nimeq + suffix a, HIS, ITS). The Alaska form suggests that the r of nerma may be explained as the final uvular of nimeq, shifted to r; and this supposition is strongly supported by the fact that the Mackenzie-river dialect (cf. the vocabulary of Petitot), and the dialects west of Hudson bay, contain some transitional forms stressed in the original manner; e. g., atépeit [a'tereet], the plural of  $at\acute{e}\tilde{n}$  [a'te $\tilde{q}$ ] name, regularly formed, likewise  $at\acute{e}\rho a$  my name (in Alaska atqa, in Greenland arqa). A metathesis of the consonants has taken place in the Greenland markuk two, which may be compared with Alaska malruk and Mackenzie-river malarok. On account of the assimilation or metathesis of the consonants, the uvular consonant which belonged originally to the suffix or final part of the word has been displaced, and is now found in the middle of the word in the forms east of Hudson bay. In most of the eastern dialects the preceding vowel has thus been uvularized: nirma has become nerma, qitqa its middle (Mackenzie river) has become qerqa (through \*qiqqa). Intermediate forms are found in the Baffin-land dialect (iq, ir; uq, ur; etc.); but in some instances the assimilation of the consonants (rL) has been carried further, in the dialects of Labrador and Baffin land (Smith sound), than in West Greenland.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The uvular position of the palate, which originally belonged to the end of the word, is anticipated in the base of the word (Thalbitzer I, 241-242).

Ray nimxa THE LASHING OF THE HARPOON-SHAFT.

#### Examples: 1

West Eskimo

East Eskimo (Greenland and Labrador)

#### alr, aLr>arl, arL.

malruk (Barnum) two

marluk (Gr.) two; marruk (Lab.)

alpâné (Petitot Vocab. LXII) JADIS

alththrāku [alra:ko] (Barnum) next year

num) it is straight

kătlrāă [kalra:] (Barnum 342)

katlcha (Schultze 66) white

arlaane (Gr.) in the other one; arraane (Lab.) last year

 $n\delta lthkirt\delta k$  [nalqirtoq] (Bar-narluwoq (Gr.) it is straight; (u>i)see § 10)

naxxowoq (Erdman: naggovok) (Lab.) it is straight ga'gortog (Gr.) white

garsortog (Gr.) bleached

#### elr > erL.

amelrartut (S. Al. Woldt-Jacobsen 328) amalleraktok (N. Al. Woldt-Jacobsen 328) many amthlerrūt (Barnum 75) many naklrit (Rink II, 83, no. 21) nokdleret (Schultze 55); kdl = [L] or [rL]? něgalek (Ray 55) goose-town

amerlasoot (Gr.) many ameriagaawt (Gr.) they are many

nerleq, pl. nerlerit goose

## ulr, uLr>orL.

kulthkrvēt (Barnum 348) [quiquoit] the shelves in native houses kulva'raka (Barnum) I put it up high [qulwaraka]

qorlor- e. g., in qorlorpoq (Gr.) water falling or streaming down

 $qullar terpaa (<*qu^w llar-)^2 (Gr.)$ lifts it up in the air

a'tulrāa (Barnum 327), verbal form < atoqtoa I sing, use, wear, etc.

\*atorl-, e. g., atorlune using

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The abbreviations Al., C., Gr., Lab., M., stand respectively for Alaska, Coast of Hudson bay, Greenland, Labrador, Mackenzie river.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Perhaps the same word as Lab. kugvartipa LIFTS UP IN HIS TROUSERS, etc., which becomes more evident by comparison with Gr. qallerpaa covers it (=Lab. kagvirtipa [Thalbitzer I, 230]=Al. kalvaqtaka [l. c., 231; Barnum 339]).

West Eskimo

enr, emr, eyr>ern, erm, ery,
openrak (Rink) spring-time
openachkāk (Schultze 43)
'up'naqkak (Barnum 373)
pēnrūk socks woven from
grass (Barnum)
chāwīnarātuk (Barnum) it is

chapingrātok (Barnum) it is nothing, it is not an actual thing

ingrik (Barnum) mountain

pe'ninra (Barnum 67) the stronger, its stronger one

'ēnrū (Barnum) a talisman, a charm

nimra [nimra] (Ray) its lashing, band

#### unr > orn.

un'kā[unra](Barnum) his armpit katunra (Barnum) son tungra (Barnum) a spirit kinggnunra (Barnum) that or those behind kiñunupa (Petitot)

sr > rs, gr(cr) > \*rj > rs > ss.

az'rācharak (Barnum 327) adultery

dzhrāugna PECCARE CONTRA VI

ezrekoak (Wells a. Kelly) frost-bite

katzrak(Woldt-Jacobsen)white egra (Wells a. Kelly) (my?)
eye

ēqka [ijirka] (Barnum) my eyes (iqka my eye)

nazruk (Wells a. Kelly) abdomen

kug'ru (Wells a. Kelly) a swan ug'ru (Wells a. Kelly) bearded seal

· iggru (Wells a. Kelly) testicles § 12 East Eskimo (Greenland and Labrador)

u'pernaaq (Gr.) spring-time

pinne (Gr.) straw that is pergit (Lab.) stuck in the boots saperna- (Gr.) it is impossible (to do)

innik (Gr.) top of a mountain pinmak (Gr.) skilled through practice
 pimariovok, pimmariuterpok (Lab.) thinks he is a strong man aarnuaq (Gr.) charm, amulet aar < eer?</li>
 nerma (Gr.) its band, lashing

orna (Gr.) his arm-pit

qitornaq (Gr.) child toornaq (Gr.) a spirit

kiyorna (Gr.) after that

arssaarpaa (Gr.) deprives him violently of something, robs

irsekau (Gr. Egede, 1750)
issequawq (Gr. now) it is strong
cold

qarsortoq (Gr.) bleached irse (Gr. Egede, 1750) eye

| (<\**irje*) |*isse* (Gr. now) eye; *i'sikka* my | eyes

nássät (Gr.) abdomen (<\* arjät)

qussuk (Gr.) a swan (<\*qurjuk)
ussuk (Gr.) seal (<\*urjuk)

issuk (Gr.) testicles (<\*irjuk)

Here I may mention an Alaska word, part of which is apparently influenced by retrogressive uvularization: ir'shnīnhrāt (Barnum 337) MOUNTAIN SPIRITS is the same word as Gr. isserqat (<\*irsininqat?), singular isseraq, spelled by Egede (1750) irserak. The same is true of the Al. 'kākrlok (Barnum) Throat, 'kāchluk (Schultze) LIP=Gr. qarloq LIP.

tq, Lq, sq > rq.

Alaska	Mackenzie River (Petitot)	Baffin Land (Boas)	Labrador (Bourquin)	Greenland
atkra (Woldt- Jacobsen) atra (Barnum) his name			arqa	arqa his
nătrok (Bar- num)	natkpo FOND DU BARK	,	(netteq, nat-	narqa floor, bottom
mittqon (N. Al., Woldt-Jacob- sen) minqon (S. Al., Woldt-Jacob- sen) needle	metk  ho on	miqun	merqut	merqut needle
senj needie	mitkpopk POIL	miqung	merqoq	merqoq hair of animals
<ul> <li>ikkilthkok [ik:</li> <li>iLqoq] (Barnum)</li> <li>ekkitkaurak</li> <li>(Woldt-Jacobsen) the little finger</li> </ul>	ekkaïkok (C.) kpikeptkpopk (M.)	ixiqoq	erqerqoq	eqerqoq the little fing <b>e</b> r
'ikqua (Schultze) the end	(itçuk fin)	iqoa	erqua	erqua the back end of it
$(kar{v}'ka [ ext{Barnum}] \  ext{middle})$	kpitkpa milieu	*qiqa	qerq <b>a</b>	qerqa the middle of it
?irk'klū (Bar- num) evil	<i>eρklo</i> intestin	iqawik	erchavik	erLawik in- testines
'guluk (Schultze) intestines	}		[eR:awik]	erloq rectum
('iqta [Barnum] his den)	(itchuk Angle)	iqe	erqe	eqe, eqeq corner  ner  § 12

Alaska	Mackenzie River (Petitot)	Baffin Land (Boas)	Labrador (Bourquin)	Greenland
akkizhzhigi $k$		axi'girn	aqigeq	a'qisseq
[ao:is:igiq]		$[a_Ri'xi ilde{q}]$		ptarmigan
(Barnum)				
ptarmigan				
<b>'chis</b> kōkā [cisyo-	tchitkpopk	si'yoq	seerqoq	seergog knee
ka] (Barnum)	GENOU			
my knee	J			
'ōkŏk [oq:oq	]]opktçok	uxsuq	or880q	orssog blub-
blubber	GRA8	[ursuq]	-	ber
uskogtogtākā	ĺ	uqsirn	orsseq	orsseq bone
(Barnum) 1		•	•	ring for
hold him with	1			fastening
a cord (dog,	}			thetraces
etc.)				(sledge-
	J			$\mathbf{dog}$ )
my knee 'ōkŏk [oq:oq] blubber uskoqtoqtākā (Barnum) l hold him with a cord (dog,	]]opktçok } gras	-	•	ber  orsseq bone ring for fastening the traces (sledge-

The importance of retrogressive uvularization in the evolution of the Eskimo language is evident. Indeed, this phonetic process has deeply impressed itself on the morphology of the eastern dialects, the vocabulary as well as the grammar. The following sections, treating of the general grammatical features of the language, contain many examples of inflectional forms, that may be understood only when we bear this fact in mind.

Retrogressive uvularization is one of the most influential forces of transformation, due to the change of the word-stress mentioned in § 3.

# CLASSES OF WORDS, BASE AND STEM (§§13-16)

# § 13. General Remarks on the Structure of the Eskimo Language

The structure of the Eskimo language is of a highly synthetic character, which apparently testifies to a typical tendency of the Eskimo mind to concentrate and condense its notions into as few word-complexes, or units of speech, as possible. Therefore a single Eskimo word may represent a whole sentence as compared with our usual mode of expression; e. g.—

anerquwaatit he (a) begs (quwa) you (tit) to go out (aner) aneiaarqerquwaatit he begs you again (qer) to go out early (iaar)

As a rule, such an Eskimo word or word-sentence can be analyzed and divided into an initial base-word (aner to go out), one or several § 13

middle suffixes (iaar, qer, quwa), and a final element (atit). In this chapter we shall consider only the final elements, which are the proper inflectional forms and represent the most important, because the most frequently used, grammatical elements of the language.

#### § 14. Base and Stem

Most words of the Eskimo language have two or several inflectional stems. The shortest stem is often identical with the base, and may be an obsolete stem. The base, from this point of view, is the primary stem, or the smallest number of sounds of which the word can consist, without losing its close resemblance to the actual forms of the word; we will call this the BASE OF DERIVATION.

The inflectional stem, or stems, are the secondary or expanded stems, which have originated in the history of the language, owing partly to suffixation and partly to phonetic changes in the bases of the word.

In the dialects of West Greenland (the northernmost at Smith sound excepted), all words end either in one of the vowels a, e, o, or in one of the consonants p, t, k, q. Of these sounds, only final p is confined to a certain class of words (viz., nouns), whereas the other final sounds are common to all classes of words. Words that end in a, e, or o, or in q, whether nouns or verbs, are always singular forms; k is the dual character, t the plural character; but there are nouns that end in k or t in the singular; e. g., inuk A MAN, AN ESKIMO; sannat TOOL.

In studying the bases of Eskimo words we shall soon see that several of them end in other sounds than we are accustomed to find in actual words of modern Eskimo; e. g., in i, u, or l (l) (see § 15). The Eskimo bases are either monosyllabic or bisyllabic; the stems appear to be bases widened by one or two sounds, and sometimes also affected by change of stress. From this point of view, the bases are hypothetical forms, secondary as compared with the words of the modern language; i. e., they have been reconstructed from these words for purposes of comparison. They are the explanatory connecting-links between related modern words, which may often be found to be very dissimilar.

On the other hand, if bases of this language occur which may end in other sounds than those nowadays found as the terminations of modern words, we are not bound to think that they end thus merely



because they have been artificially obtained by analyses, nor that such endings have never existed. There may have been a period in the development of the Eskimo language when the words occurred in forms different from any words that exist now.

§ 15. Examples of Bases and Stems 1

Bases	Derivative stems			
Vocalic or conso- nantal.	Stage I (a, c, o).	Stage II (k, l, p).	Stage III	Stage IV.
*/ciu Al. chēū front, bow of a boat	*ciua	*ci'uk, ci'ul Al. ch?'ūtika my ear Gr. siut ear	*ciuaq	*cior
M. tcivulepk the first, foremost Gr. siua, syua bow of a boat	syuaq front	Gr. si'ulleq fore-	syuarpoq is be-	syoraq front
*/kui Gr. kuiwaa pours it Al. kwiq river=Gr. kook <*kuik	LOGII	*kuik (>kv:k) Gr. kooppoq streams down Al. 'kwegum of the river	*kooq kooroq valley = M. kopkinepk	
*ayu  Al. 'agnān man, male  Gr. ay'ut, man, male  Gr. ayuwoq pursues, hunts		*a"yut Al. a'@aütfak stag big buck		(*ayute, *ayuteq (*ayuta ayuti the men ayutaa his father ayuterput our father
*ca(*ca?)	*caa-*cao Gr. saa its front Al.'chāōki*k the first, foremost Al. chāōkakā the one before me	*cak *cak *äLLeq < *sakleq the Front-most, foremost		*caak Gr. saappoq turns front saappaa turns to, speaks to
*ca-*can Al. chd what thing? Al. 'chdpik an actual thing	*cana Al. chd'ndsün knife Gr. sånawoq cuts, works	*canri >sanni  Al. chān'rčinök nothing  Al. chān'rilgnök a thing of no value	sanneq	
Al. chảnok a thing		Gr. sánnit dust (sanik a mote of dust) <sup>2</sup>	'sannerpaa soils it with dust (sa'nerpaa cleans it of dust) *	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The abbreviations Al., Gr., Lab., M., stand throughout for Alaska, Greenland, Labrador, and Mackenzie river, respectively.

<sup>\*</sup>sanik thus appears to be a derivative of the plural collective sannit.

<sup>\*</sup>sanerpaa may have been formed after the analogy of i'maaerpaa to empty (take [the content] [ima] AWAY), cf. immerpaa fills it (with ima).

Bases		Derivati	ve stems	
Vocalic or consonantal	Stage I (a, e, o)	Stage II (k, l, p)	Stage III	Stage IV
*'cane Gr. sania its side Gr. sanimut side-		*sa'nik  Gr. sani'yerpaa takes place at his side  Al. chăn'n'kă my	*sanneq sannerpoq turns athwart of it 1	
wards, athwart		nearness, vi-	chd'nirqnük cross- way	
*qul	*qula_*qule		*qulq >*qorL	*qulva >*quvla
Al. 'kūlmd my elevation  Gr. qulleq the uppermost	Al. 'kūlā straight up above Al. kū'lēnē up		Al. qhlūlrād a waterfall Al. kūqtōq it is high	Al. qulvaraka I put it up high
Gr. qummut <*qul- mut upwards, up	Gr. quiaaneabove it Gr. quiequi upper appurtenance		Gr. qorLortoq wateriali	Gr. qullarpara I lift it, elevate it
*at (or alj) Gr.alleq nethermost	*ata-atje Gr. ataa under it		*alq, *aleq Al. äträgtöä I come down	*arq (Gr.) Gr. arqarpoŋa I descend
Gr. ammut < atmut downwards	Al. a'chē below Al. a'chēānē un- der it		Gr. a'terpoya I go down	Gr. arquppara I bring it down
Al.?ammd'kāutākā I throw it down	Al. achimnē un- der me			
*tim Gr. time body; in-	*tima-*time  timaane in the inland	*timak  Al. t'māthlūk  dried fish	*timeq Gr.timcrLcq near- est to the in-	
Gr. timmut land- wards (on the sea) Al. i'mā torso, body	timia his body		land	
*aw	*awa-*awo	*awat or *awak		*awata
Gr. awnna < *awna he in the north	Gr. 'awane in the north	Gr.awammutout- wards		Gr. awataaneout- side of it
Gr. affa < *awfa there in the north	Gr.awoya to the north	Gr. awaLLeq out- ermost		Gr. awataq, in pl. Gr. awattät blad-
	Al. a'wānē over there some- where	Gr. awaŋŋa from the north		der²
	Al. a'wāvātover there	Gr. awannaq north wind		
(*u)?-*uw (or uwx)?	*uwa-*uwo, *uwXo	i		
Gr. una he there Lab. uFFa or uXXa there Lab. ubva perhaps Al. ūnā he	Gr. uwane there; ooya < *uwo- ya (?) to there; ooma < *uwo- ma (?) of him there; uwxoo- na through there	u'wayya from there		
	Al 'hwānē here; hwākān from here			

<sup>1</sup> Gr. sannerut a crossbar.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>awataq means properly something that has its place outside; i. e., on the deck of the kayak.

Bases	Derivative stems			
Vocalic or conso- nantal	Stage I (a, e, o)	Stage II (k, t, p)	Stage III	Stage IV
	*uwa-*uwe	*uwap or *uwat or *uwak		
	Gr. uwana I; uwanut we	Gr. u'wännut to		
	Al. hương 1; hwankūla we Al. hưở 1; hườn- gà of me	Gr. u'wätta of our Al. 'hwang'năn to me		
*ta-tax(?)	*taa-*tao			*laoso
Lab.tagva<*taxFa? then	Lab. tiva < *tao- ru then, so it was			Gr. taawsuma of him there
Lab. tagga [tax:a] there it is	Gr. taawa so it			
	Gr. taawna< *taona he there			
*tatj	*tätja=*tätjo		*tätjak	
Gr. tässa	Gr. tässa it is –, it is enough		tässanna from there	
	Gr. tässane there; tässoo- na through there			
*ma	*maa-mao		*maak	
Al. mäntök it is here	Gr. maane here		maanna from	
Al. mdhūn hence by this way (cf. Gr. maona through here)	Gr. maawna< maona through here		maanna< *ma- ukna now, the present mo- ment	
*matj	*matja-matjo		*matjak	
Gr. massa-this is-; here is-	Gr. massa		Gr. massakkut now, for the	
Gr. manna < *matna this one	Gr. massame certainly, of course		time being	
M. tamadja surely	Gr. matuma= masuma of this here			

#### § 16. Classes of Words

The lines of demarcation between classes of words are vague, because a great many of the inflectional and derivative endings (suffixes) are common to words that we are accustomed to consider as belonging to separate classes, such as nouns and verbs. On the other hand, we can not assert that the evolution of this language has not tended toward a fixed grouping of some of the suffixes around certain classes of words (e. g., demonstratives; temporal particles; the terms I and THOU; WHOLE and ALONE). No doubt the Eskimo language shows

a tendency similar to that of our own, of distinguishing between nouns and verbs; but this tendency has been crossed by other tendencies toward demarcation which partially neutralize the former, as will become evident in the following discussions.

Accordingly, instead of basing the distinction between Eskimo wordclasses on the same principles as those of Latin grammar, I have chosen to depart from the category of the latter without completely giving up its technical terms of expression, which are useful because they are easily understood. In all branches of science, when proceeding from the known to the unknown, it is necessary to interpret the latter in the light of the former.

Following this method, we may distinguish between the following classes of words:

#### a. Base-Words

- Il. Words with defective inflection (tamaq ALL, uwana I, the numerals, etc.).
- III. Words with atypical inflection: demonstrative and interrogative words (una HE THERE, kina WHO).
- IV. Words without any inflection

  1. Interjections.
  2. Particles, temporal (qana when), modal (qanortoq utinam), local (uffa there), etc.

# β. Suffixes (Actual and Obsolete)

- I. Common to all kinds of words.
- II. Confined to certain groups of words.

# INFLECTION (§§ 17-50)

Typical Inflection (§§ 17-44)

# §17. Plural and Dual Inflection

This is the most general kind of inflection in the Eskimo language, applying to all sorts of words with the exception of particles and interjections.

There are two set of typical signs of the plural common to both nouns and verbs. Here we are concerned chiefly with the first set, or the pure dual and plural endings. The dual or plural signs of the other set are closely connected with or incorporated into the other inflectional endings, for which reason they have been more or less completely united with them in form as well as in meaning: e. g., the plural n in illume in the houses, as compared with the m in illume in the house; or k in ernikka my sons, as compared with r in ernera my son.

#### Examples:

Nouns: nuna land nunak two lands nunät lands illuk two houses illut houses illo house isse eye issik two eyes issit eyes Verbs: atoraa he using it atoraak they two atoraät they ususing it ing it atorpuk they two atorpog it is used atorput they are are used used atorik he using two

#### Examples:

<sup>1</sup>nūna land (Boas VI, 109)
<sup>2</sup> igdlu house (ibid., 101)
<sup>8</sup> ale'rtse stocking (ibid., 98);
anu're wind (ibid., 99)
<sup>4</sup> tulugaq raven (ibid., 113)
<sup>5</sup> nigirn south wind (Gr. nigey);
nirdlirn goose (Boas I, 664),
cf. Gr. nerleg
<sup>6</sup> ugjuk a thong-seal (Boas VI, 114)

<sup>1</sup> irdning son (ibid., 102) <sup>8</sup> angun paddle (Boas I, 659)

o patalaugluk let us two strike (Boas II, 347)

inung maqong tikitong two men are coming(Boas I,621)

"qingmit dogs (Boas VI, 105); ujarpā he searches for them (ibid.)

<sup>12</sup> tigmidjen the birds (Boas II, 340)

 Mackenzie
 river |  $a^1$   $a^2$   $e^3$  Dual | Plural | (cf. Petitot p. L) |  $q^4 > n^5$   $k^6 > y^7$   $t^8 > n^9$  |  $t^{10}$   $t^{10}$  or  $q^{11}$   $t^{13}$ 

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# Examples:

- 1 tcilla weather
- <sup>2</sup> epklo intestines
- <sup>3</sup> a \rho n \rightarrow woman
- 4 talepk arm
- <sup>5</sup> ateñ name
- <sup>6</sup> uvapak stone
- $^{7}apa\tilde{n}$  father
- <sup>8</sup> aggut man

# Singular $u^2$

Alaska (see Bar-1 24(8) num) . .

# Examples:

- 1 sla weather
- ² irkklū evil
- <sup>8</sup> inglu half
- $sn\bar{e}[sni]$  its bank or edge
- $p\bar{u}y\bar{o}k \text{ smoke } k=[q]$ ?
- <sup>5</sup> ingrik mountain
- <sup>6</sup> ippun native spoon or ladle
- <sup>6</sup> cha'nasun native knife
- <sup>6</sup> slin whetstone
- <sup>7</sup> snăk the banks (dual); cf. also Barnum 283

- <sup>9</sup> ipun oar
- 10 nunak two lands (Petitot XLIX)
- <sup>11</sup>  $atek\rho e\rho k$  two names(ibid., L)
- <sup>11</sup>  $tupa\rho k\rho$  two tents (ibid., XLIX)
- <sup>12</sup> nunat lands; tupkpéit tents; amit skins; ublut days

Dual	Plural
$k^{7}(y^{8}?)q^{9}?$	$t^{10}(n^{11})$

- \* *īyārōlūtŭng*, see Barnum 281-282
- °chivoaqka my upper front teeth (Barnum 6); cf. the verb forms
- 10 nunat village (lands)
- 10 ingrit mountains
- 11 n occurs as plural sign only in the numerals: stăměn four, etc. (Barnum 219)

In the Greenland dialects the formation of the plural of nouns is often accompanied by change of stress: e. g.,

a'meg a skin

pl. 'ammit

The dual form is much less used than the plural; and I think a great many nouns are never used in the dual, this form being replaced by the plural. On the other hand, there are some few words that occur only in the dual form: e.g.,

marluk two; marlonnuk two small ones pussook the claw of a crayfish; the thumb and the forefinger issaaik goggles

# The following words are collective plurals:

attät a dung-hill norLut ligature

ullut a bird's nest (especially

the down in the nest) arssarnerit aurora borealis paawtit a paddle

nuffit a bird-dart

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nässät the stomach

qa'tixxat the back (of man or animal)

assaait the hand (<assak a fin

umiät the boat rowed by women (<umiag the empty boat)

Examples of words that form no plural are:

orssoq blubber nilåk freshwater ice oquk mould nuak snot

# Nouns (§§ 18-29)

#### § 18. CLASS I. PLURAL INFLECTION WITHOUT SHIFT OF STRESS

The examples given in § 17 show that two principles are applied in the formation of the plural,—single addition of the plural sign to the singular form; and substitution of the plural sign for the final consonant. We observe the first principle in illo, pl. illut; the latter, in ulloq, pl. ullut. In the latter instance, t has been substituted for q. These two principles may be observed in the whole inflectional treatment of the noun.

On the whole, the plural stems of the nouns are prototypes of their inflection. Many nominal stems are affected by a shift of stress in the plural, which has often been followed by phonetic shifting in the stems of the words. We shall first treat words that show no shift of stress.

The plural ending is regularly t, but in some cases it.

<b>1.</b>		
Singular	Plural	
pana	pan <b>àt</b>	knife
tutto	tuttut	reindeer
8 <i>18e</i>	sisit.	fox's den

2.

yaqyaq	$qaqq\dot{m{a}}m{t}$	hill, mountain
aŋakkoq	ayakkut	pagan priest
qimmeq	qimmit	$\mathbf{dog}$
tikippoq	tikipput (they)	he has come

3. -it is added to the consonantal stem (i. e., the absolutive) of words ending in t (which t, when following an i, is regularly changed into s [cf. § 8]) and to the absolutive of certain words that end in -eq and -ik (the q and k being changed into r and p [cf. § 4]).

Singular	Plural	
$s\dot{a}nn\dot{a}t$	$s\dot{a}nn\dot{a}tit$	tool
merqut	merqutit	needle
sillit	sillisit	whetstone
<b>8 18</b>	•	



<b>4</b> .		_	
	Singular	Plural	_
	ikeq	ikerit	bay, sound
	erneq	ernerit	son
	tikeq	tikerit	forefinger
	illeq	illerit	sleeping-place in the house
5.			,
	uppik	uppeyit	owl
	nukik	nukeyit	sinew, tendon
	mamik	maminit or mamit	the fleshy side of a hide
	$i^{w}kkik$	$i^{w}kkin^{it}$	gum
	assik	assen it	image, picture

6. -it is added to the vocalic stem of many words that end in k in the absolutive case:

Singular	Plural	
unnuk	unnuit	$\mathbf{night}$
inuk	inuit or innuit	man (human being)
assak	$assaa^{i}t \ ( < assait )$	finger

7. -it is added to many words that end in aq in the absolutive, especially to all words ending in -innaq and -ttiaq:

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Singular Plural sorqaq sorqaa^it whalebone utorqaq utorqaa^it old (man or woman) naa^wjaa^innaq naa^wjaa^innaa^it only a gull < naa^wja + innaq umi\ddot{a}ttiaq umi\ddot{a}ttaa^it < umi\ddot{a}t + a medium-sized boat < umiaq + ttiaq ttaait < ttiaait
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8. -it is added to some words ending in -oq or -eq in the absolutive case:

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Singular Plural
nuloq nuloot < *nuloit rump
ilorLeq ilorLeet < *ilorLeit innermost
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#### § 19. CLASS II (a). PLURAL INFLECTION WITH SHIFT OF STRESS

The following nouns all agree in having in the singular strong stress on their final syllable, and weak stress on the preceding syllable; but in the plural the latter becomes strongly stressed, and accordingly, as a rule, lengthened (cf. § 3). The stress shifts, being thrown back toward the beginning of the word; and this shifting is combined with a change of the quantity of the sounds of the last two syllables, the short consonant between them being either geminated or changed, or displaced by a uvular, in the plural.

ku'jak

nara'jag

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'kuttät

'na'rattät

9. Singular Plural a' meq 'ammit skin, hide i'maq the sea 'immat places of open water (in the ice) 'nannut bear nà'nog sà'nik 'sannit or sannit dust ka'mik 'kammit boot 'ummit or unnit u'mikbeard unri'nik u'winnit or u'winnit flesh (of a living animal) 10. awa'taq a'ıvattät a buoy taalu'tag 'taa'luttät little sledge 11. In the next following examples the penult consonant of the words becomes unvoiced in the plural: Singular Plural i'sikkat isi'yak foot 'naa'lak'kat one who is obeyed, mas-'naala'**ya**q ter 'alla' yaq 'allak'kat letter 12. ne'nag 'nixxät a snare, gin gate' nak qa'tixxat back (of man) 13. 'tàllit tà'leq arm uka'leq u'kaLLit hare ma'lik 'mallit wave, billow 'nattora'lik 'natto'rallit eagle a'loq'allut sole u'illutui'log mussel  $a's\dot{a}_{LL}ut$ asa'log place of the harpoonline on the kayak 14. 'nuttät (South Gr.= hair nu'jaq nutsät)

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Singular	Plural	
$n\dot{a}'saq$	'nättät (South Gr.	hood, cap
	$n\ddot{a}ts\ddot{a}t)$	
ki'saq	'kittät	anchor
tà'seq	'tättit	lake
o'qaawseq	$o'qaa^wtsit$	word
qona'seq	qo'yatt*it	neck
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#### 16.

aju'aq	$a'juss \ddot{a}t$	boil
saatu'ag	'saa'tus'sät	crab
kani'oq	ka'n is sut	sea-scorpion
iluli'aq	$ilu'liss \ddot{a}t$	iceberg
'ixxi'aq	'ix'xissät	throat, gullet
ga <b>s</b> e <b>yi</b> aq	qase' <b>ŋiss</b> ät	Phoca vitulina
napari'aq	napa'rissät	upright, rear piece of the sledge
nu'kappi'aq	nu,kap'pissät	bachelor

In the last-mentioned examples the ss of the plural seems to have originated from a semi-vowel (or j) that has become audible between the vowels, instead of the hiatus of the singular; so that, for instance, ka'nissut has developed from a plural form kanijjut, corresponding to a singular kani'joq, which form may sometimes really be heard instead of kanioq. The shift j>s has been treated in § 6.

#### 17.

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	Singular	Plural	
	iwik	'iFF $it$	grass, reed
	sa'wik	'saffit or sa'weet	knife, iron
18.			
	qi'pik	'giwkkit	feather-bed, blanket
	inu'waq	$i^{\prime}nukk\dot{a}t$	toe
	tulu'waq	tu'lukk <b>at</b>	raven

#### § 20. CLASS II (b). PLURAL INFLECTION AFFECTED BY RETRO-GRESSIVE UVULARIZATION'

In the following examples (nos. 19-24) the plural stems admit a uvular which causes a shifting of vowel (uvular mutation) in their penultima.



<b>19.</b>		
Singular	Plural	, ,
sio'raq [siorAq]	si'orqat [sioq:at]	sand, granule
pia'raq	pi'arqat [pinq:at]	a young one
o'qaq	'orqat [oq:at]	tongue
tale'roq	ta'lerqut [tal Eq: ut]	fore-paw of a seal
20.		
a'teq [atEq]	'argit [Ag: it]	name
n <b>à</b> 'teq	'nargit	floor, bottom
pa'teg	'parqit	marrow
i'tey	'ergit	anus
qi'teq	'gergit	center, middle
mi'teq	'merqit	eider-duck
21.		
i'peq	'e <sup>w</sup> qqit	dirt, filth
tu' peg	'towggit or 'torgit	tent
22.	1	
ilu'weq	i'lor <sup>f</sup> rit or ilorrit	grave
ni'geq (South Gi	r.) 'nerrit	south wind
$qa'ti\hat{k}$	'qarrit or 'qakkit	bird's breast
23.		
a'leq	'arLit	harpoon-line
qonu'leq	qo <b>y</b> 'orLit	cabbage
24.		
i'meq	'erŋit	lake
$_{\prime}arar{i'}neq$	'ar' Fergit	six
ni'meq	'neryit or nermit	binding, string
qa'neq	'qarnit	mouth
saawneg	'saawryit or saawrnit	bone
u'neq	'orgit or ornit	arm-pit
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# § 21. CLASS III. IRREGULAR PLURAL INFLECTION

Plural inflection on irregularly amplified stems, without any shifting of stress (aside from the single exception qa'jaq), takes place in the following nouns:

25	• Singular qa'jaq	Plural 'qā <sup>i</sup> nnät	kayak
26	_		
~~	ka'laaleg	$ka'laal { t Lit}$	a South Greenlander
	$m\dot{m{a}}'neel \hat{m{a}}q$	m <b>å</b> 'neeLLät	uneven land or ice
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27.

Singular	Plural	
'qaateq	${\it 'qaarqit}$	ferrule
'meeraq	'meergåt .	child
a'kunneq	a'kornit	inte <b>rva</b> l

28.

pooq	puxxut	bag (cf. Al. pugyarak)
u'naaq	$\cdot$ $u'na$ rr $\dot{a}t$	harpoon-shaft

29.

aaq	atsit	sleeve (Al. 'amrak)
naaq	nässät abdomen	(the skin of) the belly
iya'laaq	$m{iy}a'l$ assä $m{t}$	window
'anno'raaq	'anno'ràssät	shirt, dress

30.

The suffixes -yuaq LITTLE, -suaq GREAT, and -aluaq FORMER, ELSE, form their plurals by changing -uaq into -uit: e. g.,

Singular	Plural	
nunannuaq	nunayyuit	a little land
nunarsuaq	nu <b>nar</b> suit	a great land
nunayaluaq	nunayaluit	former land

#### § 22. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE IRREGULARITIES IN THE FOR-MATION OF THE PLURAL

The formation of the plural of nouns is very irregular, notwithstanding the fact that the plural forms all end in t. The chief element in these irregular formations is a shift of the word-stress, combined with a consonantal increase in the stem of the word. From this we may conclude that there must be some connection between these phenomena. Since the psychical factor must be considered the primus motor in the life of the language, we see the cause of the quantitative change in the shift of the stress. I have set forth elsewhere (Thalbitzer I, § 34) how I think this differentiation in the formation of the plural may be explained. It is not necessary to suppose that the general principle of the plural inflection by adding t or it has ever been set aside, or had to struggle with some other principle, but in certain words the plural ending it was added after the full singular stem (the absolutive) of the word instead of after the vocalic stem: e. g., instead of making malik A WAVE assume the regular plural form maliit, the ending it was added after the final k, no matter if this k properly pointed out the singularity of the notion; and thus a new plural form, malikit, was introduced. The k that came to be between vowels changed to g, and maligit lost the vowel of its central syllable when the stress was drawn back to the first syllable. malgit became mallit in Greenland, the lg (or lx?) being assimilated into one sound. In the same manner I think most of the geminated consonants in plurals have originated from the final syllable of the singular, the terminal consonant (q or k) of this syllable having been retained in the plural. In mm, kk, ll, etc., then, two different consonants appear assimilated in accordance with the phonetic laws of the language, but each of them maintaining its existence in the lengthening (gemination) of the sound.

#### § 23. ABSOLUTIVE AND RELATIVE

The relative case, or p-case, of nouns is formed by adding p or up to the same stem of the noun as that from which the plural is formed. In most instances, in forming this case, the plural sign t is simply replaced by p.

By the addition of the p, the a-stems take the ending -ap; the a-stems -up; the a-stems, -ip; e.g.,

Absolutive

arnaq woman
nuna land
anakkoq shaman
illo house
taleq arm

arnap of the woman nunap of the land ayakkup of the shaman illup of the house tallip of the arm issip of the eye

-ip is added after those words that end in t in the absolutive (cf.

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isse ['ise] or [i'se] eye

Absolutive agut man, male

Relative anutip of the man

-up is the relative ending of all the nouns of the series nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 30 ( $\S\S$  18-21): e. g.,

Absolutive

erneq son
inuk man
iserrik entrance
nunayaluaq former land
nateq floor
tupeq tent
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Relative
ernerup of the son
inoop of man (<inu-up)
iserriup of the entrance
nunanaloop of the former land
narqup of the floor
towqqup of the tent

In the western dialects, m stands for p in this grammatical function:

Alaska	num ăchāănē beneath the house	Greenland inip ataane
(Barnum 13)	chikum illōanē of the ice in its interior	Greenland sikup iluane
( <i>Ibid.</i> , 33)	$sl\check{a}m$ of the world	Greenland silap
Mackenzie river	nunam of the land	Greenland nunap
(Petitot xlix)	tupkib of the tent	Greenland towggup
xxxiv)	anopem of the wind	Greenland anorip or
		anorrup

# § 24. LOCAL CASES

The local case-endings are alike in the singular and the plural, but they are added to different stems of inflection, the nominal stem in the singular ending in m, in the plural in n. This is the same in the Greenland and in the Alaska dialects. Only the prosecutive case is excepted; since in the singular it shows a consonantal stem ending in k, but in the plural either a lengthened stem ending in -te, or a lengthened suffix (-tinut).

Absolutive		Northwest Greenland Singular qaqqaq mountain		Southwest Alaska Singular Ingrik mountain
				(Barnum 10)
Allative	ut	gaqqamut to the mountain	un	ingrīmun [iŋri- mun]
Locative	e	qaqqame in the mountain	e	ingrĭmē [iŋrime]
Ablative	it	qaqqamit from the mountain	8	
Instrumentalis	ik	qaqqamik by the mountain	uk	ingrimük [iŋri- muk]or[-mik]?
Prosecutive	kut	qaqqakkut over or through the mountain	kun	řngrěkůn [i <b>yri-</b> kun]
Conformative or Æqualis	tut	qaqqatut like <b>a</b> mountain	tun	ĭngrĭtŭn [i <b>ŋri</b> - tun]
		Plural		Plural
Absolutive		qaqqat mountains		<i>ingrit</i> mountains
Allative	ut	qaqqanut to the mountains	un	ĭngrĭnŭn
Locative	e	qaqqane in the mountains	e	<b>i</b> ng <b>r</b> ĭnē

		Northwest Greenland Plural	Southwest Alaska Plural
Ablative	it	qaqqanit from the	?
		mountains	
Instrumentalis	ik	qaqqanik by the mountains	uk ingrinŭk
Prosecutive 1	inut	qaqqatinut over the ti	hun ĭngrĭtthŭn[i <b>ŋrit-</b> t <sup>i</sup> hun]
Conformative or Æqualis	tut		tun Ingrittün
or myuans		Northwest G	reenland
		Singular	Plural
Absolutive		illo a house, the	illut houses, the
		house	houses
Allative	-ut	illumut to, into, the	illunut to, into, the
		house	houses
Locative	-e	illume in the house	illune in the houses
Ablative	-it	izzumit from the house	illunit from the houses
Instrumentalis	-ik	illumik by (with) the house	illunik by (with) the houses
Prosecutive -kut, -yut		illukkut through the house	illutigut through the houses

There is only one kind of irregularity, or of deviation from this type of inflection, arising by the retention of the final consonant of the absolutive case in the other cases, this consonant being assimilated with the initial consonant of the case-suffix. Accordingly, only such words as end in a consonant in the absolutive singular may show irregularities; e. g., ulloq, which retains its final q, assimilated into r in four of the singular cases, but is quite regular in the plural.

A1 1 4*	Singular	Plural (regular)
Absolutive	ulloq a day, the day	ullut days
Allative	ullormut to the day	ullunut to the days
Locative	ullorme in the day, on the day	ullune in the days
Ablative	ullormit from the day	ullunit from the days
Instrumentalis	ullormik with the day	ullunik with the days
Prosecutive	ullukkut in or through the day	ullutinut through the days

Note: ullorme on that day; ullume to-day.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The prosecutive plural ends, in Southwest Greenland, in -tigut (= Labrador), which form is nearer to the Alaska -tihun (or tixun?) than is the north Greenlandic form.

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# Other examples:

nà't\*eq floor
nà't\*ermut to the floor
nà't\*erme (or narqune) on the
floor

'ukkaq front wall of house 'ukkarmut to the front wall ukkarme at the front wall

ukkakkut through the front wall ukkatinut through the front walls

i'meq fresh water i'mermut to the water i'merme in the water imikkut through the water

# Words ending in -Leq (local superlative ending):

si'ulley the foremost one si'ullerme at the foremost one siullermik firstly kiy'ulleq the last one kiy'ullerme at the last one kiy'ullermik the last time

i'lorLeq the innermost one i'lorLermit from the innermost one

'killey the most western one

ilorLernut to the innermost ones 'killermut to the most western one

ilorLikkut through the innermost one

'killikkut through the most western one

ilorLertigut through the innermost ones killertigut through the most western ones

#### § 25. LOCAL CASES—Continued

In nouns ending in -k this sound has been assimilated by the formative endings:

Singular Singular

Absolutive . . sawik a knife katak inner doorway in the house

Allative . . . sawimmut katammut

Locative . . . sawimme katamme

Instrumentalis . sawimmik katammik

Prosecutive . . sawikkut katakkut

Conformative . sawittut katattut

#### Examples:

'sarpimmik by means of the tail (of a whale) (<sarpik)
uilu'limmut to the mussel-place (<uilulik place where there are
mussels)

noõmmit from the point of land (< nook)inuttut as a human being (especially Eskimo) (< inuk)

Nouns ending in -t either retain this sound in assimilated shape in the singular declension, or form their cases on a lengthened stem (-te); e. g.,

aput snow on the earth (apummut, apumme, apummik)

commat heart (commammik or commatimik by the heart; commatinik by the hearts; commatikkut through the heart; commutitinut through the hearts)

nappaawt illness (nappaawmmit or nappaawtimit from [because of] illness; nappaawtinit from illnesses; nappaawtikkut through illness; nappaawtitinut through illnesses)

A few words ending in final t are regularly declined after the type of  $illow{l}$ ; e. g., kammeeumik or kammiumik with the boot-stretcher (kammiut).

All nouns belonging to Class II (§§ 19-20) and most of the nouns belonging to Class III (§ 21) form their local cases, both singular and plural, on the plural stem. The absolutive case stands isolated among these formations, being apparently irregular. The explanation of this fact is similar to the one set forth in § 22, and I have treated the question more fully in "A Phonetical Study," § 34.

			Singular	Plural
Absolutive			ameq hide, skin	ammit
(Relative)			(ammip)	(ammit)
Allative .			ammimut	amminut
Locative.			ammime	ammine
Ablative .			ammimit	amminit
Instrumenta	lis		ammimik	amminik
Prosecutive	•	•	ammikkut	ammitiyut
Absolutive			ujaraq stone	<b>uja</b> rqa <b>t</b>
(Relative)			(ujarqap)	(ujarqat)
Allative .			ujarqamut	<b>ujar</b> qanut
Locative.			ujarqame	ujargane
Ablative.			ujarqamit	ujarqanit
Instrumenta	lis		uja <b>rqa</b> mik	ujarqanik
Prosecutive	•	•	ujarqakkut	ujarqati yut
Absolutive			kooroq valley, ravine	koorqut
Allative .			koorqumut	koorqunut
Locative .			koorqume	koorqune
Ablative.			koorqumit	koorqunit
Instrumenta	lis		koorqumik	koorqunik
Prosecutive			koorqukkut	koorqutinut
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#### Singular

Absolutive	е						itseroq stale urine
Allative .							it*erqumut
Locative .							it*erqume
							it*erqumit
							it•erqumik
Prosecutiv	7 <b>e</b>	•					it•erqukkut

#### § 26. PERSONAL CASES, OR POSSESSIVE INFLECTION, OF NOUNS.

#### GREENLAND

	Absolutive			Relative		
	Singular of the noun	Plural of the noun	Dual	Singular	Plural	Dual
1st per. sing	na, ra	kka	kka	ma	ma	mma
2d per. sing	t	tit	kit	wit, rpit	wit	ppit
4th per. sing 1 .	ne	ne	nne	me	me	mme
1st per. pl	rput, pput	wut, put	pput	wtta	wita	wnnuk
2d per. pl	rse, sse	<b>s</b> e	88C	wsse	wase	wtti <b>k</b>
4th per. pl	rtik, Uik	tik	ttik	mik	mik	mmik
3d per. sing	a	ee	k	åta	isa	kit
8d per. pl	åt	e, et	yik( <gik)< td=""><td>åta</td><td>isa</td><td>kil</td></gik)<>	åta	isa	kil

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	Singular	Plural	Dual	Singular	Plural	Dual
1st per. sing	ks	nka	rka	ma	ma	mma
2d per. sing	in	, tin	rkin	hpit, hfit	fit	rpit
4th per. sing	ne	ne ne	nne	me	me	mme
1st per. pl	wut, hput	put	rput	mta	mta	mmta
2d per. pl	8e, ze *	ce	rce	hpice, fce	pice, fee	rpice
4th per. pl	8iŋ, ziŋ	lin	rlin	mïŋ	mïŋ	XRmin
3d per. sing	a, e	aj, c	ak, ik	an, in	ain	rkin
8d per, pl	at	ain, ait	rkit	ata, ita	ajta	rketa

It will be clear from this synopsis that some of the Greenland singular and plural endings must be accounted for in the dual forms of the Alaska dialect. I have especially in mind the endings beginning in r(<q), rput our, rse your, rtik their own, rpit of thy, which in Greenlandic indicate the singular of the thing owned; in Alaska, duality. Likewise the Greenland pik their own two ones, which does not agree in form with the Alaska rket, originally must have meant their two selves' two, since it is in form in accord-

<sup>1</sup>I designate by "fourth person" the reflexive, the form expressing that the subject of the sentence is possessor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>I have here hypothetically transcribed the paradigms of Barnum in accordance with my own spelling of the Eskimo language.

ance with the Alaska possessive suffix of this meaning:  $rk\bar{\imath}k$  (in the relative rkenka). The dual system is disappearing in Greenland, but it has been recorded by Paul Egede and S. Kleinschmidt, so that all the original Greenland forms are known. I have only cited two-fifths of the forms in the synopsis above presented; namely, such as express duality of the object possessed. The other forms express duality of the possessor: e. g.,

POSSESSIVE DUAL ENDINGS

	1  - 	Greenland		Alaska		
Possessor dual	ual Object possessed. Absolutive		Object possessed. Absolutive			
	Singular	Dual	Plural	Singular	Dual	Plura
1st	puk	ppuk	wuk	wuk	rpuk	puk
2d	tik	ttik	tik	zïk	rtuk	tuk
3d	k	kik	ki <b>k</b>	k	rkik	kek
4th	?	?	?	zïk	tik	fik
	Objec	t possessed. 1	Relative	Objec	t possessed. I	Relative
1st	wnnuk	wnnuk	wnnuk	muxnuk	xmuxnuk	muxnuk
2d	wttik	wttik	wttik	hpituk	rpiluk	pituk
3d	ata	kit	isa	nnuk	rkinka	kinka
4th	?	?	?	muxnuk	xmuxnuk	muznuk

In the absolutive first person the two dialects of Greenland and Alaska apparently have interchanged their singular and plural forms, puk meaning in Greenland our two selves' one, in Alaska those belonging to our two selves, and muk vice versa. The double duals especially (of both object possessed and possessor) have been contracted in Greenland, rp being assimilated to pp, rt to tt, etc. The Greenland kit, of their two selves' two, may be the remnant of the Alaska rkin(ka), exactly as is the Greenland dual absolutive kik a remnant of the Alaska rkik; whereas the last syllable, ka, of rkinka, seems to be a special suffix, perhaps formed in analogy to the nka of the absolutive plural first person. It is astonishing to find that the relative endings of the fourth person in the Alaska dialect are identical with those of the first person. The dual forms of that person are probably lost in the Greenland dialect.

The consistent use of the uvular as the general sign of the dual in the Alaska possessive suffixes is worthy of notice, while in the other forms, in the Alaska dialect as well as in the others, the palatal k performs the dual function. Does this fact perhaps justify us in assuming that the uvular (i. e., q) was once used for marking the dual in the Eskimo language? (cf. §17.)

§ 27. PARADIGM OF THE POSSESSIVE INFLECTION OF NOUNS

GREENLAND DIALECT

	Absol illo H	Relative iLLup OF THE HOUS		
	Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural
lst per. sing	illoga my house	iLLukka my houses	iLLuma	iLLuma
2d per. sing	iLLut thy house	iLLutit thy houses	iLLuwit	<i>iLLuwit</i>
th per.sing	iLlune his own (suus) house	iLLune his own houses	iLLume	iLLume
1st per. pl	iLLorput our house	[iLLuwut or] our houses	iLLuwtta	iLLuvtla
2d per. pl	ilLorse your house	illuse your houses	illu#886	iLLuw88c
4th per. pl	iLLortik their own (SUUS) house	iLLutik their own	iLLumik .	iLLumik
3d per. sing	iLlua his (EJUS) house	iLLue his (EJUS) houses	iLLuāta	iLLu <b>is</b> a
3d per. pl	illuit their (EORUM)	iLLuit or their (EORUM) iLLue houses	}iLLumik	iLLumik

It will be noted that most cases are formed from the vocalic stem of the word, except three; namely, the first, second, and fourth plural possessive, singular object, absolutive, which are formed on a lengthened consonantal stem, \*illoq, as if to emphasize the idea of the singular of the object (ONE HOUSE) as against the plurality of the personal endings (OUR, YOUR, THEIR) or of those plural cases which end in wut (put), se, tik.

The possessive inflection of nouns is apparently always regular, because the endings are invariably the same. The peculiarities in the inflection of many nouns are due to shifts in the word-stems, not in the endings of the suffixes. Exceptions are such occasional assimilations of the initial sounds of the suffixes as follow the linking to different stems: e. g., -itit thy; illutit thy houses; -isit in uwisit thy husbands (<uwe); the shifts of e>i, o>u,  $a>\dot{a}$ , etc. (cf. §§ 5 and 10); auq a sleeve, aai<\*aae his sleeves (i<e his).

Only two of the possessive suffixes have alternating forms dependent on the word-stem to which they are to be added:

First person, singular possessor; singular object possessed, absolutive,  $\eta a$  or ra

Second person, singular possessor; singular object possessed, relative wit, or rpit or ppit

-ra is the form of the suffix of the first person singular my in such words as end in q in the absolutive:

erneq a son
arnaq woman
qarssoq arrow

ernera my son arnara my mother qarssora my arrow

All words ending in a vowel add ya; e. g., illoya my house.

-ya is added to the vocalic stem of words ending in k in the absolutive:

panik daughter

panina my daughter

Words ending in t in the absolutive form their first person and some of the other personal cases on a longer stem ending in -te:

ayut man

anutena my father

A remarkable fact is the constant identity of the form of the second person singular possessor, singular object possessed, absolutive (*illut* thy house) and of the plural form of the word (*illut* houses). There is probably no exception to this rule. Since many words form irregular plurals, either because of retention of the terminal consonant of the singular or owing to internal changes of their stems (cf. § 22), the same irregularity also appears in their second person singular forms:

taleq arm talia his arm

tallit thy arm = tallit arms

#### § 28. IRREGULAR POSSESSIVE INFLECTION

Following are some deviations from the typical paradigm given above:

(a) Many words ending in e form their third person possessives exactly as if they were vocalic a-stems (cf. § 15 \* tim).

ise ['ise] or [i'se] EYE.

	Abs	solutive	Re	elative
Possessor	Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural
3d per. sing 8d per. pl	isaa isaat	isaai isaait	isaala isaala	isaalea isaalea

anut man, father < \* anute.

•	Abs	olutive	Re	Relative		
Possessor	Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural		
lst per. sing	aputeya	ayutikka	anutima	ayutima		
2d per. sing	aputit	aputitit	anutiwit	anutiwit		
ith per. sing	ayutine	ayutine	ayutime	anutime		
lst per. pl	aguterput	agulegui	ayutivtta	ayuti#tta		
2d per. pl. · .	anuterse	anutise	ayutivesc	anutivese.		
ith per. pl	ayulertik	a yutitik	ayutimik	ayutimik		
3d per. sing	ayutaa	ayutaai	ayutaata	anulaaisa		
3d per. pl	anulaal	anutaait	anutaata	anutaa isa		

In some of the personal cases this word has double forms, its stemterminal being assimilated with the suffix-initial.

4th per. sing. anutine=anunne his (suus) father

anutime=anumme

4th per. pl. anutimik=anummik

1st per. pl. anuterput=anupput our father

1st per. sing. anutima=anumma 2d per. sing. anutiwit=anuppit

(b) tå'leq (pl. 'täLLit) ARM.

	Absol	Re	lative	
	Singular	Plural	Singular	Plura
lst per. sing	tà'lera my arm	tällikka my arms	tällima	täLLima
2d per. sing	tällit thy arm	{tällitit or } thy arms	tälliiwt	täLLiwit
4th per. sing	('tälline or his or her 'tälle or täline) own arm	tälline or his, her, own	tällime	täLLime
lst per. pl	tà'lerput our arm	tälliwut our arms	täLLi <b>≠t</b> ta	täLLi≢tta
2d per. pl	tà'lerse your arm	tällise your arms	tälli#88c	täLLi≌sse
4th per. pl	tå'lertik their own arm	(tällitik or) their own	tä <b>LLimik</b>	täLLimik
3d per. sing	tà'lia his, her, arm	tà'lee his (BJUS) arms	t <b>āliā</b> ta	ta'leesa
3d per. pl	tà'liat their arm		tāliāta	tà'leesa

Thus the word taleq is in most of the personal cases declined on the plural stem  $t\ddot{a}_{LLe}$ , with shifting of the word-accent and change of the medial consonant (l > LL), which becomes geminated and unvoiced in the forms here in question.

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The following nouns are	declined after th	he analogy of	taley:
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	Plural or second person singular	
Singular	First and second person possessive	Third and fourth person possessive
a'loq	'allut soles, thy sole; allukka my soles	allune or alle his own sole
a'meq	'ammit skins, thy skin; ammiwut our skins ammiwit of thy skin (or skins)	
qa'jaq	'qainnat kayaks, thy kayak; qainnakka my kayaks	quinnane their own kayak (or kayaks)
nu'jaq	'nuttät hair, thy hair; 'nuttätit thy hair (pl.)	'nuttane his (own) hair   nu'jaai his (another man's) hair
o'gag	o'qqat tongues, thy tongue	o'qua his, its tongue
	o'quartsit words, thy word	
	o'qaartsikka my words	

Most of the words that end in one of the suffixes -naq, -nak, -waq, -raq, -roq, belong here, but others as well; for instance,

allanaq something written; a letter isinak (pl. i'sikkat) a toe, the foot iseraq the upper part of the foot

akeraq enemy, opponent inuwaq a toe (inuwai his toes)

Likewise the words ending in -iaq and -uaq (-uak); e. g., assiliaq picture uluak cheek

(c) The next paradigm is peculiar, in that the third person is declined on the plural stem throughout.

a'teq (pl. 'arqit) a name.

Possessor	Abe	olutive	Relative		
rossessor	Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural	
st per. sing	atera	atikka	aterma	atima	
2d per. sing	arqit	atitit	aterpit	ativit	
th per. sing	atine or arge	atine	aterme	atime	
lst per. pl	aterput	atiwut	ativila	atirtta	
2d per. pl	aterse	atise	ativese	ativsse	
ith per. pl	atertik	atitik	alermik	atim <b>ik</b>	
3d per. sing	arqa	arge	arqata	argisa	
3d per. pl	argāt	argit or arge	argala	argisa	

The explanation of the development of the irregular forms has been given in § 22.

This is the method of declension of the following nouns:

	Plural or second person singular			
Singular	Second person possessive	Third person possessive		
a'leq	'arllit harpoon-lines, thy harpoon-line 'narqqit floors, bottoms, thy floor, bottom 'parqqit marrow (pl.), thy marrow 'qerqqit middle, mid- (pl.), thy middle erqqit anus (pl.), thy anus 'nermmit bindings, string, thy binding qarnnit mouths, thy mouth saarnnit bones, thy bone 'ornnit armpits, thy armpit 'towqqit tents, thy tent thospati graves, thy grave	artta (a'likka my hatpoon-lines) narqqa (naterput our floor) parqqa erqqa erqqa nermma qarnna saarnna (also saaryyit, etc.) ornna (also oryyit, etc.) towqqa (also tupit, etc.) ilnarka or ilnaka		

The following numerals also belong here:

arrery at the sixth (properly their num-
ber 6, or the number 6 of the fingers)
argarnat the eleventh
arrersargat the sixteenth

(d) The peculiarities in the declension of the following paradigm remind us of that just mentioned, ateq, pl. arqit, A NAME, to which it is evidently closely related.

killik (pl. killiyit) a limit, boundary.

_	Abs	olutive	Relative		
Possessor	Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural	
lst per. sing	killeya	kiLLikka	killemma	kïLLima	
d per. sing	killeyit	killitit or  killisit	killippit	kiLLiwit	
ith per. sing	kiLLine	kiLLine	killimme	kiLLime	
lst per. pl	kiLLipput	killeyut	kiLLivtta	kiLLivita	
ld per. pl	kiLLisse	killise	killi#88e	killiwsse	
ith per. pl	killittik	killitik or   killisik	}kiLLimmïk	kiLLimik	
3d per. sing	killeya	killeye	kiLLeyala	kiLLenisa	
3d per. pl	kiLLeyat	killene or   killenil	killeyata	kiLLeyisa	

The paradigm of killik will serve as a model for the following noun:

assik picture; assenit or assit thy picture; assitit or assisit thy pictures; assena my picture, his or its picture; assipput or asserput our picture

Some few other nouns that are rarely used except in the third person are treated in the same manner.

- \*tukik (third person tukeya) the long side of it
- \*missik (misseya or missaa) line between two points, proportional line
- \*terllik (terlleya) his or its safe side (the side from which nothing evil is expected)
- qilik (qileya) its bone peg (viz., the bone peg of the throwingstick)
- milik (mileya) that which obstructs a passage or channel nalik (naleya) its equivalent

erneq A SON, ti'keq FOREFINGER, 'tilleq PULSE, PULSATION, also belong here:

ernea	(pl.	ernerit)	A	SON.
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	Absolu	Rel	ative	
	· Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural
st per. sing	ernera my son	ernikka my sons	ernerma	crnima
d per. sing	ernerit thy son	ernitit or thy sons	ernerpit	ernicil
th per. sing	erne his own son	ernine his own sons	ernerme	crnime
st per. pl	ernerput our son	{erniwut or } our sons	ernivita	crnimia
d per. pl	ernerse your son	ernise your sons	crni#88c	crni=sac
th per. pl	ernertik their own son	crnitik or   their own   crnisik   sons	ernermik	crnimik
d per. sing	ernera his (EJUS) son	ernere his sons	ernerata	crnerisa
d per. pl	crneral their (BORUM) son	ernere or their sons	ernerala	ernerisa

#### § 29. LOCAL CASES OF POSSESSIVE FORMS OF NOUNS

The local case-endings (§ 24) may be used with the possessives, the local ending always being placed after the possessive one: (HOUSE) MY IN, YOUR FROM, etc. The combination is not brought about by a mere addition of the endings, but the forces of assimilation and analogy have modified the compounds in the development of the language.

The local endings -ut, -e, -it, -ik, are augmented by an n (thus, -nut, -ne, -nit, -nik) when joined to a possessive inflected noun; and the prosecutive ending -yut or -kut is apparently augmented by -ti (thus, -tiyut). In first, second, and fourth persons, -nut, -ne, -nit, -nik, seem to be joined to the relative possessive forms of the nouns (though the first

person plural and the second person singular take a very irregular form in the compounds), but in the third person the same endings seem to be joined after the absolutive possessives.

		Endings
Absolutive	illo a house, the house	-0
Relative		-p
Fourth per. possessive.	illume his (her) own house or houses	- <b>m</b> e
Allative	illuminut into his own house or houses	-nut
	illumine in his own house or houses	-ne
Ablative	illuminit from his own house or houses	-nit
Instrumentalis	illuminik by his own house or houses	-nik
Prosecutive	illuminut through his own house or houses	-ŋut
Conformative	illumisut like his own house or houses	-sut

THE LOCATIVE CASE (-ne) POSSESSIVELY INFLECTED \*\*
\*\*LLO HOUSE; \*\*
\*\*LLume\*\* IN A HOUSE, IN THE HOUSE.

	Singular and plural	Old Eskimo	Modern pos- sessive form
4th per. sing.	iLlumine in his house or houses	<*iLLumene	illume
2d per. sing	illunne (also illorne) in thy house or houses	<pre>&lt;*iLLuwitne?</pre>	iLLuwit
1st per. sing	illusnne in my house or houses	<pre>&lt;*iLLumane?</pre>	iLLuma
4th per. pl	iLLuminne in their house or houses	<*iLLumikne	iLLumik
2d per. pl	illussinne in your house or houses	<pre>&lt;*iLLupsine?</pre>	iLLuw88c
1st per. pl	iLLuwitinne in our house or houses	<pre>&lt;*iLLuptane?</pre>	. iLLuwiia
	Singular, house		(Absolutive)
3d per. sing	illuane in his (EJUS) house	<*iLLuane	iLLua
3d per. pl	iLLuanne in their (EORUM) house	<*iLLuatne	iLLuat
	Plural, houses		
3d per. sing	iLluine in his houses	<*iLLuene	illue
3d per. pl	illuine in their houses	<*iLLuene	iLLue or

In the second person the possessive locative ending -rne is also common; e. g.,

 $ki^w$  Frame  $(=ki^w$  Frame) at thy servant  $(< ki^w$  Fraq servant, porter) § 29



# THE PROSECUTIVE CASE POSSESSIVELY INFLECTED stut EAR; siuta-a his EAR; siutinut through an EAR.

	Singular and plural	Old Eskimo	(Relative)
4th per. sing. 2d per. sing.	siutimiyut through his (own) ear or ears siutikkut through thy ear or ears	<siutimeņut< td=""><td>siulime siulil</td></siutimeņut<>	siulime siulil
lst per. sing	siutiskkut through my ear or ears	{ <siutikut }<siutipkut? or<br="">siutimakut</siutipkut?></siutikut 	siutima
4th per. pl. ,	siutimikkut through their own ear or ears	<siutimikkut< td=""><td>siutimik</td></siutimikkut<>	siutimik
2d per. pl	siutiwssinut through your ear or ears	<siutipecyut< td=""><td>siuti<b>=se</b>c</td></siutipecyut<>	siuti <b>=se</b> c
lst per. pl	siutiwitinut through our ear or ears	< siutiptanut	siuli <b>zt</b> !a
	Singular, ear		(Absolutive
8d per. sing	siutaanut or   siutaatinut   through his (EJUS) ear	< siulaayul? or   siulaala yul	siutaa
8d per. pl	siutaatiyut through their (EORUM) ear		
	Plural, ears		(Relative)
8d per. sing	siulaa isinul	< sintaatsanut?	siutaa isa
8d per. pl	siulaa isinul		siutaa isa

All the other endings beginning with n are joined to the noun in the same manner as -ne.

Other examples:

#### -ne.

i'serriane at the entrance (iserrik) of it (a)
umiap ataane of the umiak, in (ne) the under-space (ata) of it (a)=
under the umiak
qilaa<sup>w</sup>p killiyane of the sky, in (ne) the border (killik) of it (a)=
on the horizon
qa<sup>w</sup>nne on the top (qak) of me

#### -nut.

illuminut iserpoq he goes into (nut) his (me) house (illo) killinganut to the border of it (a) ilaminut to his or her own (me) house-mate (ila) ikinutiwnnut to my (wn) friend or friends (ikinut [e])

#### -nit.

iniminit from his or its own (mi) place, nest, etc. (ine)
killingunit from the border of it (a), especially from that time
noop kujataanit of the point of land (nook), from its (a) southern
space (kujat[a]) = from the south of the point of land
qaqqap qaanit of the mountain, from its (a) top=from the top of
the mountain

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#### -nik.

'amminik with his own (me) finger (assak) or fingers sa'wimminik with his own knife (sa'wik) or knives (sa'weet) alerminnik with their own (min) harpoon-line (aleq) ame'torqaminnik with their own (min) old skin ammetorqaminnik with their old skins (ameq, pl. ammit)

# -nut, -kut, -tinut.

qiyamiyut through or by his own (me) nose (qiyaq) keenamiyut through or over his own (me) face qoyasiayut through or about his (a) neck (qoyaseq) keenaatiyut through his (EJUS) (a) face niaqoaatiyut through his (a) head (niaqoq) timaatiyut through his body (time) siutiyuakkut through or by my little ear or ears

# Verbs (§§ 30-44)

#### § 30. CONJUGATION

The conjugation of the Eskimo verb is based on a set of slightly different stems; i. e., they are derivatives from a common base, which in itself need not be of the character of a verb. The personal verb-suffixes follow the stems as terminals. The suffixes (the verb-signs) have different meanings, constituting at the same time the modes of the verb. Accordingly the stem of the verb alternates during the conjugation. From the base kapi are formed the verb-stems kapiy, kapi'wo, kapi'wa, kapi'le, ka'pillo, etc. (see § 31). Since each of these stems has its own set of six or eight personal endings, it becomes evident that the system of conjugation must be very complex. Moreover, there are four classes of conjugation, according to the difference in form of the bases. Examples of these classes are—

- Class I, \*kapi, the last syllable weak (unstressed), and invariably ending in a normal vowel (u, i, u).
- Class II, \*pipe (pipa), the last syllable weak, and ending in e alternating with a.
- Class III, \*ti'ki (tikik), the last syllable strongly stressed, but never ending in a uvular.
- Class IV, \*a'toq (ato), the last syllable strongly stressed, and ending in a uvular (q > r).

Thus the differences in the classes of conjugation depend not only upon the final sound, but also upon the stress, of the bases. These differences affect the constituting suffixes. Class I, for instance, adds

in Greenlandic woq in the same modes in which Classes III and IV add poq.

A consideration of the endings of the conjugated verb proves that most of them coincide, partially at least, with the possessive suffixes of nouns. The etymological researches strengthen this hypothesis concerning the common origin of these elements. Only some few of the personal verb-endings deviate absolutely from the present system of possessive suffixes of nouns. They may be elements of a foreign origin or obsolete suffixes.

Of a neutral character, lacking any mark of personality, is the ending of the third person singular -oq (-poq, -woq), dual -uk, plural -ut, which quite agrees with the common absolutive ending of the noun; and in so far we might speak of an absolutive of the verb, but it should be noted that we find no corresponding suffixless relative (-up) in the conjugation of the finite verb. On the other hand, we find, in the system of verb conjugation, not one set, but two or three sets, of absolutive possessive endings, and another set of relative possessive endings.

The modal suffixes are inseparable from the personal endings; but they may be, and really often are, severed from the base by the insertion of other suffixes. Many of these infixes are of a modal character; but since they do not affect the endings of the words, we shall not treat them here.

The only indication of tense in the simple forms of the Eskimo verb is expressed by modes x and xi (see § 32). As for the other modes, the past tense may sometimes be expressed by infixing -aluar(poq), -sima(woq); and the future tense, by infixing ssa (-ssawoq, in the third person singular contracted to -ss $^{39}q$ ), or -uma(woq), -umaar(poq).

# § 31. SYNOPSIS OF POSSESSIVE ENDINGS OF NOUNS (N.) AND VERBS (V.) 1

The paradigms in the next following sections are confined to the West Greenland dialect.

 $<sup>^1\</sup>mathrm{The}$  dual endings are left out here (cf. § 26). The Roman numerals refer to the modes (see § 32). § 31

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Simple Absolutive Possessives, or Compounds made up of one of the Absolutive Singular or Plural Signs, q, k, t, +Possessive Suffix

, N.			v.		
	Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural	
1st per. sing	ya ra	kka	ya II VI VII ra III V VIII XII IV IX	kka 111 V 1X	
2d per. sing	it t	tit ett	tit 11 VI VII sit V it 1 rit x11 t 111 VII VIII 1x	u m ix	
3d per. sing	a	e i	q 11 VI VII VIII a III VII VIII IX ra XII	í III IX	
4th per. sing	e ne	ne	ne VI VIII nne IX	ne IX VIII	
lst per. pl	rput pput	yut wut	rput III V VIII XII pput IX	yut II VII wut III V VIII IX	
2d per. pl	rse sse	se se	rse III VIII XII ssc IX	se ii iii iv vi vii ix tte i	
3d per. pl	at	it e	at III VII IX rat XII	t 11 17 V tt 111 VIII 1X	
4th per. pl	rtik Wik tik	tik sik	rtik VIII XII	tik vi viii ix	

In the compounds, q changes to r before a consonant or between vowels (§ 4).

ks is assimilated to ss tk is assimilated to kk kn is assimilated to nn kt is assimilated to tt kp is assimilated to pp

В

#### Relative Possessives

		N.	v.	. x, x1
•	Singular	Plural	Singular	Plural
st per. sing	ma rma	ma	ma	
d per. sing.	wit rpit	wil	wit	i
d per. sing	ata	isa	at	_
ith per. sing	me rme	me	me	
st per. pl	wta	wta	j	wta
d per. pl	wee	1086	_	wee
3d per. pl	ata	isa	_	ala
ith per. pl	mik rmik	mik	_	mik

 $\mathbf{C}$ 

Compound Verbal Endings, Composed of an Unascertained Element (w < p?) + a Possessive Ending, or of Two Absolutive Possessives, or of a Relative Possessive + an Absolutive Possessive  $(B + A \text{ or } B + D)^{-1}$ 

#### SINGULAR OBJECTS

me	thou—me rma III mma IX X XI (yya I?)	you—me siya 1 wsiya III IX X XI	he—me aya III IX X XI	they—me ayya (<*tya) III 1X X XI	he (SE)2—me miya X niya XI	they (SE)—me miyya (< *mikya) X niyya (< *nikya) XI
thee	I—thee wkit(<*pgit!) or ayit III IX X	we—thee wtipit (< *wtagit!) III IX X XI	he—thee atit III IX X XI	they—thee attit III IX X xi	he (SE)—thee misit x nisit XI	they (sE)— thee mittit x nittit x:
him	I—him wko x xı	we-him wtiyo x xi	thou—him kko (<*wgo) x xi	you—him siuk I IV wsiuk X XI	he (se)—him miuk x niuk xı	they (SE)— him mikko X nikko XI
him (8E)2	I—him (se) <sup>2</sup> wnne IX X XI	, ,	thou—him (8E) nne (<*tne) ix x xi	you—him (se) wsinne IX X XI	he—him (se) ane 1x x x1	they—him (sE) <sup>3</sup> anne (* <tne) ix="" td="" x="" xi<=""></tne)>

#### PLURAL OBJECTS

as	thou—us wtiyut III IX X XI	you—us wsiyut III IX X XI siyut I	he—us atiyut III IX x xI	they—us atinut III IX x xI	he (SE)2—us misiyut X nisiyut XI	they (SE)2—US misiyul X nisiyul XI
you (pl.)	I—you wse III V IX X XI	we—you wse III V IX X XI	he—you ase III IX X XI	they—you ase III IX X	he (SE)—you mise X nise XI	they (SE)— you mise X nise XI
them	I —them wkit III V X xI	we—them wtiyik 111 v x XI	thou—them kkil v x xi	you—them siyik IV V wsiyik X XI	he (SE)—them miyit X niyit XI	they (SE)— them mikkik X nikkik XI
them (SE) 3	I—them (SE) <sup>2</sup> wtik IX X XI	1	thou—them (sE) ttik ix x xi	you—them (SE) ttik IX X XI	he—them(sz) atik ix x xi	1 -

In this table wt, ws, wk, stand throughout for wt, wss, wkk, which are phonetically more correct.

2 (SE) i. e., the Latin reflexive pronoun, here only used to indicate a like grammatical function of the Eskimo me, mik, tik, ne, nik.



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$\mathbf{D}$	
Simple Personal Suffixes Peculiar to Certain	Parts of the System of Conjugation

~	Δī	(v) 1x	1 X XI	I IV V	1X X V
lst per. sing	(ya)	_	_	_	_
2d per. sing	(tit)	kit, yit (q)	_	_	_
3d per. sing	no <go< td=""><td><u> </u></td><td>yo(&lt;90) ko,uk</td><td>iuk (&lt;*iu)</td><td>suk (&lt;*juk!)</td></go<>	<u> </u>	yo(<90) ko,uk	iuk (<*iu)	suk (<*juk!)
4th per. sing	ne	-	<u>'</u> —	_	-
1st per. pl	ta (V)	(iyut)	_	tiyut, siyut	_
2d per. pl	(se)	_	_	_	
			(yit (< git), kit	yit ( <git)< td=""><td>_</td></git)<>	_
<b>3d</b> per. pl	yú <qit< td=""><td>_</td><td>yik (<gik), kik<="" td=""><td>yik (<gik)< td=""><td>yik (&lt;*gik)</td></gik)<></td></gik),></td></qit<>	_	yik ( <gik), kik<="" td=""><td>yik (<gik)< td=""><td>yik (&lt;*gik)</td></gik)<></td></gik),>	yik ( <gik)< td=""><td>yik (&lt;*gik)</td></gik)<>	yik (<*gik)
4th per. pl	(tik)	_	\ <u>-</u>	<u> </u>	<u>-</u>

yo(go) in -mayo, -payo, -loyo (South Greenland -mago, -payo, -luyo), seems to be of the same origin as suk, iuk, answering to the Alaskan form - $ghw\bar{u}$ ,  $-\bar{e}\bar{u}$  (Barnum 148, 142). The same may be true of -uk in—

atoruk use it!
takuwiuk do you see it!
atorsiuk you use it!

Thus the original form of this suffix may have been a single o; but between e and o a glide sound (semi-vowel) has sprung up and become self-existent, changing to g, k, j, s, y, at different stages in the history of the language.

 $\eta ik$ , kik, probably belonged originally to the dual, but have assumed a plural meaning and stand for  $\eta it$ , to avoid confusion with the second-person forms ending in  $-\eta it$ . The initial  $\eta$  of  $\eta ik$ ,  $\eta it$ , of course, is derived from  $\eta$ , which sound is otherwise used in these endings instead of  $\eta$ , except in North Greenland.

§32. SYNOPSIS OF VERBAL MODES OF CONJUGATION (DIALECT OF WEST GREENLAND)

Name and definition of the mode					Imperative, intransitive, and transitive.	Middle voice (medium), intransitive quasi-indicative.	Quasi-transitive.	Interrogative, intransitive and transitive.	Optative, intransitive and transitive.	
	Person endings	A, B, C, Di			A, C, D	* *	A, C	ა გვ.	(*) A. C. A. C. (D)	
	Negative		(v.)		1 1	44,000	ppila	yyile yyila yyilla	1.1	
ters	Affirmative		ΙΛ			<del>ا ب</del>	7pa	rpe I pa	27.0	
Modal characters		Affirmative	E	<b>E</b>	9, 113	odd 1	pdd	ppe ppa	77c	
СW		Class of c	=		\$ < a	<u> </u>	8	pa l	2.5	6
			-	!	<i>b</i> > <i>a</i> −	001	nog	we wa	le la	
	Modes of conju-	gation		I	11	III	1V, 2d per	V, 3d per.		

1 A, B, C, D, refer to § 31.
stikipit or tikittit come.

\*likippilatti or tikippippit thou didst not come.

In the third person singular, simply used without any suffix.

		W.	Modal characters	ter			
Modes of conju-		Affirm	Affirmative		Negative	Person endings.	
gation		Class of co	ass of conjugation			A, B, C, D	Name and definition of the mode
		=	111	11	(v.)		
							PARTICIPLE
VI	777	9	077	rlo	nna, a I	1st per. sing. $A$ 2d, 4th per. $A$ 1st per. pl. $A$ 3d per.	Contemporative or associative, attributive; quasi-active or quasi-passive; 1st, 2d, 4th, per. intransitive, 3d per. transitive.
УПа	08 (E) (E)	(8)86	tte*	rte* tt<*tjrto	(t) yyitto	<b>4</b> 4	Verbal noun or verbal adjective; agent or medial; attributive or predicative.
ти	<b>5</b>	28	ta sa ya   ya <pa< td=""><td>υ<b>δ</b>&gt;υ<b>4</b></td><td>pejúú</td><td>&lt;</td><td>Passive participle; attributive.</td></pa<>	υ <b>δ</b> >υ <b>4</b>	pejúú	<	Passive participle; attributive.
IX, 1st, 2d, 4th per. 3d per.	94<91 94<90	nd pa	kki kka	ri ra	yylkki yyikka	C, D	Transitive participle, quasi-active, always comprising both subject and object; predicative (or attributive).
X, 1st, 2d, 4th per. 8d per.	pa <pu< td=""><td><b>ya</b>&lt; <b>y</b>a mma</td><td>kka mma</td><td>ra rma</td><td>yyinna yyinma</td><td>B, C</td><td>Past tense or causal proposition: transitive or intransitive; attributive.</td></pu<>	<b>ya</b> < <b>y</b> a mma	kka mma	ra rma	yyinna yyinma	B, C	Past tense or causal proposition: transitive or intransitive; attributive.
XI, 1st, 2d, 4th per. $yu < p^{ij}$ 8d per ppa	pdd ha 	nd > nd	nkh ppd	יי ייש	nyíkku nyippa	B, C	Future tense or conditional proposition; transitive or intransitive; attributive.
<b>X</b> II	ne	nc	nne	ne	ppinne	Y	Verb abstract.

1 a is the negative character in the third person singular, and the first, second, and third persons plural, of the verbs of class IV: iscrane he (sE) not going in <iser-a-ae, but tikinnane (class III) he not coming.</p>
2 May be used without any suffix.

§32. SYNOPSIS OF VERBAL MODES OF CONJUGATION (DIALECT OF WEST GREENLAND)

	idings.				Imperative, intransitive, and transitive.	Middle voice (medium), intransitive   quast-indicative.   quast-cctve, or quast-passive.	Quasi-transitive.	Interrugative, intransitive and transitive.	Optative, intransitive and transitive.	stikippilati or tikippippit thou didet not come.
	Person endings.	A, B, C, D			А.С.В А	۷ ۲	A, C	ນ <b>ເ</b> ວັ∢	(e) A, C A, C, (D)	stikiy 4 In tl
	Negative		(v.)	ì	1.1	s opias	ppila	ypile ypila ypila	1 1	
sters	Affirmative	Affirmative	1		. 6	£ 1	17pa	rpe   rpa	11.0	81.
Modal characters			E		7, 113	odd 1	pdd	ppe  -	17c	B, C, D, refer to § 31.
Mo		Class of c	H	1	\$ > a	<u> </u>	ಕ	yai ya	2 5	<sup>1</sup> A, B, C, D, refer to § 3 tikipit or tikitit come.
			1		ø  -  -	§	tra	na na	22	
Modes of conjugation					I	II		1V, 2d per 3d per 8d per	V, 3d per.	

Modes of conjugation         Class of conjugation         Negative         Person endings. A, B, C, D         Name and definition of the mode A, B, C, D         Name and definition of the mode A, B, C, D         Name and definition of the mode A, B, C, D         Name and definition of the mode A, B, C, D         Name and definition of the mode A, B, C, D         Name and definition of the mode A, B, C, D         Paraticiple           VI.         1         11         1V         (v.)         11st per. sing. B, A         A         Paraticiple and A, B, C, B,			X X	Modal characters	Z 2			
Class of conjugation   IV   (V.)   A, B, C, D	Modes of conju-		Affirm	native		Negative	Person endings,	
1	gation		Class of co	njugation			A, B, C, D	Name and definition of the mode
		-	=	11	11	(v.)		
11st per. slng.   3d, 4th per.   3								PARTICIPLE
(a) 80° (b) 80° (c) 80	VI	077	9	077	27.0		sing. per. pl.	Contemporative or associative, attributive: quasi-active or quasi-passive; 1st, 2d, 4th, per. intransitive, 3d per. transitive.
8a         8t         (a sa ya         ya c ya         Ya         A           yi c yi         ki         ri         yyikia         C, D           ya c ya         ki         ra         yyikia         A           ya c ya         ki         ra         yyikia         A           ya c ya         ki         ra         yyima         B, C           ya c ya         ya         ya         b, C           ya         ya         ya         b, C           ya         ya         ya         ya	VIIa	08(e) (e)	(8)86		rte* 'Urto	(1) 97tito	4 4	Verbal noun or verbal adjective; agent or medial; attributive or predicative.
$yi < pi$ $yi \cdot pi$ $ki$ $i$ $i$ $i$ $i$ $i$ $i$ $i$ $i$ $i$	• • • • пи	90	<b>19</b>	ta sa na	nd>pa	ppiea	4	Passive participle; attributive.
φα < φα         φα         φα         σα         γγίηπα         B, C           η < φα         η < φα         rma         γγίηπα         B, C         β           γα         γα         ra         γγίηγα         B, C         β           γα         γα         rpa         γγίηγα         B, C         β           η         η         γα         rpa         γγίηνα         γγίηνα         β           η         η         η         γγίηνα         γγίηνα         γ	IX, 1st, 2d, 4th per. 8d per.		9i<9i	kki	r z	ppikki ppikka	C, D	Transitive participle, quasi-active, always comprising both subject and object; predicative (or attributive).
yu <pu a<="" b,c="" kku="" nc="" ne="" nne="" ppa="" rpa="" ru="" td="" yu<pu="" yythne="" yytkku="" yytppa=""><td>X, 1st, 2d, 4th per. 8d per.</td><td><b>y</b>a&lt;<b>p</b>a mma</td><td>nma</td><td>kka mma</td><td>ra rma</td><td>yyinna yyinma</td><td>B, C</td><td>Past tense or causal proposition; transitive or intransitive; attributive.</td></pu>	X, 1st, 2d, 4th per. 8d per.	<b>y</b> a< <b>p</b> a mma	nma	kka mma	ra rma	yyinna yyinma	B, C	Past tense or causal proposition; transitive or intransitive; attributive.
ne ne ne poinne A	XI, 1st, 2d, 4th per. 8d per.	pdd ha o	nd <dn< td=""><td>kku ppa</td><td>1 to</td><td>nyiku nyippa</td><td>B, C</td><td>Future tense or conditional proposition; transitive or intransitive; attributive.</td></dn<>	kku ppa	1 to	nyiku nyippa	B, C	Future tense or conditional proposition; transitive or intransitive; attributive.
	XII · · · ·	ne 	ne	nne	ne	ppinne	٧	Verb abstract.

1 a is the negative character in the third person singular, and the first, second, and third persons plural, of the verbs of class IV: iscrane he (sk) not going in <iscrane, but titing and (class III) he not coming.

\*\*May be used without any suffix.\*\*

#### § 33. MODE I. IMPERATIVE

#### INTRANSITIVE (A-ENDINGS)

	(Class of con- juga- tion)	I. kapi, kapiy to stab one's self	III. ka'ta, katay to be DROPPED, OF TO SHED HAIR, HORNS, ETC.	IV. i'ser, isig to ENTER, TO 90 IN
2d per. sing 2d per. pl		kapi'yii (thou) stabl kapi'yille (you)	kata'şit drop! kata'şitte	ise'rit enter! ise'ritte
	·	TRANSI	TIVE	
		Singular	Plural	
		thou—me	you—me	
	r I	ka'piy'ya	ka,pisi'ya	
me	111	ka'tay'ya	kalasiya	A C-endings
	l iv	i'siy'ya	isisiya	
		thou—us	you—us	
	( I	kapisiyul	kapisiyut	
us	{  m	katattiyut	katattiyut	D C-endings
	IV	iscrtiyul	iserlinut	
		thou—him	you—him	
	( I	kapiyuk	kapisiuk	
him	111	katanuk 1	katassiuk	D C-endings
	IV	iscruk	iscrsiuk	
		thou—them	you—them	
	I	kapikkit	kapisiyik	
them	111	katakkit	katasiyik	D C-endings
	IV	isikkit	isersiyik	

<sup>1</sup> Some verbs end in -ssuk in this class; e.g., tikissuk(<tikippaa) come to him or to there.

### § 34. MODE II. INDICATIVE

#### INTRANSITIVE (A-ENDINGS)

				Ne	gative (77ila)	
	I (wo)	III (ppo)	IV (rpo)	I	III	IV
1st per. sing.	kapiwoya kapiwoyut	katappona katapponut	iserpoya iserpoyut	kapiyyilaya kapiyyilayut	kalayyilaya kalayyila-	iscyyilaya iscyyilayul
	•				gut	
2d per. sing.	kapiwutit	katapputit	ieerputit	kapiŋŋilatil	<b>ka</b> tannilatit	i <b>scry</b> ilatil
2d per. pl	kapiwuse	katappuse	iserpuse	kapiyyilase	kata <del>yy</del> ilase	isenyilase
3d per. sing.	kapiwoq	katappoq	iserpoq	kapi <del>yy</del> ilaq	kata <del>yy</del> ilaq	<b>iseyy</b> ilaq
3d per. pl	kapipput	katapput	iserput	kapinnillat	kala <del>yyi</del> LLat	iscopillat

In the positive dual the first person ends in -yuk; the second person, in -tik; the third person, in -puk.

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## § 35. MODE III. INDICATIVE

#### TRANSITIVE (C-ENDINGS)

me {	I III IV	thou—n kapiwarma katapparma iserparma		kata	you—me iwawssiiya ppawssiya pawssiya	he—n kapiwaan katappaan iserpaana	a ya	kap kata	they—me iwaa <del>yya</del> ippaa <del>yy</del> a paa <b>yy</b> a
		thou—		kan	you—us iwawssiyut	he—i			they—us
ua 🐰	III	katappawitis			ppawssinut	katappaat	inut	kate	ippaatiyut
- · · l	ıv	iserparttiyu	•	1	pavesiyut	iscrpaatin			paatiyut
		I—the	-		we—thee	he—tl	nee	t	hey—thee
1	I	kapiwa <b>vkki</b> kapiwaa <b>yi</b> t	,	kap	lwa <b>w</b> lliyit	kapiwaati	t	kap	iwaattil
thee	III	katappawkk katappaanii	,	kata	ıppa <b>st</b> ti <b>y</b> it	katappaat	ıt	kata	ppaatti <b>t</b>
Į	ıv	iserpawkkil iserpaanit	or }	iser	pa <b>wi</b> ttiyi <b>t</b>	iserpaatit		iser	paattit
		I—you	u		we—you	he—y	ou	1	hey—you
(	I	kapiwawsse katappawsse		kap	iwa <b>v</b> sse	kapiwaase	:	kap	riwaase
<b>y</b> ou (pl.) {	III				ippawsse	katappase		kate	аррааве
Ų	IV	iserpawsse	iserpawsse		pa <b>vs</b> se	iserpaase		iser	paase
	I	I—him we—h kapiwara kapiwa			thou—him kapiwat	you—him kapiwar*e	he—hi kapiwaa		they-him kapiwaat
him .	III	katappara			katapput	katapparse	katappa	a	katappaat
Ч	IV	iserpara	iserpar	put	iscrpat	iserparse	iserpaa		iserpaat
		I—them	we—t		thou-them	you—them	he—th		they-them
ſ	I	kapiwakka	kapiwa		kapiwatit	kapiwase	kapiwaa		kapiwaait
them .	III	katappakka	katapp		katappatit	katappare	katappa		katappaait
. ų	IV	iserpakka	iserpa	vut	iserpatit	iscrpase	iserpaai		iserpaa it

# § 36. MODE IV. INTERROGATIVE

#### INTRANSITIVE

	I	111	IV	Negative
2d per. sing	kapiwil	katappit	iscrpit	-ŋŋippil
d per. pl	kapiwise	katappise	iserpise	-ŋŋippiæ
d per. sing	kapiwa	katappa	iserpa	- <del>yy</del> ila
ki per. pl.	kapippat	katappat	iserpat	-ppillat

#### TRANSITIVE

•	Class of con- juga- tion.			Neg	ative
me	{ I	thou—me kapiwiya iserpiya	you—me kapiwisiya iserpisiya	thou—me	you—me - <i>yyilisiy</i> a
us	{ I	thou—us kapiwisiyut iserpisiyut	you—us kapiwisiyut iserpisiyut	thou—us	you—us -yyilisiyut
nim .	{ I IV	thou—him kapiwiuk iserpiuk	you—him kapiwisiuk iscrpisiuk	thou—him	you—him -pyilisisk
hem .	{ I	thou—them kapiwiyil iscrpiyit	you—them kapiwisiyik iscrpisiyik	thou—them	you—them -yyilisiyik

## § 37. MODE V. OPTATIVE

#### INTRANSITIVE

		I	111	IV	Negative
st per. sing	<b>3.</b>	kapilana wish I would stab my- self	kataLLaya	iserLaya wish I might enter	-ŋŋikkile
d per. pl.		kapilata	kataLLata	iserLata \	-ŋŋikkilit
			TRANSITIVE		
1		1		he—me	they—me
1	I			kapiliya	kapiliyya
me {	IV			iserLiya	iserLiyya
				heus	they—us
ď	I			kapilisiyut	kapilisiyut
us · · {	IV			iserLisiyut	iserLisiyut
		I—thee	we—thee	he—thee	they—thee
ĺ	I	kapilawkkit	kapila#ttiyit	kapilisit	kapilittit or   kapilisit
thee .	IV	iserLawkkit	iscrLawttiyit	iserLisit	iscrLittit or iserLisit
		I—you	we—you	he—you	they-you
1	I	kapila <b>vss</b> e	kapil <b>avsse</b>	kapilise	kapilise
you (pl.)	IV	iserLawsse	iserLa#88e	iserLise	iserLise
		I—him	we-him	he—him	they—him
him .	I	kapilara	kapilarpul	kapiliuk	kapilissu <b>k</b>
{	IV	iserLara	iserLarput	iserLiuk	iscrLissuk
		I—them	we—them	he—them	they-them
them .	I	ka <b>pi</b> la <b>kka</b>	kapilawut	kapiliyıt	kapilisi <b>yi</b> k
mem . {	IV	iserLakka	iserLawut	iserLiyit	iserListylk

-ŋŋikkiliŋit he—them

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#### § 38. MODE VI. CONTEMPORATIVE

#### Stabbing or being stabbed

	Intransitive (Active or Passive	e) Negative
1st per. sing	. kapilloya	kapinnaya 1
1st per. pl	. kapiLLuta	kapinnata
2d per. sing	. kapiLLutit	kapinnatit
2d per. pl	: kapilluse	kapinnase
4th per. sing	. kapiLLune	kapinnane
4th per. pl	. kapiLLutik	kapinnatik
	Transitive or Passive	
3d per. sing	. kapilloyo2	kapinnayo
3d per. pl	. kapiLloyit²	kapinnayit

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>That is, I WITHOUT BEING STABBED.

# § 39. MODE VII. VERBAL NOUN OR VERBAL ADJECTIVE $\alpha$ (noun).

#### Examples:

- \* asasse [a'sase], with third person possessive suffix asassia THE ONE WHO LOVES HIM, < asawoq
- \*ikiorte, in third person possessive ikiortaa the one who heles him, his helper, <ikiorpoq

# β (noun or adjective).

	I	ıv	Negative
lst per. sing lst per. pl	kapisona kapisonut	iscrtopa I who enter iscrtoput we who enter	-yyittoya I who don't — -yyittoyut
2d per. sing 2d per. pl	kapisutit kapisuse	iscriuti thou who dost enter iscriuse you who enter	-yyiltutil -yyiltuse
3d per. sing 8d per. pl	kapisoq kapisul	iscrioq he who enters iscriut they who enter	-yyittoq -yyittut

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That is, we, he, I, etc., stabbing him, or he being stabbed by us, him, me, etc.

That is, STABBING THEM, OF THEY BEING STABBED.

#### § 40. MODE VIII. PASSIVE PARTICIPLE

## Examples:

asåssaq one who is loved asåssara my beloved

asässät thy beloved asässaa his beloved, etc.

					III
lst per. sing. 1st per. pl					katättara my dropped one (the thing I dropped) katättarput our dropped one (the thing we dropped)
2d per. sing. 2d per. pl					katättät thy dropped one (the thing thou droppedst) katättarse your dropped one (the thing you dropped)
3d per. sing. 3d per. pl					katättaa his dropped one (the thing he dropped) katättaät their dropped one (the thing they dropped)
4th per. sing. 4th per. pl					katättane his (se) dropped one (the thing he dropped) katättartik their (se) dropped one (the thing they dropped)

All the typical endings of the possessive inflection of the nouns (§ 26) are available in this mode.

#### § 41. MODE IX. TRANSITIVE PARTICIPLE

# kapinina (S. W. Gr. kapigiga) I who stab him of that I stab (stabbed) him

thou—me, us kapiyimma kapiyiwttiyut		you- kapiyiwsi kapiyiwsi	- 1	he—me, us apiyaaya apiyaatiyut		the kapiyaa kapiyaa		
I—thee, you kapiyiwkkil kapiyiwsse		we—kapiyiwti kapiyiwsi	- 1	he—thee, you apiyaatit apiyaase		they ,kapiyae kapiyae		
I—him, them (SE) kapiyiwnne kapiyiwttik	the kapi	—him, m (se) givitinne givitik	thou—him, them (se) kapiyinne kapiyittik	you—him, them (se) kapiyiwssinne kapiyiwttik	the kapi	—him, m (8E) gaane gaatik	they—him them (8E) kapiyaanne kapiyaatik	
him—I, we kapiyiya kapiyipput		then kapiyikko kapiyiwu		him—thou, yo apiyit apiyisse	u	them—thou, you kapiyüü kapiyise		
him—he (SK), they kapiŋinne kapiŋittik	(8E)	them—he kapiyine kapiyitik		him, them—h apiyaa apiyaa:	e	him, kapiyad		

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## § 42. MODE X. PAST TENSE AND CAUSAL PROPOSITION

# kapinama when (as) I stabbed myself, because I stab (stabbed) myself

#### INTRANSITIVE

	I	111	IV	Negative
ist per. sing	kapiyama	kalakkama	iscrama	kapiyyinnama
	kapi <del>yy</del> å#tta	kalakki#tla	iscravita	kapiyyinnawtta
2d per. sing	kapi <b>yawil</b>	kalakkawit	iserawil	kapiyyinnawil
2d per. pl	kapi <b>yawss</b> c	katakkawsse	iserä#sse	kapiyyinndsu
tth per. sing	kapi <b>y</b> ame	katakkame	iserame	kapi <b>yyinname</b>
tth per. pl	kapi <del>y</del> amik	kattakkamik	iseramik	kap <b>iyy</b> innamik
3d per. sing	kapimmāt	katāmmāt	iserm <b>ā</b> t	kapi <del>yyimm</del> át
	kapimmāta	katāmmata	i <b>sermā</b> ta	kapiyyimmáta

#### TRANSITIVE

thou—me, us	you—me, us	he—me, us	they—me, us	he(sk)—me,us	they (SE)—me,
kapiyamma	kapinawssina	kapimmaya	kapimmanna	kapiyamiy <b>a</b>	kapiyamiyya
kap <b>iŋā#ttiŋ</b> ut	kapinawssimut	kapimmatinut	kapimmatiyut	kapiyamisiyut	kapiyamisiyu
I—thee, you kapinawkkit or	we—thee, you	he—thee, you	they—thee,	he (sE)—thee,	they (SE)—
kapiyaayit	kapi <b>yàs</b> tti <b>yit</b>	kapimmatit	kapimmattit	kapi <b>yami</b> sit	kapiyamittitor
kapinawsse	kapiŋà#88e	kapimmase	kapimmase	kapiyamise	kapiyamisil kapiyamis
I—him (se), them (se)	we—him (SE), them (SE)	thou—him (se), them (se)	you—him (se), them (se)	he—him (sE), them (sE)	they—him(se). them (se)
kapigavnne	kapinawitinne	kapinanne	kapinawssinne	kapimmane	kapimmanne
kapi <b>yá</b> vttik	kapi <b>ya</b> wttik	kapiyáttik	kapíyá#ttik	kapımm <b>atık</b>	kapimmatik
I-him, them	we-him, them	thou—him, them	you—him, them	he—him, them	they—him.
kapinárkko	kapiŋàwttiŋo	kapi <b>ŋàk</b> ko	kapiyàvssiuk	kapimmayo	kapimmassuk
kapi <b>yà#kki</b> t	kapi <b>yo</b> tti <b>y</b> ik	kapi <b>yákk</b> it	kap <b>iyauss</b> iyik	kapimmayil	kapimmatiyik
				he (SE)—him, them	they (SE)— him, them
				kapiyamiuk	kapinamikko
ĺ		l :		kapi <b>yamiyit</b>	kapiyamikkik

## § 43. MODE XI. FUTURE TENSE AND CONDITIONAL PROPOSITION

# kapinuma when (in future) I SHALL STAB MYSELF, IF I STAB MYSELF

#### INTRANSITIVE

	I	111	IV	Negative
lst per. sing	kapi <b>yu</b> ma	katakkuma	iseruma	kapinnikkuma
ist per.pl	kapi <b>yuv</b> tta	katakku#tta	iserusetta	kapiŋŋikku#tta
2d per. sing	kapiŋuwit	katakkuwit	iseruwit	kapiŋŋikkuwit
2d per. pl	kapi <b>yuwss</b> e	katakkuwsse	іветишвне	kapiŋŋikku#88e
th per.sing	kapiyune	katakkune	iserune	kapiŋŋikkune
tth per.pl	kapiŋu <b>n</b> ik	kata <b>kkunik</b>	iserunik	kapiŋŋikkunik
3d per.sing	kapippät	kutāppāt	iscrpāt	kap <b>iŋŋippāt</b>
3d per. pl	kapippata	katáppata	iserpāta	kapi <del>yy</del> ippata

#### TRANSITIVE

thou-me, us	you—me, us	he—me, us	they—me, us	he (s <b>z</b> )→me, us	they (SE)—me,
kapinumma	kapinuwssina	карірр <b>а</b> ла	kapippanna	kapinunına	kapinuninna
kapiyu <b>s</b> ttiyut	kapiŋuwssiŋut	kapippatinut	kapippatiyut	kapiŋunisiŋul	kapiyunisiyut
I—thee, you	we—thee, you	he—thee, you	they—thee,	he (8E)—thee,	they(8E)—thee
kapiyu <b>w</b> kkit	kapiyuwttiyi!	kapippatit	kapippattit	kap <b>iyunisit</b>	kapiyunittit or
kapi <b>yuws</b> se	каріушыле	kapippase	kapippase	kap <b>iy</b> uni <b>s</b> e	kapiyunisil kapiyunise
I—him, them	we—him, them	thou—him, them (SE)	you—him, them (sr)	he—him, them	they—him, them (sE)
kapiyuwnne	kapinuwttinne	kapiŋunne	kapinuwssinne	kapippane	kapippanne
kapiyu <b>v</b> ttik	kapi <del>y</del> u <b>v</b> ttik	kapiyuttik	kapiyuwttik	kapippatik	kapippatik
I-him, them	we—him, them	thou—him, them	you-him, them	he—him, them	they—him,then
kapiyuwkko	kapiŋu <b>wttiŋ</b> o	<b>k</b> apiyukko	kapinuwssiuk	kapippa <b>y</b> o	kapippassuk
kap <b>iyuv</b> kkit	kapiŋuwttiŋi <b>k</b>	kapi <b>yukkit</b>	kapinuwssinik	kapippa <del>y</del> it	kapippatiyik
	- Carlotte			he (sE)—him, them	they (SE)—him them
				kapiyuniuk	kapi <del>y</del> unikko
•			1	kapi yuni yit	kapiŋunikkik

#### § 44. MODE XII. ABSTRACT NOUN

kapineq the act of stabbing one's self; the being stabbed (by another); a stab, wound.

Absolutive	I	11	111	IV	Negative
singular	kapineq	pinicq	kulänneq	iserneq	-ŋŋinneq

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These forms are inflected alike, following the paradigm of emeg (§ 28); for instance,

1st per. sing. . . . kapinera my stab (stabbing, being stabbed)

1st per. pl. . . . . kapinerput our stab 3d per. sing. . . . kapinera his stab

3d per. pl. . . . . kapinerut their stab, etc.

# Defective Inflection (§§ 45-48)

## § 45. Prevalence of Possessive or Absolute Inflection in Certain Words

Some words, or groups of words, can take only certain series of the suffixes previously described. All true nouns may take any of the inflectional suffixes of nouns, though of course in many cases the meaning causes one series to be used more frequently than others, or prevents their being inflected equally through all the forms of declension. We have already mentioned some words that are confined either to the plural, or to the dual, or to the singular (§ 17).

Likewise there are words that are nearly always possessive, while others occur generally without possessive pronouns. To the first group belong such words as signify parts of objects; as, for example,

itsia the white of an egg
siua the bow of a boat
inua the inhabitant or owner
of a thing

isna (<ise) the eye of a man or animal; eye of a needle

To the latter group belong, for example—

täseq a lake nuna land ukiog winter sila weather nammineq self nalipinnaq everybody

Altogether incompatible with possessive inflection are the demonstrative words (§ 50) and kina who, suna what, alla other.

# § 46. Interrogative and Personal Pronouns

The interrogative pronouns have irregular plurals. They form, however, regular local cases from the stems ki (singular),  $kikkut^1$  (plural), su (singular and plural).

kina who, plural kikkut (Al. kinkūt [Barnum 77]); kimut то wмом, plural kikkunnut

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The suffix -kut seems to mean society, family.

suna what, plural soot [sv:t] or [sv:t] (M. cuna, plural cuvit); sumut to what or where (sume where)

The Alaskan cha [ca], plural chat (Barnum 80), which is perhaps related to the Greenlandic suna what thing, is presented by Barnum as having both local and possessive inflection; but in Greenlandic these words have no possessive inflection.

Combination of first and second persons and local declension is seen in the personal pronouns:

uwaya I; plural uwayut we; uwawnne at me, uäwttinne at us; uäwnnut to me, uäwttinnut to us; uäwttut like me illit thou; plural iliwsse or i'lisse [ilisse] you; illinnut to thee, iliwssinnut to you; ilittut like you, etc.

## § 47. Words Signifying ALONE, WHOLE, ALL

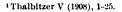
The following three nouns, signifying the abstract concept ALONE, WHOLE, ALL, in relation to persons or things, receive exclusively relative possessive endings, aside from the third person singular. They remind us of the inflection of modes x and xi of the verbs.

1st per. sing.	kisima I or me alone (only)	ilooparma I or me whole (all over the body)	tamarma I or me whole (wholly)
1st per. pl	kisiwita	ilvo <b>yå∞t</b> la	tamávita all of us
lst per. dual	kisirnnuk		
2d per. sing.	kisiwit	ilooyarpit	tamarpit
2d per. pl	kisiwsse	ilooyà#8se	tamāvsse
2d per. dual	kiei#ttik		
4th per. sing.	kisime	ilooyarme	tamarme
4th per. pl	kisimik	ilooyarmik	tamarmik
3d per. sing.	kisiät	ilooyaát	tamaát
3d per. pl	kiseesa	ilooyaàsa	tamaāsa

#### § 48. Numerals

The distribution of the Eskimo numerals may be symbolized in this manner:

The word for 20 is inuk naawloyo A MAN BROUGHT TO AN END, all his fingers (or hands, I and II) and toes (or feet, III and IV) being counted.



The numeral system of the Eskimo is quinary, closely following the fingers and toes of man. An Eskimo always has recourse to his fingers in counting, lifting his hands in front of him. Nevertheless the terms for the numerals are not identical with those for the fingers or toes. (See examples below.)

The numerals lack the possessive inflection except in the third person, by means of which the ordinal numbers are formed.

The following numerals quoted from Thalbitzer (V), Bourquin. Petitot, and Barnum, are slightly transcribed according to my phonetic orthography.

Cardinal numbers	West Greenland	Labrador	Mackenzie River	Southwest Alask	
I 1	ataaweeq	attauseq	ataociq	alauceq	
2	martuk or artaa	mannuk or agga [axxa]?	mallerok	malruk	
3	piyasut	piyasut	pipacut	piyyajun	
4	sisamat	sittamat	citamat	stamen	
5	täLLimat	tellimat [tällimat]?	tallėmat	tallimen	
II(6)	arFineq or arFiniLLit 1	arvingat 4 [arFiyat]	arvenelərit	arvinlizzin	
(7)	marLuk	agg@rtut •	aypak or malləronik	malrunlizzin .	
(8)	piyasut	piyasut	piyacunik	piyyayunlizzin	
(9)	sisamat or  qulaailuat2	}sittamat	citamat or  qolinilloat	qolnnunraata	
10	qulit *	tellimat or  qollit [qollit]?	golit	qoin	
III(11)	arqaneq or arqaniLLil or isikkaneq or isikkaniLLil	arqa <b>yat or</b> il ikkane	itiännerat or itiännelərit	ataucimik cipLuku (15) akimiak	
IV(16)	   SarFersaneq OF   arFersaniLLit		igluïn-itiännelərit or itiännerat arvenelərit		
V (21)	sunna or unnisut	ungna or ungnijul	iglut-certut or innuy-cikpaq s	juinok alaucimik cipLuku <sup>6</sup>	

<sup>1-</sup>Lit, plural of -lik having, supplied with; in plural also -leet, Leet; same as M. -lerit, Al. -lizzia (Petitot LIV) (Barnum 41: lik, plural ligūt).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> quile UPPER ONE, in third person possessive quilaa + ilual INNER ONE (i. e., the fourth finger, the forefinger).

Plural of quie THE UPPER ONES (the hands or fingers as opposed to the toes).

<sup>4</sup> Corresponds to the Greenland ordinal arreryat THE SIXTH.

<sup>6</sup> Cf. agga Two = Gr. arLaa (ordinal).

<sup>6</sup> cikpaq, cf. cika reste, retaille, Al. ciploq it exceeds, Gr. simmera surplus.

Ordinal num- bers	West Greenland	Labrador	Mackenzie River	Southwest Alaska
1	{siulleq or {siulliat	} eivor Leq	civuleq	caokleq
2	a i ppaa	atpana	ajp <b>ak</b>	aipa
3	piyajuat	piyajuak		pinnajuak
4	sisamaat	sittamayat		stameek
5	tällimaat	tellimayat	'	talLimeek
6	{ar <b>Fernal</b> or  ar <b>Fern</b> al	arviniyat		arrin <b>r</b> aq
11	arqarnat or  arqarnat	arqandrtuat		
16	far Fersarnat or ar Fersarnat	arvertayártuat		

## Irregular Inflection (§§ 49, 50)

### § 49. Interrogative Pronouns

The interrogative pronouns kina and suna have irregular relative cases formed without p or other labial modification; thus—

Absolutive kina who suna what

kiu of whom
sua of what (or soop < \*so-up?)

## § 50. Demonstrative Pronouns and Adverbs

The demonstrative pronouns are inflected in the following manner:

#### SINGULAR

Cases	Endings	he (she, it) there	the one referred to (in speech or thought)	this here	that yonde
Absolutive . Relative Allative Locative Ablative Instrumentalis	na, ya (ssu)ma muyya mane mayya miyya miyya moona	una ooma oomonya oomane oomanya oominya oominya	taawa taawssuma taawssumoppa taawssumanya taawssuminya taawssuminya taawssumoma	månna matuma matumoyya matumane matumayya matumiyya matumoona	iyya issuma issumoyya issumane issumayya issumiyya issumiyya issumoona
<u> </u>		I	PLURAL		
Absolutive . (Relative) Allative Locative Ablative Instrumentalis	ko or koa nuyya nane nayya niyya niyya (noona (natiyut)	'uko 'ukoa ukunoyya ukunane ukunayya ukuniyya ukunioyna ukunoona ukunatiyul	taawkoa taawkonoppa taawkunane taawkonappa taawkonippa taawkonona taawkonotiput	makko makkoa makunoyya makkunane makunayya makuniyya makunoona makunatiyut	ikko ikkoa ikkunoyya ikkunane ikkunayya ikkuniyya ikkuniona ikkunoona

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In the same way is inflected  $i^w nna$  (relative  $i^w ssuma$ ) THE ONE PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED (Latin ILLE).

There are some other demonstrative pronouns—

 $\dot{a}^w nna$  he (she, it) in the north

qàunna he in the south; he in there (in the house); he out there (outside of the house)

 $p\dot{a}^w nna$  he up there in the east  $s\dot{a}^w nna$  he down there in the sea

kanna he down there

kiyya he there in the south

pinna he up there in the east

All of these follow the paradigms of  $taa^wna$  and  $i\eta\eta a$ . And just as the latter forms with the prefix ta  $ta^i\eta\eta a$  (the one previously mentioned we are speaking of), so all these pronouns may take the prefix ta and signify the one we are just now speaking of (or thinking of); as tamanna,  $taq\dot{a}^wnna$ ,  $tas\dot{a}^wnna$ ,  $tak\dot{a}nna$ , etc.

These words have no possessive inflection. Still more defective is the inflection of the demonstrative local adverbs, in which three of the inflectional endings of the demonstrative pronouns appear; e. g.,—

Cases	Endings	here	there	yonder	in the north
Locative Allative Ablative Prosecutive .	ne	maane	uwane	ikane	ашапе
	ya	maawyya	ooya	ikoya	ашора
	yya	maayya	uwayya	ikayya	ашаруа
	ona	maona	uwXoona	ikoona	ашоопа

# PARTICLES (§§ 51-54)

Although words lacking inflection are not in themselves affected by the manifold changes due to inflection, some of them at least exert a certain influence on the syntactic structure or on the grammatical forms of the words governed by them. This applies especially to the modal and temporal particles (§ 52 and § 53), and will become clear from the examples given below:

# § 51. Interjections

a amazement or bewilderment.

issse ajüssüsee 'a how terrible the cold is! (literally, the cold its badness, ă!)

ta, ata, calls attention to something: LOOK HERE! \$51

aja sighing, especially used by women and children.

aja qasoqaawna how tired I am!

eeq or teeq expresses scorn or irony.

na 'aa sudden pain.

kakkaak, assaasakak, surprise, wonder, admiration (M. apkpalé ah! [admiration.])

For hunters' calls, see Thalbitzer I, 323-326:

 $dRRR \dots dRRR \dots$  used in decoying young gulls.

qu'treeq qu'treeq to old female gulls.

taka'teeq taka't\*eeq qrq to the three-toed gulls.

hakom hakom to auks.

que que to ravens.

#### § 52. Modal Particles

an calling attention to something. In some cases it is used as a prefix:

"aau'na, 'aauna look here, here it (una) is! the same as aajuna

In other cases it is used as a suffix; e. g.,

ooma-aa you there, come here! (ooma is the relative case of una, thus meaning of HIM THERE)

aa is very much like the sign of the a vocative in such cases as—
ataata-aa father!
aa-makko they, there!

atayo lo! behold! (with future tense of the verb following it.)

atano usissanit try it and you shall see you will be all right

 $sun'aa^wFa$  (< suna what + uffa there) expresses surprise.

u'se (bringing something back to his memory) now I remember.

ust'uFFa (< use + uFFa) 1 thought that——. This particle is always followed by a participle or a noun.

usiurra takussayiya I thought (expected) I should have seen him qanortoq Latin utinam, followed by optative of the verb.

 $na^{w}k$  massaalthough (followed by participle).  $u^{w}nnit$ 

massa takussarina ilisarinnilara although I have often seen him, I do not know him

soorLo as, as if.

## § 53. Temporal Particles

ittaq a long time ago (South Gr. itsaq).
ippassaq yesterday (M. ikpektçiapk).
uLlume to-day.
qilamik soon (M. kpillamik).
siorna last year (literally, the one just before).
kiyorna hereafter (M. kiñunæpagun).
qaya when (in the preterite).
qaqoyo when (in the future).
qa'qutiyut at times, from time to time
aqano to-morrow.

## § 54. Particles for Expressing Question and Answer

aap yes (M. ih).naaxa no, no (M. tchuitoρ, diunak; West coast of Hudson bay naaga). naamik no (there is no; it is not there). nawk where (M. tchupavit, tchuma). **800**9 why sooruna certainly. massame certainly, indeed. ilumut indeed, I do not lie. immaga perhaps (M. tabliu; West coast of Hudson bay iluukuni). asukiak I do not know, maybe. tässaga I hardly believe. at is it, do you (M. tutchayotin ain comprends-tu?). qa'noq how (M. naw-kut, naw-naw, kpano-kpano). i'laa isn't it so? quianaq thanks (M. kpoyanapa).

# DERIVATIVE SUFFIXES (§§ 55-60)

# § 55. General Characteristics of Suffixes

In the Eskimo language suffixes (and infixes) are used to an extent quite unknown to European languages. It has been shown in the preceding chapters that all the grammatical and syntactical ideas of our languages are expressed by this means, and that these forms differentiated into a highly elaborate system. Besides this, many concepts that enrich the subject-matter of our sentences, and which





we express by means of adjectives and adverbs, are in Eskimo suffixes attached to the words expressing fundamental ideas. Nearly one-sixth of the Eskimo "words" (bases, stems, and suffixes) are suffixes.

One suffix may be linked to another, and in this way the fundamental idea of the base-word is gradually more and more specialized and enriched. A whole sentence may be expressed in a word—in a word-sentence.

All suffixes are imperfect words—i. e., sound-complexes or single sounds—each of which has a definite signification. Without much practice it is difficult to recognize the suffixes included in compound words, because at the beginning and at the ending of the suffix phonetic assimilation by the preceding and following sounds occurs.

The order of the suffixes is of importance, and full freedom is not allowed in their use. The independent fundamental word must be placed at the beginning of the word-sentence, and the suffixes are attached to it to explain it more fully. Such suffixes as describe the qualities of the fundamental idea or its modes of action, or which refer to size or time, follow these, and appear inserted between the leading stem and the inflectional endings. These, in turn, are attached more closely to the whole word-cluster than the syntactical suffixes which may terminate it; e. g., -lo and, -ttaa<sup>o</sup>q also.

The majority of the suffixes may be freely attached to any word. Thus-liorpoq to make or create may be attached to any word which signifies something that can in any way be made or created. But there are also many suffixes the use of which is restricted to a certain class of ideas, and which may be attached to these only. The suffix -(r)nar- means for the first time, but only in the sense of noticing something for the first time: takornarpara, tusarnarpara I see IT for the first time, I hear IT for the first time. With other words, like to use a thing, or to make a journey, for the first time, another suffix, -(r)qaar-, is used: atorqaarpara I use IT for the first time.

There are many adjectival and adverbial notions for which no suffixes exist. When for this reason it is not possible to express a group of ideas in one word, or in one compound, then the cluster will be broken up, or the expression will be divided into two or several parts. The logical relations between these parts are often shown in the inflection of the word expressing the idea that has been separated. In some cases, however, it can not be recognized by the

inflectional form, but must be deduced from the connection. If the Eskimo wants to say I have a large kayak, this may be expressed in one word, because there are suffixes to denote large (ssuaq), have (qar[poq]), and I (ya, ra); but I have a red kayak must be expressed in two words, because there are no special suffixes to signify colors, so that the idea red must be isolated and expressed by an independent word. The former sentence is expressed by qajarssuaqarpoya (kayaklarge-have-i); the latter by aawpalaartumik qajaqarpoya; here the first part (red) is a participle of the verb aawpalaarpoq IT is red, used in the instrumentalis (-mik), so that the whole phrase translated literally means red (or redly) kayak-have-i, very much as one would say I row quickly in a kayak.

## § 56. Classes of Derivative Suffixes

The suffixes are divided into two classes, according to their use. Some are employed to transform the nominal or verbal quality of the independent words, so that nouns are turned into verbs, and verbs into nouns; others, merely to further develop the independent words by enriching them with attributive ideas, but without transforming their nature. Thus it may be seen, in regard both to the suffixes and to the initial stems, that a distinction may be drawn between nouns and verbs, nominal and verbal suffixes, and consequently four fundamental types of arrangement may be observed, and symbolized thus:

N>v=V; i. e., a noun transformed by a verbal suffix, and so forming a verb:

illoa house + -liorpoq makes, builds

pujoq smoke + -sunnippoq it has a smell or taste of

ameq skin + -erpaa deprives
it of something

nassuk horn + -minarpaa makes a motion with a part of his body toward something izzuliorpoq he builds a house

pujorsunnippoq it has the smell or taste of smoke

ameerpaa takes the skin off it, skins it (e. g., the seal)

nassuminarpaa horns him, butts him

. V > n = N; i. e., a verb transformed by a noun suffix, and so making a noun:

tikippoq arrives + -qat(e) companion + -a his

tikerqataa his arrival-companion, his fellow-traveller



V+v=V; i. e., a verb developed more fully by a verb suffix, the whole constituting a more complex verbal notion:

uter(poq) he returns + -asuar- uterasuarpoq he hastens to re-(poq) hastens turn

N+n=N; i. e., a noun more fully developed by a noun-suffix, the whole constituting a more fully developed noun:

illo house + mio dweller illumio house dweller

 $i_{LLO}$  house  $+ k_O$  rest, remnant  $i_{LLU}k_O$  a ruin

*illo* house  $+ \eta \eta uaq$  little *illo*  $illo \eta uaq$  a small house

Any compound ending in a suffix may be transformed or further developed. The suffixes thus used for purposes of development and transformation may even succeed each other within the same group. Thus pisiting HE GETS (si) A THING (pe), of the formation N > v, may be further developed by verbal suffixes and become pisinialerpoq HE BEGINS (-ler-) TO TRY (-niar-) TO GET A THING (i. e., he begins to buy a thing), which is consequently the formation N>v+v+v. The latter is again transformed by a noun-suffix into pisinialerrik A PLACE, or THE PLACE (-Fik), WHERE ONE (HE) BEGINS (OF BEGAN) TO BUY A THING (or the thing), in which change the formation N>v+v+v>n is produced; and this may again be transformed into a verb (pisinialerrinaa) by means of the verbalizing -a (in the third possessive singular) HE HAS IT (OF HIM) AS A PLACE WHERE HE BEGAN TO BUY THE THING (i. e., it was in that place where, or of that person of whom he began to buy the thing). In this case the last change gives the formation N>v+v+v>n>v.

# § 57. Comparison of Eskimo and Indo-European Derivative Suffixes

In the first instance the Eskimo suffixes are distinguished from those of our own languages by their number; but they differ no less in the vitality of their meanings and in their movability. Thus the diminutive endings in the German Röslein, Häuschen, in the English Brookler, and in the Latin Homunculus, servulus, impress us as being fossils in comparison with the Eskimo adjectival suffixes, which may be attached freely to all words. In quite another sense than in our languages, the words of the Eskimo are born on the tongue on the spur of the moment. Where we possess finished, fully developed words or phrases, the Eskimo create new combinations specially

formed to meet the claim of every situation. In regard to word-formations, the language is incessantly in statu nascendi.

The greater number of the suffixes of our languages may be proved to have been originally independent words (e. g., the English -LT. -SHIP, -DOM, -SOME, -FUL, -LESS, etc.). How far the Eskimo suffixe have ever been independent words is extremely doubtful; at any rate, there is nothing to show that such is the case.

The Eskimo mode of expression differs essentially from ours in the peculiar power that the suffixes have of linking themselves not simply to an independent word-stem, but to each other, with the result that a complex of ideas may be developed and enlarged within the limits of a single word. We think in sentences, but the Eskimo's thought lives and moves in the word as an embryo in the womb. Even the object of the verb is included in the word-sentence; e. g., illoqarpona I HAVE A HOUSE.

## § 58. Inflection and Polysynthesis

These peculiar characteristics have determined the viewpoint taken by philologists in regard to the Eskimo language. This may be seen in the work of the Danish scholar Rasmus Rask, who knew the language through the grammars of the missionaries Paul Egede (1760) and Otho Fabricius (1791, 2d ed. 1801), and who has described it in a chapter of his "Undersögelse om det gamle Nordiske eller Islandske Sprogs Oprindelse" (1818).

H. Steinthal 'referred the Eskimo and the Mexican languages to a special type, the so-called EINVERLEIBENDE type of W. v. Humboldt, which "draws the object into the verb and usually also combines the governing word (regens) and the attribute into a whole. . . . The word-formation has swallowed up the sentence-formation, the sentence merges into the word; those who use these languages do not speak in sentences, but in words." According to Steinthal, this type of language belongs neither to the agglutinative nor to the stem-isolating type; it must be called a "formless" type of language.

Lucien Adam, who, at the Americanist Congress of 1883, spoke on the relation of the Greenland language to other languages, arrived at the conclusion that the Eskimo language is not polysynthetic, as are many other languages of North America, but is only a derivative lan-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> H. Steinthal, Charakteristik der hauptsächlichsten Typen des Sprachbaues (Neubearbeitung von Misteli, Berlin, 1893).

guage. He set forth that the DERIVATION À L'INFINI OF this language is due only to exaggeration of a method which is common to all polysyllabic languages, and that the Eskimo language differs from other American languages, and from the Ural-Altaic language, merely by the exaggeration of the derivative method.

As regards the descriptive term POLYSYNTHETIC, it would seem that it very appropriately expresses the conglomeration or clustering of ideas which occurs in Eskimo word-sentences. To use this term as applying to the Eskimo language as a whole is an exaggeration, only in so far as that not all ideas are expressed polysynthetically, but articulate sentences also occur.

We are no doubt as fully justified in speaking of form-endings and inflection in the Eskimo language as we are in speaking of them in those languages that are specially regarded as inflectional. Thus in the Eskimo language both nouns and verbs are inflected to indicate number, case, person, etc., and, as mentioned above, the syntactic relation may likewise be expressed by means of special endings.

On the other hand, it can not well be denied that in the signification and use of the forms certain logical and fundamental differences from the grammatical system of our languages occur, which differences give evidence of marked peculiarities in the psychic basis of the Eskimo language.

### § 59. Noun and Verb

In the Eskimo mind the line of demarcation between the noun and the verb seems to be extremely vague, as appears from the whole structure of the language, and from the fact that the inflectional endings are, partially at any rate, the same for both nouns and verbs. This is especially true of the possessive suffixes.

The part played by the possessive suffixes in the Eskimo language extends far beyond the use which our languages make of the "possessive pronouns." The person-suffixes of the Eskimo verbs prove to be identical with the possessive suffixes of the nouns (equivalent to MY, THY, HIS, OUR, etc.), which may be regarded as an evidence of the noun-character of the verb. Even the verb-forming suffixes -woq and -poq (third person singular, mode II) appear to be inseparable from the structure of the noun. Therefore these endings for the third person indicative must be regarded as impersonal forms (kapiwoq THERE IS A STAB, ONE IS STABBED), or as marking the neutral form of the finite verb,

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which assumes a personal meaning only when the purport of the sentence as a whole forces upon the speaker and hearer the idea of a third person that is in a certain condition (passively or reflexively). Thus it happens that personal and impersonal verbs show the same forms throughout.

si'allerpoq rain is, it rains atorpoq use is, it is used tikippoq arrival is, he arrives kapiwoq stab is, he is stabbed, or he stabs himself

Accordingly the inflected verb in the indicative intransitive is properly translated in this manner:

atorpoja my use = I am used
atorputit thy use = thou art used
atorpoj use = one is used
= he, it, is used
tikippoja my arrival = I arrive
tikipputit thy arrival = thou arrivest
tikippoj arrival = one arrives
= he arrives

The same applies to the transitive forms of the finite verb; thus-

atorpara my its use = I use it atorpat thy its use = thou usest it atorpaa his its use = he uses it kapiwara my its stab = I stab it kapiwat thy its stab = thou stabbest it kapiwaa his its stab = he stabs it

In case an independent word is added as subject, it is used in the relative case:

Peelip kapiwaaya Peele's my-his-stab = Peele stabs me
Peelip kapiwaatit Peele's thy-his-stab = Peele stabs thee
Peelip kapiwaa Peele's his-his-stab = Peele stabs him (another)

It is worth noticing that the base of the verb seems to have a passive or reflexive sense; e. g., Peele kapiwoq P. STABS HIMSELF, OF P. IS STABSED. Our transitive sentence construction (HE STABS ME) is based on the idea of an active relation between subject and object. The corresponding Eskimo form of speech is based on a passive or reflexive relation between the subject and the object; that is to say, in the Eskimo language no strictly transitive use of the verb is

known. The verb is treated as a noun + a verb-forming suffix (-wo, -wo; -po, -pa) which gives the noun a passive or reflexive signification, + the mark of the absolutive (-q) or of the person. If we translate an Eskimo verb as an active relation between subject and object, it is only quasi-transitive. Its fundamental idea is rather that of a passive than that of an active verb. The Eskimo does not say HE STABS ME, HE SEES ME, but rather MY BEING STABBED BY HIM IS, MY BEING SEEN BY HIM IS.

Judging from these considerations, we get the impression that to the Eskimo mind the nominal concept of the phenomena of life is predominant. The verbal idea has not emancipated itself from the idea of things that may be owned, or which are substantial. Anything that can be named and described in words, all real things, actions, ideas, resting or moving, personal or impersonal, are subject to one and the same kind of observation and expression. We are accustomed to conceive activities or qualities as essentially different from the things in themselves, and we have a special class of words (viz., the verbs) to express them. They seem to impress the Eskimo mind, or to be reflected by it, as definite phenomena of the same kind as the things, and accordingly are named and interpreted by means of the same class of terms as are used for naming things. The Eskimo verb merely forms a sub-class of nouns.

## § 60. List of Suffixes

The following abbreviations have been used in the list of suffixes:

- v. is suffixed to verbs only.
- N. is suffixed to nouns only.
- N > v is suffixed to nouns after they have been transformed into verbs.
  - If neither v. nor N. is added, the suffix may be attached to either class of words. The nominal or verbal character of the suffix may be determined by its signification or by its form.

INTR. = intransitive.

- NTR. = neutral, i. e., transitive or intransitive, according to the significance of the leading word.
  - aet, ait n. or v. (marks a question or a polite invitation) how? please; e. g., illit-ait you, how? i. e., is it you (or yours)? ajuppoq v. ntr. frequently
  - aluaq (N.), aluarpoq V. N > V, NTR. otherwise; former (with proper names); late; although; certainly, it is true—but —— (forms conditional mode in verbs)

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allarpoq v. NTR. preliminarily, provisionally; first, yet
araq n. miniature, diminutive; a young one; a little
araaog v. NTR. is in the habit of. In mode x, first person sin-
  gular arinama or araanama.
asuarpoq v. NTR. hastens to —; in a short time, speedily
erpaa n. deprives it of, removes the ---- of it
erpoq has lost its ----; sells
erserpog has lost something he possessed
ersiwoq has some part of his body frozen
Fik, FFik v. place or time
rinaa v. has him (or it) (B) for his (A) place to —, he (it) is his
  place to —, i. e., he (B) is the object of his (A's) action.
g-, see \eta
iaarpoq, see jaarpoq
iaq, liaq, siaq N., in third person possessive, MADE BY HIM; in
  first person possessive, made by me
iaq (v.), iaqarpoq, tariaqarpoq v. intr. he (it) is to be ——ed (the
  sense of this suffix corresponds to that of the gerundive in
  Latin)
iarpaa N. deprives it of several parts, or deprives it of its ---
  several times (cf. erpaa)
iarpoq N. has got it (his weapon, etc.) injured; broken
iarpoq, liarpoq n. intr. goes to (a place); is out hunting -
iartorpog V. NTR. goes or comes in order to —; more and more
imiwog v. NTR. somewhat, very little more —
innag N., innarpog V. NTR. only; exclusively, constantly; without
  hesitation
iog v. NTR. also, too; indeed
iorpoq, liorpoq n. works, manufactures; transitive, works (some-
  THING) FOR HIM
iuppaa, liuppaa N. works or makes a — of it, uses it for mak-
ippoq, lippoq n. intr. has arrived at (a place)
ippog is without; is not ---
isorpog N. INTR. has gone or come to fetch -
issarpoq, lissarpoq N. INTR. takes a — with him; carries (some-
  thing) with him
jaarpoq v. NTR. early
jawoq v. intr. is apt to, may easily ----
juippoq, suippoq v. INTR. never
qaaoq v. ntr. (intensive) very much, strongly
garpog N. INTR. has ---; there is ---
qat, in third person possessive, HIS COMPANION, FELLOW; ANOTHER
  OF THE SAME KIND
gatinaa has him as (for) his companion
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qattaarpoq v. ntr. many in succession; several times
qinawoq V. NTR. it might easily come to pass; wish he (it) would
  not ·
qut N. or v. appurtenance; instrument by means of which —
kanneg N., kannerpog v. towards; nearly, not far from —
karpoq v. INTR. suddenly
kaarpoq v. INTR. with long, equal intervals
kasik N., kasippog v. NTR. vexatious, bad; odiously, badly; unfor-
  tunately
ka^w ssak N., ka^w ssappoq V. INTR. vexatious, vexatiously; ugly
katappoq NTR. has got too much of —; is sick of —; is tired
  bv ----
kippoq n. intr. has (a) little; has little -
ko n. refuse, waste; remnant; cast off, left off
kootaarput or -rpaai N. (by numerals) at the time
kuluk N. pitiable; wretched
kuluppog v. NTR. rather little, tolerably
kkuppaa v. regards, deems, takes him for ---
kkut N., family, society, company
LLappoq, Llattiarpoq V. NTR. a short time, a moment
LLättaarpog NTR. now and then, from time to time
LLarpoq V. NTR. with speed; with might and main
LLargippog v. NTR. he is very clever in -
laarpog v. NTR. but little; slowly
lawoq v. INTR. impulsively; in an unsteady state
le N. or v. but
leriwoq, eriwoq N. INTR. is occupied with, has something to do
LLeq N. (local superlative) the extreme one as to place, the
   ---- most
lerpoq v. NTR. begins to —; is about to —
lerpaa, serpaa (cf. erpaa) n. supplies him (it) with a ---; places
  a --- on it
lerssaarpoq v. NTR. intends to
lertorpoq v. NTR. in short time
liaq I, see iaq; liarpoq, see iarpoq
liag II N. one who travels to a (place); one who is out hunting ---
  or gathering -
liorpog, see iorpog
 lik, pl. LLit N. having —, supplied with
lo N. or v. and; lo—lo, both — and
 looneet or; looneet—looneet, either —— or
Lluarpoq v. NTR. well, right; opportunely; completely; at all
 LLuinnarpog v. NTR. wholly; completely
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LLuppoq, luppoq N. INTR. has (a) bad ---; v. INTR. badly ---:
  has a pain (in some part of his body)
lussinnarpoq V. NTR. in vain
lusoog N. or v. like, as if it were
mmaaq v. one who is practised in —, skilled in —
mmaawog v. is practised in —, skilled in —
mawoq v. NTR. is in the state of -
me N. or v. (intensive) indeed, then
mmersorpoq v. NTR. long time, long
mmippog rmippog N. (instrumentalis) makes a movement with
  —— (that part of his body)
mineq N. a piece of ----, a fragment of ----
mio N. inhabitant of —
misaarpoq v. NTR. by little and little; weakly
mmiog, rmiog v. NTR. (rare) after all
miwoq see imiwoq
mukarpoq, mmukarpoq N. INTR. goes (is gone) in the direction
mukaarpog N. INTR. is situated in the direction of —, faces —
naq, rnaq N. peculiar.
nnaaq, nnaaqua N. his dearest one, favorite, pet
nnaarpog v. NTR. enjoys to —, with pleasure, continues to —
naarpaa, nnaarpa v. makes it too ---; finds it beyond his expec-
  tations
narpog, nnarpog v. (this suffix gives the third person of the finite
  verb a subjective sense; the third person is used thus for I as a
  form of modesty; the impersonality = 1); (passive; thus used in
  all persons) is to be --ed, is --ed
naraa v: he thinks it ---ing
nawiarpoq v. ntr. there is a risk that —; most probably it
  will -
naweerpoq v. NTR. there is no longer any risk that ---; now
  he (it) can not more —
naweersarpaa v. prevents him from ----
neq (verb abstract; mode xII)
negarpoq (passive suffix, especially of such verbs as are not used in
  mode 11)
nerarpaa v. says that he (it) ----, says that he is ----
ner' Luppoq v. NTR. wrongly (cf. LLuppoq)
nerpoq v. ntr. I wonder whether —, or if —
neruwoq v. NTR. (comparative) more
niaq, niarpoq NTR. aims at; endeavors
nnarpoq (suffixed to local adverbs) goes (to) there
nnippog (verbal derivative, of the verb abstract, mode XII)
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naa, raa has him (it) for —, he (it) is his —; takes him (it)
  for ---; thinks him (it) to be -
najak N., najappog v. NTR. nearly, almost
nasaarpoq N. is much frequented, full of -
naarpoq v. ntr. in a high degree, very much
neek, neet, reet; neeput, reeput N. (or v.) pair, joined in pairs;
  reciprocally, mutually
nnilag v. NTR. not (forms the negative conjugation in the verbs;
  see §§ 32 et seq.)
nippoq, rippoq N. NTR. is good, has good ---- or nice ---
nooq (gooq), rooq N. or V. it is related, it is said to be ---
nnorpoq N. INTR. becomes, grows; TRANS. makes him (it) be-
  come -
nnuag N., nnuarpog v. NTR. little ----, dear little; with pleasure
nuppoq (quppoq) n. intr. longs for —-
paät, passuit n. a multitude, a great many
palaaq N., palaarpoq v. NTR. worthless; trash
pallappog, paluppog NTR. looks as if —, sounds as if —,
  behaves as if -
pal'Laarpoq, see wallaarpoq
piluk N., piluppoq V. NTR. evil, bad
ppoq, rpoq N. has caught a ---; has put --- (one's clothes) on
raa, see ŋaa
reerpoq v. NTR. has done with ----, has already ----
riarpoq v. NTR. (in epic style) eagerly
rippoq v. INTR. is skilled in ---, is master at ---
rqaainiooput v. NTR. in emulation; they contend with -
rgajarpog v. NTR. nearly, had nearly ---
rgammerpog v. ntr. just, just now
rgarpog v. NTR. hardly, with difficulty
rqaarpoq v. ntr. first
rqippoq v. ntr. again
rgippoq (cf. Llargippoq) v. NTR. is able to
rgissiwog v. INTR. is or can better now than before
rgissaarpog v. NTR. doing to the best of one's ability; dili-
  gently
rgoorpog v. NTR. presumably, most likely
rgortoog N. has a large ---, has a great ---
rguppoq, rguppaa N. goes that way, along that side of it
rquivaa v. NTR. wants him to ---, bids or asks him to; INTR.
  wants himself to be —— ed by some one else
ready v. newly, recently
rujuk N., rujuppog V. NTR. improper, improperly
rujonnuaq wretched; miserable, pitiable
rujussuaq enormous; awfully ---
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rusuppoq v. NTR. is inclined to —, should like to —
sarpaa v. (causative) works that he (it) ---
sarpoq, see tarpoq
8809 N. future; something that may be used for -
*ssawoq V. NTR. (future tense) shall, will (cf. ssooq and ssua)
ssaarpoq v. INTR. manifoldly
ssaarpoq v. NTR. has ceased to —
ssanawoq v. ntr. thinks that he shall or will —
serpaa, see lerpaa
siaq N. bought; got into one's possession
simawoq v. NTR. (preterite, especially the perfect tense) pre-
  sumably, likely
sinnaawoq v. NTR. is able to; can
siorpog N. is out hunting —; is in search of —; moves, travels
  in or on -
siwoq, ssiwoq gets or has got —; comes into possession of —;
  comes across -
ssippaa N. manufactures (that) to him which he shall have
ssooq < *ssawoq (q. v.), 1 sing. ssooya; 2 sing. ssootit; 3 sing. ssooy;
  1 pl. ssoonut; 2 pl. ssoose; 3 pl. ssapput
soraa, sonaa v. thinks that he (it) ---, supposes that ----
ssuaa<*ssawaa (see ssawoq), mode III, 1 sing. ssuara; 2 sing.
  ssuat; 3 sing. ssuaa; 1 pl. ssuarput, etc.
ssuaq N., ssuarpoq v. great, big; large; wide; greatly, strongly,
  largely
sunnippoq N. INTR. has a smell or taste of
ssuseq v. (verb abstract, cf. neq)
ttaaoq, ssaaoq N. and V. also, too
taailiwaa v. prevents him (it) from -
taq, saq, ssaq v. (passive participle, mode viii)
taq, saq, N. a part of ---; belonging to ---
taaq, saaq N. a new ——
taarpoq, saarpoq n. has got a new ----
tarpoq, sarpoq v. NTR. (iterative) often, frequently; used to
  is in the habit of ----; knows how to -
te v. (verb noun, mode vII)
tinaaoq v. intr. is so, is such
tinaa v. is to him such; has him for his —
tippaa, sippaa v. (causative) occasions him (it) to —, makes
  him ----; INTR. makes himself --
toqaq, soqaq n. old
torpoq, sorpoq, rssorpoq employs it several times; eats it; uses it
toorpog v. ntr. it occurred to him that ----
tterpaa, serpaa; tteewoog v. waits for ---
ttiaq N., ttiarpoq V. NTR. middling, moderate; pretty; a short time
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tuaq N., tuarpoq V. NTR. the only one; only, only one time
tuinnarpoq v. NTR. assiduously, continuously
tuvoq n. intr. has a great ----; has many ----
uarpoq N. has too many -
umaarpoq, jumaarpoq v. NTR. (future tense) will or shall in the
  future, not immediately, but later on
umawoq, jumawoq v. NTR. (future) will, wishes to -
unnarpoq, junnarpoq v. NTR. probably, most likely
unnaarpoq v. NTR. no longer, no more
uppaa v. (this suffix transforms an intransitive verb into a transi-
  tive, or gives the transitive verb another object) with regard
  to him (it); and the other one too
useq v. state of —, quality of
usaq, ussaq; russaq, nussaq N. similar to —; imitation of —
usaarpoq, ussaarpoq N. represents —, makes it represent ----;
   plays that it is -
ut (ssut; t) v. vehicle, instrument, medium, means by which ——;
  the cause of -
utinaa v. by means of that; on that occasion, for that reason
ut N. owned; belonging to —
wooq N. INTR. is ---, is a ---
wallaarpoq, pallaarpoq v. too much; in a very high degree
wik, see rik
winaa, see rinaa
wik N., wippog v. NTR. proper; properly, strictly
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#### KAASASSUK

(Fragment of a tale from North Greenland, recorded in Disco bay, 1901.)

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Kaasasorujonuaq allineq ajormmat tinumissaraluarlono attanut
                                                  although they ought to have on the dung-
  Kaasasuk wretched little
                           growth
                                     because not
                                                       taken him up
                                       able to
initarppaait 6
                  ilaai 7
                             o,qas'sapput8
                                                ujaraannittog 9
                                                                      alliumaarpoq
they used to throw
                 his place-
                               used to say
                                                he being not a stone
                                                                      later on he will grow
      him
                  fellows
         ani'sorssu'it 10
                                                 ulikaartut 12
                                                                   naakisarppaait11
iLLut
                             pini'arttunik 11
                                                      filled
                                                                    they used to pity him
houses
             very large
                                with hunters
allisarumallono14 tinussarpaait15 allineq ajormmat nulee16 o,qar-
wanting to make him grow they used to take him
                                                                      his wife
                                             growth
                                                        because not
                                                                                     he
                             to them
                                                          able to
                             ajukasippoq 18 attanut
                                                            in'issuk 19
                                                                           inippaait™
Fen'issuaa 17
                allinea
                             he is unfortunately on the dung-
used to say to her
                  growth
                                                             throw him
                                                                           they threw him
                                 unable to
tinusissaärummat<sup>21</sup> arnarquasaap<sup>22</sup> tinowaa<sup>23</sup> okkarme<sup>24</sup> ineqarllune<sup>25</sup>
(she) being without any
                           an old woman
                                            she took him in the front-
                                                                         having her place
hope of (any other) foster
                                               to her
                                                        wall platform
        child
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Kaasasorujoyuaq< Kaasasuk + ruju(k) Poor WRETCH + yuaq LITTLE. u>v before r and p (§§ 10-11). K. is the object of tiyumissaraluarLoyo iyitarpaait.

<sup>\*</sup>alliwoq GROWS, allineq verb abstract.

ajormat mode IX of ajorpoq IS UNABLE TO.

<sup>&#</sup>x27;tigumiwaa (= tiyummiwaa) he takes him with his hand or into his arms. Suffixes: seq(r) + aluaq + loyo (mode vi).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Allative of attät (only in the plural).

<sup>\*</sup>ini(ppaa) + tar(paa) mode III, third person plural.

ila companion, fellow (house-fellow or place-fellow), third person plural possessive.

 $<sup>\</sup>bullet oqa(rpoq) + ssa(woq).$ 

 $ujara(k) + a < u(woq) + \eta \eta i(laq)$  mode VII.

<sup>10</sup>ani(woq) is Big + soq (mode VII) + ssuaq, in plural ssuit.

If pe thing, something + niar(poq) + to(q) mode vii + nik instrumentalis.

<sup>12</sup> ulikaar(poq) 18 FILLED + toq, plural tut, mode vii.

 $<sup>^{18}</sup>$  naak(aa) (conjugation II) + sar(ppaa).

<sup>14</sup>aLLi(woq) (cf. note 2) + sar(paa) + uma(woq) + logo (mode VI) third person singular.

<sup>15</sup> tiyu(waa) + sar(paa) mode III.

<sup>16</sup> nule + e fourth person singular.

 $<sup>^{17}</sup>oqa(rpoq)$  (see note 8) + Pep(aa) (conjugation 11) + ssua < ssawaa future tense, mode 111, third person singular.

 $<sup>^{18}</sup>ajo(rpoq) + kasi(k)(poq).$ 

<sup>19</sup> Imperative transitive singular (cf. note 6).

<sup>20</sup> Cf. note 6.

It is uset(woq) takes him to herself (e.g., as her foster-child) [cf. notes 4, 15] + useta + crup(paa). mode x, third person singular (as, since).

<sup>2</sup>arna(q) WOMAN + quasaa(q) (obsolete) OLD.

<sup>22</sup> The transitive verb corresponding to the intransitive tiqusiwoq (cf. note 21).

<sup>24</sup> Locative singular < okkaq.

<sup>\*\*</sup>ine PLACE + qar(poq) + Lune mode VI, fourth person singular.

tinummanulo<sup>26</sup> piniartut kamallutik<sup>27</sup> arnarquasaaq Kaasassummik and after having the hunters they being angry the old woman taken him tinusimmät<sup>28</sup> torssoonut<sup>29</sup> pissippaalt torssooneelerppoq<sup>30</sup> ullaakut<sup>31</sup> because she had into the entrance- they moved he began to live in the on the morrow taken him to her Dassage him entrance-passage anilerunik 32 kammiut tinussuaat33 anaataralono 34 qimmit 35 torsoowhen they were the bootthey would take using it to thrash the dogs because they stretcher with about to go out arnaquasaarLo 37 ilanuLLono 38 neetarmmata 36 anaalerttarppaait 39 usually stay in the and the old woman considering her as they used to thrash her entrance-passage his partner anuniarunik 40 tikikkunik 41 anusimallutik 42 katammik Kaasassuk when they came having caught seals from the inner when they caught Kaacaem k aca la home entrance, hole nuissəəq 43 qinasinut 44 assamminik 45 qaqissuaat 46 anussatik 47 qalattahe shall ascend by the nostrils with their fingers they would lift him their capture when it natsermmut 49 poonutag ilissuaat nererqu'sillu'tillo 50 rinnata 48 was boiled on the floor a dish they would and when they were invited put it to eat kisime 52 nerrisissapput<sup>51</sup> Kaasassuk sawegarane 53 mikaainarthey would get the meat Kaasassuk he only having no knife using only argalånnera 56 LLune 54 neresarppoq 55 sualuppat 57 kinutaai peearhis teeth he used to eat the tearing it off if he scolded his teeth they taking

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<sup>26</sup>Cf. note 23, mode x + lo AND.
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n < ka'map(poq) mode vi, fourth person plural.

<sup>28</sup> The object of an intransitive verb is set in instrumentalis (Kaasässummik).

<sup>29 &</sup>lt;torssoot (only in plural).

<sup>20</sup> tor 8800(t) + ne (locative) + ip(poq) is there + ler(poq) begins to, mode ii, third person singular.

 $<sup>^{31}</sup>$  uLLaa(q) in the prosecutive.

 $<sup>^{22}</sup>$  ani(woq) + ler(poq) mode x1, fourth person plural.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup>Cf. note 23, + ssu(aa) mode III, third person plural.

 $<sup>^{34}</sup>$ \*anaawte A STICK TO BEAT WITH + ra + loyo VI, third person singular.

<sup>35 &</sup>lt; qimme(q).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Cf. note 30, + tar(poq) mode x, third person plural.

<sup>\$7</sup> LO AND indicates that they thrashed both Kaasassuk and the old woman.

 $<sup>^{28}</sup>$  < ilayup(paa) mode VI, third person singular, makes it (or him, her) a part (ila) of some other thing.

 $<sup>^{29}</sup>$  anaaler(paa) + tar(paa) mode III, third person plural.

<sup>\*</sup>ayu(woq) CATCH + niar(poq) mode XI.

 $<sup>^{41}</sup>$  < tikip(poq) mode x1.

<sup>\*2</sup> ayu(woq) [cf. note 40] + sima(woq) mode vi.

anui(woq) + ssu(oq) (future).

<sup>&</sup>quot;qiya(q) in the prosecutive.

assak in fourth person possessive and instrumentalis plural.

<sup>46</sup> qaqi(waa) + 88u(aa).

Cf. note 40, in mode viii, fourth person plural.

 $a_{qalap(poq)} + tar(e)$  irregular, mode x, third person plural.

<sup>&</sup>quot; na'tseq in the allative.

be neri(woq) Eat + qu(waa) invite + si(woq) mode vi + lo and.

is < neri( = neqe?) + si + ssa(oq) mode 11, third person singular. nerrit-, cf. nerritippoq is accustomed to eat only little (Kleinschmidt, Ordbog, p. 426).

<sup>12</sup> See § 47.

sawi(k) + gar(pog) + a negative.

M mikkappoq especially PLUCES THE HAIR OF A SKIN BY MEANS OF THE TEETH.

w neri(woq) + sar(poq).

Marqalap(paa) + neq verb abstract, third person possessive.

<sup>&</sup>quot; Mode x1, third person singular.

Lonit 58 aiulissuaa 59 nerissane 60 kinotaaro**ta rina**me a killinnea because he was deprived of the biting he began to be his food them out unable to his teeth ataatip 62 nällinileraanamiuk 63 8awimminik 64 tunisarppaa 65 isubecause she (or he) used to pity-him her (or his) knife she used to give him 100 maliulerppoq 66 innuit pissässartartut<sup>67</sup> nakuarsuanorLLutiLLo \* begins to ponder using to train their and growing very strong strength itserame 70 ilaaine 69 qaqqamut majuarppoq qaqillonolo 71 torlloonce upon a when he awoke on the mountain he ascended and climbing he called day alakkarppaalo 73 laarppoq pissaap inuwa.72 naa™k maaneepona loudly strength's its genius where here I am and he made his appearance to him (are you)? teriänniag anisorujussuag 74 maaneepona ersilerporlo 75 qaarquaalo 73 and he calls on immensely big here I am and he begins to fear a fox him to approach ersenaqunnane 76 ornnippaa 77 tikikkaane 78 oqarppoq 79 pa'miuma so bidding him not to fear he went towards he arriving at he (the fox) said "Of my tail him him him tenoonna 82 nooättinut81 immuppaalo<sup>83</sup> 'pi'ssipporlo<sup>83</sup> tinuwaa by the end of it take hold of me" He took hold and he wrapped it and (the fox) made around himself of it a jump 'tukkamilo 85 anninnilag 86 oqarrinaalo 57 silaa'narmilo<sup>84</sup> qa'nattarppoq and in the air he rose aloft and falling down he felt no pain and he said to him. on the earth 56 pe (cf. note 11) + iar(poq) mode vi, third person plural. <sup>59</sup> Cf. note 18, +ler(poq) + ssu(a). 60 Cf. note 55, mode VIII, fourth person singular. 61 kiyuta(q) + erup(poq) + tare (cf. note 48). ataaseq ONE (in the relative ataatsip or ataatip), es  $nal_{LL}(x)$  conjugation I + ler(poq) + aa(y) mode x, fourth person subject, third person object, singular. 4 sawi(k) third person possessive, instrumentalis. tuni(waa) + sar(paa). isuma Thought + lio(rpoq) MAKES + ler(poq).  $^{67}$  pissa(k) STRENGTH + sar(poq) GET + tar(poq) in mode VII. # nakua(q) strong + sua(q) GREAT, VERY +  $\eta or(poq)$  mode VI, fourth person plural + lo AND.

ila in the locative, literally IN (ON) ONE OF THEM (viz., the days).

<sup>10</sup> i'terpoq mode x, fourth person singular.

 $<sup>\</sup>eta qa'qip(paa)$  (mode vi, third person singular) + lo.

<sup>12</sup> inuk in third person possessive singular.

<sup>78 -</sup>lo AND.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> ani(woq) IS BIG + so(q) (mode VII) + ruju(k) + ssuaq.

<sup>76 .</sup> lo AND.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup> ersin(a) is Afraid of + qu(waa) + na negative, fourth person singular.

<sup>11 =</sup> ornippaa mode III, third person singular.

<sup>76</sup> Mode 1X, fourth person singular HE (Kaasassuk) ARRIVING AT HIM (the fox). The object of ARRIVING AT is the same person as the subject of the governing verb (oqurpoq), viz., the fox; therefore the fourth-person suffix is used. If the meaning of the word had been HE (the fox) ARRIVING AT HIM (Kaasassuk), the compound suffix would have been (k)inne.

<sup>79</sup> The fox is of course the genius of strength.

so pamiog TAIL first person singular, relative.

<sup>81</sup> nook (the third person possessive singular nooa) prosecutive case.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>81</sup> Mode I, first person singular < tinuwaa = tiguwaa.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>83</sup>·lo AND = Lo (l becomes unvoiced after k, q, t).

er sila the space outside of the house, the Air, the weather + -innaq only, mere + me (locative) + lo AND.

<sup>\*</sup> tup(poq) mode X, fourth person singular + lo.

<sup>36</sup> anner(poq) SMARTS, ACHES + nnilaq negative.

 $s_i oqar(poq)$  says, tells + -fipaa + lo and.

kenumut88 qiviareet89 takuvaalo katasimmållono. pennuät " back look behind you!" and he saw playthings (the fox) shaking it off terianniarlo oqarpoq allineq 91 ajootitit 92 penusaro'mattoona'wit 93 and the fox "growing the reason why because you have been without said. you are unable to any plaything aamålo 94 allinea ajorputit pa'miu'ma nooattinut tinumma 95 you are unable Once more of my tail by the tip of it take hold of me." growth to. immuppaa pissipporLo orLonnilaq oqarrinaalo tässa nakuarsuannoq∞

he wrapped it and he (fox) he (K.) did not and he said to "this is growing very strong around made a jump fall down aterLune imminut 96 malonilerpoq 90 nakoannorLune 100 a'ternearit 97 himself growing strong he going down to himself he began to feel go down" ujarassuillo 101 ani'sərssuit 102 sarmmillonit 108 artonnilaai 104 illullo 106 and the big stones upsetting them he mastered them and of the (bowlders) house

kilLinanut<sup>106</sup> pimmåt<sup>107</sup> meeraqataåsa<sup>108</sup> aluttoraåt<sup>109</sup>, etc.
the border of it as he came his fellow-children they were fascinated etc.
with him,

<sup>88 \*</sup>keyo (in possessive keyua) THE BACK OF IT; keyomut allative.

<sup>89 =</sup> qiwiarit mode I, second person singular.

 $<sup>\</sup>infty$  AND HE SAW THE FOX SHAKING PLAYTHINGS OFF HIS BODY (out of his fur) katap(paa) + sima(waa) mode vi, third person singular.

<sup>91</sup> alliwoq mode XII.

n < ajootippaa? IS UNABLE TO CARRY OUT A WORK, OR TO BUY SOMETHING = ajooppaa, mode ix irregular (obsolete form).

 $<sup>^{93}</sup>$  pequa(q) + er(paa) + up(paa) + ma(woq) + toor (poq) mode x.

of aama AGAIN + lo.

<sup>%</sup> Cf. note 82, same mode and person, irregular.

 $<sup>^{96}</sup>$  nakua(q) strong + sua(q) very, greatly + yoq rare form for -yooq it is said.

<sup>97</sup> ater (poq) +niar(poq) mode 1, second person singular.

simme self, allative.

maloy(aa) + ler(poq).

<sup>100</sup> nakua(q) + yor(poq) mode vi.

<sup>101</sup> ujara(k) + sua(q) (in the plural suit) + lo.

 $lag a \eta i (woq)$  is Big, mode VII + sua(q) plural.

<sup>108</sup> sarmip(paa) mode vi, third person plural.

<sup>104</sup> artor(paa) DOES NOT MASTER, negative, mode III, third person plural.

<sup>106</sup> illo relative + lo.

<sup>106</sup> killi(k) (possessive killiya) allative NEAR TO, CLOSE TO.

<sup>107</sup> pi(woq) mode x, third person singular.

<sup>108</sup> meera(q) + qat(e) relative, third person plural.

<sup>100</sup> aluttoraa mode III, third person plural.