

along. Their first child was a black boy, followed by twins, white boy and black girl. The servant was sent later to tell them that they were to marry according to color and from them have come the two races. Later the servant was sent to give them their country and a choice of tools, etc. The black man chose a hoe, and the white man money. Having chosen the hoe the black man was placed in the bush to farm while the white man was put near the big water; having chosen money he has a good time now, but my informant more than hinted that in the future state things would be different.

BELIEF ABOUT GOD AND THE SOUL.

They believe in the existence of a Supreme Being, but do not believe he exercises any providential care over mankind, and therefore they pay very little attention to him. Their name for the Deity is Kuru or Kurumasaba, but Kuru is also the name for the sky-heaven.

They have no conception of a resurrection, but they do believe in the immortality of the soul and that one's condition hereafter depends upon his conduct here. They believe that they will retain their slaves in Hades, if when they die they tie a rope around their neck and fasten it to a stick pinned on the grave for that purpose.

They also believe in a transmigration and re-birth. For example an innocent man put to death may come to life again and become a person of substance, but it is always in a far country. This they term O-falan.

A child, however, who has died, may be reborn. This they prove by marks upon the body agreeing exactly with marks upon the body of the child who died. The Timnis being strictly orthodox, the place of torment is called the Fire—*au'antr na-tabana*, the everlasting fire. The place of bliss is Odero-ma-bone. Both of these places are contained in Hades itself. The immortal part of man is called an-umpa. It really means shadow—of a person or tree. This term is also applied to the shade of an animal slaughtered as a sacrifice, whose shadow (an-umpa) appears in Hades on his behalf.

KRIFIS

As God pays little or no attention to him the Timni in turn pays little or no attention to God. The objects of worship are