

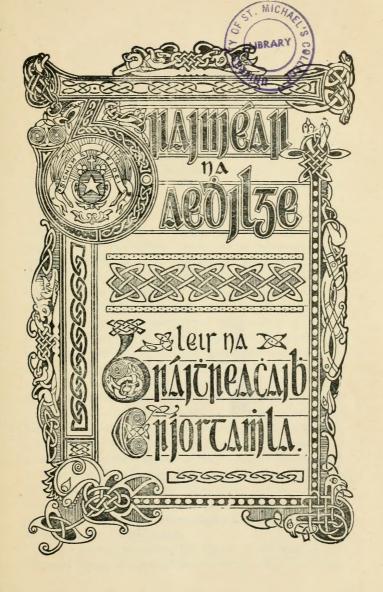




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PREFACE.

HE Grammar of Spoken Irish presents many difficulties owing to the forms peculiar to different places, but as the literary usa e embraces the dialects current in different localities, save a few archaic survivals, the literary usage has been adopted as the standard of this grammer.

Modern Irish may be said to date from the end of the 16th, or the beginning of the 17th century. At the commencement of the modern period many forms are found which belong to an earlier period, and many forms which have since grown obsolete, side by side with those by which they have since been replaced. We have deemed it advisable not to introduce into this grammer any obsolete grammatical forms, how prominent soever they may be in early modern literature. However, as students preparing for public examinations are frequently required to read the works of early modern authors, we have added in the present edition an appendix containing the verb system of early modern Irish. Such early modern grammatical forms as survive only within a small area are not given in the large type; on the other hand, those grammatical forms generally found in literature, and which are still in use in any one of the three Irishspeaking Provinces, are given in the large print in preference to those more generally used by Irish speakers, but which are not found in literary works It is hoped that this method may help to popularise Irisa literature, and to reconcile in some degree the slight discrepancies which exist between the spoken and the literary usages.

In the present Grammar the letters t, n, and n are reckoned among the aspirable consonants, and r is omitted

from the eclipsable ones. The declension of verbal nouns is transferred from the third declension to the chapter on the verbs. A collection of heteroclite nouns is inserted. The usual declension of the personal pronouns is not employed, and the terms Conjunctive and Disjunctive pronouns are adopted. The naming of the four principal parts of an Irish verb, the treatment of the Autonomous form of conjugation, the rejection of compound prepositions, infinitive mood, and present participle form a few of the features of this grammar. Among the appendices will be found lists of words belonging to the various declensions, of verbs of both conjugation, and of irregular verbal nouns.

Many of the rules have been taken from the "O'Growney Series" and from the "Gaelic Journal." The grammars of Neilson, O'Donovan, Bourke, Craig, and of many other authors, have been consulted. The chapter on the classification of the uses of the prepositions is based on Dr. Atkinson's edition of Keating's Thi Dion-Zaoite an Dair. Some of the sentences which illustrate the rules have been culled, with the author's permission, from the Mion-caint of the Rev. Peter O'Leary, P.P.

In the present edition the enunciation of the rule Caot te caot 7 teatan te teatan has been modified so as to bring it more into harmony with the spoken language. The sections on the Relative pronouns, Demonstrative pronouns, Adverbs, and Conjunctions have been greatly enlarged and improved. A large collection of Idiomatic expressions and an exhaustive Index have been also added.

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PART I.-ORTHOGRAPHY.

CHAPTER I.

The Letters.

1. The Irish alphabet contains eighteen letters, five of which are vowels, the remaining thirteen are consonants.

- 2. The vowels are divided into two classes.
 - (1) The broad vowels: A, O, u.
 - (2) The slender vowels: e, 1.

The vowels may be either long or short. The long vowels are marked by means of an acute accent (') placed over the vowel, as mon (big) pronounced like the English word more; a short vowel has no accent, as mot (praise), pronounced like mul in the English word mulberry. Carefully distinguish between the terms "broad vowel" and "long vowel." The broad vowels (a, o, u) are not always long vowels, neither are the slender vowels (e, 1) always short.

In writing Irish we must be careful to mark the accents on long vowels. See words distinguished by accent, par. 14.

3.	Sounds of th	ne Yowels.
The Irish vowel	is sounded like	in the words
ā long	au	naught
	as in	báo (baudh), boat
a short	0	not
	,,	5tar (gloss), green
é long	ae	Gaelic
	>>	cηé (kĭr-aé), clay
e short	6	let
	11	τe (t'ye), hot
í	60	feel
	91	máitín (mawil-een), little bag
1	i	hit
	19	riμ (fir), men
Ó	ō .	note
	**	móη (mōr), big, large
0	ŏ, ŭ	dŏne or mŭch
	**	vonar (dhur-us), a door
Ú	00	tool
	***	5tún (gloon), a knee
u	u	bull or put
	,,	unra (ursu), a door-jamb

A short vowel at the end of an Irish word is always pronounced.

The Digraphs.

4. The following list gives the sounds of the digraphs in Modern Irish. The first five are always long and require no accent. The others are sometimes long and sometimes short, hence the accent ought not to be omitted.*

Since but few words, and these well-known, have eo short it is not usual to write the accent on eo long.

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is pronounced like ee-a as Oia (dyee-a), God.
                         00-a ,, ruan (foo-ar), cold.
  ua
              33
  eu or éa
                               " reun (faer), grass.
                         8.0
                               " taete (lae-hě), days.
  ۵e
                         ae
              ,,
                               " vaon (dhaer), dear.
V 40
                         ae
              9.9
                              " ceot (k-yōl), music.
  eó
                         ₹Ó
                              " riú (few), worthy.
  ıú
                         θW
                        au+i,, cain (kau-in), a tax.
  á1
                       ae+i,, teim (lyae-im), a leap.
  é1
                        ō+ĭ ,, moin (mō-in), a bog.
  Ó1
              99
· ú1
                       oo+i,, ruit (soo-il), an eye.
                              " carteán (kosh-laan*),
  eá
                         aa
                                                 a castle.]
                              " rion (feer), true.
  fo
                         66
             ,,
                                 cair (thaish), damp.
  41
                         8
             99
                                 rean (far), a man.
  eΔ
                              ., eite (el-ĕ), other.
  e1
                         Θ
                       ŭ+i
                              " cost (thu-il), a will.
  01
                                rior (fiss), knowledge.
  10)
                         i
                                uirse (ish-ge), water.
  u1)
                              " beoc (d'yukh), a drink.
                         ŭ
  eo
  ai (= ai oe),,
                              " cozaí (kō-thee), coats.
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The Trigraphs.

5. There are six trigraphs in Irish. They are pronounced as follows:—

 $\begin{array}{rcl}
 & \bullet & & \text{raoi (see)} = a \text{ wise man.} \\
 & \bullet & & \bullet & \text{opeoitin (d'rō-il-een)} = a \text{ wren.}
\end{array}$

[·] Also pronounced kosh-laun.

edi = aa+i cartedin(kosh-lann) = castles

tai* = eea+i tiait (lee-ih) = a physician.

tuait = oo+i ruain (foo-ir) = found.

tui = ew+i ciuin (kew-in) = calm.

The Consonants.

- 6. The consonants are usually divided into two tlasses.
 - (1) The liquids—t, m, n, n.
 - (2) The mutes—b, c, o, r, 5, p, r, c.

The letter n is not given, for n is not usually recognised as an Irish letter. It can be used only as a sign of aspiration, or at the beginning of a word, to separate two vowel sounds.

Some grammarians divide the consonants into labials, dentals, palatals, gutturals, sibilants, &c., according to the organs employed in producing the sound.

7. Every Irish consonant has two natural; sounds, according as it is *broad* or *slender*.

An Irish consonant is broad whenever it immediately precedes or follows a broad vowel (a, o, u). An Irish consonant is slender whenever it immediately precedes or follows a slender vowel (e, 1).

8. The Irish consonants, when broad, have a much

^{*} Pronounced like ille in the French word fille.

[†] It cannot be properly represented by any English sound. It is somewhat like oue in the French word ouest.

Other sounds will be treated of under the heading "Aspiration."

thicker sound than in English; e.g. σ broad has nearly the sound of th in thy, i.e. d+h; τ broad has nearly the sound of th in threw, &c. When slender the Irish consonants (except r) have somewhat the same sound as in English; but when they are followed by a slender vowel, they are pronounced somewhat like the corresponding English consonant followed immediately by a y, e.g. ceot (music) is pronounced k' $y\bar{\sigma}$ l; beo (alive)=b' $y\bar{\sigma}$.

It must not, however, be understood that there is a "y sound" in the Irish consonant. The peculiar sound of the Irish consonants when followed by a slender vowel is fairly well represented by the corresponding English consonant + an English "y sound." In some parts of the country this "y sound" is not neard. The y is only suggestive, and is never heard as a distinct sound.

Combination of the Consonants.

9. There are certain Irish consonants which, when they come together in the same word, do not coalesce, so that when they are uttered a very short obscure vowel sound is heard between them.

This generally occurs in the case of two liquids or a liquid and a mute. Thus bato (dumb) is pronounced boll-uv; teano (a child) is lyan-uv; oonca (dark) is dhur-uchu; manzao (a market) is mor-ugu.

The following combinations do not coalesce: cn, lo, lo, lm, nb, nb, nb, nn, lm, nb, nm, nm, nc, nc.

10. In some combinations, one of the consonants is silent.

ot is	${\tt pronounced}$	like	u
on	,,		nn
nro	,,		nn
ln	,,		ll

Thus, cootao (sleep) is pronounced kullu.

ceuona (same) ,, kasnŭ. Spánoa (ugly) ,, graun-ŭ. Aitne (beauty) ,, aul-yě.

Notice the difference between n5 and 5n.

tong (a ship) is pronounced lung. gnō (work) , gun-ō.

11. Only three of the Irish consonants, viz. the liquids t, n, n, may be doubled. This doubling can take place only at the end or the middle of words, but never at the beginning. The double liquids have quite distinct sounds from the single, except in Munster, where, in some positions, double liquids influence vowels. This doubling at the end of a word does not denote shortness of the preceding vowel, as in English: in fact, it is quite the opposite; e. g. ea in reapp (better) s longer than ea in reap (a man).

In Irish there is no double consonant like the English x, which =ks.

Accent.

12. The only accent sign used in writing Irish is the acute accent placed over the long vowels, and over

the long sounds of those diphthongs, which may be sometimes short. This sign is not intended to mark the syllable on which the stress of the voice falls.

13. In simple words of two syllables the tonic accent is usually upon the first syllable, as agur (óg-us), and una (oón-a), Una: but in derived words of two or more syllables the accented syllable varies in the different provinces.

In Munster the accent falls on the termination or second syllable; in Connaught it falls on the first syllable, or root; in Ulster the accent falls on the first syllable, as in Connaught, but the termination is unduly shortened. For instance, the word capan, a path, is pronounced kos-aun in Munster, kos-aun in Connaught, and kos-an in Ulster.

The Obscure Yowel Sounds.

Whenever a vowel has neither a tonic nor a written accent, it has so transient and indistinct a pronunciation that it is difficult to distinguish one broad or one slender vowel from another; hence in ancient writings we find vowels substituted for each other indiscriminately: e.g., the word rtanuite, saved, is frequently spelled rtanaite, rtanoite, rtanuit.

14. Words distinguished by their accent.

áit, a place.

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arc, funny, peculiar (what one likes or wishes).

an, our; slaughter.

en, on; says.

bar, death.

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car, a case. céao (ceuo), a hundred. cóm, right. coirce, a coach. oó, two. rán, a wandering. réan (reun), grass. ror, yet. i, she, her. téan, clear, perceptible. ton, food, provisions. máta, a bag. méan (meun), a finger. min, fine. na, than; not (imperative). nór, a rose. rát, a heel. 'éan (reun), happy. rin, stretch. rolar, comfort. rut, (gen. plural of ruit) eye.

cé, a person

bar (or bor), palm of the hand. car, turn. ceao, leave, permission com, a crime. corree, a jury. oo, to. ran, wait, stay. rean, a man. ror, a prop. 1, in. tean, the sea. ton, a blackbird. mata, an eyebrow. mean, quick, active. min, meal. ns, the plural article. nor, flax-seed. rat, filth, dirt. rean, old. rin, that. rotar, light. rut, before (with verbs).

ce, hot.

CHAPTER II.

Aspiration.

15. The word "aspiration" comes from the Latin verb "aspirare," to breathe; hence, when we say in Irish that a consonant is as inted, we mean that the breath is not completely stopped in the formation of the consonant, but rather that the consonant sound is continuous.

Take, for example, the consonant b. To form this consonant sound the lips are pressed closely together for an instant, and the breath is forced out on separating the lips. Now, if we wish to get the sound of b aspirated (or b), we must breathe the whole time whilst trying to form the sound of b; i.e. we must not close the lips entirely, and the resulting sound is like the English consonant v. Hence we say that the sound of b (in some positions) is v.

The Irish letter c corresponds very much to the English k, and the breathed sound of k corresponds to the sound of c (when broad). To sound the English k, we press the centre of the tongue against the palate, and cut off the breath completely for an instant. In pronouncing c (when broad), all we have to do is to try to pronounce the letter k without pressing the tongue against the palate. The word c, a lake, is pronounced somewhat like luk; but the tongue is not to touch the palate to form the k. The sound of c aspirated when slender (especially when initial) is very well represented by the sound of "h" in "humane."

The Irish $g(\xi)$ has always the hard sound of g in the English word "go." In pronouncing this word we press the back of the tongue against the back of the palate. Now, to pronounce $\dot{\xi}$ (and also $\dot{\phi}$) when broad, we must breathe in forming the sound of g, *i.e.* we must keep the tongue almost flat in the mouth.

The various sounds of the aspirated consonants are not given, as they are dealt with very fully in the second part of the "O'Growney Series." It may be well to remark, however, that the sound of \hat{p} is like the sound of the Irish \hat{r} , not the English f. The Irish \hat{r} is sounded without the aid of the teeth.

- 16. Aspiration is usually marked by placing a dot over the consonant aspirated—thus, b, c, o. However, it is sometimes marked by an nafter the consonant to be aspirated. This is the method usually adopted when Irish is written or printed in English characters.
- 17. In writing Irish only nine of the consonants, viz., b, c, p, r, m, p, r, and z, are aspirated; but in the spoken language all the consonants are aspirated.

The Aspiration of t, n, n.

18. The aspiration of the three letters t, n, n, is not marked by any sign in writing, as is the aspiration of the other consonants (b or bh); but yet they are aspirated in the spoken language. An example will best illustrate this point. The student has already learned that the word teaban, a book, is pronounced lyou-ar. mo, my, aspirates an ordinary consonant, as mo bo, my cow; but it also aspirates t, n, n, for mo teaban, my book, is pronounced mu low-ar (i.e. the sound of y after t disappears).

a teaban, his book, is pronounced a low-ar.

a teaban, her book, . , a lyou-ar.

a leaban, their book, ,, a lyow-ar.

a neape, his strength, ,, a narth.

a neapt, her strength, ,, & nyarth.

&c., &c.

- 19. When t broad begins a word it has a much thicker sound than in English. In sounding the English l the point of the tongue touches the palate just above the teeth; but to get the thick sound of the Irish t we must press the tongue firmly against the upper teeth (or we may protrude it between the teeth). Now, when such an t is aspirated it loses this thick sound, and is pronounced just as the English l.
- 20. It is not easy to show by an example the aspirated sound of n; however, it is aspirated in the spoken language, and a slightly softer sound is produced.

Rules for Aspirations.

- 21. We give here only the principal rules. Others will be given as occasion will require.
- (a). The possessive adjectives mo, my; vo, thy; and a, his, aspirate the first consonant of the following word, as mo vo, my cow; vo matan, thy mother; a capatt, his horse.
- (b) The article aspirates a noun in the nominative and accusative feminine singular, and also in the genitive masculine singular unless the noun begins with o, c, or r; an bean, the woman; the meat is salt; mac an fig. (the) son of the man.
- (c) In compound words the initial consonant of the second word is aspirated, except when the second word begins with το or τ, and the first ends in one of the letters το, η, τ, ι, γ. These five letters will be easily remembered, as they are the consonants of the word "dentals"; rean-mátain, a grandmother; cát-bánn, a helmet; teit-pinginn, a halfpenny; but reanouine, an old person; rean-τeac, an old house.
- (d) The interjection a, the sign of the vocative case, causes aspiration in nouns of both genders and both numbers: a fip, O man; a mná, O women; s Seumair, O James.
- (e) An adjective is aspirated when it agrees with a feminine noun in the nominative or accusative sin-

gular, or with a masculine noun in the genitive singular, and in the dative and vocative singular of both genders; also in the nominative plural when the noun ends in a slender consonant: as bo bán, a white cow; mac an rin moin, (the) son of the big man; o'n mnaoi mait, from the good woman; this capaill mona, three big horses.

- (f) When a noun is immediately followed by an indefinite* noun in the genitive case, singular or plural, the initial of the noun in the genitive is usually subject to precisely the same rules as if it were the initial of an adjective: e.g. ub cince, a hen-egg (lit. an egg of a hen); unbe cince, of a hen-egg; clocking, a stone of meal; min coince, oaten meal. The letters o and of are not aspirated after o, n, o, t, r; and r is often excepted, as the change in sound is so great.
- (q) The initial of a verb is aspirated—(1) in the imperfect, the simple past, and the conditional, active voice; (2) after the particles ni, not; ma, if; map, as and rut, before; (3) after the simple relative particle expressed or understood: bi ré, he was; vo rear rishe stood; ni rutim, I am not; ni béro ré, he will not be; an té buaitear or an té a buaitear, he (or the person) who strikes; vo buaitrinn, I would strike.

^{*}i.e. One not preceded by the definite article, possessive adj., &c See par. 585.

(h) The initial of the word following be or but (the past tense and conditional of the verb 17) is usually aspirated.*

ba mait tiom, I liked or I would like.
b' feann teir, he preferred or would prefer.

(i) The simple prepositions (except az, ar, te, zan 1, and zo) aspirate the initials of the nouns immediately following them: rá ctoic, under a stone; tuz ré an teadar do Seumar, he gave the book to James

CHAPTER III.

Eclipsis.

22. Eclipsis is the term used to denote the suppression of the sounds of certain Irish consonants by prefixing others produced by the same organ of speech.

There is usually a great similarity between the eclips ing letter and the letter eclipsed: thus, p is eclipsed by b; c is eclipsed by o, &c. If the student pronounce the letters p and b, c and o, he will immediately notice the similarity above referred to. Thus b and o are like p and c, except that they are pronounced with greater stress of the breath, or, more correctly, with greater vibration of the vocal chords.

^{*}Except in N. Connaught and Ulster, where this rule applies only to b, p, m, and sometimes p.

23. Seven* of the consonants can be eclipsed, viz. b, c, v, r, 5, p, c; the others cannot. Each consonant has its own eclipsing letter, and it can be eclipsed by no other. The eclipsing letter is written immediately before the eclipsed letter, and is sometimes, though not usually in recent times, separated from it by a hyphen, as m-baro or mbaro (pronounced maurdh).

Formerly eclipsis was sometimes shown by doubling the eclipsed letter: thus, a ccape, their bull. Whenever a letter is eclipsed both should be retained in writing, although only one of them (the eclipsing one) is sounded.

24. It is much better not to consider the letter r as an eclipsable letter at all. replaces it in certain positions, but in none of those positions (dative singular excepted) in which the other letters are eclipsed. In fact, r is often replaced by r when the previous word ends in n, as an rruit, the eye; and trat, one heel; rean r-Site, old Sheelah; burdean truat, a crowd, &c. Some, however, maintain that r is really eclipsed in these cases, because its sound is suppressed, and that of another consonant substituted; but as the substitution of r follows the rules for aspiration rather than those for eclipsis, we prefer to class r with the non-eclipsable letters, t, m, n, p, r.

^{*}Eight is the number given in other grammars. They include the letter r.

25.	b is	eclipsed	by m.
	c	,,	۶.
	ъ	99	n.
	r	19	₽.
	5	,,	n.
	р	,,	ъ.
	7		'n.

a mbano (their poet) is pronounced a maurd.

a scapatt (their horse))1	a göpál.
án noán (our poem)	"	aur naun.
1 bruit (in blood)	"	ă vwil.
a nziotta (their servant)	,,	ang illŭ.
1 bpém (in pain)	99	a baen.
a ocatam (their land)	11	a dhŏl-ŭv.

Although n is used as the eclipsing letter of 5, the sound of n is not heard, but the simple consonant sound n5; therefore it would be more correct to say that 5 is eclipsed by n5.

Rules for Eclipsis.

- 26. (a) The possessive adjectives plural—áp, our; bup, your; and a, their—eclipse the initial consonant of the next word, as ap ociseanna, our Lord; bup scapall, your horse; a mbao, their boat.
- (b) The article eclipses the initial consonant of the noun in the genitive plural (both genders): tama na b-reap, (the) hands of the men.
 - (c) A simple preposition followed by the article

and a noun in the singular causes eclipsis*: the parameter an acapatt, he is on the horse; thing re terr are bream, he came with the man.

- (d) The numeral adjectives react, oct, naoi, and oeic (7, 8, 9, and 10), and their compounds, as 27, 28, 29, &c., cause eclipsis: react mba, seven cows; oct gracing, eight sheep; react b-rip riceao, twenty-beven men.
- (e) The initial consonant of a verb is eclipsed after the particles ca, not; an, whether; cá, where; nac, whether . . . not or that . . . not; 50, that; muna, unless; vá, if; and after the relative particle a when it is preceded by a preposition, or when it means "all that" or "what." The relative preceded by a preposition does not eclipse if the verb be past tense, except in the case of a very few verbs, which will be given later on: an occurseann cú, do you understand? nac bruit ré tinn, isn't he sick? cá bruit ré, where is it? oubaint ré 50 occocrat ré, he said that he would come; an reap as a bruit an teabap, † the man who has the book.

The Insertion of n.

27. (a) When a word begins with a vowel, the letter n is usually prefixed in all those cases in which a con-

^{*} In many places they prefer to aspirate in this case.

[†] In colloquial Irish this sentence would be, an reap a b-ruit on teaban arge, or an reap 50 b-ruit an teaban arge.

sonant would be eclipsed: e.g., an n-anan taeteamait, our daily bread; cuaro Orrín 50 tín na n-os, Oisin went to "the land of the young."

The n is sometimes omitted when the previous word ends in n: as an an aonac, or an an n-aonac, at the fair.

(b) Prepositions (except vo and ve) ending in a vowel prefix n to the possessive adjectives a, his, her, or their; and an, our; te n-a matain, with his mother; o n-an vein, from our country.

The Insertion of c.

- 28. (a) The article prefixes τ to a masculine noun beginning with a vowel in the nominative and accusative singular: as an τ -atain, the father.
- (b) If a noun begins with r followed by a vowel, or by t, n, or n, the r is replaced by τ after the article in the nom. and acc. feminine sing. and the genitive masculine, and sometimes in the dative singular of both genders, as an τρώι, the eye; τεαά αn τραζωίητ, (the) house of the priest, i.e.; the priest's house; τά γιαν ας τεαάτ ο'n τρειτς, they are coming from the hunt.
- (c) This replacing of r by c occurs after the words son, one; rean, old; and other words ending in n, as son creats smain, one hunt.

The Insertion of h

29. The following is a pretty general rule for the insertion of n before vowels:—

"Particles which neither aspirate nor eclipse, and which end in a vowel, prefix h to words beginning with a vowel. Such is the case with the following:—te, with; a, her; 50, to; vapa, second; ré, six; cpi, three; na, the (in the nom., acc., and dative plural, also in the gen. singular feminine); 50 before adverbs; the ordinal adjectives ending in mat, &c."—Gaelic Journal.

CHAPTER IV.

Attenuation and Broadening.

- 30. Attenuation is the process of making a broad consonant slender. This is usually done by placing an immediately before the broad consonant, or an e after it. Thus if we want to make the p of mop (big), slender, we place an 1 before the p; thus moin. If we wish to make the p of pao (the termination of the 1st person singular future) slender, we write peao, &c.
- 31. Broadening is the process of making a slender consonant broad. This is often done by placing a u immediately before the slender consonant, or an a after it; thus the verbal noun of derived verbs ending in 15 is formed by adding ao: before adding the ao the 5 must be made broad; this is done by inserting

want to make the p of pro (the termination of 3rd singular future) broad, we must write paro. Dualtro pe, he will strike; meattrait pe, he will deceive.

Whenever a slender consonant is preceded by an which forms part of a diphthong or a triphthong, the consonant is usually made broad by dropping the 1. Thus to broaden the t in buait, or the n in 501n, we drop the 1 and the we get buat and 50n. The verbal nouns of buait and 50m are buatar and 50nar.

CHAPTER V.

Caol le caol agur leatan le leatan;

or,

Slender with slender and broad with broad.

32. When a single consonant, or two consonants which easily blend together, come between two vowels, both the vowels must be slender or both must be broad.

This is a general rule of Irish phonetics. It has already been stated that a consonant is broad when beside a broad vowel, and slender when beside a slender vowel; and also that the sounds of the consonants vary according as they are broad or slender: hence if we try to pronounce a word like reapin, the p, being beside the slender vowel i, should get its slender sound; but being also beside the broad vowel a, the p should be broad. But a consonant cannot be slender and broad at the same time; bence, such spellin, as reapin, mátin, and éanin, does not represent the correct gounds of the words, and

therefore, the device adopted in writing Irish is to have both the vowels slender or both broad; ϵg ., ripin, maitin, einin.

This law of phonetics is not a mere spelling rule. If it were, such spelling as reamaon, mátaon, éanaon, would be correct. But no such spelling is used, because it does not represent the sounds of the words. The ear and not the eye must be the guide in the observance of the rule "caot te caot 7 teatan te teatan."

Two consonants may come together, one naturally broad and the other naturally slender. When this happens, Irish speakers, as a general rule, give the consonants their natural sounds, i.e., they keep the broad consonant broad, and the slender one slender. For instance, the m of com is naturally broad, and the t of tion is naturally slender. In the word comtion (fulfil), the first syllable is always pronounced broad, although the word is usually written comtion. This is an instance of the abuse of the rule coot te coot. There are many words in which a single consonant may have a slender vowel at one side, and a broad vowel at the other; e.g., anein (last night), anior (up), amain (ever), apir (again), etc.

Although the rule coot te coot had been much abused in modern spelling, in deference to modern usage we have retained the ordinary spelling of the words.

CHAPTER VI.

Syncope.

33. Whenever, in a word of two or more syllables an unaccented vowel or digraph occurs in the last syllable between a liquid (t, m, n, n) and any other consonant, or between two liquids, the unaccented vowel or digraph is elided whenever the word is lengthened by a grammatical inflection beginning with a vowel This elision of one or more unaccented

vowels from the body of an Irish word is called *syncope*; and when the vowels have been elided the word is said to be *syncopated*.

- 34. The only difficulty in syncope is that it often involves slight changes in the other vowels of the syncopated word, in accordance with the rule cast te cast.
- 35. The following examples will fully exemplify the method of syncopating words.

(a) Nouns.

The genitive singular of—

maioin (morning)	is	marone	not	maioine
obain (work)	; ;	orplic	,,	obaine
cappais (a rock)	,,	chilili26	,,	cappaise
pinzinn (a penny)	,,	pingne	,,	binZinne
pisinn) (a pointy)	, ,	piţne	"	piţinne
cavain (help)	,,	cabpa	,,	cavapa
catain (a city)	,,	cathac.	,,	catarac
topom (a flame)	,,	tappac	,,	tarapac
otann (wool)	,,	olna	,,	otanna
burbean (a company)	,,	burone	,,	buitire
bpuržean (a palace)	,,	bpuisne	*1	bhuisine

(b) Adjectives.

The genitive singular feminine of—
randon (rich) is randone not randone
rtandeamant (princely),, rtandeaman,, rtandeamans
atumn (beautiful) ,, aitne ,, atumne
aonomn (pleasant) ,, aonome ,, aonomne
uarat (noble) ,, uarte ,, varante

(c) Verbs.

Root.	Pres. Indicative.		
copail	coolaim, I sleep,	not	corailim.
riubait	riubtsim, I walk,	,,	riubailim.
ınnır	ınnpım, I tell,	,,	ınnırım.
ηιασα	abpaim, I say,	,,	abaipim.
labain	tabpaim, I speak,	"	Labaipim.

The same contraction takes place in these and like verbs in all the finite tenses except the future and conditional (old forms). See par. 298.

A thorough knowledge of when and how Syncope takes place will obviate many difficulties.

PART II.-ETYMOLOGY.

36. There are nine parts of speech in Irish corresponding exactly to those in English.

CHAPTER I.

The Article.

37. In Irish there is only one article, an, which corresponds to the English definite article, "the."

There is no indefinite article, so that capatt means either "horse" or "a horse."

33. In all cases of the singular number the article has the form an, except in the genitive feminine, when it becomes na.

In all the cases of the plural it is na.

89. The article an had formerly an initial r. This reappears after the following prepositions, 1, 1n, or ann, in; 50, to; te, with; the article, still it is usually written as part of the preposition; as 1nr an teaban, in the book; terr an brean, with the man.

INITIAL CHANGES PRODUCED BY THE ARTICLE.

Singular.

40. (a) If a noun begins with an aspirable consonant (except o, τ, and r),* it is aspirated by the article

^{*} The letters o, t, and r are aspirable in the singular; but not usually by the article

in the nominative and accusative feminine and in the genitive masculine, as an vo, the cow; an vean, the woman; mac an rin, (the) son of the man; ceann an capailt, the horse's head (or the head of the horse).

(b) If a noun begins with r followed by a vowel, or by t, n, p, the r is replaced by c, in the nominative and accusative feminine and genitive masculine, and sometimes in the dative of both genders: an crát, the heel; an crúit, the eye; ceac an crasanc, the house of the priest; mac an craoin, the son of the artizan; vo'n crasanc, to the priest; an an crtéib on the mountain.

Strictly speaking, it is only in the dat. fem. that the r is replaced by z, but custom permits it in the masculine.

- (c) If a noun begins with a vowel, the article prefixes τ to the nominative and accusative masculine, and h to the genitive feminine, as an τ-αταιρ, the father; an τ-unge, the water; an τ-eun, the bird; an τ-uan, the lamb; bapp na h-unbe, the top of the egg; ruact na h-ampipe, the coldness of the weather.
- (d) When the noun begins with an eclipsable consonant (except το and τ), the article generally eclipses when it is preceded by a preposition, as an an zenec, on the hill; o'n τρεαρ, from the man. After the prepositions* το and το aspiration takes place, not

^{*} For the effects of zan and the article, see Syntax, par. 606 (b).

eclipsis, as tuz ré an t-ainzear roin fean, he gave the money to the man; curo rein feun, some of the grass.

(e) No change is produced by the article in the singular if the noun begins with v, v, v, v, (followed by a mute), or v. In Munster v and v are ofter eclipsed in the dative.

Plural.

- (f) If a noun begins with an eclipsable consonant the article eclipses it in the genitive plural, as a bean na ochi mbo, O woman of (the) three cows; Stiab no mban, "the mountain of the women."
- (g) If the noun begins with a vowel the article prefixes n to the genitive plural and n to the nom., the acc., and dative plural, as tuac na n-ub, the price of the eggs; na h-arait, the asses; o na h-airib reo, from these places.
- (h) The letter r is never replaced by z in the plural number under the influence of the article.

CHAPTER II.

The Noun.

I. GENDER.

41. There are only two genders in Irish, the masculine and the feminine.

The gender of most Irish nouns may be learned by the application of a few general sules.

MASCULINE NOUNS.

- 42. (a) Names of males are masculine: as reap, a man; rtait, a prince; ataip, a father; coiteat, a cock.
- (b) The names of occupations, offices, &c., peculiar to men, are masculine: as ottam, a doctor; rite, a poet; bápo, a bard; bperteam, a judge; raigioiúip, a soldier.
- (c) Personal agents ending in διη, λιμε, αιόε (or λιόε, οιόε), or λό are masculine: as γχευτιιόε, a story-teller; υλοδιη, a boatman.
- (d) Diminutives ending in an, and all abstract nouns ending in ar or ear, are masculine—e.g.:

ápoán, a hillock. maitear, goodness.

- (e) The diminutives ending in in are usually said to be of the same gender as the noun from which they are derived. Notwithstanding this rule they seem to be all masculine. Cantin, a girl, is masculine,* i.e. it suffers the same initial changes as a masculine noun, but the pronoun referring to it is feminine. She is a fine girl, Ir breat an cautin i (not é).
- (f) Many nouns which end in a consonant or two consonants preceded by a broad vowel are masculine: as batt, a limb; tuac, a price; cpann, a tree, &c.

Exceptions:—(1) All words of two or more syllables ending in acc or 65.

^{*}Do not confound sex with gender. Gender is decided by grammatical usego only.

(2) A large number of nouns ending in a broad consonant are feminine. A very full list of commonly used feminine nouns ending in a broad consonant will be found in Appendix II.

FEMININE NOUNS.

- 43. (a) Names of females and designations of females are feminine: bean, a woman; ceanc, a hen; macain, a mother; intean, a daughter.
- (b) The names of countries and rivers are feminine: as Eine, Ireland; an Lipe, the Liffey; an Deanta, the Barrow.
- (c) Words of two or more syllables ending in according in og are feminine: as μυγεός, a lark; σμιγεός, a briar; mutreact, sweetness; teamnact, new-milk.
- (d) All abstract nouns formed from the genitive singular feminine of adjectives are feminine: as almoe, height—from and, high; althe, beauty—from atunn, beautiful; patte, blindness—from patt, blind.
- (e) Nouns ending in a consonant or two consonants preceded by a slender vowel, are feminine: as τίη, country; οπόιη, honour; μαίη, an hour; μάιτ, an eye.

Exceptions:—(1) Personal nouns ending in 611.

2) Diminutives in in. (3) Names of males, as atalp, father; buacatt, a boy. (4) Also the following nouns:—buaio, a victory; onuim, the back; ainm,* a lime; speim, a piece; seic, a fright, a start; and roctor, dictionary, vocabulary.

^{*} Ann is feminine in S. Munster.

II. CASE.

44. In Irish there are five cases—the Nominative, Accusative, Genitive, Dative, and Vocative.

The Nominative case in Irish corresponds to the English nominative when the subject of a verb.

The Accusative corresponds to the English objective case when governed by a transitive verb. The accusative case of every noun in modern Irish has the same form as the nominative, and suffers the same initial changes as regards aspiration and eclipsis.

The Genitive case corresponds to the English possessive case. English nouns in the possessive case or in the objective case, preceded by the preposition "of," are usually translated into Irish by the genitive case.

The Dative case is the case governed by prepositions.

The Vocative corresponds to the English nominative of address. It is always used in addressing a person or persons. It is preceded by the sign a, although "O" may not appear before the English word; but this a is not usually pronounced before a vowel or p.

RULES FOR THE FORMATION OF THE CASES.

- N.B.—These rules apply to all the declensions.
- 45. The Nominative case singular is always the simple form of the noun.

- 46. The Dative case singular is the same as the nominative singular, except (1) in the 2nd declension, when the noun ends in a broad consonant; (2) in most of the nouns of the 5th declension.
- 47. The Vocative case singular is always the same as the nominative singular, except in the 1st declension, in which it is like the genitive singular.
- 48. Whenever the nominative plural is formed by the addition of te, ta, anna, aca, i or roe, &c., it is called a strong nominative plural. Strong plurals are usually found with nouns whose nominative singular ends in a liquid.

Those ending in t or n generally take za or ze.

,, m or γ ,, anna. ,, η ,, aċa.

The Genitive Plural.

- 49. (1) The genitive plural in the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd declensions is like the nominative singular, except strong plurals, and a few nouns which drop the 1 of the nominative singular, as ruit, an eye, gen. pl. rut.
- (2) In the 4th declension, and in the case of nearly all strong plurals, the genitive plural is like the nominative plural.
- (3) In the 5th declension the genitive plural is like the genitive singular.

- (1) When the nominative plural ends in a or a consonant, the dative plural ends in arb.
- (2) When the nominative plural ends in e, the lative plural is formed by changing the e into 15.
- (3) When the nominative plural ends in i, the dative plural is formed by adding v.

The termination of the dative plural is not always used in the spoken language.

Yocative Plural.

- 51. (1) When the dative plural ends in A15, the rocative plural is formed by dropping the 15 of the dative.
- (2) In all other cases it is like the nominative plural.

III. The Declensions.

52. The number of declensions is not quite settled: it is very much a matter of convenience. Five is the number usually reckoned.

The declensions are known by the inflection of the renitive singular.

THE FIRST DECLENSION.

53. All the nouns of the first declension are masculine, and end in a broad consonant.

All masculine nouns ending in a broad consonant are not of the first telension.

54. The genitive singular is formed by attenuating the nominative. In most nouns of the 1st declension this is done by simply placing an after the last broad yowel of the nominative.

Example.

55. maon, a steward.

S	INGULAR.	PLURAL.
Nom. & Acc.	maon	· · · maoip
Gen.	maoip	maoji
Dat.	msop	maopaib
Voc.	a maoin	a maopa

56. In words of more than one syllable, if the nominative ends in Ac or eAc, the genitive singular is formed by changing Ac or eAc into Ac or 15 or 15 respectively. With a few exceptions, the nominative plural of these nouns is like the genitive singular. The other cases are quite regular.

In monosyllables è is not changed into \$; as bruac, a brink, gen. bruac.

N.B.—In all the declensions in words of more than one syllable ac and eac, when attenuated, become at and 15; and at and 15 when made broad become ac and eac. See dat. pl. of marcac and corteac.

Examples.

57.	mancac, a	horseman.
	SINGULAR.	PLURAL.
Nom. & Acc.	mancac	mapeais
Gen.	mancais	mapeac
Dat.	mapeac	mapeada t
Voc.	a mancais	a mapeaca

N.B.—The majority of nouns in ac helonging to this declension are declined like marcac.

58 u	tsc, a	load,	burden.
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	,	,
	SINGULAR.	PLURAL.
Nom. & Acc.	uatač	ualaiże
Gen.	ualais	ualač
Dat.	ualač	ualaitib
Voc.	a ualais	a ualaise

muttac, a summit; euroac, cloth; beatac, a path, a way; ontac, an inch; and aonac, a fair, are declined like uatac. Aonac has nom. pl. aonac or aontac e.

59. costeac. a cock.

	SINGULAR	PLURAL.
Non. & Acc.	coileac	coilis
Gen.	coilis	coileac
Dat.	coileac	coileacaib
Voc.	a coilis	a coileaca

60. L'esides the above simple method of forming the genitive singular of most nouns of this declension, there are also the following modifications of the vowels of the nominative singular:—

Change eu or és in nom, sing, into és in gen, sing.

,,	14	,,		,,	éı	,,
,,	o (short)	23		,,	นา	,,
10	or ea	,,	usually	,,	1	,,

All the other cases of these nouns are formed in accordance with the rules given above.

Examples of Yowel-changes in Genitive Singular.

61. eun, a bird.

S	INGULAR.	PLURAL.
Nom. & Acc.	eun	éin
Gen.	éın	eun
Dat.	eun	eunaib
Voc.	Δ éin	a euna

62. reap, a man.

 Nom. & Acc.
 pean
 pin

 Gen.
 pin
 pean

 Dat.
 pean
 peanaib

 Voc.
 a pin
 a peana

N.B.—The gen. of oitean in island is oitean; of reap, grass, rein; and of reap, a man, rip.

63. Cnoc, a hill.

S	INGULAR.	PLURAL.
Nom. & Acc.	cnoc	cnuic
Gen.	enuic	cnoc
Dat.	cnoc	cnocaib
Voc.	a cnuic	a cnoca

64. The following nouns change ea into en in genitive singular:—Leant, a child; neart, strength; cnear, skin; and ceart, right, justice. (Crip and circ are sometimes found as the genitives of cnear and ceart).

Irregular Genitive Singular.

		COMPUTED	Dilliguia	L'+	
mac,	a son,	has	genitive	מיווו	mic
bisó,	food,	,,	,,	bíð	
man,	a track,	,,	,,	main	
	, a bridle,	,,	"	rjuain	
phra	n, Bernard,	Brian	,,	Uprain	

nesc. a person; and émne, sonne (or sonnesc) anybody, are indeclinable.

65. Some nouns of this declension form their nominative plural by adding e.

NOON.	GENITIVE SING.	NOM. PLURAL.
onac, a fair	40nais	Jaontaiże
, _	J. C. T. C. T. G.	laonaiše
vonar, a door	Topair	pointe
éizear, a learned man	éizir	éigre
amzeat, an angel	ainsil	amste
botan, a road	potain	bóiċ ņe
ന്നുമാര് or (നമാരർ), a d	log magnaro	marquaire
rlaupao, a chain	rlauparo	rlabparde
mapsao, a market	mapsaro	mapsarde
00 [7] 0 11 1		

66. The following nouns take a in nominative plural:—peann, a pen; reod, a jewel; rtán, a surety cnear, skin; meacan, a carrot or parsnip; deop, a tear; caon, a berry; rmeun, a blackberry; udatt, an apple (pl udta); rocat (pl. rocatt or rocta); riac,* a debt (riac, pl. reic or reis, a raven); rseut, news; and bnuac, a brink.

67. The following take ta, in nom. pl.:—reot, a sail; ceot, music; neut, a cloud; resut, a story; cosao,

[•] This word is usually used in the plural; as no put son places out, I am not in debt.

war (pl. costa*); cuan, a harbour; σún, a fort (pl. σύητα and σύηα); ceuo, a hundred†; tíon, a net; ceap a trunk of a tree (pl. ceapta); mún (pl. múnta), a wall.

- 68. Other nominative plurals—ctáp, a board, a table, makes ctáin or ctápaca; toban, a well, makes cobain or tobpaca, tobaneaca or tobpeaca: pluas. a crowd, makes rluaiste.
- 69. Many nouns of this declension have two or more forms in the nominative plural. The regular plural is the better one, though the others are also used. The following are a few examples of such nouns:—reap, a man (pl. rip, reapa); mac, a son (pl. mic, maca); teabap, a book (teabaip, teabpa); ajim, an army (pl. aipm, apma); capatt, a horse (pl. capatt, caipte).
- 70. The termination -pao has a collective, not a plural force; just like ry in the English words cavalry, infantry, etc. This termination was formerly neuter, but now it is masculine or feminine; the genitive musculine being -paio, the genitive feminine -paioe. Hence taochao, a band of warriors, machao, a company of youths, eachao, a number of steeds (cavalry), are not really plurals of taoc, mac, and eac, but collective nouns formed from them. Likewise éantait, (spoken form, éantaite) is a collective noun meaning a flock of birds, or birds in general, and it is not really the plural of éan. However, taochao and éantait are now used as plurals.

Appendix I. gives a list of nouns belonging to this declension.

[·] cogarde is also used.

THE SECOND DECLENSION.

- 71. All nouns of the 2nd declension are feminine.* They all end in consonants, but the consonants may be either broad or slender.
- 72. The genitive singular is formed by adding e, (if the last vowel of the nominative be broad it must be attenuated); and if the last consonant be c it is changed into t in the genitive (except in words of one syllable).
- 73. The dative singular is got by dropping the final e of the genitive.
- 74. The nominative plural is formed by adding a or e (a, if final consonant be broad) to the nom. sing.

Examples.

75.	t ₁ t, a lily.	
	SINGULAR.	PLURAL.
Nom. & Acc.	Lil	lile
Gen.	tile	tit
Dat.	LIL	titib
Voc.	a lil	a lile
76.	cor, a foott	or a leg.
Nom. & Acc.	cor	cors
Gen.	corpe	cor
Dat.	corr	copaib
Voc.	a cor	a cora

^{*} Teac and rtiab, two masculine nouns, are sometimes given with the second declension. We give them as irregular nouns (par. 132).

⁺A foot in men urement is znoit pl. thoiste.

77. caitteac, a hag.

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

Nom. & Acc. caitleac caitleaca
Gen. caitlige caitleaca
Dat. caitlig caitleacaib
Voc. a caitleac a caitleaca

78. Like nouns of 1st declension, the vowels of the nom. sing. are sometimes changed when the fina. consonant is attenuated in the genitive singular.

The following are the chief changes:—
Change 10 in the nom. sing. into 1 in the gen. sing.

,, eu ,, (1,

In words of one syllable change ea into en (but ceape, a hen, becomes cince); in words of more than one syllable change ea into 1.

79.	beac, a	bee.
	SINGULAR	PLURAL.
Nom. & Acc.	beac	beaca
Gen.	beide	besċ
Dat.	beič	beadaib
Voc.	a vesc	a veaca
80.	5 еи 5 , а b	ranch.
Nom & Aga	7.0117	CRITA

 Nom. & Acc.
 zeuz
 zeuza

 Gen.
 zéize
 zeuz

 Dat.
 zéiz
 zeuzait

 Voc.
 a żeuz
 a żeuza

81.	Sman, a s	sun.
	201	· cezz.

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

Nom. & Acc. Spian Spiana. Spiana.

Gen. Spiene Spian

Dat. Spien Spianaib

Voc. a spian a spiana

82. tong, a ship.

Nom. & Acc. tong tonga
Gen. tuinge tong
Dat. tuing tongaib
Voc. Atong Atonga

83. rpeum,* a root.
SINGULAR. PLURAL.

Nom. & Acc. preum preuma (or preumaca)
Gen. préime preum (preumaca)
Dat. préim preumaib (preumacaib)
Voc. A preum A preuma (a preumaca)

84. AIT, a place.

SINGULAR. PLURAL.
Nom. & Acc. Acc. Acc. Acc. Acc. Acc. Acc.

n. & Acc. áit áite, áiteanna or áiteaca Gen. áite áit, áiteanna ,, áiteaca Dat. áit áitib, áiteannaib, áiteacaib

Voc. a áite a áite, áiteanna, áiteaca

The above are two examples of nouns with strong nominative plural (see par. 48).

85. In forming the genitive, nouns are sometimes

^{*}Also spelled preum in Munster.

syncopated, as burbean, a company, gen. burbne (see pars. 33, 35); burbean, a palace, gen. sing. burbne.*

86. Irregular Genitives Singular.

ctann, a clan, children, makes beec, a drink, σιξe, · Deoca rsian, a knife, " rzeana rsine, bustan, a (solemn) word, ... bnéitne, "bniatna blátac, buttermilk, bláiccet Latac, mud, mire, Laiccet vat, a vat, " Oalbaca OAIBČE ,, aiste azaro, a face, . aiste

87. Many nouns of this declension form their nominative plural in anna or aca. The final a of these terminations may be dropped in the genitive plural.

NOM. PL. NOM. SING. cuireanna cúir, a cause tuib, an herb Luibeanna oeit, a lathe meileanna Stuair, a contrivance Stuaireanna béim, a stroke béimeanna ouair, a prize, reward **Ouaireanna** téim, a leap Léimeanna néim, a course, a voyage néimeanna AIT, a place áite, áiteanna, áiteaca tuć, a mouse luča, lučanna Teada rsoit, a school rsoiteanna (rsoita), rsoit-

[•] Note the dative singular of these nouns, buroin and buroin.

†Also blátaige.

†Also tataige.

NOM SING céim, a step ruaim, a sound usip, an hour, time rmiro, a street pame, a field reir, a festival

NOM. PL.

céime anna ruamai na

uaine, uaineanna, uaineannta rnáide, rnáideanna, rnáideada páince, páinceanna reireanna

88. Nouns that take aca in nominative plural—

obain, a work ópáro, an oration rtat, a rod ticin, a letter ub, an egg paroin, a prayer aicio, a disease ciúmair, an edge coiction, a fortnight

orbneaca onaroeaca rlata, rlatada tiche, ticheaca uibe, iiibeaca paroneaca

AICIDEACA, AICIDI ciúmaireada

coictibireada, coictibirí

Thuaitt, a sheathe, a scabbard Thuaitteaca

teac, a flag, a flat stone teaca, teacaca, teachaca

- 89. The following take te, te, or to in the nominative plural; at may be added in the genitive plural: contt*, a wood; tun, a pillar, a prop; tin, a country (pl. tionta); agaro, face (pl. arte); rpeun, a sky, rpeunta.
- 90. Sometimes when the last vowel of the nominative singular is a preceded by a broad vowel, the

^{*} Coult is also 5th declension. See Heteroclite nouns, par. 131.

genitive plural is formed by dropping the 1, as ruit, an eye, gen. pl. ruit; ruaim, a sound, gen. pl. ruam, &c.

For a list of nouns ending in a broad consonant belonging to this declension, see Appendix II.

THIRD DECLENSION.

- 91. The 3rd declension includes (1) personal nouns ending in our (all masculine), (2) derived nouns in ACC or ACO (feminine), (3) other nouns ending in consonants which are, as a rule, masculine or feminine according as they end in broad or slender consonants.
- 92. The genitive singular is formed by adding a. If the last vowel of the nominative be 1 preceded by a broad vowel, the 1 is usually dropped in the gen., as cost, a will, gen. cota.
- 93. The nominative plural is usually the same as the genitive singular; but personal nouns ending in our add i or toe to the nominative singular.
- 94. Most of the derived nouns in ACT, being abstract in meaning, do not admit of a plural. Mattact, a curse, and a few others have plurals. Fuact, cold, although an abstract noun in ACT, is masculine.
- 95. The vowels of the nominative often undergo a change in the formation of the genitive singular. These changes are just the reverse of the vowel changes of the 1st and 2nd de lensions (see pars. 60 and 78.

Change et, 1 or 10 (short) in nom. into ea in the genitive u ,, ui 0 é1 ĆA 9.9 ,, Examples. 96 cnám,* a bone. SINGULAR. PLURAL. Nom. & Acc. cháin cháma Gen. CHÁINA cnám Dat. cnám Chámaib Voc. a chám a cháma 97. rion, wine. Nom. & Acc. rion riona, rionta Gen. riona rion Dat. rion rionaib Voc. a rion a riona 98. croop, a belt, a girdle. Nom. & Acc. chior cheara Gen. chears Chior Dat. chior chearaib Voc. a chior a cheara

99. reoit, flesh, meat.

Nom. & Acc. reoit reota
Gen. reota reoit
Dat. reoit reotaib
Voc. a reoit a reota

[&]quot;Also spelled enáim in nom. sir a.

100, bároóin, a boatman.

SINGULAR. PLURAL. Nom. & Acc. parooin φάσοιηί (βάσοιηισε) Gen. **báσόιη**, **báσόιη**ί bároona Dat. bároóm bádoinib (bádoinidib) Voc. α βάσδιμί (α βάσδιμιδε) a bároóin 101. onuim, masc., the back. Nom. & Acc.

Nom. & Acc. opuim opiomanna
Gen. opioma
Dat. opuim opiomannaib
Voc. a opuim a opiomanna

102. Speim, masc., a morsel, grip.

Nom. & Acc. Speim Speamanna
Gen. Speama
Speamanna
Dat. Speim Speamanna
Voc. a Speim a Speamanna

103. Some nouns of this declension, ending in t or n, form their nominative pl. by adding to or te to the nom. sing. These may add no to form gen. pl., as—

moin,* a bog, nom. pl. mointe
táin, a drove, ,, táinte
bliadain, a year, ,, bliadanta†

[•] móin is also 5th declension. See Heteroclite Nouns, par. 131.

⁺ bliadna after numerals, as oct mbliadna, eight years.

104. Some nouns of this declension form their nomplural by adding nna to the gen. singular. These may drop the final a in the gen. plural:—

NOM. PLURAL.

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am, time	a mannta	or	amanna
γημέ, a stream	rnota	,,	rpotanna
opuim, m., a back			opomanna
Sut, a voice	zoża	٠,	Zočanna
Speim, m., a morsel			Speamanna
cit, or ciot, a	ceata	,,	ceatanna
shower			
ctear, a trick	cleara	,,	clearanna
anam, a soul	anma	,,	anmanna
ost, a colour	Osta	,,	vatanna
ainm, a name	anmne, s	ını	nnesča, anmanna
marom, a defeat	maoma,	ma	omanna

105. Other Nominatives Plural.

Sníom, a deed, an act makes ζηίομαρτα* connua, a compact,

covenant ,, connapta

cáint, a tax ,, cánaca

buacaitt, a boy ,, buacaittí

ctiamain, a son-in-law ,, ctiamnaca

teabao, tf., a bed ,, teabta, teaptaca, teapta

curo, a share, a portion ,, cooca, cooana

For a list of nouns belonging to this declension, see Appendix III.

Really pl. of ξηιοώμας. + Cáin is also 5th declension.
 ‡ Also spelled teab4is

THE FOURTH DECLENSION.

- 106. The 4th declension includes (1) personal nouns in Aire, Aire, aire, Aire (sometimes spelled Airo, uiro, Air), which are all masculine; (2) diminutives in in (said to be all masculine); (3) abstract derivatives formed from the gen. sing. feminine of adjectives (all feminine), as zite, brightness, from zeat; reite, generosity, from riat; aitne, beauty, from atunn, &c.; (4) all nouns ending in vowels, and which do not belong to the 5th declension. To assist the student a list of the most important nouns of the 5th declension is given in the Appendix IV.
- 107. This declension differs from all others in having all the cases of the singular exactly alike.
- 108. The nominative plural is usually formed by adding i, the or ADA.
- 109. The genitive plural is like the nom. pl., but ear is frequently added in other grammars. There is no necessity whatever for this, because both cases are pronounced alike.
- 110. Nouns of more than one syllable ending in a form their nom. plural in aroe, or ai, as máta, a bag, pl. mátaroe, or mátaí; cóta, a coat, pl. cótaroe, or cótaí.

111. cartin, masc., a girl.

SINGULAR. PLURAL. Nom. & Acc. cartin cailini or (cartingoe) Gen. cailin cailini (cailin) .. (cartinide) Dat. Catlin " (cartinioib) carlinib Voc. A Catlin ., (a cartinice) a cartini

112. tižeaņna a lord.

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

Nom. & Acc. tigeapna tigeapnai(-aive)

Gen. tigeapna tigeapnai(-aive)

Dat. tigeapna tigeapnaiv(-aivib)

Voc. a tigeapna a tigeapnai(-aive)

113. The following nouns take to immediately after the last consonant to form the nominative plural:—

baile, a fown plural bailte or bailteaca
rloinne, a surname , rloinnte
muitte, a mule , muitte
muite, a thousand, a mile , mitte*
teine, a shirt , teinte, teinteaca
teine,† a fire , teinte, teinteaca
cuinne, a corner , cuinnte cuinnf

114. The following nouns add to in nominative plural, viz., all nouns ending in to or to—e.g. choice, a heart, pl. choice; also caoi, a way, a method; vaoi, a fool; raoi, a wise man; vhaoi, a druid; vtaoi, a curl.

[•] mite, a thousand, or a mile, is invariable after a numeral.

Sno, a work (pl. znota),* nio, or ni, a thing (pl. neite); ouine, a person, makes vaoine in nom. pl.

unge, an ounce, ,, ungeada ,, earna, a rib, ,, earnada ,,

115. A few proper nouns, although not ending in a vowel or in, belong to this declension, and do not change their form in any of their cases, viz.:—
páopais, Patrick; Seapóio, Gerald; muipir, Maurice; Cataoip, Cahir.

The word tucz, a people, does not change in gen.

THE FIFTH DECLENSION.

- 116. Most of the nouns belonging to this declension end in a vowel, and are, with a few exceptions, feminine.
- 117. The genitive singular is formed by adding a broad consonant.

This consonant varies in different nouns, but is usually n, nn, sometimes v, v, or c. When the nominative singular ends in a consonant, λ or excomes between that consonant and the consonant added.

118. The dative singular is formed by attenuating the genitive. In the case of those nouns which form the genitive by adding c, the dative singular is usually like the nominative.

[·] Knóżaróe is spoken in Kerry.

119. The nominative plural, as a general rule, is formed by adding a to the genitive singular. A few form their nominative plural by adding e to the gen. sing. This is accompanied with syncope, as in cappoe, friends; namoe, enemies; gauthe, smiths; and authe, rivers, which are the plurals of capa, nama, 5aba, and ab, or aba.

Some others form the nominative plural by attenuating the genitive singular, as in takan, ducks; com, hounds; picro, twenty; caorus, sheep; comuppan, neighbours.

The genitive plural is exactly like the genitive sin gular.

Examples.

	SINGULAR.	PLURAL.
120. pe	espra, fem., a	person.
Nom. & Acc.	peapra	peanrana
Gen.	peapran	peapran
Dat.	peaprain	peappanaib
Voc.	a peappa	a peappana
121.	capa, fem., a	friend.
Nom. & Acc.	capa	cáipoe
Gen.	Capao	capar
Dat.	CAPAID	Caproid
Voc.	a capa	a cainte

	SINGULAR.	PLURAL.
122.	zaba, masc., a	smith.
Nom. & Acc.	Saba	Saibne
Gen.	zabann	Sabann
Dat.	Sabainn	Saibnip
Voc.	a Šalia	a Saibne
123.	tača, fem.,	a duck.
Nom. & Acc.	tača	tačain
Gen.	lačan	tačan
Dat.	Lačain	tačanaib
Voc.	a toės	a tačana
124.	cuirte, fem.,	a vein.
Nom. & Acc.	cuirte	cuirteanna
Gen.	curteann	curteann
Dat.	cuirtinn	cuirteannaib
Voc.	a cuirte	a cuipteanna
125.	caopa, fem.,	a sheep.
Nom. & Acc.	caopa	CYOTHIZ
Gen.	caopač	caopać
Dat.	caopais	caopéaib, caopaéaib
Voc.	a caopa	a caopéa or a caopace
126.	cataoip, fem.,	, a chair.
Nom. & Acc.	cataon	cataomeaca
Gen.	cataoipea	ĉ cataoipeaĉ
Dat.	cataoin	cataomeacaib
Voc.	a cataoin	a cataomeaca

SINGULAR (no Plural).

127. Nom. & Acc. Cipe (Ireland)

> Gen. Eineann

Dat. Eininn

Voc a Eine

Nom. & Acc. Teamain (Tara) 128.

> Gen. Ceampac

Dat. Teampais or Teamain

Voc. a Česinsin

Nom. & Acc. Atba (Scotland) 129.

> Gen. Alban

> Dat. Albain Voc.

130. The following nouns are used only in the plaral, referring originally rather to the inhabitants of the place than to the place itself :--

A Alba

Sacrana, England.

Nom. & Acc. Sacrana or Sacrain

Gen. Sacran

Dat Sacranaib

laisin, Connacta. Ularo. Leinster. Connaught. Ulster. Nom. & Acc. Laisin Connacta ULSTO Gen

laisean Connact Ularo Dat. Laisnib Connactaib Ulcarb

A large list of the commonly used nouns, which belong to this declension, are given in Appendix IV.

Heteroclite Nouns.

131. Heteroclite nouns are those which belong to more than one declension. The following are the chief nouns of this class, We give only the genitive case in the singular, as the other cases present no difficulty. The irregular nominative plurals only are given:—

bplacap, a word 1 & 2 bplacap bplacap bplacap bplacap bplacap bplacap bplacap bplacap ceme, a fire 4 & 5 ceme cemear cemear beata, life 4 & 5 beata beata beatar cemear beatar beatar cemear cem	rsiat, a shield 1 & 2 rseit rseite teine, a fire 4 & 5 teine teineato beata, life 4 & 5 beata beatato rtise, a way 4 & 5 rtise rtiste rtise, a wood 2 & 5 coitte coittee coitt, a wood 3 & 5 mona mointe	NOUN. DECLE	NSIONS. GEN. SING.	NOM. PL.
rsiat, a shield 1 & 2 rseit rseite teine, a fire 4 & 5 teine teineato beata, life 4 & 5 beata beatato rlige, a way 4 & 5 rlige rligeato coitt, a wood 2 & 5 coitte coitteato moin, a bog 8 & 5 mona mointe tatam, m., land 1 & 5 tatam, m. catman, f.	rsiat, a shield 1 & 2 rseit rseite teine, a fire 4 & 5 teine teineato beata, life 4 & 5 beata beatato rtise, a way 4 & 5 rtise rtiste rtise coitte coitteato moin, a bog 8 & 5 mona mointe tatam, m., land 1 & 5 tatam, m. catman, f. eopna, barley 4 & 5 eopna eopnan	bpiażap, a word	1 & 2 bhiatain	
teine, a fire 4 & 5 { teine teineard t	teine, a fire 4 & 5 {teine teine teinte teine teine teine teinead beata, life 4 & 5 {beata beatad ruite, a way 4 & 5 {ruite ruite teine coitt, a wood 2 & 5 {coitte coittead moin, a bog 8 & 5 {mona monad monad tatam, m., land 1 & 5 {tatam, m. catman, f.} eopna, barley 4 & 5 {eopna eopnan		, , ,	
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talam, m., land 1 & 5 (talam, m. (talman, f.	colom, in., land 1 & 5 (totalm, m. totalm, f. eopna, barley 4 & 5 (eopna eopnan	moin, a bog	3 & 5) monato	moince
	eopna, barley 4 & 5 (eopna (eopnan	_ 1 _ 1 _ 1		
	eopna, barley 4 & 5 (eopna (eopnan	Estam, in., land	(calman, f.	
course houles 4 g. r (conna		court bouler		
(eonnan	breiteam, a judge 1 & 5 breitim breiteamain	coluin, partey	(eonnan	
broute in a judge 1 & 5 (bneitim (bneiteamain	oreiceall, a luage I to o	broutous a judgo	1 & 5 (bneitim	(bpeiteamain
operceam, a juage I to o	Operteaman Operteamns	operceam, a judge	bneiteaman	bheiteamna

NOUN. DECLE	NSIONS. GEN. SING.	NOM. PL.
reičeam, a debtor	1 & 5 (reideaman	reičeamai reičeamna
rpón, f., a nose	2 & 3 rpóine rpóna	
cuać, a cuckoo	1 & $2\begin{cases} \text{cusic, m.} \\ \text{cusice, f.} \end{cases}$	cuaid cuada
compa, a coffer,	4 & 5 cómpa cómpan	cómpana
cáin, a tax	3 & 5 {cána cánac	cána cánača
copóin, a crown	2 & 5 conoine cononac chonac	copónača

All abstract nouns ending in ear or ar may belong either to the 1st or 3rd declension; as, another, plasure, gen. another or antherapa. Being abstract nouns they are seldom used in the plural.

Irregular Nouns.

PLUBAL.

132.	test, mase., a	house.
Nom. & Ac	c. teac, tis	tište
Gen.	τιζε*	tiste (at), teat
Dat.	ceac, 515	τιζέιδ
Voc.	a tead, tis	a řište

SINGULAR.

[•] It has also the forms roise in gen. and rois in dative.

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

rtiat, masc., a mountain.

Nom. & Acc. pliab pléible

Gen. rleibe rleibce

Dat. rléib, rliab rléibtib

Voc. a řliab a řléibce

atain, masc., a father.

Nom. & Acc. atain aithe or aitheaca

Gen. atap aitheat, aitheata

Dat. atain aitnescarb

Voc. a acain a aithe or a aitheaca

oeipöriúp, f., a sister (by blood).

Νοπ. & Αcc. σειμυριώμ σειμυριώμας α

Gen. σειμθήταταμ σειμθήταμαζα

Dat. σειμβήτωιμ σειμβήτωμαζαιβ

In these words the br is pronounced like r.

The words mátain, a mother; τράταιη, a brother (in religion); and τε αρτητάταιη, a brother (by blood), are declined like αταιη. The genitive of γιώρ, a sister (in religion), is γεαταρ (or γιώρα).

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

pí, masc., a king.

Nom. & Acc. μί ηίζτε, μίοζα, μίοζτα

Gen. μίος μίζε, μίος

Dat. piż piścib

Voc. a ni a nitte

SINGULAR. PLURAL bean, fem., a woman. Nom. & Acc. bean mind Gen. ทบาล์ ban Dat. mnaoi mnaib Voc. a bean a mina bo, fem., a cow. Nom & Acc. bo ba Gen. bó bo Dat. buin DUSIB Vcc. A 50 1 54 Old, mass., God. Nom. & Acc. Ois Vée, Véite Gen. Ola. Déiteat TOS Dat. Ola Deitib Voc. a Vé, a Via a Véc ta, maso., a day. SINGULAR. PLURAL. Gen. Lae

SINGULAR.

Nom. & Acc. ta taete, taeteanta*

Gen. tae taetean, taeteanta, ta

Dat. to, ta taete, taeteanta

Voc. a ta ataete, a taeteanta

ché, fem., soil, earth.

 Yom. & Acc. che
 cheireana

 Gen.
 chiao, cheiread chiao

 Dat.
 cheiro, che
 cheireanaib

 Voc.
 a cheireana

[&]quot; the secondly upod after mamorals

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

mi, fem., a month.

Nom. & Acc. mi miorat

Gen. miora mior

Dat. mir, mi mioraio

ceó, masc., a fog.

Nom. & Acc. ceó ceobana, codes

Gen. ciac, ceois ceó

Dat. ceó ceócaib

50, masc., a spear, javelin, sunbeam.

Nom. & Acc. 5a Saete, 5aoi, 5aoite

Gen. 51, 51e, 5001 5001ce(10), 51c

Dat. 54 5401τ18

o or us, masc., a grandson.

Nem. & Acc. ó, ua uí

Gen. i, ui ua

Dat. 6, ua 15, u15

Voc. aui .aui

zé, masc., a goose

Nom. & Acc. 56 or 5630 Séanna, 56303, 56:00

Gen. sé " séro, seoro séanna, séao

Dat. 5é ,, 5éard 5éannaib, 5éardaib

Voc. a śé,, a śést a śéstna, a śésta

rus, fem., a fleshworm.

Nom. & Acc. phis phistoeaca

Gen. rpijoe rpijoeac(a)

Dat. ppisio ppisoeacais

[†] mi after numerals as occ mi, 8 months: mionna is spoken in Kerry as plural of mi.

CHAPTER III.

The Adjective.

I. DECLENSION OF ADJECTIVES.

133. In Irish the adjective agrees with the noun which it qualifies in gender, number, and case.

There are four declensions of adjectives. Adjectives are declined very much like nouns; the great difference is that they never* take the termination is in the dative plural (though formerly they did). The dative plural is invariably like the nominative plural.

Adjectives, in forming their genitive singular, undergo the same vowel-changes as nouns, as—

sonm, blue, gen. masc. suipm seat, bright, ,, sit, &c.

FIRST DECLENSION.

- 134. All adjectives ending in a broad consonant, as mon, ban, pronn, &c., belong to the 1st declension.
- 135. When an adjective of the 1st declension agrees with a masculine noun, it is declined like a noun of the 1st declension (see maon, &c., pars. 55, 57), except that the nom., acc., dat., and voc. plural are always alike, and are formed by adding a to the nominative singular.

^{*}When used as nouns they take the termination.

136. When an adjective of the 1st declension agrees with a feminine noun, it is declined like a noun of the 2nd declension (see cop, par. 67, &c.), but it never takes in the dative plural.

Adjectives ending in ac form their plural by adding a, both for masculine and feminine.

Examples.					
137.	137. mon, big.				
	BINGUL	AR.	PLURAL.		
	Masc.	Fem.	Masc. & Fem.		
Nom. & Acc.	mon	móp	mópa		
Gen.	moip	moine	móμ		
Dat.	món	moip	inópia		
Voc.	moin	móp	mona		
138. Seat, bright.					
138.	Seat, Dr.	ıgıı.			
Nom. & Acc.	zeal	Seal	Seala		
Gen.	SIL	Sile	Seat		
Dat.	Seal	SIL	Seala		
Voc.	516	Seal	Seala		
139. vipeac, straight, direct.					
Nom. & Acc.	oipeac	vinesc	oineaca		
Gen.	dinis	viniże	oipeac		
Dat.	oipesc	oinis	oipeaca		
Voc.	oinis	oineac	vipeaca		

140. The following list of adjectives gives examples of the vowel-changes mentioned above. The genitive

masculine is given; the genitive feminine is formed by adding e:—

NOM.	GEN.		NOM.	GEN.	
tom	tuim	bare	reapt	reint	bitter
Sohm	Sullim	blue	reans	reins	slender
bopb	buipb	rough	Senh	Séin	sharp
cnom	chuim	bent	oipead	oipus	straight
rnoor	ounn	brown	นงเรียดงดุ	แลเริกเรี	lonely
005	ប រោទ្ធ	soft	Albanac	Albana	iż Scotch
bočc	boicc	poor	rionn	rinn	fair
Thom	Thuim	heavy	riat	réit	generous
mean	mip	active	rline	rlic	wet
ceapt	cipic (ce		beas	bis	small
		right	cpion	cpin	withered
ocar	veir	pretty	ceann	ceinn	stern
oeans	oeili2	red			

141. There are five or six adjectives of the first declension which are syncopated in the genitive singular feminine and in the plural:—

NOMINATIVE.	GEN. SI	NG.	PLURAL.
	Masc.	Fem.	Both Genders.
uarat, noble	napart	uairte	uairte
vitear, beloved, dear	vilir	oitre	oitre
peamap, fat	peamain	pémpe	neampa
iriot, low	irıl	irte	irte
zeapp, short	21hh*	210/1/17	(irreg.) Seappa

^{*} Seamna is sometimes used in the spoken language.

SECOND DECLENSION.

142. All adjectives ending in a slender consonant, except those in amout, belong to the second declension.

In the singular all the cases, both masculine and feminine, are alike, except the genitive feminine which is formed by adding e.

In the plural both genders are alike. All the cases, with the exception of the genitive, are alike, and are formed by adding e to the nominative singular.

The genitive plural is the same as the nominative singular.

Example.

143.	maić,		
	SING	PLURAL.	
	Masculine.	Feminine.	Both Genders.
Nom. & Acc.	mait	mait	maite
Gen.	mait	maiče	maiċ
Dat.	mait	mait	maite
Voc.	mait	maiċ	maiče

144. Notice the following examples of syncope in the genitive feminine and in the plural:—

Acibinn, gen. sing. fem. and pl. Acibne, pleasant Atuinn, ,, ,, aitne (aitte), beautiful mitir, ,, ,, mitre, sweet

145. The following adjectives are irregular:-

coip, gen. sing. fem. and plural copa, right, just veacup, ,, ,, veacpa, difficult rocaip, ,, ,, rocaa, easy

THE THIRD DECLENSION.

146. The third declension includes all those adjectives which end in amout. This termination has the same signification as the English affix like in warlike, or ly in manly, princely, &c.

In both numbers the two genders are alike. All the cases in the singular are the same, except the genitive, which is formed by adding a. This is always accompanied by syncope. All the cases of the plural (except the genitive) are the same as the gen. sing. There are no exceptions or irregularities in this declension.

Example.

147.	reagramant, manly.		
	SINGULAR.	PLURAL.	
	Both Genders.	Both Genders.	
Nom. & Acc.	respaniant	respanits	
Gen.	responits	respaniant	
Dat.	reapariall	respanits	
Voc.	reapamail	reapamta	

FOURTH DECLENSION.

148. All adjectives ending in a vowel belong to the fourth declension, as para, long; open, golden. They have no inflexions whatever, all the cases, singular and plural, being exactly alike.

There are two exceptions—viz., ce, hot, warm; and beo, alive. Te (often spelled cert), becomes teo in the genitive singular feminine, and also in the plural of both genders.

Deo, alive, becomes beoda in the plural. In the singular it is quite regular, except after the word Ola; its genitive is then vi, as Mac Oé vi, the Son of the living God.

Rules for the Aspiration of the Adjectives.

These rules really belong to Syntax, but for the convenience of the student we give them here.

- 149. (a) An adjective beginning with an aspirable consonant is aspirated in the nominative and accusative feminine singular, in the genitive masculine singular, and in the dative and vocative singular of both genders.
- (b) The adjective is also aspirated in the nominative and accusative plural when the noun ends in a slender consonant.

Exceptions to the Rules for Aspiration.

- 150. (a) An adjective beginning with σ or τ is usually not aspirated when the noun ends in σ , π , τ , τ , or τ (dentals).
- (b) c and 5 are usually not aspirated when the preceding word ends in c, 5, or n_{i} 5.
- (c) p and b are usually not aspirated when the preceding word ends in p, b, or m.

These exceptions apply to most rules for the aspiration of nouns as well as adjectives.

- (d) The genitive of nouns of the 3rd and 5th declensions ought not to have the initial of the adjective following them aspirated. Usage, however, differs somewhat on this point.
- (e) In the spoken language of Connaught the adjective is not aspirated in the dative singular masculine.

Rules for Eclipsing the Adjective.

- 151. (a) The adjective is usually eclipsed in the genitive plural, even though the article is not used before the noun; and if the adjective begins with a vowel n is prefixed.
- (b) The initial of an adjective following a noun in the dative sing. should, as a rule, be aspirated; but whenever the noun is eclipsed after the article the adjective is often eclipsed also; aspiration in this case is just as correct as eclipsis, and is more usual.

Examples

152. Noun, Adjective and Article declined in combination.

SINGULAR. PLURAL. an rean mon, the big man.

Nom. & Acc. an reap mon na rip mona

Gen. an rip mon na breap mon

Dat. Leir an brean mon teir na realiaib mona

Voc. a fin moin a feana mona

An treampos star beas, the green little shamrock.

Nom. & Acc. an treampos star na reamposa stara

beas beasa

Gen. na reampoise staire na reampos nstar

Dat. 6'n treampóis stair o na reampósaib

Voc. a reampos star a reamposa stara
teas beasa

an trean-bean boot, the poor old woman.

Nom. & Acc. an trean-bean na rean-mná bočta bočt

Gen. na rean-mná na rean-ban mbocc

Dat. 00'n trean- 00 na rean-mnáib mnaoi boict bocta

Voc. a řean-bean a řean-mná bočta

bočt

N.B.—When an adjective precedes its noun it is invariable.

Comparison of Adjectives.

- 153. In Irish there are two comparisons—(1) the comparison of equality, (2) the comparison of superiority.
- 154. The comparison of equality is formed by placing com (or co), "as" or "so," before the adjective, and te, "as," after it. (This te becomes terp before the article, and then causes eclipsis if the noun be singular.)

If a verb occurs in the second portion of the sentence, agur (not te) must be used for the second "as" in English. Tá Seagán com món te Seumar, John is as big as James. Hí puit ré com táiroin teir an brean, he is not as strong as the man. Hí puit ré com mair agur (ar) bí ré, he is not as good as he was.

- 155. The comparison of superiority has three degrees—the positive, the comparative, and the superlative. The positive is the simple form of the adjective, as ban, seat. The comparative and superlative have exactly the same form as the genitive singular feminine of the adjective, as baine, site.
- 156. The comparative degree is always preceded by some part of the verb in, expressed or understood, and in almost every case is followed by the word na (or iona), "than."

1ρ gite an gpian ná an geatac, The sun is brighter than the moon.

An reapp cura ná vo veapppátain? Are you better than your brother?

157. In a comparative sentence the verb $\tau \hat{a}$ (or any other verb) may be used, but even then the *verb* is must be used.

Whenever tá (or any other verb) is used in a com-

parative sentence, the comparative must be preceded by the word nior (i.e., ni or nro, a thing, and the verb r) as—

Cá an spian níor site ná an seatac, The sun is brighter than the moon.

An bruit tú níor reapp ná vo veapbhátaip? Are you better than your brother?

153. As stated in previous paragraph nior=ni+ ir. If the time of the comparison be past ni ba is used instead of nior. In conditional comparisons ni bao is employed.

Da voic trom so pair fina ni b'aorpoe na Marpe. I thought that fina was taller than Marpe.

- 159. Every superlative sentence in Irish is a relative sentence. Thus instead of saying "the best man" we say "the man (who) is best"; for "the tallest man," we say "the man (who) is tallest." The word "who" in this case is never translated, for the obvious reason that there is really no simple relative pronoun in Irish.
- 160. If the sentence happens to be in the past or future "the best man" will have to be translated as "the man (who) was best" or "the man (who) will be best." In such cases if or ar can never be used. Da or but must be used in the past tense.

If the first portion of the sentence contains a verb in the conditional mood, the conditional of ir (viz., vo vav: no is often emitted) must be used.

The highest hill in Ireland, an enoc ir aipoe i

n-Cipinn.

The biggest man was sitting in the smallest chair,

Uí an reap ba mó na puroe inp an scacaoip ba tuga.

The best man would have the horse,

To bead an capall as an break to b'feapp

(Lit. The horse would be at the man (who) would be best).

The English comparative of Inferiority is translated by nior tuża followed by an abstract noun corresponding to the English adjective: e.g., nior tuża reapamaiteacc, less manly.

Intensifying Particles.

161. The meaning of an adjective can be intensified by placing any of the following particles before the positive of the adjective. All these particles cause aspiration.

An, very; rion (or rip), very or truly (as truly good); nios, very; nios mais, very good.

ste, pure (as pure white); no, too, excessively.

ráp, exceedingly; úp, very (in a depreciating sense).

mait, good; an-mait, very good; riop-mait, truly good; po-ruap, too cold.

rán te, excessively hot (warm); úin-friot, vary low: ún-tránoa, very ugly.

162. In the spoken language the adjective is somesimes intensified by repeating the positive twice, as—

ví re cinn cinn, he was very sick.

τά ré τροm τραm, it is very heavy.

ta rliuc rliuc, a very wet day.

163. Sometimes we is annexed to the comparative; it is really the prepositional pronoun we, of it.

11 morpe (mo + pe) 5ο μαζαρ. It is not likely that I shall go.

no harm to be depending on you! It is

- 164. Although the comparative and the superlative are absolutely alike in form, yet they may be easily distinguished:—
- (1) By the context; the comparative can be used only when we are speaking of two persons or things, the superlative is always used for more than two.
- (2) By the word no (than) which always follows the comparative, except when be is used; the superlative is never followed by either.
- 165. When comparing adjectives (i.e., giving the three degrees of comparison), it is usual to use more before the comparative, and in before the superlative, as—

POSITIVE. COMPARATIVE. SUPERLATIVE. bán nior báine ir báine star nior staire ir staire

Remember that nior and ir change their forms according to the tenso of the verb in the sentence.

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61		Comparison.
	POSITIVE.	COMPARATIVE.
	beas, little or small	luţa
	rava, long	ruive, raive, ria
	mop, big	mó
	otc, bad	meara
	mait, good	reapp
	Seapp, short	Biolilia
	bpeas,* fine	bpeišča
	minic, often	minicí, mion ca
	te (teit), warm	ceó
	ripim, dry	τιοριπα
	rupur(a) easy	fura
	unur S easy	lupa
	ionmuin, dear, beloved	l ionniume or annya
	5ap, near (of place)	Soilie
	MOTHUR 7000W	toille Loille
	rozur, near	froitze
	Tuoun brozzo strong	Theme
	cheun, brave, strong	cheire
	spanoa, ugly	Shamoe
		(δίητο e
	apro, high	ailioe
		(Λοιρτοε
	10mds, many	mó or tia (more numerous)
	1 .	1 *

neara and curre, nearer, sooner, are comparatives which have no positive.

N.B.—The superlatives of the above adjectives have exactly the same forms as the comparatives.

This word was formerly spelled bpságóa or bpellea, and these forms may be used in the plural.

167. Numeral Adjectives.

	CARDINALS.		ORDINALS.
1,	aonamáin	1st,	ceur, * sonmav
2,	D.J.	2nd,	Dajia, Tajina, Dómao
3,	τηί,		τρίομαό τρειρ
4,	ceitpe	4th,	ceatpañao
5,	cúi5	5th,	cúisead, cúismad
6,	ré	6th,	reipeso, rémao
7,	react	7th,	reaccinad
8,	000	8th,	οἀτṁΔὸ
9,	11401	9th,	naomao
10,	peiç	10th,	veacmad, veicead
11,	aon beug	11th,	aoninad deus
12,	vá véas	12th,	Dana Deus
13,	chi oen2	13th,	thear deus, thiomad
			oeuz
14,	ceithe béas	14th,	ceatpamao veus
15,	cuiz veuz	15th,	cuizead deuz
16,	ré veuz	16th,	reiread deus
17,	react benz	17th,	reaccinad deuz
18,	occ pen2	18th,	occmad denz
19,	naoi veus	19th,	naomad deus
20,	riće	20th,	ricearo
21,	son if (or sr) fice;	21st,	aonmad an ficio
۵	on an ficto		

[•] The c of ceuo is usually aspirated after the article.

CARDINALS.	ORDINALS.
22, vé or vá ir rice; vé	22nd, vana an ficio;
or vá an ficio	oaparičeao
28, thi ir rice; thi an	23rd, thiomas ap ficto or
ţićio	τρευρ Δη ήτοιο
30, beid if fide [thioda]	30th, veachar on ficio
31, son veus ir rice	31st, aonmar vens ap
	¢iči0
32, od or od deug if fice	32nd, vapa veus an ficio
37, react beug ir rice	87th, reactinad beus at
	ţići0
40, và ficio [centpaca]	40th, vá ficioeso
41, aon ip dá ficio	41st, soumat ap ta ficio
44, ceatain or ceitne in	44th, ceatpaniao an vá
vá řičiv	ficto.
50, veic ir vá ficiv; leit-	50th, veachad ap tá ficiv
ceuo, caosa	
51, Aon veus ir va ficio	51st, sonman beut ap to
	ricio
60, chi ricio [rearsa]	60th, thi ricioead
61, שמח וף כףוֹ דְוֹכִים	61st, aoninad an thi picto
70, beic if the ficto	70th, beacinad ap thi picio
[reactinosa]	
71, Aon Deus ip thi ficio	71st, sonmad deus an chi
	ricio
60, ceithe ricio [occ-	80th, ceithe ricioead
moţa]	
81, Aon ir ceithe picro	81st, sonman an ceithe
	ricio
	90th, veachiad an ceithe
[noca]	pièro

CARDINALS.	ORDINALS.
91, Aon Deus ir ceithe	91st, aominad deuz ap
ricio	ceithe ticio
100, céao (ceuo)	100th, ceuvar
101, son ir ceuo	101st, sonmad an ceut
200, ośćewo	200th, of ceuvat
300, cpi čeuo	300th, thi centrat
400, certpe deur	400th, certpe ceurso
800, oct 2ceno	800th, oct Scenoso
1000, mite	1000th, milear
2000, vá míte	2000th, vá míteav
8000, thi mile	8000th, thi mileso
4000, certpe mile	4000th, certpe mitead
1,000,000, mittiún	1,000,000th, milliúnað

Notes on the Numerals.

168. There is another very idiomatic way of expressing the numbers above twenty-one, viz., by placing the word piceao alone after the first numeral:—veic piceao, 90: piceao is really the genitive of pice, so that the literal meaning of veic piceao is ten of twenty; veic grapaut piceao, 80 horses; react mba piceao, 27 cows.

169. Whenever any numeral less than twenty is used by itself (i.e., not followed immediately by a noun), the particle a* must be used before it. This a prefixes n- to vowels:—A n-Aon, one; A oo, two; A n-oct, eight.

Tá ré a ceatain a cloz, it is four o'clock.

Tà re teat-uaip d'éir a do, it is half past two.

[.] In Ulster and Munater the article an is used instead of this a.

- 170. Very frequently in modern times the particle ar (=azur) is used instead of 1r in numbers. Ar in numbers is pronounced iss.
- 171. A vo and a ceatain can be used only in the absence of nouns. If the nouns be expressed immediately after "two" and "four," vá and ceitne must be used.
- 172. Aon, one, when used with a noun almost always takes the word amain after the noun; as, aon fean amain, one man. Aon by itself usually means "any;" as, aon fean, any man; aon tá, any day. Sometimes aon is omitted and amain only is used, as tá amain, one day.
- 173. Under the heading "Ordinals" two forms will be found for nearly all the smaller numbers. The forms given first are the ones generally used. As the secondary forms are often met with in books, they are given for the sake of reference. Céao, first, is used by itself, but sommao is used in compound numbers, such as 21st, 31st, &c.

First, as an adverb, is an o-tup or an o-tup, never, ceuo.

174. The \mathbf{v} of \mathbf{v} s, two is always aspirated except after a word ending in one of the letters, \mathbf{v} , \mathbf{n} , \mathbf{v} , \mathbf{t} , \mathbf{r} , or after the possessive adjective \mathbf{a} , her.

The words for 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, given in brackets, are the old words for these numbers; they are not used now, and are given simply for reference.

175. Fice, ceuo, and mite, together with the old words for 30, 40, 50, &c., are really nouns* and can be declined.

Nom. rice gen. riceao dat. ricio pl. ricio ,, ceuo ,, ceuo ,, ceuo ,, ceuota ... mite ,, mite ,, mite

The other words are 5th declension, and form their enitive by adding o.

176. Mite, a thousand, or a mile, and ceuro, a hundred never change their forms after a numeral; naoi mite, 9,000, or 9 miles.

The Personal Numerals.

177. The following numeral nouns are used especially of persons. All, with the exception of vir and being, are compounds of the word rean, a man (the r of which has disappeared owing to aspiration), and the numeral adjectives.

αοπαρή (αοπ-¢εαρ)one person[σῖρ (σῖαρ)]a pair, a coupleτοιρτtwo persons, a couple;τριώρ (οι τριαρ) (τρί-¢εαρ)three personsτοιξεαρfour personsτοιξεαρfive personsτοιρταρsix persons

^{*} See Syntax, par. 511 and 512.

[†] Used in the idiomatic expression for "alone." See par. 654.

[!] tánama, a married couple.

móp-feirear seven persons
reactar eight persons
naondar or nóndar nine persons
veicheadar ten persons
váreus (vá-fear-deus) twelve persons

N.B.—The singular form of the article is used before these numerals; as an cuizeap peap, the five men.

The Possessive Adjectives.

178. The term "possessive pronouns" has been incorrectly applied by many grammarians to the "possessive adjectives." A pronoun is a word that can stand for a noun and be separated from the noun, as the words "mine" and "his" in the sentences, "This book is mine," "This cap is his." If I wish to say in Irish, "Did you see his father and mine?" I say, "An bracair a atain agur m' atain" (not agur mo). The possessive adjectives in Irish can never stand alone; hence they are not pronouns.

179. The possessive adjectives are as follows:-

mo, my Ap, our vo, thy bup (or bap), your a, his or her A, their

190. A, his; A, her; and A, their, are very easily distinguished by their initial effects on the following word.

- 181. The o of mo and vo is elided whenever they are followed by a word beginning with a vowel or r, as m' runneos, my window; v' atam, thy father.
- 182. Before a vowel oo, thy, is very often written τ or t, as o' atain, τ' atain, t' atain, thy father; even h-atain is sometimes wrongly written.
- 183. The possessive adjectives may take an emphatic increase, but this emphatic particle always follows the noun, and is usually joined to it by a hyphen; and should the noun be followed by one or more adjectives which qualify it, the emphatic particle is attached to the last qualifying adjective.

The Emphatic Particles.

184. The emphatic particles can be used with (1) the possessive adjectives. (2) the personal pronouns, (3) the prepositional pronouns, and (4) the synthetic forms of the verbs. Excepting the first person plural all the particles have two forms. When the word to which they are attached ends in a broad vowel or consonant use the broad particles, otherwise employ the slender.

		SINGU	LAR.	PLUR.	AL.
1.		-pa,	-re	-110	
2.		-ra,	-re	-ra,	-re
9	Masc., Fem.,	-pan,	-rean	40.4.42	2012
٠. ا	Fem.,	-re,	-171	-ran, -re-	-Legu

Examples.

mo teac-ra, my house; a teac-ran, his house; ap oteac-ne, our house: mire, myself; reirean, himself; aca-ran, at themselves; buaitim-re, I strike.

185. The word rein may also be used (generally as a distinct word) to mark emphasis, either by itself or in conjunction with the emphatic particles: as

mo teac réin, my own house mo teac-ra réin, even my house mo teac breát mór-ra, my fine large house

mo teac rein and mo teac-ra may both mean "my house," but the latter is used when we wish to distinguish our own property from that of another person; as, your house and mine, to teac-ra agur mo teac-ra.

186. The possessive adjectives are frequently compounded with the following prepositions:—

1, in (ann), in; te, with; oo, to; o, from; and ra, under.

SINGULAR.

PLURAL.

1, in or ann, in.

im, am 'mo, in my
náp, ináp, i n-áp, in our
ro, ao, 'oo, in thy, in your
'na, i n-a, ina, in his, in her
In the third person singular and plural iona, ionna, anna are also

found written.

187.

te, with.

tem, to mo, with my teo, te oo, * with thy or your te noun, with your te n-a, with his or her

te n-án, with our te n-a, with their

188.

vo, to.

room', roo mo,* to my voo', vo vo, to thy or your vo bun, va bun, to your vá, to his or her

van, to our oa, to their

189.

o, from.

om, o mo, from my 60, 6 00, from thy or your 6 nough, from your on-a, from his or her

o n-an, from our o n-a, from their

190.

rd or ro, under.

ram, rom, under my

rá n-án, ró n-án, under our

rao, roo, under thy, your

ra nbun, ro nbun, under your

rá n-a, ró n-a, under his, her

rá n-a, ró n-a, under their

191. The following compounds are frequently used with verbal nouns:-

45, at.

asom, as mo, at my agoo, ag oo, * at thy, your ag bun, at your azá, 'zá, żá, at his, her

'san, san, as an, at our ASá, 'Sá, or \$1, at their

The forms marked with an asterisk are used in the North.

- 192. When "you" and "your" refer to one person, the singular words the and to are used in Irish, o'atam, your father (when speaking to one person), bun n-atain, your father (when speaking to more than one.)
- 193. Those of the above combinations which are alike in form are distinguished by the initial effect they cause in the following word; as, o n-a tis, from his house; on-a tis, from her house; on-a otis, from their house.
- 194. The above combinations may take the same emphatic increase as the uncompound possessive adjectives; om tit rein, from my own house; om tit bneat mon-ra, from my fine large house.

Demonstrative Adjectives.

195. The demonstrative adjectives are ro, this; rin, that; and wo, that or yonder.

ro is frequently written reo when the vowel or consonant preceding it is slender.

These words come after the nouns they qualify, and should the noun be followed by any qualifying adjectives, ro, rin or no comes after the last qualifying adjective.

It is not enough to say reap ro or bean rin for "this man" or "that woman." The noun must

always be preceded by the article. "This man" is an pean ro; "these men," na rin reo; an bean ro, this woman; an bean rin, that woman.

196. The word wo is used when a person or thing is connected in some way with the person to whom you speak or write; an reap wo, that man (whom you have seen or heard of); an oroce wo, that particular night which you remember; or in pointing out an object at some distance, as—

An breiceann tú an báo úo? Do you see that boat?

Also with the vocative case, as-

A cloiginn wo tall and gan reangard.

Thou skull over there that art without tongue.

Indefinite Adjectives.

197. The chief indefinite adjectives are—son, any; éigin, some, certain; eite, other; uite (after the noun), all, whole; and the phrase sp bic, any at all; pé, whatever.

e.g., son t3, any day; son capatt, any horse; ar cip uite, the whole country; ouine éigin, a certain person; an reap eite, the other man. An braca cú an teaban i n-áic an bic? Did you see the book anywhere? Mi ruit aipsead an bic agam, I have no money at all. Diceamae dod' ead an Siogaide, pé uaipteace do bí aise nó ná paid. The Siogaidhe was a rascal, whatever nobility he had or hadn't.

198. The following words are nouns, and are fol-

lowed by a genitive or oe with the dative. As they are employed to translate English indefinite adjectives, we give them here:—

monan, much bruit monan riona agat, Have you much wine? (an) 10mao, a great deal, an 10mao aingio, a great a great many deal of money beasán, little beagán anám, a little bread (an) 10manca, too much an iomanca uirse, too much water an-curo, rather much an-curo ratainn, rather much salt rait. enough, sufficient Tá mo vocain anáin agam, I have sufficient bread oinear (asur), as much) an oinear rin oin, so much (as), so much (as) gold cuillead, more cuittead apain, more bread neart, plenty, abundance neart airsio, plenty of money curo, noinn or noinne, cuit, point or point oin, a share, some some gold cá a lán rean mbneás 1 a tán, many, numerous n-Cininn. There are many

199. Translation of the word "Some."

(a) As has been said, curo, point or point is used to translate the word "some," but there are other words used, as broon, a drop, used for liquids; popular

fine men in Ireland

or pointin, a fistfull, used for hay, straw, corn, potatoes, &c.; spaintin, a grain, used for meal, flour, tea, &c.; pinginn, a penny, used for money. All these words take a genitive.

- (b) "Some of" followed by a noun is translated by cure so followed by a dative case.
- (c) "Some of" followed by a singular pronoun is translated by curo oe; when followed by a plural pronoun, by curo AS.

Tá bhaon bainne agam, Tá ghainín riúcha aige, Cuid de na reahaib, Tá cuid de pin otc, Tá cuid aca ro otc, I have some milk
He has some sugar
Some of the men
Some of that is bad
Some of these are bad

Translation of "Any."

200. (a) When "any" is used in connection with objects that are usually counted it is translated by aon with a singular noun; as aon rean, any man; bruit aon capatt agaz? or bruit capatt an bit agaz? Have you any horses?

The following phrases followed by a genitive case are used for "any" with objects that are not counted: aon speim, for bread, butter, meat, &c.: aon veóp, for liquids; aon spainín, for tea, sugar, &c.; bruit aon speim reota aige? Has he any meat?

(b) "Any of" followed by a noun is translated by son bume be, for persons; son team be, for any kind of countable objects; son them be, &c., as

above. An upaca tu aon ourre de na reapait? Did you see any of the men? &c.

(c) "Any of" followed by a plural pronoun is translated by the phrases given in (b), but the preposition $\Delta \Sigma$ is used instead of ∞ ; as—

Mi fuit aon ceann aca annim. There is not any of them there.

111 paro aon oume agamn anno ceana. Not one of us was here before.

Distributive Adjectives.

201. Jac, each, every, as Jac Li, every day: unte (before the noun), every; the definite article, or Jac, must be used with unte; as an unte peap, every man. Di Jac unte ceann aca tinn. Every one of them was sick.

Sac ne, every other, every second; sac ne brocat, every second word.

202. The Interrogative Adjectives.

ca or cé, what, as cé méaro. what amount?
i.e., how much or how many?

ca n-áit, what place? ca n-ainm atá opt? What is your name? ca n-uaip, what hour? when?

In English we say "what a man," "what a start," &c., but in Irish we say "what the man," "what the start," as carbé an zero or vampead ré apro! What a fright he would give her! (lit. he would take out of her).

CHAPTER IV.

The Pronoun.

203. In Irish there are nine classes of Pronouns:—Personal, Reflexive, Prepositional, Relative, Demonstrative, Indefinite, Distributive, Interrogative, and Reciprocal pronouns. There are no Possessive pronouns in Irish.

204.		Personal Pronouns.	
		SINGULAR.	PLUBAL.
	1st pers.	mé, I	rann, we
	2nd pers.	va, thou	piō, you
	3rd pers.	fré, ha	riao, they

Each of the above may take an emphatic increase, equivalent to the English suffix self.

205.

Emphatic Forms of the Personal Pronouns.

1st pers. mire, myself rinne, ourselves
2nd pers. tura, thyself ribre, yourselves
3rd pers. {reirean, himself riao-ran, themselves}

206. The word pein is added to the personal pronouns to form the reflexive pronouns; as no busitesy me pein, I struck myself.

The reflexive pronouns are as follows:-

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

mé réin, myself

rû réin, thyself

é réin, himself

i réin, herself

PLURAL.

pinn réin, ourselves

rio réin, yourselves

iao réin, themselves

207. The above are also used as emphatic pronouns; as, Cuadaman a baile, mé réin agur é réin. Both he and I went home.

208. The Personal Pronouns have no declension.

It has already been shown that mo, oo, a, etc., which are usually given as the genitive cases of the personal pronouns, are not pronouns, but adjectives; because they can never be used without a noun.

The compounds of the pronouns with the preposition oo (to) are usually given as the dative cases of the personal pronouns; but agam, agac, etc., or the compounds with any of the other prepositions in par. 216, are just as much the datives of the personal pronouns as com, out, &c. Hence the Irish personal pronouns have no declension.

209. The Personal Pronouns have however two forms:—The conjunctive and the disjunctive. The conjunctive forms are used only immediately after a verb as its subject; in all other positions the disjunctive forms must be used. The disjunctive forms are also used after the verb ir

The reason why these forms follow in is that the word immediately after in is predicate,* not subject; and it has just been stated that the conjunctive forms can be used only in immediate connection with a verb as its subject.

Conjunctive Pronouns.

210. mé, cú, ré, rí, min, rib, riao.

Disjunctive Pronouns.

211.
$$m\acute{e}, \begin{cases} \ \ \, \ \, \text{\'e}, \qquad \ \ \, \acute{e}, \qquad \ \ \, \end{cases}, \qquad \begin{cases} \ \ \, \text{γinn,} \ \ \, \end{cases}, \qquad \begin{cases} \ \ \, \text{γib,} \ \ \, \end{cases}$$

In mé, τú, tú, the vowel is often shortened in Munster, when there is no stress or emphasis. It is shortened in mé, ré, é, riao and iao in Ulster, when there is no stress.

212. The disjunctive pronouns can be nominatives to verbs, but then they will be separated from the verbs: or they may be used in immediate connection with a verb as its object.

He is a man, ir rean é (nominative).

He was the king, voo'é an pí é (both nominatives).

This is smaller than that, in tuża é reo ná é riúo (both nominatives).

I did not strike him, nion busitear é (accusative).

This statement will be explained later on. See par 589.

The Neuter Pronoun eat.

213. The pronoun ear is most frequently used in replying to a question asked with any part of the verb of followed by an indefinite predicate. * Mac breat an La e? If ear 50 remin. Isn't it a fine day? It is indeed. An Sacranac e? 111 h-ear. Is he an Englishman? He is not.

This pronoun corresponds very much with the "unchangeable le" in French; as, Etes-vous sage? Out, je le suis.

Whenever it in the question is followed by a pronoun, ear cannot be used in the reply. An é Commac an mi? nin-é. Is Cormac the king? He is not.

tr ear is usually contracted to 'rear (shah).

214. The phrase if ear ('rear) is often used to refer to a clause going before; as, i scatain na Mant, if ear, corait me apein. In Westport, it was, that I slept last night. Thum if mo an antocain (anacain), if ear, if some an carain. When the distress is greatest, then it is that help is nearest.

215. In Munster when the predicate is an indefinite noun it is usual to turn the whole sentence into an ear-phrase; as—It is a fine day. Lá bneát, 'rear é. He is a priest. Sagant, 'rear é. He was a slave. Daop, oob 'ear é. Elsewhere these sentences would be, ir tá bneát é; ir ragant é; ba vaop é.

^{*} For "Indefinite predicate" refer to par. 585.

Prepositional Pronouns

or

Pronominal Prepositions.

216. Fifteen of the simple prepositions combine with the disjunctive forms of the personal pronouns; and to these combinations is given the name of Prepositional Pronouns or Pronominal Prepositions.

All these compounds are very important. As five or six of them occur most frequently these will be given first, and the remainder, if so desired, may be left until the second reading of the book. The important combinations are those of the prepositions, as, at; ap, on; vo, to; te, with; o, from; and cun, towards.

All the combinations may take an emphatic suffix.

One example will be given.

218. The combinations of as with the emphatic suffixes.

1st pers. Azampa, at myself Azamne, at ourselves
2nd pers. Azampa, at thyself Azampe, at yourselves
3rd pers. Suzepean, at himself Acapan, at themselves

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

219. ap, on.

1st pers. opm, on me opain, on us
2nd pers. opt, on thee opain, on you
(air, on him

3rd pers. aip, on him opta or oppa, on them

220. vo, to.

1st pers. {vom, to me voinn, to us 2nd pers. voit, to thee voit, to them voit, to them

The initial o of these combinations and also those of oe are usually aspirated except after a word ending in one of the letters o, n, c, t, r.

221. te, with.

tiom, with me

teac, with thee

teir, with him

tei,

tei,

teit,

with her

teo, with them

222. 6, or us, t from.

uaim, from me
uainn, from us
uait, ,, thee
uait, ,, him
uait, , her
uata, ,, them

[•] vam (= vom) is the literary and also the Ulster usage. The emphatic form is vompa, never vompa, except in Connaught.

⁺ ua is never used as a simple preposition.

l uao and uaroe (= uaro) are also both literary and spoken forms

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SINGULAR.
                            PLURAL.
223.
                 cun, towards.
  cusam, towards me
                         cusainn, towards us
  CUSAC, )
                 thee
                          cusaib.
                                          you
  CUSAD.)
  cuise,
                him
                          CÚCA,
                                          them
                 her
  cuici,
224.
                noim, before.
  nomam, before me
                       nomainn, before us
  nomac.
                thee
                         nomaib.
                                        you
  noman.
  poime,
                him
  noimir,
                                       them
                         nompa,
               her
  noimpi,
225.
                   ar, out.
  aram, out of me
                         arainn, out of us
  ATAC. 1
              thee
                         araib,
                                       you
  arao.
             him
  Ar,
                                      them
                         arta
          . her
  AITCI,
226.
              1, in (or ann) in.
  10nnam, in me
                         ionnainn, in us
  ionnac, , thee
                         10nna1b
                                   " you
          , him
  ann,
                          ionnea, ,, them
          " her
  innci,
227.
                ve. off, from.
  viom, off or from me vinn, off or from us
                  thee
  Oioc.
            22
                         oib,
                                         you
                                   99
                  him
  oe.
            ..
                          viob,
                                         them
                                   ,,
                  her
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^{*}The \S in these combinations is aspirated in Munster, except in curge.

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SINGULAR.
                                PLUBAL.
              re, ra, raoi, under.
  228.
      rum, under me
                         rainn, under us
                 thee
                             rúib.
      rúc,
                                         you
                 him
      r401,
            11
                                         them
                             rúta.
                 her
      rúiti, "
                 101n, between.
  229.
  earnam, between me earnainn,
                                     between as
                   thee
                         earmaib,
  earmat,
                                              you
                  him
                         eaconna)
  1'01ft é,
                                             them
                        (or eaona)
                   her
  1'01n i,
 230.
             tan, over or beyond.
tanm or tonm, over me tanainn or tonainn, over us
tant or tont, thee tanair , tonair,
                  him)
tainir,
                                "tappta,
taippi or taippei, ..
                  one, through.
 231.
    chiom, through me chinn, through us
                  thee
                           chib,
    Chioc,
                                          you
              ..
                  him
    chio,
             9.9
                            cniota.
                                          them
                   her
    Cnici.
 The z of these combinations is often aspirated.
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um, about.

thee

him

her

umainn, about us

you

them

umaib,

umpa.

232.

umac.

uime,

141mp21,

umam, about me

The Relative Pronoun.

In Old Irish there was a relative particle used after prepostions, and also a compound relative, but no simple relative in the nominative and accusative cases. The modern relative, in these cases, has arisen from a mistaken idea about certain particles. Before the imperfect, the past, and conditional the particle too should, strictly speaking, be used. Certain irregular but often used verbs had also an unaccented first syllable, as atá, notherjum, notifm, &c. These particles and syllables being unaccented were generally dropped at the beginning, but retained in the body, of a sentence, where the relative naturally occurs. Hence they were erroneously regarded as relative pronouns, from analogy with other languages,

In Modern Irish the relative particle may or may not be used in the nominative and acquestive cases.

Although this is the origin of the modern relative nevertheless it is used as a real relative in modern Irish. Whether we call this a a relative particle or a relative pronoun is a mere matter of choice. We prefer the first rame.

There is a relative frequently met with in authors, viz.—noc, meaning who, which or that. This relative is not used in modern spoken Irish, in fact it seems never to have been used in the spoken language.

233. In modern Irish there are three simple relatives, the relative particles A and 50, which signify who, which, or that; and the negative particle 11AC, signifying who...not, which...not, that...not.

The relative 50 is not found in literature, but it is so generally used in the spoken dialect of Munster that it must be regarded as a true relative. 50 is not used as the subject or object of a verb, its use is confined to the prepositional (dative) case.

There are also the compound relatives pe, 510e, cibe, wheever, whosoever, whatever, and a (causing eclipsis) what, that which all that.

234. The relative particle & expressed or understood, causes aspiration; but when preceded by a preposition or when it means "all that," it causes eclipsis, as do 50 and 11&C.

An rean a buaitim.

An rean a buaileann mé.

An buacaill nac mbeio as obain.

An bean 50 bruil an bo

A scartim pan lá.

Sin a paib ann.
To praire a paib láitpeac.

An áit 'na bruit ré.

The man whom I strike.

The man who strikes me.

The boy who will not be at work.

The woman who has the cow.

All that I spend per day. That's all that was there. All who were present burst out laughing.

The place in which he is.

235. The relative A when governed by a preposition, or when it means "all that," unites with no, the particle formerly used before the past tense of regular verbs, and becomes Ap. This Ap unites with the prepositions Too (to) and te (with) and becomes TAP and Lep.

An caitear ran lá.

An rean ván Seallar mo leaban. or

An rean an Seallar mo leaban vo.

An triat len busileat é.

All that I spent per day.

The man to whom I promised my book.

The rod with which he was beaten.

236. The pronouns cé and pé unite with no, but only with the verb ir.

Cé 'r b'í réin? Who was she? Pé 'r b'é réin? Whoever he was

237. Whenever the relative follows a superlative, or any phrase of the nature of a superlative, use $\nabla \hat{a}$ (= $\nabla e + a$). Before the past tense of regular verbs $\nabla \hat{a}$ becomes $\nabla \hat{a}\mu$ (= $\nabla \hat{a} + \mu \sigma$)

Déappar ouic sac uite nio và bruit agam.

I will give you everything that I have.

Ir é rin an rean ir aointe van buait tiom mam.
That is the tallest man that I have ever met.

ni mait teir aon nio va vougar vo.

He does not like a single thing I gave him.

Demonstrative Pronouns.

238. The demonstrative pronouns are ro or reo, this; rin, rain, roin, ran, that; ruo or riuo, that (yonder), The secondary forms o or eo, in, and ito are very common in colloquial usage in Connaught and Munster.

These secondary forms have sometimes been written jo, jin, etc.

1r rion rin. 'Seao ran. That is true. The matter is so.

Tá ré 50 h-ain deir asac, cá ran

You have it in a mess, so you have.

D'in i an aic.

That was the place.

Deinim-re sund iúo é an rean vib.

I say that that is the man for you.

b' in é chíoc an rzéit. An in é an borsa? ni h-oi an aic.

That was the end of the Is that the box? [affair. This is not the place.

b' in é an buadaitt duige. That was the boy for it.

239. When we are referring to a definite object these pronouns take the form é reo, i reo, 120 ro, é rin, i rin, 140 rain, etc. This is especially the case when the English words "this," "that," etc., are equiva lent to "this one," "that one," etc.

Cós é rin. 'Sé reo an rean. 'Oob' é rin Seatán. 'Si rin brisio. Cé h-120 ro?

An é riúo Comár.

Lift (or take) that. This is the man. That was John.

That's Brigid. Who are these?

Is that (person yonder)

Thomas?

No; that's he. Ní h-é, 'ré riúo é, or riúo é é.

'Sé reo=ir é reo; 'Sé rin=ir é rin, etc.

In the spoken language the phrases ir é rin é, ir é riúo é, etc, are very frequently contracted to rin é, rin i, riúo é, etc.

> That is he. Siún é.

Yonder is Thade Siúo é Caos. That's the hammer. Sin é an carún.

The forms rine, rine, rice, rice, are also frequently used.

That is what ails me. STOÉ ATÁ OIM.

That's the place. Sini an Aic. Here she is here. Sioi annro i. That is she (or it). Sini i. This is he (or it.

Siné é.

240. Súo, yonder, qualifies a pronoun; whilst úo qualifies a noun: as, an rean uo, yonder man; a rean ruo, yonder woman's husband.

Indefinite Pronouns.

241. The principal indefinite pronouns arecác (gen. cáic), all, everybody, everyone else. uite, all. éinne, éinneac (aoin'ne), anybody.

The following are nouns, but they are used to translate English indefinite pronouns, hence we give them here :-

> ouine an bit, anyone at all. curo...curo eite, some...others beagán, a few.

An ocaims émme anno? Did anyons come here?

"Cia h-é vo váit an macpait?" an các. "Who is he who drowned the youths?" said all.

Cé meuro ubatt agat? (or An 'mó ubatt agat?)

Tá beagán agam. How many apples have you?

I have a few.

thite voit. To them all.

Do-zeibmío uite an bár. We all die.

Oo cuadan ro uite reaca amait raaite. All these went past like a shadow.

Distributive Pronouns.

242. The distributive pronouns are:—ξα(each; ξας unte, everyone; ξας αοπ, each one, everyone; ceαςταρ, either. 'Cunte is a contraction for ξας unte.

11 funt ceαςταρ αςα αξαπ, I have not either of them.

biot a fior as sac aon. Let each one know.

Oin bionn (bi) rioc De teir (nir) 5ac h-aon caillear a neacc. For the anger of God is on each one who violates His law.

N.B.—The tendency in present-day usage is to employ distributive adjectives followed by appropriate nouns rather than distributive pronouns: e.g. Everyone went home. Oo chart fac unto tune a talle.

Interrogative Pronouns.

243. The chief interrogative pronouns are:—cia or ce, who, which; cao, cheuo, or caroe, what; ce cr ceupo (cia puo), what; cia teip, whose; cia aca (cioca), which of them.ce (or cia) agaib, which of you.

Cé pinne é pin? Who did that? What have you? CAO ATA ATAT? Cao é rin agaz? What is that you have? Cardé atá ont? What ails you? CAD TA ONT? Cé aca ir reapp? Which of them is the better? Cloca ir reann? Cia an rean? Which or what man? Cia na rin? Which men? Cia an tuac? What price? Caroé an nuo é rin? What is that?

244. Notice in the last sentence the peculiar position of the words. The interrogative pronoun always comes first in an Irish sentence, even when it is governed by a preposition in English. In Irish we do not say "With whom (is) the book?" but "Who with him (is) the book?"

Cé terr an teaban? Whose is the book?

Further examples of the same construction:-

Cé teir é ro?

Whose is this?

Cé aige an teaban?

Who has the book?

A Seasáin, otiocraio tú 50

John, will you come
to Galway?

What

Cia teir bruit cu cormait? Whom are you like?

We may also say, Cia bruil tu cormail leir?

Notice that the adjective cormail, like, takes le, with; not vo, to.

245. N.B.—The interrogative pronouns are always nominative case in an Irish sentence. In such a sentence as, Cia buaiteadan? Whom did they strike? cia is nominative case to ir understood, whilst the suppressed relative is the object of buaiteadan. In cia teir, cao cuize, &c., teir and cuize are prepositional pronouns, not simple prepositions.

Reciprocal Pronoun.

246. The reciprocal pronoun in Irish is a ceite,* meaning each other, one another. Cuin from a tama i tama o a ceite, Finn put their hands in the hands of one another. Oo rean Orean agur Oranmuro te n-a ceite. Oscar and Diarmuid separated from each other (lit. "separated with each other"). Oualleadan a ceite. They struck each other.

^{*} Literally, his fellow.

Phrases containing the Reciprocal Pronoun.

o ceite,* from each other, separated or asunder. te ceite,† together.

man a ceite, like each other, alike.

τηί n-a céite, confused, without any order.

oipearo te ceite, each as much as the other.

1 noiaro a ceite, one after the other, in succession.

Ar sac rárac i n-a ceite, out of one desert into another

CHAPTER V.

THE YERB.

Conjugations.

247. In Irish there are two conjugations of regular verbs. They are distinguished by the formation of the future stem. All verbs of the first conjugation form the first person singular of the future simple in -rao or -reao, whilst verbs of the second conjugation form the same part in -6600 or -e6600.

[·] ó céile, = ó n-a céile.

[†] le céile, = le n-a céile. This last form is often used and explains the aspiration in le céile

forms of Conjugation.

248. Every Irish verb, with the single exception of ir, has three forms of conjugation:—The Synthetic, the Analytic, and the Autonomous.

249. The synthetic, or pronominal form, is that in which the persons are expressed by means of terminations or inflections. All the persons, singular and plural, with the single exception of the third person singular, have synthetic forms in practically every tense. The third person singular can never have its nominative contained in the verb-ending or termination.

The following example is the present tense synthetic form of the verb mot, praise:—

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

motam, I praise. motam o, we praise. motam, thou praisest. motam ré, he praises. motano, they praise.

250. In the analytic form of conjugation the persons are not expressed by inflection; the form of the verb remains the same throughout the tense and the persons are expressed by the pronouns placed after the verb. The form of the verb in the third person singular of the above example is the form the verb has in the analytic form of the present tense.

The analytic form in every tense has identically the same form as the third person singular of that tense.

N.B.—The analytic form is generally employed in asking questions.

The following is the analytic form of the present lense of mot:—

motann, I praise.
motann tú, thou praisest.
motann ré, he praises.

motann rinn, we praise.
motann rib, you praise.
motann riao, they praise

The analytic form is used in all the tenses, but in some of the tenses it is rarely, if ever, found in some of the persons: for instance, it is not found in the first person singular above. As the analytic form presents no difficulty, it will not be given in the regular table of conjugations.

251. We are indebted to the Rev. Peter O'Leary, P.P., for the following explanation of the Autonomous Form of conjugation:—

"This third form—the Autonomous—has every one of the moods and tenses, but in each tense it has only one person, and that person is only implied. It is really a personality, but it is not a specific personality. It is only a general, undefined personality.

"This third form of an Irish verb has some very unique powers. . . . I shall illustrate one. An English verb cannot of itself make complete sense alone; this form of an Irish verb can. For instance, 'Dualtean' is a complete sentence. It means, 'A beating is being administered,' or, 'Somebody is etriking.' Irish grammarians have imagined that this

form of the verb is passive voice. No, it is not passive voice, for it has a passive of its own; and, again, all intransitive verbs (even the verb cá) possesses this form of conjugation. The nearest equivalents in sense and use to this Irish form are the German 'mann' and the French 'on' with the third person singular of the verb."—Gaelic Journal.

The usual translation of the French phrase "on dit" is, "It is said." "Is said" is certainly passive voice in English, but it does not follow that "dit" is passive voice in French. The same remark holds with regard to the Irish phrase "buantceap an Badap," which is usually translated, "The dog is struck." Duantceap is not passive voice; it is active voice, autonomous form, and Badap is its object in the accusative case. The literal translation of the phrase is, "Somebody strikes the dog." The passive voice of buantceap, someone strikes, is tatap buantce, someone is struck.

^{252.} As this is the first grammar that has adopted the term "Autonomous form of the Verb," we think it advisable to state that the form of the verb which we give as the Autonomous form is given in other Irish grammars as the passive voice. A fuller treatment of the Autonomous Verb will be found at the end of the book, where we endeavour to show that in modern Irish, at least, this form of the verb is active voice. The name by which this form of the verb ought to be called is not merely a matter of terms, for on it de-

pends the case of the following noun or pronoun: i.e., whether such noun or pronoun is the subject or object of the verb.

As all Irish scholars have not accepted the Autonomous form of the verb, since it appears that formerly, at least, the verb was not Autonomous, being inflected for the plural number, it has been suggested that both names be retained for the present. In the first edition of this grammar the term "Indefinite" was given to this form, but as the name "Autonomous," which means possessing the power of self government, is far more expressive, it has been adopted instead of "Indefinite."

As the Autonomous form has only one inflection for each tense, this inflection is given immediately after each tense in the tables of conjugation.

MOODS AND TENSES.

253. Verbs have three moods, the Imperative, the Indicative, and the Subjunctive.

Some grammars add a fourth mood, the Conditional; and some omit the Subjunctive. The Conditional form, however, is always either Indicative or Subjunctive in meaning, and is here classed as a tense under the Indicative Mood.

The Imperative has only one tense, the Present. Its use corresponds to that of the Imperative in English.

The Indicative Mood has five tenses, the Present, the Imperfect, the Past, the Future, and the Conditional.

The Present Tense corresponds to the English Present, and like it usually denotes habitual action.

The so-called Consuetudinal or Habitual Present—i.e., the third person singular ending in -ann—in no way differs from the other parts of the Present in regard to time. The verb of, however, has a distinct Present, bim, denoting habitual action. In English the Present—e.g., I write—generally denotes habitual action. Present action is usually signified by a compound tense, I am writing. So in Irish the Present, raniousm, denotes habitual action, and present action is denoted by the compound tense, taim as ranious. However, as in English, the Present Tense of certain verbs, especially those relating to the senses or the mind, denote present as well as habitual action—e.g., clumm, I hear; cherom, I believe.

The Imperfect Tense is also called the Habitual or Consultudinal Past. It denotes habitual action in past time; as, no pspionann, I used to write.

The Past Tense is also called the Perfect and the Preterite. It corresponds to the Past Tense in English; as, no remotar, I wrote.

Continuous action in past time is denoted by a compound tense, as in English—e.g., vo dior as repriodate, I was writing.

The Future Tense corresponds to the Future in English: as reprior as, I shall write.

The Conditional corresponds to the Compound Tense with "should" or "would" in English: as to renioura, thou wouldst write.

The Conditional is also called the Secondary Future, because it denotes a future act regarded in the past: as, Aoubaine ré 50 reproprat ré. He said that he would write.

In the Subjunctive Mood there are only two Tenses, the Present and the Past. This mood is used principally to express a wish, and also after certain conjunctions. See par. 550, &c.

Active Voice, Ordinary Form.

254. Each Tense has the following forms:-

- The action is merely stated, as buaiteann Seagán an ctáp, John strikes the table.
- 2. The action is represented as in progress, as—

 Tá Seatán at buatar an cláip,

 John is striking the table.
- 3. The action as represented as about to happen τά Seaţán { cum } an cláin το υπαιο, Δη τί } an cián το υπαιο, John is about (is going) to strike the table.
- 4. The action is represented as completed, as—

 Cá Seagán v'éir an cláin vo bualav,

 John has just struck the table.

Active Yoice, Autonomous Form.

- 255. Each Tense has the following forms, corresponding exactly to those given in the preceding paragraph.
 - Duantceap an ctap,
 Someone strikes the table.

- 2. Tátap as bualar an cláip, Someone is striking the table.
- 3. Tátan { cum an cláin oo bualao, Someone is about to strike the table.
- 4. Cácan v'éir an cláin vo bualav, Someone has just struck the table.

256. Passive Yoice, Ordinary Form.

- 1. (This form is supplied by the Autonomous Active.)
- 2. Tá an cláp vá (or \$á) vualav, The table is being struck.
- 3. Tá an cláp { cum } a buaite,
 The table is about to be struck.
- 4. Tá an cláp buaitce,
 The table has (just) been struck.

257. Passive Voice, Autonomous Form.

- 1. Tátap buailte, Someone is struck.
- Cátap ré buatab.
 Someone is being struck.
- 3. Tatan an ti best buastre,
 Someone is about to be struck
- 4. Tatan buailte, Someone has (just) been struck

258. The Principal Parts of an Irish Yerb are-

- (1) The 2nd sing. of the Imperative Mood.
- (2) The 1st sing. of the Future Simple.
- (3) The Past Participle (also called the Verbal Adjective).
 - (4) The Verbal Noun.
- (a) The Imperative 2nd. pers. sing. gives the stem of the verb from which most of the other tenses and persons are formed.
- (b) The Future tells to what conjugation (first or second) the verb belongs, and gives the stem for the Conditional.
- (c) The Past Participle shows whether τ is aspirated or unaspirated in the following persons, which are formed from the past participle—i.e.:

Present, 2nd plural. Imperfect, 2nd singular.

Autonomous.

Imperative, Present, and Imperfect.

Verbal noun.

Gen. sing. and nom. plural.

(d) With the Verbal Noun are formed the compound tenses. The four following types include all verbs belonging to the first conjugation:—

259. Principal Parts.

Type.	Imper.	Future.	P. Participle.	Verbal Monz.	Meaning.
1.	mot	molpao	molta	molati	praise
2.	neub	neubrao	neubta	neubar	burst or tear
3.	buail	buailread	buailce	bualað	strike
4.	róm	róinreao	rointe	romitin	help, succour

N.B.—No notice need be taken of the variation in form of verbal nouns, as they cannot be reduced to any rule, but must be learned for each verb. The ending at or eat is that most frequently found, but there are numerous other endings. (See pars. 315 and 316).

260. (1) and (2) are the types for all verbs of the first conjugation whose stem ends in a broad consonant; whilst (3) and (4) are the types for the verbs of the same conjugation whose stem ends in a slender consonant.

As the conjugations of types (2) and (4) are identical with those of types (1) and (3) respectively, except the aspiration of the \(\tau\) in the endings mentioned in par. 258 (c), we do not think it necessary to conjugate in full the four types. We shall give the forms in modern use of the verbs mot and buait, and then give a rule which regulates the aspiration of \(\tau\) in the Past Participle. (See par. 282).

FIRST CONJUGATION.

In the following table the forms marked with an asterisk are not generally used in the analytic form. The forms in square brackets were used in early modern Irish, and are frequently met with in books.

Alternative terminations are given in round brackets.

261. IMPERATIVE MOOD.

SINGULAR.

2nd. mot, praise thou

1st. ----

thou buait, strike thou

Brd. motao re, let him praise

buaileat ré

PLURAL.

1. {motamir (-amur) } let us {buaitimir (eamur) } praise {buaiteam

2. motaro, praise (you)

buailió

3. {motaroir, motaroarr, let them praise buaitroir

Autonomous.

moltan

buailtean

The negative particle for this mood is na.

262. INDICATIVE MOOD.

Present Tense.

SING. 1.*motam, I praise *buaitim, I strike

2. motain, &c. buailin

3. motanna ré buaiteanna ré

PLUR. 1. motaimio (amuio) buaitimio (-imio)

2. motann rib^b buaiteann rib^d

3. motaro buaitro

a[molaro] b[moltaor] o[buarlio] d[buarlti]

Autonomous. Moltan buailtean Relative form. Motar buailear I do not praise. Negative. ni motaim, You do not strike. ní buailin, Does he praise? Interrogative. An motann ré? Do I strike? An mbuailim? Neg. Interrog. Mac motaro? Do they not praise? Mac mbuaiteann ré? Does he not strike? " 263. Imperfect Tense. SING. 1.* motainn, I used to praise *buaitinn 2.* motrá, &c. *buailce& 3. molad re buailead re buaitimir(or imir) PLUR. 1. motaimir (-amuir) buailead rib 2. molad rib 3. molaragir Buailioir Autonomous. Moltaoi, busites. I used not praise. Negative. ni motainn, He used not strike. ni buailead re, Interrogative. An motca? Used you praise? Used they strike? An mbuailioir? Used I not praise? Neg. Interrog. nac motainn?

Used I not strike?

264. Past Tense.

SING. 1. motar, I praised buaitear
2. motair buaitr
3. mot re buait re

11 Ac mbuailinn?

PLUR. 1. motaman	buaiteaman
2. molaban	buaileabap
3. motoroan	buaileavan
Autonomous. Motato	buaileat
Negative. Nion motar,	I did not praise.
" Níon buait ré,	He did not strike.
Interrogative. An motair?	Did you praise?
" An busitear?	Did I strike?
Neg. Interrog. nan mot re?	Did he not praise?
" nan buaileaman?	Did we not strike?
265. Future Tense	•
SING. 1. motrao, I shall praise	buailrear
SING. 1. motrao, I shall praise 2. motram, thou wilt praise	· ·
	· ·
2. molpain, thou wilt praise	buailfin
2. motrain, thou wilt praise 3. motraio ré, &c.	buaitrio re
2. motrain, thou wilt praise 3. motrain ré, &c. PLUR. 1. motrainío (-amuio)	buaitrin buaitrin ré buaitrimin (imin)
2. motrain, thou wilt praise 3. motrain ré, &c. PLUR. 1. motrain (-amuio) 2. motrain riba	buaitrin buaitrinio (imio) buaitrinio (ibb
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2. motrain, thou wilt praise 3. motrain ré, &c. PLUR. 1. motrainin (-amuin) 2. motrain riba 3. motrain Relative form, motrain	buaitrin buaitrinio (imio) buaitrio riob buaitrio buaitrio
2. motrain, thou wilt praise 3. motrain ré, &c. PLUR. 1. motrainin (-amuin) 2. motrain rina 3. motrain Relative form. motran Autonomous. Motran	buaitrin buaitrin ré buaitrinio (imio) buaitrio ribb buaitrio buaitrear buaitreand
2. motrain, thou wilt praise 3. motrain ré, &c. PLUR. 1. motrain (-amuid) 2. motraid rida 3. motraid Relative form. motran Autonomous. Motran Negative. 11 motrao,	buaitrin buaitrio ré buaitrio (imio) buaitrio ribb buaitrio buaitrear buaitrear buaitreard I shall not praise.
2. motrain, thou wilt praise 3. motrain ré, &c. PLUR. 1. motraimin (-amuin) 2. motrain riba 3. motrain Relative form. motran Autonomous. Motran Negative. 11 motran, 11 buaitrin ré,	buaitrip pé buaitrio pé buaitrio (imio) buaitrio piob buaitrio buaitreap buaitreap duaitreapd I shall not praise. He will not strike.
2. motrain, thou wilt praise 3. motrain re, &c. PLUR. 1. motrainin (-amuid) 2. motrain rida 3. motrain Relative form. motran Autonomous. Motran Negative. 11 motran, """ Interrogative. An motrain re?	buaitrip buaitrio ré buaitrio (imio) buaitrio riob buaitrio buaitrio buaitrear buaitrear buaitreard I shall not praise. He will not strike. Will he praise?
2. motrain, thou wilt praise 3. motraio ré, &c. PLUR. 1. motraimio (-amuio) 2. motraio riba 3. motraio Relative form. motrap Autonomous. motrap Negative. 11 motrao, """ Interrogative. An motraio ré? """ An mouaitreao?	buaitrip buaitrio ré buaitrio (imio) buaitrio rib buaitrio buaitrear buaitrear buaitreard I shall not praise. He will not strike. Will he praise? Shall I strike?

a[molpaiti] e[molparosan]

b[buailpiti] *[huartpressy]

266. Conditional or Secondary Future.

SING. 1. motpann, I would praise buaitpinn
2. motpa
3. motpat re

buaitpea

buaitpea

PLUR. 1. motraimir (ramuir) buaitrimir (rimir)

2. motrav rib buaitreav rib

9. motratoir buaitrioir

Autonomous. Motrai buaitri

Negative. ni motrann, I would not praise.

11 buaitres. You would not strike

Interrogative. An motra, Would you praise?

" An mouaitreat re, Would he strike?

Neg. Interrog. nac motpao ré? Wouldhenot praise?

" nac mouait pimír? Would we not strike?

SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD.

267. Present Tense.

SING. 1. molar buailear

2. molain buailin

3. motaro re buaitro re

PLUR. 1. motamio (-amuro) buaitimio (-imio)

2. motaro pipa buaitro pipa

8. motaro buartro

Autonomous. moltap busilteap

The negative particle is nan, which always aspirates when possible.

a[molt401]

b[buaitti]

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Verbal Noun, molaro

Yerbal Adj. motta

Past Tense.

BING. 1. molainn	Duailinn
2. motes	buailtea
3. molao ré	buaileað ré
PLUR. 1. motaimir (amuir)	buailimir (-imir)
2. molad mb	buailead pib
8. molaroir	buailioir
Autonomous. moltaon	buailtí

NOTES ON THE MOODS AND TENSES.

bustan

buailce

The Present Tenses.

269. The Present Tense is always formed by adding Aim, Aip, &c., to the stem when the last vowel is broad; if the last vowel is slender add im, ip, eann, &c. The last syllable of the first person plural is often pronounced rapidly—e.g., motamuro (mul'-a-mwid), cperoimio (k'red'imid); but in the South of Ireland this syllable is lengthened, motamio (mul'-a-meed), cperoimio (k'red'-imeed). Verbs of more than one syllable ending in i\(\frac{1}{2}\) add mio, not imio, in the first person plural of this tense.

270. In Ulster the ending muro of the first person plural is very often separated from the verb, and used instead of the pronoun runn as Connaic muro é. We saw him; Connaic ré muro. He saw us. On no account should this corruption be imitated by the student.

- 271. The old form of the third person singular ended in A10 or 10, and the analytic forms found in books, and sometimes in the northern dialect, are got from this form: as motato runn, we praise.
- 272. The analytic form is not usually found in the first person singular of this tense, nor is the synthetic form often used in the second person plural.

The Imperfect Tense.

273. The initial consonant of this tense is usually aspirated in the active voice, when possible.

The termination and or eard in the 3rd sing. of this tense, as also in the Imperative and Conditional, is pronounced at, or am.

- 274. When none of the particles ni, an, nac, &c., precede the Imperfect Tense, vo may be used before it. This vo may be omitted except when the verb begins with a vowel or r. The compound particles, nion, an, nan, sun, can, &c., can never be used with the Imperfect Tense.
- 275. Whenever the word "would" is used in English to describe what used to take place, the Imperfect Tense, not the Conditional, is used in Irish, as—

He would often say to me. 1r minic aveinear ré tiom.

The Past Tense.

276. In the Past Tense active voice the initial consonant of the verb is aspirated. The remark which

has just been made with regard to the use of vo before the Imperfect Tense applies also to the Past Tense.

In the Autonomous form oo does not aspirate, but prefixes n to vowels.

277. With the exception of the aspiration of the initial consonant, the third person singular of this tense is exactly the same as the second person singular of the Imperative (i.e., the stem of the verb).

278. The particle formerly used before the Past Tense was no. It is now no longer used by itself, but it occurs in combination with other particles.

The most important of these compounds are:-

- (1) Ap, whether (an + po). Ap busit re? Did he strike?
- (2) Sup, that (50+po). Desp ré sup buaitear é. He says that I struck him.
- (3) Cáp, where (cá+po). Cáp ceannuigir an capatt?
 Where did you buy the horse?
- (4) Munap, unless (muna Munap buait ré, unless +po). he struck.
- (5) Niop, not (ni+po). Niop chero re. He did not believe.
- (6) Mán or nácan, whether Mán chero ré? Did he not ...not. believe?

- (7) Oan, to whom (00, to An rean oan seattar mo a+10).

 Leaban. The man to whom I promised my book.
- (8) lep, by or with which An marce ten buateace e, te+a+po). The stick with which they beat him (or he was beaten).
- 279. The compounds of po aspirate. These compounds are used with the Past Tense of all verbs except the following:—paid, was; cuz, gave or brought; puz, bore; paca, saw; caimiz, came; puaip, found, got; veacaio, went; veapna, made or did.

The compounds of no are used in some places before rug and taining.

N.B.—Deacard and Deagna are used instead of cuard and punne after negative and interrogative particles. Instead of Deacard and Deagna, Cuard and Dean (Onn) are used in Munster.

The Future Tense and Conditional.

280. All the inflections of the Future and Conditional in the first conjugation begin with the letter r, which in the spoken language is generally pronounced like "h." This "h" sound combines with the letters v, v and s (whenever the stem ends in these) changing them in sound into p, c, c, respectively.

cherorear is usually pronounced k'ret'-udh
rastar ,, fau'-kudh
rshiodrar ,, shgree-pudh

N.B.—r is sounded in the second sing. Conditional active and in the Autonomous form.

281. The particle oo, causing aspiration, may be used before the Conditional when no other particle precedes it.

Note that the terminations of the Imperative Mood, the Imperfect Tense, and the Conditional are almost the same, excepting the letter $\mathfrak r$ of the latter.

Rule for the Aspiration of T of Past Participles.

282. The ∇ of the past participle is generally aspirated except after the letters ∇ , $\mathbb{1}$, ∇ , $\mathbb{1}$,

There is a great tendency in the spoken language not to aspirate the τ in all verb inflexions after consonants: e.g., τ usca, τ uscap, τ einceap, etc.

- 283. This participle cannot be used like the English participle to express action. He was praised is generally motor é; very seldom vi ré motor. The Irish participle has always the force of an adjective denoting the complete state, never the force of an action in progress.
- 284. After up the Past Participle denotes what is proper or necessary: as, ni motes our é. He is not to be praised by you. This form, called the Participle of Necessity, should probably be regarded as distinct

from the ordinary past participle, as it may occur in verbs which have no past participle, e.g.:—

"It is certain that there is no person who will not have to be on his guard against me." (Letter of Seán Ó Héitt, 1561.) "Tuistean ar an result, nac beitte to nead out i n-eurocar." It may hence be learned that it is not proper for anyone to fall into despair. His beitte as a reunar (or simply, ní reuna). It must not be denied. Here beitte is the Participle of Necessity of the verb bi-

285.	Derivative	Participles.	
10n-molta	ın-ηeubta	10n-ซินลาโฮe	10n-¢01pte
ro-motea	ro-peubta	po-buailte	ro-rointe
oo-motes	oo-peubia	อาปเลยข้อง	oo-rointe

286. The prefix ion- or in- denotes what is proper or fit to be done: as ion-motta, fit to be praised, deserving of praise.

The prefix ro- denotes what is possible or easy to do: as ro-neubta, capable of being burst, easy to burst.

- 287. The prefix oo-denotes what is impossible or difficult to do: as oo-busines, incapable of being struck, hard to strike.
- 288. These derivative participles seem to be formed rather from the genitive of the verbal noun than from the participle: as razait, finding.

ro-razáta, easily found. vo-razáta, hard to find.

289.	Declansion of Yerbal	Noun.
	SINGULAR.	PLURAL.
Nom. }	molað	molta
Gen.	motra	motati (motes)
Dat.	molað	moltsib
Nom. }	· bustav	busitee
Gen.	buaitce	bustad (bwaitre)
Dat.	bualao	ชนสเปอเช

290. Many verbal nouns are seldom or never used in the plural. As a rule the genitive singular of the verbal noun is identical in form with the past participle; but many verbal nouns are declined like ordinary nouns: nearly all those ending in act, at, and amain belong to the 3rd declension—e.g., zabait, act of taking; gen., zabata: pic, running; gen. peaca: teanamain, act of following; gen. teanamain; rubat, act or walking; gen. rubat: par, act of growing; gen. rair, &o.

SECOND CONJUGATION.

291. The second conjugation comprises two classes of verbs—(1) derived verbs in 15 or uig; and (2) syncopated verbs.

292. Syncopated verbs are those in which the vowel in the final syllable of the stem is omitted when any termination commencing with a vowel is added: as tabam, speak; tabham (not tabamm), I speak. Yerbs of more than one syllable whose stem ends in it, in, in ir, ins, belong to this class.

VERBS IN 15 (-1115).

293. Principal Parts.

1. bailis baileócao bailiste bailinsao gather
2. ceannuis ceannócao ceannuiste ceannac buy
294. Except in the Future and Conditional, all verbs
in is and uis are conjugated like buait (first conjugation), except that the c is aspirated in all terminations
beginning with that letter. It is, therefore, necessary

Future. Past Particle Ic. V. Noun.

295.

Type, Imper.

Future.

to give only the Future and Conditional in full.

SINGULAR.

1. vaiteocao, I shall gather. ceannocao, I shall buy

2. baileocaip, ceannocaip.

3. baiteccaro re. ceannocaro re.

PLUBAL.

 1. baiteočaimío
 ceannóčaimío

 (-ċamuio),
 (-ċamuio).

 2. baiteóčaio jib,
 ceannóčaio jib.

 8. baiteóčaio.
 ceannóčaio.

Relative. baiteodar. ceannodar.

Autonomous, baileoctap ceannoctap.

298.

Conditional.

SINGULAR.

1. baileócainn, I would gather.

2. baileóctá.

8. baileocat ré,

čeannáčainn.

ceannocta.

ceannocao ré.

PLURAL.

1. baiteocaimír (-amuir)

2. baiteócaó pib,

3. Staileocaroir

ceannocaimír (-amuir).

ceannócao pib.

(ceannocatoir ceannocabaoir

Autonomous. baileóctai

ceannóctai

297. In early modern usage, when the stem ended in -uiz, preceded by v, n, τ, t, or r, these consonants were usually attenuated in the Future and Conditional: as άμνουίz, raise, future άμγοσόδον; ratuiz, soil, future γαιτεόδον; but nowadoys άμγοσόδον, γατόδον, &c., are the forms used.

Syncopated Verbs.

298. The personal endings of syncopated verbs vary somewhat according as the *consonant commencing* the last syllable of the stem is broad or slender.

Type (1). Stems in which the last syllable commences with a broad consonant,* as russam (rósam), proclaim.

Type (2). Stems in which the last syllable commences with a slender consonant, as coisit, spare.

A few of these take to in past participle; as organt, open, organte; ceangait, bind, ceangaite. The parts of these verbs [258 c.] which are formed from the past participle will, of course, have slender terminations, e.g., v'organtes, you used to open.

299. In early modern usage the Future is formed by lengthening the vowel sound of the last syllable of the stem from at or 1 to e6. In the case of Type 1 the broad consonant which commences the final syllable of the stem must be made slender. Examples: innip, inneopato, I shall tell; vibip, vibeopatp, you will banish; imip, imeopato yé, he will play; coizit, coizeotato, I shall spare; puazaip, puazeopato, they will proclaim; v'puazeopato yé, he would proclaim; covait, coizeotato, I shall sleep; coixeotatin, I would sleep.

300. In the present-day usage the Future stem is formed as if the verb ended in 15 or u15: by adding -6¢ in Type 1 and -66¢ in Type 2.

801. Principal Parts.

Imperative. Future. Participle. V. Noun.

Type (1). γυλζαιη γυλζηδόλο γυλζαητά γυλζηλ(ο)

302.

Type (2). coisit coisteócao coisite coisite

505. IMPERATIVE MOOD.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

304.	Present Tens	G,
SING. 1.	ruaspaim, I proclaim	coistim, I spare
2	. ruaspain	coistip
3.	ruaspann réa	coisteanne re
PLUE. 1.	ruaspaimio	coistimio
2.	ruaspann ribb	coisteann pibd
3.	tuallano	coistio
Relative	i. juaspar	constear
Lutonor	nous funzapian	coisiltean
305.	Imperfect Ten	s e.
sing. 1.	o'tuaspainn	coistinn
2.	o'fuasanta	consitted
3.	o'fuaspao re	constead re
PLUR. 1.	o'fuaspaimir	coistimir
2.	o'fuaspao pib	coistead pib
3.	o'fuagnaioir (-oaoir)	constroir
Autonon	nous. puazapizaoi	coisitai
306.	Past Tense.	
SING. 1.	o'fuaspar	constear
2.	o'tuaspair	coistir
8.	d'énazaili le	coisit ré
PLUR. 1.	o'fuazhamap	coisteaman
2.	o'pusspaban	coisteavan
8.	o'fuaspadan	consteadan

Autonomous, puaspad

constead

307. Future Tense.			
I. puazrócao	· congleddan		
2. τυαξηδέωη	coisteócain		
8. τυαξηδέαι το pé	coisteódaió ré		
PLURAL.	00/300000000000000000000000000000000000		
1. puaspočaimio	coisteódaimío		
2. ruaspočaro pib	coisteódaió piò		
3. puszpódsto	coisteócaio		
Relative Form. fuaspočar	consteócar		
Autonomous. puaspóctap	coisteoctap		
303. Conditiona	1.		
SING. 1. O'fuashócainn	consteocamn		
2. o'fuaspóctá	consteóctá		
3. σ' έμαζηδέα τέ	consteócao re		
PLUR. 1. v'fuaspócaimír	consteócarmir		
2. σ' έμας μόζα ό γιδ	constendad più		
3. σ' τυαξμό έαι σίρ	consteodaroir		
Autonomous. puaspóctai	coisteoctai		
309. SUBJUNCTIVE	MOOD.		
Present Ter	ise.		
BING. 1. puazpao	coistear		
2. ruaspaip	coistin		
8. ruaznaió ré	coistió re		
PLUR. 1. puaspaimío	coistimio		
2. במשבחשום דוט	כסובנוים דום		

conglio

coisilcean

3. ruasparo

Autonomous. ruasantan

310.	Past Tense	3.
SING. 1.	ruaspainn	coistinn
2.	ruazantá	coiziltes
3.	ruaspad ré	coisleso ré
PLUR. 1.	ruaspaimir	coistimir
2.	ruaspad pib	coistead pib
3.	ruaspardir	coistivir
Autonor	nous, puazapitaoi	coizilci
311. I	Past Participle and Par	ticiple of Necessity.
	ruazanta	coizilce
812.	Compound Part	iciples.
	10n-tuazanta	ion-coizitze
	ro-tuazanta	70-001511ce
	vo-tuazanta	700-001511ce
313.	Yerbal Nou	ns.
NOM	SINGULAR.	PLURAL.
NOM.	ruasha(i) (tuasaint)	ruazapta
GEN.	ruazanta	ruaspa(d) (ruasapta)
DAT.	thazba(Q) (thazalle)	ruazantaib
NOM.) co151tc	-
GEN.	coizilee	-
DAT.	COIZILE	(physiole)
	stems of Type (2) ending in eapta, not thice, as oibin,	
ımıp, play	1; imeants, played.	

The endings formed on the participle [see par. 258 c.] follow this change, e.g., Imperfect 2nd singular, σίθεσμάς; Present Auton., σίθεσμάση. &c.

315. General Rules for the formation of Yerbal Noun.

(a) As a general rule verbs of the first conjugation form their verbal noun in AO, if the final consonant of the stem be broad; in eaO, if it be slender, as—

oun, shut	Ounao
mitt, destroy	millea ö
mot, praise	molaö
téis, read	téiţeat.

(b) When the last vowel of the stem is preceded by a broad vowel, the is usually dropped in the formation of the verbal noun, as—

buait, strike	buatað
oois, burn	σόζασ
Soin, wound	Zonao
οράι ς , bruise	bhúżad

The is not dropped in-

caoin, lament	caoineað
rsaoit, loose	rzaoileað
rmuain, reflect	rmuaineao

(c) Verbs of the second conjugation ending in in, it or in generally form their verbal noun by adding t, as—

Dibipe
coraint (cornam)
Labaine
COISILE

- (d) Derived verbs ending in ung form their verbal noun by dropping the 1 and adding so; as, spoug, raise, apougao.
- (e) Derived verbs in 15 form their verbal noun by inserting a between the 1 and 5 and then adding at as mini5, explain, minia5.
- 316. There are, however, many exceptions to the above rules. The following classification of the modes of forming the verbal noun will be useful.
- (a) Some verbs have their verbal noun like the stem, e.g., τάρ, grow; ót, drink; μιτ, run; ρηάμ, swim, &c.
- (b) Some verbs form their verbal noun by dropping of the stem, e.g., cuiμ, put or send, cuiμ; coiμς, check, coiμς; γζιιμ, cease, γζιιμ; ξιιιτ, weep, ξιιτ, &c.
- (c) Some verbs add amain or eamain to the stem to form their verbal noun, e.g., cartt, lose, cartteamain(τ); chero, believe, cheroeamain(τ); pan, stay, panamain(τ), tean, follow, teanamain(τ); pgap, separate, pgapamain(τ), &c.

In the spoken language τ is usually added to the classical termination -amount.

(d) A few add an or can for the verbal noun, e.g., teaz, knock down, teazan; terz, let or permit, terzean; treiz, abandon, trierzean; terz, throw or cast, terzean.

- (e) A few add am or eam, e.g., rear, stand, rearam; cait, spend, consume, caiteam; veun, do or make, veunam (or veunav); reit, wait, reiteam.
- (f) A small number end in áit or jait, as gab, take, gabáit; paj, find, pajáit; pág, leave, págáit; peao, whistle, peaojait.

A fairly full list of irregular verbal nouns is given in Appendix V.

IRREGULAR VERBS.

317. In Old and Middle Irish the conjugation of verbs was very complex, but by degrees the varieties of conjugations became fewer, and nearly all verbs came to be conjugated in the same way. At the commencement of the modern period (i.e., about the end of the sixteenth century) about fifteen verbs in common use retained their old forms. These are now classed as irregular. Excepting occasional survivals of older forms, all the other verbs had by this time become regular; so that from the stem of the verb it was possible in nearly every instance to tell all its forms except the verbal noun.

During the modern period even the irregular verbs have, through the operation of analogy, shown a tendency to adopt the forms of the modern regular conjugations.

caim, I AM.

318. The correct spelling of this verb is undoubtedly exam, but long since it has lost its initial a, except when it occurs in the middle of a sentence, where it usually has a relative force. Some persons, by confounding this initial a, which really belongs to the verb, with the modern relative particle a, write the a separated from the tá: as a tá tatead of atá.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

319. —

bimir, let us be

bi, be thou

bioio, let you be

bíod ré, let him be

bioir. let them be

Pary of

Autonomous, biceap.

The negative particle is ná.

All the persons, except the 2nd sing., are often written as if formed from the spurious stem bio: e.g., bioeao ré.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

320. Present Tense-Absolute.

SYNTHETIC FORM.

SINGULAR.

PLURAL.

cáim, I am

cámio, we are

cain,* thou art

tá pib, tátaoi, you are

ta ré, he is

cáro, they are

Autonomous, tátap

Present Tense (Analytic Form).

tá mé, I am tá tú, thou art tá rinn, we are

tá ré, he is

cá riao, they are

321. Present Tense-Dependent.

ruilim ruilin

ruilmio ruil rib

ruit re

ruitio

Autonomous, ruitceap.

^{*} The early modern form, viz., taoi, is still used in Munster, e.g., Cionnup taoi? (or Cionnup taoi'n tú?) How are you!

Negatively.	Interrogatively.	Neg. Interrog
I am not, &c.	Am I, &c.	Am I not, &c.
ni ¢uitim	an bruitim	nac bruitim
ni tuilip	an bruilip	nac bruitin
nî fuit ré	an bruil ré	nac bruit ré
ni puilmio	an bruitmio	nac bruilmio
ni fuit rib	an bruil rib	nac bruit pib
ní ruitio	an bruilio	nac bruitio

The analytic forms are like those given above; as ni full riao, nac bruit cu, &c.

322. Habitual Present.

 SINGULAR.
 PLURAL.

 bim (bισιm)
 bimio (bισιπο)

 biμ (bισιμ)
 bionn μιδ, bici

bionn ré (biờ ré, biờeann ré) bio (biờio)

Negatively, ní bím, &c. Interrogatively, an mbím, &c.
Neg. Interrog., nac mbím, &c.
Relative form bíor (bibear).
Autonomous, bícean

323. Imperfect Tense (I used to be).

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

The properties of the prope

324.

Past Tense.

ABSOLUTE.

vo vior (broear)

typeman (birdeamap)

. bir (bidir)

.. bioban (biveaban)

" bi ré

.. bicoan, bideadan

Autonomous, bitear

825.

DEPENDENT.

nabar

nabaman pababan

nabair naib re

nabadan

Autonomous, nabtar

Negative, ni pabar, ni pabar, ni paib ré, &c.

Interrogatively (Was I? &c.).

an pabair an paib ré an pabamap, &c. an nabar

Neg. interrog. (Was I not? &c.).

nac pattar nac pabair nac paib ré, &c.

326.

Future Tense.

SINGULAR.

PLURAL.

véao, beao (bérdeao)

béimio, beimio (béiomio)

bein, bein (beirin)

béro pib, bértí

béro, bero ré

béro, bero (bérôro); Relative Form, bear, bear (beidear)

Autonomous, beitean, beirean

Negatively, ni bear

Interrog., an mbéao?

Neg. Interrog., nac mbéao?

327. Secondary Future or Conditional.

vo beinn (beivinn) beimir (beivmir)

" beitea (beitea) beat, beat (beiteat) ris

" béad, bead (béidead) re béidír (béidrir)

Autonomous, beiöri, béiti Negative, ni beinn Interrog., an mbéinn Neg. interrog., nac mbéinn

328. THE SUBJUNCTIVE.

Present Tense.

50 pabao 50 pabmuro

(המשמון שוין שובה שו השמהן עם המשלמסון

50 part pé 50 pararo

The negative particle for this tense is na: as, 113 part mart agac. No thanks to you.

329. Past Tense.

50 mbirn 50 mbirnir 50 mbired 50 mbirot rib 50 mbirot ré 50 mbiroir

The negative particle is nap.

Autonomous Form.

so mattan! may (they) be! (for once).
so matter ,, ,, (generally).

Verbal Noun.

beit, to be.

Phrases containing the Verb Noun. 330.

1r réron trom (a)* beit 1) réroin tiom (A) beit TIS LEAT (a) beit Mi tis teat (a) beit Caitrio ré beit Caitrio mé beit ní puláin 50 paib cú 1r cormail so mais cu Mion b'reroin no bi tu ni cormait so naib mé) Ní rutáin nac naib mé 1r com tom (a) beit Mí cóm our (a) beit Dur com vo veit Tion coin room (a) beit Duo mait tiom (a) beit ann I wish I were there. Da mait tiom 50 pais me I wish I had been there.

I can be, &c. I cannot be, &c. You can be, &c. You cannot be, &c He must be, &c. I must be, &c.

You must have been, &c.

I must not have been, &c

I ought to be. You ought not to be. He ought to have been. I ought not to have been.

He is to be there.

Tá ré le beit ann

331. The forms putim and papar are used -

(1) After the particles ni, not; co, where? an (or s), whether ? 50, that; and not or no, that (conj.)...not.

[.] This a is usually heard in the spoken language

- (2) After the relative particle a, when it is preceded by a preposition, after the relative a when it means "what," "all that," "all which," and after the negative relative nac, who...not, which...not. Cá b-put ré? Where is it? Hi put a prop asam. I don't know. Cá prop asam ná put ré ann. I know it is not there. Dem ré so bruit ré ptán. He says that he is well. Sin é an peam nac b-puit as obaim. That is the man who is not working. Oubaims ré tiom nac pair ré ann. He told me he was not there.
- 332. We sometimes find the verb ruit eclipsed after the negative ni, not; as, ni bruit ré he is not

For the use of the Relative Form refer to pars. 554-560.

THE ASSERTIVE VERB 1S.

333. The position of a verb in an Irish sentence is at the very beginning; hence, when a word other than the verb is to be brought into prominence, the important word is to be placed in the most prominent position—viz., at the beginning of the sentence, under cover of an unemphatic impersonal verb. There is no stress on the verb so used; it merely denotes that prominence is given to some idea in the sentence other than that contained in the verb. There is a similar expedient adopted in English: thus, "He was speaking of you," and, "It

is of you he was speaking." In Irish there is a special verb for this purpose, and of this verb there are forms to be used in principal clauses and forms to be used in dependent clauses—e.q.:

Ir mire an rean. I am the man.

Deinim Sun ab é Seagán an rean. I say John is the man.

334. Forms of the Assertive Verb.

(a) In Principal Sentences.

Present Tense, ir. Relative, ir or ar.

Past Tense. ba.

[Future Simple, buo. Relative, bur].

Secondary Future or Conditional, bao.

Subjunctive, ab; sometimes ba.

Subjunc. Pres. (with 50) 50 mbs, Supst; (with ná) nánab, nána.

Subjunc. Past. vá mbav, "if it were."

Present Tense. 335.

ir mé, I am; or, it is I. ir rinn, we are, it is we. ir cú, thou art, it is you. ir rib, you are, it is you. ir é, he is, it is he. ir i, she is, it is she.

ir 140, they are, it is they.

336.

Past Tensa.

ba mé, ba tú. 7000' 6, b' 6, ba h-6, roob' i, b' i, ba h-i ba rinn, ba pib, 000' 140, b' 140, ba h-140

I was, it was I. thou wast, &c. he was, &c. she was, &c. we were, &o. you were, &c. they were, &c.

Out or tur is never used in the spoken language, and scarcely ever in writing, except when a superlative adjective or adverb occurs in a sentence, the verbs of which are in the Future Tense.

337. In the Present Tense the verb 1S is omitted after all particles except thá, if: as, 1p mé an reap. I am not the man.

338. In the Past Tense OA is usually omitted after particles when the word following OA begins with a consonant: as, Ap maic teat an air? Did you like the place? Than bear an tuace? Was it not a small price? OA is not usually omitted when the following word begins with a vowel or p, but the A is elided: as, Thop o' e pin an paragra. That was not the priest. Notice that the word immediately after da or date, even when da or date is understood, is usually aspirated when possible.

(b) In Dependent Sentences.

339. Present Tense.—Ab is used instead of in after sup, meaning "that"; as, meaning supable fin an reap. I think that is the man. Before a consonant ab is usually omitted; as, very resup mire an reap. He says that I am the man. Ab is always omitted after nac, that...not. Santim nace fin an pi. I think that is not the king.

340. Past Tenzs.—The word by or by becomes v' in dependent sentences and is usually joined to the

particle which precedes it. When the following word begins with a consonant the v' is usually omitted. Mearaim sunv é reo an ceac. I think that this was the house; mearann ré nan mait te Matt veit annro. He thinks that Niall did not like to be here. An mearann tú sun mait an reseut é? Do you think that it was a good story?

341. Conditional.—In dependent sentences by or bat becomes mba. Shortim so mba mart terr out teat. I think he would like to go with you. Our renace mba mart terr. He says that he would not like. In the spoken language the tendency is to use the past tense forms in dependent sentences; hence Irish speakers would say sup mart in the above sentence instead of so mba mart, and nap mart instead of nace mba mart.

The Future is never used in dependent sentences in the spoken language.

bein, BEAR or CARRY.

342. Principal Parts.

Imperative. Future. Participle. Verbal Noun.

bein beingrav beinge bneig

This verb is conjugated like buait, except in the

Past, Future and Conditional.

343. Past Tense.

puzar, puzar, &c., like motar (par. 264).

The prefixes to and no were not used before this Past Tense in early usage and not generally in present-day usage.

344.

Future.

beuprao, beupram, &c., like motrao (par. 265).

In early modern usage there was no $\mathfrak p$ in this Tense, or in the Conditional. The rule was that when a short vowel in the Present became long in the Future stem no $\mathfrak p$ was added. This rule is still observed in the Futures ending in -ôcao or -eocao.

Conditional.

beuprainn, &c., like motrainn (par. 266).

Verbal Noun breit, gen. breite or beinte.

345. This verb is of very frequent use in the idiom "bein an"; lay hold on catch, overtake; e.g., μαζαό ομπ, I was caught. Hi fuit breit air. There is no laying hold on him (or it).

TABAIR, GIVE or BRING.

Principal Parts.

	- Linespoor	_ 001 000	
Imperative.	Future.	Participle.	Verbal Noun.
	(nenhtvo	tabanta	- 15
pleges		custa	Tabaint
	(cabaprao		

346. IMPERATIVE MOOD.

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

1. — GABRAIMÍR. GI

1. — tabpaimip, tuzaimip (tabpam)

2. Tabain Tabhair

8. ταθμαό οι τυξαό τέ ταβμαιοίς, τυξαιοίς (or -αυαοις)

Autonomous, cabaptap, custap.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

847. Present Tense.

ABSOLUTE. DEPENDENT

SING. 1. (00-) beijum Tabnaim

2. (00-) beinin tabham,

3. (DO-) Bein(-eann ré cabhann ré

PLUR. 1. (50-) benjumin Tablianio

2. (DO-) beineann pib cabhann pib

3. (50-) beinio Cabparo

cussim, &c. (like motaim), may be used in both constructions.

Autonomous, (vo-) veintean, tavantan or tugtan.

348. By the "Dependent Form" of the Verb we mean that form which is used after the following Particles, viz., ní, not; an, whether; nac, whether ... not; or who, which or that ... not; 50, that; cá, where, muna, unless; vá, if; and the relative when governed by a preposition.

849. Imperfect Tense.

ABSOLUTE. DEPENDENT.

(DO-) Benjunn univigez

(vo-) veinted &c., like o'ruaspann

&c., like buaitinn (262) (305)

Or, tugamn, tugta, &c., for both absolute and dependent constructions. Autonomous, beinci, cabantaoi, cuscaoi.

Past Tense.

350. The Past Lense has only one form: tuzar tuzar, &c., like fixtar (264). Auton tuzar.

In early usage this Fast Tense did not take oo or no, as so o-tugar, "that I gave." In present-day usage this peculiarity is sometimes adhered to and sometimes not.

851. Future Tense.

ABSOLUTE. DEPENDENT.

(vo-) beuppav ciubpav, ciobpav

र्केट., दाग्रिमान, टा०४० व्या

like motrav (20%) trubparo ré

capaprad, &c., may be used in both constructions.

Autonomeus, beunran tabanran

352. Conditional.

(vo-) beuppainn tubpainn, tiobpainn &c., tubantá, tiobantá

like motrainn (266) &c.

Autonomous, bearrai, cabarrai.

SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD.

This Mood occurs only in dependent construction.

353 Present—τυζαο, τυζαιρ, τυζαιό ρέ, &c., or ταβραο, ταβραιρ, &c.

334. Past-cuzann, &c., like motann (268).

Yerbal Noun.

Cabaine, gen. cabanta.

355.

abair, SAY.

Principal Parts.

 Imperative.
 Future.
 Participle.
 Verbal Noun.

 αδαιρ
 Τουπρασ αδρόδασ
 μάιστε μάσ

356. IMPERATIVE MOOD.

1. — abpaimír (abpam)

2. abain abpair

3. abnat ré abnatoir, abnataoir

357. Present Tense.

ABSOLUTE. DEPENDENT.

1. (a) peiņim abņaim

2. (a) beinin abhain

8. (a) veip or veipeann ré abpann ré (abaip)

1. (a) Deiminio Abnaimio

2. (a) veintí abhann Lip

3. (a) Deigio abjusto

Autonomous, (a) verpreap abaptap

The initial a of averpum, &c., is now usually dropped. The same remark holds for the other tenses. The v of verpum, &c., is not usually aspirated by a foregoing particle. The absolute and dependent constructions are sometimes confused in spoken usage.

358. Imperfect Tense.

ABSOLUTE. DEPENDENT.

1. ADEIRINN ADRAINN

2. ADEIREA ADARTA

3. ADEIREAD FÉ
AC. &C.

Autonomous, aventi abantao

359.

Past Tense.

adubar, adubart oubrar, oubart

adubair dubair re
adubair re
adubair re
adubiamar
adubiamar
adubiabar

αυιόμαδαμ συσμασαμ αυσμασαμ συσμασαμ

Autonomous, (a) outpat or (a) outantar

360. Future Tense.

ventrall appocal

σευμταιό τέ Δυμόζαιό τέ

Autonomous, véappap abpóctap

In the spoken language the absolute and dependent forms are often confused.

361.

Conditional.

DeuprainnabpóčainnDeupráabpóčtáDeuprab réabpóčab ré

Autonomous, neaprai abnoctai

In spoken language the two constructions are often confused.

362. SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD.

Present, abnao, abnain, abnaio ré, &c.

363. Participles.

μάι ότε, ιοη-μάι ότε, το-μάι ότε, γο-μάι ότε.

Yerbal Noun.

páo or páoa, gen. sing. and nom. plur. pároce

500, TAKE.

364.

Principal Parts.

Imperative Future. Participle. Verbal Noam,

SAU SEABAD

SEOBAD SAUA SAUAIL

This verb is regular except in the Future and Conlitional.

365.

Future.

σεουλό, σεουλη, σεουλιό ρέ, &c.

366.

Conditional.

żeobainn, żeobżá, żeobad ré, &c.

367. In the spoken language the Future is often made zabrao, &c., and the Conditional, żabrann, as in regular verbs.

Yerbal Noun.

5abáit or 5abát, gen. sing. and nom. plural 5abáta.

ras, GET, FIND.

368.

Principal Parts.

Imperative Future. Participle. Verbal Noun.

FAS (SCADARO FASCA FASAIL

369. IMPERATIVE MOOD.

1. — Fağamir 2. raż rażaró 3. rażaró re rażarótr

INDICATIVE MOOD.

270 Present Tense.

ABSOLUTE. DEPENDENT.

(oo-) żeibim rażaim

" żeibip pażaip

" żerbeann ré, żerb ré rażann ré

" żerbmio rażamio

" żeibeann pib rażann pib

,, ģeibīo rašaio

Autonomous, (00-) żeibżeap rażcap

In spoken usage pagam, &c., is used in both dependent and absolute constructions.

In the Auton. rajtan, raijtean and ractan are used.

371. Imperfect Tense.

ABSOLUTE. DEPENDENT.

(DO-) Żeibinn pażainn "Żeibżeń pażch

&c. &c.

Autonomous, żeibći, rażcaoi, raiżci.

Spoken usage, Absolute, żeibinn or pażainn, &c.

372. Past Tense.

This Tense has only one form for both absolute and dependent contructions. The prefixes to and no are not used with it.

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

1. ruapar ruapaman

2. ruapair ruapaban

B. quain re ruanavan

Autonomous, pric, puapitar or puaparo. In spoken usage pric often becomes priceas.

873. Future Tense.

ABSOLUTE. DEPENDENT. 1. żeobao, żeabao

bruizear or braizear

2. Seobain, &c. bruizin &c.

8. żeobaro ré bruitio re

1. Reobaimio bruisimio 2. Seobard rib לון לול דול שול

3. Seobaro bruisto

Autonomous, Seabtan fruittean fraittean

374. Conditional.

> ABSOLUTE. DEPENDENT.

zeobainn or żeabainn bruizinn or braizinn seobta, bruittea, ac. &c.

secous re bruitead ré **Seobaimir** bruitimir seobar pib

bruisead pib zeobaroir bruitioir

Autonomous, Steobtai

375. SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD

Present, razao, razain, razaio ré. &c. Past, pažamn, pažtá, pažav pé, &c.

376. Participle.

rasta, raiste or racta.

The derivative participles of this verb are usually formed from the genitive of the verbal noun.

10n-ratala, ro-ratala, vo-ratala.

377.

beun, DO, MAKE.

Principal Parts.

Imperativebenn

Future. neunpan

Participle. Verbal Nour beunca

beunam

378.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

riminamir

2. peun

peunaro

3. veunav ré

veunaroir

Autonomous, veuncan.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

379.

Present Tense.

ABSOLUTE.			
1.	(00-)	İ nim	(Śnióim)
2.	,,	İnip	&c.

beunaim voeunain.

DEPENDENT.

3. " Śní ré or Śníonn ré

veunann ré

veunann riv

1. " İnimio 2. " Śnići

oeunaimío

3. " \$nio

roeunairo

Relative, Snior, Snivear

Autonomous, Śnicean

beuncan

In present-day using bounding, &c., are very frequently used in the absolute construction.

830.	Imperfect	Tense.
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ABSOLUTE.	DEPENDENT.
ขอ-รู่ทโทท, รู่ทางเทท	bennamn
" Bnited, &a.	beunca
" Inlov re	veunav rė
" İnimir	neunaimir
" Bniod pid	veunav pit
" İnivir	rionung
onomous, vo-sniti	oeuntaoi

381. Past Tense.

Ant

vo-ninnear	veapnar
" pinnip	reappair
" ninne ré	veapna re
" pinneamsp	veájmama
" pinneabap	veápnabap
" pinneadan	peannabar
Autonomous, vo-junneav	oeannao

In Munster dialect beinear, being, beine ré, beineaman, beineaban, and beineaban are used as the Past Tense in both absolute and dependent constructions.

\$82. Future Tense.

ABSOLUTE AND DEPENDENT.

veuntaid tenutain to tenutain to tenutaid

Autonomous, veungan

383. Conditional.

teunpainn teunpathip teunpat protection teunpathip

Autonomous. neungai

884. SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD.

Present.

veunar veunard pé veunamaoro, &c.

Past.

veunainn veunca veunat ré veunamaoir, &c.

Participles.

beunta ion-beunta po-beunta bo-beunta

Verbal Noun.

veunam (veunav) gen.

gen. veunca

385.

reic, SEE.

Principal Parts.

 Imperative.
 Future.
 Participle.
 Verbal Nous.

 reic
 feichean
 reichean

 reichean
 reichean

388. IMPERATIVE MOOD.

- 1. percimir (perceam)
- 2. reic reició
- 8. reicead re reicioir

337. The imperative 2nd sing, and 2nd plural are hardly ever found; for we rarely command or ask a person to "see" anything, except in the sense of "bok at" it. In Irish a distinct verb is always used in the sense of "look at," such as reuc, nearc, breaking, do. The verb reuc must not be confounded with reic; it is a distinct verb, and has a complete and regular conjugation.

893. In early modern Irish pase was the stem used in the imperative and in the dependent construction throughout the entire verb.

889

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Present Tense.

ABSOLUTE.	DEPENDENT.
1. vo-čím (čivim)	reicim
2. vo-cip, &c.	reicip
8. vo-čí ré, číonn re	reiceann ré
1. vo-címív	reicimio
2. vo-citi	reiceann rib
8. vo-cív	reicio
Autonomous, { vo-citean	reictean

390. The prefix vo-, now usually dropped, is an altered form of the old prefix ar-e.g., arcim. This form survives in the spoken language only in the Ulster form, 'rim or rivim, &c.

391.

Imperfect Tense.

vo-čínn, čivinn	reicinn
vo-citeá, &c.	reictes
vo-cíov ré	reicead ré
vo-cimir	reicimir
סוץ ליסוֹם-סס	reicent mb
vo-civir	reicioir

In spoken language rescurs, &c., is used in both Absolute and Dependent constructions.

Ulster usage, trôcann, trôteá, &c.

DEPENDENT

racar or ractar

	- 1	
مٰ92.	Past	Tense

ABSOLUTE.

Autonomous,

	LID OUT O LL.			
1	connacar	(connapcar)	fracar	feacar
1.	Connacar	(comanca)	raca	reaca
2.	connacair	(connancair)	Facair	reacair
3.	connaic ré	(connaine ré)	raca ré	reaca re
1.	conneaman	[connapcaman]	racaman	reacaman
2.	conneaban	[connapcabap]	racaban	reacaban
3.	conneadan	[connapcaran]	racadan	reacaoan

The older spelling was acconnac and acconnate, &c. The t is still preserved in the Ulster dialect: tanac me, &c., I saw.

connear

393. Future Tense.

(00-)cipead, cidpead, peicread, (00-)cipin, cidpin, peicrin, cidpin, &c. &c.

Autonomous, cirean reicrean

394. Conditional.

(oo-)cirınn, crorınn, reicrinn, &c. &c.

In the Future and Conditional percess, &c., and percent, &c., can be used in both constructions.

395. SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD.

Present, reicear, reicip, reicir ré, &c.

Past, reicinn, reicteá, reicear ré, &c.

Participle, reicte.

898.

Verbal Noun.

reicring, reircing, gen. reicreana

From the genitive of the verbal noun the compound participles are formed: viz., in-percreans, ro-percreana, vo-reicreana.

ctors or cluin, HEAR. 397.

These two verbs are quite regular except in the Past Tense.

In old writings the particle at or po- is found prefixed to all the tenses in the absolute construction, but this particle is now dropped.

398.

Past Tense.

cuatar, cuata

customan

custair.

Cualaban

cuala ré

chalavan

Autonomous, cualatar Verbal Nouns.

ctor or ctoiring (or more modern clumping or clourtin).

TAR, COME.

399.

IMPERATIVE.

PLUR. DISIMIT (DISEAM) SING 1 --

2. CAN

T1510

8. DISEAD (TATIO) PO DISTOIT

INDICATIVE MOOD.

400.

Present Tense.

1. C151m

CISIMITO

2. 01511

CISCI

8. US TÉ

C1510

Relative (wanting).

Autonomous, cistean.

The Present Tense has also the forms casam or ceasam inflected regularly.

401.

Imperfect Tense.

tizinn, tazainn, or teazainn, regularly.

402.

Past Tansa.

tangar, tanas

tanzaman

tansar

tanzaban

támis ré

tangavan

403. Autonomous, tangar.

The ng in this Tense is not sounded like ng in tong, a ship, but with a helping vowel between them—e.g., 2nd pers. sing.—is pronounced as if written tánagair; but in Munster the g is silent except in the 3rd pers. sing.—e.g., tángar is pronounced haw nuss.

404. Future Tense, τιοτραφ, &c., inflected regularly; also spelled τιμτραφ, &c.

Relative, tiocrap

Conditional, trocpann, &c., inflected regularly.

408. SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD.

Present, cizeao, cazao, or ceazao, inflected regularly.

Past, tiginn, tagainn, or teagainn, inflected regularly.

406. Yerbal Noun, τελέτ (οr τιούλέτ, τιύελέτ)
Participle, τελητά οr τάητά.

407. CEIS, GO.

N.B.—The present stem is also spelled $\tau\acute{e}$, but $\tau\acute{e}$, is preferable, as it better represents the older form, τ as or $\tau\acute{e}$,

408. IMPERATIVE.

1. - téitimír (téiteam)

2. τέις τέις τό

3. téigead ré téigidir

409. In the Imperative 2nd sing, and 2nd plur, other verbs are now usually substituted, such as 5ab, imriz, τείμιζ. The use of τείμιζ, plur, τείμιζιό, seems to be confined to these two forms; imriz has a full, regular conjugation.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

410. Present.

1. τέιζιm (τέιδιm) 1. τέιζιmio

2. τέιξη &c. 2. τέιξτί

3. téit ré, téiteann ré 3. téitio

Autonomous, céistean

Imperfect Tense.

téiginn (or téirinn), &c., regularly.

411. Past Tense.

ABSOLUTE.	DEPENDENT.
1. cuadar	veacar
2. cuadair	vescar
3. cuaro ré	veacato re
1. cuadamap	veacaman
2. cuadavan	veacaban
3. cuadadan	vescavan
utonomous, cuadtar	vescar

In Munster cuaσar, &c., is used in the dependent construction, as níon cuaró ré, he did not go. Oeagar, &c., is also used in Munster.

412.

Ā

Future.

SINGULAR.	PLURAL.
1. ηλέλο, ηλέλο	pacamaoio, pazamaoio
2. pačaip, pažaip	המלמוס מים, המלמוס מים

3. ηαζαιό γέ, ηαζαιό γέ ηαζαιο, ηαζαιο

Relative, pacar, pasar.

Autonomous, pactap, pastap.

413. Conditional.

pacainn or patainn, &c., regularly.

The Future and Conditional are sometimes spelled pacparo, &c., and pacpainn, &c.

414. SUBJUNCTIVE MOOD.

Present, τειξελύ, τειξιή, τειξιό γε, &c.
Past, τειξιπη, τειξελό, τειξελύ γε, &s.

415. Yerbal Noun.

out, gen. vota (sometimes outra).

Participle of Necessity.

outes (as, ni outes do, he ought not to go).

Derivative Participles.

416. 1t, EAT.

This verb is regular except in the Future and Conditional.

Principal Parts.

Imper. Future. Participle. Verbal Noun.

417. Future Tense.

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

1. iopat (10ppat) iopamaoit 2. iopat, &c. iopato pit

8. ioraio ré ioraio

Relative, iorar (iorrar).

Autonomous, forcap.

418. Conditional.

SINGULAR.

1. forainn (iorrainn)

2. iorrá, &c. iorró rib

8. iorró ré
iorrainn

419. As well as the regular Past Tense, o'itear, &c., there is another Past Tense, viz., ouadar, in use.

niżim, I REACH.

420. This verb is nearly obsolete, its place being taken by the regular verbs protein and protrim

Its Past Tense is inflected like canas.

դանոչար, դանուձ դանոչատար
 դանոչար դանոչածար
 դանուձ բանուձ գրանուձ գրանում գրան

421.

Verbal Noun.

poétain or maétain.

Ritim has a special usage in the phrase nitim a tear, "I need," (whence, plactanar, need, necessity: plactanac, necessary: from the verbal noun.)

marbaim or marbuisim, I KILL.

422. This verb is quite regular except in Future and Conditional.

Future, mapóbao, mapbócao, maineóbao, maineócao or muipopeao (with usual terminations).

Conditional, mapobainn, mapbocainn, maipeobainn, maipbeocainn or muipbpinn, &c., &c.

Yerbal Noun.
manbao or manbugao, to kill or killing.

SOME DEFECTIVE VERBS.

428. AR, quoth, say or said. This verb is used only when the exact words of the speaker are given. (It corresponds exactly with the Latin "inquit.") It is frequently written appa or app, as appa mipe, said I. When the definite article immediately follows this latter form the r is often joined to the article, as, app an peap or apprant peap, says the man. "Cia tū pēm?" appreirean. "Who are you?" said he.

When the exact words of the speaker are not given translate "says" by very, and "said" by vurant. When the word "that" is understood after the English verb "say" so (or nac if "not" follows) must be expressed in Irish.

- 424. Oar, It seems or it seemed. This verb is always followed by the preposition te:
 as, paption, it seems to me, methinks; or, it seemed to me, methought. Oap teat.
 It seems to you. Oap terp an opean. It seemed to the man.
 - 425. FEADAR, I know, I knew. This verb is nearly always used negatively or interrogatively, and although really a past tense has a present meaning as well as a

past. Ní řeavan. I do, or did, not know. Ní řeavan ré. He does not know, or he did not know.

SINGULAR. PLURAL.

1. readan
2. readpair (-ir)
3. readan ré
3. readanan

N.B.—The forms just given are those used in the spoken language, the literary forms are: readap, readain tu, readain re, readaman, readaban, and readadan.

- 426. Cárla, There came to pass, it happened or happened to be. It is also used to express the meeting of one person with another.
- 428. peudaim, I can, is regular in all its tenses, but it has no imperative mood.

CHAPTER VI.

The Adverb.

429. There are not many simple adverbs in Irish, the greater number of adverbs being made up of two or more words. Almost every Irish adjective may be-

come an adverb by having the particle "50" prefixed to it: as, mair, good; 50 mair, well; umat, humble; 50 n-umat, humbly.

- 430. This go is really the preposition go* with its meaning of "with." (Do not confound this word with go meaning "to," they are two distinct prepositions). Of course this particle has now lost its original meaning in the case of most adverbs.
- 431. Adverbs may be compared; their comparative and superlative degrees are, however, those of the adjectives from which they are derived; the particle to is not used before the comparative or superlative.
- 432. It may be well to remark here that when an adjective begins with a vowel 50 prefixes n, as 50 h-annam, seldom.
- 433. The following list may now be regarded as simple adverbs although many of them are disguised compounds.

amad

out (used only after a verb of motion).

amuis, amuic

outside, out; never used after a verb of motion. He is out, the reason outside the door, the reason among the cooper.

^{*} This preposition is now used only in a few phrases; as mile 30 tert, a mile and (with) a half: plat 30 tert, a yard and a half: bliadain 30 tert 6 form, a year and a half ago.

ám, amac, however.

amain, alone, only. amait, as, like. amiaio, thus.

anocc, to-night. anoir, now. anein, last night. anir(t). again. ca? where? cesna, already, previously. cs (cap), (Ulster), not. conur? cionnur? how? com, com, as (see par. 154). catain? when? rearos, henceforth, at once. caroin? terr, perpin, also. mon rin, thus.

ror, yet. 1 muros, amú, astrav (mistaken). moé (ané), yesterday. moin (anoin), to-day. 1 mbánac (amánac), tomorrow. irceac, in (motion only). ircis, inside (rest). 50 h-annam, seldom. 50 roill, yet, awhile. ní (níon), nuain, when. man, as, like.

Tiú, even; as, níop tabain ré riú aon rocat amain. He did not speak even one word. Zan riú na h-anála To tannams. Without even taking breath. Tiu is really a noun, and is followed by the genitive case, whenever the aefinite article comes between it and the noun; otherwise it is followed by a nominative case.

434. It may be useful to remark here that the words inoiu, to-day; inoé, yesterday; i mbánac, to-morrow; anein, last night; anocc, to-night; can be used only as adverbs. He came to by Clining re mois. He

went away yesterday. O' imtiz re ince. When the English words are nouns, we must use an tá (or an oroce) before moin, moé, spéin, etc. Yesterday was fine. Ví an lá moé bpeás. To-morrow will be wet. bero an tá i mbánac pliuc. Last night was cold. Dí an oroce anein ruan.

435. Interrogative Words.

when? catain? cé an uain? which (adj.)? cé an...? cé an T-am?

where? ca? ce an aic? what? cao? cpeuo? conao? ceupo? how? conur(cionnur)? cé whither? ca?

an caoi? so oé man?

why? cao 'na taob? cao whence? cao ar? ca'n cuise? cao rát? cé abar? an rat?

how far? | cé an raio? how much? | cé meuo? how long? | an rava? how many? | an mo? which (pron.)? cioca? cé? who? cé? cia? cé n-é (i, 140) ?

Up and Down.

ruar, upwards, motion upwards from the place where the speaker is.

anior, upwards, motion up from below to the place where the speaker is.

tuar (also spelled fuar), up, rest above the place where the speaker is.

anior (abur),* up, rest where the speaker is.

[.] This form is used in Ulster and North Connaught, but generally this word is used only for rest on this side of a room, river, &c., or bere, where we are.

rior, downwards, motion down from where

the speaker is.

anuar, downwards, motion down from above
to where the speaker is.

tior (rior), down, below, rest below the place
where the speaker is.

anuar (abur),* down, rest where the speaker

437. The following examples will fully illustrate the use of the words for "up" and "down":-

A says to B, I'll throw it down, Cartrio me rior e. Is it down yet? Uruit ré tior ror? Throw it up, Cart anior é. It is up now, Tá ré anior anoir. B says to A, I'll throw it up, Caitrio mé ruar é. Is it up yet? Orust rétuar ror? Throw it down, Cast anuar é. It is down now. Cá ré anuar anoir. В.

N.B.—He is up (i.e., he is not in bed), Tá ré 'na ruive. Cárinn'nán rui de We are up,

^{*} See foot-note at end of page 160.

Rest	Motion from the speaker	Motion towar is the speaker	Prepositional use, this side of, etc.
this side	anonn	anall	larebur ve, caob i
tall, the other side, yonder	ratt	analt	tartatt be, tabb
amuiż (amuić), outside	amaċ	amaĉ	learmuit, taob
ητιέ, inside	iptesi	1pceac	לאוף בול, באים ודבול ידים לאוף בול באים ביים ביים ביים ביים ביים ביים ביים

Over.

439. The following sentences will exemplify the translation of the word "over":—

В.

A says to B, I'll throw it over to Cartrio me anonn you, cusac e.

" Is it over yet? Upuil pé tall por?

, Throw it over to me, Cart anall cusam &

" It is over now, Cá ré abur anoir.

He went over the wall. Cuaro re cap an inbatta.

He went over to Scot- Cuaro re anonn 50 land.

h-Atbain.

He came over from Comp re anact o Scotland. Atbain.

North, South, East, West.

The root our means front: 1sp means back.

440. The ancients faced the rising sun in naming the points of the compass; hence COIR, east; CIAR, west; CUAIO, north; CEAS, south.

441.

Rest	Motion from the speaker towards the	Motion towards the speaker from the	Prepositional use, east of, west of, north of, south of,
τοιη, east	Losts	anoipi	ל"למדכוון ספ; מון מון במים ליטון ספ; מון מון ליטון ספ; מון ליטון ספ
tiap, west	pian	antaji	*laircian ve; an an caob clan ve;
čuar o , north	ó tuaró	ΔΌΤΙΔΙΤΟ	ל*למקדטמוס ספ; מף מח דמסס בטמוס בפ; סומ בטמוס ספ
teap, south	ó öesp	anvear	*tairtear ve; an an taou tear ve; via tear ve

442. The noun "north," etc., is All TAOU CUAID, All TAOU CEAS, etc., or cuarreeast, verreeast, tantan, and onitesp. These latter words are obsolescent.

443.

The North wind, an zaot arctuaro N.W. wind, zaot aman arctuaro , South , , arcear S.E. wind, zaot anom arcear

" East " " anoiji etc., etc.

"West " Anian Notice the change of position ir Irish.

444. With reference to a house, risp is inwards; rom is outwards.

^{*} tear or tar may be used. + Probably a corruption of 1 oraos.

Compound or Phrase Adverbs. 445.

1 5céin, far off (space). time). ap bit, an air, back. an scut, backwards. an ocur,) at first, or in An ocuir, the beginning. annro, here. ann ran (rain, rin), there, then. oo rion,
1 Scommurde, always. coroce, ever (future). mam, ever (past). 50 beo, for ever. 50 bnát (ac), for ever. ré (or rá) oo, twice. re (or ra) this, thrice. ré (or rá) reac, by turns. 1 Látam, present. ar látain, absent. oe tatain, presently, just now. beas nac, nac mon, seatt te, 50 tein, entirely.

an aon con, con an bit, con teir rin, moreover an son cums,) at any an cuma at Int, | rate. pé rséaté, however, pé nuo é, | at any rate. 1 n-airse, gratis. 1 ocarse, in safe keeping 1 n-airoean, in vain. cuitte eite,) moreover, cuitte ror, besides. 1 teit, apart, aside. can ap? whence? cá meuo?
cá meuo?
how much?
how many? be to, by day. rc' οιόće. by night. 6 ceite, asunder. 1 n-einfeact, together. ré tuainim, conjecturally. eadon (written .1.), 6 Clanaib, o ciantaib, so teon, σ' άη η ο όις (ο όις), oo seic, 1 SCÉADÓIN, tom-taitneac, Láitheac bonn, אח מח סכטווד, an uainib, uaineannta, anoir 7 apir, 50 h-áiniste, so ronnadac, το πόμπόμ, 50 h-unmon, an ball, vála an rzéilor válca riúo, by the bye. า ท-ลำทอง coranámoe, so beimin or so beantita, 50 beimin ir 50 beapota, ambhiatan 'r ambara, Dá ninib, man an scéaona, ó roin i leit, ó roin amac, an éisin,

namely. awhile ago. ages ago. enough. sure, surely.

immediately, instantly,

sometimes.

especially.

by and bye, after awhile. on high. at full gallop. indeed. really and truly.

really, in fact. likewise, in like manner. from that time to this. from that time out. hardly, with difficulty. perforce.

an curo ir mo de,) an (a) 10mao, an curo ir luga de. an a lagao (laigeao),) an a ron ran (ir uite), com raoa 'r (use te before noun) an paro (rel. form of verb) o' son sno, com mait agur vá, te h-émise an lae, san coinne te,) gan rúil le, ve snát (snátac), man acá, man acáio, or iriot, or ano. an maroin, ra cháchóna, um tháthóna. an maioin inoiu, an maioin i mbanac, ra cháthóna inoiu, atnusao moé, Achusad i mbanac, anointean, umanointean, tá an n-a bánac, 1 mbliatina, anuparo, athugar anunaro,

at most.

at least.

notwithstanding (all that)

whilst, as long as.

purposely. just as if. at dawn.

unexpectedly.

usually. namely, viz., i.e. secretly, lowly. aloud, openly. in the morning.

in the evening.

this morning. to-morrow morning. this evening. on the day before yesterday on the day after tomorrow.

on the following day. (during) this year. (during) last year. (during) the year before last 446. The phrases which have just been given about morning, evening, &c., are strictly adverbial, and cannot be used as nouns.

447.

Adverbs.

Nouns.

Oia Oomnais, on Sunday
Oomnae, m., Sunday
Oia Luain, on Monday
Uuan, m., Monday
Oia Μάιμε, on Tuesday
Oia Ceuraoin', en Wednesday
Oia Oapraoin', on Thursday
Oia h-Aoine, on Friday
Oia Sataijin, on Saturday
Sataijin, Saturday

448. Old takes the name of the day in the genitive case; it is used only when "on" is, or may be, used in English—i.e., when the word is adverbial.

Old is really an old word for day. It occurs in the two expressions note, to-day; in-oé, yesterday. It is now never used except before the names of the days of the week, and in the two expressions just mentioned.

449. "Head-foremost."

He fell head-foremost, Oo tuit ré i noisio* a cinn. I fell head-foremost, Oo tuit ri i noisio a cinn. She fell head-foremost, Oo tuit ri i noisio a cinn. They fell head-foremost, Oo tuitesoan i noisio a scinn.

[&]quot;inrotation is " phrase meaning " after," and is followed by a genitive case.

However.

However tollowed in English by an adjective or an adverb is translated into Irish by the preposition oo (or oe), the possessive adjective a, and an abstract noun corresponding to the English adjective or adverb.

However good, σ'á reabar. However long, σ'á raio. However great, σ'á méio. However violent, σ'á éignige.

However high, o's some. However young, o's oige
The Adverb "The."

The sooner the better, {v'à tuaite 'reav (ir amtair) ir reapp.

(ead) if realite.

The longer...the bolder, vá faio 'read ir dana.

The sooner...the less, o'á tuaite 'read ir tuga.

CHAPTER VII. Prepositions.

450. The following list contains the simple prepositions in use in modern Irish:—

1, a, in, (ann) in. 50, to (motion).

a5, (a15), at. noim, before.

an, (a1n), on. 101n, between.

oap, by (in swearing). te, with.

oe, off, from.

oo, to.

ré, raoi, ró, rá, under. cpé, cpío, through. san, without. um, im, concerning, about.

CHAPTER VIII.

Conjunctions.

461. The following is a list of the conjunctions in use at present:—

má, vá, if. ve phis so raoi páo 'r 50, because. muna, muna, if...not. Sidead, however. cion ir, con teir rin, c10n 1r 50, nuo eite (de), moreover. acc, but, except. agur (a'r, ir, 'r), and. cuille ror, roip...asur, both ... and. cuille eile. an (an), whether (interrog.) man, as. ná, than; nor. an a ron 50, 50 (Sun), that. riúo ir 50, although. man ir 50, as though. C10, 510, 1 ocheo 20 (nac), cé 50, 510 50, an nor so (nac), 50, until an moo so (nac), nó 50, (with so that 1 5cár 50 (nac), ACC 50, verbs). (not). an con so (nac), 50 OCI 50, an 0015 50 (nac), com tuat ar, as soon as. 15cao1 50 (nac), oá luar 7, 10nnur 50 (nac),* an cuirse so, reacar, compared with. ror, yet, still. rul; ran, nó, or. o, since, because. rul s oci, before. o nac, since...not. rul má oci, oin, for, because. rul vá vci.

^{*} So and nac are very frequently separated from 10nnur by a subordinate or relative clause: e.g., "10nnur, an tí an a mbiad an nignin, so mbiad teammann aise ó'n ointead;" so that the person who would be marked with that sign would have protection from the staughter.

mairear, well, if so. 6 tapta 50, whereas.

uime pin, therefore, wherefore. 50 sides, furthermore.

ap an arban pain, therefore. nac man pin pein, even so. ná, ná 50, that...not níor 50, although, whether ...or.

452. In Munster "that...not" is usually translated by ná followed by the dependent form of the verb. ná neither aspirates nor eclipses. In the past tense it becomes náp which causes aspiration. Whenever "that...not" follows a negative or a virtual negative) phrase, ná 50 is used (ná 5up in the past tense).

Tá trop arge péin ná puit an ceape arge. He knows himself that he is not right.

ni venum (or venum) na 50 bruil an ceant aise. I dom't say that he is not right.

nac is used in Munster as a part of the verb ip.

453. The use of man before a clause is noteworthy. Fa man adultant re, (according) as he sail tan man bi re deid mbhadha ricead o foin.

Beyond (or compared with) how it was 30 years ago.

tainis re man a pair front. He came to where Firm was.

man and or man and to, that is, viz., i.e.

man 50 mbat 1at rein to tennam an sníoma, as if it were they who performed the act.

man an Scenona, likewise.
man Seatt an, on account of.

CHAPTER IX.

434. Interjections and Interjectional Phrases.

۵,

O (the sign of the Vocative case).

eirt,

Formion!

Famion!

Mo bhou I

mo tean!

mo téan geup!

reuc!

Ó bú bú! oċ! uċ! ucor!

Mo name tú!

railte nomat !

Alas I

Behold! lo!

bush ! list!

Alas!

Shame on you!

Hurrah for .

Welcome:

Oia oo beata!) Haili 'Sé vo veata!) Stan teat (LIB)! Good-bye Stan beo agat (agaib)! Deannact teat (LIB)! God be with us! Oia tinn! Well! Musha! Mairear ! Patience! roisto (roisne)! Take care! Fie! Faine! So oceio ca rlan! Safe home! God prosper you! So roiphisto Dia ouit! Di 'oo torc! Silence! eire oo beul!) Bravo! mo somm tú! Suo onc!) Good health! Staince! Good man! Mait an rean! Good fellow! mait an buacaill! Durbeadar Leat! So nait mait agat!) So n-einisio do leac! God forbid! Hán téisió Oia pin! God save you! So mbeannuisio Oia ouic! morning! &c. So mainin,

So maipiro cú!) So broinio Dia opainn! Oroce mait ouit! So ocusato Ola oroce mait ouit!

Thanks! thank you!

Good luck to you! Good

Long life to you!

God help us! May you have a good night! May God give you a good night!

Stán copalta na h-oióce

So scoolain so rám!

Dail o Dia opt!

Curoeacan Oé teac!

FAO PAOSAIL ASAC!

Duaro teat! (

Seao!

Sead anoir! Cosan i teit!

Ambara!

Mo śnaróm choróe tu!

A curo!

God grant you success!

Sound night's sleep to you!

you!

May you sleep peacefully!

God bless you!

May God accompany you!

Long life to you!

Success to you!

Well!

There now!

Whisper (here)!
Indeed!

Bravo!

My dear!
Dear me!

CHAPTER X.

WORD-BUILDING.

Prefixes.

455. The following is a list of the principal prefixes used in Irish. Some of them have double forms owing to the rule coot te coot.

ar or err, back, again; like the English re:

foc, payment; arrive, repayment, restitution.

nerd, even; aimperd, unam or aim, even. chát, time; i n-anthát, un-311 am, timely. ., "010, * ceann, a head: viceannav Oi Negative/ to behead. mio, particles mí comainte, an advice; miocomainte, an evil advice. neam, nemi, mo, a thing; nemmro, nothing, non-entity. campoear, friendship; earcanvear, enmity.

e or ea, a negative particle. It eclipses c and c and becomes eas before r. Com, just; easeom, unjust; com, heavy; easerom, light; cormant, like; euspamant, different.

opoč, bad, evil; mear, esteem; opoč-mear, reproach, disesteem.

com, equal; aimpip, time; com-aimpeapac, contemporary.

of, of eclipse words beginning with born of inburies ar. ingratifieds.

(mon, big; an-mon, very big. an, Dat, a colour; 1010atac, many-11, 101, coloured. mon, big; no-mon, too big. 11Ó, ce, warm; ran-te, excessively Intensifying 1311, particles warm arobeit, vast; tán-arobeit. tán. awfully vast. snánda, ugly; ún-snánda, very úη, ugly.

test, a half; test-usip, half an hour; rgeut, a story; teit-rgeut, an excuse.

in, ion, fit, suitable; σεμπτα, done; in-σεμπτα, fit to be dene; μάιστε, said; ion-μάιστε, fit to be said; ion-motτα, praiseworthy; ion-όττα, drinkable; in-iττε, eatable, edible. (See pars. 286, 288.)

neum, before; paroce, said; neum-paroce, aforesaid.

rμιτ, back; rμιτ-τελότ, coming and going; rμιτ-υυλιλό, palpitation, or a return stroke.

ban, a feminine prefix; rtait, a prince; ban-flait, a princess; ban-ciţeanna, a lady.

at, a reiterative particle: pato, a saying; at-pato, a repetition; atuap, another time; an atotiavain, next year; an atjeatemain, next week. At has sometimes the force of "dis" in dismantle, as cumao, to form;

accuman, to deform, destroy; piosan, to crown, to elect a king; acpiosan, to dethrone.

bit, biot, lasting, constant; buan, lasting; biot-buan, everlasting; bit-fineun, ever-faithful.

oo and ro, two particles which have directly opposite meanings, as have often the letters o and r. Oo denotes difficulty, ill, or the absence of some good quality; ro denotes the opposite.

vo-veunts, hard to be done ro-veunts, easy to be done

τοτίς, sorrow
τοπας, bad-luck
τοπας, sad
τοπιτής, poor
ταοι, a fool
τίς, want, misery
τοπαιτίς, vice
ταορ, condemned, dear
τοτάς, barm
τοπα, unlucky, unhappy
τοιπεαπη, bad weather
τοταπαιτ, inconvenient

rotar, comfort, joy
ronar, good-luck
rubac, merry
raiobin, rich
raoi, a wise man
ric, peace, plenty
rubaitce, virtue
raon, free, cheap
rocan, profit
rona, lucky, happy
roineann, fine weather
rocamait, convenient

456. Affixes or Terminations.

sc, when it is the termination of an adjective, means full of, abounding in: bηιαταρ, a word; bηιατραέ, wordy, talkative; reunac, grassy

- person or personal agent: as Eineannac, an Irishman; Atbanac, a Scotchman.
- αċτ is an abstract termination, like the English -ness:
 mitir, sweet; mitreaċτ, sweetness.
 - N.B.—The termination -act is usually added to adjectives.
- an agent: rgeut, a story; rgeuturoe, a storyteller; cor, a foot; corroe, a pedestrian.
- aine, ine, are also personal terminations denoting an agent: ceats, deceit; ceatsaine, a deceiver.
- amail, a termination having the very same force as the English like or ly: reapamail, manly; realteamail, princely, generous.
- ar, ear, or sometimes r alone, an abstract termination like acc: maic, good: maicear, goodness; ceann, a head; ceannar, headship, authority.
- van and vne have a collective force: as, vuitte, a leaf (of a tree); vuitteavan, foliage.
- va va, or τa, is an adjectival termination which has usually the force of the English -like: moρνa, majestic; όρνα, golden; sattoa, exotic, foreign (from satt, a stranger, a foreigner).

- e is an abstract remination Fire att or ap: whenever it is added to an adjective the resulting abstract noun, owing to the rule "caot te caot," has the very same form as the quaitive singular feminine of the adjective: as, pat, generous; perte, generosity; apo, high; appoel height; seat, bright; site, brightness; attne, beauty.
- tac, nac, pac, tac, tpac, have all the same meaning as ac, viz., full of, about ling in: muc, a pig; muctac, a piggery; coutt a wood; contreac, a place full of woods; putteac, bloody; toutreac (toutreamac), willing.
- map means full of, abounding in: ceot, music; ceotmap, musical; zpeann, fun; zpeannmap, full of fun, amusing; clattmap, sensible, intelligent.
- όιμ, σόιμ, or τόιμ, denotes a personal agent: ppeal, a scythe; ppealaσόιμ, a mower, reaper; σοιμreόιμ, a door-keeper.

Diminutives.

457. In Irish there are three diminutive terminations, viz., in, in, and og. However, in is practically the only diminutive termination in Modern Irish as in and og have almost lost their diminutive force. A double diminutive is sometimes met with, as involunin, a very little height.

īn.

458. The termination in, meaning "small" or "little," may be added to almost every Irish noun. Whenever the final consonant is broad it must be made slender (as the in always remains unaltered), the vowels undergoing the same changes as in the formation of the genitive singular, but C is not changed into 5 (see pars. 60 and 78).

arat, an ass aratín, a little ass
rean, a man rηίn, a ,, man
σοητ, a field συιρτίη, a ,, field
cartleac, an old woman cartlicin, a ,, old woman
γιάιο, a street γμάιοίη, a ,, street, a lane

If the noun ends in Θ , drop the Θ and add Π ; but if the noun ends in Δ , drop the Δ and attenuate the preceding consonant; then add Π .

páiroe páiroin Nópa Nópin máta máitin

459. án.

rnután, a brook. from rput, a stream. anoan, a hillock, ano, high. veatzán, a knitting-needle. vests, a thorn. bionán, a pin, bion, a spit. 2.2 teabnán, a booklet, teaban, a book. zeuzán, a twig, seus, a branch. točán, a little lake, toć, a lake. ,, rsiatán, a wing, rsiat, a shield. 9.3

The above are examples of real diminutives, but such examples are not very numerous.

460. 65.

piartós (péirteos), a worm, from piart, a reptile.
tarós, a match, ,, tar, a light.
sabtós, a little fork, ,, sabat, a fork.

These are examples of real diminutives in 65, but such real diminutives are not numerous, as most nouns in 65 have practically the same meaning as the nouns from which they were derived (the latter being now generally obsolete): cuiteos, a fly, from cuit, a fly; opireos, a briar, from opir, a briar; puinipeos, an ash, from puinipe, an ash.

In Craig's Grammar we find tucos, a rat (tuc, a mouse). This example is a striking instance of the fact that the termination os is losing (if it has not already lost) its diminutive force.

All derived nouns in oz are feminine.

Derived Nouns.

461. Words are of three classes—Simple, Derivative, and Compound. All simple words are, as a general rule, monosyllables; they are the roots from which derivative and compound words spring. Derivative words are made up of two or more parts. These parts undergo slight changes when they are united to form words, and thus the component parts are somewhat disguised. The difficulty which presents itself to a student in the spelling of Irish is more apparent than real. The principle of vowel-assimilation is the key to

Irish spelling. Let a student once thoroughly grasp the rules for "caot te caot, &c," "aspiration," "eclipsis," "attenuation," and "syncope," and immediately all difficulty vanishes.

Derivatives are formed of simple words and particles. The most important of the latter have been already given under the headings "Prefixes" and "Affixes." We will here give some examples of derivative nouns, a careful study of which will enable the student to split up the longest words into their component parts, and thus arrive at their meanings.

462. Thom means heavy; Thomar, i.e., Thom + ar (the abstract termination) means heaviness or weight; earchom, light, from thom, and the negative particle és, which eclipses c and c, hence the o; ésochomar, lightness, from éa, not; zpom, heavy; ar, ness; comtnom, impartial, fair, or just; from com, equal, and chom, heavy; comenomar, impartiality, fairness, &c.; éascomitom, partial, unjust; from éa+ com+thom; eascomenomar, partiality, injustice; from éa+com+thom+ar. Spealadóin, a reaper; from rpeat, a scythe, and voin, an affix denoting an agent; the a is put in between the t and o to assist pronunciation: camoe, friends; camoear, friendliness, friendship; euscaipoear, unfriendliness, hostility: reapamtact, manliness; from reap + amait + act: neim-jeanamtact, unamiability; from neim, not + sean, affection + amail + act: piosact, a

kingdom, from pios + acc: comoptar, comparison, emulation, competition; from co (com), equal, and moptar, greatness, i.e., comparing the greatness of one thing with that of another.

- 463. Compound nouns are formed by the union of two or more simple nouns, or of a noun and an adjective.
- (A.) A compound noun formed of two or more nouns, each in the nominative case, has its declension determined by the last noun. Its gender also is that of the last noun, unless the first noun-part be such as requires a different gender. The first word qualifies the second, and the initial consonant of the second is usually aspirated.
- (B.) If the compound is formed of a noun in the nominative form followed by a genitive noun, the first is the principal noun, and determines the declension and gender; the second qualifies the first, and generally remains unaltered, and the aspiration of the initial consonant in this case depends on the gender of the first noun. See par. 21(f).

We will give here a few examples of the two chief kinds of compound nouns. It is usual to employ a hyphen between the nouns in Class A, but not in Class B.

ծրeuչ-րí, a pseudo king bun-բրաէ, a fountain

est-bapp, a helmet

ctap-rotar, twilight cto15-teac, a belfry

cpaob-flears, a garland

cut-came, back-biting

caoin-feoit, mutton
taois-feoit, veal
muic-feoit, pork, bacon
maint-feoit, beef
tam-oia, a household god
tam-eurac, a handkerchief, a napkin
tam-ono, a hand-sledge
teit-γςeut,* an excuse

bneug, a lie, and pt, a king bun, a source, origin, and rput, a stream cat, a battle, and bapp top, head

ctog, a clock, bell, and reac, a house

chaos, a branch, and rtears, a wreath

cut, the back of the head, and came, talk

reoit, flesh; caopa, a sheep taot, a calf; muc, a pig mape, a beef

tám, a hand; Oia, God; eurac, a cloth; ónro, a sledge

teat, a half, and resut,

οη-τίας, a sceptre; ση, gold; and τίας, a rod τη-ξηάο, patriotism; τη, country; and ζηάο, love

^{*}Kab mo test reset I beg your pardon. (Lit. Accept my excuse)

Class B.

bhat care, a winding-sheet (a garment of death). rean ceoit, a musician (a man of music).

reap reaps, a seer (a man of knowledge; prop, gen.

reap tize, a householder (a man of a house).

mac tipe, a wolf (son of (the) country).

cú mana, an otter (a hound of the sea; muin, gen mana).

taot mapa, a seal (a calf of the sea).

rean ionaio, a lieutenant, vicegerent (a man of place).

ceac órca, an inn, hotel (a house of entertainment).

maizircin rcoite, a schoolmaster (a master of a school).

ut cince, a hen-egg (an egg of a hen.)

bean rive or bean τ-rive, a fairy (a woman of the riov, a fairy hill).

466. A Noun and an Adjective.

apo-pi, a high king.

apo-tiżeanna, a sovereign lord.

apo-péim, supreme power, chief power.

ctaon-breit, partiality; ctaon, inclined: and breit, ; judgment.

cpom-tesc, a druidical altar; cpom, bent; and tesc a stone, flag.

vaop-vpert, condemnation: vaop. condemned.

ολομ-όςτάς, a bond-slave; όςτάς, a servant

veanthátain (veant-bhá- veant, real or true.

tain), a brother by blood nembriún, a sister by blood.

bnátam and riún, brother and sister (in religion).

rion-unge, spring water: rion, true, pure; unge, water. samb-rion, a tempest: samb, rough; and rion, weather, Sipp-flat, a hare: Seapp, short; and glat, a deer. nuao-ouine, an upstart: nuao, new, fresh; and ouine

a person. rean-atain, a grandfather,

rean, old; atam, a father. mátain, a mother; Aur, age.

for law.

neacc, law; oliże is a

more common word

rean-rean-atain (ré-reanatain), a great grandfather.

rean-mátain, a grandmother.

rean-aoir, old age.

rean-neacc, the old law.

cheun-rean, a brave man.

cneun-taoc, a hero.

raon-reato, a freehold: reato, possession.

cnom-tuite, a nightmare.

uarat-atam, a patriarch.

raoib-ciatt, folly, silliness: raob, silly; and ciatt, senen roin-briatan, an adverb: roin, before; and briatan, a word.

roin-imeatt, a frontier, extremity; imeatt, a border, a hem.

rom-bneit, a prejudice (a fore-judgment).

roin-neant, violence.

roin-éixean, oppression, compulsion.

Fermation of Adjectives.

467. (a) Adjectives may be formed from many nouns by the addition of &C or e&C, which signifies full of, abounding in. All these adjectives belong to the first declension, and are declined like offeet.

NOUN.

reaps, anger ruit, blood reup, grass buait, victory breus, a lie viceatt, one's best endea-

vour

rearam, standing 5n6, work ctú, fame raotan, toil túb, a loop raotat, life rait, sufficiency atba, Scotland Sacrain, England chaob, branch cappais, a rock bpón, sorrow rat, dirt rior, knowledge star, joy

poiltior, Borrow

ADJECTIVE.

reansac, angry runtceac, bloody reupac, grassy buadac, victorious bneusac, false, lying ofceattac, energetic

rearmac. steadfast snótac, husy clureac, famous raotnac, industrious tubac, deceitful raostac, long-lived ratac, satiated Albanac, Scotch Sacranac, English chaobac, branchy campeac, rocky ononac, sorrowful ratac, dirty riorac, intelligent at arac, joyous voitsionac, sorrowful

cteap, a trick
cuppe, weariness
uppe, water
neut, a cloud
teant, a child
paot, wind
immite, anxiety
cumate, power
peute, a star
aipe, care
roitio, patience
eapta, fear
coit, a will
cupam, heed

10manca, too much

ADJECTIVE. clearac, tricky Cumreac, weary uirseac, watery neutac, cloudy teanbac, childish Saotac, windy ımnı beac, anxious cúmactac, powerful neutcac, starry ameac, attentive roisioeac, patient eastac, timid costceanac, willing cupamac, careful 10 mancac, excessive, copious

(b). Many adjectives are formed by adding man to nouns.

All these adjectives belong to the first declension and are declined like mon.

NOUN.

áð, luck ceot, music ciatt, sense

reun, grass

reoit, flesh ronn, fancy ADJECTIVE.

aoman, lucky.
ceotman, musical
ciattman, sensible
reunman, grassy
reotman, fleshy
ronnman, desirous

Stom, glory Speann, fun tuac, price, value tion, number neant, strength rzát, a shadow túc, activity

ADJECTIVE.

ADJECTIVE.

stopman, glorious speannman, funny tuacman, valuable tionmap, numerous neapoman, powerful rzátman, shy, startled tútman, active, nimble

(c). Very many adjectives are formed from nouns by the addition of amail or eamail (both pronounced oo-il or u-wil). All these adjectives belong to the third declension.

NOUN.

rean, a man bean, a woman rlait, a prince ainm, a name mear, esteem tá (pl. taete), a day Spain, hatred caps (pl. capoe), a friend capoeamant, friendly nama (pl. námoe), an enemy námoeamait, hostile moroe, a heart ní (gen. níoż), a king caoi (pl. caoite), a way man, order

sean, affection moro, manner

reapariant, manly beanamait, womanly plaiteamail, generous ainmeamait, renowned mearamost, estimable tacteamant, daily Spaineamait, hateful chorbeamait, hearty, gav piożamast, kingly, royal caoiceamail, opportune

Seanamail, affectionair modamait, mannerly

obedient

manamait, subject, decil-

tip (pl. tiopta), country

meirneac, courage
mirneac, courage
teine (pl. teinte), fire
rtiab, (pl. rtéibte), a mountain

speann, fun
eun, a bird
comunra, a neighbour
bapantar, authority

ADJECTIVE.

cioptamant, country-like, homely, social

mirneamail, courageous

rtéivreamait, mountainous

speannamait, funny, gay eunamait, bird-like, airy comupramait, neighbourly banancamait, authentic

(d). There is a fourth class of adjectives formed by the termination OA (OA); but it is not as large as the three preceding classes. The following are some of the principal ones:—

οιαόα, godly, divine reapóa, masculine banoa, feminine όρόα, golden, gilt taocóa, heroic reanoa, ancient vaona (vaonva) human spánva, ugly cpóva, brave beova, lively sattva, exotic or foreign naomica (naomva), holy saintly

Compound adjectives are extremely common in Irish, being usually formed by the union of two or more simple adjectives (sometimes of a noun and an

adjective); but these compound adjectives present no difficulty once the simple adjectives have been mastered.

FORMATION OF VERBS

468. Verbs can be readily formed from nouns and adjectives by the addition of 15 or u15. The addition of this termination is sometimes accompanied by syncope, which often necessitates slight vowel changes in accordance with the rule "caot te caot."

469. (a). Yerbs derived from Nouns.

NOUN.

Annm, a name
beata, life
cumine, memory
curo, a part

cút, the back of the head raotap, exertion cuape, a visit tear, improvement neare, strength ace, a decree bar, death cat, a battle ceim, a step cpioc, an end cut, a trembling

VERB (Stem).
Annung, name
beaturg, nourish
cuming, remember
curoug te, assist (take part
with)

cútuis, retire
paochuis, exert
cuaptuis, visit, search
teapuis, improve
neaptuis, strengthen
actuis, decree, enact
băpuis, put to death
catuis, contend, fight
ceimnis, step, advance
cpiochuis, finish
cputuis, tremble

sonca, hunger, injury 10mao, multitude

όριο, an order rotur, a light

τυς (τος), a beginning τρεοιρ, a guide

pian, pain

οδαιρ, work

VERB (Stem).
Sopeuis, injure
tomaouis, multiply
opouis, order, command
rottris, enlighten
coruis, begin
rpeopuis, guide, lead
planuis, cause pain
outpis, work

(b). Yerbs derived from Adjectives.

ADJECTIVE.

Ano, high bán, white oub, black booan, deaf buan, lasting

rottur, appar**en**\$ ruaր, cold

tas, weak rtan, well comm, dry

bocc, poor ceanc, right

min, fine imot, low

nmat, humble

raiobin, rich

VERB (Stem).

Apours, raise banurs, whiten outurs, blacken

boöpuis, deafen, bother

buanuit preserve poittrit, reveal, show ruanuit, cool, chill

taguis, weaken

rtanuit, make well, cure tropmuit, or trumit, dry

boccuis, impoverish ceancuis, correct

minis, make fine, explain

irtiz, lower umtuiz, humble raiobniz, enrich

The compound verbs are very few, and are therefore of little consequence to the beginner.

PART III. - SYNTAX.

CHAPTER I.

The Article.

470. In Irish the article always precedes its noun, and agrees with it in gender, number and case as, an reap, the man; na rp, the men; an rp, of the man; na mná, of the woman.

471. When one noun governs another in the genitive case the article cannot be used with the first noun: as, mac an fip, the son of the man; reap an tize, the man of the house, &c.

Notice the difference between the son of the man, mac an fip, and a son of the man, mac too'n feat.

Exceptions. (1) When a demonstrative adjective is used with the first noun (the governing one), the article must also be used; as article must also be used; as article must also be

(2) If the two nouns form a compound word, the article is used before the first, if used in English: a newspaper, paipeup nuardeacta; but, the newspaper, an paipeup nuardeacta.

(3) When the noun in the genitive case is an indefinite* one, which denotes a part of something, the material of which a thing is made, or the contents of the first noun, the article is used with the first noun when it is used in English:—

an speim apain, the piece of bread. an mata mine, the bag of meal. an chuirsin uirse, the little jug of water.

We say buar apain, for, the taste of bread; botateing, the smell of fish; mac piog, the son of a king; because if the noun in the genitive expresses quality, connection, or origin, the governing noun does not take the article.

472. If a nominative be followed by several genitives the article can be used only with the last (if "the" be used in English), as, crume can an capatt, the weight of the horse's head.

The article is often omitted before a noun which is antecedent to a relative clause; as, 1r é oume oo bi ann. He is the person who was there.

- 473. In the following cases the definite article is frequently used in Irish though not used in English.
- (1) Before surnames, when not preceded by a Christian name, as, Raib an Opeatnac ann? Was Walsh there?

^{*} See par. 585.

- (2) Before the names of some countries, as, an Spáinn, Spain; an France; pí na h-Eireann, the king of Ireland: also before Rome, 'ran Róim, in Rome; o'n Róim, from Rome. The article is not used before the names of Ireland, England or Scotland ir the nominative and dative cases.
- (3) Before abstract nouns: an t-ocpap, hunger.

 17 mait an t-anntann an t-ocpap. Hunger is a good sauce.

We frequently use an bar for "death."

The article is not used in such sentences, as:—

Tá ochar onm. I am hungry.

- (4) Before nouns qualified by the demonstrative adjectives: an reap rain, that man; an bean ro, this woman.
 - (5) Before adjectives used as nouns:

an mait agur an t-olc, goodness and badness.

Ir reapp tiom an glar ná an beapg. I prefer green to red.

- (6) After "Cé" meaning "which" or "what."
 Cé an reap? Which man?
 Cé an teaban? What book?
- (7) To translate "apiece," "per" or "a" before words expressing weight and measure;

Raot an ceann. Sixpence apiece.

In speaking of a period of time rs (inr an) is used:

(8). Before titles:

An c-atain Cotan Ua Spamna. Father Eugene O'Growney.

An c-atain Deadan ua Laogaine. Father Peter O'Leary.

An voccuin Outstar Ve n-1ve. Dr. Douglas Hyde.

(9) To express any attribute:

A bean na ocni mbo. O woman of three cows.

(10) The article is used before the word denoting the use to which a thing is put, or the place where a thing is found or produced.

mata na mine. The meal bag, i.e., the bag for holding meal.

Chuirgin an uirge. The water-jug.

Compare these with the following:

An mata mine. The bag of meal.

An enuirsin uirse. The jug of water.

- (11) Before the word "uite" meaning "every."
 An uite pean. Every man.
 An uite tip. Every country.
- (12) Whenever an indefinite noun, accompanied by in adjective is predicated of a pronoun by means of the verb ip, the definite article must be used with the noun whenever the adjective is placed immediately after the verb.

Ir breat an la é. It is a fine day.
Ir mait an reap tú. You are a good man-

(13) Before the names of seasons, months, days of the week (when not preceded by the word with. An e an Satann and an analysis to-day Saturday?

An e reo an luan? Is this Monday?

1now an Aome. To-day is Friday.

CHAPTER II

The Noun.

474. In Irish one noun governs another in the genitive case, and the governed noun comes after the governing one.

Ceann an capaitt. The horse's head.

The noun, capacit, in the genitive case is aspirated by the article because it is masculine gender. It would not be aspirated if it were feminine. (See par. 40.)

475. When the governed noun in the gonitive is a proper name it is generally aspirated, whether it be masculine or feminine, although the article is not used.

peann tháine. Mary's pen. Leabap Seasáin. John s book.

The last rule is by no means generally true of place names.

476. When the noun in genitive case has the force of an adjective, it is not preceded by the article, but its initial consonant is subject to precisely the same rules, with regard to aspiration and eclipsis, as if it were a simple adjective, i.e., it is aspirated if the governing noun be nominative or accusative singular feminine, or genitive singular masculine. It is eclipsed if the governing noun be in the genitive plural.

ub cince, a hen-egg (an egg of a hen).
ube cince, of a hen-egg.
rean ceoit, a musician.
na brean sceoit, of the musicians.

477. Apposition has almost entirely disappeared in modern Irish, the second noun being now usually in the nominative case, no matter what the case of the first may be.

478. A noun used adjectively in English is translated into Irish by the genitive case.

A gold ring, ráinne óiμ (lit. a ring of gold).

A hen-egg, ut ciμce.

Oatmeal, min coiμce.

479. Collective nouns (except in their own plurals) always take the article and qualifying adjectives in the singular; they sometimes take a plural pronoun, and may take a plural verb.

tangavan an burbean cupate pin vo tatain finn agur vo beannuis plate vo. That company of warriors came into the presence of Finn, and saluted him (lit. to him).

480. Nouns denoting fulness or a part of anything are usually followed by the preposition oe and the dative case, but the genitive is also used.

ceann (or ξαθαρ) σ'άρ ηξαθραιθ, one of our hounds.

υάρη πο υρόιζε, the top of my shoe.

tán mo συιρη, the full of my fist.

In phrases such as "some of us," "one of them," &c., "of us," "of them," &c., are usually translated by again, aca, &c.; but vinn, viov, &c., may also be used.

481. The personal numerals from viar to vapeus inclusive (see par. 177) generally take their nouns in the genitive plural: being mac, two sons; naonvapreap, nine men (lit. two of sons, nine of men).

A thinh mac agur a ochinh ban. His three sons and their three wives.

482. When used partitively they take oe with the dative.

Daid re naonbap viot ra'n toc. He drowned nine of them under the lake. Naon naonbap ve maopaid na h-Eipeann. Nine times nine of the stewards of Erin.

Personal Mouns.

483. An Irish name consists of two parts, the ammbarrow (or simply amm), which corresponds to the English Christian name, and the promners, the surname or family name.

Surnames were first used in Ireland about the eleventh century: until that time every Irish personal name was significant, and sometimes rendered more so by the application of some epithet. "In the early ages individuals received their names from epithets implying some personal peculiarity, such as colour of hair, complexion, size, figure, certain accidents of deformity, mental qualities, such as bravery, fierceness, &c." Joyce's "Irish Names of Places."

484. When the Christian name is used in addressing a person, it is always in the vocative case, and preceded by the particle Δ , which causes aspiration, e.g.:

ran tiom, a Seagáin. Wait for me, John. Oia ouic, a Seumair. Good morning, James.

485. When the Christian name is in the genitive case, it is aspirated, e.g.:

Leaban thaine. Mary's book.

486. Surnames when not preceded by a Christian name usually take the termination AC, which has the force of a patronymic (or father-name), and are declined like mapcac (par. 57). They are usually preceded by the article except in the vocative case: an Paopac, Power; capatt an Opianais, O'Brien's horse

Two forms are admissible in the vocative case; facility of pronunciation is the best guide, e.g., 3001 test, a Opuanais. Come here, O'Brien. A file Ui Laosaipe, O'Leary. A file Ui Suibne, MacSweeney.

- 487. Surnames occurring in Ireland to-day are of three classes: (1) Surnames of Gaelic origin. These in almost every instance have the prefix O (114) or Mac for a male, and Mi or Mic for a female. (2) Surnames of old fcreign origin. The majority of these have no prefix. (3) Surnames of late foreign origin. Only a few of these have acquired a distinct form, pronounced in an Irish way.
- 488. When the surname is preceded by any of the words O (Ua), Mac, Mi, Mic, the surname is in the genitive case, and is aspirated after Mi or Mic, but not after O or Mac: e.g., Seasan Mac Tomnatt, John McDonnell; Maine Mi Conatt, Mary O'Connell; Tomanti, Dermot O'Connell; Nopa Mic Tomnatt, Nora McDonnell.
- 489. When the whole name is in the genitive case, the words after Ui (gen. of O or Ua) and thic (gen. of Mac) are aspirated; Mi and Mic do not change in genitive. teadap Seumant Ui Opnam, James O'Briek's book; bo Opnam Mic Oomnatt, Brian McDonnell's cow.
- 490. mac and O aspirate when they really mean "son" and "grandson" respectively.

mae Tomnatt, Donal's son. mae Tomnatt, McDonnell. O Guain, Brian's grandson. O Guain, O'Brien.

491. Some surnames take the article after \max and $\max_{i=1}^{n} e_i g_i$:

Seumar Mac an Váipo, James Ward. nona nic an Ultais, Nora McNulty.

CHAPTER III.

The Adjective.

492. An adjective may be used either predicatively or attributively. An adjective is used predicatively when it is predicated of a noun by a verb, and in this case it is usually separated from the noun by the verb. "The way was long, the wind was cold." "The day is fine." "He made the mantles green." "Long," "cold," "fine," and "green" are used predicatively. An adjective is used attributively whenever it is not separated from the noun by the verb, and is not predicated of a noun by a verb: as, "The infirm old minstrel went wearily along." "He made the green mantles." The adjectives "infirm," "old," and "green" are here used attributively.

493. In Irish almost every common adjective can be used both predicatively and attributively. There are, however, one or two exceptions: onoc, bad, and veat, good, can never be used predicatively. If "bad" or "good" be used predicatively in the English sentence, we must use otc, bad, or mait, good, in Irish. Never say or write in veat e for "he is good," but in mait 6, &c.

The adjective 10moa is always used predicatively with 1r. In Munster 'mo is used instead of 10moa.

Ir iomoa mancac oo gab an truge reo. ('Tis) many a rider (that) has gone this way.

ADJECTIVE USED ATTRIBUTIVELY.

- (a) The Position of the Adjective.
- 494. As a general rule the adjective follows its noun in Irish: as, teaban mon, a big book; rean mart, a good man.
- Exceptions. (1) A numeral adjective, whether ordinal or cardinal, when it consists of one word, always precedes its noun: as the ba, three cows; the interrogative, possessive, and most of the indefinite adjectives also precede their noun.
- (2) Monosyllabic adjectives are frequently placed before the noun, but then the noun and adjective form a compound noun, and consequently the initial of the noun is aspirated, when possible. This is

always the case with adjectives: veat, good; vpoc, bad; rean, old; and frequently with nuav, new; and rion, true. In this position the form of the adjectives never changes for number or case, but it is subject to the very same initial changes as if it were a noun.

rean-fean, an old man; rean-fin, old men.

Theun-fean, a brave man; ano-ni, a high king.

an crean-bean, the old woman;

Lâm an crean-fin, the hand of the old man.

(3) When a name consists of two words the adjective frequently comes between them: as, "Stiat Seat 5Cua," "the bright Slieve Gua."

(b) Agreement of the Adjective.

When an adjective is used attributively and follows its noun, it agrees with the noun in gender, number, and case: as, bean mon, a big woman; mac an fin mon, the son of the big man; na rip mona, the big men.

For the aspiration and eclipsis of the adjective see par. 149.

495. Since the adjective in English has no inflexion for gender, it is quite a common thing to have one adjective qualifying two or more nouns of different genders. Sometimes in Irish we meet with one adjective qualifying two nouns of different genders or numbers; in such cases the adjective follows the

latter noun, and agrees with it alone. However, the more usual method is to use the adjective after each noun: as,

rean mait agur bean mait. A good man and woman.

ADJECTIVE USED PREDICATIVELY.

(a) Position of the Adjective.

496. An adjective used predicatively always follows its noun, except when it is predicated by means of the verb 1S, in any of its forms, expressed or understood.

The men are good, Tá na rin mait. The day is fine, Tá an tá bneás.

If the verb ir be used in these sentences, notice the position of the adjective and the use of the pronoun.

The men are good, 1p mait na pip iao.
The day is fine, 1p bpeat an tá é.

(b) Agreement of the Adjective.

An adjective used predicatively never agrees with its noun in either gender, number, or case: in other words, the simple form of the adjective is always used.

Moreover, it is never aspirated nor eclipsed by the noun.

497. When the adjective comes immediately after the Past Tense or Conditional of ir (i.e., ba or buo),

its initial is generally aspirated, when possible; but in this case it is not the noun which causes aspiration.

Da bpeás an tá é. It was a fine day.

498. Notice the difference in meaning between the following:—

Rinne pé na preana reuna Rinne pé reun na preana Rinne pé na preana reun Cá an bố mốn đườ. Cá an bố đườ mốn. Cá an oroce đonca phuê. Cá an oroce phuê thực. He made the sharp knives. He made the knives sharp.

The big cow is black.
The black cow is big.
The night is dark and wet.
The wet night is dark.

499. Adjectives denoting fulness or a part of anything are usually followed by oe with the dative case:

full of milk, tán ve vanne.
two barrels full of water, vá vanaite tán v' uirse.

NUMERAL ADJECTIVES.

Position of the Words.

500. A numeral adjective, whether ordinal or cardinal, when it consists of one word, goes before the noun.

certire capaitt, four horses; ré caoinis, six sheep.
an ceur buacaitt, the first boy.

The words for 40, 60, 80, 200, 300, &c., also precede their nouns.

501. A numeral adjective, except those just mentioned, consisting of two or more words, takes its noun immediately after the first part of the numeral: as,

ceithe capailt veus, fourteen horses.
vá uan veus, twelve lambs.
vá vuin veus ir thí riciv, seventy-two coms.

502. When we wish to express large numbers in Irish, we may either place the unit digit first then the tens, next the hundreds, and so on; or we may express them in the English order. Convenience for utterance and clearness of sense are the best guides in any particular case.

The word ASUS is generally used with the larger numbers CEAO. MILE, etc., and 1S with the smaller ones.

129 miles, céao (míte) agur naoi míte riceao.

79 horses, naoi scapaill véas ir thí ficio.

5,635 men, cúis míte asur ré céao rean asur cúis rin véas an ricio:

850 sheep, τέ caoipis σέας τη σά είδιο ας τη (αμ) τρί δέασ.

1,666 years, ré bliadna ir thi picio agur (an) ré céad agur (an) míte.

519 A.D., λοιρ το 'n τιξελμηλ cúiς τέλο λουρ πλοι τέλος.

52,000 of the Roman army, of mile véas ip of ficro mile ve pluas Romanac.

More than 400 years, tuille(at) (their) agur ceithe céan bliatain.

About 80, tuainim le (or timéeall le) ceithe pièro.

,, 17 ,, ,, 17 ,, ,,

The word ruge is often added to make it clear that miles not thousands is meant. So mile ruge, or remite [ve] ruge, six miles.

- 503. The initials of the numerals undergo the very same changes with regard to aspiration and eclipsis as a noun would in the same position.
- 564. The article prefixes τ to sonmar, first, and to octmar, eighth, whether the following noun be masculine or feminine: as,

an t-octmato bean, the eighth woman.

Initial Changes produced by the Numerals.

505. Aon, one; oa, two; ceuo, first; and thear, third, aspirate the initial of the following word: as,

aon bó amáin, one cow; an ceuo rean, the first man.

- **506.** Aon, prefixes τ to the letter γ; but has no effect on το or τ: Δοη Δραί Δπάιη, one ass; Δοη cor Δπάιη, one foot; Δοη τραζαμτ Δπάιη, one priest; Δοη τρίατ Δπάιη, one rod; Δοη τρεδίας Δπάιη, one hawk; τά γεδίας, two hawks; Δοη τλού Δπάιη, one side.
- 507. Seact, seven; oct, eight; maon, nine; and vent, ten; and their compounds eclipse the initial

of the following noun and prefix n to vowels; react mba, seven cows; react namba, ten apples.

508. Τρί, ceitpe, cũig and ré have usually no effect on consonants (except ceuo, 100, and mite, 1000); but τρί, ceitpe, ré, and σαρα prefix n to vowels: as, τρί ba, three cows; τρί h-arait, three asses; ré h-uöta, six apples; 'ran σαρα n-áiτ, in the second place; τρί ceuo, 300; ceitpe mite, 4000.

Τρί, ceitpe, cúiξ and ré (as well as react, oct, &c.), cause eclipsis in the genitive plural: a bean na στρί m ω. () woman of three cows! tuad ceitpe bpúnt four pound's worth.

The Number of the Noun after the Numerals.

- 509. The noun after son is always in the singular, even in such numbers as 11.21,21,41.&c. The other numerals (except o.4) may take the singular number when unity of idea is expressed: e.g., son ubatt vest, eleven apples; vestmas re so na thi butte 'tustav. He forgot to strike the three blows.
- 510. When a noun has two forms in the plural, a short form and a long one, the short form is preferred after the numerals: as

naoi n-uaipe, nine times; not naoi n-uaipeannta.

611. In Modern Irish the numerals pice, 20; vá picro, 40, &c., ceuro, 180; mite, 1,000, are regarded as simple numeral adjectives which take the noun after them in the singular number.

- 512. This peculiar construction has arisen from the fact that these numerals are really nouns, and formerly governed the nouns after them in the genitive plural. As the genitive plural of most Irish nouns has exactly the same form as the nominative singular, the singular form has come to be almost universally used in Modern Irish after these numerals. Formerly they would use ceuo ban and pice caopa, but now we use ceuo bean and pice caopa.
- 513. The word ceann and its plural conn are often used with numerals when the noun is not expressed in English: as, Cameuro (an'mó) teaban azaz? Tá vá ceann veuz azam. How many books have you? I have twelve.

Tá ceann (or ouine) aca ing an tit.
There is one of them in the house.

The Dual Number.

514. O.s., "two," always takes the noun after it in the dual number (neither singular nor plural), which in every Irish noun has the same form as the dative singular. This does not at all imply that the noun after os is in the dative case. It is in the dative singular form, but it may be in any of the five cases, according to its use in the sentence. All the cases of the dual number are alike, but the form of the genitive plural is often used for the genitive dual: os burn, two cows; os sabarn, two smiths; tan a os tam or tan a os tam, the full of his two hands.

515. The article which qualifies a noun in the dual number will always be in the singular form.

516. The adjective which qualifies a noun in the dual number will be in the plural form, but really in the dual number; the pronouns belonging to the noun will be in the plural form; and the verb may, but need not be; because in these parts of speech the dual number and the plural number have the same forms.

517. The initial of an adjective qualifying and agreeing with a noun in the dual number will be aspirated, no matter what the gender or case of the noun may be: as,

twelve houses.

an vá tám vána, the two white hands.

tám a vá tám veas, the full of her two little hands.

518. The v of vais usually aspirated, except after words ending in v, n, v, t, r (dentals), or after the possessive adjective a, her.

a vá coir veasa, her two little feet.

^{*}Except demonstrative, presessive, indefinite, and interrogative

The Possessive Adjective.

- 519. A possessive adjective can never be used without a noun: as, her father and his, a neatagn agur a atagn.
- 520. The possessive adjectives always precede their nouns: as, mo matain, my mother.
- 521. The possessives mo, my; το, thy; and a, his, aspirate the initial of their nouns; áp, our; τομη, your; and a, their, cause eclipsis: as, a τάπ, his poem; το máταιρ, thy mother; a τάπ, her poem; a ποάπ, their poem.
- 522. If a noun begins with a vowel, mo, my, and vo, thy, become m' and v' (τ or t); a, his, has no effect; a, her, prefixes n; and a, their, prefixes n; ap, our, and vup, your, also prefix n to vowels: as, a ataip, his father; a n-ataip, her father; a n-ataip, their father; m' teap, my husband; v'eun, your bird; ap n-apan taeteamait, our daily bread; vup n-avpan, your song.
- 523. The possessive adjectives, when compounded with prepositions (see par. 186), have the same influence over the initials of their nouns as they have in their uncompounded state: as, vom mátain, to my mother; om tín, from my country.

524. When the portion of a thing which belongs to one or more persons is to be expressed by the possessive adjectives, the name of the thing is preceded by curo, with the possessive adjective before it. The name of the thing is in the genitive case—genitive singular if quantity be implied, but genitive plural if number—as, my bread, mo curo apain (lit. my share of bread); his wine, a curo piona; their horses, a scuro capatt.

This rule is not always followed; for instance, we sometimes find m'rion, my wine; but mo curo riona is more idiomatic.

525. The word curo is never used in this way before the name of a single object.

mo teaban, my book; a 5capatt, their horse. a teaban, his book; but a curo teaban, his books. a bo, her cow; a curo bo, her cows.

- 526. The word curo is not used in such phrases as mo cora, my feet; mo ruite, my eyes; a cháma, his bones, &c.
- 527. When the emphatic suffix is used, some make at follow curo; others make it follow the noun: as, mo curo-re apain or mo curo apain-re.

CHAPTER IV.

THE PRONOUN.

Personal Pronoun.

- 628 The personal pronouns agree with the nouns for which they stand in gender, number and person: as, He is a big man. 1r mon an reap e. They are big men. 1r mon na rin iao.
- 529. A personal pronoun which stands for a noun the gender of which is different from its sex, agrees in gender with the sex of the noun; as, 1r mait an caitin i. She is a good girl. 1r ote an comupta é. He is a bad neighbour.
- 530. In Irish we have no neuter pronoun corresponding to the English "it;" hence, in translating "it," we must determine the gender of the Irish noun (masculine or feminine) and then use ré (he) or rí (she) accordingly:* as, It is terrible weather. 1r cattre an ampin i. Is to-day Friday? An í an Aoine ατά αξαίπη? Όσο í an rípinne í. It was the truth. Τά an carún αξαίπ, ní ruit ré τροί. I have the hammer, it is not heavy.

Notice also-

^{*} The word áir although feminine takes sometimes a masculine pronoun, as, ir oear an áir é. It is a nice place.

or mo dapamail, mo tuaipim, &c. It is my opinion, &c., &c. ir i

- 531. The pronoun rú, thou, is always used to translate the English "you" when only one person is referred to; as, How are you? Cionnar tá tú? What a man you are! nac tú an rean!
- 532. The personal pronouns, whether nominative or accusative, always come after the verb; as, motann ré tú, he praises you.
- 533. The disjunctive forms of the personal pronouns are used immediately after the verb 1S in any of its forms expressed or understood; as, 17 é an pean táidin é. He is a strong man. An é a puain é? Was it he who found it? Nac í o' insean í? Is she not your daughter?
- 534. A personal pronoun which stands for a sentence, or part of a sentence, is third person singular, masculine gender. An puro acutant mé, if é aceipim apir. What I said, I repeat.
- 535. The accusative personal pronoun usually comes last in the sentence or clause to which it belongs: as, O'ras ré an an air rin iao. He left them at that place. Rus ré teir mite eite é. He brought it with him another mile. O'rasar im viaio é. I left it after me.

Relative Pronoun.

536. The relative particle follows its antecedent and precedes its verb: as, an reap a coologar, the man who will sleep.

- 537. The relative particle, whether expressed or understood, always causes aspiration: as, an pean bear as obam, the man who will be at work.
- 538. The relative when preceded by a preposition causes eclipsis (unless the verb be in the Past Tense). When the relative a signifies "all that" or "what" it causes eclipsis: as, an aic in-a b-ruit ré, the place in which he is; a bruit imbaite-áca-Ctiac, all that is in Dublin.
- 539. When the relative is governed by a preposition and followed by a verb in the Past Tense, the relative combines with no (the old sign of the Past Tense), and does not eclipse: an áic an tuic Aoo, the place where (in which) Hugh fell.
- 540. The eight verbs which do not admit of the compounds of no being used before them (see par. 279) form an exception to the last rule: as, an cine notating re, the country into which he came.
- 541. In English, when the relative or interrogative pronoun is governed by a preposition, the pronoun very often comes before the governing word: as, What are you speaking about? The man that he gave the book to is here. In colloquial Irish it is a very common practice to separate the relative particle from the preposition which governs it; but instead of using a simple preposition at the end of the sentence, as in English, we use a prepositional pronoun. Thus we

can say—an reap as a bruit an bo, or more usually, an reap a bruit an bo aise,* the man who has the cow; an reap ap biotar an capatt teir, or an reap tep biotar an capatt, the man to whom I sold the horse.

542. The forms vant or vanat, vant, tent, mant, &c., are compounds of a preposition, relative particle; "no," the sign of the Past Tense; and va or vuo the Past Tense of 17.

 $\nabla A \mu \nabla = \nabla O + A + \mu O + \Delta A = \text{to whom was.}$ $\text{le} \mu \nabla = \text{le} + A + \mu O + \Delta A = \text{with or by whom was.}$

as, bean vapo ainm busivo, a woman whose name was Brigid.

543. As the accusative case of the relative particle has exactly the same form as the nominative, the context must determine, in those tenses in which the verb has no distinct termination for the relative, whether the relative particle is the subject or object of the verb; an peap a bualt Seasán, may mean, The man whom John struck, or The man who struck John.

Translation of the Genitive Case of the English Relative.

544. The Irish relative has no inflection for case; nence, in order to translate the English word "whose"

^{&#}x27;An reap 50 b-ruit an bó aige is also used.

when not an interrogative, we must use one of the prepositions (AS, TOO, 1)+relative particle+possessive adjective (before the noun).

The man whose son was sick.

an reap
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{c} \nabla \hat{a} \\ \Delta S \hat{a} \\ 1 & n-\Delta \end{array} \right\}$$
 paid a that tinn.

but va, asá, or 'sá, i n-a are often shortened to a, so, and 'na; hence the above sentence in colloquial Irish would be—

an reap
$$\left\{\begin{array}{c} a \\ 50 \\ 'na \end{array}\right\}$$
 paib a mac tinn.

The woman whose son is sick visited us yesterday.

an bean to
$$\begin{cases} 50 \\ ^{7}S\mathring{a} \end{cases}$$
 bruit a mac tinn taining pi an euaint into eusainn.

545. To translate the English relative pronoun when governed by an active participle, we employ a somewhat similar construction; as—

The hare that the hounds are pursuing.

An sinnfiad so bruit na sadain an a tons (or an a tonn, or as tonaiseact ain).

The man whom I am striking.

An rean atá agam 'á (v'á, \$á) buatab.

546. The relative a meaning all that, what, may itself be genitive; as, τριαπ α μαιθ αππ, a third of what were there. "Deip beannact om choide cum a maineann ap bánchoic Cipeann σίξ." "Bear a blessing from my heart to all those who live on the fair hills of Holy Ireland."

The relative A in this sentence is genitive case being governed by cum (see par. 603).

CHAPTER V.

The Yerb.

547. As a general rule the verb precedes its nominative: as, tá ré, he is; ví an reap ann, the man was there.

Exceptions. (1) When the subject is a relative or an interrogative pronoun the verb comes after its subject; as,

An buacaitt a buaitear mé. The boy who strikes me.

Cao atá azat? What have you?

(2) In a relative sentence the nominative though not a relative pronoun may precede its verb; but as the noun is usually far separated from the verb, a

personal pronoun is used as a sort of temporary subject, so that really the noun and its pronoun are nominative to the same verb: as,

An reap atá 'na rearam as an vopar vuait ré an capatt. The man who is standing at the door struck the horse.

Compare the similar use of the French pronoun as; or the English "He that shall persevere unto the end, he shall be saved."

(3) The nominative often precedes its verb in poetry, and sometimes even in prose.

Rat 50 pais opt! Success to you!

548. Transitive verbs govern the accusative case; and the usual order of words is, Yerb, Subject, Object. When the subject or object is a relative or an interrogative pronoun it precedes the verb.

Oo pinne Seatán an báo rain. John made that boat. Oo buait an buacaitt é. The boy struck him.

For the conditions under which a verb is aspirated or eclipsed, see pars. 21(g) and 26(e).

Use of the Subjunctive Mood.

549. The most frequent use of the present subjunctive is with the conjunction 50, expressing a wish. If the wish be negative use 11 AR (except with part).

So mbeannuitio Dia ouic! May God bless you!

So broinio Oia onainn! God help us!

So otéis tú plán! Safe home! (may you go

safely)!

Nan téisió Dia pin! May God not allow that!

God forbid!

So naive mait agat! Thank you!

ná pait mait azat! No thanks to you!

550. The subjunctive is also used after no 50, 50 or ACT 50, all meaning "until"; and after muna, "unless," but only when there is an element of doubt.

ran annyo so deasad aniy.

muna scheidið rið mé.

muna deusaið eu an

e-ainsead dom.

Stay here till I come again.
Unless you believe me.
Unless you give me the
money.

551. Sul A, Sul FA. Sul má, Sul Oá, all meaning "before," when used with reference to an event not considered as an actual occurrence, take the subjunctive; as,

1mtis teat rut a otasaio an maisirtip. Be off with you, before the master comes.

552. The past subjunctive is found after Od or mund to express a supposed condition. They may also take a conditional. In translating the English phrases "if he believed," "if he had believed" (im-

plying that he did not believe), we use of with the past subjunctive; but as this Tense is identical in form with the Imperfect Tense, it may be said that it is the Imperfect Tense which is employed in this case.

If you were to see Donal on the following day you would pity him.

Đá breicteá Domnatt an maioin tá an n-a bánac bao thuat teat é.

If you were to give me that book.

Oá ocustá-ra oomra an leaban rin.

If it were true for him. Oá mbao píop oó é.

All the particles given above can also be used with the past subjunctive in reference to past time.

553. In the passive voice the present and past subjunctive are identical in form with the Present and Imperfect Tenses (respectively) of the Indicative Mood.

May it be worn out well. So scaittean so mait é. May it never be worn out. Πάη ταιττεαη so veo é. If it were worn out. Τά scaittí é.

Relative Form of the Yerb.

554. The relative form of the verb is used after the relative particle a, when it is the subject of the verb; (but never after the negative relative nac, which or who...not). It has a distinct form in two, and only

two, Tenses—the Present and the Future. In these two Tenses it ends in ap or eap. In all the other Tenses the third person singular is used after the relative pronoun. The verb is aspirated after the relative, expressed or understood; but nac eclipses.

tense is not used in the spoken Language of to-day (except in proverbs). In Connaught the final r of the relative form is added to the form for the 3rd person singular; e.g., an pean a busiteanny, the man who strikes; an busically a turgeanny, the boy who understands. The literary form of the relative in the future tense is retained in full vigour in Connaught; e.g., an pean a busiteary, the man who will strike. In Munster the relative form has entirely disappeared in both the present and the future tenses (except in proverbs). The 3rd person singular form has taken its place; e.g., an pean a busiteann, the man who strikes.

556. As the relative has no inflection for case, ambiguity sometimes arises: e.g., an read a buait Seagán, may mean, either the man who struck John, or, the man whom John struck. The context usually solves the difficulty. The following construction is sometimes employed in order to obviate any ambiguity:—

An rean a buait Seasán. The man who struck John. An rean sun buait Seasán The man whom John struck.

657. Cionnup, how; nualp, when; and map, as, are followed by the relative form of the verb in the Present and Future, and the verb is aspirated; but with minnup a, cia an caoi, cia an nor, cia an moo, or any

other such locutions, the eclipsing a or 1 (in which) is used before the verb. Before the Past Tense, of course, an (a+10) is used. Clonnup a bruit τu ? How are you?

map is also followed by the ordinary Present and Future.

658. Stil, "before," has two usages. It may be followed by the relative forms—e.g., rut tiocrar ré, rut taining ré; or else it may be followed by one of the particles a, må, rå, vå, all of which eclipse.

559. After these particles, the Subjunctive Mood is often used when the event is future and uncertain, or contains a mental element: as—

1mtit leat put a breició ré tú.

Be off (with you) before he sees you (i.e., so that he may not see you).

It is not correct to eclipse after the word rut, as rut ocaims, although sometimes done.

560. The relative form of the Present Tense is frequently used as a historic present, even when no relative occurs in the sentence: as—

noctar especión voit. Eremon revealed to them.

The Verbal Noun and its Functions.

561. "Is there an Infinitive in Irish?" We give here Father O'Leary's answer to his own question, "Certainly not." In Irish there is neither an infinitive mood nor a present participle, both functions being discharged by the verbal noun. It follows from this statement that there is no such thing as a sign of the infinitive mood in Irish.

1r mait tiom riubat.

I wish to walk.

Oubnar teir san ceacc. Tá opmra reiteam.

I told him not* to come.

I have to wait.

Nion mait tiom beannusat vo.

I did not wish to salute him.

rearam.

ni tis te máta rotam An empty bag cannot stand.

562. In the above examples, and in thousands of similar ones, the Irish verbal noun is an exact equivalent in sense of the English infinitive, sign and all. If any one of the prepositions oo (or a), te or cum, be used before the verbal nouns in the above examples, the result is utter nonsense. Now consider the following examples :-

Ir mait tiom an botan oo I wish to walk the road. riubal.

Ir mait tiom rocat oo I wish to speak a word. Labaine.

^{*} Not before the English infinitive is translated by zan (a prep., without).

Dubaint m'atain Liom San an capall oo diol.

ir coin ouit an reun oo baine.

An réivin teat an caint oo tuispine?

1r mian tiom litip to rspiobab.

My father told me not to sell the horse.

You ought to cut the grass.

Can you understand the conversation?

I wish to write a letter.

563. The preposition on in the above examples and ones like them between the noun and the verbal noun, is very often, in the spoken language, softened to a: and this a is not heard before or after a vowel: as,

> Ir coin our comainte 'ttacao. You ought to take advice.

564. In any sentence of the first set of examples there is question of only one thing; e.g., rubat, react, reiteam, &c., but in each of the sentences of the second set there is a relation between two things: e.g., botan and riubal, rocal and labaint, &c., and to express this relationship a preposition is used between the two nouns. If the relation between the nouns be altered the preposition must also be altered, as-

Tá bótan agam te riubat, I have a road to walk. Cá rocal agam le labaint, Cá capall agam le viol.

I have a word to say, I have a horse for sale (to sell).

Cá reun agat le baint,

You have grass to cut.

565. There is still another preposition which can be used between the nouns to express another alteration in meaning—

Tá ceac cum comnuiste I have a house to live in.

The capall cum mancuis- He has a horse to ride on. eacta alse.

If in any one of these sentences the wrong preposition be employed the proper meaning cannot be expressed.

566. In translating the simple English infinitive of an intransitive verb, use the simple verbal noun in Irish: as,

He told me to go to Cork. Outsipe ré tiom out so Copeais.

An empty bag cannot ni tiz te mála rolam stand. rearam.

It is impossible to write 111 reioin reniovad san without learning. roslaim.

I prefer to walk. In reapp thom riubat. He cannot stand. Hi tip terr reapain.

Tell him to sit down.

Abain terr runce rior.

Tell them to go away.

Abain teo imteact.

567. When the English intransitive infinitive expresses purpose (i.e., the gerundial infinitive), use the preposition te.

He came to stay, Cainiz re te ranamainc.

I have a word to say, Ta rocal agam te labaint.

You are to wait, Tá cú le reiteam.

I am to go, Cáim te out.

568. When the English verb is transitive and in the simple infinitive (no purpose implied) use the preposition of or the softened form A.

My father told me to buy Oubaint m'atain tiom a horse. capatt to ceannac.

You ought to have cut Da coin out an reun oo the grass. vainc.

He told me not to shut Outling ré tiom san an the door. Topiar to tinat.

Would you like to read An mian teat an teatan this book? ro to teiteat?

569. When the English infinitive is transitive, and also expresses purpose, use either Cun or Le before the noun which is the object of the English infinitive, and TO before the verbal noun in Irish; cun takes

the noun after it in the genitive; te becomes terr before the article, and then causes eclipsis if the noun be singular.

He will come to judge the Ciocraid Sé cum breitliving and the dead. eamnair to tabairt an beotaid azur an manb-

He came to buy a horse. Canno ré le capall vo

A10.

He went to strike the men. Cuaro ré cun na brespo bustad.

He went to strike the man. Cuaro ré terr an brean vo buatav.

He said that to praise the Outling re rin terr an girl. Scarting of motat.

He came to buy the horse. Cáims ré cum an capaill a ceannac.

570. We can also express the above by means of the preposition to alone, but in this case we must put the verbal noun before the other noun. This latter will, of course, be now in the genitive case, because one noun governs another in the genitive case. This is the only governing power the verbal noun has in Irish.

He came to buy the horse. Camis re to ceannac an capailt.

He went to strike the man. Cuaro re to bustat an fin.

Did you come to strike An otángair oo buatab John? Seagáin?

He came to make fun. Caining re to the tanding spunn.

They came to make war. tangaran oo beunam cogaro.

N.B.—This latter method is not often used in the spoken language.

571. When the English infinitive is passive, and also expresses purpose, use te.

He is to be hanged.

Cá ré le cnocao, or le beit cnocta.

The milk is to be drunk.

Cows are to be bought at the fair.

Tá an bainne te h-ót (&c.). Tá ba te ceannac an an aonac.

the fair.

The grass is to be cut.

The house is to be sold.

There is no one to be seen on the road.

Tá an teac te víot.

Ní puit vuine ap bit te reicpint ap an mbótap.

Cá an reun te bainc.

572. When a personal pronoun is the object of the English infinitive and the latter does not express purpose, we translate as follows:—

You ought not to strike me. Thi coin our me oo buatao.

I wished to strike him. { Da mian tiom é oo buatao.

I wish to praise her.

(1r mian tiom i oo motao.

It is not right to strike (Mi coin 120 00 bualad. (ní cóin a mbualao. them.

It is a bad thing to wound me.

ir ole an nuo mé oo żonad. ir ole an nuo mo żonad.

I cannot understand it.

ni tis tiom a tuispint (its understanding).

Could you tell me who it An revoin tear a* innrinc was?

vom cia 'nb'é?

A desire to kill them came Cainis mian a manuta upon me.

onmra.

In this sentence manuta is the genitive case (after the noun mian) of the verbal noun manbao.

573. When the English infinitive governing a personal pronoun expresses purpose, we translate as follows :-

He came to strike me.

Cáms ré vom vustav. Cáms ré temé vovustav.

I went to strike them.

(Cuaro mé o'à mbualao. Cuaro mé le h-100 00

^{*}Whenever the object of the verbal noun is a phrase, it cannot be put in the genitive case, but the possessive adjective a is used before the verbal noun.

They are coming to wound nonar.

Us.

Cá riar as teact te rini ro gonar.

If we used the autonomous form in this last sentence we would get—

They are coming to wound Tátan as teact vân us.

Cátan as teact te rinn vo śonav.

574. The English present participle is usually translated by the verbal noun preceded by the preposition as. If the English present participle expresses "rest" (e.g., standing, sitting, lying, sleeping, &c.), the verbal noun must be preceded by the preposition (=in) compounded with a suitable possessive adjective (§ 186).

They are coming.

The boy was standing.

The woman is standing.

The woman is standing.

575. The verbal noun in each of the above is dative case, governed by the preposition $\Delta 5$.

576. When the English present participle governs an objective case, the object if a noun will follow the verbal noun in Irish and will be in the genitive case.

He is cutting the grass. Tá ré as baint an réin.

She was stretching out her bi ri as rinear a laime hand.

Are you reading the letter? Upuit of as teisear na tione?

Who was beating the child? Cia bi as buatar an temb?

577. If the object of the English present participle be a personal pronoun we cannot translate as in the above sentences, because the pronouns have no genitive case; hence instead of using the personal pronouns we must employ the possessive adjectives. Possessive adjectives must always precede the nouns which they qualify.

He is striking me.

\[\tau \text{re} '\text{tam} \text{ (or asom)} \\
\text{buataro} \text{ (lit. he is at my beating).} \]

Are you breaking it?

\[\text{Drut} \tau \text{ '\text{ta}} \text{ (asa)} \\
\text{burread?} \]

Are you breaking them? Uput tú 'Śá (asa) mbpureato?

He is praising us. Tá ré táp (at áp) motat Is he not burning them? nac bruit ré 'ta (ata)

noóżaó?

They are not striking her. Ni full mao '\$\daga\) bualar.

Note carefully the initial effects of the possessive adjectives on the verbal nouns after them.

578. Preceded by Ap, the Yerbal Noun has the force of a Present Participle Passive, denoting a continued or habitual state: as,

ni fuit an ceansa rin an That language is not tabainc anoir. spoken now.

Tá an chuit an chocad an The harp is hanging on an ngéig. the bough.

Szeut an teanamainz. A continued story.

In this idiom an neither aspirates nor eclipses.

579. With 1Ap, after (eclipsing), the Yerbal Noun has the force of a Perfect Participle: as,

1 ap στε άτι n-θιμικη σο βάσμαις, Patrick having come into Ireland.

But in this idiom tap is usually shortened to ap: as, ap oceaec, &c., the eclipsis being retained. In colloquial language the Verbal Noun is commonly aspirated, not eclipsed, by ap in this usage.

580. Fan is the word used to express negation with the Yerbal Noun: as, Fan teact, not to come.

Abain to blian san an sont oo cheabao. Tell Brian not to plough the field.

581. San with the Verbal Noun has the force of the Passive Participle in English with un prefixed: as,

mo cuis puint otna asur 120 san rníom, My five pounds of wool, and they unspun.

582. The genitive of the Verbal Noun is often used where a relative or infinitive clause would be used in English: as,

Nion ragad rean innirce rgeil, There was not a man left to tell the tidings.

Cartin bear churche na mbo,
The pretty girl who milks the cows (lit. of the milking, &c.).

583. The following examples will be studied with advantage. They are culled from Father O'Leary's mion-cause:—

Someone is striking me.

I am being struck.

Someone is striking the dog.

The dog is being struck.

Someone is breaking the stones.

The stones are being broken.

They used to kill people.

People used to be killed.

They used to buy horses.

Horses used to be bought.

Cátan 'sam bualao.

Cáim dom bualad.

Cátan as bualar an sarain.

Tá an Badan dá bualad.

Tátan as bhiread na scloc.

Tá na cloca vá mbpireav.

Vici as mapbad daoine.

θίο σοοιπε σά παμθασ.

Dici as ceannac capall.

biod capaill od scean-

We (or they) will be dig- beirdrean as baint phaging potatoes.

CΔ01.

Potatoes will be dug.

Déto phácaoi vá mbainc.

We shall have dug the beit na phátaoi bainte potatoes.

asainn.

If they were breaking Os mberori as buread stones they would not cloc ni bérori ruan. be cold.

they are not cold.

If they are breaking stones Mátatan az bniread cloc ní fuiltean ruan.

THE VERB 1S.

584. A definite noun is one limited by its nature or by some accompanying word to a definite individual or group.

The following are definite nouns:-

- (a) The name of a person or place (but not a class name like Saranac).
- (b) A noun preceded by the definite article.
- (c) A noun preceded by a demonstrative adjective.
- (d) A noun preceded by sac (because it means each taken individually).
- (e) A noun followed by any other definite noun in the genitive case.

Any noun not included in the above classes is an indefinite noun.

585. Whenever a definite noun is the subject of a verb in English, and the verb in is employed in translating into Irish, a personal pronoun must immediately precede the definite noun in Irish.

John is the man. 1r é Seagán an rean

WHEN TO USE THE VERB 1S.

586. (a) When the verb "to be" in English is followed by a definite noun, use 1r: as,

I am John.

It is the man.

It is the man.

You are my brother.

James is the man.

It is the woman of the house.

Are you not my friend?

It is not my father.

It mire Seaţán.

It is an reap é.

It is mo ὁερμβράζαιρ.

It is bean an τιξε ί.

It is the woman of the house.

It is bean an τιξε ί.

It is not my father.

It is not my father.

All sentences of this class are called "Identification sentences."

He, she and they in sentences of identity have usually the force of demonstrative pronouns. and are translated by e rin, i rin, iao ran.

(b) When the verb "to be" in English is followed by an indefinite noun if or the may be used, but with very different meanings. Whenever we use the verb if in such a sentence we convey the idea of "classification," or species: as, if

amimite bo. A cow is an animal, &c.; or we lay stress on what the person or thing is at the time being, without any thought that he has become what he, or it, is. For instance, a father, enumerating to a friend the various positions in life of his children, may say, Ir ceannuide Seumar, ir razant Seagan, agur ir rean otiże Miceat: James is a merchant, John a priest, and Michael is a lawyer. He should not use ta in such a case, as he considers simply what each is at the time being. When ta is used we convey the idea that the person or thing has become what he (or it) is, and that he (or it) was not always so. Suppose a father is telling what professions his sons have adopted, he should say, tá Seumar 'na ceannuide, &c. In such constructions the verb ta must be followed by the preposition 1 or a, and a suitable possessive adjective.

(c) The difference between the and it is well exemplified by the two sentences it ream é and the remplified by the two sentences it ream é and the remplified by the two sentences it ream é and the remplified and the rempli

(d) When the indefinite noun after the verb "to be" in English is qualified by an adjective, the verb if or the may be used according to the idea we wish to convey. If we wish to express a "condition sentence" (i.e., one which has reference to the state or condition of the subject at the time in question), we use the otherwise we employ if, e.g.,

He is a small man. Tá rể 'na tean beat.

He is a useful man. Tá rể 'na tean toặanta.

She was a good woman bí rí 'na mnaoi mait.

(e) When the verb if is employed in such sentences there is a choice of two constructions. In the second construction (as given in the examples below), we emphasise the adjective, by making it the prominent idea of the sentence. The definite article must be used in the second construction.

Ir the break e.

Ir break an the e.

It is a fine day.

Ir order fuar f.

Ir ruar an order f.

It is a cold night.

Ir bo break frin.

Ir break an bo frin.

That is a fine cow,

Mac oiteán vear é rin?
Mac vear an c-oiteán é rin?

Isn't that a pretty island?

(f) When a simple adjective follows the verb "to be" in English, either ir or a may be employed in translating, as,

Honey is sweet, ir mitir mit or cá mit mitir. He is strong, ir táioin é or cá ré táioin.

587. The beginning of a sentence is naturally the place of greatest prominence, and is usually occupied in Irish by the verb. When, however, any idea other than that contained in the verb is to be emphasised, it is placed immediately after the verb 17, and the rest of the sentence is thrown into the relative form.

For example, "We went to Derry yesterday," would be generally translated: Cuaro runn 50 Ooine ince: but it may also take the following forms according to the word emphasised.

We went to Derry yester. 1r rinne vo cuaiv 50 day. Onne invé.

We went to Derry yester- 1r 50 Toine to cuard day.

We went to Derry yester- 1p inde do cuaid pinn so day. Ooine.

588. The Yerb 1S is then used.

- (1) To express Identity, e.g., 1r é Conn an pi.
- (2) ,, Classification, ,, 1r pi Conn.
- (8) ,, Emphasis, ,, 1r moé vo cuaro run so Oome.

POSITION OF WORDS WITH 1S.

589. The predicate of the sentence always follows IS: as,

Dermot is a man,
They are children,
John is a priest,
Coal is black,
A cow is an animal,
Turf is not coal,
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590. Sentences of Identification—e.g., Conn is the king—form an apparent exception. The fact is that in this sentence either the word "Conn" or "the king" may be the logical predicate. In English "king" is the grammatical predicate, but in Irish it is the grammatical subject, and "Conn" is the grammatical predicate. Hence the sentence will be, 17 é Conn an pl.

591. In such sentences, when two nouns or a pronoun and noun are connected by the verb 17, as a general rule, the more particular and individual of the two is made grammatical predicate in Irish. The converse usually holds in English. For instance, we say in English "I am the messenger," but in Irish 17 mire an teactaire (lit. "the messenger is I"). Likewise with the following:—

You are the man, Ir tú an reap.

He is the master, Ir é rin an maisirtip.

We are the boys, Ir rinne na buacaittí.

592. Sentences like "It is Donal," "It is the messenger," &c., are translated if é Dominatt é, if é an ceaccaire é. Here "é Dominatt" and "é an ceaccaire" are the grammatical predicates, and the second é in each case is the subject.

It is the master, 1r é an maigirein é.

He is the master, 1r é rin an maigirein.

(The underlined words are the predicates.)

593. In recent times we often find such sentences as "1r é an maigirtin," "1r é an reap," &c., for "It is the master," "It is the man," in which the last é, the subject of the sentence, is omitted.

Translation of the English Secondary Tenses.

594. The English Present Perfect Tense is translated by means of the Present Tense of the verb $\tau \hat{\alpha}$, followed by σ' eig (or $\tau \alpha \eta$ eig) and the verbal noun. When σ' eig comes immediately before the verbal noun, the latter will be in the genitive case; but when σ' eig is separated from the verbal noun by the object of the English verb, the verbal noun will be preceded by the preposition $\sigma \alpha$, and will be dative case.

He wrote, Oo γεμίου γέ.

He has just written, Τά γέ το' έιγ γεμίουτα.

He broke the window, Οο υμιγ γέ απ μιππεοιξε

το υμιγεατ.

He has just died, Tá ré o' éir báir o'ragait.

595. The word "just" in these sentences is not translated into Irish, and the word after o' err is in the genitive case.

596. When the English verb is transitive there is another very neat method of translating the secondary tenses. As already stated, there is no verb "to have" in Irish: its place is supplied by the verb τά and the preposition Δ5. Thus, "I have a book" is, τά teaban α5 am. A similar construction may be used in translating the secondary tenses of an English transitive verb. The following sentences will illustrate the construction:—

I have written the letter, Tá an titip pepiobta azam.

I have struck him, Tá pé buaitte azam.

Have you done it yet? Opuit pé beunta azat pop?

I have broken the stick, Tá an maide bpipte azam.

597. The English Pluperfect and Future Perfect are translated in the same manner as the Present Perfect, except that the Past and Future Tenses respectively of $\nabla \Delta$ must be used instead of the Present, as above. The following examples will illustrate the construction:—

He died,
He had just died.

Di ré v' éir báir v' ratáit.

Di ré v' éir na cataoineac

He had broken the chair,

Di an cataoin buirte aise.

The window has just been (Tatan o' eir na ruinneoise broken by a stone, oo bniread te ctoic.

I had written the letter, Sior o' eir na lithe oo

rspiobab.

I shall have finished my work before you will be ready.

béao o' éir chiće oo dun an mo duio oibhe rul a mbéin héió (uttam),

Dérò mo curo orbre chiocnurite agam rul a mbérn pérò.

Prepositions after Yerbs.

598. We give here a few verbs which require a preposition after them in Irish, although they require none in English:—

Seittim vo, I obey.

Umituisim vo, ,,

Curvisim te, I assist.

Innrim vo, }

I tell.

Deinim te,

Tusaim an, I persuade, prevail over.

Tuzaim rá, I endeavour.

lappaim ap, I ask (beseech).

Piarpuizim ve, I ask (enquire).

Seatlaim vo, I promise.

beannuigim vo, l salute.

Cuimnizim ap, I remember.

Denjum an, I catch, I overtake.

Steuram an, I prepare (steur onc, get ready).

teigim vo. I allow, permit.

Comaintizim vo, I advise.

Maitim vo, I forgive, pardon.

reaspain vo, I answer. roupin ap, I help.

Equipment tom, I succeed (lit. It arises with

me).

Tigim te, I confirm, I corroborate.

Cis tiom I can. Spanitim to, I loose.

1mpiţim aμ, I beg, I beseech.

Caitnigim te, I please.

599. Many verbs require prepositions different from those required by their English equivalents.

Labraim ap, I speak of.
Fanaim te, I wait for.
Unactaim an. I treat of.

Tháctaim an, I treat of.

Ceitim an, I conceal from.

Szapaim te, I separate from.

Cuipim rior an, I send for.

Labraim te, I speak to.

Deipim te, I say to.

Δη...te, say, said to (Δη is used only in quotation).

Deipim agaid ap,
Deunaim magad pá,
Cpidim pá,
Dainim te (also do),
Deipim buaid ap,
Cáim bodpuigde ag,
Eircim te,
Dap te,
Staoidim ap,
Cinnim ap,
Suidim ap,

reuc an,

rásaim rtán as, teanaim ve, beinim an...an,

Oiolaim le...an,

Oiotaim ar,
Caitim te,
Cpomaim ap, tornuiţim
ap, tuiţim ap,

I face (for) (a place).
I make fun of, I mock.
I tremble at.
I belong to, I appertain to.
I win a victory over.
I am bothered with.
I listen to.
It seems to.
I call for.
I excel or surpass in.
I pray for; also, I beseech.

I pray for; also, I beseech.
(Suro opainn, pray for us.)
look at (reuc opta, Look at them; reuc iao, Examine or try them).

I bid farewell to.

I stick to.

I take hold of...by: as, He caught me by the hand.
Rus ré an táim onm.
Catch her by the hand,
Dein an táim шири.

I sell to...for, He sold me a cow for £10. Ότοι γε bo trom ap veic bpúncarb,

I pay for.
I throw at.

I begin to (do something).

The Negative Adverb-Not.

600. Young students experience great difficulty in translating the English negative adverb—"not." We here give the various ways of translating "not."

Not, with the Imperative mood, is translated by na.

r, ,, Subjunctive ,, ,, nán.

γ, ,, Yerbal Noun ,, ςan.

Past Tense statement, níon or cap. question, náp or nacap.

All other statement, ní or ca. question, nac, ná.

"If ... not" is translated by muna: * if the verb be in the past tense use munap.

All the above forms are used in principal sentences only. In dependent sentences "that...not" is always translated by nac or na, except in the past tense, indicative mood, when nan or nacan must be used.

11i, aspirates; ca, eclipses. Ca become 'an before in and ruit: e.g., can mé, It is not I.

How to answer a question. Yes-No.

or "No." As a general rule in replying to questions, "Yes" or "No" is translated by using the same rerb and tense as has been employed in the question.

[·] Pronounced morru.

The subject of the verb used in reply need not be expressed, except when it is contained in the verb ending. In English we frequently use a double reply, as "Yes, I will." "No, I was not," &c. In Irish we use only one reply.

Öruit τά τinn? Táim. Are you sick? Yes, or I am.

Raib ré annpoin? ní paib, Was he there? No.

An braca tú Seagán? Did you see John? No. ní paca or ní pacap.

An braca ré an teac? Did he see the house?

Connaic. He did.

An ocuiseann cû? Do you understand? Yes Cuisim.

An otiocraid tú? 111 Will you come? No, l tiocrad. will not.

(b) When the question has been asked with any part of the verb 17, expressed or understood, followed by a definite noun, the English subject must be used in the answer, as also must the verb, except when the answer is negative.

An tú an rean? Ní mire. Are you the man? No.
Mac é rin an rean? 1r é. Is not he the man? Yes,
he is.

Δη b'é rın Seaţán? Non Was that John? No, it b'é. was not.

Notice also the following:-

FIRST SPEAKER.

1 p mire an teactaine.

I am the messenger.

1 in-é rin án rasant.

He is not our priest.

1 f é an reap é.

It is the man.

SECOND SPEAKER.

An tú?

Are you?

Isac é?

Isn't he?

It is not.

(c) Whenever the question is asked by any part of the verb 1r, followed by an indefinite predicate, the word "Yes" is usually translated by repeating the verb and the indefinite predicate, as—

nac ruan an táé? 1r Isn't it a cold day? Yes, ruan. or It is.

11ac mart é? 17 mart. Is it not good? _as, or It is.

An aize atá an t-ainzear? Is it he who has th.

1r aize.

money? Yes.

But in this case the answer may also be correctly given by using the neuter pronoun each. Ir each (or 'reach) for "yes;" ni h-each for "no."

An maroard é pin? 11í Is that a dog? No.

An Sapanac é? 'Searo. Is he an Englishman? Yes.

Mac mart 6? 'Seat. Isn't it good? It is.

(d) When the question is asked with "who" or "what," the subject alone is used in the answer, and if the subject be a personal pronoun the emphatic form will be used, as—

Cia pinne é rin? Mire. Who did that? I did.

CHAPTER VI.

The Preposition.

602. As a general rule the simple prepositions govern a dative case, and precede the words which they govern: as,

Cámis ré o Concais. He came from Cork.

Cus ré an c-uball vo'n He gave the apple to the mnaoi. woman.

Exceptions. (1) The preposition roup, "between," governs the accusative case: as, roup Concars agur Lumneac, between Cork and Limerick.

(2) So vei,* meaning "to" (motion), is followed by the nominative case.

Cuaro ré 50 oci an ceac. He went to the house.

^{*50} or is really a corrupted form of the old subjunctive mood of the verb cigim, I come; so that the noun after 50 or was formerly nominative case to the yerb.

(3) The preposition zan, "without," governs the dative in the singular, but the accusative in the plural: as,

Tá ré san céitt. He is without sense. San án scáince. Without our friends.

603. The words timeeatt (around),* thaths or thearns (across), coir (beside), rate (along), cumber or the (towards), toirs (owing to), total, total, and [iomtura] (as to, or concerning), although really nouns, are used where prepositions are used in English. Being nouns, they are followed by the genitive case.

Unail re rate na rhoine é. He struck him along the nose.

An mbéro cú as out cum Will you be going to an aonais i mbápac? (towards) the fair to-morrow?

To put ré timécatt na He ran around this place. n-áite reo.

To cuadan tharna an They went across the field guint eonna. of barley.

For the so-called compound prepositions see par. 608, &c.

604. The prepositions 1 (in) and te (with) become in and terr before the article: eg., in an teapan in

[•] The meanings given in parenthesis are the usual English equivalents, not the real meaning of the words.

[†] The m in this word is pronounced !!ka n.

the book; terp an bream, with the man. In Munster 6 (from), we (off, from), wo (to), arge (=ag, at, with), and some others take r before the plural article—6 r prapart, from the men; wo r prapart, to the cows.

605. The simple prepositions cause aspiration when the article is not used with them: as, Δη. Βάρη απ όπωιο. On the top of the hill. Γυαιρ γέ ὁ γέαρ απ τιζε έ. He got it from the man of the house.

Exceptions (1) The prepositions az, at; te, with; ar, out: zo, to, cause neither aspiration nor eclipsis; as, To ture ré te zott. He fell by Goll. Cuaro ré zo Daile-Ata-Cuat. He went to Dublin.

San, without, may aspirate or not.

- (2) The preposition 1 or A, in, causes eclipsis even without the article: as, Oí ré 1 5 Concais. He was in Cork.
- 606. The simple prepositions, when followed by the article and a noun in the singular number, usually cause eclipsis: as, an an mbaμη, on the top; o'n brean, from the man; 'ran mbale, at home.

Exceptions. (1) The prepositions oo,* to, and oe, of, off, from, when followed by the article, usually cause aspiration, though in some places eclipsis takes place.

E,o or 50 oci is usually used for "to" when motion to is implied (the Latin acc. of motion). Too is usually used for "to" when no motion is implied (the Latin dative).

Aspiration is the more common practice: vo'n reap, to the man; ve'n minaon, from the woman. They prefix t to r; as, tus ré vo'n trasant é. He gave it to the priest. Sa (=inr an) usually aspirates in Munster; ra vorsa môr, in the big box.

(2) When zan, without, is followed by the article it produces no change in the initial consonant following: as, zan an rion, without the wine; but if the following noun be masculine and begin with a vowel, or be feminine beginning with r, t is prefixed: as, zan an t-eun, without the bird; zan an truit, without the eye.

In the Northern dialect aspiration takes place after the preposition and the article.

607. When a simple preposition ending in a vowel comes before the possessive adjective Δ (his, her, or their), or the possessive Δη, our, and υμη, your, the letter n is inserted before the possessive: as, te n-Δ tāim, by his hand; τρέ n-Δ mυσραίο, through their palms; te n-Δη ζουίο, with (or by) our portion; te nυμη οτοίτ, with your permission.

Except the prepositions oo and oe, which become o'.

Whenever 50 or te comes before any other word beginning with a vowel the letter n is usually inserted: as, 6 majoin 50 n-oroce, from morning till night; 50 n-Albain, to Scotland; te n-easta, with fear. (See par. 29.)

608. In Irish certain nouns preceded by prepositions have often the force of English prepositions. As nouns they are, of course, followed by a genitive case, unless a preposition comes between them and the following noun, when the dative case naturally follows. Such locutions are styled in most grammars "Compound Prepositions," and to account for their construction they give the rule "Compound Prepositions are followed by the genitive case."

609. We give here a fairly full list of such phrases employed in Modern Irish.

along with; on the side of. 1 brannad, 1 briadnuire, 1 Látain, in the presence of. or comain. or coinne, before; face to face. ar ucc,) for the sake of, for the love of An ron, under the pretext of. an rsat. 1 brocain, along with, in company with. 1 Oceanca. 1 000000. concerning; with regard to. at the end of. 1 Sceann, ré véin, for, (in the sense of going for). 1 Scoinne. ré béin. towards. 1 mears. among, amongst.

on again, 1 n-35310. an read, le h-earba, an ruo, 1 5001p, (1 500moin), an cul. I noiaio, can éir, v'éir, 1 Scoinnib, 1 Scoinne, 1 Scupparde, cun, (cum), o' ionnparde, o' ionnpaisio, te coir,) coir, 1 n-euroan. oo néin, or cionn, can ceann, le h-air. 1 Scarceam, 1 mit, 1 n-ain beoin, 1 n-aimbeoin, le h-asaro. 1 n-AICE.

opposite.
against.
throughout (used of time).
for want of.
throughout (used of space)
for, for the benefit of.
behind, at the back of.
after (used of place).
after (used of time).
against.
concerning, about.
to, towards.

towards.

beside, by the side of (a sea, a river, &c.)

against.

according to.

over, above.
beyond, in preference to.
beside, by the side of.
during.

in spite of.

for, for the use of

near.

610. Some of them are followed by Prepositions

taim te, near, beside.

1 n-ξαρ το, near.

τιπό ε att αρ, around (and touching).

map έ e att αρ, on account of.

map aon te, along with, together with.

1 n-é in react te, together with, at the same

611. Examples—(1) Nouns.

Do cuin ré or cionn an He put it over the door.

time as.

Connac 1 n-aice an Tobain

1 n-son-oise le.

Oo pić an sadap i noiaid an chionnais.

Cia bi i brocain Seumair?

To tus ré dom an capall ro le h-asaro an crasanc.

Tramparo.

ni țuit teiżear an bit i n-ażaio an báir.

Oo cuaro re ra vein na scapall.

An read an lae.

An ruo na cine.

I saw them near the well.

The hound ran after the

fox.
Who was along with

James?

He gave me this horse for the priest.

I shall come back after the summer.

There is no remedy against death.

He went for the horses.

Throughout the day.
Throughout the country.

Tá ré le coir na raiphse.

Tá ré le coir na raiphse.

To cuip ré an lúb tim
ceall an mo ceann.

According to this book.

He is beside the sea.

He put the loop around my head.

612.

(2) Pronouns.

He came after me.

Do not go after these.

Who was along with him?

I shall do that for your sake.

Did you buy this one for

Did you buy this one for me?

I was opposite them.

The lark is above us.

Were you near us?

He was near me. They came against me.

Translation of the Preposition "For."

613. (a) When "for" means "to bring," "to fetch," use γά σέιη, α 5-coinne, or α5 ιαρμαίο, followed by a genitive case; or α5 τριαίι αρ: as,

Go for the horse. Téig ag thiall an an gcapall. He went for John. Cuaid ré ré déin Seagáin.

(b) When "for" means "to oblige," "to please." use oo, followed by the dative case: as,

Do that for him.

Deun rin oo.

Here is your book for you. 'Seo our oo teaban.

Use oo to translate "for" in the phrases "good for," "bad for," "better for," &c.: as,

This is bad for you. Ir otc outc é reo.

- (e) When "for" means "for the use of," use te h-azaro, followed by a genitive case, or oo with dative.
- I bought this for the Ceannuitear é reo te priest. h-azaro an crazaine (DO'N Trasant).

He gave me money for tus ré ainsead dom led' you. asaro.

- (d) When "for" means "duration of time" use te, with the dative case, if the time be past, but an read or 50 ceann, with the genitive case, if the time be future. In either case past and future are to be understood, not with regard to present time, but to the time of the action described.
- (1) He had been there for bi re ann te bliadain a year when I came. nuain táinis mé.
- (2) He stayed there for a 'O' fan ré ann an read year. (50 ceann) bliaona

In the first sentence the year is supposed to be completed at the time we are speaking about, and is, therefore, past with regard to the time we are describing.

In the second sentence the time at which the action of staying (if we be allowed to use the word "action") took place at the very beginning of the year that he spent there. The year itself came after the time we are describing; therefore it is future with regard to that time

It will be a great assistance to the student to remember that an read or 50 ceans are used when in the English sentence the fact is merely stated, as in sentence (2); and that to is used when a secondary tense ought to be used in the English sentence, as in sentence (1).

(e) When "for" means "for the sake of," use apron followed by a genitive case.

He toiled for a little gold. Saochung ré an ron beag.

- (f) When "for" is used in connection with "buying" or "selling," use an followed by a dative case. He bought it for a pound. Ceannuity fe an punc é. I sold it for a shilling. Violar an resitting é.
- (g) "For" after the English verb "ask" is not translated in Irish.

He asked me for a book. O' sapp re teadap opm.

Ask that man for it. Sapp an breap rose é.

(h) "For" after the word "desire" (σάιι) is usually translated by ι (=in): as, Desire for gold, σάιι ι n-όρ or, σάιι της απ όρ. (i) The English phrase "only for" very often means "were it not for," "had it not been for," and is translated by muna morato, followed by a nominative.

Only for John the horse Muna mbead Seasán do would be dead now. bead an capall manb anoir.

614. Note the following Examples.

I have a question for you. To play for (a wager). To send for.

A cure for sickness.

To wait for.

For your life, don't tell.

He faced for the river.

They fought for (about)
the Fiannship.
Don't blame him for it.

I have great respect for you.

This coat is too big for me.

What shall we have for dinner?

It is as good for you to do your best.

Tá ceipt agam ont.

1mint an (geall).

piop to cun...an.

(leigear i n-agaid tinnip.

), an tinnear.

ranamaint te. An o' anam, ná h-innir. Tus ré a agaió an an abainn.

Ċηοισεασαη um an υγιαπημιξεαές.

Má cuip a mitteán aip (its blame on him).

Τά mear món αξαπ ορτ.

Τά an cóτα γο μό-mόμ τοm.

Cardé biar againn an an noinneun?

Tá ré com mait agat vo víceatt vo veunam.

615. Translation of the Preposition "Of."

(a) Whenever "of" is equivalent to the English possessive case, translate it by the genitive case in Irish.

The son of the man.

The house of the priest.

The house of the priest.

The house of the priest.

There are cases in which the English "of," although not equivalent to the possessive case, is translated by the genitive in Irish.

The man of the house. pean an tige. A stone of meal. Ctoc mine.

(b) Whenever "of" describes the material of which a thing is composed, or the contents of a body, use the genitive case.

A ring of iron.

A cup of milk.

A glass of water.

Táinne tapainn.

Cupán bainne.

Stoine uirse.

(c) When "of" comes after a numeral, or a noun expressing a part of a whole, use oe with the dative; but if the word after "of" in English be a personal pronoun, use one of the compounds of as with the personal pronouns.

The first day of the week. An deup to be'n treact-

One of our hounds.

Many of the nobles
One of us was there.

Ceann o' án ngaonaib.

Mópán de na h-uaiptib.

bí duine againn ann

Some of them.

Curo aca.

One of these (persons). Ouine aca ro.

A test is used for "half of it" or "half of them."

(d) When "of" follows "which," use be with nouns, and as with pronouns.

Which of the men?

Cia (ciaca) be na reapaib?

Which of us?

Cia asainn?

- (e) When "of" means "about" use timeiott or ra. They were talking of the biopan as came timeiott matter. an nuoa.
- (f) "Of" after the English verb "ask," "inquire," is translated by ce.

Ask that of John. Framuit rin be Seatan.

(g) When "of" expresses "the means" or instrument" use te or ve.

He died of old age.

Fuain ré bar le rean-aoir.

He died of hunger.

Puain ré bar leir an ochar.

He died of a seven days' ruain ré bar de salan sickness.

react la.

(h) Both of us.

Sinn anson.

Both of you.

Sib anaon.

Both of them.

Stat anaon, tat anaon.

616. Further Examples.

He is ignorant of Irish.

Tá ré ambriorac inr an nsaevilis.

The like of him. A tercéro (his like). Such a thing as this. A leitéro reo de nuo.

Don't be afraid of me. na biod eagla ont pomam.

A friend of mine. Capa dom.

A friend of yours. Cana ouic.

A horse of mine. Capall tiom.

A horse of Brian's. Capall le Unian.

I have no doubt of it. ni fuit ampar asam aip.

A man of great strength. rean ir mon neart. Oisin of mighty strength Oirin ba theun neart a'r

and vigour. Luċ.

(ba is the past tense of ir in the previous sentence.) I think much of it. Tá mear món agam ain.

CHAPTER VII.

Classification of the Uses of the Prepositions.

45, AT. 617.

1. To denote possession (a) with ta.

I have a knife. Cá rsian asam. Cá aitne agam an an I know that man. breap roin.

(b) With other verbs:

Coimeáo ré an rgian aige He kept the knife for him.
réin. self.

O' ras re aca 100

He left them to them.

2. It is used in a partitive sense, of them, &c.

Anyone of them.

Sac son aca.

Each one of them.

- 3. With verbal nouns to translate the English present participle:
 - (a) active Tá ré as buatao an buacatta.

 He is beating the boy.
 - (b) passive—Tá an buacaitt agá ('ġá) buatao.

 The boy is being beaten.
- 4. With verbal nouns followed by oo, meaning "while."

As out voit. While they were going.

5. To express the agent or cause with passive verbs.

Tá an étoc gá (agá) tógáit The stone is being raised by James.

The English preposition at when used with as semblies, e.g. market, fair, school, &c., is usually translated by Ap.

618.

ar, on, upon.

- 1. Literal use: an an mbopo, on the table.
- 2. In adverbial phrases:

(a) TIME.

an batt, just now, by and by. an read, during.

Lá an Lá, day by day.

An maioin, in the morning.

An uainib, by times.

An an Lácain, immediately.

(b) PLACE.

Ap bit, in existence, at all.

Ap cút, behind.

Ap τροιί, in school.

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Ap τροιί, in school.

Ap τροιί, in heaven.

Ap τρορο, on board.

Ap τροιί, in the point of.

Ap τροιί, in heaven.

Ap τροιί, in existence, at all.

Ap τροιί, in school.

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Ap τροιί (με τροι

τρί τροιξτε αρ του (τοιο), three feet long.

αρ τειτεου, ,, wide.

αρ οιήνοε, ,, high.

αρ οιήνηε, ,, deep.

(c) CAUSE.

ap an Addap roin, for that ap teatchom, under opression.

ap ron, for the sake of.

ap easta so, for fear that.

ap teatchom, under oppression.

ap coit, according to the will of.

on a faro, literally on its length.

an eizin, hardly, by com- an cosa, at the choice of pulsion.

(d) MANNER AND CONDITION.

an con an bic, on any condition.

an an moo, in the manner.

an asaro, forward.

asaro anasaro, face to face.

teat an teat, side by side.

an tarao, ablaze.

an cumar, in the power of.

beasan an beasan, little

by little.

an cainoe, on credit.

an veith, in the form of.

an riubal, in progress.

an a taigear, at least.

an air, back.

an scút, backwards.

an tharna, breadthwise.

an rán,

an reachán,

an meirse, drunk.

an rovan, trotting.

an iaract, on loan.

3. In numbers:

Τρί α**ρ ἐιċιο, 23.** Τρίοṁαο αρ ἐιċιο, 23rd.

4. (a) Before the verbal noun, which it eclipses or aspirates to form the past participle active.

Δη συπασ απ σομαιγ σόιο Having shut the door, σ' imtigeaσαμ. they went away.

(b) With the possessive adjective a and verbal noun to form perfect participle passive.

Δη n-a cun i n-easan as, Edited by.
Δη n-a cun amac as Connnat na Saetitse, Published by the Gaelic League.

5. Emotions felt by a person:

Care, sorrow, &c.

Thirst, hunger, need, sick-

ness.

Fear.

Joy.

Tá imnibe, bhón opm.

Tá cape, ochap, earbaid, cinnear opm.

Tá eagla, raitéigr onm.

Cá tútšáin, opm.

6. In phrases:

Tiootacao an, favour (conferred) on.

Cion, zean an, affection for.

Colar, rior, aithe an, knowledge of, acquaintance with.

Spain ap, horror of, or pust ap, hatred of. disgust with.

Cá ampar asam aip, I suspect him.

Cumaco an, power over.

Duard an victory over. ondin an, honour (given) O' flacato an, } gation to.

Ta baotal an, there is danger.

Cuimne an remembrance of.

Caraoro ap, complaint Seanán an, against.

Flac an, debt due from.

Cumar an, power over, capacity for.

Praca an claim upon.

The ceangal an, of obli-O' watac an.

In the above phrases the agent is expressed by as where possible, tá spát, sean, eotar, cumne, &c., asam onc.

7. AR is used after various classes of verbs.

(a) Verbs of motion upon or against (striking, inflicting, &c.).

Impim pian ap. Ceitsim ap (te). I punish.
I throw at.

Carat an.

Met.

Carao an rean onm.

I met the man.

To sat re ve clocato onca. He threw stones at them.

(b) After the verb beirim.

Beipim ap.

I call (name), (an before person), induce, persuade, compel a person (to do something).

Deipim jappact ap.

I attempt (something or to do something).

Beipim viot ap. Beipim* rå n-veapa ap, I requite, repay (a person).
I cause, make (a person do something).

Beinim spat ap. Beinim miniusat ap. I love (fall in love with), &c.

I explain.

(c) After the verb beiRim.

Deipim ap ap.

I catch, seize (a person) by (the hand, &c.).

beinim an.

I overtake, I catch.

Deipim breiteamnar ap,

I judge, pass judgment on.

Deipim buaro ap.

I conquer.

^{*} Cuipim may be used in this sense.

(d) After verbs of Praying, Beseeching, Appealing to.

lappaim ap. I ask, entreat (a person).

5 uroim ap.

I pray for (sometimes 1 pray to); but generally guroim cum θέ an ron &c.

I pray to God for.

1mpifim sp. I beseech.

(e) After verbs of Speaking about, Thinking of, Treating of, Writing of, &c.

Labraim ap, I speak of. Smuainim ap, I think of. Cháctaim ap, I treat of. Sphíobaim ap, I write of, Cuimnisim ap, I remember. or about.

(f) Verbs of looking at:

reucam an or reapcam an. I look at.

(g) Verbs of threatening, complaining, offending displeasing, &c.

Daspaim ap. I threaten.

Soillim ap. I am troublesome to.

Seivim tocc sp. I find fault with.

(h) Verbs of concealing, neglecting, hindering, for bidding, refusing, &c.

Ceitim an. I conceal from.

Toinmeargain an. I hinder or forbid.

Faitlifim ap. I neglect.

(i) Verbs of protecting, guarding, guaranteeing against.

Seacain cú réin an an Take ochucaill rin.

Seacam vo tám an an getoic pin.

Take care of yourself from that car.

Take care! That stone will hurt your hand.

8. (a) Cuinum is used with verbal nouns and adverbial phrases beginning with Δη:

Cuipim ap cpic.
Cuipim ap coimeáo.

Cuipim ap coimeáo. Cuipim ap reachán.

Cuipim ap cáipioe.

Cuipim on Scut.

Cաւրւտ որ ուստում.

I put in a tremble.

I put on one's guard.

I set astray.

I put off, delay, postpone.

I put aside.

I reduce to nothing, I annihilate.

(b) Also with many nouns:-

Cuipim ceipt ap.

Cuipim comaoin ap.

Cuipim chainn an (tan).

Cuipim cuma ap.
Cuipim Saipim (piop) ag.
Cuipim táin ap.

Cuipim teiżear ap.
Cuipim turbescan ap.

Cuipim moitt ap.
Cuipim coipimears ap.
Cuipim impide ap.

I question.

I do a kindness to.

I cast lots for.

I arrange.
I send for.
I set about.

I apply a remedy to I lay a snare for

I delay.I hinder.I beseech.

9. Snim is used with many nouns meaning "I inflict...on."

Śním basap ap.I threaten.Śním buaropeao ap.I trouble.Śním caraoro ap.I complain of.Śním euscoip ap.I wrong.

İnim realt ap.

I act treacherously towards.

İnim γmacτ αρ.

I exercise authority over,
I restrain.

Šním bneičeamnar an. I judge, pass judgment upon.

Šním paine an. I watch.

619. AS, OUT OF, FROM.

1. Literal use: out of, from, &c.

Cuaro ré ar an tiż. He went out of the house.

Out ar an mbeataro. To depart from life.

2. With various other verbs:

Ouipigim ar coolao. I arouse from sleep.
Cuipim ar reitö. I dispossess.

Chocaim ar. I hang from.

Curpum aram. I utter (a shriek, &c.).

Léigim ap.

I let off.

Sphiopaim ap.

Tuicim ap a céite.

To fall asunder.

Tappains ap a céite.

To pull asunder

8. To express origin, cause; ground of proof; confidence, trust in:

Ar 50c aino. From every quarter.

Socap to baint ap. Derive benefit from.

An pát ar. The reason why.

An ro ruar. Henceforth.

1r rottur ar. It is evident from.

Toncuizce ap. Inferable from.

Muinizin ap. Confidence in.

4. After verbs, of boasting or taking pride in:

maoroim ar. I boast of.
Stonman ar. Glorying in.

Lanman ar rein. Full of himself.

620. Cun (cum), TOWARDS.

1. Cum is used after verbs of motion:

Cuaro ré cum an cige. He went towards the house

Cun cum raiphse. To put to sea.

2. Before verbal noun to express purpose:

Cámis pé cum an capaill He came to sell the horse.

3. In Phrases, as:

Tabaint cum chice. Sabaim cugam.
Cun cum báir.
Léis cum báir.
Steurta cum oibre.
Cum 50.

Out cum oligead.

To bring to pass
I take for myself
To put to death.
Let die.
Prepared for work
In order that.
I pray to.
To go to law.

621. Oe, FROM, OUT OF.

1. Literal use :

Zuroim cum.

Danim ve. I take from.
Eipigim ve. I arise from.
Tuicim ve. I fall from.

Spanitim de. I loose from (anything)

2. Partitive use:

Opong be na daoinib. Some of the people. One of the men.

reap De muincin Mattamna. One of the O'Mahoney's

Often before the relative it is equivalent to a superlative relative:

beuppar sac nio o's I will give everything I bruit asam. have.

Ir é an rean ir aoinde d' à bracar main.

ní mait leir nío o' á ocusair vó.

He is the tallest man I ever saw.

He does not like anything you gave him.

3. In the following phrases:

ve buis, because o' easta so, lest o' soir, of age oe rion, perpetually be onuim, owing to o' éir, after be beoin, willingly ve ruit te, in expectation of

o' ainice, for certain ve snát, usually ve sníom, in effect oe m' iút, to my knowledge) for lack of, re roit, o' earbaio, want of o' aimoeoin, unwillingly, in spite of ve taoib, concerning

4. After following verbs, &c.:

riappuisim ve. Leanaim De. lioned be (te). Lán be. Snim TASAINT De. Żnim uparo ve. Śnim ... oe Léisim viom.

I ask (enquire) of. I adhere to. Filled with. Full of. I mention. I make use of. I make ... out of (from) ...

I let slip.

5. To translate "with," &c., in phrases like oe teim, with a leap, at a bound.

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TO, TO, FOR.

1. Literal use :

(a) After adjectives (generally with 1r):

cinnte bo, CÓ111 00, éizean vo, mait oo, reapp vo,

certain for (a person). right for (a person). necessary for. good for. better for.

(b) After nouns:

(out) 1 rocan oo, (1r) beata do, (ir) atain oo,

for the advantage of. (is) his life. (is) his father.

(c) After verbs:

Aitnim vo, I command. Unonnaim vo (an) I present to.

Definuitim to, I vouch. Dialtain to, I renounce. safe to.

rospaim vo, I announce to.

Séitaim vo. { I obey or téizim vo. I allo

Onouisim vo, I order.

Cinnim vo, I appoint for. Comamusim vo, I advise.

rosnam vo, I am of use to.

rpeaspaim vo, I answer. Seattain vo, I promise. leigim vo. I allow, let.

Taipbeánaim To, I show

Sabaim vo copaib, I trample. Coistim vo, I spare.

2. To express the agent:

After the verbal noun, preceded by an, az, &c.:
An oceaet annro ooib. On their arrival here.

With the participle of necessity, participles in ion, &c.:

He must not be praised by you.

1r é rin ir invéanca vuic. That's what you ought to do.

3. For its use in connection with the verbal noun see pars. 563, 568, 570.

623.

rá or re, UNDER, ABOUT, CONCERNING.

1. Literal use: as,

Tá ré rá 'n mbopo. It is under the table.

2. rá is used in forming the multiplicatives:

a thi ré vo, twice three.

A vo ré ceatain, four times two.

3. In adverbial phrases:

rá comain, (keeping) for.
rá comain, (keeping) for.
rá ceit, separately.
rá ceit, separately.
rá ceit, separately.
rá ceit, separately.
rá ceit, separately.

5an, WITHOUT.

1. Literal use:

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San pinginn im poca. Without a penny in my pocket.

2. To express not before the verbal noun:

Abain teir san ceacc. Tell him not to come.

625. SO, WITH.

This preposition used only in a few phrases:

generally before test, a half.

Mite 50 test. A mile and a half.

Mite 50 teit. A mile and a half.

Stat 50 teit. A yard and a half.

826. 50, TO, TOWARDS.

1. Literal use: motion, as-

50 Lumneac. To or towards Limerick

7. In Phrases:

O usin 50 h-usin. From hour to hour.

C noin so ceite. From evening to evening.

O majoin so h-oroce. From morning till night.

627. 1 (in, ann), IN, INTO (Eclipsing),

1. Of time:

Ing an cSampao. In Summer.

2. Of motion to a place:

14η στελέτ i n-Cipinn του Patrick having come into βάσμαις. Ireland.

3. Of rest at a place:

Tá ré 1 n'Ooipe. He is in Derry.

4. In following phrases:

1 n-sompeace te, along with, 1 n-staro, against.

1 noisio, after. 1 5cesnn, at end of.

1 5conne, against. 1 5comap, in front of.

1 brodain, in company with. 1 mears, among.

1 ocimciott, about.

5. After words expressing esteem, respect, liking, &c., for something:

Ouit i n-on. Desire for gold.

6. Used predicatively after Tá:

Cáim im' feantáioin anoir. I am a strong man new.

7. In existence, extant:

ir bheat an aimpin atá It's fine weather we're ann baving

The cost out amac 7 an aimpin fuan acá ann anoir.

You ought not to go out considering the cold weather we have now.

8. Used after tá to express "to be able."

11i bíonn ann réin 10mpoo. He cannot turn.

After cuip, bein, out, in phrases like:

Cuipum 1 Scumme vo. I remind.

Out 1 rocap vo. To benefit.

628. 101R, BETWEEN, AMONG.

1. Literal use:

nor roup na Romándaib, a custom among the
Romans.

Deitrin eaconna, difference between them.

2. 101R...A51!S, BOTH...AND.
101p fairbip azur boct, both rich and poor.
101p acap azur mac, both father and son.
101p caopcaib azur uanaib, both sheep and lambs.
101p feapaib ir minaib, both men and women.

629. te, WITH.

1. Literal use, with:

terr an maon, with the steward.

2. With ir to denote possession:

1r tiomra é. It is my own. It belongs to me.

Cia teir 120? Who owns them?

8. With 17 and adjectives to denote "in the opinion of:"

1r riú tiom é. I think it worth my while.
To b' rapa teir. He thought it long.

4. To denote instrument or means:

Opirearo an ruinneos te The window was broken ctoic. by a stone.

Tuain ré bár teir an ochar. He died of hunger.

lorgad te ceinid é. He was burned with fire

5. After verbs or expressions of motion:

Amać teir, Out (he went).

Siap Lib! Stand back!

O' imtis ri téiti, She departed.

6. With verbs of touching; behaviour towards; saying to; listening to; selling to; paying to; waiting for:

Eirc tiom, Listen to me.

Dannim te, I touch.
Labraim te, I speak to.

Oiotar an bó teir, I sold the cow to him

Ná ran tiom, I o not wait for me.

7. After words expressing comparison with, likeness to severance from, union with peace with, war with, expectation of.

Tá ré com ano tiom. Tá ré cormant teat. To ran ré teo.

He is as tall as I. He is like you. He separated from them:

- 8. With verbal noun to express purpose, intention (see pars. 567, 569).
- 9. In following phrases:-

te h-asaro, for (use of), te h-ucz, with a view to. tam te, near. te n-sir, beside. Le ranaro, downward.

te coir, near, beside. man aon te, along with taob te, beside.

mar, LIKE TO, AS. 630.

1. Literal use: as, like to.

agur man rin be, and so on man rin, thus To stac re man ceite i. He took her for a spouse. rá man adubaint ré, (according) as he said.

2. Before relative particle a, it is equivalent to as how, where, &c.

an sic man a paib ré, the place where he was.

3. For an idiomatic use of man, see par. 353.

631. O, FROM, SINCE.

1. Since (of time): as,

o tur, from the beginning. o form, ago.

Conjunction: as,

O nac bracar puro an bic, tángar abaite apir. Since I saw nothing I came home again

2. Of place, motion from:

O Eininn, from Erin.

3. In a modal sense:

δο όμοιός, with all thy heart.

booc δ (1) γρισμαιο, poor in spirit.

4. After words expressing severance from, distance from, going away from, turning from, taking from, exclusion from, cleansing, defending, protecting, healing, alleviating.

632. OS, OVER.

Used only in a few phrases as:

or conn, above, over. bun or conn, upside down. or frot, silently, secretly. or and loudly.

633. ROIM, BEFORE.

1. Of time:

Deid noimio poim (dun) Ten minutes to three.

a thi.

Roune reo. Before this, heretofore, formerly.

Roime rin. Previously.

2. Of fleeing before, from; coming in front of; lying before one (=awaiting); putting before one (=proposing to oneself):

Cibé cuipear poinc é reo Whoever proposes to do

3. After expressions of fear. dislike, welcome, &c.:
nábiod easta opt pompa. Do not be afraid of them.
Fáitte pomat (pomat)! Welcome!

634. TAR, BEYOND, OVER, PAST.

1. Of motion (place and time):

Léim ré tap an mbatta. He leaped over the wall. An mi reo gab topainn. Last month.

2. Figuratively: "in preference to," "beyond."

 ταρ παρ το γε το compared with what it was mbliating pice at 6 γοιη.

 αρ το δο γοιη θου με το δου

Cap map buo otišče ač od. Beyond what was lawful for him.

3. In following phrases:

can eir, after.

out cap, transgress. ceact tap, refer to, treat of tan air, back.

Can ceann so, notwithstanding.

635. CRÉ, (CRÍ), THROUGH, BY MEANS OF.

1. Physically, through:

The n-a tamait. Through his hands.

2. Figuratively, "owing to":

Unio rin.

Owing to that.

N.B.—In the spoken language caro is generally used instead of the or thear.

um, ABOUT, AROUND. 636.

- 1. Time: um cháchona, in the evening.
- 2. Place: um an cis, around the house.
- 3. About: of putting or having clothing on.

To curpeavan umpa a They put on their clothes. Scuro éavais.

4. Cause: uime rin, therefore.

PARSING.

- 637. A. Parse each word in the following sentence: Apen Seumar zum teir rein an capatt po bi aige (Prep. Grade, 1900).
 - An irreg. trans. verb, indic. mood, present tense, analytic form of the verb σειμιπ (verbal noun, μάσ).
 - Seumar A proper noun, first declen., genitive Seumar, 3rd pers. sing., masc. gen., nom. case, being subject of avery.
 - Sup A conjunction used before the past tense: compounded of 50 and 10.
 - ['v] The dependent form, past tense, of the verb 17.
 - Leir A prepositional pronoun (or a pronominal preposition), 3rd pers. sing., masc. gender. Compounded of te and ré.
 - rein An indeclinable noun, added to terr for the sake of emphasis.
 - The definite article, nom. sing. masc., qualifying the noun capatt.
 - capatt A com. noun, first declen., genitive capatt, 3rd pers. sing., masc. gend. and nom. case, being the subject of the suppressed verb ['b].

- Oo A particle used as a sign of the past tense, causing aspiration; but here it has also the force of a relative.
- ví An irreg. intrans. verb, indic. mood past tense, analytic form of the verb cáim (verbal noun, veic).
- ange A prepositional pronoun, 3rd sing.,
 masc. gender, compounded of ag
- B. Parse the following sentence: To cur ri room mona ap peaps-tapad i n-vion tige na recoite majoin tae beatcaine. (Junior Grade, 1900).
 - Oo A particle used as the sign of the past tense, causing aspiration.
 - A reg. trans. verb, indic. mood, past tense, analytic form of the verb cuipim (verbal noun, cup).
 - fem. gend., conjunctive form, nominative case, being the subject of the verb curp.
 - Foo A com. noun, first declen., gen. For Brd pers. sing., masc. gender, accusative case, being the object of the verb curp.

- mona A common noun, third declension, nom moin, 3rd pers. sing., fem. gender, and genitive case, governed by the noun roo.
 - A preposition, governing the dative case.
- οελης-ιλητά A compound verbal noun, genitive σελης-ιλητά, 3rd pers. sing., dative case, governed by the preposition λη.
 - A preposition, governing the dative case, and causing eclipsis.
 - olon A com. noun, first declens., gen. oin, 3rd pers. sing. masc. gender and dative case, governed by preposition 1.

(N.B.—This word may also be second declension).

- pers. sing., masc. gend., genitive case, governed by the noun pion.
- The definite article, genitive sing. feminine, qualifying roote.
- rcoite A common noun, second declension, nom. rcoit, 3rd pers. sing., fem. gend. and genitive case, governed by the noun tike.

maione, 3rd pers. sing., fem. gend.

and dative case, governed by the preposition Ap (understood).

lae-beatcame A compound proper noun, nom. ta beatcame, 3rd pers. sing., masc. gend. and genitive case, governed by the noun maron.

C. Parse: Taim as out cum an aonais (Junior, '98).

Tim An irreg. intrans. verb, indic. mood, present tense, 1st pers. sing., synthetic form, of the (verbal noun, beit).

A prep, governing the dative case.

That A verbal noun, 3rd pers. sing., dative case, governed by the preposition ago

cum A noun (dative case, governed by oo understood) used as a preposition governing the genitive case.

an The definite article, gen. sing. masc., qualifying the noun agonats.

A common noun, first declen., nom.

aonac, 3rd pers. sing., masc. gender,
and genitive case governed by cum.

D. Parse: Ti coip out é oo oualad.

A negative adverb, causing aspiration, modifying the suppressed verb r.

[17] The assertive verb, present tense, aboute form.

comparative cona, qualifying the phrase é po tratap.

ouic A prep. pronoun, 2nd pers. sing. compound of oo and τú.

A personal pronoun, 3rd pers. sing., nom. case, disjunctive form, being the subject of the suppressed verb ir.

A preposition, causing aspiration, and governing the dative case.

pers. sing., dative case, governed by the preposition vo.

N.B.—E To bualar is the subject of the sentence.

E. Parse: Camis re le capall a ceannac.

Tainis An irreg. intrans. verb, indic. mood, past tense, 3rd pers. sing. of the verb tisim (verbal noun, teact).

- A pers. pron, 3rd pers. sing., masc. gen., conjunctive form, nom. case, being the subject of tams.
- A preposition governing the dative case.
- capatt A common noun, first declens. gen.
 capatt, 3rd pers. sing., masc. gend.
 and dative case governed by te.
 - The softened form of the preposition oo, which causes aspiration, and governs the dative case.
- ceannac. A verbal noun, genitive ceannuiste, 3rd pers. sing., dative case, governed by the preposition a.

IDIOMS.

ca...azam, I HAVE.

in Irish. Its place is supplied by the verb to followed by the preposition as. The direct object of the verb "to have" in English becomes the subject of the verb to in Irish: as, I have a book. To tead a some The literal translation of the Irish phrase is "a book is at me."

This translation appears peculiar at first sight, but it is a mode of expression to be found in other languages. Most students are

familiar with the Latin phrase "Est mihi pater." I have a father (iit. there is a father to me); and the French phrase Ce livre st à moi. 1 own this book (lit. This book is to me).

We give here a few sentences to exemplify the idiom:—

He has the book.

I have not it.

Have you my pen?

The woman had the cow.

The man had not the horse.

Will you have a knife tomorrow?

He would not have the dog.

We used to have ten horses.

Tá an teaban aige.

Mí puit pé agam.

An bruit mo peann agar?

Bí an bó ag an missoi.

Mí paib an capatt ag an brean.

An mbéid pgian agar

i mbánac?

Mí biad an madha aige.

To bíod deid gcapailt

1s tiom, I OWN.

asainn.

639. As the verb "have" is translated by ca and the preposition as, so in a similar manner the verb "own" is translated by the verb 1S and the preposition te. Not only is the verb "to own," but also all expressions conveying the idea of ownership, such as: The book belongs to me: the book is mine, &c.; are translated by the same idiom.

I own the book.

The book is mine.

The book belongs to me.

The horse was John's.

The horse belonged to John.

John owned the horse.

Notice the position of the words. In translating the verb "have" the verb that is separated from the preposition as by the noun or pronoun; but in the case of "own" the verb of and the preposition to come together. (See par. 589, &c.)

I have the book. Tá an teaban agam. I own the book. In tiom an teaban.

In translating such a phrase as "I have only two cows," the noun generally comes after the preposition as: so that this is an exception to what has been said above.

I have only two cows. ni fuit agam act dá buin.

I KNOW.

640. There is no verb or phrase in Irish which can cover the various shades of meaning of the English verb "to know." First, we have the very commonly used word readap (or readap mé), I know; but this verb is used only after negative or interrogative particles, and has only a few forms. Again, we have the verb attnizim, I know; but this verb can only be used in the sense of recognising. Finally we have the three very commonly used phrases, tá eolar agam,

cs aitne agam, and cs a fror agam, all meaning "I know;" but these three expressions have three different meanings which must be carefully distinguished.

Whenever the English verb "know" means "to know by heart," or "to know the character of a person," "to know by study," &c., use the phrase τά eolar a5...ap.

Whenever "know" means "to recognise," "to know by appearance," "to know by sight," &c., use the phrase to aitne as...ap. This phrase is usually restricted to persons.

When "know" means "to know by mere information," "to happen to know," as in such a sentence as "Do you know did John come in yet?" use the phrase tá a fior as, e.g. bruil a fior asat an ocámis Seasán irceac for?

As a rule young students experience great difficulty in selecting the phrases to be used in a given case. This difficulty arises entirely from not striving to grasp the real meaning of the English verb. For those who have all eady learned French it may be useful to state that as a general rule to ectar as am corresponds to je sais and to atone as am to je connais

Cá aithe agam ain att ní fuit eotar agam ain. Je le connais mais je ne le sais pas. I know him by sight but I do not know his character. "Do you know

that man going down the road?" Here the verb "know" simply means recognise, therefore the Irish is: bruit aithe agat an an bream roin atá ag out ríor an bótam? If you say to a fellow student "Do you know your lessons to-day?" You mean "Do you know them by rote?" or "Have you studied them?" Hence the Irish would be: "Oruit eotar agat an to ceactannait inou?"

Notice also the following translations of the verb

r mait ir eot vom, 'Tis well I know.
r riorac (rearac) vom, I know.
Teipim an puro acá an I say what I know.
eotar agam,

I LIKE, I PREFER.

641. "I like" and "I prefer" are translated by the expressions 1r maic (áit, aic) tiom and 1r reapp tiom (it is good with me; and, it is better with me).

I like milk.

Ir mait tiom bainne.

He prefers milk to wine.

Ir reapp terr bainne ná ríon.

Does the man like meat? An mait terr an bream reoit?

Did you like that?

An mait teat é fin?

I liked it.

Da mait tiom é.

We did not like the water. Niop mait tinn an t-uirge

642. If we change the preposition "te" in the above sentences, for the preposition "oo," we get

another idiom. "It is really good for," "It is of benefit to." In main from é. It is good for me; (whether I like it or not).

He does not like milk but it is good for tim. Ni mait terr banne att ir mait vo é.

N.B.—In these and like idiomatic expressions the preposition "te" conveys the person's own ideas and feelings, whether these are in accordance with fact or not. It find the theorem out 50 h-Albam. I think it is worth my while to go to Scotland (whether it is really the case or not). It more thom an tuac poin. I think that a great price. It pusped them e pin. I think that trifling (another person may not).

The word "think" in such phrases is not translated into Irish.

Ir riu ouit out so n-Albain. It is really worth your while to go to Scotland (whether you think so or not).

TIS LIOM, I CAN, I AM ABLE.

643. Although there is a regular verb reuraim, meaning I can, I am able, it is not always used. The two other expressions often used to translate the English verb "I can," are tig tiom and if reiring tiom.

The following examples will illustrate the uses of the verbs.

Present Tense.

reuvaim, tis tiom* or if reivin tiom,†

I can, or am able.

reuvain tú, tis leat or if reivin teat.

&c., &c.

Negative.

ni remodim, ni tis tiom; or I cannot, I am not able.

Interrogative.

An ociz teat? or

Can you? or are you able?

Negative Interrogative.

nac ocis teip? or

Can he not? or is he not able?

Past Tense.

O' fewar, taining thom, or fewar, taining thom, or was able.

Imperfect.

O' feurainn, tizear tiom. I used to be able.

^{*} Literally: It comes with me. † It is possible with me.

Future.

Feuopao, ciocpaió tiom. I shall be able.

Conditional.

D' feurpainn, vo tiocpard I would be able.

Ní péroip teip,

ní réivili vo,

(He thinks) he cannot.

He cannot (It is absolutely impossible for him).

I MUST.

644. The verb "must," when it means necessity or duty, is usually translated by the phrase ni rutain or cartero. This latter is really the third person singular, future tense of cartim; but the present and other tenses are also frequently used. It may also be very neatly rendered by the phrase, if éigean oo (lit. it is necessary for).

ni pután dom, carcrió mé, or I must.

ní putáin duit, caitrid tú, or you must.

ní ruláin dó, caitrid ré, or he must. ir éizean dó &c., &c.

The English phrase "have to" usually means "must," and is translated like the above: as, I have to go home now. Cartro me out a barte anor.

The English verb "must," expressing duty or necessity, has no past tense of its own. The English past tense of it would be "had to:" as, "I had to go away then." The Irish translation is as follows:—

nion b'fulan dom, Cait mé, or I had to.

Mion b'futain duit. Cait tú, or You had to. oo b'éizean duit. &c., &c.

bruit cuipre onc.

The English verb "must" may also express a supposition; as in the phrase "You must be tired." The simplest translation of this is "ni rutain 50 bruit cumpe one," or, "ni rutain no ca cumpe one." The phrase "ir coramant 50," meaning "It is probable that," may also be used: as, ir coramant 50

The English phrase "must have" always expresses supposition, and is best translated by the above phrase followed by a verb in the past tense, as, "You must have been hungry," In rulain 50 nais ocnar onc. He must have gone out, In rulain 50 noescaro réamac.

ní ruláin zun cuaio (or 50 noea ζαιο) ré amac, is used in Munster.

1 ESTEEM.

645. I esteem is translated by the phrase Tá mear azam ap. Literally, "I have esteem on.

I esteem John. Did you esteem him? He says that he greatly Dem re 50 bruit mear esteems you.

Tá mear agam an Seagán. Raib mear agat ain? món aise ontra.

I DIE.

646. Although there is a regular verb, eug, die, in Irish it is not often used; the phrase serom bar, I find death, is usually employed now. The following examples will illustrate the construction:-

The old man died yester- ruain an rean-rean bar day. We all die. I shall die They have just died. You must die.

moé. Šeibmio uite bár. Šeobao bár.

Táio can éir báir o'fagáil Cartrio tu bar o'tagail.

I OWE.

647. There is no verb "owe" in Irish, Its place is supplied by saying "There is a debt on a person.

Tá riac* onm.

I owe.

Whenever the amount of the debt is expressed the word rise is usually omitted and the sum substituted.

He owes a pound.

Tá púnt ain.

You owe a shilling. Tá raitting onc.

[.] The plural of this word, placa, is very frequently used in this phrase.

When the person to whom the money is due is mentioned, the construction is a little more difficult: as, I owe you a pound, as, Tá púnc agac opm, i.e., You have (the claim of) a pound on me—the words in brackets being always omitted.

He owes me a crown.

Here is the man to whom
you owe the money.

Tá conóin agam ain.

Seo é an rean a (50)

bruit an t-aingead

aige ont.

I MEET.

648. The verb "meet" is usually translated by the phrase "there is turned on," e.g., "I meet a man" is translated by saying "A man is turned on me." Captar rear orm (trom or foom); but the phrase buantzear (or tarta) rear orm is also used. I met the woman, σο carao an bean orm (trom or foom).

They met two men on the Too capar being feath onta road.

I met John.

Ou capar being feath onta an an mbótap.

Uualt Seasán umam.

Physical Sensations.

649. All physical sensations, such as hunger, thirst, weariness, pain, &c., are translated into Irish by saying that "hunger, thirst, &c., is on a person;" as, I

am hungry. Tá ochar ohm. Literally, hunger is on me. He is thirsty. Tá cant air. Literally, thirst is on him.

The same idiom is used for emotions, such as pride, joy, sorrow, shame, &c. The following examples will illustrate the construction:—

Upuit ochap ont?

Mi puit ochap ohm anoip.

Ui an-capt ohainn inoé.

Ui ana capt ohainn inoé.

Ui maipe opéa?

Ui náipe an chaogait uippi.

Dérò bhóo món ain.

Raib cuipre opt?

Ná bíoò eagta opt.

Cá ana cootaò opm.

Cá rtagoán opt.

Are you hungry?
I am not hungry now.

We were very thirsty yesterday.

Are they ashamed?
She was very much ashamed.

He will be very proud.
Were you tired?
Don't be afraid.
I am very sleepy.
You have a cold.

Whenever there is a simple adjective in Irish corresponding to the English adjective of mental or physical sensation, we have a choice of two constructions, as:—

I am cold.

Τά mế τμαρ or τά τμικότ* ομπ.

You are sick.
Τά τίπ τιπη ,, τά τιπηε αρ ομτ.

(or bμεοιτε)

I was weary. Vi me cuppead ,, bi cuppe opm.

^{*} Distinguish between rtagean a cold (a disease) and ruact, the cold, coldness (of the weather) and the adjective ruan, cold.

Tá mé tinn and tá tinnear opin have not quite the same meaning, Tá mé tinn means I feel sick; but tá tinnear opin means I am in some sickness, such as fever, &c.

I CANNOT HELP.

650. The English phrase "I cannot help that," is translated by saying I have no help on that. It full neare again air rin. The word teigear, "cure," may be used instead of neare.

When "cannot help" is followed by a present participle in English, use ni {péadaim réidin tiom} gan, with verbai noun: as, I cannot help laughing, ni {péadaim réidin tiom} gan gaipide.

I AM ALONE.

651. There are two expressions which translate the English word "alone" in such sentences as I am alone, He is alone, &c., i.e., ζάιμ μα ασιαμ, οτ ζάιμ τισμ τέιμ (I am in my oneship, or I am by (with) myself). He is alone. ζά τέ πα ασιαμ, οτ ζά τέ τειτ τέιμ. She was alone. Ծί τῖ 'na h-ασιαμ, οτ δῖ τῖ τέιτι τέιμ. We shall be alone. Φέιμιτο 'nάμ n-ασιαμ. οτ bέιμιτο tinn τέιμ.

I ASK.

652. The English word "ask" has two distinct meanings according as it means "besech" or "inquire." In Irish there are two distinct verbs, viz.,

1 appaim, I ask (for a favour), and piappuisim, I ask (for information). Before translating the word "ask" we must always determine what is its real meaning, and then use μαρμ or piappuis accordingly.

Ask your friend for money. 1app appear ap rocapare.

Ask God for those graces.

Ask him what o'clock it is. He asked us who was that at the door.

They asked me a question.

1 app an Öia na ξράγτα γοιπ α ἐαδαιρτ σιπτ.
Γιατριπιξ σε cao α ἐτος έ.
Ο' ἐιατριπιξ γέ τόπη ετα'ρι δ'é rin aς an τοριας.

O'flarhuigeadan ceirc

653. I DO NOT CARE.

I do not care.

It is no affair of mine.

Is it not equal to you?

It is no affair of yours.

You don't care.

He does not care.

It is no affair of his.

We did not care.

It was no affair of ours.

They did not care.

1p cuma tiom.

1p cuma dom.

1lac cuma duit?

1p cuma duit.

1p cuma teat.

1p cuma teip.

1p cuma do.

Da cuma tinn.

Da cuma duinn.

Va cuma teo.

(See what has been said about the prepositions te and oo in the Idiom "I prefer," par. 642.)

I OUGHT.

Ought you not have gone to nán cóin ouic out 50 Derry with them? Ooine teo?

He ought not have gone Mion coin to imteact. away.

English Dependent Phrases translated by the Yerbal Ngun.

655. Instead of the usual construction, consisting of a verb in a finite tense followed by its subject (a noun or a pronoun), we very frequently meet in Irish with the following construction. The English finite verb is translated by the Irish verbal noun, and the English subject is placed before the verbal noun. If the subject be a noun it is in the nominative form, but if a pronoun in the disjunctive form.

The following examples will exemplify the idiom:-

I'd prefer that he should be To b'reapp trom & To there rather than myself.

Is it not better for us that these should not be in the boat.

I saw John when he was coming home.

I knew him when I was a boy.

The clock struck just as he was coming in.

beit ann ná mire.

Nac ream oumn san 130 ro oo beit ing an mbao.

Connaic mé Seagán agup é as teact a baile.

Di aithe asam ain asur mé im buacaill.

To buail an clos agur 6 AS TEACT IFTEAC.

Idiomatic Expressions.

cuir.

Cuin onmra é.

Cuinimpe ontra é.

Cuin umac (ont).

Cuip an capt so mon ain.

Cuipreadra d'flacaib ont read.

Cuip iacall ain é (a) téanam.

ná cuip opm 7 ní cuipread onc.

Cuip ré a pian.

Cuin ré ronó onm.

Cuin ré rpeic (or runan) onm.

Cuinear nomam a béanain. Tá cun ríor (tháct or

10mpát) an an 5005at. Cum ré culaid éadais dá beanam.

Cuin ré 'na tuige onm.

Cuin 1 5cáp sun raisoiún mire.

Cuin an bun.

5 Copicais.

cúiceam.

Say it was I did it.

I say it was you did it.

Dress yourself.

Thirst annoyed him

greatly.

I'll make you stop.

Make him do it.

Don't interfere with me and I will not interfere with you.

He tracked him (her, them).

He addressed me.

I resolved to do it.

There is talk about the war.

He got a suit of clothes made.

He convinced me of it. Suppose me to be a soldier.

Established.

Cuip (bain) re raoi i He settled down in Cork.

Tá ré as cun 'r as He is debating in his mind.

Cabair.

Cabain ruar.

Cá ré cabanta.

Cá ré buaitce ruar.

Ca ré custa (cabanta)

Taban Too opum terr.

Cadall do opinim teir.

Cusar ré noeáp(a) an rotar.

Cá ré tabanta ruar.

tus pé ruar.

Cá cabapta puar aise.

Ir beacaiptiphine y éiteac

bo tabaipt b'á céile.

Cá cabaipt puar món ain.

Surrender.

He is played out.

He is addicted to that vice.

Turn your back to him. I noticed the light.

He has been given up for dead.
He gave in.

He has given in.
It is hard to reconcile truth and falsehood.

He is highly educated.

véan.

Déan nur an ro mátain. Ní réantar té nur onm. Nac mait nac nreánnair téin é!

Mac mait ná véanann tú péin nuo an vo mátain? Muain tuigeavan a feabar vo vinir (pinnir) an

beant. Déan aine (vo) tavaint

vov knó pém. Véan vo knó pém.

Tabain aine poo snó réin.

Obey your mother.

He would not oblige me. How well you didn't do it yourself!

Why don't you obey your mother yourself?

When they understood how well you had done the trick.

Mind your own business.

Déan na ba oo chuo Milk the cows. (bleasan).

An noeannair an conur Did you shut the door? To thingt or

Cá ré as véanam opainn. He is coming towards us.

1m亡1去.

Conur (cionnur) o' imtis How did he get on? terr?

Cao o' imtit ain?

nuain tuiceann nuo man reo amac.

Cao imteocar onm? (Creur especiar room?) What became of him? What happened to him?

When something like this happens.

What will become of me?

nā.

Oob' é an céao oume oo The first person he met buail uime ná Seasán liat.

1r é nuo oob' reapp teir : reircinc 11 á na Saranais 50 téin d'à noibing ar Éipinn.

1ré nuo oo cus anoir cum caince lead me ná me beit i schuab-car.

1r é nuo oo pinne (dein) an rean Nácaiteam leo.

was Seasan trat.

What he wished most to see was the banishment of the whole of the English from Ireland.

What brought me to talk with you now is the fact that I am in difficulty.

What the man did was to throw at them.

tp é pur το tem Séamap annpain 11 á i bponnat aip.

îr é pur averpear sac émne 11á sup mais aip. What James did then was to make him a present of it.

What everyone used to say was that it was a great llessing for him.

mor.

ir mon te pao é.

1γ mój te maorőe**am é.**

thop mor to par é.

Ni móp com pilleat. Ni móp com studipeate. Ni móp linn tout.

Tir móp trom to é.

Mi mon nac (ná 50) bruit pé véanta.

Mí món ná zo mbero ré chiochuigte.

23 mon vom, &c.?

Παό πόμ α το' έιμις τώ!Πί πόιτοε (πό + τιε) ξο μαζατ. It is important.

It is a thing to be proud of, or boast about.

It was not of muck importance.

I must return.

I must take my departure. We have no objection to your doing so.

I don't grudge it to him.

It is almost done.

It will be nearly finished

Why shouldn't I, &c.? lit., how is it too much for me?

How grand you have got! It is not likely that I shall go.

beas.

Ir beas from é. Ir beas opm é. Ir beas asam é.

1r beag an rgéal é.

Ir beas an cabain tú.
Ir beas vá riór asat.
Ir beas nac mitio vó beit as imteact.
Da beas náp mitio vó beit as imteact.
Ir beas a bpís é.
Ir beas má tá éinne i n-éipinn v' réaprav é

déanam.

I consider it too small.

I don't like it at all.

I have no great opinion of him.

It's no great harm. He is not to be pitied.

You are not of much use. 'Tis little you know.

It is nearly time for him to be going.

It was nearly time for him to be going.

It is a trifle.

There is hardly a person in Ireland who could do it.

Miscellaneous.

An éineocaró (ré) tinn?

Dí ré as éinse ruan.

Maic an áic so nabair!

Maic man cápta.

Níon tabain ré riú aon rocat amáin.

San riú na h-anáta oo cappains (tapac).

Piú án nnaoine réin.

It was getting cold.

Well said! or Well done!

It has happened luckily.

He did not speak a single word.

Without even taking

Shall we succeed?

breath.

Even our own people.

Tá ré as out i breabar. Tá ré as out i n-otcar. Abain é!

Mí cuimin tiom a teitéio.

O tápla an leaban agam anoir.

Ca pé geatt te beit pottam Cá pé pottam nac móp. Mi fuit out uaro agac.

Tá an ream ran as out i mbeo opm.

Tá ré i pioét báir.

Tá ré le h-uét báir.

Ir millte(aé) an rgéal é.

Ir caillte an lá é le pliée.

Sgéal gan pat.

Leig (leog) pom réin leo'

cuto cainte. Cao é an cuto atá agatra

de? An duro ir tuga de da uain ra mbliadain.

Copp na h-éascópa. Le copp víomaoinir.

Tá phut be'n ceant aige. Ir team an gnó buit é. He is getting better.

He is getting worse.

Hear! hear! Bravo!

I don't remember the like of it.

As I happen to have the book now.

It is almost empty.

You cannot avoid it.

That man's conduct cuts me to the quick.

He is at the point of death.

It is a terrible affair.

It is a terribly wet day.

A very unlikely story.

Don't annoy me with your talk.

What right (call) have you to it?

At least twice a year.

The essence of wrong.

Through downright lazi-

He is partly right.

ness.

'Tis an absurd thing for you to do.

Cao 'na taob ná ceannuiseann tú bhósa ouic réin? San an t-aipsead oo beit asam.

Tá ré an nór cuma tiom. Cé tá an án otí? Tá ré an oo tí.

Oaoine nác mé.
Öi ceao raon aise an out.
Ir ouat atan oó.
Öi mo tunar i n-airoean.
Ca teiseann tú a tear.
Sosaitte só.

Dero ran 'na marta 7 'na

Šut an a zelú an oá lá

'r an faid a beid spian ra rpéip. Cá ré beasán ruap. Cá ré poinne bodap. Cá ré san beid ap rósnain, Mí fuit an e-ubatt ro aibid i sceape. Mí cúpraide sáipide é.

To Sampa, muna mbead

nac cúir gáinide é.

Why don't you buy boots for yourself? Because I have not the money.

He is indifferent.
Who is intending us harm?
He is bent on attacking
you. He intends to
harm you.

Others besides myself.
He had permission to go.
He has it from his father.
My journey was in vain.
You need not.

A fool's errand; a wild goose chase.

That will be a reproach and a blot on their fame the *longest day* the sun will be in the sky.

It is a little cold.

He is somewhat deaf.

He is a little unwell.

This apple is not quite ripe.

It is nothing to laugh at. You would laugh only that it is not a matter to laugh at. Ili cupratte came é.

Cappains dusar pur éisinc eile man cúppaire masair.

Cadé an gnó atá agat de?

Do bainead iannact de

geit ar.

ni fuit aon san as opéim teir an mbatta.

Mi parb aon marceap 'na Stop.

או שלוספ בשף הצוונסט רפ מח נוכוף.

Sabaim tem' air rin to téanam.

Cáburdeadar a sam ont (ré)

Cáim burdead díot (ré.)

Deipim buideadar ouic man seall (sioll) ain.

Sabaim buideadar teat man teatt ain.

Deio tú véanac (véiveanac) as an thaen,

beið tú béanad an rsoit. Dí cuid ada sá náð so naið beinde (benda) an an mbideamnad.

Егреосаго а срогое ар Озартиго. It is nothing to talk about. Find something else to make fun about.

What do you want it for? He was slightly startled.

There's no use trying to get up on the wall.

In vain did he cry (talk, speak).

Perhaps he did not write the letter.

I propose to do that.

I am thankful to you (for).

I thank you for it.

You will be late for the train.

You will be late for school. Some of them were saying that the rascal was caught.

It will break Dermot's heart.

Szaipe piao ap żáipióib. Munab ope acá an éaine!

Luis an caint so téin an an matalons a bí imtiste an Sabb.

nion imtit opta act an puro a bi cuillre aca.

Čeip opainn ceacc ruar teo.

Cá τέ ας σέαπα αιτριτ απα ταιπτ.

Tá ré an an brean ir raidbhe ra Mumain.

1r voca zup voic teo.

Tá ré buailte irteac im aigne.

loirsead iad 'na mbeataid. Cad adéanrad con an bit

aise?

bí bheir món 7 a sceanc aca dá fasáil.

bí conóin ré'n bpúnt aca vá ragáil.

Di sac uite ouine as oeanam chuais (chuasa) They burst out laughing. What talk you have! If it isn't you have the talk.

The whole conversation turned on the misfortune which had befallen Sive.

They only got what they had deserved.

We failed to overtake them.

He is mimicking his manner of talking.

He is the richest man in Munster.

Probably they imagine. I am firmly convinced.

They were burnt alive.
What will I do at all with him?

They were getting a great deal more than their right.

They were getting five shillings in the pound.

Everyone was sympathising with her.

701.

Commadip too Seasan an té ba pine aca.

Da doic teat ain sun teir an áit.

ní pait a tuaipirs ann.

Com mait agup vá mba ná paib éagcóip ap bit ann.

O'prappurs pé cao pé nocáp an pulc.

Cé'n a mac tú?

ni maitrean puinn ouit.

Ca b'flor out?

A rzéat réin rzéat zac éinne.

Cura ré noeán roin.

Tá znó nac é azam.

ní carre dom réin.

The eldest of them was the some age as John.

You (one) would imagine by him that he owned the place.

There wasn't a trace of him there.

Just as if it were not wrong.

He asked what was the cause of the merriment.

Whose son are you?

You will meet your match.

How did you know?

Everyone is most interested in his own affairs.

You are the cause of that.

I have a different matter to look after.

I am no exception; i.e., I am the same as the others.

The Autonomous Form of the Irish Verb.

It is sometimes necessary or convenient to express an action without mentioning the subject, either because the latter is too general or not of sufficient importance to be mentioned, or because there is some other reason for suppressing it. Most languages have felt this necessity, and various means have been adopted to supply it. The use of the passive voice, or of reflexive verbs, or of circumlocutions, is the method generally a lopted in other languages. In Irish there is a special form of the verb for this purpose. As it has no subject expressed it is sometimes called the Indefinite form of the verb: as it forms a complete sentence in itself it is also called the Autonomous or Independent form.

An English verb cannot stand without its subject. For example, "walks," "walked," etc., express nothing. The English verbs cannot alone make complete sense. The Autonomous form of Irish verbs can stand alone. The word "bualteap" is a complete sentence. It means that "the action of striking takes place." The Autonomous form stands without a subject; in fact it cannot be united to a subject, because the moment we express a subject the ordinary 3rd person singular form of the particular tense and mood must be substituted. Dualteap an bopo. Someone (they, people, we, etc.) strikes the table; but bualteann an reap (ré, riao, na daoine, etc.) an bopo

We shall take the sentence: Ouaitean an Jadan te cloic o laim Cards. The word "buaitean" of itself conveys a complete statement, viz., that the action of

striking takes place. The information given by the single word "buantceap" is restricted to the action. There are circumstances surrounding that action of which we may wish to give information; e.g. "What is the object of the action?" "An zadap." "What is the instrument used?" "Le ctoic." "Where did the stone come from?" "O taim taids." We may thus fill in any number of circumstances we please, and fit them in their places by means of the proper prepositions, but these circumstances do not change the nature of the fundamental word "buantceap."

It may be objected that the word "busitcean" in the last sentence is passive voice, present tense, and means "is struck," and that "an savan" is the subject of the verb. Granted for a moment that it is passive voice. Now since "Duaiteann ouine éigin é," somebody strikes him, is active voice, as all admit, and by supposition "busiteean e," somebody strikes him, or, he is struck, is passive, then comes the difficulty, what voice is "tatan busitte," somebody is struck? Surely it is the passive of "buaitcean"; and if so "buaitcean" itself cannot be passive, though it may be rendered by a passive in English. If we are to be guided merely by the English equivalent, then "buaiteann" in the above phrase is as much a passive voice as "buaitcean," because it can be correctly translated into English by a passive verb: viz., He is struck.

When we come to consider this form in intransitive verbs, our position becomes much stronger in favour of the Autonomous verb. Let us consider the following sentence: Subaltan an an mbotan nuan bionn

an botan tipim, act much bionn an botan find, rubaltan an an sclaide. People walk on the road when it is dry, but when the road is wet they walk on the path. Where is the nominative case of the so called passive verb here? Evidently there is none The verb stands alone and conveys complete sense. If we wish to express the nominative, the Autonomous form of the verb cannot be used. In the above sentence we might correctly say: Siublann ré (plao, pinn, na daoine, etc.), but not piubaltan é (lao, pinn, na daoine, etc.)

Probably classical scholars will draw analogies from Latin and quote such instances as, Goncurritur ad muros. Ventum est ad Vestae. Sic itur ad astra. Deinde venitur ad portam; where we have intransitive verbs in an undoubtedly passive construction, and therefore, by analogy, the true signification of rubattap in the above sentence is "It is walked," and it is simply an example of the impersonal passive construction. Now, if conclusions of any worth are to be drawn from analogies, the analogies themselves must be complete. The classical form corresponding to the Irish Diceap as rubat ap an mbotap mump bionn an botap cipim, etc., or cátap as rubat ap an mbótap cipim, etc., or cátap as rubat ap an mbótap cipim, etc., or cátap as rubat ap an mbótap cipim, etc., or cátap as rubat ap an mbótap cipim, etc., or cátap as rubat ap an mbótap cipim, etc., or cátap as rubat ap an mbótap cipim, etc., or cátap as rubat ap an mbótap cipim, etc., or cátap as rubat ap an mbótap cipim, etc., or cátap as rubat ap an mbótap cipim, etc., or cátap as rubat ap an mbótap analogy is incomplete and deductions from it are of little value.

One of the strongest arguments we have in favour of the Autonomous verb is the fact that the verb "to be" in Irish possesses every one of the forms possessed by transitive and intransitive verbs. The analogy with Latin again fails here. Tátan as ceace,

Somebody is coming. Deropan as ringal, Somebody will be walking. Thum mothis an t-atac so pagear as ceansalt a cor, When the giant perceived that they were binding his legs.

The Irish Autonomous form cannot be literally translated into English, because no exact counterpart exists in English, hence the usual method of translating this form is to use the English passive voice, but the Irish verb is not therefore passive. To give an instance of the incapability of the English language to express literally the force of the Autonomous verb, notice the English translation of the subjoined example of the continued use of the Autonomous verb in an Irish sentence.

"Ait ana-aepead ip ead an ait pin: nuaip biteapead ag Sabait an theo pain i n-am maiph na h-oidde, aipigteap coipideadt d'a déanam 7 pothom map beipide ag pit 7 pothom eite man beipide ag teidead, 7 annpain aipigteap pothom map tiocpaide puar 7 map buaitpide 7 map beipide paoi buatad 7 map buippide, 7 annpain aipigteap map bead deaps-puatap 7 toip."

This passage cannot be literally translated: the following will give a fair idea of its meaning: "That place is frequented by fairies: when one is walking near it in the dead stillness of the night, footsteps are heard and loud noises, as if people were ranning and fleeing, and then other noises are heard as if people were overtaking (those who were running away), and were striking and being struck, and as if they were being broken in pieces, and then are heard noises as if they were in hot rout and pursuit."

The Autonomous form of the verb has a passive voice of its own formed by the addition of the verbal adjective (or past participle) of the verb to the Autonomous forms of the verb to be; e.g., Tátap buaite, etc.

This form of the Irish verb has a full conjugation through all the moods and tenses, active and passive voices; but has only one form for each tense. All verbs in Irish, with the single exception of the assertive verb ir, have this form of conjugation. Ir can have no Autonomous form, because ir has no meaning by itself. It is as meaningless as the sign of equality (=) until the terms are placed one on each side of it.

To sum up then, the Irish Autonomous form is not passive, for—

- (1) All verbs (except 17), transitive and intransitive, even the verb ca, have this form of conjugation.
- (2) This form has a complete passive voice of its own.
- (3) The disjunctive forms of the personal pronouns are always used with it; e.g., bualtean \acute{e} .
- (4) Very frequently when a personal pronoun is the object of the Autonomous form of the verb, it is placed last in the sentence or clause to which it belongs, thus giving a very close analogy with the construction of the active verb, already explained in par. 535. Thop clan dam... Sup rectain the grant scott red me... It was not long until I was driven into this wood. To teigearate of n-a screactain iad. They were healed of their wounds.
 - (5) Lastly, and the strongest point of all, in the

minds of native Irish speakers, without exception, the word buaittean in such sentences as "buaittean an zavan" is active, and zavan is its object. Surely those Irish speakers are the best judges of the true shape of their own thoughts.

We will now give a synopsis of the various forms of the Autonomous verb, beginning with the verb ca.

The Yerb CA.

is, are, *.かたさんこ is not, are not. Mi fuilcean. bicean (bicean). does be, do be. ni bicean. does not be, do not be. Someone, we. they, people, etc. was, were. bitear (bitean). was not, were not. ni nabtar. used to be. bici. will be. beiran, beirean, beidrean, béitean. would be. beiri(de), beidri(de) béití. (Let). be. bicean (If). is, are. má tátan does be, do be. (If). má bicean etc. were, would be.) a mbergi (If). be (for once). (May). 50 nabtan! be (generally). so mbicean! (May). Deinim 50 bruittean, I say that someone, etc., is. Demim na ruitcean, is not.

^{*} tátapp or táta'r. † ruitteapp, puiltea'p.

An Intransitive Verb.

Simbalcan. tátan as plubal. bicean as riubal. าานชีโลซ์. Someone, we, they, people, etc. bicear as riubal. riubaltaoi. bici as riubal. riubalran. beirap as riubal. riubalraoi. beiri as riubal. riubalcan (Let) bicean as riubat (Let) (If). má riubatcan etc. (If). vá riubaltaoi vá mbeirí az riubat (If)

walks, walk. is (are) walking. does (do) be walking walked. was (were) walking. used to walk. used to be walking. will walk. will be walking. would walk. would be walking. walk. be walking. is (are) walking.

would be walking. were walking.

A Transitive Verb.

A noun is placed after the active forms in order to show the cases.

Unaitean an clán.

Someone strikes the table. Tátap as bualao an cláip. Someone is striking the table.

Tá an ctáp vá (\$á) vuatav. The table is being struck Tátan busilte. Tátan ré bualat,

Someone is struck. Someone is being struck.

Vicean as bustad an etain. Someone usually strikes

the table.

To busilead an clap.

Someone struck the table.

Vitear az buatar an étáin. Someone was striking the table.

bí an cláp vá (Śá) buatav. The table was being struck.

Dicear busitee.

Vítear ré vualat. Someone was being struck.

buailtí an cláp.

Someone used to strike the table.

Someone was struck.

Viti az buatad an ctaip.

Someone used to be striking the table.

bici buatce.

Someone used to be struck.

Ouaitran (buaitrean) an ctán.

Someone will strike the table.

beiran as buatao an ctain.

Someone will be striking the table.

beirap buailte.

Someone will be struck.

Unaitrí (buaitrióe) an ctáp.

Someone would strike the table.

Deipi az buatad an cláip.

Someone would be striking the table.

Deiri buailte. Duailtean an clán. Someone would be struck. Let someone strike the

table.

Víceap as buatad an cláin.

Let someone be striking the table

Má buaittean an clán. Má bítean as bualaú an Cláin. If someone strikes the table.

If someone does be striking the table.

etc.

If someone were to strike the table.

Oá mbuaitrí an cláp.

Oá mbeirí az buatar an If someone were to be ctáin. striking the table.

Before leaving this important subject it may not be uninteresting to see what some Irish grammarians have thought of the Autonomous form.

O'Donovan in his Irish Grammar (p. 183) wrote as follows:—

"The passive voice has no synthetic form to denote persons or numbers; the personal pronouns, therefore, must be always expressed, and placed after the verb; and, by a strange peculiarity of the language, they are always 'in the accusative form.'

"For this reason some Irish scholars have considered the passive Irish verb to be a form of the active verb, expressing the action in an indefinite manner; as, bualteap mé, i.e., some person or persons, thing or things, strikes or strike me; bualteap é, some person or thing (not specified) struck him. But it is more convenient in a practical grammar to call this form by the name passive, as in other languages, and to assume that tû, é, î, and lad, which follow it, are ancient forms of the nominative case."

Molloy says in his Grammar, page 62:-

"Verbs have a third form which may be properly called deponent; as busiteen me, I am (usually) beaten; busiteen ü, thou art (usually) beaten; busiteen e, he is (usually) beaten. The agent of this form of the verb is never known; but although verbs of this form always govern the objective case, like active verbs, still they must be rendered in English

by the passive; as, busites 150, they were beaten. Here 150 is quite passive to the action; for it suffers the action which is performed by some unknown agent."

Again at page 99, he says:-

"But there is another form of the verb which always governs an objective case; and although it must be translated into the passive voice in English, still it is a deponent, and not a passive, form in Irish; as, busitees mé, etc. The grammarians who maintain that this form of the verb takes a nominative case clearly show that they did not speak the language; for no Irish speaking person would say busitees pé, pí, piao. It is equally ridiculous to say that é, í, iao, are nominatives in Irish, although they be found so in Scotch Gaelic."

Further on, at page 143, he states again that deponent verbs govern an objective case."

Thus we plainly see that O'Donovan and Molloy bear out the fact that the noun or pronoun after the Autonomous form of the verb is in the accusative case, though the former says it is more convenient to assume that it is in the nominative case!

APPENDICES.

Appendix I.

NOUNS OF THE FIRST DECLENSION.

αθμάη, a song.
αύαρταμ, a halter.
άύδη, a cause.
αύδη, a cause.
απατά, a fool.
απαρ, doubt.
απαρη, doubt.
απαρη, delight.
απικε, delight.
απαρή, bread.
αμάη, bread.
αμάη, bread.
αμάη, an army: pl. αιμπ, αμπα.
ατ, swelling or tumour.
άταρ, gladness.

bio, boat. balban, dummy. (stammerer). bánn, top. bár, death. beagán, a little. biao, food; gen. bio. biopián, a pin. bičeamnač, rascal. blar, taste. bonn, sole, foundation. bóżaji, road; nom. pl. bóitje. bnaván, a salmon. buóo, joy, pride. bnomac, foal or colt. bhón, sorrow. bjuac, brink; pl. bjuaca. burbeacar, thanks. bun, bottom.

caireal,* a stone fortress. catao, harbour.

canbaro, chariot. cann, heap. carán, path. carúp, hammer. cat, cat. ceann, head or end. ceot, music; pl. ceotra. ceuolonzao, + breakfast. cineát, kind or sort. cteamnar, marriage alliance. ctémeac, clerk ctoz, bell, clock. cozaó, war; pl. cozca of cozaróe. copán, cup. cheroeam, faith, religion. cuan, bay or haven; pl. cuanta. cuban, foam. cút, back of the head.

vaot, beetle.

veimearo, end.

viabat, devil.

vinneum, dinner.

vočam, harm

voičeatt, grudge, reserve.

vomam, earth, world.

vonam misfortune.

vomam, door; pl. voimpe.

vuao, difficulty.

vúččam, inherited instinct.

eaphatt, a tail.
eaphac, Spring.
eroean, ivy.
eotap, knowledge.
euroac, cloth, clothes.

[•] This word also means a child's spinning "top."

[†] In spoken language bueicrearta, m., is used for "breakfast."

rapsao, shelter.
ropsao, shelter.
riac, raven; pl. réic or réis.
rocal, a word; pl. rocait or
rocla.
rosman, Autumn.
ronn, tune or air.

ξαδαμ, goat.
ξαόαμ, beagle.
ξαπησαί, gander.
ξαμγύη, a young boy.
ξεάμαμ, green corn.
ξεάμμαλό, young bird
ξίαμ, lock.
ξίόμ, voice.
ξοό, beak (of a bird).
ξηεάπη, humour.
ξυαί, coal.

tanann, iron. (r)totan, eagle. tonao, place. frteán, hellow.

taoξ, calf.

táμ, middle.

teaδμη, a book; pl. teaδμμ,

teaδμα.

teaδμα, leather.

teačμη, leather.

ten, misfortune

tíon, a net; pl. tíonτα.

tón, provision.

toμζ, a track.

mada o r madha, a dog; pl.
madhaide.
madhaide.
madh, a steward.
maht, steer or beeve.
meat, failure.
milleán, blame.
midnán, much, many.

muttac, top; pl. muttaije.

naom, a saint. neaμc, strength. ocpar, hunger. όμ, gold.

pázánac, a pagan.
páipeun, paper.
píobán, windpipe or neck.
ponc, tune or air.
pµeučán, crow.

ηια**n**, track; gen. ηιαιη. ηόο, road. ηúη, secret.

rac, a sack. razant, a priest. razar, kind or sort. ralann, salt. rampao, summer. raosat, life, world. raon, craftsman. artisan. raotan, exertion, work. reabac, hawk. reoo, a precious thing, jews!; pl. reova. rzeul, news; pl. rzeula; rzeulta, stories. rlabnao, chain; pl. rlabnaioa rop, wisp. róμτ, kind or sort. rpioparo, a spirit. rpon, a spur. rρόμτ, sport. rcón, treasure store. ruaimnear, repose.

tamatt, a short space of time.
taoipeac, a captain, a leader.
teattac, hearth.
tropsan, furniture.
try, beginning

Appendix II.

A list of feminine nouns ending in a broad consonant, belonging to the Second Declension.

Nom.	GEN.	MEANING.
α οσης	Δόλιηce	a horn
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h (hó-	bábóize	a doll
bábós	báiroige	rain
bárroeac	bappaise	tow
bannač beač	beice	bee
beann	beinne	a mountain peak
beanac	beamaiże	a heifer
blátac	bláitce or blátaite	buttermilk
bor	boire	palm (of the hand)
brieiż	bneite	judgmer
bneus	bjiéize	a lie
bpiatap	bnéične	word of honour
υ μός	bμόι <u>ς</u> e	a shoe
bjungean	bjuigne	palace, fort
burbean	burone	a troop
cailleac	cailliże	an old woman
	ceilse	deceit.
reals	Cifice	hen
ceáno	céinoe	a trade
ciall	céille	sense
Cian	céine (pl. cianta)	distance
Ciapós	C1Apióize	beetle
cíon	cipie	a comb
clámreac	clámrize	a harp
clann	cloinne or clainne	children
cloċ	cloice	a stone
cluar	cluare	an ear
clúm	clúime	plumage
cnearo	cnerbe	a wound
colpac	colpaiże	a heifer
cor	corre	a foot
Chaob	chaoige	a branch
chaoreac	chaoiriże	a spear
cheac	cheice	plunder
cheve	chei2e	crag
chioc	chice	end
choç	choice	gibbet
chot	choile	cross
Cuac	cuaice	cuckoo
cuiteoz	cuileoize	a fly

Nom.	Gen.	MEANING
DABAČ	vaitée	a vat
oealb	oei÷ be	a form
oeal5	veilze	a thorn
v eoċ	roiże	a drink
voion	oine	protection
boineann	voininne	bad weather
opeac	operce	face, visage
earó5	earóize	a weasel
react	reicte	time, occasion
realiz	reinze	anger
reuróz	reuróize	beard
ritceall	ritcille	chess
rlead	rleroe	a feast
rlears	rleirze	wreath
rneum	rnéime	a root
ruinneoz	ruinneoize	window
ruinnreoz	ruinnreoize	an ash
ruireoz	ruireoize	a lark
m - 9-1 - 5	47.4.7	11//1 0 1
500165	300lóise	a little fork
540t	Zvoice	wind
3estac	zealaize	moon
Seus	Zeize	branch
5105	513e	squeak
Zeililevç	Zeililize	girl
Stoppac	Siojipaiże 1	
3lún	Stuine	knee
Spian	Spéine	sun
Shave	24nv126	hair
1411	éille	thong
ınżean	inżine	daughter
Lám	Láime	hand
larós	laróize	match (light)
Latac	laitce, lataise	mud, mire
Leac	Leice	a stone flag
leat	terte	half, side
tons	tuinge	ship
túb	Lúibe	loop
Luċ	tuice	mouse
		C
meup	méine	finger
mac	muice	pig
neam	neime	heaven

Nom.	GEN.	MEANING.
óinrea č	óinriże	fool (f.)
ομοός	0110015e	thumb
-13	11.1.0	
piare	péirte	reptile
ριαγτός	piarcóise	worm
píob	píbe	musical pips
ptuc	pluice	cheek
pós	póize	kiss
high	péipe	order, regulation
(4	mist o	heel
rát	ráite	hunt
reals	reitze	love
realic	reifice	plough
reirfiead	reiphiże	hawthorn bush
rzeac	rzeiće	knife
TSIAN	· rzine	comeliness
r514m	rséime	ghield
rsiat	rzéite	throat
rzónnac	rzómnarże	scrape
raniob	rshibe	weather
ríon	rine rlaice	rod
plat	roininne	fine weather
romeann	rreile	scythe
rpeal	rplaince	spark, thunderbolt.
Pheane	Sthoine	spain, manacipoin
γμόn	{rnóna	nose
	E401De	side
2400	zéroe	string
ceuo	tuinne	wave
conn		tribe
Theap	τ ₁ ιειδ ε	91100

Appendix III.

an egg

NOUNS BELONGING TO THE THIRD DECLENSION.

(a) All personal nouns ending in óin, úin,

นเซือ

- (b) All abstract nouns ending in Act.
- (c) Verbal nouns in act, ait, and amain.
- (d) The following list:-

นซิ

GENITIVE.	Meaning.
ACTA	decree
`Anma	name
	AĊTA

NoM. GENITIVE. MEANING. Airíoc Airiste, Aireasta repayment, restitution altóin altóna altar anál. anála breath anam anma goul don's AOOA Hugh sor Aora folk, people Áċ ÁČA ford beannact beannacca blessing bain-piosan bain-niozna queen bion beatla a (cooking) spit bić (bioć) beata life blát bláta blossom bliadain bliaona a year blioce bleacta butter-milk bot bota tent, cot buus brosa palace, mansion buacaill buacalla boy buaro victory buaroa buaronne busicespica trouble. Cabaiti савна савнас help Cáin cána tax Easter Cáirs Cársa CAT battla CATA C10n ceana love, desire, affection cior ciora C1t, m. (C10t) ceata shower a trick clear cleara cliamain, m. cliamna son-in-law cnám cnáma bone coolso copalta sleep cóna CÓIN justice compact, covenant connnao connatica cornam coranta defence CHÁO torture, destruction

chába Chilor cheara Chut CHOTA cuanta (or cuante) visit CHAINT Cuio 0004 Dáil oála oán

TAO

peanam

שוני דיים

Onuce

Oranmuro

onuim, m.

account, meeting Dána destiny DATA colour make or shape veanma DIAMMINOA Dermot DOCTUMA doctor dew Topiucta a back &mono

belt

form

part, share

Nom.
éape
euro
eutoro

GENITIVE.

éațica
euroa
eulora

MEANING.
tax, tribute
jealousy
escape, elopement

rát reame reaptainn reiom reoil riacail rion rior Flait ros roślum róznao ruasnao ruact, m. ruarzlao rust ruit

cause, reason a grave, tomb rain service, use flesh, meat a tooth wine knowledge prince a sudden attack learning (decree lannouncement cold ransom, redemption hatred blood

Sleann Sníoṁ Soin Spáȯ́ Speim, m. Spuċ Sut Suċ Sleanna Sníoma Sona Spáða Speama Spota Sola

ruarzluizte

ruata

rola

valley
act, deed
wound
love
a piece
curds
weeping
a voice

ιδημαιό ιδέ ισπάιη ιοπμάό iajijia<mark>ča</mark> iača iomána iomjiáičce

a desire, request land, country hurling (a game) report, notice

teabaó, f.
teact
tionn
tior
toc
toc
toc
tur

teabta
teacta
teanna
teara
toca
tocta
tora

a grave beer, ale a fort lake reproach an herb

a bed

marom marceam meap maite maite meara defeat, rout forgiveness esteem

Non. GENITIVE. MEINING mian desire miana mil meala honey moro no oa manner móin móna bog muin matis sea ó5 6<u>5</u>a a young person olann olna wool ollamain ollamna instruction onóin onópa honour orzlad organtee admission, opening MAT MATA luck neact, m. neacta law нелоса 1110CE a form 111t neata running ramail ramla an equal, like Samain Samna November rsáta shadow rsác rcot reota flower rest resta a space of time 110C reaca frost riotcain riotcána peace rlioce rleades posterity rmace, m. rmacta a curb rnám rnáma a swim ros 1054 pleasure a laver THAIT phata rnón rnona nose rnuc THOTA stream Táittiúin tailor záilliú jia ۇin Links a drove purpose, project Tionpsam DIONIZANTA a will TOIL Tola a strand THÁIT THISA flock, drove THÉATO THÉAUA guide, troop Theolit THEOMA Theur Theura T11017 LUTO117 fight, quarrel Cusim Cuama Tuam ₹uata tribe TUAC מלואנו nama cave

OCTA

ucc

breast

Appendix IV.

THE NOUNS OF THE FIFTH DECLENSION.

The letters in brackets give the termination of the genitive singular.

ab or aba, gen. abann, a river; pl. aibne or aibneaca. Aonτa(-ο), license, permission. Apa(-n), Isle of Arran; pl. Ainne, The Arran Isles. Ana(-n), kidney. beoin (beonac), beer. bjiaža(v), m., the upper part of the breast. bneiteam(an), m., a judge. bpo(-n), a quern, handmill bhoince. caona(c), a sheep; pl. caonis. cana(v), a friend; pl. camoe. catain (-thac), a city, fortress. cataoin (-neac), a chair. ceapoca(-n), a forge, smithy. ceathama(-n), a quarter. clair (-rac), a furrow. corpin(-ppeac), a feast. comupra(-n), neighbour; pl. comumpain. comta(-c), a gate, door. compa(-n), a coffer, cupboard, coffin. conóin(-nac), a crown. cháin(-nac), a sow. cu, gen. con, a hound; coin, cona, hounds. cuit(-ac), a corner. cuirle(-ann), a pulse, vein. oáileam(-an), a cup-bearer. vaiji(-ac), an oak. oeanna(-n), palm of the hand. vite(-ann), flood, deluge; pl. oileanna, oileanaca talada(-n), science, learning. earaonta(-o), disagreement, disobedience. earcu (compound of cú), an eel. eipipi(-ppieac), an oyster. eocain (eochac), a key. eonna(-n) [or gen. same as nom.],

barley.

reatram(-an), m., philosopher. reiceam(an), m., debtor. reoin(-ac), The Nore. rιοξαιμ(ac), a sign, mark. rice(ao), twenty. rożail(żlac), plunder. 5aba(-n), m., a smith; pl. zaibne Spáin (Spánac), hatred. Suata(-n), a shoulder; Suailne, Suailleaca. ionza(-n), a nail (of the finger); pl. ingne. lača(-n), a duck. táin (tánac), a mare. lánama(-n), a married couple. tarain (tarnac), a flame. tátain (táthac), a level plain. teaca(-n), m., a cheek; pl. leacaineaca. tunga(-n), the shin; pl. tungne mainipoint'-cheac), a monastery. meanma(-n), the mind. míte(-ao), a soldier, warrior. náma(-v), an enemy; pl. námoe. nootais (nootas), Christmas. ollam(-an), a doctor, professor peanra(-n), a person. pražart (pražtać), a rule. noża(-n), a choice; pl. nożnaca, pożameaca. ráit (rátac), a beam. reanza(-n),a cormorant. rtáit (rtátac), a stallion. tál(-ac), a wedge. catam, gen. catman, land. Teamain (Teampac) Tara. ceanza(-n or o), tongue: ceanzia. τεομα(-n), boundary, limit. uille(-ann), an elbow. ulċa(-n), a beard unra(-n), a door-jamb.

Appendix V

A LIST OF IRREGULAR VERBAL NOUNS.

VERB.	MEANING.	VERBAL NOUN.
abaiji	say	náti
40muis	confess	40máil
20111413	00222000	a o mai o
bain	snatch, take*	baine
beigi	bear, carry	bneit
blis	milk	bligian
bunic	cook	bhuit
buain	reap.	busine
Outil	reap.	o warne
caill	lose .	cailleamain
CAIĊ	throw, open, consume	carteam, carteat
ceannuis	buy	ceannac
ceil	conceal	ceitz
céim	step	céim
Cinn	determine	cinneamain
ctaorò	defeat	claoi
comeuro	watch, guard	coimeuro
Connecto		scorppeasan
corpus		corpleasar
corrs	prevent	cors
complate	fight	compac
cozath	whisper	cozah
conzaib	keep	congbáit
compuis	stir, move	coppuize
corain	defend	cornain, coraint
Cheip	believe	cheipeamainz
Cuiti	put, send	cult
Curp	put, send	cult
oeatimao	forget	veatimav
roiot	sell	viol
סיוטוןסי	shut (M. move towards)	mוסווווןס
σύιριζ	awake	σύιγελότ, σύγξατ
01.0		ourlance, oul 2
éns	die	éas
éilis	claim	éileam, éiliugao
émis	rise, arise	éiniże
éirc	listen	éirceact
•		
raż	find, get	ražáil
rás		págáit
ran	wait	ranamaint

[.] To take a thing not offered is "bain;" but when offered. "glac"

VERB.

rár rear ream

reic reuc riarjiui5 różluim

roill róin Fliearoait

rulains

rua15

ruazain (rózain)

500

Sáin seall zéim 51000 5tuair Soil Zuió

1411 implear 1mt15 innip 10mcain 10mpuis ioc 10nal 10nnpuis

lea5 lean té15 ling Lomain luis

1ċ

main maic mear MEANING.

grow whistle

pour out, shower

behold, look ask, enquire learn suit, fit help, succour attend, serve

sew

announce, proclaim

suffer

take, go call promise bellow, low

journey, go weep pray

try, ask, entreat contend, wrestle go away tell

carry turn pay wash approach eat

knock down follow let, allow leap strip, pull off lie (down)

live, exist forgive think

VERBAL NOUN.

reavisail reantain reicpinc reucaint Flappuije różluim roilleamaint róinitin rhearoal ruazait

(FUASAINE, FUASIA (rózna

rulans

Suroe

Sabáil Sáijini Seallamain zéimneac or zéimeao Slaobac Sluapaco Sol

14μμαιό impearzáit 1mteact innrinc 10mcan 10mpóro ioc ionlat 10nnrui**50** ıte

leasan leanamaint Léizean tomaine, tompao luise

j maipeačtain mantain maiteam mear

Verb oil ól Meaning.
nourisb
drink*

VERBAL NOUN.
orleamaint
61.

sell arrange dance run divide

pieic piérôceac piinnee piic pioinne

ranit rear reinn think stand play (an instrument) separate paoilpin peapam peinnm papamaine

rsan rsmor rsun rubait

destroy, erase cease walk slay swim stop rsapama rspor rsup rubat rtáo rnám rcao ruice

rláo rnám rcao ruió

give offer draw

fling

wind

sit

Eagarg Earrains Earrains Eeagars

collist control contro

lift search for, pursue forsaken, abandon understand earn, deserve

alight, descend

teach, instruct

tochar togail togains toimigeact theigean tuignint, tuipgint (tuilleam

cuilling

{

tuilleam

tuilleamain

tuilling

Appendix VI.

A LIST OF VERBS BELONGING TO FIRST CONJUGATION

bac, stop, hinder, meddle. ban, snatch, take. bac, drown. bec, bawl.

bos, soften.

bliż, milk.
bpip. breik.
bpiuż, bruise.
buait, beat.
buait, give success.

[.] Drunk, meaning intoxicated, is not otta, but "ap men se

caill, lose. caoin, lament. cait, waste, spend, eat or cast. cam, bend, make crooked. can, sing. caoc, blind. car, twist, turn, wind, wry. ceap, think. ceao, allow, leave, permit. ceit, hide, conceal. cinn, resolve. cion, comb. claoro, defeat. claon, bend, crook. corrs, stop, hinder. chait, shake. choc, hang. chero, believe, trust. cuit, tremble, quake. cnom, bend stoop,. chom an, set about. cum, form, shape. cuip, put, send. cuin an bun, establish. cuin caoi ain, mend.

ολοη, condemn, blame.

σεληδ, ascertain, assure.

σελησ, look, observe, remark.

σεληπλο, forget.

σιης, press, stuff, push.

σίοt, sell.

σόιξ, burn, consume.

σόιητ, spill, shed.

σημιο, shut, move.

συλλ, plait, fold.

σύπ, close

éire, listen.

rain, watch, guard.
rains, squeeze, crush.
ran, stay, wait, stop.
ran, stay, wait, stop.
ran, grow.
reat, deceive, cheat.
reann, flay, strip.
rean, pour out, shower.
reuc, behold, look.

ritt, return, come back.
reudaim. I can.
rtiuc, wet, moisten, drench.
roitt, suit, fit.
róin, help, relieve, succour.
różtuim, learn.

ξάιμ, shout, call.
ξεαίι, promise.
ξεαμμ, cut.
ξείιι, obey, submit.
ξιας, take, reserve.
ξιαη, cleanse.
ξιαού, call.
διαιμ, journey, travel, go.
ξοιο, steal
ξοιι, weep, lament.
ξοιη, wound.
ξραιμ, sign, mark.
ξυιό, pray.

ιαμη, ask, seek, request, be seech. ioc, pay, atone. ic, eat

tap, light, kindle, blaze.
teas, throw down.
tean, follow, pursue.
téis, read.
téis, grant, suffer, permit.
téim, leap.
ting, leap, bounce, start.
tíon, fill, surfeit, cram.
toips, singe, scorch, burn.
túb, bend, crook.
tuis, lie.

main, last, exist, remain.
main, kill, murder.
mait, forgive.
maot, wet, steep.
meatl, deceive, defraud.
mear, estimate, think.
meat, fade, wither.
mitl, spoil, destroy.
mot, praise.
mún, teach, instruct.

nears, tie, join.

oit, nurse, cherish.
oin, suit, fit.
ót, drink.

ptéarz, crack. póz, kiss. pott, pierce, penetrate. preab, spring, leap.

neic, sell. neub, tear, burst. nit, run, flee. noinn, divide. nuais, pursue, rout.

ráit, thrust, stab.
raoit, rít, reflect, think.
raop, deliver.
rgaoit, loose, let go.
rguip, cease, desist.
rear, stand.
réio, blow.

reot, teach, drive, sail.
reinn, play (music).
rzan, separate, divide.
rzniob, write.
rzniop, sweep, scrape, destroy.
rit, drop, let fall, sink.
rin, stretch, extend.
rméro, beckon, wink.
rtuz, swallow.
rnám, swim, float.
rzao, stop.
rzao oe, desist.
ruro, sit.

τωίης, offer.
τωίτ, choke.
τετ. flee.
τόξ, choose, select.
τός, take up, lift.
τριαδ, plough, till.
τριοιο, fight, quarrel.
τυιτ, understand.
τυιτι, earn, deserve.
τυιτ, fall.

Appendix VII.

LIST OF SYNCOPATED VERBS.

αζαιμ, entreat (avenge). αιτιπ, recognize.

bazain, threaten.

carsain, slaughter.
ceansail, bind.
cisit, tickle.
coisit, spare.
codail, sleep.
copain, defend.
cuimit, rub.

oibin, banish.

eicit, fly.

różam, serve.
rneagam, answer.
rneagam, answer.
(r)orzant, open.
ruzam, proelam.
rutams, suffer.
rurzant, relieve.

innip, tell.
ingil, graze.
imip, play.
iomėaip, carry.
ioobaip, offer.

Labain, speak. Lomain, strip, bara

múrzait, awaken.

ratzain, trample.

I. -painn

2. -rá.

3. -raio

comail, consume, eat.

το carl, root.
ταμμαιης, draw.
τιο noil, gather.
το c μαιρ, wind.

cuipling, descend.

Appendix VIII.

ENDINGS OF THE REGULAR VERBS IN PRESENT-DAY USAGE.

Broad	Terminations.	Slender	Terminations.	
Imp	erative.	Imperative.		
SING.	PLU.	SING.	PLU.	
1. —	{-amaoir (-amuir).	1. —	{-imir (-eamuir). -eam.	
2. [root]	-A10	2. [root]	(-eam.	
3AÖ.	-101p, -40101p.	3e.s.o.	-10íp.	
Prese	nt Tense.	Pres	ent Tense.	
	-amaoro, -amuro.		-ımio (-ımıo).	
2 31/1.			-eann pib.	
3ann.	-410.	3eann.	•1°O.	
Impe	erfect.	Imp	erfect.	
	-amaoir (-amuir).			
	-a0 pib.		-פּאסׁ דְיוֹס.	
SAO.	· 10000 (-100001).	3eaó.	-101p.	
Pas	t.	P	ast.	
1ar.	-amap.	1esp.	-eaman.	
2air.		21γ.		
3. [no ending]-20211.	3. [no endir	igj -eavan.	
Fut	ure.	Fu	ture.	
1paro.		lreso.	-rimio (-rimio)	
	-paro pro.		-rio rio.	
3paro.	-pa10.	8 Fro.	-r10.	
Condi	tional.	Cond	itional.	

1. -pinn.

2. - reá.

3. -read.

-pamaoir (-pamuir).

- rato rib. - rator (- rator).

-rimir (-rimir).

-read pib.

-rroir.

Appendix IX.

EARLY MODERN FORMS OF THE VERBS.

1S.

We give only those forms which have not already been given in the body of the Grammar.

Dependent Present: -pab; (as in zupab, that it is, vapab, to which or whom it is; munab, if it is not).

Obsolete Dependent Present: -αό; (as in zonαό, that it is, το αποό, to which or whom it is). This form occurs frequently in early modern writers. A remnant of it is found in the word zισό or ziō, though it is.

Past: ra.

The form pa of the past though frequently found in early modern writers is now obsolete.

Dependent Fast: - p ba (sometimes written - p bo), as in sup ba, that it was; van ba, to whom or which it was; munap ba, if it was not; ap ba, was it? niop ba, it was not.

The full form of the Dependent Past, though sometimes found in early modern writers is now contracted to -no' before vowels, and to -n before consonants.

Subjunctive: Oámao (vá mbao), if it were; zémao (zé mbao), though it were.

ĽÁ.

Imperative.

bímír, bíom.
 bí.
 bíο

 bíπίρ, bíοι
 bíοι

Present Tense.

Absolute. Dependent.

ατάιπ ατάπαοιο, puitim puitimío.
 αταοι ατάταοι, puite (-ip) puitτί.
 ατά ατάιο, puit puitro.

Habitual Present.

1. bím bímío.
2. bíμ bíċί.
3. bí(ὑ) bío.

Past Tense.

ABSOLUTE. DEPENDENT.

1. Bádar Báman. 110Bar habaman 2. Bádar Baban. 110Bar hababan. 8. Bí Bádan 401Be habadan.

Future Tense.

1. biao biamaoio, biam,

2. braigi bražaor.
3. braio, bra brato.

Relative : biar.

Conditional-Secondary Future.

θέιπη σέιπής.
 δέιτεά διασ γιδ.
 διασ, δειτ δέισίς.

Subjunctive Mood. Present Tense.

1. ηαδάο ηαδιπάοιο, ηαδάπ.

2. pabain pabtaoi.
3. naibe nabaio.

ENDINGS OF THE REGULAR VERBS IN EARLY MODERN IRISH.

The following is a table showing the various endings of the regular verbs in Early Modern Irish. It is not intended that these forms should be learned by the student; they are given merely for reference:—

Broad Terminations. Slender Terminations. Imperative. Imperative.

SING. PLU. SING. PLU. 1. -am. 1. -eam. 2. [root] -41°O. 2. [root] -1TO. 3. -(a) DAOIP. 3. -earo. -A'Ö. -(1) oir.

Present Tense.

1. -aim. -(a)mao10. 1. -1177. -(1)mio. 2. 2. -4111. -T401. -111. -Tí. 3. -410. 3. -10. -410. -170+

Present Tense.

Imperfect.

Past.

Imperfect

-amaoir. -(1)mír, 1. -Ainn. 1. -inn. 2. -CÁ. ·EA01. -teá. -Tí. 3. -(a) oaoir. 8. -A'Ö. -earó. -(1)oir.

Past.

1. -αρ. -αμμ. 1. -eαρ. -eαμαμ.
2. -αιρ. -αδαμ. 2. -ιρ. -eαδαμ.
3 (no ending) -αναμ. 3. (no ending). -eαναμ.

Future.

Future.

1.	-rav.	-pam (4010)	1.	-rearo.	-peam (pimío).
	-paips	-pao1.	2.	-pipi.	-rí.
3.	-FA10.	-paro.	3.	-F10.	-110.

Conditional.

Conditional.

1.	-painn.	-pamaoip.	1.	-rinn.	-pimíp.
2.	-pá.	-pao1.	2.	-reá.	-pí.
8.	-bao	-rapaoir.	3.	-teao.	-Froir.

Irregular Yerbs.

It is principally in the future tense that the inflexions of the irregular verbs in Early Modern Usage differ from the forms now generally used.

Future Tense.

1.	(no termination)	Am (-mao10)
2.	dift	TA01.
R	A .	4170

The following verbs took no inflexion in the 3rd person singular of the present time. The forms in brackets are the dependent forms:

Το θειμ (ταδαιμ), τειμ (αδαιμ), το żειδ (καζαιδ, καζδαιπ), τα ξει, το εί (καις), (cluin), τις, τειτο.

The following had no inflexion in the 1st person singular past tense:-

Abubant, (bubant), atconnac (raca) tánas, cuala, nánas.

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