Albannaich. Is Albannach mise, I am a Scotchman. The word in Scottish Gaelic for a British subject or for the British is Breatunnach, na Breatunnaich. The name Galbraith is in Gaelic Mac a' Bhreatunnaich, the son of the Briton, and, as we may infer, the son of one who belonged to a different people from the Gaels among whom he may have resided, and whose name is perpetuated in the common surname Galbraith.

Whether the exact Etymology of Britain can ever be ascertained or not, or whether it may have more than one derivation, the usages of the Gaelic language go to show that it is Cymric and not Gaelic ; and that, although it passes as current coin in the words Breatunn and Breatunnach, such words found their way into Gaelic trom another source ; and even when they are commonly employed, they carry with them reminiscences of an origin that is not purely Gaelic, but is to be construed as indicating that the Gaels of a far-off time adopted such words to describe the members of a race with whom they came frequently in contact, and who, as at Dumbarton, had their home for a time in the immediate neighbourhood, if not in the midst, of the Scottish Gaels.


