

When such names are written, as they are neither christian name nor surname, they are not properly joined by a hyphen to either.

The use of adjective names is found in English speaking Scotland as well as in the Highlands. No doubt some at least of our readers have heard of the man who went into a Scottish village enquiring for one Alexander White, when he had presented to him for his choice a bewildering array of persons of the name, Little Sanny, Muckle Sanny, Auld Sanny, Reid Sanny, and many others.

A similar custom appears, though less frequently, in Ireland, the names covering a wider source and meaning, but being generally commonplace and sometimes humorous,—nicknames in fact,—and these are occasionally found in Irish genealogies.

As a contrast we may note names common in England, which are adjective in original signification, but are rarely, if ever, descriptive of the person. Christian names and surnames of this class occur quite frequently together, sometimes involving absurd contradictions, such as Hugh Little, or Blanche Brown.

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Pringle.

Referring to the article on this family in No. 1 of the GENEALOGIST, there are the following corrections to be made:

Page 11—For "Goddevar" read "Godderar."

" 11—Before "Earl of Findlater" read "third."

" 12—For "Hatfield" read "Hasfield."

" 13—Read "Emma-Ada dau. of Isaac Van Arsdale of Cornwall."

" 13—Margaret Pringle m. to Francis-John Hall, d., was m. 2ndly to Guy-Colin Carman, C.E.