

Pronouns are classified as follows :—

(i) **PERSONAL**, standing directly for the names of persons and things, to avoid repetition. They are :

1ST PERSON (denoting the speaker and those associated him)

|                                   | <i>Sing.</i> | <i>Plural.</i> |                          |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| <i>Nom.</i> . . . . .             | I            | we             | } <i>in all genders.</i> |
| <i>Accusative and Dative.</i> . . | me           | us             |                          |
| <i>Possessive.</i> . . . . .      | mine         | ours           |                          |

2ND PERSON (denoting those spoken to).

|                                   | <i>Sing.</i> | <i>Plural.</i> |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| <i>Nom.</i> . . . . .             | thou         | you and ye.    |
| <i>Acc. and Dative.</i> . . . . . | thee         | you.           |
| <i>Poss.</i> . . . . .            | thine        | yours.         |

3RD PERSON (denoting those spoken about).

|                              |              | <i>Sing.</i> |              | <i>Plural.</i> |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
|                              | <i>Masc.</i> | <i>Fem.</i>  | <i>Neut.</i> |                |
| <i>Nom.</i> .....            | he           | she          | it           | they.          |
| <i>Acc. and Dative</i> ..... | him          | her          | it           | them.          |
| <i>Poss.</i> .....           | his          | hers         | its          | theirs.        |

(ii) **POSSESSIVE**, being the Possessive case of the Personal Pronouns, as given above.

(iii) **EMPHATIC PERSONAL** as

myself, yourself, himself.

[Notice that the word "self" is a noun ; as in "love of self."]

(iv) **RELATIVE** or **CONJUNCTIVE**, referring to something already mentioned, and at the same time joining on the clause that follows, as :—

who, which, whom, that, as, and what.

*Ex.*—On such a time *as* goes before the leaf.

Do with me *as* you will.

The sun *whose* beams most glorious are.

If *what* I was I be.

I do not understand *what* you say,

*Note.*—The word a Relative refers to is called its Antecedent.