

might occur, except that many of the odd descriptive names were known. Sheriff McMartin was always called "The Sheriff" and all his family called thus "Maggie the Sheriff;" "Jimmy the Sheriff;" and so on. Mrs. McDonald was called "The widow Nellie" and her son "Angus the widow." Why should Alexander Grant be known as Alick Jim Roy? Two of the McMartins were "Mac on the Mill" and "Curly Mac." A MacDonald was always called "Black Angus," and his daughter "Betsey Black Angus." The son of Colonel Angus Macdonell was called "Alex. Colonel Angus," and another woman was called "Betsey Black Angus." Among other names were "Sandy Ocean" and Sandy Sank, Johnnie Bush and Archie Squire. I remember a mistake I made which caused a laugh at my expense. There being a James Macdonald and a John Macdonald each of whom had a daughter Annie, to distinguish them one was called Annie John the other Annie James. Hearing the name, on being introduced, I called her Miss John.