

SYNTAX, (Rialtachadh.)

§81. THE ARTICLE.

RULE 1. The Article stands immediately before its noun ; as, an dàn, am preas.

RULE 2. When an adjective preceeds the noun, the article stands before the adjective ; as, a' cheud là.

RULE 3. The article agrees with its noun in gender, case, number and form ; as, am preas, nan oirean.

RULE 4. A noun which governs another noun in the genitive case does not take the article ; as, iuchair an doruis, *the key of the door*.

RULE 5. The article is prefixed to words used in a collective sense, names of virtues, vices, metals, and kingdoms or states.

RULE 6. A simple appellative to a proper name does not take the article, but a compound one does.

NOTE.—A simple appellative added to the full name takes the article.

§82. THE NOUN.

RULE 8.—Nouns referring to the same thing are in the same case ; as, Ban-rìgh Victoria, Queen Victoria.

NOTE.—An adjective qualifying nouns in apposition is placed between them, and when there are two or more adjectives the last noun takes the article ; as, Eòbhann glas gobh, *pale Ewan the blacksmith*; Eòbhann cridheil, blàth, an ceannaiche, *merry, warm-hearted Ewan, the merchant*.

RULE 9.—A titled proper name, a noun in apposition having the article or a possessive pronoun, and a noun in opposition to a dative, are put in the *nominative*