

§ 309] II. *The Noun. A. Nouns Subst. & Adj.—Diptotes.* 245

REM. d. Proper names, when used *indefinitely* [as is always the case when they are employed in the dual or plural], are naturally declined with *tênwîn*; as رَبِّ اِبْرٰهِيْمٍ لَقِيْتَهُ many an Abraham have I met; [فَتَكُلُّ قَوْمٌ مِّنْخُصُوصِ بَادِمٍ وَحَوَّاءِ] and each period has its peculiar Adam and Eve; and so عِمْرَانِ وَاَحْمَدِ وَقَاطِمَةَ وَسَعَادِ وَعَمْرٍ وَقَطَامِرٍ وَسَيِّدِيَّةِ. There is, however, a doubt as to the admissibility of the *şarf* in the form أَفْعَلِ.

Referenced below in 313 concerning an exception when a proper names is declined.

II. *The Declension of Defined Nouns.*

313. Undefined nouns become defined: 1. by prefixing the article *أل*; 2. (a) by adding a noun in the genitive, or (b) by adding a pronominal suffix.

[REM. Only proper names and words used as proper names are in themselves definite (§ 309, b, η, vol. ii. § 78); if, therefore, they are not originally appellatives (as اَلْحَسَنُ properly *the beautiful*) they never have the article, unless they be used as generic nouns (as in رَبِّ اِبْرٰهِيْمٍ, § 309, c, rem. d), اَلزَّيْدُ اَلْاَوَّلُ *the first Zeid*.—A defined noun is called مَعْرِفَةٌ or مَعْرُوفٌ (تَعْرِيفٌ means *defining*), an undefined noun نَكْرَةٌ or مَنَّكِرٌ (تَنْكِيْرٌ means *leaving undefined*).]

Clearly says proper names NEVER takes the article unless in cases like "the beautiful" or "the first Zeid".

316. If a pronominal suffix is added to an undefined noun, the following changes take place.

(a) Triptotes and the plur. sanus fem. lose the *tênwîn*, the dual and plur. sanus masc. the terminations نِ and نَ; as كِتَابٌ a book, كِتَابُهُ his book; ظِلْمَاتٌ darkness, ظِلْمَاتُهَا its darkness; كِتَابَانِ two books, كِتَابَاكَ thy two books; بَنُونَ sons, بَنُوكَ thy sons; لِبَائِعِيهِ to its purchasers.

(b) Before the pronominal suffix of the 1st p. sing. يَ (see § 185, rem. a, and § 317), the final vowels of the sing., plur. fractus,

No mention of defined nouns in the rest of this section or its appendix; presumably pronominal suffix never added to such nouns? This is a reference grammar.