4.3 PRONOUNS AND ARTICLES

4.3.1 Forms of the Personal Pronouns

The personal pronouns of *The Owl and the Nightingale* (Southern English of c. 1200) represent the forms derived from Old English. They are:

| | singular | | | plural |
|---------------------------------|---|-------|---------------|-------------|
| first person: 'I' and 'we' | | | | |
| nom. | ich, I | | | we |
| acc. | me | | | us |
| gen. | min, mi | | | ure |
| dat. | me | | | us |
| second person: 'thou' and 'you' | | | | |
| nom. | þu | | | 3e |
| acc. | þe | | | ow |
| gen. | þin | | | ower |
| dat. | þe | | | OW |
| | third person: 'he', 'it', 'she', 'they' | | | |
| | singular | | | plural |
| | masc. | neut. | fem. | |
| nom. | he | hit | ho, he(o), hi | hi, ho, heo |
| acc. | hine | hit | hi, heo | hi |
| gen. | his | his | hire, hore | hore, heore |
| dat. | him | him | hire | hom, heom |
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