

Spär'tan, *a.* Relating to Sparta:—hardy; brave. —*2, n.* A native of Sparta.
Späsm, *n.* [Gr. σπασμός; σπάειν, to draw.] A violent convulsion:—cramp.
Spas-möd'je, *a.* Having spasms; convulsive; violent and short-lived.
Spas-möd'i-cal-ly, *ad.* In a spasmotic manner.
Spät, *t.* from *spät*. Did spit. [Nearly obs.] —*2, n.* [Akin to SPIT.] The young, or eggs, of an oyster:—[see SPIT and SPITFIRE] a slight quarrel.
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Spa-thá-ceous (*spa-thá-shus*), *a.* [Neo-Latin, *spathaceus*.—See SPATHE.] Relating to, or enclosed in, a spathe.
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Späth'ie, *a.* [Ger. *späth*, spar; *spaten*, a spade (*q. v.*).] (Min.) Foliated; lamellar.
Späth'öse, *a.* Relating to, or formed like, a spathe:—sparry.
Später, *v. a.* [Frequentative: allied to SPOT.] [*pp.* spattering, spattered.] To sprinkle; to throw; to asperse.
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Späv'ined (*späv'ind*), *a.* Diseased with spavin.
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Späy, *v. a.* [L. *spado*, Gr. σπάων, a eunuch.] [*pp.* spaying, spayed.] To castrate (said of female animals).
Speak, *v. n.* [A.-S. *sprecan* and *specan*; Dut. *spreken*; Ger. *sprechen*.] [*i.* spoke (*formerly* spoke); *pp.* speaking, spoken (*obs. spoke*).] To express thoughts by words; to utter words; to talk; to discourse.—*2, v. a.* To utter; to pronounce; to deliver.
Speak'er, *n.* One who speaks:—the presiding officer in a deliberative assembly.
Speak'er-ship, *n.* The office of speaker.
Speär, *n.* [A.-S. *sper*; Dut. & Ger. *speer*; Dan. *sper*; L. *sparus*: akin to SPAR.] A long, pointed weapon; a lance.—*2, v. a.* [*pp.* spearing, spearred.] To kill or pierce with a spear.
Speär'man, *n.* One who carries a spear.
Speär'mint, *n.* A species of mint.
Spe'cial (*spésh'äl*), *a.* [L. *specialis*, belonging to a species (*q. v.*).] Particular; peculiar; extraordinary; uncommon; especial.
Spe'cial-ist (*spésh'äl-ist*), *n.* One devoted to a special pursuit.
Spe-ci-äl'i-ty (*spésh'-ə-äl'i-te*), *n.* [L. *specialitas*; Fr. *spécialité*.] The quality of being special; special characteristic:—quality; special object or pursuit.
Spe-ci-äl'i-tion (*spésh'-äl-i-shun*), *n.* [Fr. *spécialisation*.] Application to a special use.
Spe'cial-ize (*spésh'äl-iz*), *v. a.* [Fr. *spécialiser*.] [*pp.* specializing, specialized.] To devote to special uses:—to form in a special way.
Spe'cial-ly (*spésh'äl-ē*), *ad.* Particularly; chiefly.
Spe'cial-tor, *n.* [L. *speculator*.] One who speculates.
Spe'cu-lar (*spésh'äl-te*), *a.* Writing or deed under the hand and seal of the parties.
Spe'cie (*spésh'e*), *n.* [Originally, money paid in *specie* [L., i.e., in visible coin; L. *species*, appearance.—See SPECIES.] Coin; gold, silver, or other metal used as currency.
Spe'chee (*spésh'ēz*), *n.* [L. *species*, appearance, kind; *specere*, to see.—See SFRY.] A number of

things comprehended under a genus; a group; a sort; a kind; a subdivision.
Spe-cif'ic, *a.* [Fr. *spécifique*; Late L. *specificus*.—See SPECIFY.] That makes a thing of the species of which it is; distinguishing one from another; peculiar:—appropriated to the cure of some disease.—*2, n.* An efficacious medicine.
Spe-cif'i-cal-ly, *ad.* In a specific manner.
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Speet'aress, *n.* A female looker-on.
Speet'ral, *a.* Relating to spectres or the spectrum.
Speet're (*spékt'r*), *n.* [Fr. *spectre*.—See SPECTRUM.] An apparition; a ghost.
Speet'ro-scope, *n.* [L. *spectrum*, a spectrum, and Gr. root *oxor*, to see.] An instrument for examining the spectra formed by passing the light-rays given forth from luminous bodies through a prism or a series of prisms. [to spectroscopy.
Speet'ro-sco-pie, *a.* Relating to the spectroscope or SPEETRO-SPIKE, or **Speet'ro-sco-pist**, or **Speet'ro-sco-pist**, *n.* One versed in the use of the spectroscope.
Speet'ro-sco-py, *n.* The art of using the spectroscope; examination by the spectroscope.
Speetrum, *n.* pl. **Speet'ra**, [L. for "a vision," "a sight;" *specere*, to see.] A representation; an image; a visible form:—a figure of colored light formed by the dispersion of a beam of light by means of a prism.
Speet'ü-lar, *a.* [L. *specularis*.—See SPECULUM.] Relating to a mirror or glass.
Speet'ü-late, *v. n.* [L. *speculari*, *speculatum*, to behold; *specula*, a watch-tower; *specere*, to see.] [*pp.* speculating, speculated.] To meditate; to theorize:—to buy in order to sell again; to traffic; to make business ventures.
Speet'ü-lati'on, *n.* [L. *speculatio*, a view.] The act of speculating; view; examination; contemplation; scheme; theory:—mercantile transaction or venture.
Speet'ü-lati'ze (*spésh'-äl-i-z*), *v. a.* [Fr. *spécialiser*.] [*pp.* specializing, specialized.] To devote to special uses:—to form in a special way.
Speet'ü-lial-ly (*spésh'-äl-ē*), *ad.* Particularly; chiefly.
Speet'ü-late, *a.* [L. *speculatoris*.] Contemplative.
Speet'ü-late-ly, *ad.* Ideally; theoretically.
Speet'ü-late-tor, *n.* [L. *speculator*.] One who speculates.
Speet'ü-la-to-ry, *a.* Exercising speculation.
Speet'ü-lum, *n.* pl. **Speet'ü-la**, [L. for "a mirror," *specere*, to see.] A mirror; a looking-glass:—a surgical instrument.
Speet, *i. & p.* from speed.
Speet'h, *n.* [A.-S. *spæc*.—See SPEAK.] Articulate utterance; language; talk:—an address; an oration; a discourse.

ā, ē, i, ò, u, y, long; á, é, ï, ó, ü, ý, short; ą, ę, ı, ɔ, ɒ, ʊ, y, obscure.—Fare, fár, fast, fall; hér, hér;

Späsch'less, *a.* Deprived of speech; unable to speak; dumb; mute; silent; taciturn.
Späed, *v. n.* [A.-S. *sped*; Dut. *speed*; A.-S. *spawan*, to succeed:—Cf. Skr. *spahi*, increase, success; *spay*, to increase.] [*i.* sped; *pp.* speeding, sped.] To make haste; to move fast; to succeed.—*2, v. a.* To hasten; to despatch; to assist:—to test the speed of.—*3, n.* Quickness; celerity; *haste*.
Späed'er, *n.* One who speeds:—a machine.
Späed'ly, *ad.* With haste or speed; quickly.
Späed'well, *n.* A plant, veronica.
Späed'x, *a.* [A.-S. *spedig*.] Quick; swift; not slow; near at hand; near in future time.
Spell, *n.* [A.-S. *spell*; Icel. *spjal*; A.-S. *spellian*, to tell, to relate.] A charm; an incantation; enchantment:—[A.-S. *spellian*, to act as proxy; Ger. *spielen*, to play] turn of work:—a short time:—[see SPILE] a slip of paper or thin wood.—*2, v. a. & v. n.* [A.-S. *spellian*, to relate; Dut. *spellen*, to spell; and partly, it may be, from O. E. *spell*, a splint, a pointer.—See SPILE.] [*i.* spelled or spelt; *pp.* spelling, spelled or spelt.] To name or write the letters forming a word:—to discover by marks:—to relieve by taking a turn at work.
Spell'bönd, *a.* Bound by spell.
Spell'er, *n.* One who spells:—a spelling-book.
Spell'ing, *n.* Act of one who spells; orthography.
Spell'ing-book, *(-bük)*, *n.* A book teaching orthography; an elementary school-book.
Spelt, *n.* [A.-S. & Dut. *spelt*; Ger. *spelt*.] A kind of grain or wheat.—*2, i. & p.* from spell.
Spel'ter, *n.* [Low Ger. *spilfer*; Dut. *spinter*.—Cf. Icel. *spilda*, a flake; Goth. *spilda*, a tablet; Ger. *spalten*, to split.] Impure or commercial zinc.
Spéne, *n.* [O. Fr. *despense*, a store-room. —See DISPENSE.] A pantry:—a living-room.
Spén'er, *n.* [Named from John Charles, third earl Spencer, 1782-1845. The family name was once *despenser*, signifying a dispenser, a steward.] A short outer garment:—a kind of sail.
Spénd, *v. a.* [A.-S. *spendan*; Ital. *spendere*; from L. *dispendium*, expense; *dis*, apart, and *pendere*, to weigh, to dispense.] [*i.* spent; *pp.* spending, spent.] To consume; to exhaust; to waste; to expend.—*2, v. n.* To make expense; to be lost, expended, or used up.
Spénd'thrift, *n.* A prodigal; a lavish.
Spérn, *n.* [Gr. σπένα, seed; σπείρειν, to sow.] Animal seed; spawn:—spermaceti.
Spér-ma-céti, *n.* [Late L. *sperma ceti*, whale's sperm; *cetus*, Gr. κύρος, a whale.] A substance obtained from the oil found in the head of the sperm-whale,—used for candles, &c.
Spér-mát'ic, *a.* [Gr. σπερματικός.—See SPERM.] Relating to, or consisting of, sperm; seminal.
Spér-ma-to-zé'ón, *n.* pl. **Spér-ma-to-zé'ón**, [Gr. σπέρμα, σπέρματος, seed; and ζεῖν, to be, to live.] A vibratile spermatic cell.
Spér'm-oil, *n.* Oil from the sperm-whale.
Spérn'-whale, *n.* Spermaceti whale; cachalot.
Spew (*spū*), *v. a.* [A.-S. *spivan*; Dut. *spuwen*; Dan. *spye*; Ger. *speien*; L. *spue*.—See SPR.] [*pp.* spewing, spewed.] To vomit; to cast forth.—*2, v. n.* To vomit; to ease the stomach.
Sphág-e-lá'tion, *n.* Mortification; gangrene.
Sphág-e-lá'te, *v. a.* [Gr. σφάγειος, gangrene.] [*pp.* sphagelating, sphagelated.] To mortify.
Sphág-e-lá'tion, *n.* Mortification; gangrene.
Sphág-nous, *a.* [Gr. σφαγών, a kind of moss.] Mossy; boggy.
Sphé'noid, *a.* [Gr. σφήνη, a wedge; σφηνίδη, wedge-shaped.] Wedge-shaped:—applied to a bone in the head.
Sphér'el, *a.* [L. *sphaerulus*.—See SPHERE.] Of or pertaining to the spheres or heavenly bodies; inhabiting the spheres:—rounded into a sphere:—complete; perfect.
Sphé're (*sfer*), *n.* [L. *sphera*, Gr. σφαῖρα, a ball: akin to σφίειν, to throw, to scatter.] A solid body bounded by a surface of which every point is equally distant from the centre within; a globe; orb:—circuit; province:—compass of knowledge or action.—*2, v. a.* [pp. sphering, sphered.] To form or place in a sphere.
Sphér'ic, *a.* [Gr. σφαιρικός.] Relating to, or formed like, a sphere; globular.
Sphér-i-cal, *ad.* In the form of a sphere.
Sphér-i-cy, *n.* Quality of being spherical.
Sphé'ricos, *n.* The doctrine and properties of the sphere; spherical trigonometry.
Sphér'oid, *n.* [Gr. σφαιροειδής, sphere-like.] A body resembling a sphere. [spheroid]
Sphér'oid'al, *a.* Having the form of, or like, a sphere.
Sphér'oid'le, *n.* [L. *spheraula*, a little sphere (*q. v.*).] A little globe or sphere.
Sphér'one, *n.* [Gr. σφιγκτήρ; σφίγγειν, to bind.] A constrictory muscle.
Sphinx, *n.* [L.; Gr. σφίγξ; from σφίγγειν, to bind, to pinch, to choke.] A monster having the face of a woman and the body of a lion:—a fabulous monster which slew those who could not guess the riddles it proposed.
Spi'c'e, *a.* [L. *spicare*, *spicatum*, to furnish with a spike (*q. v.*).] (Bot.) Spiked; having a spike.
Spice, *n.* [L. *species*, a kind;—later, a drug.] An aromatic substance used in cookery:—a small quantity:—a seasoning.—*2, v. a.* [pp. spicing, spiced.] To season with spice; to flavor.
Spi'c'er-y, *n.* [Fr. *épicerie*.—See SPICE.] Spices:—a repository of spices.
Spi'ci-ly, *ad.* In a pungent manner; piquantly.
Spi'c'la, *n.* pl. **Spi'c'la** [*L.* dim. of *spica*, a spike.] A small spike; a spikelike; a spicule.
Spi'c'le, *n.* A small spike; a spicule.
Spi'c'er, *n.* [For spiner; Dut. *spin*, Dan. *spinder*, Ger. *spíne*, a spider.] An insect or animal that spins a web for flies:—a sort of iron stewpan.
Spi'gel-ei-sen (-i-zn), *n.* [Ger. for "mirror-iron."] A form of iron used in making Bessemer steel.
Spi'g'ot, *n.* [Dim. of SPIKE.] A pin or peg to stop a hole; a faucet.
Spi'k'le, *n.* [L. *spica*, a spike, an ear of corn; Dut. *spilker*, Icel. *spilán*, Dan. *spiger*, Ger. *spíeler*, a nail.] An ear of corn:—a large nail:—a long cluster of flowers.—*2, v. a.* [pp. spiking, spiked.] To fasten or set with spikes, &c.
Spike'let, *n.* A little spike.
Spike'nard, *n.* [SPIKE and NARD.] An aromatic plant and its oil or balsam.
Spi'ky, *a.* Pungent; having spikes; having a point.
Spi'le, *n.* [A.-S. & Dut. *spid*, a pin; *spid*, an axis; root of Ger. *spalten*, to cleave.] A peg; a wooden pin; a spigot.
Spi'll, *v. a.* [A.-S. *spillan*, *spildan*, to destroy; *spild*, destruction; root of Ger. *spalten*, to split.] [*i.* split or spilled; *pp.* spilling, split or spilled.] To shed; to pour out.—*2, v. n.* To waste; to be shed.—*3, n.* [See SPILE.] A plug or spile; a spigot:—a twist of paper.
Spi'lh, *n.* [A.-S. *spid*, destruction, spilling.] That which is spilt.
Spi'n, *v. a. & v. n.* [A.-S. *spinan*; Dut. *spinnen*; from the root of Gr. σπάειν, to draw out.] [*i.* spin or span; *pp.* spinning, spun.] To draw out into threads; to form threads:—to protract; to draw out:—to move or whirl swiftly.—*2, n.* A rapid course.
Spi'nach (*spin'aj*), *n.* [Fr. *épinard*; O. Fr. *espinace*; Sp. *espinaca*; Arab. *isfanaj*, *asfanah*.] A garden-plant, cultivated for the table:—written also *spinage*.
Spi'n'a-ker, or **Spi'n'ng-ker**, *n.* [A variant of SPANKER; affected by SPIN, to race.] (Yachting.) A jib-headed racing-sail. [backbone]
Spi'n'al, *a.* [L. *spinialis*.] Relating to the spine or spinal.
Spi'n'dle (*spin'dl*), *n.* [A.-S. *spindl*; Ger. *spindel*: root of SPIN.] A pin used in spinning; a stalk:—*2, v. n.* [*pp.* spindling, spindled.] To shoot into a small stalk.

mien, sir; mōve, nōr, sōn; bäll, bür, rüle, üse.—ç, ę, ę, ę, ę, soft; ę, ę, ę, ę, hard; ę as z; ę as gz; this.

Spine, *n.* [L. *spina*, a thorn,—also the backbone; from its processes.] The backbone:—a large thorn; a prickle; a projecting point.
Spinel'el, *n.* [I. N.], *n.* [Fr. *spinelle*; It. *spinella*.] A species of ruby; a gem.
Spin'et, or **Spinet'**, *n.* [O. Fr. *espinette*; Ital. *spinetta*: from its inventor, G. *Spinelli*, who lived in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries.] A musical stringed instrument; a small harpsichord.
Spini'fer-ous, *a.* [L. *spina*, a thorn, and *ferre*, to bear.] Bearing thorns.
Spin'er, *n.* One who spins:—a spider.
Spin'er-ét, *n.* A spider's organ for spinning.
Spin'ning-wheel, *n.* A wheel for spinning.
Spin'ny, Spin'ney, *n.* [Fr. *épine*; L. *spinatum*, a thicket of thorns; *spina*, a thorn.] A copse; a grove of trees.
Spin'ose, *a.* [L. *spinosis*.] Spinous; spiny; thorny.
Spin'os-i-ty, *n.* [L. *spinosus*.] State of being spiny or thorny.
Spin'ous, *a.* Thorny; spinose.
Spin'ster, *n.* [Dut. *spinner*, a female spinner.—See SPIN.] A woman that spins:—a maiden:—an unmarried woman.
Spin'ny, *a.* Thorny; briery; perplexed.
Spit'a-cle, or Spit're-cle, *n.* [L. *spiraculum*; *spirare*, to breathe.] A breathing-hole; a vent; a pore.
Spit'z-e-a, *n.* [L. Gr. *σπειρα*; *σπειρα*, a coil, a wreath.] A genus of shrubs and herbs.
Spit'r-al, *a.* [L. *spiralis*.—See SPIRE.] Winding or circular, like a screw.
Spit'r-al-ly, *ad.* In a spiral form.
Spire, *n.* [L. *spira*, Gr. *σπειρα*, a coil.] A curve-line; a wreath:—[A.-S. *spir*, a stalk; Dan. *spire*, a sprout; Ger. *spiere*, a spar.—Cf. SPEAR.] A steeple:—sprout.—2, *v. n.* [pp. spiring, spired.] To shoot up pyramidalily.
Spir'it, *n.* [L. *spiritus*, a breathing; a spirit; *spiritare*, to breathe.] An intelligent being imperceptible to the corporeal senses; an immaterial substance; the soul; a ghost:—temper; disposition:—excitement; ardor; vigor; life; strong liquor.—2, *v. a.* [pp. spiriting, spirited.] To animate; to excite; to inspirit:—to kidnap; to convey secretly and swiftly.
Spir'it-ed, *a.* Lively; vivacious; full of fire.
Spir'it-ed-ly, *ad.* In a lively manner.
Spir'it-is-m, *n.* [Fr. *spiritisme*.] A belief in spirit independent of the body; a belief in the possibility of intercourse with spirits.
Spir'it-ist, *n.* [Fr. *spiritiste*.] One who believes in the possibility of intercourse with spirits.
Spir'it-ist, *n.* [L. *spiritus*.] Full of spleen; fretful; peevish; irritable.
Spir'it-less, *a.* Wanting spirit; dejected; low.
Spir'it-le'vel, *n.* A levelling instrument formed of a glass tube filled with spirit of wine.
Spir'it-to'so, [It.] (*Mus.*) With spirit.
Spir'its, *n. pl.* Alcoholic distilled liquor:—vivacity; liveliness of manner.
Spir'it-u-al (*spir'it-yu-al*), *a.* [L. *spiritualis*.—See SPIRIT.] Relating to the spirit or soul; partaking of spirit; immaterial; incorporeal:—relating to religion; holy; pure; heavenly:—ecclesiastical; not temporal.
Spir'it-u-al-ism, *n.* [Fr. *spiritualisme*.] Spiritual nature:—the doctrine that all that is real is spiritual:—opposed to materialism:—the doctrine that intercourse must be had with departed spirits.
Spir'it-u-al-ist, *n.* [Fr. *spiritueliste*.] One who is spiritual:—an adherent to spiritualism.
Spir'it-u-al-i-ty, *n.* [L. *spiritualitas*.] State of being spiritual; immateriality:—pure devotion.
Spir'it-u-al-i-zation, *n.* Act of spiritualizing.
Spir'it-u-al-i-ze, *v. a.* [Fr. *spiritualiser*.] [*pp.* spiritualizing; spiritualized.] To render spiritual; to refine; to purify:—to raise by distillation.
Spir'it-u-al-ly, *ad.* In a spiritual manner.
Spir'it-u-ois (*spir'it-yu-us*), *a.* [Fr. *spiritueux*.] Having the quality of spirit; active; ardent.
Spi-róme, *n.* [L. *spireare*, to breathe; and Gr. *μέτρον*, a measure.] An instrument for measuring the quantity of air concerned in respiration.

ā, ē, i, ò, ù, y, long; à, è, ì, ò, ü, ý, short; á, é, í, ó, ú, ý, obscure.—Fare, far, fast, fall; héir, hér;

Spirit, *v. a. & v. n.* [A.-S. *sprytan*, to shoot; *spre-tan*, to sprout.] [pp. spiring, spirted.] To stream or throw out, as a fluid; to throw out; to spurt.—2, *n.* An ejection; a short effort; a spurt.
Spit, *v. n. & v. a.* [A.-S. *spittan*; Dan. *spitte*; Ger. *spitzen*; L. *spire, spatum*.] [*i.* spit or spat; pp. spitting, spit, spitted or spitten:—spat, spilt, and spitten are nearly obsolete.] To throw out spittle; to eject.—2, *n.* Saliva; spittle:—[A.-S. *spita*, Dut. *spit*, Dan. *spid*, Ger. *spitze*, a point; Icel. *spita*, a spit] a rod or prong used for roasting meat:—a long sand-bank.—3, *v. a.* [*i.* & p. spitted.] To put on a spit.
Spit, *n.* [A contraction of DESPISE.] A sudden fit of ill-will; malice; rancor; hate; malignity:—defiance; despite.—*In spite* of, notwithstanding; in defiance of.—2, *v. a.* [pp. spiting, spited.] To vex; to thwart; to offend.
Spit'f'l, *a.* Full of spite; malicious.
Spit'f'l-ly, *ad.* Maliciously; malignantly.
Spit'tle, *n.* [A dim. of SPIT; A.-S. *spall*.] Moisture of the mouth; saliva.
Spit-tōn', *n.* A vessel or box to spit in.
Spitz, *n.* [Ger. *spitz*, sharp, a sharp-nosed Spitz'-dög.] A small variety of dog with silky hair, erect ears, and a sharp nose.
Spłash, *v. a.* [A variant of PLASH: imitative.] [*pp.* splashing, splashed.] To spatter with water or mud.—2, *n.* Water and mud thrown; a stain.
Spłash'y, *a.* Full of dirty water; wet.
Spłay, *v. a.* [For display. Display formerly meant to carry at table,—hence, to disjoint.] [*pp.* spaying, spayed.] To dislocate or break:—to slope.—2, *n.* A sloping surface.—3, *a.* Displaced; turned outward.
Spłeñ, *n.* [L. *splen* or *lien*; Gr. *σπλήν*; Skr. *plihāṇi*.] A spongy viscus; the milt:—the fancied seat of melancholy and ill-humor:—ill-will; spite; ill-humor:—melancholy.
Spłeñ-f'l, *a.* Peevish; fretful; spleeny.
Spłeñ-y, *a.* Peevish; fretful; splenetic.
Spłeñ-did, *a.* [L. *splendens*; *splendere*, to shine.] Having splendor or great show; brilliant; showy; magnificent; heroic; sublime.
Spłeñ-did-ly, *ad.* Magnificently; showily.
Spłeñ-dor, *n.* [L.—See SPLENDID.] A great show or display; great brightness; brilliancy; lustre; magnificence; grandeur; pomp.
Spłeñ-e-tie [spłeñ'-tik], K. C. Ash, St. I. N.], *a.* [L. *spirituicūs*.] Full of spleen; fretful; peevish; irritable.
Spłeñ-ic, *a.* [Gr. *σπληνικός*.] Relating to the spleen.
Splice, *n.* [Dut. *spliceisen*, Dan. *spilse*, Ger. *spilzen*, to splice; root of SPILT:—ropes are split before splicing.] The joining of two ropes without a knot; a part added or spliced on.—2, *v. a.* [*pp.* splicing, spliced.] To join the ends of a rope.
Splint, *n.* [Ger., Dan., & Sw. *split*, a splint; Dut. *splitter*: root of SPLINTER.] A thin piece of wood; a piece of wood split off:—a tumor.—2, *v. a.* [Dut. *splitteren*, Dan. *splitre*, Sw. *spilta*, to split; to shiver.] [*pp.* splintering, splintered; splintering, splintered.] To secure by splints; to splint.
Spłin'ter-y, *a.* Having splinters; scaly.
Split, *v. a.* [Dan. *spilte*; Dut. *spilten*; Ger. *spile-sen*.] [*i.* split (rarely splitted); *pp.* splitting, split, rarely splitted.] To part asunder; to cleave; to divide.—2, *v. n.* To burst in sunder; to crack.—3, *n.* [Dan. & Sw. *split*; Ger. *spilese*; Dut. *split*.] The act of splitting; crack; division.
Split'ter, *n.* [Imitative.—Cf. SPUTTER.] Bustle; tumult. [Vulg.—2, *v. n.* [*pp.* spluttering, spluttered.] To speak confusedly:—to spatter.
Spöd'u-mēnē, *n.* [Gr. *σπόδωμήνες*, burnt to ashes; *σπόδου*, to consume; *σπόδος*, ashes, embers.] A foliated mineral.
Spööl, *v. a.* [Fr. *spolier*, L. *spoliare*, to despoil; *spolium*, spoil, booty.] [*pp.* spoiling, spoiled or spoilt.] To plunder; to rob; to corrupt.—2, *v. n.*

To practise robbery:—to decay.—3, *n.* Plunder; pillage; booty; robbery.
Spöll'er, *n.* One who spoils; a plunderer.
Spöke, *n.* [A.-S. *spaca*; Dut. *speek*; Ger. *speiche*.] akin to SPIKE.] A bar of a wheel:—a round of a ladder.—2, *i.* from speak.
Spö'ken (spö'kn), *v. p.* from speak.
Spokes'man, *n.* One who speaks for another.
Spölli-áte, *v. a.* [L. *spoliare, spoliatum*, to spoil.] [*pp.* spoliating, spoliated.] To rob; to plunder.
Spölli-áti-on, *n.* [L. *spoliatio*.] The act of robbing or plundering; robbery; plunder.
Spöndä-je, *{a.* [L. *spondaicus*; Gr. *σπονδεία*.] Spöndä-i-cał, *κάσι*.] Belonging to, or containing, a spouse.
Spöndä-dë, *n.* [Gr. *σπονδείος*; *σπονδάι*, a solemn treaty; *σπονδή*, a solemn libation; *σπένθειν*, to pour; so called from its slow and solemn effect in verse.—Cf. L. *spondere*, to pledge.] A foot of two long syllables.
Spöndä (spünj), *n.* [L. *spongia*; Gr. *σπονγία*, *σπόγγος* or *σφόγγος*. Cf. FUNGUS.] A soft, porous marine substance:—a substance for wiping and cleaning; or for imbibing moisture:—soft dough.—2, *v. a.* [*pp.* sponging, sponged.] To wipe, as with a sponge; to blot:—to squeeze; to harass; to oppress.—3, *v. n.* To imbibe:—to live by mean arts.
Spöng'i-nëss, *n.* Quality of being spongy.
Spöng'i-ole, *n.* [L. *spongiosa*, a dim. of *spongia*, a sponge.] A minute absorbing organ at the end of a rootlet; a minute sponge-like organ.
Spöng'i, *a.* Soft and full of holes; wet.
Spöni-sion, *n.* [L. *sponsio*, a pledge; *spondere*, *sponsum*, to pledge; Gr. *σπένθειν*, to pour a libation.] The act of becoming a surety.
Spönsor, *n.* [L.—See SPONSION.] One who is surety for an infant in baptism; a godfather or a godmother.
Spönsor-ship, *n.* State or office of a sponsor.
Spönta-në-i-ty, *n.* [Fr. *spontanité
Spönta-ne-ous, *a.* [L. *spontaneus*; *sponde*, of one's own accord; related to *spondere*, to pledge.] Acting of itself; voluntary.
Spönta-ne-ous-ly, *ad.* Voluntarily.
Spöntönn, *n.* [Fr. *sponton*, *l. sponte, spontone*, a half-pike; *spuntare*, to break off the point; L. *er*, off, and *punctum*, a point (q. v.).] A weapon like a halberd.
Spöök, *n.* [Dut. *spook*; Ger. *spuk*.] A ghost; a spectre.
Spööl, *n.* [Dut. *spovel*; Dan. *spole*; Ger. *spude*.] A cylinder to wind thread on.—2, *v. a.* [*pp.* spooling, spooled.] To wind, as on a spool.
Spööm, *v. n.* [See SRÜME.] [*pp.* spooning, spooned.] (Naut.) To be driven by the wind.
Spöön, *n.* [A.-S. *spon*, Dut. & Dan. *spaan*, Ger. *span*, a chip.] A utensil used in eating soft food.—2, *v. n.* [*pp.* spooning, spooned.] To lade with a spoon:—to act the lover; to be sentimental.
Spöönbill, *n.* A bird of the heron tribe.
Spööndrift, *n.* [SPUME and DRIFT.] The light spray blown off the waves by the wind.
Spööney, *a.* Soft, as if fed on spoon-meat; weak-minded:—weakly or foolishly in love.
Spöönf'l, *n.* pl. Spöönf'l's. As much as a spoon can hold.
Spöönmät, *n.* Food taken with a spoon.
Spöör, *n.* [Dut.—See SPUR.] The track of a wild animal.
Spörad'ic, *a.* [Gr. *σποραδίκος*; *σπείρειν*, to sow.] Scattered; sporadic; attacking few at a time:—applied to diseases.
Spöre, *n.* [Gr. *σπόρος*, seed, a sowing; *σπείρειν*, to sow.] (Bot.) The reproductive substance of a flowerless plant.
Spört, *n.* [For *disport* (q. v.).] Diversion; frolic; mirth:—diversion of the field; as fowling, hunting, &c.:—something of abnormal form.—2, *v. a.* [*pp.* sporting, sported.] To divert; to make merry.—3, *v. n.* To play; to frolic:—to game:—to assume an unusual form.
Spönen, *sir*; möve, nör, sön; ball, bür, räle, üse.—C. G. g, è, soft; C. G. g, è, hard; s as z; x as gz; this.*

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Sprin'kle (spring'kl), *v. a.* [A.-S. *sprengan*, Ger. *sprengeln*, Dut. *sprekelen*, to sprinkle,—originally, to cause to spring (*q. v.*); Ger. *sprengel*, a sprinkler.] [*pp.* sprinkling, sprinkled.] To scatter; to besprinkle; to disperse; to bedew; to wash.—*2, v. n.* To scatter drops; to rain.—*3, n.* A small quantity scattered.

Sprink'ler, *n.* One who sprinkles.

Sprink'ling, *n.* A scattering in small drops.

Sprint, *n.* [Cf. Icel. *sprett*, base *sprint*, to spurt, to spray.] A short foot-race.

Sprit, *n.* [A.-S. *spreot*, Dut. & Ger. *spreit*, Dan. *sprød*, a pole, a shoot; root of *SPROUT*.] sprout,—a small diagonal boom.

Sprite, *n.* [Fr. *esprit*, a spirit (*q. v.*).] A spirit; a spright; a goblin; an elf.

Sprit sail, *n.* (Naut.) A sail attached to a yard under the bowsprit;—a sail mounted with a spirit. **Spröät**, *v. n.* [O. Fr. *spröta*, Dut. *sproten*. Low Ger. *spröten*, Ger. *sproessen*, to sprout; Dut. *spruit*, Icel. *sprot*, Ger. *spross*, a sprout.] [*pp.* sprouting, sprouted.] To germinate; to shoot.—*2, n.* The shoot of a vegetable.

Spruce, *a.* [O. E. *spruce*, Prussia, or Prussian; spruce-leather was a fine Prussian leather. The costume of the early Prussian gentry was proverbially rich and costly.] Nice; trim; neat without elegance.—*2, v. n.* [*pp.* sprucing, spruced.] To dress with affected neatness.—*3, v. a.* To trim; to dress; to prink.—*4, n.* [Ger. *sprossen-fichte*, spruce,—literally, sprout-for: spruce timber was early imported from Prussia (O. E. *spruce*, or *Spuria*), whence came a confusion of names.—Cf. Ger. *sprossenbäuer*, spruce-beer;—literally, sprout-beer.] An evergreen tree; a species of fir.

Spruce'ly, *ad.* In a spruce or nice manner.

Spruce'ness, *n.* Neatness; trimness.

Sprung, *i. & p.* from *spring*.

Spry, *a.* [Local Sw. *spriyg*, *spriyg*, lively; Norw. *sprek*, cheerful.] Nimble; active; lively.

Spid, *n.* [A form of SPADE or SPIT.] A short knife; a tool to cut up weeds.

Spime, *n.* [L. *sputum*, foam; *spire*, to spit.] [*pp.* spuming, spumed.] To foam; to froth.—*2, n.* Foam; scum.

Spit'mous, or **Spū'my**, *a.* Frothy; foamy.

Spin, *t. & p.* from *spin*.

Spink, *n.* [Irish *spong*, sponge, tinder; L. *spongia*, sponge (*q. v.*).] Touchwood; rotten, inflammable wood; tinder;—spirit; mettle. [Vulgar.]

Spinky, *a.* Spirited; fiery; brisk.

Spür, *n.* [A.-S. *spura*, or *spora*; Dut. *spoor*, Dan. *spore*, a spur.—Cf. A.-S. *spur*, Ger. *spur*, a track related to *SPEAR*.] A sharp goad worn on the heel by horsemen:—an incitement;—a snag; a branch;—a branch of a mountain-range.—*2, v. a.* [*pp.* spurring, spurred.] To prick with a spur; to incite; to urge forward;—to fix a spur to.

Spürge, *n.* [O. Fr. *spurge*, or *espurge*; L. *er*, out, and *purgare*, to purge (*q. v.*).] A plant violently purgative, of many species.

Spū'ri-ōds, *a.* [L. *spurius*, illegitimate, false.] Counterfeit; false; illegitimate.

Spū'ri-ous-ness, *n.* State of being spurious.

Spür, *v. a.* [A.-S. *spieran*, Icel. *sperna*, to kick; probably related to L. *spernere*, to despise, which seems to be a kindred word.] [*pp.* spurning, spurned.] To kick;—to reject with disdain; to scorn; to despise; to disdain.—*2, v. n.* To manifest disdain;—to kick.—*3, n.* A kick;—contemptuous treatment.

Spurred (spūrd), *a.* Wearing spurs.

Spür'ri-er, *n.* One who makes spurs.

Spür, *n.* [See SPIRIT.] A sudden ejection; a jet;

—[Icel. *spretr*, a leap, or spurt; *sprett*, to start,

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short effort;—written also *spirt*.—*2, v. n. & r. a.*

[*pp.* spurring, spurted.] To fly or throw out.

Spütter, *v. n.* [A frequentative of SPOUT.—Cf.

ā, ē, ë, ö, ü, ÿ, long; å, è, ï, ö, ü, ÿ, short; æ, œ, i, o, u, y, obscure.—Fär, fär, fast, fall; hér, hér;

Ger. *spützen*, to spit (*q. v.*).] [*pp.* sputtering, sputtered.] To emit moisture or drops of water; to spit much;—to speak hastily.—*2, v. a.* To throw out with noise.—*3, n.* Moisture thrown out in drops;—uproar; clatter.

Spy, *n.* [O. Fr. *espier*, to espy (*q. v.*); Ger. *spähen*, to spy; L. *specere*, to see; Skr. *spac*, to spy.] A secret emissary sent to watch the actions of an enemy.—*2, v. a.* [*pp.* spying, spied.] To discover at a distance; to search.—*3, v. n.* To search narrowly; to act as a spy.

Spy'-glass, *n.* A small or short telescope.

Squad (skwôb), *a.* [Local Sw. *svab*, loose flesh; *svabig*, flabby; Norse *keppna*, Ger. *schwabbeln*, to shake.] Unfeathered; thick and stout.—*2, n.* A kind of sofa; a cushion;—a short, fat person:—a young pig.

Squab'ble (skwôb'l), *n.* [*pp.* squabbling, squabbled.] To quarrel; to fight; to struggle in contest; to scuffle.—*2, n.* A brawl; a quarrel.

Squad (skwôd), *n.* [Fr. *escadre*, It. *squadra*, a squadron, a square (*q. v.*).] A small party or company of men.

Squad'rōn (skwôd'un), *n.* [Fr. *escadron*; It. *squadron*: augmentative of *squadra*, a square (*q. v.*).] A body of armed men; a part of an army;—a part of a fleet.

Squal'ld (skwôld'), *a.* [L. *squalidus*; *squalere*, to be foul, rough, or stiff.] Foul; nasty; filthy.

Squal'ld-ity, *n.* Quality of being squalid.

Squal'ld-ness (skwôld'nes), *n.* Squalidity.

Squall, *n.* [Icel. *skvala*, to bawl; *skval*, an outcry.—Cf. *SQUEAL*; also Ger. *schallen*, a loud call.] [*pp.* squalling, squalled.] To scream, as a child; to cry.—*2, n.* A loud scream;—[Sw. *squel*, *squal*; *reg*, *squala*, to gush] a gust of wind.

Squall'y, *a.* Windy; gusty; stormy.

Squall'or (skwôl'or), Sc. I. N., *n.* [L.—See *SQUALID*.]

Fifth; foulness. [*Covered with scales; scaly.*]

Squamous, *a.* [L. *squamous*; *squama*, a scale.]

Squand'rōn (skwônd'un), *v. a.* [Nasalized from root of Dan. *squattle*, to splash, to dissipate; Sw. *svätttra*, to lavish; *svätta*, to squirt.] [*pp.* squandering, squandered.] To spend profusely.

Square, *a.* [Fr. *carré*, O. Fr. *esquare*, square; *esquare*, It. *squadra*, a square; L. *ex* intensive and *quadratus*, squared.—See *QUADRATE*.] Having four equal sides and four right angles; four-cornered;—parallel; equal; exact; well set; exactly suitable;—honest; fair; equitable.—*Square root*, the number which multiplied by itself produces the square; as, 4 is the square root of 16.—*2, n.* A figure with four right angles and four equal sides;—a square space;—an open space in a town;—[Fr. *équerre*, a square, a rule] a measuring-rule;—the product of a number multiplied into itself.—*3, v. a.* [*pp.* squaring, squared.] To form with right angles; to fit.—*4, v. n.* To suit with; to fit with;—[rough, jagged; *skwôr*, *skwôr*].

Square' (skwôr'), *a.* [Bot.] Jagged; *skwôr*.

Squash (skwôsh), *v. a.* [Fr. *écaher*, to crush; Late L. *excocare*, to constrain, to press; *ex* intensive, and *cocare*, to force, to squeeze; *co*, together, and *agere*, to drive.] [*pp.* squashing, squashed.] To crush into pulp.—*2, n.* Any thing soft;—[Algonkin, *askudusquash*; ask, raw; pl. *askusquash*] a garden-vegetable and its fruit.

Squat (skwôt), *v. n.* [Fr. *écair*, *écair*. O. Fr. *esquarir*, to press; L. *ex* intensive, and *cocare*, to press together.—See *SQUASH*; also It. *quatto*, squatting, cowering.] [*pp.* squatting, squatted.] To sit close to the ground;—to settle on public lands without a title.—*2, a.* Cowering;—short and thick.

Squat'ter (skwôt'er), *n.* One who squats.

Spu'ri-ōd, *n.* [See SPIRIT.] A sudden ejection; a jet;

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Squām'ish, *a.* [Norw. *seim*, a sickness; Icel. *swini*, a swimming;—See SWIM.] Easily disgusted; faint.—See SWIM.

Squāl, *n.* [Sw. *svälla*; Norw. *skvella*: imitative.] A shrill, sharp cry.—*2, v. n.* [*pp.* squeaking, squealed.] To cry with a shrill, sharp voice; to cry with pain, or as pain.

Squāl'ish, *a.* [Norw. *steim*, a sickness; Icel. *swini*, a swimming;—See SWIM.] Easily disgusted; faint.—See SWIM.

Squāl'ish-nēs, *n.* Fastidiousness.

Squāzē, *v. a.* [A.-S. *cuscian*, *cucusian*, *cucus*, Sw. *götsa*, Ger. *quetschen*, to crush.] [*pp.* squeezing, squeezed.] To press; to oppress; to crush.—*2, v. n.* To urge one's way; to crowd.—*3, n.* The act of squeezing; a compression; a hug.

Squālch, *v. a.* [Probably a corruption of *QUELL* or *QUENCH*.] [*pp.* squelching, squelched.] To crush; to put down. [Colloq.]

Squib, *n.* [Icel. *svipa*, to flash; Ger. *schwippe*, a lash, a switch; akin to *SWEEP*.] A little firework or a paper cylinder filled with explosive materials;—a skit; a lampoon.

Squid, *n.* [Cf. Icel. *skvella*, to squirt.] A cuttlefish;—an artificial bait for fish.

Squill, *n.* [Fr. *sqüille*; L. *scilla*, *skilla*; Gr. *σκιλλα*.] The sea-onion; a bulbous medicinal root; scilla;—shell-fish;—an insect.

Squint, *a.* [Dut. *schuinet*, a slope: related to *SKEW*.] Having an oblique look; awry.—*2, n.* An oblique look;—*3, v. n.* [*pp.* squinting, squinted.] To look obliquely or awry.

Squire, *n.* [A contraction of *EQUIER*.] A country gentleman.—*2, v. a.* [*pp.* squiring, squared.] To attend; to wait on; to esquire.

Squirm, *v. n.* [Dut. *swerven*, to wander.—Cf. SWARM, in the sense of to climb.] [*pp.* squirming, squirmed.] To wind about, as an eel.

Squirl'rel (skwîrl'el), *skwîrl'el*, or *skwîrl'el*, *n.* [Fr. *œureuil*; O. Fr. *esquerel*; L. *scurus*; Lat. L. *scurellus*; Gr. *οὐρίων*, a squirrel; *οὐρία*, a shadow, and *οὐρά*, a tail.] A small, active, rodent animal, that lives in the woods.

Squirt, *v. a. & v. n.* [Sw. *svätta*, Icel. *skvæta*, to squirt; the *r* is intrusive.] [*pp.* squirting, squirted.] To throw out or gush out in a quick stream.—*2, n.* A pipe to eject liquor; a stream.

Stab, *v. a.* [Irish *stobain*, Gael. *stob*, to stab; *stab*, a stub, a stake, a weapon.] [*pp.* stabbing, stabbed.] To pierce; to wound mortally.—*2, v. n.* To give a wound; to offer a stab.—*3, n.* A wound with a sharp weapon.

Sta-bil'i-ty, *n.* [L. *stabilita*.—See *STABLE*.] Stability; steadiness; firmness; fixedness; permanence; constancy.

Sta'bile, *a.* [L. *stabilis*, firm, stable; *stare*, to stand (*q. v.*).] Fixed; steady; constant; firm.—*2, n.* [Fr. *étable*, L. *stabilum*, a stall; *stare*, to stand.] A house for horses and cattle.—*3, v. n.* [*pp.* stabilizing, stabilized.] To dwell in a stable, as beasts.—*4, v. a.* To put into a stable.

Sta'bling, *n.* A house or room for beasts.

Stab'lish, *v. a.* [For *establish*.] [*pp.* establishing, established.] To confirm; to establish.

Sta'bly, *ad.* In a stable manner; firmly.

Sta-căt'ō, *n.* [It. for “detached”; *staccare*, to detach, to unhook; *stacca*, a hook.] (Mus.) Denoting a pointed, distinct, and striking manner.

Sta'ck, *n.* [Icel. *stakkr*; Sw. *stack*; Dan. *stak*.—See *STAKE* and *STICK*.] A large pile of hay or grain; [cf. Icel. *stakka*, a stump, a stake; *stak*, a high rock] a column of chimneys or funnels; a chimney.—*2, n. a.* [Sw. *staka*; Dan. *stakke*.] [*pp.* stacking, stacked.] To pile up regularly in stacks.

Sta'd'le (städ'l), *n.* [A.-S. *stathel*, a support, a prop; Dan. *stade*, a standing.] A young tree.

Sta'di-um, *n.*; pl. Sta'di-a. [L.; Gr. *στάδιον*,

originally, a fixed measure; root *sta-*, to stand (*q. v.*).] A race-ground;—one-eighth of a Roman mile; 607 feet.

mien, sir; mōve, nör, sön; båll, bür, rüle, üsc.—G, G, g, g, soft; G, G, g, g, hard; s as z; x as gz; this.

Squāk, *v. n.* [Sw. *svälka*, Norw. *skvaka*, to cackle, to croak: imitative.] [*pp.* squeaking, squeaked.] To make a shrill noise; to cry.—*2, n.* A cry of pain; a shrill, quick noise.

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Squāl-ness, *n.* Fastidiousness.

Squāze, *v. a.* [A.-S. *cuscian*, *cucusian*, *cucus*.] To press; to crush.—*2, n.* A raised

lated to STEAL.] [pp. stalking, stalked.] To walk with stately steps.—2, v. a. To hunt by stealthy approach.—3, n. [Dan. *stilk*, Sw. *stjälk*, diminutives: root of STALE, a handle.—Cf. Gr. *στέλχος*, a stem.] The stem of a plant, of a quill, &c.—a stately step or gait.

Stâlk'ing-horse (stâwk'ing-hôrs), n. A horse used by fowlers:—a mask; a pretence.

Stâlk'y, a. Hard as or like a stalk.

Stâll, n. [A.-S. *steal*, stell. Dut. *stal*, Sw. & Ger. *stall*. Late L. *stallum*, Fr. *étau*; O. Fr. *estal*, a stall.—Cf. Gr. *στέλειν*, to set; root *sta-*, to stand: akin to L. *stabulum*, a stable (*g. v.*), and to Ger. *stelle*, a place.] A crib for horses, &c.—a bench; a seat:—a place where something is sold.—2, v. a. [pp. stalling, stalled.] To place or keep in a stall.—3, v. a. & v. n. [Cf. Ger. *stellen*, to fix, to set; *stelle*, a place.] To stick fast, as in the mire.

Stall'-fed, a. Fed in a stall with dry feed.

Stall'ion (stâlk'yon), n. [It. *stallone*; Fr. *étalon*; étał, It. *stallo*, a stall (*g. v.*), because kept in the stall and not for work.] A horse not castrated.

Stâl'wart, a. [A.-S. *stelwyrde*, *stealwurde*, perhaps for *steal*, a stall, a place, and *worthy*.—i. e., worth stealing, or clever at stealing.] Stout; robust; lusty; brave; bold; large and strong.

Stâ'men, n.; pl. **Stâ'mens**. [L. for "that which stands"; hence, an upright warp in a loom,—also a thread, a fibre; *stare*, to stand.] (Bot.) The fertilizing organ of a flower, consisting of filament, anther, and pollen.—pl. **Stâm'i-na**. Foundation; texture.—pl. First principles of any thing:—the solids of the human body.

Stâm'i-na, n. pl. (used also as sing.) [See STAMEN.] Main strength; native vigor; endurance.

Stâm'i-nate, a. [L. *staminatus*.—See STAMEN.] Relating to, or furnished with, stamens.

Stâm'in-e-ous, a. [L. *stamineus*.] Consisting of stamens.

Stâm'mer, v. n. [Dut. *stameren*, *stamelen*, Ger. *stammern*, *stammeln*, to stammer; A.-S. *stammer*, stammering; frequentative of the root *sta-*, to stand.] [pp. stammering, stammered.] To falter or hesitate in speaking; to stutter.—2, v. a. To utter with hesitation.—3, n. A stutter; a broken utterance.

Stâm'mer-er, n. One who stammers.

Stâm'mer-ing, p. a. Hesitating in speech.—2, n. Impediment in speech.

Stâmp, v. a. [A.-S. *stempfen*, Dut. *stampen*, Dan. *stampe*, Ger. *stampfen*, Fr. *estamper*, *éclamer*, Gr. *στέψειν*, to stamp; Skr. *stambh*, to make hard or firm.] [pp. stamping, stamped.] To strike with the foot:—to mark; to impress with some mark or figure.—2, v. n. To strike the foot downward.—3, n. [Ger. *Stampfe*; Fr. *estampe*, *éclame*; Sp. *estampa*.] An instrument for making an impression:—a mark; an impression; a print; a cut; a picture:—a cast; form:—authority.

Stâmp'-act, n. An act imposing a duty by stamps.

Stâmp'-éd, n. [Sp. *estampido*, a crash, a break; *estampar*, to stamp, to make tracks.] A sudden fright and scampering, as of wild horses.

Stânc'h, v. a. [Fr. *épancher*, Sp. *estanciar*, Late L. *stanciare*, to stanch; *stancia*, a dam, from L. *stagnum*, a pond.—See STANK.] [pp. stanching, stanched.] To hinder from running; to stop.—2, v. n. To cease to flow; to stop.—3, a. [Fr. *éthane*, Sp. *estanco*, *estanco*, stanch, water-tight.—See the verb.] Sound; firm; trusty; hearty.

Stânc'hion (stân'shun), n. [Fr. *épançon*, O. Fr. *estançon*, a prop; Fr. *éstançer*, to prop; from L. *stare*, to stand, or from the root of STANCH.] A prop; a support:—an upright piece of timber; an upright bar to which an ox is fastened in the stall.

Stânc'h'ness, n. The quality of being stanch.

Stând, v. n. [A.-S. & Goth. *standan*, Icel. *standa*, Dut. *staan* (imp. *stond*), Dan. *staae* (imp. *stod*)]

—long; à, è, i, ò, ü, ý, short; å, ø, ï, ÿ, ù, ý, obscure.—Fâre, fär, fast, fall; hâir, hér;

Ger. *stehen* (imp. stand), L. *stare*, Russ. *stoiate*, Skr. *stu*, to stand; Gr. *έρνω*, I stood: root *sta-*, to stand, found in all Aryan tongues.] [i. stood; pp. standing, stood.] To be upon the feet; to remain erect:—to halt; to persist; to abide; to stay; to stop.—2, v. a. To endure; to abide; to suffer:—to set up.—3, n. A station; a halt; perplexity; a small table; a frame to place things on.

Stând'ard, n. [O. Fr. *astandard*, *estandard*; O. Dut. *standert*; Ger. *standarte*; It. *standardo*; Sp. *estandarte*; from L. *extendere*, to extend, to spread: much influenced by STAND.] The word may be said to have a double origin.] An ensign of war; a banner:—that which has been tried by the proper test; an established rule or model; a criterion; a test; a rate:—a standing tree or stem.—2, a. Affording a test to others.

Stând'ing, p. a. Settled; lasting; stagnant; permanent.—2, n. Continuance; station; rank.

Stând'ish, n. [STAND and DISH.] A stand or case for pen and ink.

Stând'-pôint, n. [Ger. *standpunkt*: STAND and POINT.] A point of view.

Stând'-still, n. A complete halt.

Stâng, n. [A.-S. *steng*; Dan. *stang*; Ger. *stange*.] A long bar; a pole; a shaft of a cart.

Stâñ'hopé, n. [(The inventor's name.)] A kind of chaise.

Stâñk, n. [Walloon *stank* or *estank*, a ditch; Prov. *estanc*, Fr. *étang*, Sp. *estanque*, L. *stagnum*, a pond.—See STAGNANT and TANK.] A dam to stop water:—a pool or pond.—2, i. from *stink*. Stunk.

Stâñk'na-ry, n. [Late L. *stannaria*, a tin-mine; L. *stannum* or *stagnum*, tin, which may be a special use of *stagnum*, a pool,—hence a vessel of fused metal: the cognate names of tin in the Celtic languages are referred to the Latin.] A tin-mine; tin-warks.—2, a. Relating to tin-mines.

Stâñk'nice, a. Relating to tin.

Stâñk'ni'er-ous, a. [L. *stannum*, tin, and *ferre*, to bear.] Producing tin.

Stâñk'za, n. [It. for "a room," "a stanza;" Late L. *stantia*, an abode, a lodging,—properly, a halting; L. *stare*, to stand; *stans*, standing; so called from the pause at the end.] A set or series of lines adjusted to each other in a poem or hymn; a strophe.

Stâñk'ple (stâp'l), n. [Fr. *étape*, O. Fr. *estape*, estope, mart; Ger. *stapel*, a storehouse,—originally a prop, and then a heap, a store; A.-S. *stapul*, a support; Dut. *stapel*, a support, a pile; Dan. *stabel*, a hinge, a pile.] A mart; an emporium:—an original material of a manufacture:—a fibre:—a chief article of produce:—a loop of iron.—2, a. Settled; established; principal.

Stâñk'r, n. [A.-S. *steorra*; Dut. *ster*; Dan. *stjarne*; Ger. *stern*; L. *stella* or *aster*; Gr. *ἀστρον*; Skr. *stara*, *stara*, or *stri*; root of Skr. *stri*, L. *sternere*, to strew (*g. v.*]. An apparently small, luminous heavenly body:—mark of honor:—a distinguished performer on the stage:—an asterisk.—2, v. a. [pp. starring, starred.] To bedeck with stars.—3, v. n. To act like, or to shine as, a star.

Stâñk'board, n. [A.-S. *steor bord*, steer-side; Dut. *steurbord*; Dan. *styrbord*.] The right-hand side of a ship.

Stâñk', n. [A.-S. *steare*, stare, stiff, stark (*g. v.*); Ger. *stârke*, strength,—also starch.] A substance to stiffen linen with.—2, v. a. [pp. starching, starched.] To stiffen with starch.

Stâñk'-châm'ber, n. [Said to be from the stars painted upon the ceiling, or from Heb. *shetar* or *shar*, a contract, an obligation.] An English criminal court, abolished in the time of Charles I., also the room where the court was held.

Stâñk'y, a. Partaking of, or like, starch; stiff.

Stâre, v. n. [A.-S. *starian*, Icel. *stara*, *stria*, Dan. *stirre*, Ger. *stieren*, to stare.—Cf. Ger. *star*, stiff, fixed; root *sta-*, to stand.] [pp. staring, stared.] To look with fixed eyes:—to gaze:—to glitter.—

2, v. a. To affect or influence by stares.—3, n. A fixed look:—[see STARLING] a bird, the starling. [shape.]

Stâr'fish, n. A marine animal of a star-like shape.

Stâr'-gâz'er, n. An astronomer; an astrologer.

Stâr'ing, p. a. Gazing:—bristling:—bold:—very bright or glaring.

Stârk, a. [A.-S. *steare*, Dan. *stærk*, Ger. *stark*, stiff, strong; root of STRETCH. The expression *stark naked* represents O. E. *start-naked*, tail-naked; O. E. *stark*, *stert*, A.-S. *steort*, Dut. *stert*, Dan. *stert*, Ger. *stert*, a tail.] Mere; simple; plain; gross; sheer:—rigid; stiff.—2, ad. Wholly; entirely.

Stâr'les, a. Having no light of stars.

Stâr'light (stârl'it), n. The light of the stars.—2, a. Lighted by the stars.

Stâr'ling, n. [A.-S. *ster*, *steurn*; Dan. *ster*; Ger. *stâr*; L. *sturnus*; Gr. *ψαρός*.] A song-bird:—[cf. Ger. *starren*, to stiffen; *starr*, stiff] a defence to *starlit*. [piers.]

Stâr'red (stârd), a. Decorated with stars.

Stâr'ry, a. Consisting of, or like, stars; stellar.

Stâr'-spân-gled (spang'gld), a. Spotted with stars.

Stârt, v. n. [O. Dut. *steerten*, to flee, to turn tail; *steert*, a tail; Ger. *stürzen*, to throw, to hurl; *sturz*, plunge, a fall; probably akin to *stert*, a tail.] [pp. starting, started.] To rise or move suddenly; to set out; to begin a journey:—to wince; to shrink.—2, v. a. To alarm; to startle; to rouse; to put in motion:—to call forth; to produce.—3, n. A motion of terror; a quick spring:—the outset.

Stârt'le, v. n. [A. frequentative of START.] [pp. startling, startled.] To shrink with sudden fear.—2, v. a. To fright; to shock; to deter.—3, n. Sudden alarm; a shock; terror.

Stârt'ling, p. a. That startles; astonishing.

Stâr'vet'ion, n. The act of starving; the state of being starved; famishment.

Stâr've, v. n. [A.-S. *steorfan*, to die; *sterfan*, to kill; Dut. *sterven*, Ger. *sterben*, to die.] [pp. starving, starved.] To perish with hunger; to suffer hunger:—to perish with cold.—2, v. a. To kill or oppress with hunger.

Stâr'veling, n. A lean, meagre animal.—2, a. Hungry; lean; pinching.

Stâte, n. [L. *status*, condition, standing, a state, dignity; *stare*, statum, to stand (*g. v.*).] Condition; situation:—rank; degree:—crisis:—pomp; dignity; grandeur:—estate:—civil power, not ecclesiastical; a body politic; a commonwealth; a kingdom or republic.—pl. Nobility; a legislative body.—2, v. a. [From the noun, in the sense of dignity, blazonry.] [pp. stating, stated.] To specify; to tell formally; to represent.

Stâted, p. a. Regular; fixed; established.

Stâted-ly, ad. Regularly; not occasionally.

Stâte-li'-ness, n. Grandeur; pomp; majesty.

Stâte'ly, a. Grand; lofty; majestic; august.

Stâte'ment, n. The act of stating; a recital.

Stâter, n. [Gr. *στάτης*,—originally, a weight; root *sta-*, to stand (*g. v.*).] An ancient Greek coin.

Stâte'-rôm, n. A magnificent apartment:—a room in a packet or steam-vessel.

Stâtes'man, n. One versed in government or political science; a politician.

Stâtic, a. [Gr. *στατικός*, at rest, standing; *stâtic*, *τάρπη*, I stand.] Relating to statics:—acting in equilibrium:—not dynamic.

Stâtis, n. Science of forces in equilibrium.

Stâtion, n. [L. *statio*, a standing; *stare*, statum, to stand (*g. v.*).] A fixed place:—a place of stopping, as on a railroad:—situation; condition of life; post; office; state; rank.—2, v. a. [pp. stationing, stationed.] To place in a certain post or rank; to set; to fix; to establish.

Stâtion-a-ry, a. [L. *stationarius*.] Fixed; not progressive; standing; motionless; permanent.

Stâtion-er, n. [Originally, one who had a station or stand for selling wares.] A dealer in paper, &c.

Stâtion-ér-y, n. The wares of a stationer.

Stâ'tist, n. A statesman:—a statistician.

Stâ'tis'tic, a. Relating to statistics, or to the resources of a country.

Stâtis'ti-cal, ad. In a statistical manner.

Stâtis'ti-cal-ly, ad. In a statistical manner.

Stâtis'ti'cian (stâtis'tish'an), n. [Fr. *statistien*.] One who is versed in statistics.

Stâtis'tics, n. [Fr. *statistique*; Ger. *statistik*.—See STATE.] A collection of facts relating to a country or its inhabitants; the science which treats of the population, strength, and resources of nations.

Stât'u-a-ry, n. [L. *statuarius*.—See STATUE.] The art of carving or casting statues; sculpture:—a statue, or collection of statues; statues collectively:—a sculptor; a carver.

Stât'u're (stât'yur), n. [L. *statua*; stare, statum, to stand (*g. v.*).] An image of marble, bronze, or other substance.

Stât-u-ésque (stâtu-ésk'), a. [From STATUE; on type of picturesqueness.] Like a statue.

Stât-u-éte', n. [Fr. It. *statuella*; dim. of *statua*, a statue.] A small statue.

Stât'u're (stât'yur), n. [L. *statura*; stare, statum, to stand (*g. v.*).] Height of any animal.

Stât'u-tus, n. [L. for "condition," "state" (*g. v.*).] Standing; situation; rank.

Stât'u-tum (stât'yut), n. [L. *statutum*, a law; *statuere*, to establish; status, position, state (*g. v.*); stare, statum, to stand.] A law enacted by a legislative body; a positive law; an edict.

Stât'u-to-ry, a. Enacted by statute.

Stâunch (stâunch), v. a. [See STAFF.] [i. & pp. stove or staved.] To break in pieces; to push.—2, n. A thin piece of timber in a barrel or other cask:—a metrical portion; a staff.

Stâves, or **Stâv'es**, n.; pl. of staff.

Stâv'e, v. n. [Fr. *étre*, O. Fr. *estaye*, O. Dut. *staege* or *stade*, a prop; A.-S. *stede*, stead, place; *sted*, a shore, a bank; Icel. *stîð*, a haven, refuge, roadstead: root *stu*, to stand.—See STEAD.] [i. staid or stayed; pp. staying, staid or stayed.] To continue in a place; to remain; to wait; to stop; to sojourn; to abide.—2, v. a. [pp. staying, stayed.] To stop; to restrain:—to support.—3, n. Continuance; a stop:—to support.—[A.-S. *steg*; Dut., Dan., & Ger. *stag*; root *stig*, to climb;—See STAIR] a rope to support a mast.

Stâyl'âce, n. A lace to fasten stays with.

Stâys, n. pl. A bodice or a waistcoat for women:—large ropes to support a ship's mast.

Stâyl'-sail, n. A sail supported by a stay.

Stâead, n. [A.-S. *stede*, Dan. *sted*, a place; Ger. *stadt*, a town; *statt*, a place; L. *statio*, a station (*g. v.*).] Room; place (preceded by *in*; as, in *sted*, in his *sted*);—the frame of a bed.

Stâead'fast (stâd'fast), a. [A.-S. *stefdes*; *stede*, a place (*sted*), and *fest*, firm; fast; Dan. *stafdist*.] Established or fast in place; steady; firm; fixed; constant:—determined.

Stâead'fast-ly, ad. Firmly; steadily.

Stâead'fast-ness, n. Firmness; constancy.

Stâead'-ly (stâd'g-le), ad. With steadiness.

Stâead'i-ness, n. Stability; constancy.

Stâead'y (stâd'g), a. [A.-S. *steadiig*; from *stede*, a place; Dan. *stadic*, steady; Ger. *stâdig*, continual.] Firm; regular; constant; uniform; not fickle.—2, v. a. [pp. steadying, steadied.] To make or keep steady.

Steâk (stâk), n. [Icel. *steik*, a steak; *steilja*, to roast on a spit or stick (*g. v.*); Sw. *stek*, Dan. *steg*, a roast.—Cf. Ger. *anstechen*, to put on a spit.] A slice of beef, &c., a collop.

Stâle, v. a. [A.-S. *stelan*; Dut. *stelen*; Dan. *stile*; Ger. *stehlen*.] [i. stole; pp. stealing, stolen.] To take what is another's unlawfully; to take by theft; to withdraw privily.—2, v. a. To practise theft; to withdraw privily.

Stâleath (stâlth), n. [From STEAL; Icel. *stuldr*, Dan. *stylid*, Sw. *stöld*, theft.] Theft; a secret act; privacy; secrecy.—By stealth, secretly.

men, sir; möve, nör, sön; bâll, bür, rûle, use.—G, g, g, g, soft; Q, q, q, q, hard; s as z; x as gz; this.

Stealthily, *ad.* In a stealthy manner.
Stealthy, *a.* Performed by stealth; sly.
Stéam, *n.* [A.-S. *steam*; Dut. *stoom*; steam; A.-S. *stemian*, to steam.] An elastic fluid, into which water is converted by heat; vapor.—*2, v. n.* [pp. steaming, steamed.] To send up vapors; to fume:—to travel or move forward by steam.—*3, v. a.* To heat with, or expose to, steam; to apply steam to; to concoct with steam.
Stéam'-bóat, *n.* A vessel propelled by steam.
Stéam'-én-gine, *n.* An engine acted on by the expansive force of steam.
Steam'er, *n.* One who steams:—a vessel or ship propelled by steam; a steamship.
Stéam'-ship, *n.* A ship propelled by steam.
Stéam'-tug, *n.* A steam tow-boat.
Stéam'-á-rine, *n.* [Gr. *στέαρ*, fat, tallow.] A hard fatty substance.
Stéa-tite, *n.* [L. *steatitis*, a kind of stone; Gr. *στεατίης*, fatty, or doughy; *στέαρ*, fat, or dough.] Soapstone; a species of talc.
Stéed, *n.* [A.-S. *steada*, a stallion; Icel. *stæða*, Gael. *steud*, a mare; root of *STRUD*.—Cf. Irish *stead*; Gael. *steud*, a horse.] A horse for state or for war.
Stéel, *n.* [A.-S. *style*; Dut. *staal*; Icel. *stål*; Ger. *stahl*.] Iron combined with carbon; any thing made of steel, as weapons:—armor.—*2, a.* Made of steel.—*3, v. a.* [A.-S. *stylan*; Icel. *steila*; Ger. *stählen*.] To edge with steel; to harden.
Stéel'yard [stél'yard or stél'yard, J. F. H. St.; sm.], *n.* [STEEL and YARD: probably named from the Steelyard, a market-place in London where steel and other goods were sold.] A kind of balance for weighing.
Stéep, *a.* [A.-S. *steap*; O. Fr. *steap*, steep; Norw. *stip*, a cliff; *styppe*, to fall, to stoop (*q. v.*).] Rising or descending with great inclination; precipitous.—*2, n.* A precipice; a steep ascent or descent:—a liquid used in steeping.—*3, v. a.* [Icel. *steypa*, to pour; Dan. *stibe*, Sw. *stöpa*, to cast (as metals), to steep: a causal extension of meaning from *STOOP* (*q. v.*).] [pp. steeping, steeped.] To soak; to macerate; to dip.
Stéep'ple, *n.* [A.-S. *stypel*, stypel; from steep, high, steep (*q. v.*).] A turret or tower of various forms, usually attached to a church; a spire.
Stéep'néss, *a.* With precipitous declivity.
Stéep'néss, *n.* State of being steep.
Stéer, *n.* [A.-S. *steor*; Ger. *stier*; Goth. *stur*.—Cf. L. *taurus*, Gr. *taípos*, a bull; Zend *staara*, a beast of burden; Skr. *shurin*, a pack-horse; from root of A.-S. & Dan. *stor*, large; Skr. *sthura* or *sthura*, great, coarse.] A young bullock or ox.—*2, v. a.* [A.-S. *steoran*; Dut. *sturen*; Dan. *styre*; Ger. *steuern*, to steer; Dut. *stuur*, Dan. *styr*; Ger. *steuer*, a rudder.—Cf. Gr. *στρόψις*, a stake.] [pp. steering, steered.] To direct; to guide in a passage.—*3, v. n.* To direct a course.
Stéer'age, *n.* Act of steering a ship; direction:—an apartment in the fore part of a ship for the crew and for poorer passengers.—*Seerage passenger*, one who occupies the steerage.
Stéer'sman, *n.* One who steers a ship; a pilot.
Stélla [*L.*], or **Stéllé** [Gr.: root *στρα-*, to stand], *n.* A small column in a building.
Stéll'lar, *a.* [L. *stellaris*; *stella*, a star (*q. v.*).] Relating to the stars; starry; astral.
Stéll'late, *a.* Radiated or pointed, as a star; starred.
Stéll'i-form, *a.* [L. *stella*, a star, and *forma*, shape.] Star-shaped.
Stéll'i-lar, *a.* [L. *stellula*, dim. of *stella*, a star.] Star-like; stellar; starry.
Stém, *n.* [A.-S. *stefn*, stemm, stefna; closely related to *stef*, a staff (*q. v.*); Ger. & Dan. *stamme*; Dut. *stam*, a stem, a post.] The stalk of a plant or tree; a stalk; a twig:—a family; race:—[a special use of the above; it means simply post] the prow of a ship.—*2, v. a.* [Icel. *stemma*, Dan. *strem*.] A kind of surgeon.

ā, ē, i, ò, ü, ÿ, long; á, é, í, ó, ú, ý, short; q, q, i, q, u, y, obscure.—Fáre, fár, fást, fáll; héir, hér;

stemme, Ger. *stemmen*, to dam,—properly, to stop with logs or stems.] [pp. stemming, stemmed.] To oppose, as a current; to stop; to check:—to make headway against.
Stém'-wind-ér, *n.* A watch wound up by turning the stem, and not by a key.
Stéñch, *n.* [Related to STINK, as *drench to drink*:—*A.-S. stenc*, a smell; *stanc*, past tense of *stincan*, to smell.—See STINK.] A fetid or bad smell; a stink.
Stén'cil, *n.* [Fr. *étinceler*, O. Fr. *estinceler*, to sparkle; in heraldry, to set with stars.—See TINSEL.] A thin piece of leather or metal, perforated, used in painting and marking.—*2, v. a.* [pp. stencilizing, stencilled.] To paint or form with a stencil.
Sté-nög'ra-pher, *n.* One versed in stenography.
Stén-o-gráph'ic, *a.* Relating to stenography.
Sté-nög'ra-phy, *n.* [Gr. *στένως*, close, narrow, and *γράφειν*, to write.] Short-hand writing.
Stént, *n.* [See STINT and STUNT.] A task; an allotted piece of work.—*2, v. a.* [pp. stinting, stinted.] To assign a task to; to stint.
Stén-to-ri-an, *a.* [Related to Gr. *στένειν*, to groan, to make a noise.] Relating to Stentor (the Homer's loud-voiced herald):—loud; vociferous.
Stép, *v. n.* [A.-S. *steapan*, to go.—Cf. STAMP.] [pp. stepping, stepped.] To move with the feet; to go; to walk; to proceed.—*2, n.* [A.-S. *stepe*, a pace.] A pace; a footstep:—a stair:—a round of a ladder:—degree:—an action; a proceeding.—Step, used as a prefix in composition [A.-S. *steop-*; Dut. & Ger. *stiep*; Dan. *sted*; root of O. Ger. *stifian*, to deprive], denotes relationship by marriage; as, step-father, step-mother, step-son, step-daughter.
Stép'ping-stóne, *n.* A stone to step on in crossing mud or water:—any aid or means to advancement.
Stér-co-rá-ceous (-shys), *a.* [L. *stercus*, *stercoris*, dung.] Relating to dung.
Stére, *n.* [Fr. *stère*; Gr. *στρέπος*, hard, stiff, solid.—Cf. Ger. *starr*, stiff.] The metric unit of solid measure, 35.3171 cubic feet; a cubic metre; a kilolitre.
Stér-e-o-gráph'ic, *a.* Relating to stereography.
Stér-e-o-phý, *n.* [Gr. *στρέπος*, solid, and *γράφειν*, to write.] The art of drawing the forms of solid bodies upon a plane.
Stér-e-óm'e-trý, *n.* Art of measuring solid bodies.
Stér-e-óp'ti-cón, *n.* [Gr. *στρέπος*, solid, and *οπτικός*, belonging to sight.—See OPTIC.] An optical instrument which throws the reflection of photographic views on a screen, so that they stand out in relief.
Stér-e-o-scópe, *n.* [Gr. *στρέπος*, solid, and *σκοπεῖν*, to see.] An optical instrument which causes the images of two pictures of the same object to combine so as to appear a solid body.
Stér-eo-scóp'ic, *a.* Relating to the stereoscope.
Stér-eo-type [stér'e-o-típ, N. W. C. H.], *n.* [Gr. *στρέπος*, solid, and *τύπος*, a type.] A plate of fixed metallic type for printing:—the art of forming metallic plates for printing.—*2, v. a.* [pp. stereotyping, stereotyped.] To make stereotype plates; to print by the use of stereotype plates.—*3, a.* Pertaining to stereotype.
Stér-e-o-tý-pé, *n.* One who stereotypes.
Stér-e-ó-tý-py, *n.* [See STEREOTYPE.] The art or occupation of producing stereotype plates, or of stereotype printing.
Stér'ile, *a.* [L. *sterilis*, barren.—Cf. Gr. *στρέπος*, hard, solid, dry, barren.] Barren; unfruitful; not fertile. [renness; unfruitfulness.
Stér-il'i-ty, *n.* [Fr. *stérilité*; L. *sterilitas*.] Barrenness; a sterility:—a family; race:—[a special use of the above; it means simply post] the prowl of a ship.—*2, v. a.* [Icel. *stemma*, Dan. *strem*.] A kind of surgeon.

Stér'ling, *a.* [Properly, the money of the Easterlings, or Eastern (German or Baltic) merchants: so called in England in early times.] Genuine; standard; pure; real; substantial:—applied to English money.
Stérm, *a.* [A.-S. *styrne*, severe; *styrnan*, to be severe; Icel. *stura*, gloom; *storr*, large.—Cf. Ger. *starr*, stiff.] Severity of look; harsh; rigid.—*2, n.* [Icel. *stjórn*, steerage.—See STEER.] The hind part of a ship, &c.
Stér'nal, *a.* Relating to the sternum.
Stér'nly, *ad.* In a stern manner; severely.
Stér'néss, *n.* Severity of look; harshness; rigor; inflexibility; severity; austerity.—[stern].
Stérn-shéets, *n.* pl. A part of a boat near the sternum, *n.* [Ne-Latin; Gr. *στέρνη*, the breast.] (Anat.) The breast-bone.
Stér-nú-táz'ión, *n.* [L. *sternutatio*; *sternutare*, frequentative of *sternuere*, to sneeze.] The act of sneezing. [Causing sneezing.
Stér-nú-ta-to-ry, *n.* Medicine for sneezing.—*2, a.* **Stér-to-roús**, *a.* [L. *stertore*, to snore.] Respiring deeply; snoring.—[action to composers].
Stéz, *r. imperative.* [L.] Let it stand. [A direction.]
Stézh'oscópe, *n.* [Gr. *στρέψος*, the chest, and *σκοπεῖν*, to examine, to see.] (Med.) An instrument used in auscultation, for exploring the chest.
Stéve-dore, *n.* [Sp. *estivador*, a packer; *estivar*, to stow; L. *stipare*, to pack; Gr. *στεβεῖν*, to stamp (*q. v.*).] A man employed in loading and unloading vessels.
Stew (stú), *v. a.* [O. E. *stwyn*, to bathe; *stu*, a bath, a hot-house; It. *stufa*, Sp. *estufa*, Fr. *étuve*, a stove, a sweating-room.—See STOVE.] [pp. stewing, stewed.] To boil or seethe slowly.—*2, v. n.* To be seethed slowly.—*3, n.* Meat stewed:—a hot-house; a brothel:—confusion.
Stew'ard, *n.* [A.-S. *sticard*, a steward; from *stiga*, a stye, and *ward*, a guardian.] A manager of another's affairs. [on shipboard].
Stim'u-léss, *n.* A woman who attends to ladies.
Stew'ard-ship, *n.* The office of a steward.
Stew'ish, *a.* Suiting the brothel or stews.
Stew'pan, *n.* A pan used for stewing.
Stick, *n.* [A.-S. *stica*; Ger. *stechen*; Icel. *stika*: akin to STAKE.] A small piece of wood; a club; a cane; a staff:—[A.-S. *stecan*, Ger. *stechen*. Dut. *steken*, Dan. *stikke*, Sw. *stöka*, to stab; to prick] a stab; thrust.—*2, v. a.* [i. stuck; pp. sticking, stuck.] [A.-S. *sticcan*, Dut. *steken*, Ger. *stechen*; to adhere.] To fasten on; to attach; to set:—to stab; to pierce with a pointed weapon.—*3, v. n.* To adhere; to cleave:—to stop; to remain; to be constant:—to hesitate.
Stick'i-néss, *n.* Adhesive quality; viscosity.
Stick'láe, *n.* Lac in its natural state.
Stick'le (stík'lé), *n.* [A frequentative of STICK, to adhere.—But see STICKLER, an arbitrator, an umpire.] [pp. stickling, stickled.] To contest; to altercation.
Stick'le-báck, *n.* [A.-S. *sticel*, a sting.—Cf. STICK, to prick.] A fish with a sharp spine back.
Stick'ler, *n.* [A.-S. *stichian*, *stihlian*, to govern, to dispose; Dut. *stichten*, Ger. *stiften*, to institute, to establish: root of STOP.] A contendor for trifles:—a second in a contest; an umpire.
Stick'ly, *a.* Viscoius; adhesive; glutinous.
Stiff, *a.* [A.-S. *stif*; Dut. *stijf*; Dan. *stiv*; Ger. *stift*.] Rigid; inflexible; stubborn; formal.
Stiff'fe (stíff'n), *v. a.* [Sw. *stifna*; Dan. *stivne*.—See STIFF.] [pp. stiffening, stiffened.] To make stiff.—*2, v. n.* To grow or become stiff.
Stiff'ly, *ad.* Rigidly; inflexibly; stubbornly.
Stiff'necked (stíff'nékt), *a.* Having a stiff neck; stubborn; obstinate; headstrong.
Stiff'ness, *n.* State of being stiff.
Stiff'le (stíff'l), *v. a.* [Icel. *stifa*, to dam, to choke; Norw. *stikla*, to check; a frequentative of *stifa*, to stiffen (*q. v.*); confused also with STRIVE.] [pp. stiffling, stiffed.] To suffocate; to smother; to choke; to suppress.

mien, sir; mève, nor, són; bùll, bür, råle, úse.—Q, Q, Q, g, soft; G, G, G, g, hard; g as z; x as gz; this.

Stig'ma, *n.*; pl. **Stig'mas**, or **Stig'ma-ta**. [Gr. *στύγια*, a prick, a brand; *στίγμα*, to prick: root of STICK.] A brand; a mark of infamy; a blot, disgrace:—wound or scar.—(Bot.) The top of the pistil.
Stig'ma-tiz'ión, *n.* A marking, as with wounds.
Stig'ma-tize, *v. a.* [Gr. *στυγματίζειν*, to mark or brand.—See STIGMA.] [pp. stigmatizing, stigmatized.] To mark, as with infamy; to fix a stigma upon; to brand; to reproach.
Stile, *n.* [A.-S. *stigel*; *stigan*, to mount.] A set of steps to pass over a fence:—[Fr. *stile*; L. *stilus*, for *stigia*, a writing point or tool; root of STIGMA] pl. of a sundial:—a sharp point or style.
Stil'et'tó, *n.* [It. *[dim. of *stilo*, L. *stilus*, a point, a stile (*q. v.*)].*] A small, round dagger:—an instrument to make eyelet-holes.
Stil'l-börn, *a.* Born lifeless; dead-born.
Stil'l-life, *n.* (Painting.) A representation of such things as are without animal life.
Stil'lness, *n.* Quiet; silence; taciturnity.
Stil'l'y, *ad.* Silently; not loudly; calmly.—*2, a.* Still; calm; quiet. [Poet.]
Stilt, *n.* [Sw. *styla*, Dan. *stille*, Dut. *stilt*, Ger. *stelze*, a stilt.—Cf. Dan. *stille*, to stalk; *stolt*, proud.—See STALK.] A walking support used by boys:—a plough-handle.
Stim'u-lant, *a.* Elevated and artificial:—pompous.
Stim'u-látion, *n.* [L. *stimulans*.—See STIMULATE.] Stimulating; exciting.—*2, n.* A stimulating medicine; any thing that stimulates; excitement; stimulus.
Stim'u-láte, *v. a.* [L. *stimulare*, *stimulatum*, to goad; *stimulus*, a goad; root of STIGMA (*q. v.*).] [pp. stimulating, stimulated.] To goad; to prick forward; to excite; to spur on; to quicken.
Stim'u-láti'on, *n.* [L. *stimulatio*.] The act of stimulating; excitement:—action of stimulants.
Stim'u-lá-tive, *a.* Stimulating.—*2, n.* That which stimulates.
Stim'u-lá-ti'ón, *n.* [pl. *Stim'u-li*.] [L. for "a goad."—See STIMULATE.] A spur; that which stimulates; a stimulant.
Sting, *v. a.* [A.-S. *stingan*, Dan. *stinge*, to sting; forms parallel to STICK (*q. v.*).] [i. stung; pp. stinging, stung.] To pierce or wound with a point or sting.—*2, n.* A sharp point:—any thing that gives pain:—remorse of conscience.
Sting'i-néss, *n.* Niggardliness; covetousness.
Sting'r-áy', *n.* A large fish with a sharp spine in its tail; a ray of several species.
Stin'gy, *a.* [Cf. Local & Colloquial *skinch*, *skimp*, to be close; A.-S. *scenac*, to deal out, to pour out; from *scena*, a shank, a hollow bone, hence, a pipe. From the same source comes Ger. *schenken*, to send, to give, to pour out.] Covetous; niggardly; avaricious.
Stink, *v. n.* [A.-S. *stican*; Dut. & Ger. *stinken*.] [i. stunk or stank; pp. stinking, stunk.] To emit an offensive smell.—*2, n.* An offensive smell; stench.
Stint, *v. a.* [A.-S. *styntan*, Icel. *stytta*, for *stynta*, to shorten, to limit.—See STUNT.] [pp. stinting, stinted.] To bound; to limit; to confine:—to assign.—*2, n.* A limit; a quantity assigned.
Stipe, *n.* [L. *stipes*, a stem.] The stalk of a fernleaf; a stem.
Stip'end, *n.* [L. *stipendum*; *stips*, a small coin, a payment, and *pendere*, to weigh out, to pay.] Wages; a settled pay; salary.
Sti-péndi'a-ry, *a.* [L. *stipendiarius*.] Relating to a stipend; receiving a stipend or pay.—*2, n.* One who receives a stipend.