máls at taka, now it must be told; (6) saw, saying; fornt (fornkveðit) m. er, at, it is an old saw that; (7) diction, construction of sentences; (8) sentence; tvau mál, two sentences; fullt m., a full period; (9) suit, action, cause; hefja m. á hendr e-m, to bring an action against one; búa m., to prepare a suit; sœkja m., to prosecute; (10) stipulation, agreement (ek vil halda mil við hann þan, sem mælt vóru); lauss allra mála, free of all stipulations; (11) case, matter, affair (þetta m. var við Jórunni rætt); svá er m. með vexti, the matter stands thus; var bat annat m., another matter; miðla m., to mediate; tillagagóðr inna stærri mála, a good counsellor in great matters; hafa sitt m., to have one's own way, have one's will (honum eirir illa, of hann hefir eigi sitt mál); hafa mikit til síns máls, to have much in support of one's case; e-t skiptir miklu (litlu) máli, it is of great (small) importance; (12) three months (m. ok misseri).

MÁL, n. (1) measure (fimm álna er hátt m. hans); leggja, bera m. við e-t, to measure (hann lagði m. við öll in stærstu tré); (2) time, high time (m. er upp at standa); sagði, at þá var mið nótt ók at enn væri m. at sofa, and still time to sleep; (3) meal; í eitt m., at einu máli, for one single meal; deila mat at málum, to deal out food at each meal.

MÁL, n. *inlaid ornaments* (on the hilts and guards of swords).

MÁLA-EFNI, n. pl. circumstances and nature of a case; góð (ill) -efni, a good (bad) case; -FERLI, n. pl. lawsuits, litigation; -FLUTNINGR, m. conduct of a case.

MÁLAFYLGIS-MAÐR, m., MÁLAFYLGJU-MAÐR, m. helper in lawsuits; mikill -maðr, a great taker up of suits.

MÁLA-GIPT, f., -GJÖF, f. pay for military service; -GJÖLD, n. pl. (1) payment of wages; (2) military pay; -GULL, n. gold in payment of 'máli'.

MÁLA-HLUTI, m., -HLUTR, m. one side of a case or suit, one's share in a case; mun sá verða -hluti várr beztr, at, the best turn for us that things can take will be that.

MÁLA-JÁRN, n. iron (weapon) inlaid with ornaments (mál).

MÁLA-LEITAN, f. negotiation, mooting the question; -LOK, n. pl. end of a case, conclusion; -LYKTIR, f. pl. = -lok; -MAÐR, m. = málafylgjumaðr.

MÁLA-MAÐR, m. a man who receives pay (máli), soldier.

MÁLAMANN-LIGR, a. worthy of a 'mála-maðr'.

MÁLA-SAX, n. an inlaid sword.

MÁLA-SILFR, n. silver given in payment of 'máli'.

MÁLA-SKIL, n. pl. knowledge of procedure; -SKOT, n. appeal in a case; -SÓKN, f. lawsuit, prosecution; -SPELL, n. flaw in a suit.

MÁLA-SPJÓT, n. inlaid spear.

MÁLA-TILBÚNAÐR, -TILBÚNINGR, m. preparation of a suit; -VÖXTR, m. state of a case.

MÁL-DAGI, m. (1) covenant, agreement; inna -daga, to fulfil an agreement; (2) written deed, document (of the rights, property, and inventories of churches); -DEILI, n., e-m er -deili á e-u, it is of importance to one; -DJARFR, a., free-spoken.

MÁL-DRYKKJA, f. a measure of drink served for each meal.

MÁL-EFNI, n. circumstances of a case; gott -efni, a just case.

MÁL-ELDAR, m. pl. 'meal-fires'.

MÁLENDR, m. pl. parties to a suit; væri