

(b. naðra); (2) *cutting, sharp* (bitrt sverð); (3) *painful, bitter* (b. tregi); -LEIKR, m. *bitterness*; -LIGR, a. *sharp, keen* (-ligt sverð).

BIT-SÓTT, f. *disease* (of cattle, sheep) *from vermin*.

BITULL, m. *the bit of a bridle*.

BÍÐA (bíð; beið, biðum; beðit), v. (1) *to abide, wait for*, with gen., bið þú mín hér, *wait for me here*; þeir biðu byrjar, *they waited for favourable wind*; b. sinnar stundar, *to bide one's time*; b. e-s ór stað (þaðan, héðan), *to stand waiting in the same place (there, here)*; var eigi langt at b., at (*it was not long before*) sannaðist saga ábóta míns; (2) *to suffer, undergo, sustain*, with acc., b. bana (dauða, hel), *skaða, to suffer death, loss*; b. ámæli, *to be blamed*; b. ósigr, *to be defeated*; b. enga ró, *to feel no peace, be uneasy*; b. bót (bætr) e-s, *to recover, overcome*; (3) e-t bíðr e-s, *is in store for one, awaits one* (fagnaðu, vin minn, því at þín bíðr eilífr fagnaðr); (4) impers., e-t (acc.) bíðr, *there is, there is to be had*, with a preceeding negative; hvárki bíðr þar báru né vinds blæ, *there is felt neither wave nor breath of air*; varla beið brauð eðr fœðu, *was scarcely to be had*.

BÍÐANDI, f. *biding, waiting, delay*.

BIÐENDR, m. pl. *those who wait*; b. eigu byr, *get a fair wind*.

BÍLDÓTT, a. *spotted on the cheeks* (of a sheep).

BÍLDR, m. *an instrument for letting blood, lancet* (örít var sem bílds spor yæri, *a scar as from a b.*).

BÍLD-ÖR, f. *a kind of arrow*.

BÍLFI, n. *luxury*, = býlfi.

BÍTA (BÍT; BEIT, BITUM; BITINN), v. (1) *to bite with the teeth* (hundr bítr mann;

E. beit skarð ór horninu); b. gras, *to graze*, also absol. (naut bitu á velli); b. af e-m eyrun, *to bite his ears*; b. e-t í sundr, *to bite asunder or through*; b. á vörðrin, kámpinum, *to bite the lip, the beard*; impers., of fish, *to bite, take the bait* (bítr vel á um daginn); (2) of sharp instruments, weapons; þeir er eigi bitu járn, *those whom iron could not bite*; sverðit beit eigi, *did not cut*; e-m bítr, *one's weapon (scythe) cuts well* (allt bitu honum annan veg vápnin); fig., beit þetta ráð, *was effective*; (3) of a ship, *to go near the wind*; skip, er vér köllum b. allra skipa bezt, *the best sailer*; impers., beit þeim eigi fyrir Reykjanes, *they could not clear or weather Reykjanes*; (4) fig., *to bite, sting, hurt* (þik skulu allir eiðar b., þeir er Helga hafðir unna); sekt, sök bítr e-n, *one is convicted or found guilty*; þau mál, sem sekt bítr, *matters liable to punishment*; b. á e-n, *to affect, make an impression on one*; þetta lét Kjartan á sik b., *K. took this to heart*; láta e-t eigi á sik b., *to be proof against, to be unaffected by a thing*; (5) e-t bítr fyrir, *is decisive, decides or settles the matter*, esp. so as to render it impossible; b. e-m at fullu, *to prove fatal to* (hafa mik nú at fullu bitit hans ráð); (6) refl., bítast (of horses), *to bite, in fighting* (var honum mikil forvitni, hvé bítast vildi hestrinn) *to bite one another* (bítast sem hundar eða hestar).

BJALLA, f. *bell* (hann vígði klukkur ok bjöllur).

BJANNAK, n. *benediction* (from Irish beannacht).

BJARG, n. (1) *rock, boulder*; (2) *precipice, cliff* (by the sea).

BJARGA (BERG; BARG, BURGUM; BORGINN), v. (1) *to help, save*, with dat.;