

4. The seat of the affections and passions, as of love, joy, grief, enmity, courage, pleasure, &c.

The heart is deceitful above all things. Every imagination of the thoughts of the heart is evil continually. We read of an honest and good heart, and an evil heart of unbelief, a willing heart, a heavy heart, sorrow of heart, a hard heart, a proud heart, a pure heart. The heart faints in adversity, or under discouragement, that is, courage fails; the heart is deceived, enlarged, reformed, lifted up, fixed, established, moved, &c.

5. By a metonymy, heart is used for an affection or passion, and particularly for love.

The king's heart was towards Absalom. 2 Sam. xiv.

6. The seat of the understanding; as an understanding heart. We read of men wise in heart, and slow of heart.

7. The seat of the will; hence, secret purposes, intentions or designs. There are many devices in a man's heart. The heart of kings is unsearchable. David had it in his heart to build a house of rest for the ark.

Sometimes heart is used for the will, or determined purpose.

The heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil. Eccles. viii.

8. Person; character; used with respect to courage or kindness.

Cheerly, my hearts. Shak.
9. Courage; spirit; as, to take heart; to give heart; to recover heart.

Spenser. Temple. Milton.
10. Secret thoughts; recesses of the mind.

Michal saw king David leaping and dancing before the Lord, and she despised him in her heart. 2 Sam. vi.

11. Disposition of mind.

He had a heart to do well. Sidney.
12. Secret meaning; real intention.

And then show you the heart of my message. Shak.

13. Conscience, or sense of good or ill.

Every man's heart and conscience—doth either like or disallow it. Hooker.

14. Strength; power of producing; vigor; fertility. Keep the land in heart.

That the spent earth may gather heart again. Dryden.

15. The utmost degree.

This gay charm—hath beguiled me To the very heart of loss. Shak.

To get or learn by heart, to commit to memory; to learn so perfectly as to be able to repeat without a copy.

To take to heart, to be much affected; also, to be zealous, ardent or solicitous about a thing; to have concern.

To lay to heart, is used nearly in the sense of the foregoing.

To set the heart on, to fix the desires on; to be very desirous of obtaining or keeping; to be very fond of.

To set the heart at rest, to make one's self quiet; to be tranquil or easy in mind.

To find in the heart, to be willing or disposed. I find it in my heart to ask your pardon.

For my heart, for tenderness or affection. I could not for my heart refuse his request.

Or, this phrase may signify, for my life, if my life was at stake.

I could not get him for my heart to do it. Shak.

To speak to one's heart, in Scripture, to speak kindly to; to comfort; to encourage.

To have in the heart, to purpose; to have design or intention.

A hard heart, cruelty; want of sensibility.

HEART, v. i. To encourage. [Not much used.] Prideaux.

HEART-ACH, n. Sorrow; anguish of mind.

HEART-ALLURING, a. Suited to allure the affections. Parnell.

HEART-APPALLING, a. Dismaying the heart.

HEART-BREAK, n. Overwhelming sorrow or grief.

HEART-BREAKER, a. A lady's curl; a love-lock.

HEART-BREAKING, a. Breaking the heart; overpowering with grief or sorrow.

HEART-BREAKING, n. Overpowering grief; deep affliction.

HEART-BRED, a. Bred in the heart.

HEART-BROKEN, a. Deeply afflicted or grieved.

HEART-BURIED, a. Deeply immersed.

HEART-BURN, n. Cardialgy; a disease or affliction of the stomach, attended with a sensation of heat and uneasiness, and occasioned by indigestion, surfeit or acidity.

HEART-BURNED, a. Having the heart inflamed.

HEART-BURNING, a. Causing discontent.

HEART-BURNING, n. Heart-burn, which see.

2. Discontent; secret enmity.

HEART-CHILLED, a. Having the heart chilled.

HEART-CONSUMING, a. Destroying peace of mind.

HEART-CORRODING, a. Preying on the heart.

HEART-DEAR, a. Sincerely beloved.

HEART-DEEP, a. Rooted in the heart.

HEART-DIS-COURAGING, a. [See *Discourage*.] Depressing the spirits.

HEART-EASE, n. Quiet; tranquillity of mind.

HEART-EASING, a. Giving quiet to the mind.

HEART-EATING, a. Preying on the heart.

HEART-EXPANDING, a. Enlarging the heart; opening the feelings.

HEART-FELT, a. Deeply felt; deeply affecting, either as joy or sorrow.

HEART-GRIEF, n. Affliction of the heart.

HEART-HARDENED, a. Obdurate; impenitent; unfeeling.

HEART-HARDENING, a. Rendering cruel or obdurate.

HEART-HEAVINESS, n. Depression of spirits.

HEART-OFFENDING, a. Wounding the heart.

HEART-PEA, n. A plant, the *Cardiospermum*, with black seeds, having the figure of a heart of a white color on each.

HEART-QUELLING, a. Conquering the affection.

HEART-RENDING, a. Breaking the heart; overpowering with anguish; deeply afflictive.

HEART-ROBBING, a. Depriving of thought; ecstatic.

2. Stealing the heart; winning.

HEART'S-BLOOD, { The blood of the heart; life; essence.

HEART'S-EASE, n. A plant, a species of *Viola*.

HEART-SEARCHING, a. Searching the secret thoughts and purposes.

HEART-SICK, a. Sick at heart; pained in mind; deeply afflicted or depressed.

HEART-SORE, n. That which pains the heart.

HEART-SORE, a. Deeply wounded.

HEART-SORROWING, a. Sorrowing deeply in heart.

HEART-STRING, n. A nerve or tendon, supposed to brace and sustain the heart.

HEART-STUCK, a. Driven to the heart; infused in the mind.

2. Shocked with fear; dismayed.

HEART-SWELLING, a. Rankling in the heart.

HEART-WHOLE, a. [See *Whole*.] Not affected with love; not in love, or not deeply affected.

2. Having unbroken spirits, or good courage.

HEART-WOUNDED, a. Wounded with love or grief; deeply affected with some passion.

HEART-WOUNDING, a. Piercing with grief.

HEARTED, a. Taken to heart. [Not used.]

2. Composed of hearts. [Not used.]

3. Laid up in the heart.

This word is chiefly used in composition, as *hard-hearted*, *faint-hearted*, *slout-hearted*, &c.

HEARTEN, v. t. *h'arten*. To encourage; to animate; to incite or stimulate courage.

2. To restore fertility or strength to; as, to *hearten* land. [Little used.]

HEARTENER, n. He or that which gives courage or animation.

HEARTH, n. *hearth*. [Sax. *heorth*; G. *herd*; D. *haerd*; Sw. *hird*.]

A pavement or floor of brick or stone in a chimney, on which a fire is made to warm a room, and from which there is a passage for the smoke to ascend.

HEARTH-MONEY, { n. A tax on hearths.

HEARTH-PENNY, { Blackstone.

HEARTILY, adv. [from *heartly*.] From the heart; with all the heart; with sincerity; really.

I heartily forgive them. Shak.

2. With zeal; actively; vigorously. He heartily assisted the prince.

3. Eagerly; freely; largely; as, to eat heartily.

HEARTINESS, n. Sincerity; zeal; ardor; earnestness.