WARD, n. Watch; act of guarding. Still when she slept, he kept both watch and Spenser. ward.

2. Garrison; troops to defend a fort; as small wards left in forts. [Not in use.] Spenser.

3. Guard made by a weapon in fencing. For want of other ward, He lifted up his hand his front to guard.

Dryden. Shak.

4. A fortress; a strong hold. 5. One whose business is to guard, watch and defend; as a fire-ward.

6. A certain district, division or quarter of a town or city, committed to an alderman. There are twenty six wards in London.

7. Custody; confinement under guard. Pharaoh put his butler and baker in ward. Gen. xl.

8. A minor or person under the care of a guardian. See Blackstone's chapter on the rights and duties of guardian and ward.

9. The state of a child under a guardian. I must attend his majesty's commands, to whom I am now in ward."

10. Guardianship; right over orphans. It is inconvenient in Ireland, that the wards and marriages of gentlemen's children should be in the disposal of any of those lords.

Spenser.

11. The division of a forest.

12. The division of a hospital.

13. A part of a lock which corresponds to its proper key.

WARD/ED, pp. Guarded.

Warded off, prevented from attacking or in-

WARD'EN, n. A keeper; a guardian.

2. An officer who keeps or guards; a keeper: as the warden of the fleet or fleet prison.

3. A large pear.

Warden of the cinque ports, in England, an officer or magistrate who has the jurisdiction of a port or haven. There are five such ports.

Warden of a university, is the master or president.

WARD'ER, n. A keeper; a guard.

Dryden. The warders of the gate. 2. A truncheon by which an officer of arms forbad fight.

Warders of the tower, officers who attend state prisoners

WARD MOTE, n. [ward and Sax. mote, meeting.]

In law, a court held in each ward in Lon-

WARD ROBE, n. [ward and robe; Fr. garde-robe.]

1. A room or apartment where clothes or wearing apparel is kept.

2. Wearing appared in general.

WARD-ROOM, n. [ward and room.] In a

ship, a room over the gun-room, where

Spensor.

WAR/HOOP, n. [war and hoop.] The savage yell of war; a yell uttered on entership, a room over the gun-room, where the lieutenants and other principal officers sleep and mess. Mar. Dict.

WARD'SHIP, n. Guardianship; care and protection of a ward.

2. Right of guardianship.

Wardship is incident to tenure in socage.

Blockstone. 3, Pupilage; state of being under a guar-

K. Charles. WARD'-STAFF, n. A constable's or watchman's staff.

WARE, pret. of wear, obs. It is now written wore.

WARE, a. [Sax. war; Dan. var. It belongs to the root of ward. We never use ware by itself. But we use it in aware, beware, and in wary. It was formerly in use.] WARK, n. Work; a building. 1. Being in expectation of ; provided against.

2 Tim. iv.

2. Wary; eautious.

WARE, v. i. To take heed of. [We now use beware as a single word, though iu fact it is not.]

Then ware a rising tempest on the main. Obs.

WARE, v. t. pret. wore. [This is evidently 4. Having the appearance of war. from the root of veer. See Veer.]

To cause a ship to change her course from stern to the wind; opposed to tacking, in which the head is turned to the wind; as,

WARE, n. plu. wares. [Sax. ware; D. waar; G. waare ; Sw. vara ; Dan. vare.]

Goods; commodities; merchandise; usually in the plural; but we say, China ware, earthern-ware, potters' ware. It was formerly used in the singular, and may be so used still.

Let the dark shop commend the ware. Cleaveland.

Sea ware, a marine plant, a species of Fucus.

WA'REFUL, a. [from ware, wary.] Wary;

watchful; cautious. [Not used.] WA'REFULNESS, n. Wariness; eautiousness. Obs.

WA'REHOUSE, n. [ware and house.] Addison. storehouse for goods.

WA'REHOUSE, v. t. s as z. To deposit or secure in a warehouse.

WA'REHOUSED, pp. Placed in a store for safe keeping

store for safe keeping. WA'RELESS, a. Unwary; ineautious. 5. Easily excited or provoked; irritable; as

Spenser. 2. Suffered unawares. Obs.

WA'RELY, adv. Cautiously. Obs. [See] Warily.

WAR'FARE, n. [war and fare, Sax. furan, to go.] Military service; military life; 8. Fnneiful; enthusiastic; as a warm head.

The Philistines gathered their armies for warfare. 1 Sam. xxviii.

2. Contest; struggle with spiritual enemies. The weapons of our warfure are not carnal. 2 Cor. x

WAR/FARE, v. i. To lead a military life; to earry on continual wars.

In that credulous warfaring age. [Little Comden meed. 7

WAR/HABLE, a. [war and L. habilis.] Fit Spenser.

ing into battle.

WA'RILY, adv. [from wary.] Cautiously; with timorous prudence or wise foresight. Great enterprises are to be conducted warily. Change of laws should be warily 2. To become ardent or animated. The Hooker. proceeded in.

WAR'INE, n. A species of monkey of S. Dict. Nat. Hist. America.

foresee and guard against evil. The road ardent; excited.

was so slippery, and the danger so great, that we were obliged to proceed with wariness.

To determine what are little things in religion, great wariness is to be used. Sprat.

Spenser. [It is obsolete, except in bulwark.]

WAR'LIKE, a. [war and like.] Fit for war; disposed for war; as a warlike state. Old Siward with ten thousand warlike men.

2. Military; pertaining to war; as warlike Milton. toil.

Dryden. 3. Having a martial appearance.

WAR'LIKENESS, n. A warlike disposition or character. [Little used.] Sandys. one beard to the other, by turning her WAR'LING, n. One often quarreled with; a word coined perhaps to rhyme with darling. [Not in use.] Camden.

to ware ship. We were ship and stood to WAR'LOCK, an infice perfidious, false to covenants. Qu. Ice. vard-lookr.]

A male witch; a wizard.

[ This word is not in use.]

WARM, a. waurm. [Goth. D. G. warm; Sax. wearm; Sw. Dan. varm; Ant. L. for-This word is probably a derivative from the root of L. ferveo, whence fermentum, Eng. barm. See Swarm.]

1. Having heat in a moderate degree; not cold; as warm blood; warm milk. flesh of living animals is warm, if their blood is warm. But some animals have

not warm blood.

2. Subject to heat; having prevalence of heat, or little or no winter; as the warm climate of Egypt.

3. Zealous; ardent; as, to be warm in the cause of our country or of religion.

Each warm wish springs mutual from the

WA'REHOUSING, ppr. Repositing in a 1. Habitually ardent or passionate; keen; irritable; as a warm temper.

warm passions. 6. Violent; furious; as a warm contest. We

shall have warm work to-day.

Busy in action; heated in action; ardent. Be warm in fight.

9. Vigorous; sprightly.

Now warm in youth, now withering in thy

bloom, Lost in a convent's solitary gloom. Pope.

WARM, v. t. [Sax. wearmian; Goth. wearmyan.]
1. To communicate a moderate degree of

heat to; as, a stove warms an apartment. The sun in summer warms the earth, and gives life to vegetation.

To make engaged or earnest: to interest; to engage; to exeite ardor or zeal in; as, to warm the heart with love or zeal.

I formerly warmed my head with reading controversial writings.

WARM, r. i. To become moderately heated. The earth soon warms in a clear day in sommer.

speaker should icarm as he proceeds in the argument, for as he becomes animated, he excites more interest in his audience.

WA'RINESS, n. Caution; prudent care to WARM'ED, pp. Moderately heated: made