

- or result. Thus, the earth *affords* grain; a well *affords* water; trade *affords* profit; distilled liquors *afford* spirit.
2. To yield, grant or confer; as, a good life *affords* consolation in old age.
3. To be able to grant or sell with profit or without loss; as, *A can afford* wine at a less price than *B*.
4. To be able to expend without injury to one's estate; as, a man can *afford* a sum yearly in charity; or be able to bear expenses, or the price of the thing purchased; as, one man can *afford* to buy a farm, which another cannot.
5. To be able without loss or with profit.

The merchant can *afford* to trade for smaller profits. *Hamilton.*

**AFFORDED**, *pp.* Yielded as fruit, produce or result; sold without loss or with profit.

**AFFORDING**, *ppr.* Yielding; producing; selling without loss; bearing expenses.

**AFFOREST**, *v. t.* [*ad* and *forest*.]

To convert ground into forest, as was done by the first Norman kings in England, for the purpose of affording them the pleasures of the chase.

**AFFORESTATION**, *n.* The act of turning ground into forest or wood land.

**AFFORRESTED**, *pp.* Converted into forest.

**AFFORRESTING**, *ppr.* Converting into forest.

**AFFRANCHISEMENT**, *n.* [See *Franchise* and *Disfranchise*.]

The act of making free, or liberating from dependence or servitude. [*Little used*.]

**AFFRAP**, *v. t.* [*Fr. frapper*, to strike; *Eng. rap*.]

To strike. *Obs.* *Spenser.*

**AFFRAY**, *n.* [*Fr. effrayer*, to frighten; *effrayement*, *en*; *effroi*, terror; *Arm. effreica*, *effrey*.]

1. In law, the fighting of two or more persons, in a public place, to the terror of others. A fighting in private is not, in a legal sense, an affray. *Blackstone.*

2. In popular language, *fray* is used to express any fighting of two or more persons; but the word is now deemed inelegant.

3. Tumult; disturbance. *Spenser.*

**AFFRIGHT**, *v. t.* *affra'te*. [See *Fright*.]

To hire a ship for the transportation of goods or freight. *Commerce.*

**AFFRIGHTED**, *pp.* Hired for transporting goods.

**AFFRIGHTER**, *n.* The person who hires or charters a ship or other vessel to convey goods. *Walsh, Am. Rev.*

**AFFRIGHTMENT**, *n.* The act of hiring a ship for the transportation of goods. *American Review, App.*

**AFFRET'**, *n.* [*It. affretare*, to hasten.]

A furious onset, or attack. [*Not used*.]

**AFFRICTION**, *n.* The act of rubbing. [*Not used*.] [See *Friction*.] *Boyle*

**AFFRIENDED**, *a. affrend'ed*. Made friends; reconciled. *Obs.* *Spenser.*

**AFFRIGHT**, *v. t.* *affrit'te*. [*Sax. frichtan*, See *Fright*.]

To impress with sudden fear; to frighten; to terrify or alarm. It expresses a stronger impression than *fear* or *apprehend*, and perhaps less than *terror*.

**AFFRIGHT**, *n.* Sudden or great fear; ter-

ror; also, the cause of terror; a frightful object.

**AFFRIGHTED**, *pp.* Suddenly alarmed with fear; terrified; followed by *at* or *with*, more generally by *at*; as, *affrighted at* the cry of fire.

**AFFRIGHTER**, *n.* One who frightens.

**AFFRIGHTFUL**, *a.* Terrifying; terrible; that may excite great fear; dreadful.

**AFFRIGHTING**, *ppr.* Impressing sudden fear; terrifying.

**AFFRIGHTMENT**, *n.* Affright; terror; the state of being frightened. [*Rarely used*.]

[In common discourse, the use of this word, in all its forms, is superseded by *fright*, *frighted*, *frightful*.]

**AFFRONT**, *v. t.* [*Fr. affronter*, to encounter face to face, of *ad* and *L. frons*, front, face.]

1. Literally, to meet or encounter face to face, in a good or bad sense; as,

The seditious *affronted* the king's forces. *Hayward, Milton, Shak.*

[The foregoing sense is obsolete.]

2. To offer abuse to the face; to insult, dare or brave openly; to offer abuse or insult in any manner, by words or actions; as, to *affront* one by giving him the lie.

3. To abuse, or give cause of offense to, without being present with the person; to make slightly angry; a popular use of the word.

**AFFRONT'**, *n.* Opposition to the face; open defiance; encounter. *Obs.*

2. Ill treatment; abuse; any thing reproachful or contemptuous, that excites or justifies resentment, as foul language, or personal abuse. It usually expresses a less degree of abuse than *insult*.

3. Shame; disgrace. [*Not usual*.] *Arbutnot.*

4. In popular language, slight resentment; displeasure.

**AFFRONTED**, *pp.* Opposed face to face; dared; defied; abused.

2. In popular language, offended; slightly angry at ill treatment, by words or actions; displeased.

**AFFRONTEE**, *a.* In heraldry, front to front; an epithet given to animals that face each other. *Ash.*

**AFFRONTER**, *n.* One that affronts.

**AFFRONTING**, *ppr.* Opposing face to face; defying; abusing; offering abuse, or any cause of displeasure.

**AFFRONTING**, *a.* Contumelious; abusive; tending to offend; abusive.

**AFFRONTIVENESS**, *n.* The quality that gives offense. [*Little used*.]

**AFFUSE**, *v. t.* *s. us* 2. [*L. affundo*, *affusum*, *ad* and *fundo*, to pour out. See *Fuse*.]

To pour upon; to sprinkle, as with a liquid.

**AFFUSED**, *pp.* Sprinkled with a liquid; sprinkled on; having a liquid poured upon.

**AFFUSING**, *ppr.* Pouring upon, or sprinkling.

**AFFUSION**, *n.* *affu'shun*. The act of pouring upon, or sprinkling with a liquid substance, as water upon a diseased body, or upon a child in baptism.

**AFFY**, *v. t.* [*Fr. after*.] To betroth; to bind or join. [*Not used*.]

**AFFY**, *v. t.* To trust or confide in. [*Not used*.]

**AFFIELD**, *adv.* [*a* and *field*.]

To the field. *Milton*

**AFFIRE**, *adv.* On fire.

**AFLAT**, *adv.* [*a* and *flat*.] Level with the ground. *Gower. Bacon.*

**AFOLOAT**, *adv.* or *a.* [*a* and *float*.]

1. Borne on the water; floating; swimming; as, the ship is *afloat*.

2. Figuratively, moving; passing from place to place; as, a rumor is *afloat*.

3. Unfixed; moving without guide or control; as, our affairs are all *afoot*. [*Is an adjective, this word always follows the noun*.]

**AFOOT**, *adv.* [*a* on and *foot*.] On foot; borne by the feet; opposed to riding.

2. In action; in a state of being planned for execution; as, a design is *afoot*, or on foot.

**AFORE**, *adv.* or *prep.* [*a* and *fore*.] In front.

2. Between one object and another, so as to intercept a direct view or intercourse; as, to stand between a person and the light of a candle—a popular use of the word.

3. Prior in time; before; anterior; prior time being considered as in front of subsequent time.

The grass which withereth *afore* it growth up. *Ps. xxix.*

In all these senses it is now inelegant, and superseded by *before*.

4. In seaman's language, toward the head of the ship; further forward, or nearer the stem; as, *afore* the windlass. *Afore the mast*, is a phrase which is applied to a common sailor, one who does duty on the main deck, or has no office on board the ship.

*Mar. Dict.*

**AFOREGOING**, *a.* Going before. [See *Foregoing*, which is chiefly used.]

**AFOREHAND**, *adv.* [*afore* and *hand*.]

In time previous; by previous provision; as, he is ready *aforehand*.

She is come *aforehand* to anoint my body. *Mark xiv.*

2. *a.* Prepared; previously provided; as, to be *aforehand* in business. Hence in popular language, amply provided; well supplied with the means of living; having means beyond the requirements of necessity; moderately wealthy. This word is popularly changed into *aforehanded*, *beforehanded*, or rather *forehanded*; as, a *forehanded* farmer.

**AFOREMENTIONED**, *a.* [*afore* and *mention*.]

Mentioned before in the same writing or discourse. *Addison.*

**AFORENAMED**, *a.* [*afore* and *name*.] Named before. *Peucham.*

**AFORESAID**, *a.* [*afore* and *say*.]

Said or recited before, or in a preceding part.

**AFORETIME**, *adv.* [*afore* and *time*.]

In time past; in a former time. *Bible.*

**AFOUL**, *adv.* or *a.* [*a* and *foul*.]

Not free; entangled. *Columbiaid*

**AFRAD**, *a.* [*The* participle of *affray*.]

Impressed with fear or apprehension; fearful. This word expresses a less degree of fear than *terrified* or *frightened*. It is followed by *of* before the object of fear; as, to be *afraid* of death.

Joseph was *afraid* to sin against God.

**AFRESH**, *adv.* [*a* and *fresh*.]

New; again; recently; after intermission. They crucify the son of God *afresh*. *Heb. vi.*

**AFRICA**, *n.* [*Qu. L. a neg*, and *frigus*, cold.]