

warm climate to bring it to perfection. It also requires a dry, sandy, warm soil, and will not grow well in any other. The fruit abounds with a sweetish liquor resembling water in color, and the pulp is remarkably rich and delicious.

**WATER-MILL**, *n.* [*water* and *mill*.] A mill whose machinery is moved by water, and thus distinguished from a wind-mill.

**WATER-MINT**. [See *Water-calaminl.*]

**WATER-NEWT**, *n.* [*water* and *newt*.] An animal of the lizard tribe, [*Lacerta aquatica*.]

**WATER-ORDEAL**, *n.* [*water* and *ordeal*.] A judicial trial of persons accused of crimes, by means of water; formerly in use among illiterate and superstitious nations.

**WATER-OUZEL**, *n.* [*water* and *ouzel*.] A fowl of the genus *Sturnus*. *Linne.*  
The water-ouzel is the *Turdus cinctus* of Latham. *Ed. Encyc.*

**WATER-PARSNIP**, *n.* [*water* and *parsnip*.] A plant of the genus *Sium*. *Lee.*

**WATER-POA**, *n.* A species of grass, the *Poa aquatica*. *Cyc.*

**WATER-POISE**, *n.* *s* as *z*. [*water* and *poise*.]  
An instrument for examining the purity of water.

**WATER-POT**, *n.* [*water* and *pot*.] A vessel for holding or conveying water, or for sprinkling water on cloth in bleaching, or on plants, &c.

**WATER-PROOF**, *a.* [*water* and *proof*.] Impervious to water; so firm and compact as not to admit water; as *water-proof* cloth, leather or felt.

**WATER-RADISH**, *n.* [*water* and *radish*.] A species of water-cresses. *Johnson.*

Water-cress, a species of *Sisymbrium*. *Lee.*

**WATER-RAIL**, *n.* [*water* and *rail*.] A fowl of the genus *Rallus*.

**WATER-RAT**, *n.* [*water* and *rat*.] An animal of the genus *Mus*, which lives in the banks of streams or lakes.

**WATER-ROCKET**, *n.* [*water* and *rocket*.]

1. A species of water-cresses. *Johnson.*  
2. A kind of fire-work to be discharged in the water.

**WATER-ROT**, *v. t.* [*water* and *rot*.] To rot by steeping in water; as, to *water-rot* hemp or flax.

**WATER-ROTTED**, *pp.* Rotted by being steeped in water.

**WATER-ROTTING**, *ppr.* Rotting in water.

**WATER-SAIL**, *n.* [*water* and *sail*.] A small sail used under a studding sail or driver boom. *Mar. Diet.*

**WATER-SAPPHIRE**, *n.* [*water* and *sapphire*.] A kind of blue precious stone.

**WATER-SHOOT**, *n.* [*water* and *shoot*.] A sprig or shoot from the root or stock of a tree. [*Local*.]

**WATER-SNAKE**, *n.* [*water* and *snake*.] A snake that frequents the water.

**WATER-SOAK**, *v. t.* [*water* and *soak*.] To soak or fill the interstices with water.

**WATER-SOAKED**, *pp.* Soaked or having its interstices filled with water; as *water-soaked* wood; a *water-soaked* hat.

**WATER-SOLDIER**, *n.* A plant of the genus *Stratiotes*. *Cyc.*

**WATER-SPANIEL**, *n.* [*water* and *spaniel*.] A dog so called. *Sidney.*

**WATER-SPOUT**, *n.* [*water* and *spout*.] At sea, a vertical column of water, raised from the surface of the sea and driven furiously by the wind. *Mar. Diet.*

**WATER-TABLE**, *n.* [*water* and *table*.] In architecture, a ledge in the wall of a building, about eighteen or twenty inches from the ground.

**WATER-TATH**, *n.* In England, a species of coarse grass growing in wet grounds, and supposed to be injurious to sheep. *Cyc.*

**WATER-THERMOMETER**, *n.* An instrument for ascertaining the precise degree of cold at which water ceases to be condensed. *Cyc.*

**WATER TIGHT**, *a.* [*water* and *tight*.] So tight as not to admit water.

**WATER-TREFOIL**, *n.* A plant. *Mortimer.*

**WATER-VIOLET**, *n.* [*water* and *violet*.] A plant of the genus *Hottonia*. *Miller. Lee.*

**WATER-WAY**, *n.* [*water* and *way*.] In a ship's deck, a piece of timber, forming a channel for conducting water to the scuppers.

**WATER-WHEEL**, *n.* [*water* and *wheel*.]

1. A wheel moved by water.  
2. An engine for raising water from a deep well.

**WATER-WILLOW**, *n.* [*water* and *willow*.] A plant. [*L. lysimachia*.] *Ainsworth.*

**WATER-WITH**, *n.* [*water* and *with*.] A plant. *Derham.*

**WATER-WORK**, *n.* [*water* and *work*.] Water-works are hydraulic machines or engines, particularly such as form artificial fountains, spouts and the like.

**WATER-WÖRT**, *n.* A plant of the genus *Elatine*. *Lee.*

**WATER**, *v. t.* *wau'ter*. To irrigate; to overflow with water, or to wet with water; as, to *water* land. Showers *water* the earth.

2. To supply with water. The hilly lands of New England are remarkably well *watered* with rivers and rivulets.

3. To supply with water for drink; as, to *water* cattle and horses.

4. To diversify; to wet and calender; to give a wavy appearance to; as, to *water* silk.

**WATER**, *v. i.* *wau'ter*. To shed water or liquid matter. His eyes began to *water*.

2. To get or take in water. The ship put into port to *water*.

The *mouth waters*, a phrase denoting that a person has a longing desire.

**WATERAGE**, *n.* Money paid for transportation by water.

**WATERED**, *pp.* Overspread or sprinkled with water; made wet; supplied with water; made lustrous by being wet and calendered.

**WATERER**, *n.* One who waters. *Carew.*

**WATERINESS**, *n.* [from *watery*.] Moisture; humidity; a state of abounding with water. *Arbutnot.*

**WATERING**, *ppr.* Overflowing; sprinkling or wetting with water; supplying with water; giving water for drink; giving a wavy appearance to.

**WATERING**, *n.* The act of overflowing or sprinkling with water; the act of supplying with water for drink or other purposes; the act of wetting and calendering for giving luster to, as cloth.

2. The place where water is supplied.

**WATERING-PLACE**, *n.* A place to which people resort for mineral water, or for the use of water in some way or other.

**WATERING-TROUGH**, *n.* A trough in which cattle and horses drink.

**WATERISH**, *a.* Resembling water; thin, as a liquor. *Dryden.*

2. Moist; somewhat watery; as *waterish* land. *Hale.*

**WATERISHNESS**, *n.* Thinness, as of a liquor; resemblance to water.

*Waterishness*, which is like the serosity of our blood. *Floyer.*

**WATERLESS**, *a.* Destitute of water. *Mitford.*

**WATERY**, *a.* Resembling water; thin or transparent, as a liquid; as *watery* humors. The oily and *watery* parts of the aliment. *Arbutnot.*

2. Tasteless; insipid; vapid; spiritless; as *watery* turneps. *Philips.*

3. Wet; abounding with water; as *watery* land; *watery* eyes. *Prior.*

4. Pertaining to water; as the *watery* god. *Dryden.*

5. Consisting of water; as a *watery* desert. *Milton.*

**WATTLE**, *n.* [*Sax. wattel*, a twig; allied perhaps to *withe*, *L. vitis*; that is, a shoot.]

1. Properly, a twig or flexible rod; and hence, a hurdle.

2. The fleshy excrescence that grows under the throat of a cock or turkey, or a like substance on a fish. *Cyc. Walton.*

3. A rod laid on a roof to support the thatch.

**WATTLE**, *v. t.* To bind with twigs.

2. To twist or interweave twigs one with another; to plat; to form a kind of network with flexible branches; as, to *wattle* a hedge. *Mortimer.*

**WATTLED**, *pp.* Bound or interwoven with twigs.

**WATTLING**, *ppr.* Interweaving with twigs.

**WAUL**, *v. i.* To cry, as a cat.

**WAULING**, *ppr.* Crying, as a cat.

**WAVE**, *n.* [*Sax. weag, weag*, a wave, a way; both the same word, and both coinciding with the root of *wag*, *wagon*, *vacillate*, *weigh*, &c. The sense is a going, a moving, appropriately a moving one way and the other; *G. woge*; *Sw. våg*; *Ir. buaice*.]

1. A moving swell or volume of water; usually, a swell raised and driven by wind. A pebble thrown into still water produces *waves*, which form concentric circles, receding from the point where the pebble fell. But waves are generally raised and driven by wind, and the word comprehends any moving swell on the surface of water, from the smallest ripple to the billows of a tempest.

The *wave* behind impels the *wave* before. *Pope*

2. Unevenness; inequality of surface. *Newton.*

3. The line or streak of luster on cloth watered and calendered.

**WAVE**, *v. i.* [*Sax. waefan*; probably a corrupt orthography.]