2. To surrender or give up. [Not used.] [3. Motive of conviction; urgent evidence. [8. To occupy; to employ assiduously. We Shal

ENFEOFF'ED, pp. Invested with the fee 4. Pressing exigence; that which urges or of any corporeal hereditament. Shak.

of any corporeal nerentiament.
ENFEOFFING, ppr. Giving to one the fee simple of any corporeal hereditament.
ENFEOFF MENT, n. The act of giving the feet of the fee the fee simple of an estate.

2. The instrument or deed by which one is invested with the fee of an estate. ENFET TER, v. t. To fetter; to bind in Shak.

fetters. ENFE VER, v. t. To excite fever in.

Seward. ENFIERCE, v. t. enfers'. To make fierce. Not in use. Spenser. ENFILA DE, n. [Fr. a row, from en and

fil, a thread, L. filum, Sp. hilo.

with shot all the length of a line, or in the direction of a line. Johnson. Bailey. ENFILA'DE, v. t. [from the noun; Sp. 2. To make free of a city, corporation or enfilar.] To pierce, scour or rake with shot, in the

direction of a line, or through the whole

length of a line.

In conducting approaches at a siege, care should be taken that the trenches be not enfiladed. In a position to enfilade the works at Fort Isle.

ENFILA DED, pp. Pierced or raked in a 2.

ENFILA DING, ppr. Piercing or sweeping

ENFIRE, v. t. To inflame; to set on fire. [Not used.] ENFO'RCE, v. t. [Fr. enforcir; en and

force. 1. To give strength to; to strengthen; to in-

vigorate. [See Def. 5.

to enforce a passage. 3. To put in act by violence; to drive. Stones enforced from the old Assyrian slings.

4. To instigate; to urge on; to animate. Shak

5. To urge with energy; to give force to; to ENFRO'WARD, v. t. To make froward or ENGA'GING, ppr. Pawning; making liable impress on the mind; as, to enforce re marks or arguments.

6. To compel; to constrain; to force

7. To put in execution; to cause to take effect; as, to enforce the laws.

8. To press with a charge. 9. To prove ; to evince. | Little used.

ENFO'RCE, v. i. To attempt by force.

ENFO'RCE, n. Force; strength; power. Milton. Not used.

ENFO'RCED, pp. Strengthened; gained 5. by force; driven; compelled; urged; carried into effect.

ENFO'RCEDLY, adv. By violence; not by choice.

cing; compulsion; force applied.

2. That which gives force, energy or effect: sanction. The penalties of law are en- 7. To attract and fix; as, to engage the attention.

Hammond.

pels or constrains; any thing which urges

6. A putting in execution; as the enforcement of law.

ENFO'RCER, n. One who compels, conlence; one who carries into effect.

ENFO'RCING, ppr. Giving force or strength; compelling; urging; constraining; putting in execution. ENFORM', v. t. To form; to fashion. [See

Form

ENFOUL DERED, a. [Fr. foudroyer.] Mixed with lightning. [Not in use.] Spenser. A line or straight passage; or the situation ed with lightning. [Not in use.] Spenser of a place which may be seen or scoured ENFRAN CHISE, v. t. s as z. [from franchise.] To set free ; to liberate from sla-

> state; to admit to the privileges of a free The English colonies were enfranchised by special charters. Davies. Hale. 3. To free or release from custody. Shak.

> 4. To naturalize; to denizen; to receive as denizens; as, to enfranchise foreign words Watts

Washington. ENFRAN'CHISED, pp. Set free; released from bondage. Admitted to the rights and privileges of

freemen ENFRAN CHISEMENT, n. Release from slavery or custody. Shak.

Spenser, 2. The admission of persons to the freedom of a corporation or state; investiture with 6. Employment in fighting; the conflict of the privileges of free citizens; the incorporating of a person into any society or body politic

2. To make or gain by force; to force; as, ENFRAN CHISER, n. One who enfran-

ENFRAN CHISING, ppr. Setting free from and privileges of denizens or free citizens in a state, or to the privileges of a freeman in a corporation. Cowel.

perverse. [Not used.] Sandys. ENFRO ZEN, a. Frozen; congealed. [Not used. Spenser.

Davies. ENGA GE, v. t. [Fr. engager; en and ga- 2. ger, to lay, to bet, to hire; Arm. ingugi. See Gage and Wage.]

1. To make liable for a debt to a creditor: to bind one's self as surety. Hooker. 2. To pawn; to stake as a pledge.

Hudabras.

To enlist; to bring into a party; a, vo

ENGAOL, v. t. enjade. To imprison. [Not

Shak.

to aid in a cause. ENFO'RCEABLE, a. That may be enfor- 4. To embark in an affair; as, be not hasty

to engage yourself in party disputes. To gain; to win and attach; to draw to. Good nature engages every one to its pos

sessor. ssor.
To every duty he could minds engage.
Waller.

Nations engage themselves to each other by treaty. selves to their sorrow.

were engaged in conversation. The nation is engaged in war.

Shak. 9. To attack in contest; to encounter. The

army engaged the enemy at ten o'clock. The captain engaged the ship, at point blank distance.

ENGA'GE, v. i. To encounter; to begin to fight; to attack in conflict. The armies engaged at Marengo, in a general battle. strains or urges; one who effects by vio-2. To embark in any business; to take a concern in; to undertake. Be cautious not to engage in controversy, without indispensable necessity.

3. To promise or pledge one's word ; to bind one's self; as, a friend has engaged to supply the necessary funds ENGA GED, pp. or a. Pledged; promised;

enlisted; gained and attached; attracted and fixed; embarked; earnestly employed; zealous. ENGA GEDLY, adv. With earnestness:

Bacon with attachment ENGA GEDNESS, n. The state of being

seriously and earnestly occupied; zeal: animation. Flint's Massillon. Panoplist. ENGAGEMENT, n. The act of pawning, pledging or making liable for debt. Obligation by agreement or contract.

Men are often more ready to make engagements than to fulfil them. Adherence to a party or cause ; partiality.

Swift. 4. Occupation; employment of the atten-

Play, by too long or constant engagement, becomes like an employment or profession. Rogers

armies or fleets; battle; a general action; appropriately the conflict of whole armies or fleets, but applied to actions between small squadrons or single ships, rarely to a fight between detachments of land for-

slavery or custody; admitting to the rights 6. Obligation; motive; that which engages. Hammond.

ENGA'GER, n. One that enters into an engagement or agreement.

for debt; enlisting; bringing into a party or cause; promising; binding; winning and attaching; encountering; embarking. a. Winning; attractive; tending to draw the attention or the affections; pleasing; as engaging manners or address.

ENGA GINGLY, adv. In a manner to win

the affections ENGAL/LANT, v. t. To make a gallant of. B. Jonson.

ENG'ARBOIL, v. t. To disorder. [Not in use. ENG'ARLAND, v. t. To encircle with a

Sidney. garland.

ENGAR'RISON, v.t. To furnish with a garrison; to defend or protect by a garri-Bp. Hall. son

ENFORCEMENT, n. The act of enfor- 6. To unite and bind by contract or promise ENGAS TRIMUTH, n. [Gr. 11, 72579 and μυθος.] A ventriloquist. [. Vot in use.]

The young often engage them- ENGEN DER, v. t. [Fr. engendrer; Arm. enguehenta; Sp. engendrar; from the L. gener, genero, geno, gigno. See Generate.]