

gar, &c. In general, *boiling* is a violent agitation, occasioned by heat; to *boil* a liquor is to subject it to heat till it bubbles; and to *boil* any solid substance is to subject it to heat in a boiling liquid.

BOLL, *n.* [*D. bul*; *Ger. beule*; *Dan. bylle*; *Sax. bul*; *Arm. bul*, a blister; *Sw. bulna*, a protuberance; *D. bol*, plump; *Ger. bolle*, a bud, a gem; *Ir. buile*, rage, madness; *Pers. pailo*, a wart, an ulcer, a boil; *W. bal*, a prominence.]

A tumor upon the flesh, accompanied with soreness and inflammation; a sore angry swelling.

BOILED, *pp.* Dressed or cooked by boiling; subjected to the action of boiling liquor.

BOILER, *n.* A person who boils.

2. A vessel in which any thing is boiled. A large pan, or vessel of iron, copper or brass, used in distilleries, pot-ash works and the like, for boiling large quantities of liquor at once.

BOILERY, *n.* A place for boiling and the apparatus.

BOILING, *ppr.* Bubbling; heaving in bubbles; being agitated as boiling liquor; swelling with heat, ardor or passion; dressing or preparing for some purpose by hot water.

BOILING, *n.* The act or state of bubbling; agitation by heat; ebullition; the act of dressing by hot water; the act of preparing by hot water, or of evaporating by heat.

BOIOBI, *n.* A green snake, found in America, an ell in length, called by the Portuguese, *cobra de verb*. It is harmless, unless provoked; but its bite is noxious. *Encey.*

BOISTEROUS, *a.* [*Dan. pust*, a puff, a blast; *puster*, and *Sw. pusta*, to blow; *D. byster*, *Dan. bister*, furious, raging; *W. biesht*, wild, savage, whence, *bast*.]

1. Loud; roaring; violent; stormy; as a *boisterous* wind.

2. Turbulent; furious; tumultuous; noisy; as a *boisterous* man.

3. Large; unwieldy; huge; clumsily violent; as a *boisterous* club. *Obs. Spenser.*

4. Violent; as a *boisterous* heat. *Woodward.*

BOISTEROUSLY, *adv.* Violently; furiously; with loud noise; tumultuously.

BOISTEROUSNESS, *n.* The state or quality of being boisterous; turbulence; disorder; tumultuousness.

BOITTAPO, *n.* A Brazilian serpent, about eight feet long, covered with triangular scales, of an olive or yellowish color, whose bite is mortal. *Dict. of Nat. Hist.*

BOLARY, *a.* [*See Bole*.] Pertaining to bole or clay, or partaking of its nature and qualities. *Brown.*

BOLBITINE, *a.* An epithet given to one of the channels of the Nile, by which its waters are discharged into the Mediterranean. It is the second from West to East, but nearly filled with sand.

D'Anville. Encey.

BOLD, *a.* [*Sax. bald*, *beald*; *D. bout*, contracted; *It. bald*, bolt; *baldanza*, presumption; *imboldanzare*, to embolden. The sense is, open, forward, rushing forward.]

1. During; courageous; brave; intrepid;

fearless; applied to men or other animals; as, *bold* as a lion.

2. Requiring courage in the execution; executed with spirit or boldness; planned with courage and spirit; as a *bold* enterprise.

3. Confident; not timorous.

We were bold in our God to speak to you.

1. Thess. ii.

4. In an ill sense, rude, forward, impudent.

5. Licentious; showing great liberty of fiction or expression; as, the figures of an author are *bold*.

6. Standing out to view; striking to the eye: as bold figures in painting, sculpture and architecture.

7. Steep; abrupt; prominent; as a *bold* shore, which enters the water almost perpendicularly, so that ships can approach near to land without danger.

Where the bold cape its warning forehead rears.

Trumbull.

To make bold, to take freedoms; a common, but not a correct phrase. To be bold is better.

BOLD, *r. t.* To make daring. [*Not used.*]

Hall.

BOLDEN, *r. t.* To make bold; to give confidence. This is nearly disused; being superseded by *embolden*. *Ascham.*

BOLD-FACE, *n.* [*bold* and *face*.] Impudence; sauciness; a term of reproach, and reproach. *L'Estrange.*

BOLD-FACED, *a.* Impudent. *Bramhall.*

BOLDLY, *adv.* In a bold manner; courageously; intrepidity; without timidity or fear; with confidence. Sometimes, perhaps, in a bad sense, for impudently.

BOLDNESS, *n.* Courage; bravery; intrepidity; spirit; fearlessness. I cannot, with Johnson, interpret this word by *fortitude* or *magnanimity*. Boldness does not, I think, imply the *firmness* of mind, which constitutes fortitude, nor the *elevation* and *generosity* of magnanimity.

2. Prominence; the quality of exceeding the ordinary rules of scrupulous nicety and caution; applied to style, expression, and metaphors in language; and to figures in painting, sculpture and architecture.

3. Freedom from timidity; liberty.

Great is my boldness of speech towards you.

2 Cor. vii.

4. Confidence; confident trust.

We have boldness and access with confidence. Eph. iii.

5. Freedom from bashfulness; assurance; confident mien. *Bacon.*

6. Prominence; steepness; as the boldness of the shore.

7. Excess of freedom, bordering on impudence. *Hooker.*

BOL, *n.* [*Sw. bol*; *Dan. bul*.]

1. The body, or stem of a tree. [*Not in use.*]

Dryden.

2. A measure of corn, containing six bushels. *Mortimer.*

BOLE, *n.* A kind of fine clay, often highly colored by iron. Its color is reddish yellow of various shades, often with a tinge of brown, sometimes passing to reddish, yellowish, or blackish brown, flesh red, or yellowish white. It is opaque or a little translucent, especially at the edges, in the red and yellow varieties. It is compact and its fracture conchoidal. It is brittle,

smooth, a little unctuous, and receives a polish from the finger nail. It adheres to the tongue, melts by degrees in the mouth, and impresses a slight sense of astingency. *Cleveland.*

Armenian bole is of a bright red color, with a tinge of yellow, harder than the other kinds, and of a rough dusty surface.

Bole of Blois is yellow, lighter than the other kinds, and it effervesces with acids.

Bohemian bole is of a yellow color, with a cast of red, and of a flaky texture.

French bole is of a pale red color, variegated with specks of white and yellow.

Levantine bole is of a pale red color.

Silesian bole is of a pale yellow color. *Encey.*

BOLETIC, *a.* *Boletic acid* is the acid of Boletus, a genus of mushrooms.

BOLETUS, *n.* [*L.*] A genus of mushrooms, containing many species.

BOLIS, *n.* [*L.* from *Gr. bolos*, a dart; *Sax. bol*, to throw.]

A fire-ball darting through the air, followed by a train of light or sparks.

BOLL, *n.* [*W. bul*, a seed vessel; *Sax. bolle*, a bowl.]

The pod or capsule of a plant, as of flax; a pericarp. *Bale*, a measure of six bushels, is sometimes written in this manner.

BOLL, *r. t.* To form into a pericarp or seed-vessel.

The barley was in the ear and the flax was balled. *Exodus ix.*

Heb. בולל, Gr. σπικματίζω, as translated by the seventy.

Ballard timbers, in a ship, or knight-heads, are two timbers, rising just within the stem, one on each side of the bowsprit, to secure its end. *Mor. Diet.*

In docks, ballards are large posts set in the ground on each side, to which are lashed large blocks, through which are reeved the transporting hawsers for decking and unloading ships. *Encey.*

BOLOGNIAN STONE, *bo'lognian stone*.

Radiated sulphate of barytes; found in roundish masses, composed of radiating fibers; first discovered near Bologna. It is phosphorescent, when calcined.

BOLSTER, *n.* [*Sax. and Sw. bolster*; *Ger. polster*; *Dan. bolster-dyne*, a feather bed;

Pers. بالشت balisht. In Dutch, *bolster*

is a husk, cud or shell.]

1. A long pillow or cushion, used to support the head of persons lying on a bed; generally laid under the pillows.

2. A pad, or quilt, used to hinder pressure, support any part of the body, or make a bandage sit easy upon a wounded part a compress.

3. In *saddlery*, a part of a saddle raised upon the bows or hinder part, to hold the rider's thigh. *Farrier's Diet.*

4. In ships, a cushion or bag, filled with tarred canvas, used to preserve the stays from being worn or chafed by the masts.

Mor. Diet.

BOLSTER, *r. t.* To support with a bolster, pillow or any soft pad or quilt.

2. To support; to hold up; to maintain.

Hooker. South.

3. To afford a bed to. [*Unusual.*] *Shak.*

BOLSTERED, *a.* Swelled out.

BOLSTERER, *n.* A supporter.