

5. The quality of bearing offenses and injuries without anger or revenge.

His rage was kindled and his *patience* gone.

*Harte*

6. Sufferance; permission. [*Not used.*]

*Hooker.*

7. A plant, a species of *rumex* or dock.

*Mortimer.*

**PATIENT**, *a. pa'shent.* [Fr. from L. *patiens*.]

1. Having the quality of enduring evils without murmuring or fretfulness; sustaining afflictions of body or mind with fortitude, calmness or christian submission to the divine will; as a *patient* person, or a person of *patient* temper. It is followed by *of* before the evil endured; as *patient of* labor or pain; *patient of* heat or cold.

*Ray.*

2. Not easily provoked; calm under the sufferance of injuries or offenses; not revengeful.

Be *patient* towards all men. 1 Thess. v.

3. Persevering; constant in pursuit or exertion; calmly diligent.

Whatever I have done is due to *patient* thought.

*Newton.*

4. Not hasty; not over eager or impetuous; waiting or expecting with calmness or without discontent.

Not *patient* to expect the turns of fate.

*Prior.*

**PATIENT**, *n.* A person or thing that receives impressions from external agents; he or that which is passively affected.

Malice is a passion so impetuous and precipitate, that it often involves the agent and the *patient*.

*Gov. of the Tongue.*

2. A person diseased or suffering bodily indisposition. It is used in relation to the physician; as, the physician visits his *patient* morning and evening.

3. It is sometimes used absolutely for a sick person.

It is wonderful to observe how inapprehensive these *patients* are of their disease.

*Blackmore.*

**PATIENT**, *v. t.* To compose one's self. [*Not used.*]

*Shak.*

**PATIENTLY**, *adv.* With calmness or composure; without discontent or murmuring. Submit *patiently* to the unavoidable evils of life.

2. With calm and constant diligence; as, to examine a subject *patiently*.

3. Without agitation, uneasiness or discontent; without undue haste or eagerness; as, to wait *patiently* for more favorable events.

**PATIN**. [See *Paten*.]

**PAT'LY**, *adv.* [from *pat.*] Fitly; conveniently.

**PAT'NESS**, *n.* [from *pat.*] Fitness; suitability; convenience.

*Barrow.*

**PATRIARCH**, *n.* [L. *patriarcha*; Gr. *πατριάρχης*; *πατρις*, a family, from *πατήρ*, father, and *αρχος*, a chief.]

1. The father and ruler of a family; one who governs by paternal right. It is usually applied to the progenitors of the Israelites, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and the sons of Jacob, or to the heads of families before the flood; as the antediluvian *patriarchs*.

2. A learned and distinguished character among the Jews.

3. In the christian church, a dignitary superior

to the order of archbishops; as the *patriarch* of Constantinople, of Alexandria, or of Ephesus.

**PATRIARCH'AL**, } *a.* Belonging to *patriarch*  
**PATRIARCH'IC**, } *n.* arches; possessed by *patriarchs*; as *patriarchal* power or jurisdiction; a *patriarchal* see.

2. Subject to a patriarch; as a *patriarchal* church.

*Patriarchal cross*, in heraldry, is that where the shaft is twice crossed, the lower arms being longer than the upper ones.

*Encyc.*

**PA'TRIARCHATE**, } *n.* The office, dignity  
**PA'TRIARCHSHIP**, } *n.* ty or jurisdiction of a patriarch or ecclesiastical superior.

*Selden. Ayliffe.*

**PA'TRIARCHY**, *n.* The jurisdiction of a patriarch; a patriarchate.

*Brerewood.*

**PATRI'CIAN**, *a.* [Fr. *patricien*; L. *patricius*, from *pater*, father.]

Senatorial; noble; not plebeian. This epithet is derived from the Roman *patres*, fathers, the title of Roman senators; as *patrician* birth or blood; *patrician* families.

*Addison.*

**PATRI'CIAN**, *n.* A nobleman. In the Roman state, the patricians were the descendants of the first Roman senators.

**PATRIMO'NIAL**, *a.* [Fr. See *Patrimony*.] Pertaining to a patrimony; inherited from ancestors; as a *patrimonial* estate.

**PATRIMO'NIALLY**, *adv.* By inheritance.

*Davenant.*

**PATRIMONY**, *n.* [L. *patrimonium*, from *pater*, father.]

1. A right or estate inherited from one's ancestors.

*Dryden.*

2. A church estate or revenue; as St. Peter's *patrimony*.

**PATRIOT**, *n.* [Fr. *patriote*, from L. *patria*, one's native country, from *pater*, father.]

A person who loves his country, and zealously supports and defends it and its interests.

Such tears as *patriots* shed for dying laws.

*Pope.*

**PATRIOT**, *a.* Patriotic; devoted to the welfare of one's country; as *patriot* zeal.

**PATRIOT'IC**, *a.* Full of patriotism; actuated by the love of one's country; as a *patriotic* hero or statesman.

2. Inspired by the love of one's country; directed to the public safety and welfare; as *patriotic* zeal.

**PATRIOTISM**, *n.* Love of one's country; the passion which aims to serve one's country, either in defending it from invasion, or protecting its rights and maintaining its laws and institutions in vigor and purity. *Patriotism* is the characteristic of a good citizen, the noblest passion that animates a man in the character of a citizen.

**PATRIS'TIC**, } *a.* [from L. *pater*, *patres*,  
**PATRIS'TICAL**, } *a.* fathers.]

Pertaining to the ancient fathers of the christian church.

*M. Stuart.*

**PATROCIN'ATE**, *v. t.* To patronize. [*Not used.*]

**PATROCINA'TION**, *n.* Countenance; support.

*[Not used.] Hall.*

**PATROL**, } *n.* [Fr. *patrouille*; Sp. *patrulla*;  
**PATROLL**, } *n.* Port. *patrulha*. See the Verb.]

1. In war, a round; a walking or marching

round by a guard in the night, to watch and observe what passes, and to secure the peace and safety of a camp or other place.

2. The guard or persons who go the rounds for observation; a detachment whose duty is to patrol.

In France, there is an army of *patrols* to secure her fiscal regulations.

*Hamilton.*

**PATROLL**, *v. i.* [Fr. *patrouiller*, to paddle or puddle, to patrol, to fumble; Sp. *patrullar*. Hence the word seems to be formed from the name of the foot, *pad* or *ped*, *patre*. In our vulgar dialect, *pad* is used in the sense of walking or stepping about. It seems to be allied to Gr. *πατεω*.]

To go the rounds in a camp or garrison; to march about and observe what passes; as a guard.

*Encyc.*

**PATROLLING**, *ppr.* Going the rounds, as a guard.

**PAT'RON**, *n.* [L. *patronus*; Gr. *πατρων*, from *πατήρ*, father.]

1. Among the Romans, a master who had freed his slave, and retained some rights over him after his emancipation; also, a man of distinction under whose protection another placed himself. Hence,

2. One who countenances, supports and protects either a person or a work.

*Prior.*

3. In the church of Rome, a guardian or saint, whose name a person bears, or under whose special care he is placed and whom he invokes; or a saint in whose name a church or order is founded.

*Encyc.*

4. In the canon or common law, one who has the gift and disposition of a benefice.

*Encyc.*

5. An advocate; a defender; one that specially countenances and supports, or lends aid to advance; as *patrons* of the arts; a *patron* of useful undertakings; the *patrons* of virtue.

*Locke.*

6. In seamen's language, the commander of a small vessel or passage-boat; also, one who steers a ship's long boat.

**PATRONAGE**, *n.* Special countenance or support; favor or aid afforded to second the views of a person or to promote a design.

*Sidney.*

2. Guardianship, as of a saint.

*Addison.*

3. Advowson; the right of presentation to a church or ecclesiastical benefice.

*Encyc.*

**PATRONAGE**, *v. t.* To patronize or support. [*Not used.*]

*Shak.*

**PATRONAL**, *a.* Doing the office of a patron; protecting; supporting; favoring; defending. [*Little used.*]

*Brown.*

**PATRONESS**, *n.* A female that favors, countenances or supports.

Now night came down, and rose full soon

That *patroness* of rogues, the moon.

*Trumbull's M'Fingal.*

2. A female guardian saint.

3. A female that has the right of presenting to a church living.

- PATRONIZE**, *v. t.* To support; to countenance; to defend; as a patron his client.

2. To favor; to lend aid to promote; as an undertaking.

*Dryden.*

3. To maintain; to defend; to support.

This idea has been *patronized* by two states

only.

*Hamilton.*

**PATRONIZED**, *pp.* Defended; supported; favored; promoted.

**PATRONIZER**, *n.* One that supports, countenances or favors.