

laborious; clog; impediment; embarrassment.

2. A legal claim on the estate of another.

**INCUMBRANCER**, *n.* One who has an incumbrance, or some legal claim on an estate. *Kent.*

**INCUMBROUS**, *a.* Cumbersome; troublesome. *Obs. Chaucer.*

**INCUR**, *v. t.* [*l. incurro*, to run against; *in* and *curro*, to run; *It. incorrere*; *Sp. incurrir*.]

1. Literally, to run against; hence, to become liable to; to become subject to. Thus, a thief *incurs* the punishment of the law by the act of stealing, before he is convicted, and we have all *incurred* the penalties of God's law.

2. To bring on; as, to *incur* a debt; to *incur* guilt; to *incur* the displeasure of God; to *incur* blame or censure.

3. To occur; to meet; to press on. *Obs. Bacon.*

**INCURABILITY**, *n.* [*Fr. incurabilité*.] The state of being incurable; impossibility of cure; insusceptibility of cure or remedy.

**INCURABLE**, *a.* [*Fr. in curable*.]

1. That cannot be cured; not admitting of cure; beyond the power of skill or medicine; as an *incurable* disease.

2. Not admitting remedy or correction; irremediable; remediless; as *incurable* evils.

**INCURABLE**, *n.* A person diseased beyond the reach of cure.

**INCURABLENESS**, *n.* The state of not admitting cure or remedy.

**INCURABLY**, *adv.* In a manner or degree that renders cure impracticable.

**INCURIOSITY**, *n.* Want of curiosity; inattentiveness; indifference. *Wotton.*

**INCURIOS**, *a.* [*in* and *curious*.] Destitute of curiosity; not curious or inquisitive; inattentive. *Suiff.*

**INCURIOSNESS**, *n.* Want of curiosity or inquisitiveness. *Chesterfield.*

**INCURRED**, *pp.* Brought on.

**INCURRING**, *ppr.* Becoming subject or liable to; bringing on.

**INCURSION**, *n.* [*Fr. incursion*; *L. incurso*, from *incurro*.] *See Incur.*

1. Literally, a running into; hence, an entering into a territory with hostile intention; an inroad; applied to the expeditions of small parties or detachments of an enemy's army, entering a territory for attack, plunder or destruction of a post or magazine. Hence it differs from *invasion*, which is the hostile entrance of an army for conquest. During the revolution, the British troops made an *incursion* to Danbury, and destroyed the magazines. In opposing this *incursion*, Gen. Wooster was killed.

2. Attack; occurrence; as sins of daily *incursion*. [*Unusual.*] *South.*

**INCURVATE**, *v. t.* [*L. incurvo*; *in* and *curvo*, bent.]

To bend; to crook; to turn from a right line or straight course.

**INCURVATE**, *a.* Curved inwards or upwards.

**INCURVATED**, *pp.* Bent; turned from a rectilinear direction.

**INCURVATING**, *ppr.* Bending; turning from a right line.

**INCURVATION**, *n.* The act of bending;

2. The state of being bent, or turned from a rectilinear course; curvity; crookedness.

3. The act of bowing, or bending the body in respect or reverence. *Stillington.*

**INCURVE**, *v. t.* [*l. incurv*]. To bend; to make crooked.

**INCURVITY**, *n.* [*from L. incurvus*.] A state of being bent or crooked; crookedness; a bending inward. *Brown.*

**INDAGATE**, *v. t.* [*L. indago*]. To seek or search out. [*Not used.*]

**INDAGATION**, *n.* The act of searching; search; inquiry; examination. [*Little used.*] *Boyle. Brown.*

**INDAGATOR**, *n.* A searcher; one who seeks or inquires with diligence. [*Little used.*] *Boyle.*

**IND ART**, *v. t.* [*in* and *dart*]. To dart in; to thrust or strike in. *Shak.*

**Indebitatus assumpti**. [*See Assumpti*.]

**INDEBT**, a verb, is never used.

**INDEBTED**, *a.* *in debited*. [*It. indebitato*.]

1. Being in debt; having incurred a debt; held or obliged to pay. A is indebted to B; he is indebted in a large sum, or to a large amount.

2. Obligated by something received, for which restitution or gratitude is due. We are indebted to our parents for their care of us in infancy and youth. We are indebted to God for life. We are indebted to the christian religion for many of the advantages, and much of the refinement of modern times.

**INDEBTEDNESS**, *n.* *in debitedness*. The state of being indebted.

**INDEBTMENT**, *n.* *in debitedment*. The state of being indebted. [*Little used.*] *Hall.*

**INDECENCY**, *n.* [*Fr. indecence*; *It. indecenza*; *L. indecens*, *indeceo*; *in* and *deceo*, to become.]

That which is unbecoming in language or manners; any action or behavior which is deemed a violation of modesty, or an offense to delicacy, as rude or wanton actions, obscene language, and whatever tends to excite a blush in a spectator.

Extreme assurance or impudence may also be deemed *indecent* of behavior towards superiors. [*See Indecorum*.]

**INDECENT**, *a.* [*Fr. from L. indecens*.] Unbecoming; unfit to be seen or heard; offensive to modesty and delicacy; as *indecent* language; *indecent* manners; an *indecent* posture or gesture. *Dryden.*

**INDECENTLY**, *adv.* In a manner to offend modesty or delicacy.

**INDECIDUOUS**, *a.* [*in* and *deciduus*.] Not falling, as the leaves of trees in autumn; lasting; evergreen.

**INDECMABLE**, *a.* Not liable to the payment of titles. *Cicero.*

**INDECISION**, *n.* *s* as *z*. [*in* and *decision*.] Want of decision; want of settled purpose or of firmness in the determinations of the will; a wavering of mind; irresolution. *Burke.*

**INDECISIVE**, *a.* [*in* and *decisive*.] Not decisive; not bringing to a final close or ultimate issue; as an *indecisive* battle or engagement; an argument *indecisive* of the question.

2. Unsettled; wavering; vacillating; hesitating; as an *indecisive* state of mind; an *indecisive* character.

**INDECISIVELY**, *adv.* Without decision.

**INDECISIVENESS**, *n.* The state of being undecided; unsettled state; state of not being brought to a final issue.

**INDECLINABLE**, *a.* [*Fr. from L. indeclinabilis*; *in* and *declino*.]

Not declinable; not varied by terminations; as, *pando*, in Latin, is an *indeclinable* noun.

**INDECLINABLY**, *adv.* Without variation. *Moutlagu.*

**INDECOMPOSABLE**, *a.* *s* as *z*. [*in* and *decomposable*, *decompose*.]

Not capable of decomposition, or of being resolved into the primary constituent elements. *Encyc.*

**INDECOMPOSABLENESS**, *n.* Incapability of decomposition.

**INDECOROUS**, *a.* [*L. indecorus*; *in* and *decor*, *deceus*, *deceo*, to become.]

Unbecoming; violating good manners; contrary to the established rules of good breeding, or to the forms of respect which age and station require. It is *indecorous* in a young person to take the highest place in company, when his superiors are present. *Indecorous* is sometimes equivalent to *indecent*; but it is less frequently applied to actions which offend modesty and chastity.

**INDECOROUSLY**, *adv.* In an unbecoming manner.

**INDECOROUSNESS**, *n.* Violation of good manners in words or behavior.

**INDECORUM**, *n.* [*L. in* and *decorum*.] Impropriety of behavior; that in behavior or manners which violates the established rules of civility, or the duties of respect which age or station requires; an unbecoming action. It is sometimes synonymous with *indecent*; but *indecent*, more frequently than *indecorum*, is applied to words or actions which refer to what nature and propriety require to be concealed or suppressed.

**INDEED**, *adv.* [*in* and *deed*.] In reality; in truth; in fact.

The carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, neither *indeed* can be. *Rom. viii.*

*Indeed* is usually emphatical, but in some cases more so than in others; as, this is true; it is *indeed*.

I were a beast *indeed* to do you wrong. *Dryden.*

Some sons *indeed*, some very few we see, Who keep themselves from this infection free. *Dryden.*

There is *indeed* no greater pleasure in visiting these magazines of war— *Addison.*

It is used to note concession or admission; as, ships not so large *indeed*, but better manned.

*Indeed* is used as an expression of surprise, or for the purpose of obtaining confirmation of a fact stated. *Indeed!* is it possible? is it so *in fact*?

**INDEFATIGABLE**, *a.* [*L. indefatigabilis*; *in* and *defatigo*, *fatigo*, to fatigue.]

Unwearied; not tired; not exhausted by labor; not yielding to fatigue; as *indefatigable* exertions; *indefatigable* attendance or perseverance.

Upborne with *indefatigable* wings. *Milton.*

**INDEFATIGABLENESS**, *n.* Unweariedness; persistency. *Parnell.*