

Glossary

- NATIVITY: horoscope
 NAVY: Navy Office
 NAVY OFFICERS: officials of Navy Office
 NEAT: ox
 NIGHTGOWN: dressing gown
 NOISE: band of musical instruments
 NORTHDOWN ALE: Margate ale
 NULLA PUELLA NEGAT (Lat.): no girl ever refuses
 NURSERY: training school for actors
- OARS: *see* Pair of oars
 OF COURSE: as usual
 OFFICERS: *see* Navy
 OLEO (Span.): stew
 OLIM, HERI, HODI, CRAS
 nescio cujus (Lat.): once upon a time; yesterday; today; tomorrow I know not whose
 OMBRE (Span.): three-handed card game
 ONLY: main, mainly
 OPEN: to explain
 OPERA: spectacular entertainment involving painted scenery and stage machinery
 OPINIASTREMENT (Fr.): obstinately
 ORA (Lat.): brim of pot or basin
 ORDINARY: eating place serving fixed-price meals
 OTACOUSTICON: ear trumpet
 OYER AND TERMINER (Law Fr.): commission (issued to a judge) to hear and determine
- PACQUET-BOAT: mail-boat
 PAIR OF OARS: large river-boat rowed by two men each with two oars. *cf.* Scull
 PAIR (of organs): a single instrument consisting of several parts
 PASSION: feeling, mood
 PASSIONATE: pathetic; provoking compassion
 PATTEN: overshoe (wooden sole mounted on iron, with leather strap)
- PENDANCES: ear-rings
 PENDANTS: ship's flags
 PERSPECTIVE GLASS: telescope or binoculars
 PERUQUES: artificial curls
 PESA ME (*pésame*, Span.): expression of sympathy
 PHILOSOPHY: natural science
 PHYSIC: laxative, purge
 PIECE: gold coin worth c. 20s.
 PINNER: fill-in above décolletage; coif
 PIPKIN: earthenware pot with handle
 PLACKET: petticoat
 PLEASANT: comic
 PLAT: chart, map; level; flower-plot
 PLATERY: craft of making metal plate
 POINT-DE-GESNE (Fr.): Genoa lace
 POLICY: cunning
 POOR WRETCH: poor dear
 POSSET: spiced hot milk with wine or beer
 POWDERED: salted
 PRAGMATIC: interfering, conceited
 PRESENT, PRESENTLY: immediate, immediately
 PRESS: cupboard, bookcase; impressment
 PRESS-BED: bed folding into p.
 PRETEND: to allege
 PRICK: to write out music
 PRINCE: ruler
 PRISE, PRIZE: price, worth
 PRONUNCIATION: elocution, delivery
 PUNCH: short thick man or boy
 PURL: hot beer mixed with bitter herbs
 PUSS: ill-favoured woman
- RAKE-SHAMED: disreputable
 RA(E)NCONTRE (Fr.): encounter
 RARE: fine, splendid
 RECEIVER: receptacle
 RECEPI (Lat.): receipt
 RECRUITE: reinforcement
 REFORMADO: naval/military officer serving without commission
 RELIGIOUS: monk, nun
 RIDING: satirical procession in mockery of shrewish
- wife
 RIGHT-HAND MAN: soldier on whom drill manoeuvre turns
 ROMANCE: tale
 ROMANTIQUE: having characteristics of tale
 RUB: check, stop
 RUNNING (of committee): temporary
- SACK: white wine from Spain or Canaries
 SASSE (Du.): lock
 SCALE (of music): gamut, hexachordal system predating major/minor key system
 SCHOOL: to scold
 SCOTOSCOPE: portable spyglass for seeing objects in dark room
 SCRIVENER: copyist, sometimes equivalent of modern notary or solicitor
 SCULL: small river-boat rowed by single waterman using pair of oars. *cf.* Pair of oars.
 SEEM: pretend (make it s.)
 SET UP ONE'S REST: to make one's whole aim
 SHAG: worsted or silk cloth with velvet nap on one side
 SIT: to hold meeting
 SKIMMER: flat pan with perforated base
 SLOPS: seamen's ready-made clothes
 SLUG: rough metal projectile, bullet
 SOLICITOR: agent; one who solicits business
 SOUND: fish-bladder
 SPECIES: *see* Draw in s.
 SPIKET: spigot, faucet, tap
 SPINET: *see* Espinette
 S.P.Q.R. (Lat.): *Senatus Populusque Romanus* (the Senate and people of Rome), official formula and motto used under Roman Republic
 SPUDD: spade
 SPY: spy-ship, ship used for reconnaissance
 STAY: to keep waiting
 STIRRED (of beer in cask): disturbed, perturbed