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IN HAMPSHIRE
(AS SPOKEN IN THE VILLAGE OF BURLEY)

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## INTRODUCTION

DURING two short visits to Burley, a quiet country village in the New Forest in Hampshire, I made some notes of the dialect, as spoken by the older residents, who had spent all their lives in the village. I have now put them together, in order to give some idea of the differences between that dialect and standard spoken English, in pronunciation, grammar, vocabulary, and idiom. They are by no means exhaustive, but, so far as they go, I have tried to make them accurately represent the actual language still used by the present generation, the words and phrases having been noted down from the mouths of the people, not taken from books. In giving illustrative sentences (printed in bold type) I have written every word of the sentence as I understand an old resident of Burley would pronounce it, if he were speaking unthinkingly in his own mother-tongue.

I presume that the dialect of Burley may be taken as fairly typical of the speech of the New Forest, and as representing what remains of the language of the West Saxons. It has been interesting to me to compare it with my own native dialect, that of Perthshire, on the farthest-north boundary of English speech, where it has for centuries bordered on the Gaelic-speaking country north-west of the Grampians. That is a pure English dialect, descended no doubt from the language of our Angle ancestors. I hope soon to publish a more complete account of the Perthshire dialect, which will show that, where it differs from standard spoken English, the differences are often in an opposite direction from those noticeable in the dialect of the New Forest.
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## ABBREVIATIONS


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## DIALECT OF THE NEW FOREST

## SPELLING

THE system of spelling the sounds which I have adopted is based on two principles:
(1) that the same sound should always be represented by the same letter or letters, and
(2) that the letters employed should be those which will most readily suggest the different sounds to the reader of ordinary English.

## CONSONANTS

The consonants have all the same sound as the most commonly have in English, but I have distinguished the two sounds which are both written th in English, by using th for

The Salamanca Corpus: The Dialect of the New Forest (1913) the voiceless sound, as in thin, thick, month, breath, and dh for the voiced sound, as in this, they, breathe, father (dhis, dhay, breedh, faadhur). As in English, a doubled consonant has the same sound as a single consonant.

## VOWELS

In representing vowel-sounds, I have thought it, on the whole, less confusing to the ordinary English reader to adopt the some what clumsy expedient of using combinations of vowels to represent different vowel-sounds, instead of using diacritical marks. In such cases it must be remembered that, as in English, two or more letters often represent a single simple vowel-sound. The spelling employed is as follows:

| Spelling | Sound as in the E. word |
| :---: | :---: |
| a | man, hat |
| a | far (faar), last (laast), father (faadhur) |
| ae | A lengthened sound of e below. |
| ai or ay <br> au or aw | maid, sail, day, may haul, awe (aw), paw |
| e | hen, pet, best |
| [8] |  |
| Spelling | Sound as in the E. word |
| ee | feet, deed, see, me (mee) |
| ei | Not found in English: like the Dutch eio $i j$. |
|  | Common in the pronunciation by a Scotchman of such |
|  | English words as mine, night, tile (mein, neit, teil). |
| i | pin, mist, mill |
| ii | I (ii), eye (ii), my (mii), die (dii), mine (miin) |
| 0 | hot, fond, lost |
| oa | road, go (goa), roll (roal) |
| oi or oy | oil, boy, moist |
| oo | food, cool, would (wood) |
| ou or ow | our, house, how, cow |



The Salamanca Corpus: The Dialect of the New Forest (1913) sun, but, must Not found in English: similar to the French eu, or German ö.

NOTE. In order to show more clearly the sounds indicated by the spelling, and the difference between the New Forest dialect and standard English as spoken, I have in many cases given, along with the written word, the standard spelled in italics according to the system I have adopted.

## PRONUNCIATION

NOTE. For convenience sake, I sometimes use such expressions as that the English vowel is 'changed into' some other, or that a consonant is 'added to' or 'dropped from' an English word. I do not, of course, mean to imply that the New Forest dialect is derived from standard English, but merely that it differs from it in these respects.

## CONSONANTS

CHANGE OF THE CONSONANTAL SOUNDS.
As compared with standard English, one of the most marked characteristics of the New Forest dialect is its tendency to substitute voiced consonants for voiceless ones, especially at the beginning of a word, as $\mathbf{z}$ for $\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{z h}$ for $\mathbf{s h}, \mathbf{v}$ for $\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{d h}$ for $\mathbf{t h}, \mathbf{b}$ for $\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{g}$ for $\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{d}$ for $\mathbf{t}$.

PRONUNTIATION*

| Examples — z for s: |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| English |  | New Forest | English |  | New Forest |
| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| sea | see | zay | salt | sault | zault |
| say | say | zay | sell | sell | zell |
| see | see | zee | same | saim | zaaeem |
| so | soa | zoo | side | siid | zoid |
| sun | sun | zun | slow | sloa | zloo |
| sit | sit | zit | scythe | siith | zoiv |
| set | set | zet | seek | seek | zaik |
| sow, n. | sow | zow | sold | soald | zooud |



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| sow, v. | soa | zoa |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| six | six | zix |
| seven | sevn | zevn |
| south | south | zouth |
| sing | sing | zing |
| said | sed | zed |
| such | such | zich |
| sight | siit | zeit |
| some | sum | zum |
| something | sumthing | zummit |


| certain | sertin | zertin |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| silver | silver | zilvur |
| saucer | sauser | zasur |

cider siider zoidur
see-saw see-saw zee-zaw
summer summer zummur scissors sizurz zizurz

| spider | spider | zbeidur |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sunday | Sunday | Zunday |
| Saturday | Saturday | Zaturday |

buskin buskin buzgin (gaiter)
v for f :
E.
N.F.
E.
N.F.

| Written | Spoken |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| fire | fiir | veier | Written | Spoken |  |  |
| four | foar | vouer | fat | fat | vat |  |
| five | fiiv | veiv | fly | flii | vloi |  |
| furze | furz | vuz | fall | faul | vaul |  |
| fern | fern | vuirn | fell | fell | vell |  |
| few | fyoo | vyoo | find | fiind | veind |  |
| fine | fiin | vein | feast | found | veest | vound |
| far | faar | ver | frog | frog | vrog |  |
| field | feeld | veeld | full | fool | vool |  |
| foal | foal | voal | fox | fox | vox |  |
| fir | fir | vur | Friday | Friiday | Vreiday |  |
| foot | foot | voot | fourteen | foarteen | voarteen |  |
| feet | feet | veet | forty | forti | vaartay |  |
| from | from | vrom | fifteen | fifteen | vifteen |  |
| first | furst | vust | fifty | fifti | viftay |  |
| for | for | vur | faggot | faggot | vaagit |  |
| fork | fork | vaark | father | faadher | vaidhur |  |


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dh for th:


When followed by $\mathbf{r}$, th becomes $\mathbf{d}$ :

| E. |  |  | N.F. |  | E. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| three | three | dree | throw | throa | droa |
| throat | throat | droat | thresh | thrash | draash |
| through | throo | droo | thrush | thrush | drush |

Other instances of a voiced consonant taking the place of voiceless one. Examples:
E
N.F.
Change of consonant

| Written | Spoken |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| kettle | kettul | kiddil | d for t |
| might | miit | mid | d for t |
| spider | spider | zbeidur | b for p |
| buskin | buskin | buzgin (gaiter) | g for k |
| seythe | siith | zoiv | v for th |



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athwart
cuckoo
athwart
cookoo
adhurt (across) dh for th
avert (across) $\quad v$ for th
gookoo $\quad \mathrm{g}$ for k

Other instances of change of consonantal sounds:
One of the commonest changes is that the nasalized guttural sound at the end of words, represented in English by the spelling ng, is, except in the case of monosyllables, changed in the New Forest into a simple $\mathbf{n}$. A similar change takes place in Lowland Scotch and in most English dialects. Thus all present participles, which in English end in ing, end in in both in the New Forest and in most Scotch dialects. Examples:

| E. |  | N.F. | Scotch |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  |  |
| thinking | thinking | dhinkin | thinkin |
| saying | saying | zayin | sayin |
| blessing | blessing | blessin | blessin |
| living | living | livin | livin |
| hiding | hiiding | heidin | heidin |

Examples of non-participles:

| E. |  | N.F. | Scotch |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  |  |
| shilling | shilling | shillin | shullin |
| gelding | gelding | geldin | geldin |
| morning | morning | maarnin | moarnin |
| starling | staarling | staarlin | sturlin |
| pudding | pooding | poodin | puddin |
| stocking | stocking | stockin | stoakin |
| nothing | nuthing | nudhin | naithing |

Other changes of the consonantal sounds:
E.
N.F.
Change of the Consonant


Written
chimney
tremendous

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|  | chimblay | 1 for n |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| tremendous | tremendus | tremenjus |
| j for d |  |  |

## DROPING OF CONSONANTAL SOUNDS.

H.

In Perthshire Scotch the pronunciation or non-pronunciation of an aspirate $h$ at the beginning of a word is, with hardly a single exception, the same as in standard English. Words spelled with wh are pronounced with a distinct aspirate before the w sound, and should be written hw. In the New Forest dialect the $h$ sound in such words is omitted. Examples:

## E. <br> N. F. Perthshire Scotch

Written Spoken

| when | wen | wen | hwaan |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| what | loot | wot | hwaat |
| where | wair | wair | hwaur |

The New Forest does not, like the Cockney dialect, put an h before a word which begins with a vowel-sound in English, and does not drop the h of English nearly so often as in the Cockney
dialect, though there is some tendency in that direction. I have noticed the following instances:
E.
N.F.
E.
N.F.

| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| have | hav | av | head | hed | id |
| had | had | ad | horse | hors | oss |
| home | hoam | oam | he | hee | ee |
| half | haaf | aaf | hardly | haardli | aardlay |
| hope | hoap | oap | hound | hound | oun |
| house | hous | ous | health | helth | elth |



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hear
eer
eerd
ollay
higher hiier
perhaps perhaps
eier praps
E.

He's not at home.
We say 'a thatched house'.

Wee zez 'a dhetzhd ous'.
In some of these words, however, the $\mathbf{h}$ is often heard. Examples:

Oi'm az hungri ' $\mathbf{z}$ a haas.
Oi'm az hungri ' $z$ a houn.

I'm as hungry as a horse.
I'm as hungry as a hound.

## T.

There is a tendency to drop $\mathbf{t}$ where it comes after another consonant at the end of a word. Examples:

## E.

N.F.

Written

| kept | kept | kep |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| must | must | muss |

art (thou)
aart
insekt
$s$ (for ist)
insect
insek
and all auxiliary verbs in the second person singular followed by not:

| E. | N.F. |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  |
| wast not | wost not | woz'n |
| canst not | wootst not | caas'n |
| wouldst not | dust not | woos'n |
| dost not | coodst not | dus'n |
| couldst not | haast not | coos'n |
| hast not | aart not | haas'n |
| art not | shaalt not | bis'n (for bist not) |
| shalt not | didst not | shaat'n |
| didst not |  | dis'n |

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| E. |  | N.F. | E. |  | N.F. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| isn't | iznt | id'n | mightn't | miitnt | mid'n |
| hadn't | hadnt | ad'n | wouldn't | woodnt | wood'n |
| mustn't | musnt | muss'n | shouldn't | shoodnt | shood'n |

d is sometimes dropped, especially when it follows an $\mathbf{n}$ at the end of a word.
Examples:

R.
$\mathbf{r}$ is often dropped, especially before s or z . Examples:

| E. |  | N.F. |  | E. | N.F. |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |  |
| burst | burst | bust | horse | hors | haas |  |
| first | furst | vust | furze | furz | vuz |  |
| purse | purs | puss | worth | wurth | wuth |  |
| worse | wurs | wuss | girl | girl | gel |  |
| worst | wurst | wust | February | Febroouri | Feboouray |  |
| nurse | nurs | nuss |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | W. |  |  |  |

There is a tendency to drop an initial $\mathbf{w}$, especially when followed by $\mathbf{0 0}$. Examples:
E.

Written Spoken

| wood | wood | ood |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| wool | wool | oold: compare $S c$. oo. |

wool
N.F.
oold: compare Sc. $\mathbf{0 0}$.


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woollen
woman
one
without
woolen
woomun
wun
widhout
oolen
oomun
un
idhout

Other consonants are sometimes dropped. Examples:


Written
Spoken


Written
Spoken
them
with
widh wi $\begin{array}{lll}\text { of } & o v & \text { oa } \\ \text { give } & \text { giv } & \text { gi } \\ \text { haven't } & \text { havnt } & \text { haant }\end{array}$

## Addition of the Consonantal Sounds.

$\mathbf{w}$ is sometimes prefixed to a word beginning in English with oa, and $\mathbf{y}$ to a word beginning with ai or ee. Examples:

| E. |  | N.F. | E. |  | N.F. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| oak | oak | woak | apron | aiprun | yaiprun |
| old | oald | woald | acorn | aicorn | yaeker |
|  |  | wooud |  |  |  |
| oats | oats | wuts | ear | eer | yeer |



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$\mathbf{r}$ is generally added at the end of a word ending in the vowel-sound $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{o a}$, or $\mathbf{u}$; and sometimes inside a word. Examples:
E.
N.F.
E.
N.F.

| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| sofa | soafa | zoavur | pillow | pilloa | pillur |  |
| umbrella | umbrella | umbrellur | hollow | holloa | haalur |  |
| value | valyoo | vaalur | furrow | furroa | vurrur |  |
| awkward | awkwurd | aarkurd | barrow | baaroa | baarur |  |
| daughter | dautur | daartur | meadow | meddoa | meddur |  |
| fellow | felloa | vellur | bellow | belloa | bellur |  |
| yellow | yelloa | yaalur | to-morrow | toomorroa | tomoorrur |  |
| window | windoa | windur |  |  |  |  |

Examples of other consonants added are:
E.
N.F

Consonant added
Written Spoken
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { cud } & \text { cud } & \text { qwid (quid) } & \text { w }\end{array}$
notch
noch
snoch
[15]
Transposition of Consonants.
In a few words the consonants are transposed. Examples:
E.
N.F.

Written
great
wasp
children
hundred

Spoken
grait
wosp
children
hundred
girt
wops
childern
chillern
hunderd

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A short.
The short a sound, so common in standard English, is generally lengthened into a sound like that of the $\mathbf{a}$ in far, father, fast (not quite so long as the long aa in Scotch). Examples:
E.
N.F.

| Written | Spoken |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| man | man | maan |
| back | bak | baak |
| hand | hand | haand |
| rabbit | rabbit | raabit |

English short a sometimes becomes short e. Examples:
E.
Written
thatch
thank
sat

Spoken thach thank
sat
N.F.


Sometimes it becomes ai. Examples:

| E. |  | N.F. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  |
| bad | bad | baid |
| glad | glad | glaid |
| bladder | bladder | blaidur |
| extra | extra | extray |
| contrary | contrary | contrairay |

[16]
Aa long.
Long aa in standard English often becomes e. Examples:
E.
N.F.
E.
N.F.

| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| half | haaf | hef | hard | haard | herd |
| can't | caant | ken't | far | faar | ver |
| ass | aas | ess | hearth | haarth | herth |
| glass | glaas | gless | larch | laarch | lerch |



Sometimes long aa becomes ai. Examples:
E.
Written
master
father

| Spoken <br> maaster <br> faadher | maistur <br> vaidhur |
| :--- | :--- |

Ai.
ai in English generally becomes a long diphthong, like a drawled ii (as in eye), best represented by aa-ee. It resembles the Cockney ii in similar words, but is longer and more of a diphthong. Examples:

| E. |  | N.F. | E. |  | N.F. |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| may | may | maaee | cake | caik | caaeek |
| hay | hay | haaee | same | saim | zaaeem |
| maid | maid | maaeed | hail | hail | haaeel |
| make | maik | maaeek | snail | snail | snaaeel |
| eight | ait | aaeet | lady | laidy | laaeedee |
| rain | rain | raaeen | away | away | awaaee |
| train | train | traaeen | ale | ail | aaeel |
| rake | raik | raaeek | take | taik | taaeek |
| air | air | aaeer | gate | gait | gaaeet |
| pair | pair | paaeer | weight | wait | waaeet |
| way | way | waaee | tail | tail | taaeel |
| drain | drain | draaeen | afraid | afraid | afraaeed |
| paint | paint | paaeent | nation | naishun | naaeeshun |
| play | play | plaaee | station | staishun | staaeeshun |
| [17] |  |  |  |  |  |

Sometimes the English ai becomes e, short or long, or a sound between the English e and ii, which I spell ae. Examples: -


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E.

| Written | Spoken |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| place | plais | plaes |
| gape | gaip | gaep |
| paper | paiper | paepur |
| face | fais | vaes or |
|  |  | vaaees |

Note. Plague (plaig) is pronounced plag.

## E.

For the short $\mathbf{e}$ in English a number of words have i. Examples:


Other words have a or aa for English short e. Examples:

| E. |  | N.F. | E. |  |  | N.F. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |  |
| egg | eg | agg | web | web | wab |  |
| beg | beg | bagg | twelve | twelve | twaalv |  |
| beggar | begur | baggur | well | well | waal |  |
| peg | peg | pag | yes | yes | yaas |  |
| vetch | vech | vaach | yellow | yelloa | yaalur |  |
| stretch | strech | straach | terrible | terribil | taarbul |  |

Sometimes it becomes ai. Examples:
E.
N.F.

| Written | Spoken |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| bed | bed | baid |

E.

| Written | Spoken |
| :--- | :--- |
| bread | bred |

N.F.
braid


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| dead | ded | daid | leg | leg | laig |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| edge | $e j$ | aij | chestnut | chesnut | chaisnut |
| nest | nest | naist |  |  |  |

Note. Very is pronounced vurray.
[18]

## Ee.

In a large number of common words, ee of standard English becomes ai. Examples:
E.

| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| tea | tee | tay | cheek | cheek | chaik |
| eat | eet | ait | feast | feest | vaist |
| east | eest | aist | beast | beest | baist |
| seat | seet | sait | key | kee | kay |
| meat | meet | mait | beard | beerd | baird |
| wheat | weet | wait | teach | teech | taich |
| pea | pee | pai | cream | creem | craim |
| sea | see | zay | swede | sweed | swaid |
| seek | seek | zaik | leaf | leef | laif |
| reap | reep | raip | sweet | sweet | swait |
| beer | beer | bair | speak | speek | spaik |
| beat | beet | bait | bean | been | bain |
| beef | beef | baif | seem | seem | zaim |
| leave | leev | laiv | beetle | beetul | baitul |
| believe | beleev | belaiv | queer | queer | quair |
| please | pleez | plaiz | creature | creetyur | craitur |
| peat | peet | pait | sheet | sheet | shait |
| beech | beech | baich | piece | pees | pais |
| kneel | neel | nail |  |  |  |

Note. A similar change of vowel from ee to ai is common in Scotch, but not always in the same words as in the New Forest dialect.

In a few words ee becomes e or i. Examples:
E.
E.
N.F.


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Written Spoken

| heath | heeth | heth |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| heat | heet | het |
| been | been | bin |
| week | week | wik |

I.

In a few words some other vowel takes the place of short i in standard English. Examples:

| E. | N.F. | Vowel substituted for i |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  |  |
| hitch | hich | haach | aa |
| if | if | eef | ee |
| fish | fish | feesh | ee |
| kiss | kiss | kees | ee |
| birch | birch | burch | u |
| ditch | dich | deich | ei |

The ii sound, common in standard English, and still more common in Cockney English, is, in many words in the New Forest (as well as in Scotch), pronounced more like the Dutch ei or ij. Examples:

| E. |  | N.F. | E. |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| I | Ii | Ei | time | tiim | teim |
| five | fiiv | veiv | right | riit | reit |
| fire | fiir | veier | wirte | wiir | weir |
| try | trii | trei | iron | iirun | eirun |
| dry | drii | drei | squire | squiir | sqeiur |
| tight | tiit | teit | spire | spiir | speiur |
| nine | niin | nein | quiet | quiiet | queiut |
| knife | niif | neif | alive | aliiv | aleiv |
| mile | miil | meil | Friday | Friiday | Vreiday |



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There is a tendency for this sound to become oi. Examples:
E.
N.F.

| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| I | Ii | Oi | kite | kiit | koit |
| fly | flii | vloi | shine | shiin | zhoin |
| cider | siidur | zoidur | scythe | siith | zoiv |
| ay (yes) | ii | $\mathbf{o i}$ | side | siid | zoid |

Note. The preposition by (bii) becomes bee, climb (cliim) becomes clim.

$$
\mathbf{O} \text { (short) or au (long). }
$$

One of the commonest changes of vowel-sounds is the substitution of a long aa for the English or or au, especially when followed by an r. In Perthshire Scotch the corresponding vowel-sound before an $\mathbf{r}$ is generally a long oa. Examples:

| E. |  | N.F. | E. <br> Written |  | Spoken |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| dog |  | N.F. |  |  |  |  |
| dog | dog | daag |  | sauce | spaus | zaas |
| off | off | aaf |  | yonder | yonder | yaandur |
| lot | lot | laat | saucer | sausur | zaasur |  |
| talk | tauk | taak | hollow | holloa | haalur |  |
| walk | wauk | waak | drop | drop | draap |  |
| across | across | acraas | awkward | aukwurd | aarkurd |  |
| pocket | pokit | paakit | watch | woch | waach |  |
| Scotch | Scoch | Scaach | long | long | laang |  |
| caught | caut | caat | daughter | dautur | daartur |  |
| clock | clok | claak | corn | corn | caarn |  |

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| E. |  | E.F. |  | N.F. |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| north | north | naarth | born | born | baarn |
| thorn | thorn | dhaarn | George | Jorj | Jaarj |
| short | short | shaart | fork | fork | vaark |
| sort | sort | saart | order | order | aardur |



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| according | according | accaardin | storm | storm | staarm |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| orchard | orchard | aarchurd | horn | horn | haarn |
| ordinary | ordinuray | aardinuray | forest | forest | vaarist |
| horse | hors | haars, haas | torment | torment | taarmint |
| morning | morning | maarnin | forty | forty | vaartay |
| cork | cork | caark | war | waur | waar |
| Dorset | Dorset | Daarset | fortnight | forniit | vaartneit |

In a few words a different vowel is substituted. Examples:
E.

Written Spoken
$\left.\left.\begin{array}{l|ll}\text { straw } \\ \text { donkey }\end{array}\right] \begin{array}{l}\text { straw } \\ \text { donkay }\end{array}\right]\left[\begin{array}{l}\text { ay } \\ \text { dunkee }\end{array}\right]$

Oa.
The English $\mathbf{0 a}$ is sometimes changed into $\mathbf{0 0}$. Examples:

|  | E. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Written | Spoken | N.F. |
| go | goa | goo |
| toe | toa | too |
| so | soa | zoo |
| ago | agoa | agoo |
| slow | sloa | zloo |

The English oa is often lengthened into a double vowel-sound which is more like oou than oau. Examples:

| E. |  | N.F. | E. |  | N.F. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| door | doar | doour | sold | soald | zooud |
| more | moar | moour | cold | coald | cooud |
| both | boath | boouth | home | hoam | hooum |
| load | load | looud | coat | coat | coout |
| toad | toad | tooud | stone | stoan | stooun |
| most | moast | mooust | board | board | boourd |

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old oald wooud
Note. Four (foar) is pronounce vouer, and oats, wuts.
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## Oi.

Boy (boi) is lengthened into boa-ay, and noise (noiz) is pronounced naaeez.
Oo.
In some words the English $\mathbf{0}$ o undergoes a change. Examples:

| E. |  | N.F. | Vowel |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  |  |
| ewe | yoo | yoa |  |
| boot | boot | but | $\mathbf{0 a}$ |
| put | poot | put | $\mathbf{u}$ |
| roof | roof | ruff | $\mathbf{u}$ |
| could | cood | cud | $\mathbf{u}$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{u}$ |

## U.

In some words the English $u$ is changed. Examples:


Note. Before an $\mathbf{r}$, followed by another consonant, a short vowel if often given a long sound like a modified oo, approaching the sound of eu in French. I write it ui. Examples:
E.

| Written | Spoken |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| word | wurd | wuird |
| work | work | wuirk |
| earth | erth | uirth |
| bird | bird | buird |



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fern
vuirn

NOUNS
The following plurals are peculiar:
E.

|  | Singular |
| :--- | :--- |
| house | hous |
| furze | vuz |
| deer | deer |
| child | cheild |
| foot | veet |

N.F.

Plural
houzin or houzinz
vuzin
deerz
childern or chillern
veet or veets

After a numeral nouns of time do not take the $\mathbf{s}$ or $\mathbf{z}$ of plural. Examples:

| E. | N.F. |
| :--- | :--- |
| six months | zix munth |
| twenty years | twenty yeer |

NUMERALS
The numerals are as follows:

| E. | N.F | E. |  | N.F. |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Written | Spoken |  | Written | Spoken |  |
| one | wun | wun | sixteen | sixteen | zixteen |
| two | too | too | seventeen | sevnteen | zevnteen |
| three | three | dree | eighteen | aiteen | aaeeteen |
| four | foar | vouer | nineteen | niinteen | neinteen |
| five | fiiv | veiv | twenty | twenty | twentay |
| six | six | zix | thirty | thirty | dhirtay |
| seven | sevn | zevn | forty | forti | vaartay |
| eight | ait | aaeet | fifty | fifti | viftay |
| nine | niin | nein | sixty | sixti | zixtay |
| ten | ten | ten | seventy | sevnti | zevntay |
| eleven | elevn | levn | eighty | aiti | aaeetay |
| twelve | twelv | twalv | ninety | niinti | neintay |
| thirteen | thirteen | dhirteen | hundred | hundred | hunderd |



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Note. Reckoning by scores is more common than in English; e.g. 65 is dree scoar veiv.

Wun (one) is slurred into in or un; e.g good in, yung in, little in, for good one, \&c.

## PRONOUNS

Personal Pronouns.

First Person

|  | Singular | Plural | Singular | Plural |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Nom. | Ei, $\mathbf{O i}$ | wee | dhee, ee | yoo, yee, ee |
| Poss. | mei, mě | our | dhee, ee | yoor |
| Obj. | mee | us | dhee, ee | yoo, yee, ee |

Third Person

|  |  Singular <br> Masc. Fem. | Neut. | al <br> All genders. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nom. | hee shee | it, 't | dhay |
| Poss. | hiz hur | its | dhur |
| Obj. | him, un, en, hur, ur | it, 't | dhem, dhum, |
|  | in, 'n |  | 'em, 'um |

Note. The pronunciation $\mathbf{E i}$ for $\mathbf{I}$ is more common than $\mathbf{O i}$. Mei ( $m y$ ) is slurred into mě; e.g. Ei’v hurt mězelf (I've hurt myself).

Us, slurred into 's or ' $\mathbf{z}$, is often used in short phrases for mee. Examples:

Gi'ss wun.
Gi'z (or gee uz) dree on em.
Let's av mei speks.
Laiv us aloan.
Bist gwein wee uz?

Give me one.
Give me three of them.
Let me have my spectacles.
Leave me alone.
Are you going with me?

In the second person singular dhee is used in all cases (dhou and dhy are not used), and is often slurred into ee. Examples:

Ei tell ee.
I tell you (thee).

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## Bist dhee cooud?

Bist dhee gwein too see un?
How'z dhee mudhur?
Doant dhee goo.
Dhee mus'n goo.
Caas'n dhee goo?
Dhee woald zow.
Ei tell dhee.
Good maarnin too ee.
Ei'll gi dhee a clout ' n dhe yeer.
Wen shaal Ei zee dhee agen?

Are you cold?
Are you going to see him?
How's your mother?
Don't go.
You mustn't go.
Can't you go?
Your old sow.
I tell you.
Good morning to you (thee).
I'll give you a cuff on the ear.
When shall I see you again?

The second personal pronoun dhee is often omitted when the termination of the verb shows that the second person singular is meant. Examples:

## N.F

How bist?
Caas'n goo?
Dust meind?
'Snoa?
Dist eer oi?
E.

How are you (art thou)?
Can't you go? (Canst thou not go?)
Do you (dost thou) remember?
Do you (dost thou) know?
Did you (didst thou) hear me?

See other examples under the verbs.
Sometimes other pronouns are omitted. Examples:
Doan dhink much oa dhay, nun oa um. I don't think much of any of them.
Baint much goof, not wair hee iz.
He isn't much good, where he is.

In the third person singular the slurred forms, un, en, in or ' $\mathbf{n}$ for him, ur for hur, and $\mathbf{e m}$ or um for dhem are very common. Examples:

Ei aess un hiz naaeem.
Ei zin in yesterday.
Ei het ' $n$ on dhe laig.
Get hoald on un.
Ei doant dhink much oa un.

I asked him his name.
I saw him yesterday.
I hit him on the leg.
Get hold of him.
I don't think much of him.

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Hee laivz dhum yeer.
Yoo cood heer em a-draashin.
Nun oa um (or on em).
Wee em.

He leaves them here.
You could hear them thrashing.
None of them.
With them.

The neuter third personal pronoun it is often slurred into before a vowel or w. Examples:
'Tiz-'twoz-'tiddin. It is-it was-it isn't.
Ei spoaz 'tiz.
Ei dhaut 'twoz.
'Tiddin fair.

It is much more common than in ordinary English to personify an inanimate object and, when speaking of such an object, to use the masculine or feminine personal pronoun instead of the neuter. I have noticed the masculine hee, hiz, un used of the sun, the
moon, a tree, house, wagon, spade, knife, cigar, book, and poem; and the feminine shee, hur, ur of a ship, train, motor-car, bicycle, kite, and ditch. Examples:

Hee nivvur feilz.
Haast zin un yet?
Hee'll wair yoo out, spaid wull.
Ei jumpt oavur ur.
Teim shee woz claind out.

He (the moon) never fails.
Have you seen him (the moon) yet?
He'll wear you out, the spade will.
I jumped over her (a ditch).
It's time she (a ditch) was cleaned out.

The nominative form of a pronoun is often used for the objective and (except at the beginning of a sentence) the objective form is used for the nominative. Examples:

Hee het oi.
Dist eer oi?
A voar hee-on shee.
Hee swairz at shee, un shee swairz at hee.

He hit me.
Did you hear me?
Before him-on her.

He swears at her, and she swears at him.

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| Ei woz gwein too lend hee wun. | I was going to lend him one. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Wee woz dher, woz'n us? | We were there, weren't we? |
| Wee'll goo, shaant us? | We'll go, shan't we? |
| Wee doo, doant us? | We do, don't we? |
| Wair did ur cum vrom? | Where did she come from? |
| Dhay'll goo too, woant um? | They'll go too, won't they? |
| Wair wood um doo it now? | Where would they do it now? |
| Diddin um? | Didn't they? |

Still more curious mixtures of pronouns are sometimes heard. Examples:

Yoo'll aul bee yeer too-mor-rur, woant dhee?

Hee zung verray well, diddin ur?

You'll all be here to-morrow, won't you?
He sang very well, didn't he?

## Demonstrative Pronouns.

The demonstrative pronoun is in the singular dhik, which stands for either this (dhis) or that (dhat) and in the plural dhay or dhem, which stand for either these (dheez) or those (dhoaz). If it is necessary to distinguish between a near and a distant object,
this is done by inserting the adverb yeer (here) or dhair (there), generally slurred into air. Examples:

## Singular

N.F

Dhik un.
Dhik air haas.
Look at dhik dhink dhair
Ei doant noa dhik fellur
Dhik wooud baich.
Dhik's hard wuirk.
Dhik air mair can goo.
E.

This one.
That horse.
Look at that thing.
I don't know that fellow.
That old beech.
This is hard work.
That mare can go.
N.F.

Dhay books.
Ei doant want nun oa dhay.
Wee doant yooz dhay.
Look at dhay daagz out dhair.
Yeer'z moar oa dhay cowz.
Ei cood'n ait dhay.
In dhem baugz.
Dher woz a big veier oa dhem ricks.
Dhem air drei zummurz dreiz up dhe daid hoalz.

Dhem'z stroyd.
E.

These books.
I don't want any of those.
We don't use those.
Look at those dogs.
Here are more of those cows.
I couldn't eat those.
In those bogs.
There was a big fire of those stacks.

Interrogative Pronouns.
As in English, the interrogative pronoun is in the masculine and feminine hoo (who) and in the neuter wot (what). Examples:

Hoo'z caul hee?
Who dost thou call him?
What do you call him?
Hoo'z caul dhair vellur gooin long?
Who dost thou call (what do you call)
that fellow going past?

Relative Pronoun.
The relative pronoun, both singular and plural, masculine and feminine, is wot, which stands for who, which or that. Examples:

A man wot wuirks in vaarist. A man who works in the forest.
Voag wot caamps in vaarist.
People who camp in the forest.
A buird wot bildz in dhe treez.
A bird that builds in the trees.
The horse that used to work.
Dhe haas wot yoost too wuirk.

## Reflexive Pronouns.

In the reflexive pronouns the possessive form of the pronoun is used throughout. Examples:

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N.F. mezelf dheezelf hizzelf hurzelf ourzelvz yoorzelvz dhurzelvz

## E.

myself (miiself) thyself (dhiiself) himself herself ourselves yourselves themselves

## VERBS

As in standard English, the imperative consists simply of the root of the verb, and the infinitive is expressed by the root preceded by the preposition to (too); most other verbal meanings are expressed by means of auxiliary verbs followed either by the root of the verb or by its present or past participle. The only exceptions are the indefinite present and past of the indicative.

## Present Indicative

The present indicative adds $\mathbf{s}$ or $\mathbf{z}$, or (after a sibilant) $\mathbf{i z}$, to the root of the verb in both numbers and in all persons except the second person singular, in which the termination is st. Examples:

## Singular

## Plural

| Pers. | N.F. | E. | N.F. | E. |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1. | Ei caulz | I call (caul) | We caulz | We call |
| 2. | Dhee caulst | Thou callest | Yoo caulz | You call |
| 3. | Hee caulz | He calls (caulz) | Dhay caulz | They call |

N.F.

Ei leiks too eer em.
Ei vorgits. -Ei trots out.
Ei nivvur eerz dhat.
Ei yooziz dhem now.
Ei zaimz a bit leeray.
Oa how leeray Ei feelz.
Caanst goo?
E.

I like to hear them.
I forget. - I trot out.
I never hear that.
I use them now.
I seem a little empty (hungry).
Oh how empty I feel!
Canst thou go?


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Wee moastly caulz it 'Maaee'.
Wee caulz im 'haarts'.
Yoo cuts dhis turf.
Dhe vust doour yoo cumz too. [28]

## N.F.

Zum caulz dhem-
Wot dhay caulz 'turfin'.
Dhay treiz haard.
Dhay maaeeks wein.
Dhay gits about aul reit.
Dhay lets dhem out.
Dhay tellz mee.
Dhay noaz too well.
Vyoo peepul burnz it nou.
A vyoo dhingz cumz acraas mee.

## Dhay keeps dhem too.

Ei dunnoa wair dhay gooz too.

We usually call it 'May'.
We call them 'hearts'.
You cut this turf.
The first door you come to.

## E.

Some call them.
What they call 'turfing'.
They try hard.
They make wine.
They get about all right.
They let them out.
They tell me.
They know too well.
Few people burn it now.
A few things come across me (occur to me).

They keep them too.
I don't know where they go to.

Past Indicative
As in English, the past tense is generally formed by adding ed, $\mathbf{d}$, or $\mathbf{t}$ to the root, and the only inflection it takes is the addition of st or ist in the second person singular. Some peculiar pasts are:
N.F.
E.

Spoken

| Root | Past | Root | Past |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| eer | eerd | heer | herd |
| noa | noad | noa | nyoo |
| goo | wint | goa | went |
| cum | cum | cum | caim |
| keep | kep | keep | kept |


| Root | Past |
| :--- | :--- |
| hear | heard |
| know | knew |
| go | went |
| come | came |
| keep | kept |



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| gi | gev | giv | gaiv | give | gave |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| bee | woz | bee | woz | be | was |
| heid | haad | hiid | hid | hide | hid |
| aess | aess | aask | aaskt | ask | asked |
| hit | het | hit | hit | hit | hit |
| beid | bid |  |  | stay | stayed |
| zit | zet | sit | sat | sit | sat |
| bust | bust | burst | burst | burst | burst |

Some verbs use a past participle form for the past indicative:


But zee has also in the past indicative zeed or zid, or simply zee. Examples:
N.F.

Ei zeen in. - Ei zid en.
Dhik's dhe zaaeem poanay Ei zeed
laast yeer.
Ei aess in hiz naaeem.
Ei zeen wun oa yoor winshiz.
Dhik man cum th' our plaes.
Hee kep on taakin.
E.

I saw him.
That's the same pony I saw last year.

I asked him his name.
I saw one of your girls.
That man came to our house.
He kept on talking.

Note. In narration the present of the verb zay (say) is used for the past. Examples:
N.F.

Ei zez-hee zez.
E.

Said I-said he.

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The present participle is formed by adding in to the root, as zay (say), zayin; dii (die), dii-in; taak (talk), taakin. The present participle of goo, English go (goa), is gwein, English going (goaing). Example:

> N.F.

## Wair bist gwein?

E.

Where art thou going?

Note. The syllable a is often prefixed to the present participle. Examples:

## N.F.

Ei woz jist a-zayin.
Win French woz a-cumin.
Dhay keeps a-shiftin.
Bist a-gwein too shoa?
Hee woz a-waakin awaaee.
Yoo cood heer em a-draashin.
E.

I was just saying.
When the French were coming.
They keep changing.
Are you going to the show?
He was walking away.
You could hear them thrashing.

## Past Participle.

The past participle is generally formed, as in English, by adding ed, $\mathbf{d}$ or $\mathbf{t}$ to the root. There are many exceptions to this rule. Some verbs, which in English have an irregular past participle, form it regularly in the New Forest dialect, and there is a tendency to use the past as a past participle where in English the latter has a form of its own. Examples:

> N.F.

Past Participle

| Root | Past Participle | Root | P.p |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| noa | noad | noa | noan |
| zee | zeed | see | seen |
| gi | gev | giv | givn |
| heid | haad | hiid | hiddn |
| reit | ritt | riit | rittn |
| droa | droad | throa | throan |
| taaeek | took,tuk | taik | taikn |
| braaeek | broak | braik | broakn |

E.

Spoken
braik broakn

Written

| Root | P.p |
| :--- | :--- |
| know | known |
| see | seen |
| give | given |
| hide | hidden |
| write | written |
| throw | thrown |
| take | taken |
| break | broken |



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| wair | woar |
| :--- | :--- |
| keep | kep |

goo gon
bee bin, ben
aess aess
wair woarn
wear worn keep kept keep kept
goa gon
go
gone
bee been
be
been
aask
aaskt
ask
asked
N.F.

Ei'v nivvur noad un.
Ei'v noad dhee vor yeerz.
Haant a-zeed dhee vor dhis yeer.
E.

I've never known him.
I've known you for years.
I haven't seen you for a year.

## Auxiliary Verbs.

Bee.
Present
Singular
Pers. N.F.

1. Ei bee
2. Dhee bist, best, Thou art 's, 'z
3. Hee iz, ' $\mathbf{z}$ 's

Shee'z
Tiz
E.
I am

He is (iz) She's It's

Plural

| N.F. | E. |
| :--- | :--- |
| Wee bee | We are |
| Yoo bee | You are | Dhay bee

They are

Present Negative

Plural
N.F. E.

| Wee baint | We aren't |
| :--- | :--- |
| Yoo baint | You aren't |
| Dhay baint | They aren't | Shee idd'n She isn't Tidd'n It isn't

N.F.

Ei bee cooud.
Ei bee plaizd.
Ei bee reit shramd wee dhe cooud.
How bist or best?
Bist dhee cooud?
Bist dhee gwein too?
Yaas, tiz.
Hou'z getting on, yoo?
Wair bist gwein?
Hoo bist taakin too?
Wee bee gwein too.
Wot bist aitin?
Bee yoo gwein?
Bee yoo cooud?
Bee ee cumin ooum?
Wot haas bee yee gwein too reid?
Dhay bee gon.
Bee dhay good poanayz?
Dher bee laats moar braanshiz.
Ei baint gwein.
Tidd'n wuth it.
Ei noa tidd'n.
Shee idd'n at ooum.

E
I'm cold
I'm glad (pleased).
I'm quite benumbed with the cold.
How are you (art thou)?
Are you (art thou) cold?
Are you going too?
Yes, it is.
How are you (art thou) getting on?
Where are you (art thou) going?
How are you (art thou) talking to?
We are going too.
What are you eating?
Are you going?
Are you cold?
Are you coming home?
What horse are you going to ride?
They've gone.
Are these good ponies?
There are plenty more branches.
I'm not going.
It isn't worth it.
I know it isn't.
She's not at home.

Note. Sometimes the $\mathbf{i z}$ of the third person singular is used in the third person plural. Examples:
N.F.

Mei veet iz cooud.
Dher'z renz about eer.
Dhat's zum fein poanayz dher.

## E

My feet are cold.
There are wrens about here
Those are fine ponies.

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Past
Both woz and wer are used indiscriminately for both number and all persons except the second person singular, which is wost. The negative form is woz'n (wasn't). Examples:
N.F

Ei wer dher.
Ee wer.
Dhik vuz wer aul burnt.
Wee woz at Ringood.
Yoo woz reit.
Hiz iiz woz baid.
Dhay woz ill.
Dhay woz dhair, woz'n dhum?
Dhee wost dher, woz'n?
Yoo boyz woz dherm woz'n dhee?
Dher woz a good mennay.
Boouth yeerz woz cut off.
E.

I was there.
He was.
That furze was all burnt.
We were at Ringwood.
You were right.
His eyes were bad.
They were ill.
They were there, weren't they?
You were (thou wast) there, weren't you?
You boys were there, weren't you?
There were a good many.
Both ears were cut off.

## Future

The future present is formed by the use of shaal and will (sometimes slurred into ' 'll) in much the same way as in English. The negative form is shaant and woant, as in English. The second person singular is as follows:
N.F.

| Affirmative | Negative | Affirmative | Negative |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Shaat | Shaat'n | Shalt | Shan't |
| Wit | Wit'n | Wilt | Won't |

Examples:
N.F.

Wit dhee goo laang oa mee?
Oi, Ei'll goo.
E.

Will you go along with me?
Yes, I'll go.


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Noa, Ei shaant goo.
Shaal Ei goo widhee?
Shaat dhee bee at ooum too-morrur?
Ei, Ei shaal.
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Other Auxiliary verbs
N.F.

Affirmative
Person

|  | shood wood, 'd | shood'n <br> wood'n | should (shood) would (wood) | shouldn't (shoodnt) wouldn't (woodnt) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ sing. | woots | woos'n | wouldst | wouldst not |
|  | caan | caint | can | can't |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ sing. | caanst | caas'n | canst | canst not |
|  | cood, cud | cood'n | could (cood) | couldn't |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ sing. | coodst | coos'n | couldst | couldst not |
|  | mid | mid'n | might (miit) | mightn't |
|  | muss | muss'n | must | must not |
|  | hev, aav, 'v, a | haant, aant | have (hav) | haven't |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ sing. | haast, 'st, 's | haas'n | hast | hast not |
|  | haad, 'd | haad'n | had | hadn't |
|  | doo | doant, doan | do (doo) | don't (doant) |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ sing. | dust, 's, 'z | dus'n | dost (dust) | dost not |
| $3^{r d}$ sing. | dooz |  | does (duz) |  |
|  | did | did'n | did | didn't |
| $2^{\text {nd }}$ sing. | dist | dis'n | didst | didst not |

Examples
N.F.

Hoo'd a dhaut it?
E.

Who would have thought it?

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Wee'd better.
Hev yee found ur?
Caanst cum wee us?
Caas'n goo too-morrur?
Dhee'z mid goo.
Ei dunnoa.-Ei doan noa.
Ei doan noa wot it doo meen.
Dhay doan doo zich a dhing nou.
Dist eer oi?
Doaunt dhee goo.
Doaunt dhee maaeek a naaeez
Hoo'z caul hee?
Wot's dhink on it?
Wair'st bin too?
Dust meind?
'Snoa?

We had better.
Have you found her?
Canst thou come with me?
Canst thou not go to-morrow?
Thou mightest go.
I don't know.
I don't know what it means.
They don't do such a thing now.
Didst thou hear me?
Don't go.
Don't make a noise.
What do you call him?
What do you think of it?
Where have you (hast thou) been?
Do you remember?

Do you (dost thou) know?
N.F.

Haast got a neif?
Wot's caat dhair?
Woots goo eef dhee coodst?
Haas'n dhee got it?
Woos'n goo?
Haas'n dhee sin mei woald cow bout?

## E.

Have you (hast thou) a knife?
What have you (hast thou) caught there?
Would you go if you could?
Haven't you got it?
Wouldn't you go?
Haven't you seen my old cow about?

Note. The auxiliary verb hev (have) is sometimes omitted. Examples:
N.F.

Ei bin too staaeeshn.
Ei got cleen up dhaat air deich.
Hee bin taarbul baid.
E.

I've been to the station.
I've got to clean up that ditch.
He has been very ill.


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Dhay got doo it. They've got to do it.

Note. With an intransitive verb bee is sometimes used instead of have in English. Examples.

> N.F.

Auld he squirrlz bee gon.
Gookooz bee got taarbul scairs.
Ee'z bin gon awaaee.

## E.

All the squirrels have gone.
Cuckoos have become very scarce.
He has gone away.

## ADVERBS



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dhin
avoarhaand
neer
then
before the event
nearly
coors offin teimz
teimz un agen often
mooustly $a d v$. generally
Examples:
N.F.

Ei bee reit shramd.
Ei bee moust shramd.

Zaaeem az dhay doo now. Just as they do now.
Ei zaimz a bit leeray. I feel a little hungry.
Dhay'd zoonur bee up in vaarist. They'd rather be up in the forest.
Ei got wun teit.
Our chimblay got a-veier.
Dhe kiddil'z on dhe veier-plaes un dhe pot out-oa-doour.

Hoo'z hee gwein long?
Ei tooud ee zoo.
Ei cud wair out neer ennay maan aitin I could wear out nearly any man in eating un drinkin.

Cum eer-look eer-look yeer.
Ee beidz zumwayz up eer.
E.

I am quite benumbed.

I have one all right.
Our chimney caught on fire.
The kettle's on the fire-place and the pot out-of-doors.

Who's that going past?
I told you so. and drinking.

Come here-look here.
He lives somewhere up here.

An adjective is often used as an adverb without the termination $l y$ usually added in English.

Taarbul (terribly) is often heard where 'awfully' would be used in English. Examples:

> N.F.

Ei bee taarbul teird.
Taak proper.
It burnz byootiful.

## E.

I'm awfully tired.
Speak properly.
It burns beautifully.

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Mei veet swellz temenjus.
Hee bin taarbul baid.

My feet swell prodigiously.
He has been dreadfully ill (bad).
$\mathbf{E r}$ (slurred for ivvur), and ner (slurred for nivvur) are used with the article a in the sense of 'any at all', 'none at all'. Examples:
N.F.

Haast got er a neif bout dhee?

Hassin got ner a neif bout dhee?

Perhaps in the following sentences ar stands for er a and nar for ner a.

## N.F.

Haast got ar loud oa dung too sell mee? Do you happen to have a load of dung to sell me?
Haas'n dhee got nar littul woald mair?
Haven't you got any little old mare?

Note. A double negative is common. Examples:
N.F.
E.

Ei nivvur aits noa braid.
I never eat bread.
Tidd'n hardly fair.
Yoo doant eer nun oa dhe yung unz zay zoo.

It's hardly fair.
You don't hear any of the young people say so.

Ei doant dhink ivvur ee ad'n enny moar. I don't think he ever had any more.

Ei doant taik noa noatis on't.
Dhay doant waant a platform oanly for the auctioneer.
Ei wood'n gee naut vur un.
Ei nivvur killd noa voxiz.

I take no notices of it.
They want a platform only for the auctioneer.
I wouldn't give anything for him.
I never killed any foxes.


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## PREPOSITIONS

| a | slurred for at, on | bee | by |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| oa | of | acraass | across |
| on |  | avert, adhirt | (athwart), |
| agin | against | about | afoar, avoar |


| [37] <br> addur | after | vrom | from |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| long oa | along with | vur too | to, in order to |  |
| ton | till |  |  |  |


| toordz | towards | wee, wi | with |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| droo | through | weeout | without |
| vur | for | in | into |
| Examples: |  |  |  |

> N.F.

Keep dhe daag a heel.
A cuppul oa bob.
A bit oa mait.

A good lot ao appulz.
Too on um.
Git hoald on um.
E.

Keep the dog at heel.
A couple of shillings.
A bit of meat.

A good lot of apples
Two of them.
Get hold of them.

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Ei bee glad on it.
Zum on em laarnz too much.
Yoo may stop too Maarch.
Wee un-wee um.
Bist gwein wee uz.
Dhat iddin vur dhee.

Zummit vur too maik wingz.
Ei bee gwein in zillur.
T'woz maaeed a purpus.
Ei lookt a un.
Out oa Ingland.
Wot'z dhink on it?

I am glad of it.
Some of them learn too much.

You may stay till March.
With him—with them.
Are you going with me?
That's not for you.
Something to make wings.
I'm going into the cellar.
It was made for the purpose (on purpose).
I looked at him (i.e. a spade).
Out of England.
What dost thou think of it?

CONJUNCTIONS

| N.F. | E. | N.F. | E. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| an, un | and | leik | such as |
| ur | or | widhout | unless |
| ' $\mathbf{n}$ | than | eef's bee | if (if so be) |
| coz | because |  |  |

Examples:

> N.F.

Him an Ei woz dhair.
Shee zung better 'n t'odher wun did.
Moar'n zevntay.
Widhout yoo meet.
E.

He and I were there.
She sang better than the other one did.
More than seventy.
Unless you meet.

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## INTERJECTIONS

| N.F. | E. | N.F. | E. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oi, yaas, ees. | Yes | Dus noa? | Dost thou |
| Noo. | No (noa). | 'snoa? | know? |
| See, see yee. | D'ye see. | Beid still. | Stand still- |
| Loo see. | Look ye. |  | be quiet. |
| Look yeer. | Look here. | Haih? | Eh? -what? |
| Cum eer. | Come here. | Thankee. | Thank you. |
| Cum on yeer | Come on here. | Good maarning. | Good morning. |
| Ei sez. | Said I. | Good eevnin. | Good evening. |
| Eitell ee. | I tell you. | I 'low. | I allow-I |
| Bload mee, Ei | Blow me, I |  | dare say. |
| zay. | say. | Oa maaee! | O my! |
| Mee deer. | My dear. | Ei tell ee wot | I'll tell you. |
| Mum. | Maam. | tiz. | what it is. |
| Yaas'm. | Yes, maam. | Ei dunnoa. | I don't know. |
| Waal. | Well. | Luk (used as an exp | letive at |
| Dee noa? | Do you know? | the end of a senten | ). |

Example:

## 'Snoa wair Ei woz yesterday

 Dost thou know where I was yesterday?Yoo is often used as a vocative, even to a single person, who is addressed in the singular of the verb. Examples:
N.F.
E.

Well, yoo, how bist?
Well, you, how art (thou)?


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How bist, you?
How'z getting on, yoo?
Yoo! noa. -Noa, yoo.
How'z dhee faivur, yoo?
Wii, yoo?
Well, yoo?
'Snoa, yoo?
I'll goo vur dhee, yoo.
I dunnoa, yoo.
Got dhee taitayz up eet, yoo?
Lissin, yoo.

How are you (art thou)?
How are you (art thou) getting on?
No.
How's your fever?
Why?
Well?
(Dost thou know?) Do you know?
I'll go for you.
I don't know.
Have you got your potatoes up yet?
Listen.

CALLS TO ANIMALS
Pigs are summoned by the call, choog, choog; cows, woaee, woaee; ponies by kip, kip.

Commands to a horse:

Cry.
Kum idhur.
Woag, woag ee, woag aaf.
Steddee now.
Git baak sti.
Jee, jee-up.
Way, way dher.

Meaning.
Go to the left.
Go to the right.
Steady.
Go back.
Go faster.
Stop.

Henray oaray itturay aan, Stoar dhe vinegar in dhe paan; Oarum stoarum poopshee loarum, O-u-t spellz ‘out'.

## OMISSION OF WORDS AND SLURRING OF PRONUNCIATION

There is a stronger tendency than in standard spoken English to omit short words and to slur their pronunciation. The definite article dhe is often omitted. Examples:
N.F.

## In winter teim.

Dhay wot wuirks in vaarist.

## Out in groun.

Tell in haat.
Bist gwein too staaeeshn?
In neit.
Hee'll wair you out, spaid will.
Win French woz a-cumin.
In French waar.
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The preposition too is sometimes omitted before an infinitive. Examples:

## E.

In the winter time.
Those who work in the forest.
Out in the fields.
Count into the hat.
Are you going to the station?
In the night.
The spade will wear you out.
When the French were coming.
In the French war.
N.F.

Hee yoozd cum offin teimz.
Ei yoozd kill taarbul lot oa deerz.
Hee'z got help kich dhe udherz.
E.

He used to come often.
I used to kill a great many deer.
He's got to help to catch the others.


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| N.F. | E. | N.F. | E. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| bout | about | spek | expect |
| voar | afore | stroy | destroy |
| t'day | to-day | praps | perhaps |
| on't | on it | spoaz | suppose |
| haant | haven't |  |  |

## SOME IDIOMS

N.F.
E.

A neis girt maaeed.
A aaf a duzn.
A fine big girl.
Half a dozen.
Eer'z taakin.
Here's talking.
Ei’v aird taak.
Ei nivvur woz laarnd dhat.
Dhay keep sukkin doun.
Oi, Ei gottun wun, 'z wantin?
In dhe vurdher paart oa Burlay.
Dhik's woald-faashn taak.

Dhe weif.

Dhis twintay yeer.
Dhay did'n yoos too goo.
Ei got a job too doo it.
Dhay bee keind oa leik ovenz.
Ei doan noa dhat ivvur Ei heerd on un.
Bist gwein on too baid?
Are you going to bed?

The Salamanca Corpus: The Dialect of the New Forest (1913) VOCABULARY
a, slurred for at before a gerund.
a, slurred for on.
aaeel, $n$. ale (ail).
aaeer, $n$. air.
aaeet, num. eight (ait).
aaeetay, num. eighty.
aaeeteen, num. eighteen.
aaf, prep. off.
aan't, v. aux. haven't
aarchurd, $n$. orchard.
aardinury, adj. ordinary.
aardlay, $a d v$. hardly.
aardur, $n$. order.
aarkurd, adj, awkward.
abaid, $a d v$. abed.
accaardin, prep. according.
acraass, prep. across.
ad, $v$. had.
addur, $a d v$. and prep. after.
adhurt, prep. across.
ad'n, $v$. had not.
aess, v.t. ask; $p$. aess, asked.
afoar, prep. before; seldom avoar.
baid, adj. bad.
baid, $n$. bed.
baif, $n$. beef.
bain, $n$. bean (been).
baint, $v$. be not, am not, aren't, isn't.
bair, $n$. beer.
baird, $n$. beard (beerd).
baist, $n$. beast (beest).
bait, v.t. beat (beet)
baitul, $n$. beetle
barrow-pig, $n$. castrated pig.
baug, $n$. bog.
bêbee, bibee, $n$. baby (baiby)
bee, $v$. am, are, be.
bee, prep. by.
beid, v.t. stay; $p$. bid.
belaiv, v.t. believe (beleev).
bellur, v.i. bellow.
beskit, $n$. basket.
bettermost, $a$. best.
bid, $v$., $p$. of beid, stayed.
billis, $n$. bellows.

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afraaeed, $a$. afraid.
agen, $a d v$. again.
agg, $n$. egg.
agin, prep. against.
agoo, $a d v$. ago (agoa)
aij, $n$. edge ( $e j$ ).
aist, $n$. east (eest).
ait, v.t. eat (eet).
aleiv, $a$. alive (aliiv).
an, conj. and.
aul, $a$. all.
$\mathbf{a v}, v$. have (hav)
avert, prep. (athwart) across.
avoarhaand, $a d v$. before the event.
awaaee, $a d v$. away.
baak, $n$. and $a d v$. back.
baakay, $n$. tobacco.
baarn, v.p.p. born.
baarur, $n$. barrow.
baavin, $n$. bundle of small boughs,
larger than a faggot.
baecun, $n$. bacon (baicon).
bagg, v.i. beg
baggur, $n$. beggar.
bin, v. p.p. been.
bisn, or bissint, v. aux, be-est not, art not.
bist, $v .2^{\text {nd }}$ pers. sing. art, art thou.
blaakay, $n$. blackbird.
blaid, $n$. shaft of a cart.
blaidur, $n$. bladder.
blair, v.i. bellow.
blakdhaarn, $n$. sloe bush.
blessin, p.p. blessing.
bload me, interj. blow me.
bob, $n$. shilling.
bobbeen, robin.
bond, $n$. band.
booay, $n$. boy.
boourd, $n$. board
boouth, $a$. both.
bottom, $n$. hollow, low-lying land.
bout, prep. about.
braaeek, $v$. break.
braid, $n$. bread (bred).
brichin, $n$. strap round horse's quarters.
broak, p.p. of braaeek, broken.
buird, $n$. bird.

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bust, v.i. and $t$. burst; p. and p.p. bust.
but, $n$. boot.
buttur, $n$. butter.
buzgin, $n$. buskin, gaiter.
caaeek, $n$. cake.
caan, $v$. can.
caanst, $v$. canst.
caark, $n$. cork.
caarn, $n$. corn, wheat.
caarner, $n$. corner.
caas'n, or caasint, $v$. canst not?
caat, $v ., p$. of kech, caught (caut).
caint, $v$. can't
chaik, $n$. cheek.
chaisnut, $n$. chestnut.
Cherlay, n. Charley.
chiffay, $n$. chaffinch.
childaag, $n$. chilblain.
childern;
chillern, n. pl. children.
chimblay, chimlay, $n$. chimney.
dhaarn, $a$. thorn. dhaier, adv. there (dhair). dhaiuf, $n$. thief (theef) dhaut, v.i., p. of dhink, thought (thaut) dhay, pron. they, those, these. dhee, pron. thou, thy, thee (dhee). dheen, $a$. thin.
dheezelf, pron. thyself.
dhem, pron. them, those.
dhenk, v.i. think.
dhetzh, $n$. thatch.
dhik, $a$. thick.
dhik, dem. this, that.
dhill-haars, $n$. the horse in the shafts.
dhimbul, $n$. thimble.
dhin, $a d v$. then.
dhing, $n$. thing.
dhink, v.i. think; $p$. dhaut.
dhinkin, p.p. thinking.
dhirteen, num. thirteen.
dhirtay, num. thirty.
dhouzun, num. thousand.

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chinkay, $n$. chaffinch
chock, $n$. block of wood.
chukkul, v.i. cluck (of a hen).
claak, $n$. clock.
clain, v.t. clean (cleen)
clim, v.i. climb (cliim).
clot, $n$. a turf.
clout, $n$. $a$ cuff, a bang.
clum, v.t. handle clumsily.
contrairay, $a$. contrary.
cooud, $a$. cold (coald)
coors, $a d v$. of course.
coos'n, or cossint, $v$. couldst not.
coout, $n$. coat.
corral, $n$. to hang a kettle on.
cowshed,
cowpen, $n$. byre.
coz, conj. because.
cozn, $n$. cousin (cuzn)
craim, $n$. cream (creem).
craip, $v$. creep.
craitur, $n$. creature (creetyoor).
cud, $v$. could (cood).
cum, $v$. , pres. and $p$. of come.
cuttay, $n$. wren.
dhum, $n$. thumb (thum).
Dhurzday, $n$. Thursday.
dhurzelvz, pron. themselves.
diddee,
diddeecay, n. gipsy.
did'n, $v$. didn't
dishwosher, $n$. wagtail.
dis'n, $v$. didst not.
dist, $v$. aux. didst.
doaant, doaan, $v$. don't (doant)
doour, $n$. door (doar)
draeen, $n$. drain.
draap, $n$. drop.
draash, $v$. thrash, thresh.
draashul, $n$. flail.
dree, num. three.
drei, $a$. dry.
driin, $v$. drain.
droa, v.t. throw; $p$. droad.
droat, $n$. throat.
droo, prep. through (throo).
drov, p.p. driven
drush, or trush, $n$. thrush.
dunkee, $n$. donkey.
dunnoa, $v$. don't know.

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daag, $n$. dog.
Daarset, $n$. Dorset
daartur, $n$. daughter (dauter).
daid, $a$. dead (ded).
deerz, n. pl. of deer.
deich, $n$. ditch.
ee, pron. (1) he (hee), (2) slurred for
dhee, thee.
eef, conj. if.
eer, $v$. hear (heer); p. eerd, also heerd. haach, v.t. hitch.
haaee, $n$. hay.
eerd, $v$. heard (herd), also heerd.
ees, interj. yes.
eet, $a d v$. yet.
eevnin, $n$. evening.
Ei, pron. I.
eier, $a$. higher (hiier).
eirun, $n$. iron.
elth, $n$. health (helth).
em, pron. him.
enny wen, $a d v$. (any when) at any time.
er, $a d v$. ever.
erm, $n$. arm.
ess, $n$. ass.
extray, $a$. extra.
haaeel, $n$.hail.
haalur, $n$. hollow
haand, $n$. hand.
haankee, $n$. handkerchief.
haant, $v$.haven't.
haarn, $n$. horn.
haars, haas, $n$. horse, pony.
haas'n, or haassint, v. aux. hast not.
haat, $n$. hat.
haih! eh! what!
haud, $v$. , $p$. of heid, hid.
heer, v.t. hear (heer); p. heerd.
heerd, v., p.p. of heer, heard (herd).
hef, $a$. half (haaf).
hei, $a$. high (hii).


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heid, v.t. hide (hiid); p. haad, hid.
faarist, $n$. forest.
faivur, $n$. fever (feevur).
Feboouray, $n$. February.
feesh, $n$. fish.
feil, v.i. fail.
foar, prep. before.
foar-haars, $n$. leading horse in a team.
foaray, $n$. pinafore $\left[\begin{array}{l}67\end{array}\right]$ fousty, $a$. fusty.
fust, $a$. first.
gaaeet, $n$. gate.
gaalay-baagur, $n$. scarecrow.
gaep, v.i. gape, look.
gaffer, $n$. grandfather.
gaun, $n$. frock, gown (goun).
gee, gi, v.t. give; $p$. and p.p. gev.
gel, $n$. girl.
geldin, $n$. gelding.
gerdin, $n$. garden.
gev, p.p. given.
gi, v.t. give (giv).
girt, $a$. great, big, large.
git, v.t. get.
heidee-hoop, $n$. hide-and-seek (hide-and-whoop).
heidin, $n$. hiding, thrashing.
heidin, $p . p$. hiding.
heil, $n$. shock of wheat.
herd, $a$. hard (haard).
herdly, $a d v$. hardly.
herth, $n$. hearth (haarth).
hervist, $n$. harvest.
het, $n$.heat (heet).
het, v.t., p. hit.
heth, $n$. heath (heeth).
hid, $n$. head (hed).
hij, $n$. hedge (hej).
himp, $n$. hemp.
hin, $n$. hen.
hizzelf, pron. himself.
hob, $n$. potato-pit.
hooum, $n$. home.
hoss, haas, $n$. horse.
hous, $n$. house.
houzinz, pl. houses (houziz).
hunderd, num. hundred.
huzbun, $n$. husband.


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glaid, a. glad.
gless, $n$. glass
goo, v.i. go (goa).
gookoo, $n$. cuckoo.
grammer, $n$. grandmother.
granfer, $n$. grandfather.
gress, $n$. grass.
ground, $n$. the fields.
grudeirn, $n$. gridiron.
grunt, v.i. grumble.
guvnur, $n$. husband.
gwein, pres. part. going (goaing).
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jillay staak, $n$. gilly flower.
jist, $a d v$. just.
joaay, $n$. a threepenny-bit.
job, $n$. difficulty.
kay, $n$. key.
kees, $n$. kiss.
kent, $v$. can't (caant).
kep, v.p.p. kept.
kich, v.t. catch; $p$. caat.
kid, $n$. child (child).
kiddil, $n$. kettle.
id, $n$. head.
idhout, prep. without.
idhur, adv. hither (hidher).
id'n, $v$. isn't.
in, pron. him.
in, slurred for one-
injin, $n$. engine.
insek, $n$. insect.

Jaarj, $n$. George.
jigger, interj.
mei, pron. my (mii)
meil, $n$. mile (miil.)
meind, $v$. remember.
mertin, $n$. martin.
mezelf, pron. myself.
mid, $v$. might.
mid'n, $v$. might not.
mimray, $n$. memory.
moak, $n$. donkey.
moast, $a d v$. very.
moour, $a$. more.
mooust, $a$. most.

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kit candulstiks, $n$. will o' the wisp.
kivvur, v.t.cover (cuver).
koit, $n$. kite (kiit).
kwaaits, $n$. quoits (koits).
laaeedee, $n$. lady.
laaf, $v$. and $n$. laugh.
laang, $a$. long.
laarn, $v$. teach, learn.
laat, $n$. lot.
laeun, $n$. lane (lain).
laif, $v$. and $n$. laugh.
laif, $n$. leaf.
laig, $n$. leg.
laiv, v.t. leave.
leeray, $a$. empty.
leik, conj. such as.
lerch-vur, $n$. larch.
levn, nит. eleven.
lid, $n$. lead (led).
livin, $n$. living.
livin, $p . p$. living.
long, $a d v$. along.
mooustly, $a d v$. generally.
mum, $n$. ma'am.
mump, v.i. stroll, wander.
muss, a. aux. must.
muss'n, $v$. must not.
n, slurred for in, him.
n, slurred for dhan.
naaeel, $n$.nail.
naaeem, $n$. name.
naaeeshun, $n$. nation (naishun).
naaeez, $n$. noise.
naamit, $n$. snack of food, luncheon.
naarth, $n$. north.
nail, v.i. kneel.
naist, $n$. nest.
naut, $n$. nought, nothing.
neerhaand, $a d v$. near.
neif, $n$. knife (niif).
nein, num. nine (niin).
ner, $a d v$. never.
nestay, adj. nasty.
nivvur, $a d v$. never.
noad, $p$. and p.p. of noa, knew, known.
long, prep. along with.

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loo see, interj. look ye.
looud, $n$. load.
low, v.t. allow, think, dare say.
lug, $n$. pole or perch (measure of area).
nog, $n$. chunk of wood.
noo, $a$. and interj. no.
noobody, pron. nobody.
nudhin, $n$. nothing.
numshon, $n$. luncheon.
nus, $n$. nurse.
Maaee, $n$. May.
maaeed, $n$. girl.
maaeek, $v$. make.
maan, $n$. man.
maarnin, $n$. morning.
maast, $n$. beech-nuts and acorns.
maistur, $n$. master.
mait, $n$. meat (meet).
mauz, $n$. heap of corn in the straw.
me, slurred for my.
meddur, $n$. meadow.
meedlinish, $a$. middling.
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oomun, $n$. woman.
oss, $n$. horse.
oun, $n$. hound.
ourn, $a$. ours.
ous, $n$. house.
paaeent, $n$. and $v$. paint.
oa, prep. of.
oam, $n$. home.
oap, $n$. and $v$. hope.
offin, $a d v$. often.
Oi, pron. I (Ii).
oi, interj. yes.
ollay, n. holly.
ondoo, v.t. undo (undoo).
ood, $n$. wood.
ool, $n$. wool.
oolln, $a$. woollen.
s, slurred for ist, art.
s, slurred for us, me.
saart, $n$. sort.
saas, $n$. sauce.
saasur, $n$. saucer.
sais, v.i. cease (sees).
sait, $n$. seat (seet)

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paaeer, $n$. pear.
paakit, $n$. pocket.
paepur, $n$. paper (paiper).
pag, $n$. peg.
paipul, $n$. people (peepul).
pais, $n$. piece (pess).
pait, $n$. peat (peet).
pay, $n$. pea (pee).
perch, $n$. pole, a measure of area.
pillur, $n$. pillow.
pinnee, $n$. pinafore.
plaaee, $n$. and $v$. play.
plaen, $a$. plain.
plaes, $n$. place (plais)
plaet, $n$. plate.
plag, $n$. plague.
plaiz, v.t. please (pleez).
poodin, $n$. pudding.
pook, $n$. heap of hay.
praps, $a d v$. perhaps.
pus, $n$. purse.
putt, v.t. put (poot); p.p. putt, put
down, cultivate.
pyooiy, $n$. lapwing.
qwair, $a$. queer.
qweiut, $a$. quiet.
qwid, $n$. cud.
raabit, $n$. rabbit.
raaeek, $n$. rake (raik).
saium, $a$. same.
Scaach, $n$. Scotch.
scraich, $n$. and $v$. screech.
scugee mugginz, $n$. squirrel.
seed, v., p.p. seen.
shaart, $n$. short.
shaat, $v$. shalt.
shaat'n, $v$. shalt not.
shaed, $n$. shade (shaid).
shait, $n$. sheet.
shillin, $n$. shilling.
shood'n, $v$. should not.
shramd, $a$. benumbed.
sillir, $n$. cellar.
smert, $a$. smart.
smuvreenz, $n$. pl. smithereens
(smidhereenz).
snaaeel, $n$. snail
snag, $n$, sloe.
'snoa, slurred for dost know, do you know.
snoch, $n$. notch.
soavur, $n$. sofa.
souf, $n$. south; more often zouth.
spaid, $n$. spade.
spaik, $v$. speak (speek).
spay, v.t. castrate a sow-pig.
speiur, $n$. spire.
spek, v.i. expect
spoaz, v.i. suppose.
spud, $n$. potato.
squeiur, $n$. squire.
staaeeshun, $n$. station (staishun).

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raaeel, $n$. rail
raaeen, $n$. rain.
rail, a. real (raial).
raip, v.t. reap (reep).
raiv, $n$. horizontal projection on side of waggon.
reit, $a$. right (riit); $a d v$. (right)
thoroughly, quite.
reit, v.t. write (riit); p.p. ritt.
rick, $n$. stack.
roaup, $n$. rope.
rooster, $n$. cock.
ruchtee, $n$. saddle-chain for a cart.
ruff, $n$. roof.
run, $v ., p$. of run, ran.
[46]
taaeel, $n$. tail.
taak, v.i. talk (tauk).
taanur, $n$. a sixpence.
taarbul, $a d v$. terribly.
taarmint, $n$. torment.
taebul, $n$. table ( taibul).
taich, v.t. teach.
taichur, $n$. teacher.
taitay, $n$. potato.
tay, $n$. tea.
teim, $n$. time.
teird, $a$. tired.
teit, $a$. tight (tii).
tell, v.t. count.
thaarn, $n$. thorn.
tiddee, $n$. potato.
staarlin, $n$. starling.
staarm, $n$. storm.
stag, $n$. entire animal, e.g. boar stag.
stockin, $n$. stocking.
stooun, $n$. stone.
straach, $v$. stretch.
stray, $n$. straw.
stroy, v.t. destroy, kill off.
swaid, $n$. swede (sweed).
swait, $a$. sweet.
sucker, $n$. young colt.
taablish, $a$. fairly well. taaeek, $v$. take.
vaalur, $n$. value.
vaardin, $n$. farthing.
vaarist, $n$. forest.
vaark, $n$. fork.
vaarm, $a$. warm.
vaarmur, a. comp. warmer.
vaartneit, $n$. fortnight.
vaartay, num. forty.
vaes, vaaees, $n$. face (fais).
vaidhur, $n$. father.
vaist, $n$. feast.
van, $n$. fan.
vat, $a$. fat.
vaul, v.i. fall (faul); p. vell, fell.
veeld, $n$. field.

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'tiddin, 'tiddn't, slurred for it isn't
(it iznt).
'tiz, slurred for it is (it iz).
toad, v.p. told (toald).
t'odher, pron. the other.
too, $n$. toe (toa).
too, prep. to (too) till.
too-morrur, $a d v$. to-morrow.
toordz, prep. towards (toaurdz).
tooud, $n$. toad.
tooud, v.p. told (toald)
traaeen, $n$. train.
trait, $n$. treat (treet).
trei, v.i. try (trii).
tremenjus, $a$. tremendous.
trevet, $v$. tripod of iron for
holding cooking vessels by the fire.
trush, $n$. thrush.
tuffish, $a$. tough (tuff).
tugz, n.pl. hames, on horses' collars.
turmit, $n$. turnip.
twaal, twaalv, num. twelve.
twinty, num. twenty.
twoald, p.p. of tell, told (toald).
uirth, $n$. earth (erth).
unbrellur,
umbergingum, $n$. umbrella.
un, num. one (wun).
veeoo, $a$. few.
veesh, $a$. fish.
veet,
veets, n. pl. feet.
veier, $n$. fire (fiir).
veilit, $n$. violet.
vein, $a$. fine.
veind, $v$. find (fiind); p. vound, found
veiv, num. five.
vellur, $n$. fellow.
ver, $a$. and $a d v$. far (faar).
verray, $a$. very.
viftay, num. fifty.
vifteen, num. fifteen.
vinggur, $n$. finger.
vloi, $n$. fly (flii).
voag, $n$. folk (foak).
voal, $n$. foal.
voar, $a d v$. afore, before.
voarteen, num, fourteen.
$\mathbf{v o g}, n$. fog.
vool, $a$. full (fool).
voot, $n$. foot; pl. veet.
vorgit, $v$. forget.
vouer, $n$. four.
voul, $n$. fowl.
vound, $v$., $p$. found
$\mathrm{voz}, n$. fox.
Vreiday, $n$. Friday.
vrog, $n$. frog.
vrom, prep. from.

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un, pron. him.
ur, pron. her, them.
ur, conj. or.
vaach, $n$. vetch.
vaagit, $n$. faggot.
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vuz, $n$. furze; pl. vuzin.
vyoo, $a$. few.
waach, v.t. watch (woch).
waaee, $n$. way.
waaeet, $n$. weight (wait)
waak, $v$. walk (wauk).
waal, interj. well.
waar, $n$. war (waur).
waark, $n$. work (wurk).
waarm, $n$. worm (wurm).
wab, $n$. web.
wair, $a$. where.
wait, $n$. wheat (weet).
wedher, $n$. castrated ram.
weeout, prep. without.
weid, $a$. wide.
weir, $n$. wire (wiir).
wen, $a$. when.
Wenzday, $n$. Wednesday
wer, $v ., p$. was, were.
wet, $n$. weight (wait).
wi, wee, prep. with
vuirn, $n$. fern.
vur, prep. for.
vur, $n$. fir.
vurdher, $a$. farther off.
vurdhist, $a$. farthest.
vurray, $a d v$. very.
vurrur, $n$. furrow.
vust, $a$. first.
wuth, $a$. worth (wurth).
wuts, $n$. pl. oats.
yaalur, $a$. yellow.
yaandur, $a d v$. yonder.
yaaprun, $n$. apron.
yaas, interj. yes.
yaeker, $n$. acorn.
Yaipril, $n$. (Aipril).
yeer, $a d v$. here (heer).
yeer, $n$. ear (eer).
yoa, $n$. ewe (yoo).
yoo, interj. you (yoo).
yoorn, $a$. yours.
youngin, $n$. young one, youngster.
zaaeem, $a$. same.
zaasur, $n$. saucer.
zaik, v.t. seek.
zaim, v.i. seem.
Zaturday, $n$. Saturday.
zault, $n$. salt (sault).
zay, $n$. sea (see).

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widhee, $n$. willow.
wii, conj. why.
wik, $n$. week.
wikkur, $v$. neigh.
windur, $n$. window.
winker, $n$. the boy who seeks in heidee-hoop.
winsh, $n$. wench, girl.
wint, $v$. went.
wippin, $n$. swingle-tree of plough.
wippul-tree, $n$. master-tree of plough.
wit, $v$. wilt.
wit'n, $v$. wilt not.
woak, $n$. oak.
woald, $a$. old (oald).
woald-faashun, $a$. old-fashioned.
woar, p.p. worn.
wood'n, $v$. would not.
woons, $a d v$. once (wuns).
woos'n, or woosint, wouldst not.
woots, $v$. wouldst (woodst).
wooud, $a$. old (oald).
wops, $n$. wasp (wosp).
wot, rel. pron. who, which what, that.
woz' $n$, or wozzint, $v$. wast not.
wuird, $n$. word (wurd).
wuirk, $n$. and $v$. work.
wun, num. one (wun).
wus, $a$. worse (wurs).
wust, $a$. worst (wurst).
zay, v.t. say.
zayin, $p$.p. saying.
zbeidur, $n$. spider.
zed, v.t., pres. and p.p. said.
zee, v.t. see; $p$. and p.p. zeen, sin,
zid, zeed, saw, seen.
zee-zaw, $n$. see-saw.
zeid, $n$. side (siid).
zeit, $n$. sight (siit).
zelf, pron. self.
zell, v.t. sell.
zertin, $a$. certain.
zet, v.i. sat, p. of sit.
zet, v.t. set.
zevn, num. seven.
zevnteen, num. seventeen.
seventy, num. seventy.
zhoin, $v$. shine (shiin).
zich, $a$. such.
zillur, $n$. cellar.
zilvur, $n$. silver.
zing, v.i. sing.
zit, v.i. sit; p. zet.
zix, num. six.
zixteen, num. sixteen.
zixty. num. sixty.
zizurz, n. pl. scissors (sizzurs).
zloo, $a$. slow (sloa).
zoa, $v$. sow (soa).
zoavur, $n$. sofa.
zoid, $n$. side (siid).
zoidur, $n$. cider (siidur).

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zoiv, $n$. scythe (siith).
zoo, $a d v$. so (soa).
zooner, $a d v$. rather.
zoud, v.p. of zell, sold (soald).
zouth, $n$. south.
zow, $n$. sow (sou).
zum, $a$. some (sum).
zummit, $n$. something.
zummur, $n$. summer.
zumwayz,
zumwair, $a d v$. somewhere.
zun, $n$. sun.
Zunday, $n$. Sunday.
zwaalur, $n$. and $v$. swallow (swolloa).


