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## Devonian Provincialisms.

- 1. Mitch, or Meech, 'to play truant.'
- 2. *Crām* (*a* as in *father*), 'to crease' or 'crumple.'. This word I have never heard used in the sense of 'to stuff,' and do not therefore believe it to be identical with the common verb to *cram*.
- 3. *Cabbed*, or *Cabby*, blotched or messy, lke the glaze sometimes on inferior earthenware.
- 4. *Cruzle*, or *Croozle* (a nursery word), 'to make a low whimpering noise like an infant just on the point of walking.

But perhaps this term is not peculiar to Devonshire.

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