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TO THE EDITOR OF BERROW'S WORCESTER JOURNAL.

Sir.— There is a misprint in this monologue of "nash" for "nast," whence come "nasty" and "nastiness." "Mah throat be quarred up o' this nast" "Git out, 'ool 'ee, 'ee dirty liggie beagle, ov yur nast."

"Nash" or "nesh" is the well-known Old English word "hnesce," meaning "tender," "delicate," and is still current among us. "Nash," or "ness," as a place-name, is the Old English "næs" (perhaps allied to "nosc,") and means a "headland," "promontory."

Let me add that "mischerful," which I have used for "mischievous," is varied in our county by "misterful," "mischiful," "mischeevous," and "mischeevious."

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