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Q	
Word	Meaning
QUAB	Sickly. Infirm
QUADDIES	Grumbles. Dawdles
QUAFF	To pull off ??
QUAIL	To fade, wither, wilt even refred to someone's general health. Old saying – "You're lookin' some quail, feelin' quail are 'ee?"
QUAILAWAY	A sty on the eyelid
QUAIT	Quiet
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QUALK/QUALKER	A hard fall. "I threw him a regular qualker" (Doubtless a wrasslin' term)
QUALLOT (THE)	The name of a triangular field on a farm in East Cornwall. (The bottom of said meadow was wet & boggy in which rushes grew) Can anyone help please?
QUAMS	Fainting fits. Stupid ideas. Female having a 'turn.' – a tizzy as per Mrs Bennett in Pride & Prejudice.
QUAMS	Foolish ideas
QUARRTERS / QUARTERS	Lodgings
QUARRY	A pane of glass
QUARTER	To cry quarter = a form of submission in Cornish Wrestling
QUARTERS	Lodgings
QUAT / QUATTY	Squat. To flop down, to hide away. Children playing Hide & Sek might say, "less gone over behind the shed and quatty down, 'ee went find us there,"
QUATTY	To squat
QUEAL	Quill pen
QUEASY	Sensitive. Easily upset
QUECKSTICKS	Soon done
QUEEL	To wriggle. To coil or twist
QUEEL	To coil a coil
QUEENS	Scallops
QUEER	Bed or layers of ground (miner's term)
QUEER	Poorly, headlight, dizzy, near to fainting
QUEET	Quiet
QUELLAT / QUELLIT	A small enclosure or field. A pig's sty
QUENCHED AWAY	Died
QUEOCK	Part of a bullock's hoof
QUERNS	Stone troughs where corn grain is crushed with a granite ball or large pebble (bulley). Querns were also used to break lore laiden rock for further processing.
QUIDDLES	Foolish fancies

QUIGNOGS	Conceit. Ridiculous. “w’at yer tellin is a load o’ ol’ quignogs.”
QUILKIN	Frog (or toad).
QUILLAWAY	Stye on the eye
QUILLET	A piece of ground. The only similarity found is, a set of converted farm buildings near Mevigissey by the same name.
QUILTER	To beat. To thrash
QUILTER COATS QUILTED COATS	Quilted petticoats
QUIM	Female animals vagina
QUOINS	Corner stone, tied across one another to strengthen the building. Usually of large granite ashlar.

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RAASH / RASH	Hasty “Bit rash with yer werds there wadn’ ee?” Speaking before thinking
RAB / RABB / RAM	Hard gravelly ground. Stone used for road-making
RABBET ET	Bother. Confound it. “Odd Rubbet et.’
RABBIN	Robin
RABBLERASH	As above
RABBLE-ROUTE	A noisy mob
RACE	A strand of string (of onions) A row of things
RACE	A ball-bearing unit is known as a ball-race. Looking at RACE above on e can see why.
RADJAL/RADJAIL	A loose heap of stones such as waste from a quarry. “They have cleared yesterday’s blasted stone, there’s only the radjail left.”
RAG & CHAIN PUMP	An endless chain of knots of cord, stiffened with leather at intervals which passed over a hand-turned sprocket wheel, down into open work or mine and up through a wooden pipe, through which it drew water. Forerunner of the Bastier pump
RAG / RAGGING	The blowing of the wind before rain. “Ragging for rain”
RAGLEN	A fisherman’s apron
RAM-CATS	Tomcats
RAMES	Bare bones. A skeleton
RAMPIN’ /RAMPOOSIN	Rampant
RAMPING MAZED	Raging. Raging mad
RAN	A wren

RAN-DAN / RANTAN	Gadding about. “Always on the ran-dan”
RANDIGAL	A rigmarole. Unconnected story
RANDYVOOSE	Confusion. Riot. Also a meeting place
RANNISH	To feel hungry
RANNY	Wren
RANTAN	Gadding about – out on the ‘tiles’.
RANTERS	Early primitive methodists
RAPS	Rasp
RARE. REAR	Early
RARE-MOUSE	The bat
RARING TO GO	Impatient to be off
RASH	Brittle. Crisp. Rushing into things
RATLAN	Fallow
RATLAN FIELD	A fallow field
RATTLE-CUM-SKIT	A rumpus. <i>Rattlwe-cum-skit</i> by night and sleep by day.
RAUNISH	Ravenous
RAW CREAM	Cream from milk that has not been scalded
RAW FRY	A swede, potato and bacon dish
RAW HEAD	See Raw ream
RAW MILK	New unskimmed milk
RAWNISH	Hungry. Ravenous
REAM / REEM	To stretch. Engineers ‘ream out’ a hole if it is marginally too small for the job by using a reamwer..
REAM. RAW REAM	The careful way that the cream is separated from the milk, by passing a large spoon or spatula neatly under the cream and lifting it off.
REAMER	A skimmer. Also a tool for expanding holes – used for drilling out holes when blasting roack/ore
RED-ROOLERS/ROLLERS	A delicious Cornish eating apple
REEMING	To stretch and yawn simultainiously
REEN	A steep hill
REESE	To beat out corn
REESE	The falling of grain from ears of corn
REGRATER	One who buys and collects eggs, butter and other dairy products direct from the farm to sell on at markets
REGRATOR	An itinerant dealer in poultry. A hawker
REMLETS	Remnants “I’ve bin an’ tore me trousers, I’ll ‘ave ask Mrs if she got a remlet that’ll do te patch en with.”
RENNE OR REN	Run. Running. “John, renne down shop minit, I abm got a drop o’ milk ‘ere fer teatime.”
RESCAN / RUSKIN	A small stack or stick of reed. “I’ll ‘ave keep that rescan dry, it’ll be lovely fer thatchen by an’ by.
RETCH / RETCHING	To be sick, vomiting.
RETURNING CHARGES	The cost of dressing, preparing and carrying black tin to the smelter.
RHYMSTERS	Not particularly dialect but I wanted to document it somewhere. Almost every village had a rhymester who would when something strange or amusing happened would note it for posterity by writing a ditty or doggerel
RICKS	Corn or hay stacks
RIDERS	Circus
RID-LEG CHAWK	A chough. Choff

RIFFLED	Roofs damaged by a storm. Unslated. Uncovered. Holes made in a roof by a storm where slates have either peeled off or slipped down.
RIG	A frolic. A noise. "We 'ad rigs last night, ev'ry body cummed dressed up grand."
RIGGLE / RIDDLE	To clear or stir up the fire. To sue the poker to dislodge clinker. "Riddle out the grate."
RIGHT?	A Redruth greeting, doubtless meaning; 'is everything alright?'
RINGLE	A ringlet. "The lil' maid de look lovely with akk 'er ringles."
RISH	Rush. "The ol' millpond is full o' rishes this year, never seen se many."
RISM / RISSOM	(pronounced rizm), a small portion
ROADLING ROODLING	Wandering in the mind. Delirious. "Poor ol' faather is nearly done I bleeve, 'is mind is roadlin' baraave these days."
ROAR	To weep loudly
ROKER	A cheat
ROMANCIN'	Playing heedlessly
ROODLIN'	Delirious. Wandering
ROOGE / ROUGING	To push or lift with difficulty
ROOTIES	Turnips
ROOTS	Usually applied to turnips or mangolds. "We de grow a bit o' corn but mainly roots."
ROOTY	Turnip (see roots above.)
ROPE	Said of bread which in the summer would sometimes be rendered nauseous to taste and smell. Is this where the present day 'ropey' has originated?
ROPER'S NEWS	Old news
ROPY	Referring to flour that has lost its freshness and has been injured by the damp. Also applied to bread made from such flour.
ROPY	To feel under the weather – mildly unwell
RORY-TORY	Conspicuously smart or gay. Tawdry, gaudy.
ROSSUM ROSIN	Resin
ROUGING	Lifting with great effort, also violent behaviour.
ROUN	Round. Around
ROUND ISLAND / LAND (GONE)	To die. To fade away. No longer useful
ROUNDERS	Slices of bread. Also a ball game
ROUSE. ROWSSE	A rattling noise. A bang
ROUSER	Large. Something big, a bit like luster
ROUST-ABOUT	A rough tomboy. "She de love te roust-about with the boys."
ROUTING OUT	Cleaning out, spring clean, clearing out dawers & cupboards. "bin routin' out this shed all day; I found stuff I nedvedr 'nawed I 'ad!"
ROVING	Raving (mad) "She's gon' rovin' mad an' all fer nawthen."
ROVING PAIN	In great pain. In agonies of pain
ROWL	Roll
ROWS	Refuse from ore or black tin which has been separated from the rows. (I don't quite ubderstand rthis help please
RUB	Rob
RUBBAGE / SCROFF	Rubbish / Refuse. "I went out te bring in the bin but the rubble men abm come yet."
RUBBING POST	A stone post in a field for cattle to rub against.
RUCKLE / TRUCKLE	To roll / Push / Trundle. "I see Freddie's gone rucklin' downlong with 'is donkey an'

	cart to git drop waater down plump.”
RUCTIONS	A terrific row / Discord
RUD / RID	Red “ave ee noticed how the soil up te Debbm is that ol’ ruddy colour. They ab’m got that there nice rich brown that we ‘have got.”
RUDDICK	The wooden beam across a cart which acts as a hinge on which it is tilted or tipped
RUDOCK	The Robin – Redbreast. “We de git quite a few rudocks feeden on the ishins when we’re thrashin’ corn.”
RUGGY	Rugged. Rubbly
RULL	To roll corn into sheaves ready for the handbinders
RUMBUSTIOUS	Noisy. Cantankerous. “Uncle John is gone awful rumbustious laitley, dun naw w’as matter wi’ dn.”
RUMMAGE	Confusion. A disorder. “What a rummage the room is in.”
RUMMET	Dandruff. “I shall ‘ave te change my shampoo, I got sum rummet in my ‘air.”
RUMPED-UP	Drawn together with cold. Also “rumped up” ‘Scrumped up’
RUMPY	Uneven (said of yarn or thread)
RUN	A landslip. Landslide “T’was some weather last night, there’s quite a run in the cliffs out to Gravesend.” (May also be said where a path or based iks being laid that needs a slight slope to take surface water away.
RUN WORD	To go back on one’s word. “‘ee’s always runnin’ his word, can’t bleeve anything ‘e de say.”
RUNNER	Round towel placed on a roller, usually fixed behind the kitchen door. “Tis time te change that runner, ‘ee’s hummin stinkin.”
RUNNERS	Fibrous roots of plants and weeds, particularly striol grass and convulvulus
RUNNING-WOUND	A wound from which matter is continually discharging.
RUSH LIGHTS	Candles formed by dipping the pith from rushes into tallow
RUSKING-COMB	A large-toothed comb
RUSTY	Rancid; chiefly said of bacon.
RUTTILIN	Rattling. “I knew twas your wagon without looken, I cud tell by the way ee was ruttlin down long.”
RUXLER	Someone who fidgets on a seat. “I went pictures an’ sat next te a right ruxler, he dun nawthen but figet all the way thru the picture. I nearly gib’m one ‘cross the chacks.”

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