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Word	Meaning
TABBAN/TABM	Morsel of food, slice of bread & butter
TACKED	Beaten, brought to a stop, perhaps through exhaustion. Also, full up. "You gived me sum gaate pasty there mawther, I'm anwly 'alfway through an' I'm tacked."
TADDAGO PIE	Pie made from prematurely born pigs
TADDLY-ODDLY	Tipsy
TAERING 'ROUND	Making a fuss, passionate about something. Ee's taerin' 'round out there like a blue ass fly."
TAGGER	Tiger
TAGS	Narcissi
TAG WORM	Earthworm
TAKE	You don't take a child or girlfriend for a walk, you 'put them
TAKIN(G)	A sad condition. "I dunnaw w'at 'ave 'appened to en ee's in some takin' in there."
TAK 'OME	Reply to 'pull up' when roping down a rick
TAKE	A bargain of work in a mine
TALCH	Bran
TALKIN' BUSH	A bush of holy put at the Masthead
TALLET	Roof space of outbuilding insulated with straw
TAM	A piece, a bit, a morsel; a dwarf
TAMLIN COD	A young Cod
<b>TAMLYN</b>	<b>A miner's tool. Any ideas anyone.</b>
TANJAKE	The house snail
TANTRA BABUS	Noisy playful child
TAP	To re-sole or re-heel boots or shoes, hence 'tappin' leather.'
TAP	Chunk of hay rick cut out with a hay knife
TARMANACK	A slovenly person
TARVING	Struggling, storming
'TALL	At all "You told me you wus goyn town." "I didn' 'tall." ( <i>I think always used in the negative.</i> )
TAUNT	Pert, saucy, high & mighty
'TENNTION	Attention
'Twas a PUZZLE	It was perplexing and confusing, perhaps not enough detail. "'Twas a puzzle, I cudden understand w'at was goyne on."
TAAKING / TAAK	Taking. Take. "Now Reg, go down to the field wear the cows are and ake w'ich one you like an' pay far'n w'en you can."
TAALK / TAALKING	Talk. Talking. "She's fer ever taalkin' 'eaerd up Chapel w'en the man is preachin 'ave ee?"
TAB / TOB	Piece of turf with grass attached. One of their most unusual but nevertheless practical uses was to place them on roofs of houses where there had been a riffle, by way of a temporary repair to keep the rain out.
TABLE-BOARD	A table
TABM	A piece of bread and butter
TABS	Dried cow dung used as manure
TACHE	Teach. "They tried te tache me te swim but gived up, sayin' I cudden eb'n float leve alone swim!" "So that was the end o' that."
TACK	To slap or stroke with the open hand. To bring to a standsill
TACK / TACKLE	To harness. "look at the lovely tackle on they Shire osses, buutiful in it?"
TACKER	A child full of life and spirit
TADDAGO PIE	Pie made with prematurely born suckling pigs
TADLY-ODDLY	Tipsey. "You shud o' seen Jimmy cumin out the pub last night he was proper tadly-oodly, I can tell ee."
TAER	A fuss. A row. Great excitement. "There's sum rip an' taer up cricket field, we've juss balled out three o' their men fer ducks."
TEARING ROUND	Making a fuss. Rushing around, sometimes not achieving anything. They're up Chapel taerin' round like 'eadless chicken gittin ready fer Harvest Festival, but abm hung a strand o' unions yet, I dunnaw w'at they bin doin' wi' their time all morning."

TAFFLE	To entangle. “You bin an’ got sum taffle in that fishin’ line boy, you’ll never wind un in like that.”
TAG	Tail end of a rump of beef. A tag of beef
TAGGER	Small child – a toddler
TAGS	Narcissi
TAIL-CORN	Small withered grain
TAILPIPE	See Prall. Also, to pin ‘a tail’ to a person’s clothing (April Fool’s Day custom)
TAKE	Worry.Fuss. ‘A pretty take’
TAKE (TAAKE) A NOSHUN	Get an idea “Id’n that funny I thought I’d wait ‘ere a bit a while, cawse I ‘ad a noshun he’s come this way, an’ sure nuff ‘e did.”
TAKE (TOOK) UP	To absorb or take up as a wick might take up oil. Housewives sanded stone floors which ‘took up’ the dirt dropped from men’s boots.
TAKE IT UP	Resent something, annoyed over something. “If you mention it to en do ‘e take it up?”
TAKELING	Tackling
TAKEN ON THE GROUND HOP	Taken by surprise
TAKING / TAAKING.	Commotion. Great excitement. “Tis our lil’ boy’s birthday marra, he’s in some taakin ‘bout it already.”
TALCH	Bran
TALE	To count, a number Tally “I’m goyne tall up these figures minit, see if I can git the same total as you.”
TALFAT / TALLACK / T ALVAT	A garret. An open bedroom or platform in a cottage. A primitive mezzanine floor for sleeping accommodation. <b>A garret is a habitable attic or small and often dismal or cramped living space at the top of a house or larger residential building.</b>
TALLET	Hay or stable loft
TALLOW DIPS	Candles made by dipping wicks in Tallow a number of times until the required girth is reached
TAMLIN	A miner’s tool
TAMPING	Materials used to compress explosives used in blasting rock, etc
TAMPING-IRON	An implement, stick etc. used for ramming the tamping (explosive) into holes for blasting operations
TAN / TANGERY	An unpleasant taste
TANTARABOBUS	The devil
TAP / TAPPED (BOOTS/SHOES)	To sole a boot or shoe. The sole of a boot or shoe. “Taake these shoes down to Mr. Rosemergy an’ git new Taps put on them. Be sure te tell en they must be leather, I dawn’t want nun o’ that old wartime wisht trade.”
TARBLE	Midlin’ fair. Moderate. How are ‘e Mr. Bartle?” “Fair te middlin thank ‘ee.”
TARNING	Agitating. Storming
TARRY	To struggle
TARVING	Struggling, making a commotion, fussing
TASH	Moustache
TASH	An armful of furze, enough to be gathered with one hand, the stems having been severed with a hook just above the ground. These were laid aside and later gathered into ‘Faggots’.
TATCHY	Teasy. Irritable
TATIE-RATTLE	A stew. Also called ’20 minutes rattle
TATTIES / TETTIES / TATES	Potatoes
TATTY OGGIE (Y)	Cornish Pasty
TATTY OGGIE(Y) TEDDY OGGIE	A potato pasty
TAW	To pull.
TAW	A large marble used to fire at the others
TAVE/TATHE	To separate a saithe of corn into sheaves
TAVIN’ RKE	Rake used with reaping machine to ‘sheave’.

TAY / TAY-TREAT	Tea Tea treat. “Tried they Bordeaux’s tea treat buns ‘ave ‘e, ‘ lishuos aren’t they?”
TAY-DISH	Teacup (A dish ‘o tay)
TAYGERRY OR VAGARY FAYGURY	Budget Speech
TEAL	See teel below
TEAM / TEEM	To dip up. To ladle from one vessel to another. Also said of pouring rain – “tis teamin’ down.”
TEAR ABOUT	To hurry or scurry about
TEAR ASS	Someoneed in a great hurry
TEAR / TEARING-ON	A rage. Fuss. Storm. In a great hurry. In a rip an’ tear, pronounced ‘tier’.
TEASY	Irritable “He’s as teasy as a’ adder.” Bad tempered or in a mood.
TEAT/TEET	A draught of wind; the whistling of the wind. “The wind was teeten through under the door.”
TEAT	Cows normally have four teats from which their milk is delivered.
TEDDY	The potato in East & Mid Cornwall TATIE in West Cornwall ‘Teddies and Point a meagre dinner. i.e. potatoes and not much else! (The cook would point to the meat to make sure no-one missed it!)
TEDEN-ON	It is not. It’s not so
TEEL	Plant, till or sow “The ol’ mare and me ‘ave teeled 5 acres of corn this marnin’ walked on grand she did.”
TEELED	Buried in the grave
TEELED	Determined “He was determined to do it.”
TEEM	To dip out, to empty. Teemin’ with rain – pourin’ down. .
TEEMIN’	Said of a large crowd. “I juss bin in te Redruth feer, an’ the plaace was teemin’ with people.”
TEEN (TEENIN’ TIME)	To light. “Time te teen up the plaace ‘tis gittin’ brab’m dark.”
TEER	To hurry. To ‘teer away’ Sometimes you’d hear the phrase, rippin’ & teerin’. Or “She’s gon’ off in a rip an’ teer, all ‘cause she’s late fer Chapel.”
TELL	Count or enumerate. (A Bank Clerk is known as a Teller.)
TELL ABOUT	To abuse “She’ve been tellin’ about somebody again, I can see it.” To spread rumours behind someone’s back
TEMBER	Timber
TEMBEREN	Made of timber “Time we wus gone up aver timber’n ‘ill ‘tis past my bedtime.”
TEMBEREN HILL	A staircase. Going to bed ‘up the temberen ‘ill
TEMPER	Moisture in the soil. “Nice bit o’ temper in the soil just minit, so we’ll go an’ saw the corn. The earth is nice nan’ warm too.”
TEMPLE MOORS	To send to Temple Moors, to make soenione an outcast
TEND / TENDER	To attend. To wait on others. Waiter. ‘To ‘tend to the cattle”
TENDE-EE	Attend to you, perhaps used when a person is unwell.
TENDER	Applied to weather. Uncertain. “The sky is looking tender” Unsettled
TENDER WORM	A young child, a term of endearment.
TERN	The bittern
TERITES	To rights. “I wuss there w’en ee dun it, I gotten bang terites.”
TERRECTLY	Dreckly
TERRIBLE	Frighteningly affectionate. “She’s terrible about her dad.”
TERRIFY	Annoy. “Ben, stop terrifyin’ the cat, ‘e abm dun you no ‘arm.”
‘TES	It is. “Tes easay w’en you knaw ‘ow.”
TESCAN	A small bundle of corn gathered by reapers.
TETT/TIT	Teate
TETTY GROUND	Potato patch. “I think I’ll upset that tetty ground an’ put in a few cabbage plant
TETTY-RATTLE (ALSO KNOWN AS 20 MINIUTE STEW.)	Cornish stew

THA	The. "I an't abide tha old stuff give me a dacent pasty anytime."
THATCHIN'-REED	Wheat straw kept unbroken for thatching
THAWCK/THACK	O beat or flog
THE OUT OF IT	The end. Finish "Tha's the out of it, tha's all I can tell ee." (what it's all about).
THE PEOPLE	Methodists
THEER	There
THEESE	You. Belonging to you (Thee) "Theese know w'at I mane dawn't ee? i.e "You know what I mean don't you?"
THEN	Than. "That won is better then this."
THERE EE WUS GONE	He was there one minit' an' gone the next
THEW	Threaten
THICK / THICY-THREE / THICKEY	That one. This (or that) and would be accompanied by either a head or hand gesture, indicating 'over there'
THICKERD	Thick head. Fool
THIRL/ THURL	Lean. Hollow. "That there oss is lookin' some thirl, don't think I'll buy that one."
THIRT / THIRTAWAY	Crossways. "Tis looken alright even if tis looken a bit thirtaway. (bit out of true)
THOFT / THOFF	Thought
THOFT/THOUGHT MATEY'S SHELVES WUS A BIT 'IGH DIDN' YOU?	Not a lot of stock in the shop
THRASHHEL	A flail. For an ing g corn by hand
THREE-LEAF-GRASS	White clover
THIDDLER	Weaver
THROSTEL	Thrush
THROTT	Throa "I got some soar thrott this an ing' yo, I can 'ardly clonkey."
THROW UP	To bring up old scores/issues. "Now, don't thraw that up te me again, I've "
THROYTING	Cutting chips from a stick. (I take this to be some kind of whittling, perhaps as a gypsy would do to make clothes pegs.)
THUMBINDS	Straw ropes used for binding sheaves of corn. So named for being twisted and first coiled around the thumb.
THUMPING	Great or large. "'E 'ad a thumpin' g'ate licker
THUNDER AND LIGHTNING	Bread with cream and treacle
THUNDER-PLANET	A thunder sky
THUNDERIN'	Of ample size. "She was a thunderin gaate maid." Well proportioned.
THURSDEE	Thursday
THURT-EYED	Cross-eyed
THWARTING	To break up ground, perhaps returning croft land back to an arable state
TIB, TIB, TIB	Word for calling sheep
TIBBY	Child's name for a lamb
TIBUTER	Streamer or miner who works for an agreed proportion of the value of the ore he recovers from waste or 'tailings' or sent to surface
TICKEREE	A hawk
TICKEY-TICKIES	Fowl(s). Usually hens
TICKLISH	As in setting a tap that it would activate at the slightest touch or disturbance. "I've set the trap pretty ticklish now 'cause I miss'n't the last time."
TICKY FOWLS	Child's word for poultry particularly hens
TIDDEN	Is not "Tidden no such thing."
TIDDEN	Tender. Sensitive. Painful
TIDDIES	Potatoes

TIDDLY	Mildly drunk
TIDDLY-WINK / KIDDLE-WINK.	A beer shop
TIDDLEY	Do light work. "I can louster & fouster but caant tiddley."
TIDDY	Human milk, and tiddy bottle was a baby's feeding bottle. Doubtless it would have been considered most rude to have said, 'titty' in this context, although breast feeding by women workers in open fields was quite common.
TIDDY-OGGIE / TIDDLEY-OGGIE	Various uses. i.e. Potatoe pie. Pastry. Pies. Etc
TIDY	Good; smart; intelegent. "You dun a tidy job there bouy, 'specially seein' you've never dun it 'fore."
TIDY	To change one's clothes. "Gone in an' tidy up bit got a funeral up Chapel this aff'noon."
TIE	Bed. Feather ties were wonderful to sleep on. Usually stuffed with goose feathers.
TIED	A horse 'boggled' A load too heavy to pull
TIFF /TIFFING	To drink from a bottle
TIFFED / NIFFED	Vexed / Sullen
TIF(F)LES/TIFLINGS	Short ends of cotton / Very small ends left from sewing
TIGGA / TEGGA	To touch / A game (I know of a TIG as a game and played in a variety of ways.)
TIGRY	A yellow hawk with feathers tinged in black
TIGHT / TITE	Drunk. Close. Mean (money wise) "I was sum tight last night yo, I dunnaw 'ow I got 'ome from pub." "Youn went git nawthen out of 'e, 'e's as tight as a gin." (gintrap)
TILTH	Readiness of the soil for tilling
TIMBAL	A mining tool
TIMBREN/TIMBEREN	Wooden
TIMBER'N HILL	Stairs. 'Going up the timbering 'ill. Going to bed
TIMDOODLE	A foolish person
TIMERSON	Timorous, a lack of confidence.
TINKEARD/TINKARD	Tinker
TIN STREAMER	TINKEARD/TINKARD
TINE	Tooth of an agricultural harrow or of a garden/farm fork. "I'm goyne in F.I. te see if I can git a five tine fork, this four tine idn't pickin up nawthen."
TING	NC version of above
TING	To tie. To hand on to. Troublesome animals and animals put out onto open land were 'tinged' by one leg with rope one end of which was secured to a peg driven into the ground in order to keep them where you left them!
TINGED-UP	Hung up. Tied up "I see Alfie have been an' Tinged up his donkey te the Chapel wall while 'ee's gone in fer a haircut."
TINGLE	A small nail used in shoe making / repairing
TINGLER DINGLER	A bell "The fishmonger is up village I can 'ear his Tingler Dingler from 'ere."
TINKARD	Tin worker/tin dresser
TINKLER	Tinker "You an't trust the ol' Tinklers you know, they say they've sharpened yer knife but they abn't no such thing.
TINNERS	Miners
TINNY MARMOT	Itinerant musician or player. "'Ere comes that ol' Tinny Marmot 'gain, 'ee couldn' git a tune out o' that accordion if 'ee tried."
TISCAN	Small bundle of corn gathered by reapers
TISS SOME DARK, YOU CAAN'T SEE YWER 'AND IN FRONT O' YER FACE	Self explanatory
TISS-TOSS	To turn somersaults
TISSY-WISSY	Dry tickling cough
TISTRELL	Butcher's chopping block
TITCH	Touch

TITCHCROOK	A long handled four pronged pitchfork with its prongs turn at right angles approx halfway along; used to pull dung out of the butt of a cart before spreading. Also handy for lifting potatoes by hand and doubtless other jobs.
TITCHY	Small person or animal. "See en there, 6ft tall, yet when 'e was born 'e was such a titchy little thing. (NB the use of both Titchy & Little to emphasise the fact.)
TITEM	Costume worn when neither visiting or working
TITIVATE	To put in order. To smarten up. "Better titivate meself up a bit s'pose, the vicar is coming this afternoon."
TIZZARDLYON??	You can't be serious. It's not the done thing. Or 'You can't be serious or it's not good enough.'
TIZZY	Bewildered (all of a tizz-waz) "Father is in a right tizzy this marnin' 'e've bin an' lost 'is gols watch!"
TOAD IN THE HOLE	A piece of fat meat baked with a crust round it
TO AND AGAIN	Off and on
TOATY	To toot
TOB(B) OR TUBBAN	A smallish piece of turf, used as a temporary repair in all sorts of situations, just as a sandbag might be. Somewhere you need weight and density
TOD	A wad. A snarl.
TOD	Toad
TOD	Tangle or muddle
TODS AND TABS	Clods of earth and grass
TODNALLIERS	Said of tangled thread
TOIT / TOITISH	Off handed. Proud. Stiff
TOKENED	Betrothed to "She's betokened te Jimmy Hall yu know."
TOLD	Recognised. 'Cornish men can be told apart from any of the others, in many ways ....'
TOLLER	Collector of dues or royalties for the Mineral Lord. They also inspected & superintends mine bounds. Theswe so called bounds are terminated by holes in the ground which had to be renewed and visited annually. They would receive the Tolls on behalf of the Landlord.
<b>TOM-HOLLA</b>	<b>A rowdy person "Look up 'ere comes Tom-Holla." Help, who or why Tom-Holla?</b>
TOM-TAYLOR	The 'Daddy-longlegs' "Close 'ome the door do, tha's anawther Tom-Taylor come in; ee'll burn 'iself on the globe of the ol' oil light in a minute."
TOM-TODDY(IES)	Tadpole(s) "Wha's that yo got in yer jam jar, a Tom Toddy is a?"
TONGUE (TONGUE-PIE)	To scold. To abuse 'That boy was ot ing' but a pain up chapel but mawther gibn some tongue when she ot'n 'ome.' Or "She gived 'e the length of 'er ton gue when she next seed en."
TONGUED	Talkative. "He's the most rtongued man I de know."
TONGUE-PAD	A chatterbox. "She's awnly three, but she's a right ol' tongue pad."
TONGUETABBIS	Chatterbox
TOOKED	Taken. Betrothed "I wad'n gone moor then a minite but he took my ounce o' bacckee whilst my back was turned."
TOOKENED-PATTICKS	Simpletons
TOOK UP	Arrested. "Wonder what Jan Ling bin up to, orgive g' fish I expect, he was took up last night. But 'e's out on bail now."
TOONIN'	Tunning, humming a tune "I see Terry's gone down long Toonin, spose he's goyne choir practice."
TOONY	To play an instrument. Toony away was to sing. "Isee you got a cornet in yer 'and, can ee tony un a bit er no?"
TOOTAL	A dum – foolish person; hence tootalish. "You'll 'ave orgive en, ee's a bit tootalish."
TOOTHPULLER / TOOTHAYLER	A quack dentist "That there Toothpuller made some mess o' Auntie Grace's mouth I tell 'ee, I shan't be goyn te 'ee tha's fer surre."
TOOTHSOME	Palatable, tasty.

TOOTLEDUM PATTICK	Foolish Simpleton; (see Tookened Patticks above)
TOP-DRESS / TOP DRESSING	To manure on the surface of the land. "Tha's a good job well done, we've Top dressed all the pasture land now 'fore the rain de come." (This is now used in modern parlance in connection with top dressing our roads with bitumen and chippings)
TOPE	To drink
TOPPIN'S	Hay crop from field already grazed
TOPPY	The brush of hair brushed straight Back from the forehead
TOR	Light turfy soil. 'Tor' in Celtic Cornish is 'prominence'. The swell of a mountain
TOSHER	A fishing boat without a cab or wheelhouse
TOSH	A Cough
TOSHY	Over-dressed; tawdry
TOTTALING	As below
TOTELISH/TOTLISH	Silly, Imbecile. Senile. Doting "Grampa said some funny things te me this orning' I'm sure he's goyne Totelish."
TOTHER	The other "Tidden that there one, 'tis the tother one."
TOTLE	Stupid. Silly person
TOUBLE / TUBBLE	A double pickaxe
TOUCHER	A near hit or close miss "That was a toucher 'e missed me by a whisker."
TOUCH-PIPE / TITCH-PIPE	A short interval for a rest in the midst of work, and (usually) a smoke = crib-time.
TOUGHS/TUFTS	Bread splits
TOULD	Told. Informed
TOUZING/TOUZE	To pull about rudely
TOWAN	A sandy hillock or dune. The sandy links often with maram grass behind many Cornish beaches.
TO-WANCE / TO WANST	At once. Immediately. "W'en do ee want it dun by?" "To-wance fer sure."
TOWG CHAINS	Short chains for 'shaft' work
TOWWILLEAS/ TURWILLEE	Ringed Plover
TOWN-PLACE	Farmyard with outbuildings or the centre of a hamlet
TOWN OF TREES	A clump or collection of trees
TOW-RAG	Dried cod fish. "we're goyne 'ave a nice bit o' tow-rag fer dinner, I've 'ad'n soaked all night."
TOWN	Village, top-town; bottom-town
TOWNSER	Town bred (contemptuous term)
TOWSE / TOUSE	Fuss. Uproar. 'Pop an' towse' "There's some towse goyne on over there, both parties are arguing' the toss brave."
TOWSER. TOWCER, TOWSSER TOWSER	A coarse apron, worn by women for housework and a hessian one by men for wet and dirty work, tied twice at the back
TOWSE/TOZING ALONG	Going along in a hurry
TOYTISH	Pert, snappish
TRAADE	To tread rick or load to improve stability of the load
TRAADE. TRADE	Anything but not much account (value). Commodities, but usually referring to something that hasn't come up to spec or is under par. A lady might say, "I dawn't want that ol' trade, gib me a nice bit o' brisket any day."
TRAAIN-OIL / TRAIN OIL	Train-oil, pressed from pilchards

TRA(A)PSE / TRAIPISE	To walk/gad about “I traipsed all the way up village this rade g’awnly te find the bloomin’ shop was shut; tid’n good nuff after all is said an’ dune.”
TRACE	To braid the hair.
TRACE (S)	A pair of chains fastened to a horse’s harness at one end and to an implement at the other usually via whep, and was the means of pulling the said implement
TRADE / TRAADE	Stuff, anything you felt was worthless or useless. “There was piles of ol’ rade up to the auction; wadn’t no good te man nor beast.”
TRAFT / THOH / TROG / TRAY / TRUCK	A trough for washing fish, also referring to the backwash of waves on the seashore. There are several definitions of the words which appear to vary in different parts of the West-Country
TRAIN/ TRAIN OIL	Oil from pilchards, used for lighting
TRAIISON	Treason
TRAKLE / TRIKLE	Treacle
TRAM	To transport ore or rubble from the mine workings to the shaft in small trucks on narrow gauge rails. Also, above ground to a dumping area. Hence the jocular remark, on enquiry about someone’s occupation: “he do wheel wind in the wire netting wheelbarrow, and tram shit from a sittin’ goose (sic)”
TRAPSE / TRAPSING / TRAI SPIN’	To walk. Walking about. To trudge; to wander about rather than serious walking as in a hike or to earnestly reach a destination.
TRAVELLING	Walking. “I saw ‘er morning on long this marnin’ with ‘er frail on her back.”
TRAVISH	To carry in procession; to trail
TRAW/TRAWY	Trough
TRAWL/TRAIL	Drag one’s feet and sludgen your shoes on the road
TREAG /TRIG	Small shellfish such as Limpets, winkles, etc. ‘Trig’ in Cornish is ‘Ebbing of the sea.’ Also means to support, prop-up. (It is still the custom on the Helford River for local folk to go ‘Triggin’) at Easter.
TREEDLER	Idler
TREESING	Idling, wasting time
TREEVE	Treeriffe (Place name)
TRELOOBING	Washing the’loobs’ or slime tin to extract fine tin ore which sinks to the bottom
TREMIN	A naughty child
TRENDOE	Earthenware tub for curing pig-meat
TRESTER	A Beam
TRESTREM	Bait cut up for fishhooks
TREWELY	Truly “It’s trewely so I tell ee Mrs Kneebone was there.”
TRIBE	Family
TRIBUTE /TRIBUTING	A mining term, mining-law. (A share or share price, by contract of one raised – claimed by miner)
TRIBUTERS	Miners who work for ‘tribute’ undertake to raise ore from the lode at a percentage in the Pound Sterling, on the value of the ore brought to grass. (Grass = surface).
TRICKLE	Treacle
TRICKISH/TICKLISH	Difficult. Ticklish is to set a trap or similar so fine that it will almost activate by mere looking at it!!
TRICKSTER	An adept; Proficient
TRIDDLE	A Treadle “Mrs bin an’ got won o’ they we fangled triddle sewing ‘chines; she’s moppin’ on with her sewin’ now.”
TRIDDLER(S)	People who worked either the treadle powered spinning wheel or loom.
TRIDDLING	Trifling. Talking nonsense “Thee’rt triddling boy, ev’ry thing you de say is triddling.”
TRIDDLE	To talk nonsense, trifling
TRIFLIN(G)	Trivial ‘This is serious, this is no rifling matter.
TRIG(G)	Prop or support – to put a wedge against a wheel to stop the cart/wagon from rollin’ off, thus helping the horse take the strain. You can also trig something, probably temporarily to keep it in place for the time being. E.g. A carpenter would trig (wedge) a door in an



	upright position whilst he screwed the hinges into the durns, after which he'd remove them.
TRIG	To slip or trip up.
TRIG	Shellfish picked up at low water. (To go triggig)
TRIGGING	Good Friday Custom of gathering shellfish
TRIG MEAT	Shellfish
TRIMMIN 'OOK	Hook for paring hedges
TRINKLAMS	Trinkets
TRINKLETS/TRINKLUMS	Trinkets, odds & ends of finery
TRIPSTICK	Retaining stick for tipping a cert or 'butt'
TRIST	Trust "I wouldn't trist en as far as I cud thraw en."
TROACH	To tread underfoot. To tample
TROACH. TROACHER	To hawke goods. A Hawker. To walk slowly
TRODDER	Child just learning to walk.
TRODGERS / TRUDGERS	Trudgers or trodgers. Persons walking (Trudging) "matee next door is gone trudging' up'long, goyne shop spouse."
TRODDLE ®	Toddle Toddler
TROIL	A feast, a tinnerns' feast
TROIL	A short row on the sea
TROLLED	Shoes worn down to one side. 'Shoes trolled over'
TROLL-FOOT / TROLLING / TROWL	A deformed or clubfoot. A foot turned inwards. Turning over at the heel. Down at the heel
TRONE	Rowe of hay left by a rake
TROUCH	To tramp.
TROUCHURR	Man trading in rabbits and poultly from a pony trap
TROUSIES/TROWSIS	Trousers "I shud think ee bin weerin they same trosies fer a month, look 'ow foused up they are."
TROWN	(of a she) to tread or walk over on one side.
TROY	A tray "I'm gitten the troy out the cupberd, mawther got stangers fer taa."
TROY-TOWN	A scene of confusion. Disorder. A maze
TRUCK	Trash ('av no truck wiv'en) Dealings; Have nothing to do with him/her
TRUCKLE	Trundle after workin' all day on the land, if anybody asked her 'ow she was, my mother would say, "Not bad spouse, but me backside's out of truckle." (Out of true)
TRUCKLERS	Smugglers
TRUFF	Trout "There's a few more truff in the river this year, that ol' 'eron have stayed away. That de make sum diff'rence."
TRUG	To jog along
TRUG	A hard worker, a good trug.
TRULGY	Darkness
TRUMPERY	Goods. Belongings. Rubbish "I shan't buy this plaace, too much ol' trumpery 'round, I'll take sum cleanin' up 'fore start."
TRURA	Truro
<b>TRVISH ???</b>	<b>Wandering about. Gadding about</b>
TUB	A species of Gurnard
TUBBAN	A clod of earth, turf etc. Hilly ground (A narrow lane in Helston) ( <i>Tubans, Corn. Great clods of earth</i> )
TUCK/TUCKING	A method in seining Pilchards
TUCK BOATS	Boats used by the Tuckers.
TUCKED	Shortening of new-born babies long robes "I got bruther's jacket up, mawther 'ad put tucks in the sleeves fer te make them fit."

TUCKER	Men who work in the tucking boats (See Tuck Boats) or a Fulling Mill or Tucking Mill a part of the textile industry
TUCKER	A lace frill or collar
TUCKING	'An operation in seining by which the net is gradually drawn together
TUCKING	Working
TUCKING MILL	Or Fulling Mill is a mill where woven cloth is dipped and stretched. (From the Cornish, velyn-druckya; velyn = mill druckya = tucking.
TUCK-NET	The net used in tucking to take the pilchards from the seine net to the boat/s.
TUCK'D	Chucked
TUL	Miner's hat. Term used in Levant mine 1925 – 30
TULCKY	A slovenly woman
TULCKY	Darkness or black; said of a person's black hat; 'black as tulcky'
TULGY	Darkness, also a slovenly woman "She was a right ol' tulgey, she was, grafted from 'ead te foot."
TULL	Measure of corn taken by a miller in lieu of payment.
TULLA	Half-light Twilight
TULLED	Paid the toll
TUMBLEJACK	Wooden, turnover horse rake
TUMMALS	A quantity. A good crop of corn, 'good tummals' Suppers were often barley cakes, or perhaps pies made from stewed potatoes and turnips, the latter 'not very fattening but sweet and plenty tummals', as the farm boys used to say.
TUNAGGLE	The fastener of a gate
TUNG-TAVAS	A chatterer. Gossiper. "She's a right ol' tung-tavas, 'er tongue dawn'tnever stop."
TUNTREE	The pole of an ox cart "The oxes wus pullen se 'ard they pulled the tuntree right out the frame o' the cart."
TURBARY (RIGHTS)	Turbary rights endowed tenants with the privilege of cutting turf over a set number of acres of land.
TURF	Surface peat used for fuel. It was gathered into ricks before burning.
TURF SQUARES	Turf for fuel was cut in squares and a substantial farmhouse would require 1,000 squares per anum. I cannot find any details as to what size a satandard square would be.
TURMENT	Torment
TURMITS	Turnips
TURMOT. TURMUT	Turnip. Swedes "Got a 'ansome crop o' turmots this year all fer one er two are goyne rotten in the ground."
TURN	A spinning wheel. Spinning & weaving cotton & wool was quite a cottage type industry throughout Cornwall in the 1700's – 1800's. (from <i>Hamilt n jenkin's 'Cornish Homes &amp; Customs'</i> ).
TURN	A spinning-wheel
TURN (DONE TO A)	Anything that is cooked/baked just right. "They buns 'ave awnly bin in the obbem twenty minutes an they're dun to a turn.
TURN (GOYNE FER A)	Down te Porthleven, if you was goyne fer a stroll out the end of the pier an' back, before you left 'ome you'd say, "I'm goyne fer a turn." Everybody would know zactly where you wes goyne. Is it a particular kind of walk where you go the distance and then return the same way?
TURN OF WATER	To Fetch water from the well. The quantity carried on one journey. (Similar to above i.e. going out (to the pump or well) and back the same way.
TURNED UGLY (OOGLY)	Very cross. Loss of control. Temper, became quite nasty. Also said of the weather when a storm is brewing or has arrived. "Ansome this morning wadna yo? But eeve certainly turned ugly now, I'm goyne 'ome for I'm drenched through."
TURNED UP	Moved to a higher class at school. "What happened at school today Richard? "Mummy, I've turned up!"
TURPENTINE SOAP	Yellow Soap
TURR	Shout used to call pigs
TURVY-ASHES	Ashes of the turf
TUSS	A nuisance. You Tuss – You twit

TUSTER	An uncertain meaning Can anyone assist with this one please?
TUT	A stupid person.
TUT	A footstool. A hassock or pouffee (usually padded)
TUTCH PIPE	The labourers are in the habit of stopping from work for about half an hour in the afternoons by way of relief, that is called <i>touch pipe</i> hence it is applied to any cessation of labour.
TUT-WORK	Piece work. (Mining term)
TWADDEN	It was not. Also, Twadden'tall (at all) "It twadden like that 'tall, I told ee 'fore the truth of it, an' aren't goyne tell ee 'gain.)
TWAINS	Twins
TWICK	A sharp pull or jerk. To snatch. "The dog was pull, pull on the lead so I gibm a twick, 'e soon cummed te 'eal."
TWIGGLE / TWINGLE	Wriggle. To squirm
TWITCH	A sharp, sudden pull. Also, a turned rope in the nose of an animal to make it conform to the handlers wishes!
TWITCHED	Method of getting sand ells and lance out of sand. A job usually done by women & children, using a specially designed hook.
TWO SKATS BEHIND	Just like the drummer of .....Band! (Attributed to several village bands) or 'like Corporal Jones in Dad's Army!'
TWO-HANDED-FELLOW	A clumsy worker (man)
TWOS AND ONES	Favourites. The schoolmaster de 'ave 'is twos and ones, there's no doubt about that."
TYE / BED-TYE	A feather bed 'Ty in Celtic Cornish 'To cover' To roof. To thatch
TYE	An adit or drain
TYFLINS	Bits of thread – ravelling's
TYOR	A Thatcher or Hellier. Hellier – slate roofer