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draughtsmanship. Also DRAUGHTSMAN-. [f. prec. + -SHIP.] The function, quality, or art of a draughtsman; skill in draughting or drawing.

1846 WORCESTER cites SIR J. HERSCHEL. 1862 THORNBURY Turner I. 54 Turning the boy's perspective, geometry, and architectural draughtsmanship to some account. 1884 Athenaeum 6 Dec. 739/2 In all, good, sound draughtsmanship prevails. 1886 DICEY Eng. Case agst. Home Rule (ed. 2) 225 Hesitations of statesmanship betrayed themselves in blunders of draughtsmanship.

'draughtswoman. [as DRAUGHTSMAN.] A woman employed or skilled in drawing.

1845 Lond. Jnl. I. 191 [They] are likely to become bold landscape draughtswomen. 1881 Mrs. E. J. WORBOISE Sissie xli, She is a very fair draughtswoman.

'draught-tree. ? Obs. The pole of a wagon or other vehicle, to which the drawing gear is attached.

1580 HOLLYBAND Treas. Fr. Tong. Le Limon d'un chariot . . . the beame whereon the iron hangeth in a Waine, the draught tree of a wagon, coche, or carte. c1611 CHAPMAN Iliad XXIII. 358 His draught-tree fell to earth, and him the toss'd up chariot threw Down to the earth. 1789 MADAN tr. Persius (1795) 130 note, Temo signifies the beam of a wain, or the draught-tree whereon the yoke hangeth. 1793 SMEATON Edystone L. §100 Carren . . . [having] a very thick axle-tree, upon which is fixed a stout planking or platform, that terminates in a draught-tree for steering and yoking the cart to.

draughty ('dra:ftu, -æ-), a. [f. DRAUGHT sb. + -Y.]

1. Abounding in draughts or currents of air. 1846 Mrs. MARSH Emilia Wyndham (L.), In this draughty comfortless room I waited. 1859 R. F. BURTON Centr. Afr. in Jnl. Geog. Soc. XXIX. 123 A filmy shade that flutters and flickers in the draughty breeze.

2. Designing, artful, crafty: see DRAUGHT 33. Sc.

1822 GALT Steam-Boat 189 (Jam.), I could discern that the flunkies were draughty fellows. 1823 — R. Gilchrist I. 162 (Jam.) 'It'll be plain wi' you, said my grandfather to this draughty speech. 1829 HOOG Sheph. Cal. I. 233 Ye're a cunning draughty man.

† 3. [Perhaps an alteration of the equivocal adj. DRAFTY.] Rubbishy; filthy. Obs. rare.

1602 2d Pt. Return fr. Parnass. i. ii. 151 The filth that falleth from so many draughty inuentions as daily swarme in our printing house.

Hence 'draughtiness, draughty condition. 1871 Daily News 13 Jan., It might prove an undesirable habitation for invalids on account of its draughtiness.

drauk, obs. form of DRAWK sb. and v.

draut, var. of DRANT.

drave (drev). Sc. [northern form of DROVE:—OE. *dráf.*] A fishing expedition in which several men take part, each supplying a net and receiving a share of the profits made. Later, a haul (of fish); also, a shoal.

1733 P. LINDSAY Interest Scot. 202 Artificers, Day-labourers, and Farmers Servants that live near the Coast . . . make it a Condition with their Masters, to be allowed the Drave to themselves. 1769 De Foe's Tour Gr. Brit. IV. 18 An Adventure of this Kind is called a Drave, two or three Fishermen associate five or six Landmen, for there are commonly eight or nine Men to a Boat. 1793 Statist. Acc. Fish. IX. 445 (Jam.) The Drave, as it is here called, was seldom known to fail. 1854 Phemie Millar I. 224 Phemie loved the stir and excitement of the great herring drave.

drave, obs. or arch. pa. t. of DRIVE v.

† **'dravel**, v. Obs. Also 6 dravil, drevil, dreffe. [Mätzner suggests connexion with ON. *drafa* to talk indistinctly, *draft* tattle.] intr. To sleep unsoundly, have troubled sleep; to talk in one's sleep.

13.. Gaw. & Gr. Knt. 1750 In dre3 droypung of dreme draueled þat noble. 1513 DOUGLAS Aeneis VIII. Prol. I Of dreffing [ed. 1553 dreuiling] and dremsis quhat dow it endyis? Ibid. x. xi. 96 Quhen memnis myndis off in dreuiling gromis. Ibid. XII. XIV. 32 Quhen langsum drauyllyng [ed. 1553 dreuillyng] on the onsound sleip Our ene oursettis.

dravel, obs. form of DRIVEL.

dravick: see DRAWK sb.

Dravidian (drə'vidiən), a. and sb. [f. Skr. *drāvida* pertaining to *Dravida*, name of a province of southern India. (See TAMIL etym.)]

A. adj. Of or pertaining to a non-Aryan people found in southern India and Ceylon, or their languages.

1856 R. CALDWELL Compar. Gram. Dravidian Lang. 527 This shepherd people . . . gradually merged in the mass of the Dravidian race. 1871 E. BALFOUR Cycl. India (ed. 2) II. s.v. India 39/2 That geographical distribution of the Kol and Dravidian languages. 1902 Encycl. Brit. XXX. 419/2 The languages spoken [in the Madras Presidency]—all of the Dravidian family—are Telugu in the north-east, Tamil in the south, Malayalam in the west, and Canarese in the central plateau. 1959 [see ASHRAM]. 1961 BURROW & EMENEAU (title) A Dravidian etymological dictionary.

B. sb. 1. A member of this people or linguistic group.

1856 R. CALDWELL Compar. Gram. Dravidian Lang. 527 The builders of the cairns had settled in India earlier than the Dravidians. 1871 E. BALFOUR Cycl. India (ed. 2) II. s.v.

India 42/1 The uncivilized Dravidian speaking tribes are genuine Dravidians who have in a great measure escaped the culture which the more exposed tribes have received. 1884 D. AUBREY Lett. fr. Bombay 149 Every scheme appears to have been tried to draw the Hindoo, the Iranian, the Jain, the Dravidian to Christ. 1910 H. G. WELLS Outl. Hist. 79/1 The Himalayas etc. divided off the Dravidians from the Mongolians. 1924 A. HUXLEY Little Mexican 58 Two expatriated Hindus and a couple of swarthy meridional Frenchmen, who might pass at a pinch as the Aryan companions of these dark Dravidians. 1928 C. DAWSON Age of Gods iv. 82 The Dravidian was pictured as a mere jungle-dwelling savage.

2. Any of the group of languages spoken by this people.

1856 R. CALDWELL Compar. Gram. Dravidian Lang. 48 The Dravidian vocabularies have borrowed largely from the Sanscrit. . . The Sanscrit, in some instances, has not disdained to borrow from the Dravidian. 1862 Jnl. Amer. Oriental Soc. VII. 297 We should have expected sound philological method, if anywhere, in the comparison of Dravidian and Sanskrit, considering the accessibility of the material. 1871 [see B. 1. above]. 1928, 1934 [see C below].

C. Comb., as *Dravidian-speaking*.

1871 [see B. 1. above]. 1928 C. DAWSON Age of Gods iv. 83 The modern Dravidian-speaking Brahui. 1934 Discovery Feb. 44/1 The important distinction is that between the Aryan and Dravidian-speaking peoples, which broadly set off northern India against the south.

Dravidic (drə'vidik), a. [f. *Dravida*: see prec. and -IC.] = prec. adj.

1888 Amer. Antiquarian X. 59 They first entered India, became mingled with the Dravidic race, and afterward were driven out.

draw (drou), v. Pa. t. drew (dru); pa. pple. drawn (dron). Forms: see below. [A Common Teut. strong vb. of 6th ablaut series: OE. *draegan*, *drōg* (*drōh*), *draegen* = OS. *dragan*, OHG. *tragen*, ON. *draga*, Goth. (*ga*)*dragan*: only in OE. and ON. with the sense 'draw, pull'; in the other langs. with that of 'carry, bear'. On account of the phonetic development of original *g* in English, the modern conjugation deviates much from the normal type (as in *shake*, *shook*, *shaken*); the *g* of the present stem having passed through the labialized guttural spirant (*y**) to (*w*), *draeg-*, *dra3-*, *drau3-*, *drau3-*, *draw-*, *draw-*. The same happened in ME. in the pa. t., where *drōg*, *drōh*, became *dro3*, *dro3*, *drou3*, *drouh*, *droug*, *drou*; but this was supplanted in 14-15th c. by *drew*, app. by assimilation to the originally reduplicated verbs of the series *blow*, *blew*, *blown*, and prob. first in the northern dialect, where these verbs retained their original -*aw* (*blaw*, *blew*, *blawen*; so *draw*, *drew*, *drawen*). (Through the modern pronunciation of *ew*, after *r*, as (*w*), *drew* is now pronounced as the historical *droug* would have been, if it had survived.) In OE. the 2nd and 3rd sing. pres. Ind. had unlaut, *draegst*, *draehst*, *draegþ*. This was probably the origin of the by-form *draw-* of the present stem: see A. 1. β. (A weak pa. t. and pple. *drawed* is occasional from 16th c., and freq. in illiterate speech.)]

A. Inflectional Forms.

1. Present stem. a. 1 *dræg*, 2-4 *dra3*, (*drach-*), 3 *dra3h-*, *drah-*, 3-5 *drau3*, 4-5 *drauh-*, *dragh-*, 5 *draw3-*, (4-6 *drau-*), 3- *draw-*. c1897 K. ELLIOTT Gregory's Past. Ivi. (1871) 431 Hit mon *draegþ*. c1000 Guthlac 609 (Gr.) Ongan. *dragan*. c1200 Trin. Coll. Hom. 29 And swo draegen hme to hire. Ibid. 149 Louerd drah me after þe. Ibid. 258 Louerd draug us near þe. c1200 ORMIN 15394 To draehenn herra til hellegrund. a1225 Leg. Kath. 1991 þe oþre walden draem hit. c1275 LAY. 1338 Seyles [to] drawe to toppre. a1300 Cursor M. 21264 (Cott.) Four ar þai. þat draues [v. r.] draghis, draus, drawe] þe wain. c1340 Gaw. & Gr. Knt. 1031 þere he draepz hym on-dryse. 1392 LANGL. P. Pl. C. III. 190 Oure cart shal he drawe. 1540 Ludlow Churchw. Acc. (Camden) 3 To draue the clothe. 1552 HULOET, Draw as a paynter doth.

β. 3 *dreih-*, *drei-*, *drey-*, *drai-*, 5-6 *dray-*.

a1225 Juliana 30 Elewsius . . . het. dreihen [v. r.] dreaien] hire into darh hus. a1225 Leg. Kath. 2237 Gulteese, leaden And dreien to deaþe. c1275 Pains of Hell 89 in O.E. Misc. 149 And dreyp heom in-to a wel. c1460 Towneley Myst. (Surtees) 49 When his tyme theybennys to day, I rede no man for hym dry. 1523 FITZHERB. Sure. ix. (1539) 13 To dray any water like a pompe.

2. Past tense. a. 1 *drōg*, *drōh*, 2-4 *dro3*, *dro3h*, *droh* (3 *drohh*), 3-4 *drou*, 3-5 *droug*, 4-5 *drogh*, *drou3*, *droug*, 3 *droug*, *drouh*, *droug*, (*droch*, *droug*, *drou*).

c950 Lindisf. Gosp. John xxi. 11 Simon Petrus . . . dro3 þæt nett on eorþe. c1200 ORMIN 8704 Horrs off fir itt dro3henn. Ibid. 11907 He drohh þær forþ þe bokess lare. Ibid. 14675 Abraham . . . droh hiss swerd. a1225 Ancr. R. 110 Vor hore uorlorrenesse þæt drewen hit to deaþe. c1250 Gen. & Ex. 3909 Dis water him on-sunder dro3. c1275 LAY. 16058 þou drohe to ve vncoupe leode. a1300 Cursor M. 4387 (Cott.) Sco drou [v. r. droghe] his mantel. Ibid. 24056 (Edin.) þat pi son þar droch in place. 1382 WYCLIF Jer. xxxi. 3 Y rewende dro3 thee. a1400 Prymer (1891) 106 He that droow me out of the wombe. c1400 Destr. Troy 5290 And dro hym from deth. Ibid. 6207 Two dromondarys drowe hit. c1430 Pilgr. Lyf Manhode III. lviii. (1809) 171, I . . . drowh my bordoun to me. 1480 CAXTON Chron. Eng. vi. 12 Wolues . . . al to draw hym. c1500 Mery Test Mylner Abington 239 in Hazl. E.P.P.

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Fryke's Voy. E. Ind. 263 We drew their Vessel along after us. 1889 I. TAYLOR *Orig. Ariants* 180 The Egyptians and the Hittites possessed war chariots drawn by horses. *Mod. A* locomotive drawing a long train of wagons.

b. absol. or intr. esp. of beasts of draught; also fig. in phr. to draw together, or in one line = to 'pull together', agree (obs.); also to draw with = to be in like case with (quot. 1604).

1526 TINDALE *Phil.* ii. 2 That ye drawe one waye . . . being of one accorde. 1538 BALE *Brefe Comedy in Harl. Misc.* (Malh.) I. 215 Drawe only after his lyne. 1546 J. HEYWOOD *Prov.* (1867) 65 We drew both in one line. 1548 HALL *Chron.*, *Hen. V.* 65 b, An Antlop drawing in an horse mill. 1604 SHAKS. *Oth.* iv. i. 68 Thinke eury bearded fellow that's but yoa'd May draw with you. 1686 *London Gaz.* No. 2147/4 These three [horses] have all drawn. 1775 SHERIDAN *Rivals* i. i. Does she draw kindly with the crafts? 1844 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc. V.* 1. 171 The horses draw abreast.

c. intr. for passive.

1660 F. BROOKE *tr. Le Blanc's Trav.* 141 He . . . puts on a white shirt that draws on the ground, like persons doing penance with it. 1802 *Fidel.* 19 Mar. 45/2 The Irish outside cars . . . draw lighter than an ordinary English cart.

3. transf. a. With the load as object: To convey or carry in a vehicle; to cart; to haul.

c. 1290 *S. Eng. Leg. I.* 30/185 Huy drowen pat bodi so mildeche. 1362 LANGOL. *P. Pl. A.* vii. 275 To drawe afeld my donge. 1592 SHAKS. *Ven. & Ad.* 153 1/2 Two strengthless doves will draw me through the sky. 1790 COWPER *My Mother's Picture* 49 Where the gardener Robin . . . drew me to school . . . Delighted with my bauble coach. 1844 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc. V.* 1. 282 The farmers generally draw the hay and coals for the cottagers.

b. With the beast as obj.: To employ in drawing, use for draught. ? Only in pa. pple.

1679 *London Gaz.* No. 1423/4 One brown bay Gelding . . . trots all, and hath been much drawn. 1721 *Ibid.* No. 5996/10 A grey Nag, used to be drawn.

c. absol. Of hawks: see quot.

1486 *Bk. St. Albans* Aij. We shall say that hawkys doon draw when they bere tymbering to their nestes, and nott they held, ne make the nestes.

**** In specific applications.**

4. To drag (a criminal) at a horse's tail, or on a hurdle or the like, to the place of execution; formerly a legal punishment of high treason.

c. 1330 R. BRUNNE *Chron.* (1810) 247 First was he drawn for his felonie, and as a peffe pan slawen, on galwes hanged he. c. 1400 *Destr. Troy* 1970 To be . . . drawn as a dog and to dethe brought. 1460 *CAPGRAVE Chron.* (1858) 287 [Serle was] condemned to be drawe thorow oute the good townes of Ynglond, and afir to be hanged and quartered at London. 1480 CAXTON *Chron. Eng.* cxxlii. (1482) 288 Jued to be leyd on an hurdel and than to be drawe thurgh the cyte of london to Tiborne. 1548 HALL *Chron.*, *Hen. VII.* 47 After the fassyon of treytours to be drawn, hanged and quartered. 1556 *Chron. Gr. Friars* (Camden) 18 Whane they were drawne they had their pardone all and their lyffes. 1568 GRAFTON *Chron. II.* 191 Because he came of the blood royall . . . he was not drawne, but was set upon an horse, and so brought to the place of execution, and there hanged. 1769 BLACKSTONE *Comm.* (1830) IV. vi. 92 That the offender [in cases of high treason] be drawn to the gallows, and not carried or walk. 1890 T. COOPER in *Dict. Nat. Biog.* XXI. 4/1 [Garnett] was sentenced to be drawn, hanged, disembowelled, and quartered.

† 5. To pull or tear in pieces, asunder. Obs.

c. 1300 *Cursor M.* 9060 (Gött.). I war worthi wid hors be drauin. c. 1420 *Sir Amadas* (Weber) 173 He seyde, the howndes schuld the flesch drawe. c. 1480 CAXTON *Sonnes of Aymon* iii. 96 Reynaunde . . . made Heryner to be bounde hys foure membres . . . to foure horses tayles, and soo he was drawen all quyk, and quartered in foure peces. 1530 PALSGR. 349 They had rather suffre their lymmes to be drawn in peces. 1700 TYRRELL *Hist. Eng.* II. 902 He was condemned to be drawn asunder by Horses. 1700 *Fryke's Voy. E. Ind.* 276 To be drawn in pieces with Elephants.

6. a. To contract, cause to shrink; to pull out of shape or out of place, to distort.

c. 1400 *Lanfranc's Cirurg.* 99 be crampe . . . in pe which sijkes cordis and be senewis weren drawn to her bigynnyng. c. 1450 *St. Cuthbert* (Surtees) 1074 So pat pe synnes in his ham . . . was drawn samen. a. 1601 BOYLE *Hist. Air* (1692) 82 His mouth was so drawn awry, that 'twas hideous to behold. 1777 SHERIDAN *Sch. Scand.* II. ii. She draws her mouth till it . . . resembles the aperture of a poor's box. 1847 TENNYSON *Princ.* vii. 114 With all their forehead drawn in Roman scowls. 1870 SWINBURNE *Ess. & Stud.* (1875) 357 The face smiling, but drawn and fixed. 1892 *Cassell's Fam. Mag.* Apr. 279/1 Artificial teeth . . . are apt to draw the mouth.

b. intr. for refl. To contract, shrink.

1530 PALSGR. 377 His skyne draweth together lyke burned lether. 1620 BACON *Sylva* §34. I haue not yet found certainly, that the Water it selfe . . . will shrinke or draw into lesse Roome. 1893 *Temple Bar Mag.* XCvii. 157 Her dark brows draw together over her black eyes.

† 7. trans. To bring together by sewing (edges of a rent, etc.); to mend (a rent); cf. also draw up, 89 c, and FINE-DRAW. Obs.

1592 GREENE *Upt. Courtier in Harl. Misc.* (Malh.) II. 242 Hauē they not a drawer . . . to drawe & seame up the holes so cunningly, that it shall neuer be espied? 1611 *COTGR.*, *Rentraire* . . . also, to draw, deare, or sow vp a rent in a garment. *Ibid.*, *Rentraicure* . . . also, a drawing of rent cloth; a dearning.

**** With specific objects.**

8. a. trans. To pull up (a sail, a drawbridge), pull out (a bolt, an organ-stop), haul in (a net), etc.

c. 1275 LAVY. 1339 Brutus hepte handli cables, seyles drawe to toppe. c. 1385 CHAUCER *L.G.W.* 1563 *Hyppis*. And drough his saylle and saugh hir neuer mo. 1568 GRAFTON *Chron. II.* 326 The gate was shut and the bridge drawn. 1646 JENKYN *Remora* 27 The bridge of mercy will ere long

be drawn. 1869 W. LONGMAN *Hist. Edu.* III. l. xvii. 318 He then drew the bolt, the door was opened. 1881 *Scribner's Mag.* XXI. 583/2 If we . . . draw all the so-called stops [of a great organ]. 1893 *Longm. Mag.* June 120 The net is drawn.

b. Weaving. To insert the threads of (the warp) into the heddles in the proper order.

1875 [see DRAUGHT sb. 44].

9. To pull back the string of (a bow) in order to bend it so as to shoot; to bend (a bow). Also, to pull back (the arrow) on the string. Also absol. to draw the long bow: see BOW¹ 4 c; also LONG-BOW.

c. 1330 R. BRUNNE *Chron. Wace* (Rolls) 4379 Archers drowe. c. 1440 *Gesta Rom.* 1. 2 (Harl. MS.) be knykt sawe him begynne futo drawe his bowe. 1548 HALL *Chron.*, *Hen. VII.* 19 The Englishmen y^e . . . might eyther stand or drawe a bowe. 1594 SHAKS. *Rich. III.* v. iii. 329 Draw Archers, draw your Arrows to the head. 1611 BIBLE *I Kings* xxii. 34 A certain man drew a bow at a venture. 1766-88 GIBBON *Decl. & F. Ivii.* Exercised . . . to draw the bow. 1856 FROUDE *Hist. Eng.* (1858) l. ii. 173 He drew with ease as strong a bow as was borne by any yeoman of his guard.

† To draw a bead: to take aim with a gun or rifle to see BEAD sb. 5 d.

10. To draw bit, bridle, rein: to pull the reins in order to stop or check the horse; to stop, halt, 'pull up' also fig.

1664, 1782 [see BIT sb. 1 d]. a. 1690 LD. SOMERVILLE *Mem. Somerville* (1815) II. 349 He never drew bridle until he came the length of Leade. 1828 TYTLER *Hist. Scot.* (1864) l. 55 Surrey . . . rode, without drawing bridle, to Berwick. 1840 BARHAM *Inglol. Leg.*, *Leech Folkestone*, Scarcely drawing bit. 1850 *Tait's Mag.* XVII. 51/2 Karolus drew rein in the square.

11. a. To pull (a curtain, veil, cloth, etc.) over something so as to cover or conceal it, or aside or off from it so as to disclose it. Also fig. (See also CURTAIN sb. 1 b, VEIL sb.)

c. 1420 *Sir Amadas* (Weber) 74 Over his heyd he drw his hode. 1509 *ect.* [see CURTAIN sb. 1 b]. 1631 GOUGE *God's Arrows* l. xxv. 36 When the curtains were drawne, all the people might see it. 1632 MILTON *Penseroso* 36 And sable stole of cyprus lawn, Over thy decent shoulders drawn. 1701 DE FOE *True-born Eng.* i. 90 Satyr, be kind and draw a silent Veil. 1844 DICKENS *Mart. Chuz.* xii. In a room with all the window-curtains drawn. 1861 *Temple Bar Mag.* I. 307 Let us draw a veil over this dismal spectacle. 1891 *Longm. Mag.* Dec. 167 The sun had gone down, but the blinds had not been drawn.

b. intr. for refl. = passive.

1711 STEELE *Spect.* No. 240 ¶ 3 Getting into one of the Side-boxes on the Stage before the Curtain draw. 1894 *Cornh. Mag.* July 38, I remember a carriage . . . with curtains that drew in front of it.

12. To draw the cloth: to withdraw or remove the table-cloth after a meal; to 'clear away'. (Now rare or arch.) † Also, in same sense, to draw the board or table (obs.).

c. 1320 *Sir Tristr.* 706 Clop and bord was drain [rimes bayn, fayn, etc.]. 13 . . . *Coer de L.* 462 Aftry met the cloth was drawe. 1393 LANGOL. *P. Pl. C.* ix. 289 Let hem abyde tyl pe bord be drawe. a. 1791 GROSE *Olio* (1796) 111 Come here, Wolley, and draw the table. 1823 SCOTT *Quentin D.* xx. When the tables were drawn. 18 . . . THACKERAY *Haggarty's Wife* (1892) 489 When the cloth was drawn . . . he would retire to his own apartments. 1861 *Temple Bar Mag.* II. 307 The cloth had been drawn, as the reporters write of public dinners. 1892 *Eng. Illustr. Mag.* Dec. 192/2 People don't even 'draw cloths' any more.

13. a. Of a ship or boat: To displace (so much depth of water); to sink to a specified depth in floating. [So F. *tirer tant d'eau, seize pieds d'eau*, etc. It is not clear what the original notion is here.]

1555 EDEN *Decades* 7 The smauler vesselles which drewe no great depthe entered. 1590 WEBBE *Trav.* (Arb.) 26 She draws but xi foot water. 1627 CAPT. SMITH *Seaman's Gram.* xi. 54 The Ships that drawes most water are commonly the most wholesome. 1634-5 BRETTON *Trav.* (1844) 5 Two feet more water than the ship drew. 1782 W. GILPIN *Wye* (1789) 9 Our barge drawing too much water to pass the shallows. 1826 *Examiner* 289/1 A boat drawing six inches water. 1892 *Blackw. Mag.* CLI. 321/2 Steamers for the Zambesi . . . should not draw over 18 inches.

fig. 1601 MARSTON *Pasquil & Kath.* l. 319 You may easily sound what depth of wits they draw.

absol. 1606 SHAKS. *Tr. & Cr.* II. iii. 277 Light Botes may saile swift, though greater bulkes draw deepe.

† b. Of the sea or river. Obs.

1601 HOLLAND *Pliny* l. 132 There be certayne trenches or channels in it that draw deepe water, wherein they may without danger saile.

14. In Cricket, To divert (the ball) to the 'on' side of the wicket by a slight turn of the bat. In Golf, To drive (the ball) widely to the left hand. In Bowls, to cause (a bowl) to travel in a curve to a chosen spot on the green. Also intr. (with the bowl as subject).

1843 'A WYKHAMIST' *Pract. Hints Cricket* 13 A leg-ball between these lines should be drawn or played under-leg. 1857 *Chambers's Information* II. 690 (Cricket) The proper balls to draw are those which are pitched somewhat short . . . and come up rather within the line of your leg-stump. *Ibid.* 696/2 (Golf) Draw, to drive wildly to the left. 1857 HUGHES *Tom Brown* II. viii. (1880) 352. 1868 [see SHOT sb. 1 b]. 1893 *Illustr. Sporting & Dram. News* 8 Apr. 156/3 Let him draw the ball or heel it, and the chances are he will drop into a lakelet. 1897 *Encycl. Sport* (1901) l. 126/1 Every bowl . . . is shaved down very carefully and evenly on one side, the effect being to cause the bowl . . . to incline and turn (or draw) towards the reduced side. 1902 *Encycl. Brit.* XXVI. 320/1 In drawing . . . the object is to draw as near as possible to the jack. 1910 *Ibid.*, III. 348/1 Should the jack be driven towards the side boundary, it is legitimate for a player to

cause his bowl to draw outside of the dividing string. 1962 *Bowls* ('Know the Game' Series) 24 The drawing shot which finishes resting against the jack is sometimes called the 'dead draw'. 1962 *Times* 25 Aug. 2/6 He drew shot brilliantly.

15. Billiards. To cause (a ball) to recoil as if pulled back, after striking another ball.

****** In transferred and figurative applications.**

16. trans. To cause to come, move, or go (from or to some place, position, or condition); to lead, bring, take, convey, put. Also fig. e.g. to draw into example, precedent, comparison, consequence, practice, allowance, etc. Obs. (exc. as associated with other senses). † To draw to death (also of (= from) life): to put to death (obs.).

c. 1200 ORMIN 10392 Ne nohht ne drashe ice uppenn me To beon bridgume. a. 1255 *Juliana* 4 Derfliche [he] droh ham to deabe. c. 1250 *Gen. & Ex.* 3806 And . . . score of liue dragen. 13 . . . *E.E. Allit.* P. A. 698 Lorde by seruauit drayt neuer to dome. 1375 BARBOUR *Brue* 1. 628 He in bowch hys landis drowch. c. 1386 CHAUCER *Par. T.* ¶ 1610 To draw in-to memorie pe goode werkis. c. 1450 *Merlin* 17 Than the luges drough hem apart, and cleped these other wemen. c. 1489 CAXTON *Blanchardyn* v. 23 The wounde that drue hym toward to dethe. c. 1591 in *Lett. Lit. Men* (Camden) 78 Grosse practises . . . to drawe the wealth of the land into his treasury. 1668 HIERON *De Jence* III. 73 Kneeling . . . was not drawne into allowance and practise in the Church. 1638 SIR T. HERBERT *Trav.* (ed. 2) 90 Hee abates his intent, and drawes his forces against Rantas. 1832 W. IRVING *Alhambra* II. 22 He hastened to draw him from the seductions of the garden.

† 17. To construct (a ditch, canal, wall, etc.) from one point to another; to 'lead'. (L. *ducere*.) Obs.

c. 1400 *Destr. Troy* 11160 With dykes so depe draghen a-boute. 1603 KNOLLES *Hist. Turks* (1621) 89 A navigable ditch or cut, drawne out of the Nile. 1660 F. BROOKE *tr. Le Blanc's Trav.* 377 From this Lake they draw a Channell that sets certain Leather-Engines at worke. 1681 FRYER *Acc. E. India* & P. 37 From the first Point a Curtain is drawn with a Farapet. 1796 *Morser Amer. Geog.* II. 26 A navigable canal has been drawn lately from Kiel . . . to the river Eyder.

† 18. Cookery. To pass through a strainer; to bring to proper consistence (cf. draw up, 89 d). Obs.

c. 1420 *Liber Cocorum* (1862) 16 Drause hom thoroughge a streynour clene. c. 1430 *Two Cookery-bks.* 13 Draw pe same brooch threwe a straynoure. c. 1440 *Douce MS.* 55 fol. 39 Draw it and do it in a pott. a. 1555 in *Vicary's Anat.* (1888) App. ix. x. 227 Draw the pulpe of them through a strayer.

† 19. To render into another language or style of writing; to translate. Obs.

c. 1250 *Gen. & Ex.* 13 Ut of latin his song is drayen on engleis speche. c. 1375 *Lay Folks Mass Bk.* (MS. B.) 32 Intil englishe þus I draw hit. 1450-1530 *Myrr. our Ladye* 2 I haue drawn yowre legende and all yowre seruyce in to Englyshe. a. 1547 SURREY (title) The fourth Boke of Virgill . . . translated into Englyshe, and drawn into straunge metre. 1569 FENTON (title) A Discourse of Ciulle warres . . . in Fraunce, drawne into Englyshe.

† 20. To bear, endure, suffer, undergo. Obs. (App. confused with DREE.)

a. 1225 *Juliana* 49 Ope pine ant te des þat he droh for moat. a. 1225 *Leg. Kath.* 1914 Teonen and tintreohen be alre most derute þat eni deadlich flesch Mahe drehen and drahen. a. 1300 *Cursor M.* 16989 (Cott.) þe pine he for me droh (Gött. dregh).

† 21. fig. a. To adduce, bring forward, appeal to for confirmation (see also draw forth, 81 b). b. To assign, attribute. c. To turn aside to a purpose, pervert, wrest. Obs.

a. 1300 *Cursor M.* 14651 (Cott.) Him drau i me to mi wrand. 1578 TIMME *Cabine on Gen.* 177 Paul draweth the same to all mortall men not all ages. a. 1592 H. SMITH *Wks.* (1866-7) I. 173 If we cannot draw it to one of these, then we think it fortunate. 1628 EARLE *Micromosm.* *Lasciuious Man* (Arb.) 95 Whatsoeuer you speak, he will draw to bawdry. 1704 SWIFT *T. Tub* Apol., Passages, which prejudiced or ignorant readers have drawn by great force to hint at ill meanings.

† 22. Arith. To add (to, together); to subtract (out of); to multiply (into, in). Obs.

c. 1425 *Crafte of Nombryng* (E.E.T.S.) 9 Draw 2 out of 4, þan leues 2. *Ibid.* 18 Draw pat i to 6 . . . & pat i & pat 6 togedur well be 7. 1660 BARROW *Euclid* I. xxxv. Schol., Draw 3 into 4, there will be produced 12. 1709-29 V. MANDEY *Syst. Math.*, *Arith.* 13 Two Numbers given, to multiply one by the other, or to draw one into the other. 1815 HUTTON *Course Math.* II. 291 The fluxion of . . . the continual product of four . . . quantities . . . consisting of the fluxion of each quantity, drawn into the products of the other three.

II. Of attraction, drawing in or together.

23. a. To take in (air, etc.) into the lungs; to breathe, inhale; to cause (a draught) to enter, e.g. into a chimney or bellows. See also draw in, 82 c.

13 . . . *Coer de L.* 1780 Unnoche he might draw his blast. 1375 BARBOUR *Brue* IV. 190 He nameth His aynd bot with gret panys draw. 1481 CAXTON *Reynard* (Arb.) 17 He drough his breth lyke as one sholde haue deyde. 1544 PHAER *Regim. Life* (1553) D viij b, Great heate in the brest . . . is quenched in drawing colde ayre. 1637 MILTON *Lucydas* 126 [Sheep] Swoln with wind and the rank mist they draw, Rot inwardly. 1659 D. PELL *Impr. Sea* 271 The Male-streem-well . . . of Norway . . . draws water into it during the flood . . . with such an awfull draught. 1723 BERKELEY *Alciphir.* I. Alciphron . . . stopped to draw breath and recover himself. 1810 SCOTT *Lady of L.* II. xxii, I ne'er before . . . Have ever drawn your mountain air. 1862 *Temple Bar Mag.* VI. 223 Mellish drew a deep breath.

b. absol. To take a draught (of liquor).

1613 *PURCHAS Pilgrimage* (1614) 348 They had their cup-quarrels, striving who should draw deepest.

24. *absol.* or *intr.* To produce or admit of a draught or current of air; said of a chimney, also of a tobacco-pipe or cigar.

1758 A. REID tr. *Macquer's Chim.* i. 269 Some chimney that draws well. 1833 MARRYAT P. *Simple xxxvii*, The fire does not draw well. 1883 *Cambridge Staircase* 100 His pipe requiring to be prodded to make it draw.

25. To attract by physical force, as a magnet; to contract, become covered or affected with (rust, heat, etc.): also *fig.*

1225 *Anr.* r. 160 Vor ne beo neuer so briht gold. . . ne stel, pet hit ne schal drawen rust of on pet is irusted. c 1315 SHOREHAM 70 So drawyth wif affinite Wyth alle thynne sibbe. c 1400 *Lanfranc's Chirurg.* 199 Bete pe lyme. . . til pou drawe blood perto. 1413 *Pilgr. Soule* (Caxton 1483) iv. xxxiv. 83 Bras draweth soone ruste. a 1533 *LD. BERNERS Huon* cix. 371 The Adamant drew so sore the iron. 1563 W. FULKE *Meteors* (1640) 70 b. I eat and Amber draw braynes affie, and like light matter, but being before chafed. 1669 *STURMY Mariner's Mag.* iv. 138 The Points of the Needle. . . are subject to be drawn aside by the Guns. 1880 E. KIRKE *Garfield* 25 As the rod draws the electricity from the air.

26. *fig.* To attract by moral force, persuasion, inclination, etc.; to induce to come (to a place); to attract by sympathy (to a person); to convert to one's party or interest; to lead, entice, allure, turn (to, into, or from a course, condition, etc.).

(See also *draw in, on, off, in* VII.) a. a person. c 1175 *Lamb. Hom.* 53 To drage lechurs to ham. c 1200 *ORMIN* 10115 Her droh Johan Bapptiste wel pe leode wip his lare. c 1330 R. BRUNNE *Chron. Wace* (Rolls) 14230 He . . . wif til his hore hap drawe. c 1450 tr. *De Imitatione* III. lix. 138 Grace drawip to god and to vertues. 1576 *FLEMING Panopl. Epist.* 98 I was drawn and allured ther-unto through the. 1615 J. STEPHENS *Satyr. Ess.* Alvin, [They] have . . . indged their bills up to drawe customers. 1648 *GAGE West Ind.* xii. 59 The people are drawne to their churches more for the delight of the musick. 1781 *MAD. D'ARBLAY Diary* June, He endeavoured to draw him into telling the tale. 1861 *HUGHES Tom Brown at Ox.* iii. It is wonderful, though, how you feel drawn to a man who feeds you well.

b. The mind, desires, eyes, attention, etc.

c 1230 *Hali Meid.* 33 For to drachen his lue toward hire. c 1400 *Apoll. Loll.* 2 pe synne of he haldar man drawip. . . pe hertis of pe jungar in to dep. 1576 *FLEMING Panopl. Epist.* 358 They drawe the mindes of the people into an admiration. 1667 *MILTON P.L.* II. 308 His look drew audience and attention still as Night. 1711 *ADDISON Spect.* No. 15 P 5 To draw the Eyes of the World upon her. 1849 E. E. NAPIER *Excurs. S. Africa* II. 95 My attention being drawn to the spot, I saw an animal. 1884 L. J. JENNINGS in *Croker Papers* I. vi. 154 A great bereavement. . . drew his mind from public affairs.

27. *absol.* To exercise allurements or attractive force; to prove an attraction; to attract crowds.

1586 A. DAY *Eng. Secretary* II. (1625) 94 Such. . . as draw unto mischief. 1656 *BP. HALL Occas. Medit.* (1851) 117 All draws towards liberty and joy. 1708 *PRIOR Turtle & Sparrow* 190 Example draws, when Precept fails. 1870 *LOWELL Study Wind.* 375 Mr. Emerson always draws. 1884 *Fortn. Rev.* 1 Nov. 703 Lord Randolph Churchill. . . is sure to 'draw' enormously wherever he goes.

28. To influence in a desired direction, induce (to do something). (See also *draw on*, 86 c.)

1568 *GRAFTON Chron.* II. 205 The Spencers had so drawne the king to ode and consent to whatsoever they required. 1639 S. DU VERGER tr. *Camus' Admir. Events* 13, I say not this. . . to draw you to desire me for your wife. 1667 *MILTON P.L.* l. 472 Ahz his sottish Conquerour, whom he drew Gods Altar to disparage. 1763 J. BROWN *Poetry & Mus.* xiii. 231 When I am drawn to attend more to the Singer than to what is Sung. 1892 *Argosy* May 359 When he had drawn me to love him.

29. a. To bring together, gather, collect, assemble. *Obs.* exc. as associated with other senses.

1568 *GRAFTON Chron.* II. 143 Into the marches of Wales, where they drewe to their great power. 1595 *SHAKS. John* iv. ii. 118 That such an Army could be drawne in France. 1760 *LEDIARD Life Marlborough* I. 63 An Army of about 1700 Men was drawn together.

b. *intr.* for *refl.* To come together, gather, collect, assemble (*about, around, to some centre*).

a 1300 *Cursor M.* 15911 (Cott.) Mani drou a-bote pat fire. c 1420 *Chron. Vilod.* 964 All his frendus. . . drowyn about hym theke and fast. 1538 *WRIOTHESLEY Chron.* (1875) I. 83 The great resorte of people that drew to his sermons. 1791 *Mrs. RADCLIFFE Rom. Forest* II, Our desolate party drew round it. 1849 *Tait's Mag.* XVI. 271/2 The whole party drew round the table.

30. To bring about as a result, cause to follow as a consequence, entail, induce, bring on. (See also *draw in*, 82 c, *draw on*, 86 b.)

c 1340 *Cursor M.* 26649 (Fairf.) A synne or twa vnbete pai drayn ay ma & ma. 1548 *HALL Chron., Hen. VII.* 7 The proverbie sayth. . . tareynge draweth and iopardeth perill. a 1626 *BACON Man. & Uses Com. Law* ix. (1636) 35 Any default or laches. . . either in accepting the freehold, or in accepting the interest that drawes the freehold. 1869 A. W. WARD tr. *Curtius' Hist. Greece* II. III. ii. 392 This act drew after it important consequences.

31. To cause to fall or come upon; to bring (evil, calamity, etc.) upon. (See *draw down*, 80 b.)

c 1340 *Cursor M.* 18729 (Fairf.) Ful grete veniance is on him draw. 1628 *EARLE Meritocism., Rash man* (Arb.) 96 The occasion [that] drew this mischief vpon him. 1698 *FRYER Acc. E. India & P.* 113 Which drew the Forces of the Sultan his Master upon him. 1736 *LEDIARD Life Marlborough* I. 126 He drew upon Himself, immediately, that Swarm of Enemies. 1823 *Examiner* 65/2 They are drawing on

themselves their own ruin. 1860 T. MARTIN *Horace* 29 Rage drew on Thyestes the vengeance of heaven.

III. Of extraction, withdrawal, removal.

* *With that which is taken as the object.*

32. *trans.* To pull out, take out, extract (*e.g.* a cork from a bottle, a tooth from the jaw, a charge from a gun, a nail, screw, etc. from what it is fixed in, bread from an oven, stone from a quarry, a root, pole, young plants, stumps at cricket, etc. from the ground, a card from the pack). Also, to bowl out a batsman. See also *draw out*, 87 a.

a 1300 *Cursor M.* 996 (Cott.) Adam. . . was wrought at vndern tide, At midday eue draun of his side. c 1400 *MAUNDE* (1839) ix. 100 Men make drawe the braches pene of, and beren hem to ben graffed at Babylone. 1562 J. HEYWOOD *Prov. & Epigr.* (1867) 98 This peny father drue his purse apase. 1622 *MABBE tr. Aleman's Gusman d'Alf.* 46 The other Country-fellow, that was. . . drawing his Cards. 1703 T. N. City & C. *Purchaser* 255 Some in drawing of Stone make use of Gun-powder. 1708 *MOTTEUX Rabelais* v. xxi. (1737) 95 The Batch. . . in the Oven was to be drawn. 1709 *STEELE Tatler* No. 34 P 5 To cut off Legs, as well as draw Teeth. 1752 *Scots Mag.* Aug. (1573) 402/2 Having drawn the shot of the loaded piece. 1828 *Examiner* 658/1 He would have drawn the cork. 1833 *Sporting Mag.* V. Cricketers' Reg. 13 The stumps were drawn. 1842 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc.* II. ii. 387 A poor crop of turnips. . . one half of which was drawn, and the other eaten off by sheep. 1850 'Bat' *Crick. Man.* 40 The time for drawing the stumps depends. . . upon pre-arrangements. 1861 *Once a Week* 10 Aug. 182/1, I drew his wicket with. . . my second ball. 1870 *HARDY & WARE Mod. Hoyle* 156 (Besique) When a player draws two cards instead of one, he intimates the fact at once. *Mod.* That onion bed is fit for drawing [= thinning].

absol. (Cards.) 1870 *HARDY & WARE Mod. Hoyle* 154 (Besique) The winner of a trick is the first to draw from the pack. 1891 *Field* 28 Nov. 842/3 The dealer can only draw from the stock.

33. a. To pull out or extract (a sword or other weapon) from the sheath, etc., for fight or attack.

c 1200 *Trin. Coll. Hom.* 61 He wile his swerd dræsen. a 1300 *Cursor M.* 7764 (Cott.) pou dragh pi suerd and sla me her. c 1320 *Sir Tristram* 1575 Youde to tristrem 30de Wip his swerd al drin. c 1480 *CAXTON Sonnes of Aymon* i. 27 The barons. . . drew alle their swerdes. 1583 *HOLLYBAND Campo di Fior* 191 Every man draw his knife. 1678 J. PHILLIPS *Tavernier's Trav., India* III. xxiv. 202 The Java Lords. . . Drawing their posyon'd Daggers, cry'd a Moeca upon the English, killing a great number of them. 1700 *CONGREVE Way of World* v. x. You may draw your foe if you please, sir. 1736 *LEDIARD Life Marlborough* I. 351 They had obliged him to draw the Sword. 1852 *THACKERAY Esmond* i. xiii, Are you going to draw a sword upon your friend in your own house?

b. *absol.* (sc. the sword.)

1592 *SHAKS. Rom. & Jul.* i. i. 69 Draw, if you be men. 1628 J. ROUS *Diary* (Camden) 27 The Captaines. . . drew up the saylers with great fury. 1739 *DE FOE Crusoe* II. xiv. We fired our pistols. . . and then drew. 1862 *Temple Bar Mag.* IV. 306 It is but ill fighting and base fence to draw upon a foe in a coach.

c. *fig.* to draw one's sword against: to attack, 'take up arms' against, assume an attitude of hostility to. So to draw one's pen or quill against, to attack in writing.

a 1683 *SIDNEY Disc. Govt.* II. xxiv. (1704) 153 He that draws his Sword against the Prince. . . ought to throw away the Scabbard. 1704 *SWIFT T. Tub* Apol., That this answerer had. . . drawn his pen against a certain great man. 1735 *POPE Prod. Sat.* 151 Yet then did Gildon draw his venal quill. 1759 *GOLDSM. Bee, Augustan Age* (Globe) 414/1 Many members of both houses of Parliament drew their pens for the Whigs. 1849 *MACAULAY Hist. Eng.* I. 624 The two bishops insisted on Monmouth's owning that, in drawing the sword against the government, he had committed a great sin.

34. a. To pull or take one from a number of things ('lots') so as to decide something by chance: usually in phr. to draw cut(s), to draw lot(s) (see *cut sb.*, 1, *Lot*). Also *absol.*

a 1300 *Cursor M.* 16699 (Cott.) A-bute his kirrel drou pai cutt, qua suld it bere a-wai. 1386, etc. [see *cut sb.*, 1]. c 1440 *Promp. Parc.* 131/1 Drowe lotte, sorcier. 1552 *HULOET, Drawe cutte or lottes, sortie.* 1634 *SIR T. HERBERT Trav.* A iij b, The World's a Lot'try; He that draws may win. 1832 *Examiner* 614/1 Drawing straws, for guilty or not guilty, were infinitely preferable. 1870 *MORRIS Earthly Par.* II. III. 287 The we. . . shared the spoil by drawing short and long. 1886 *Lesterre Durant* I. xi. 159 They had drawn for partners, and he was congratulating himself on his luck.

b. To obtain or select by lot.

1709 *STEELE Tatler* No. 124 P 1 Neither of them had drawn the Thousand Pound. 1791 *BOSWELL Johnson* (1831) V. 215 Johnson was once drawn to serve in the militia. 1826 *KEATINGE Trav.* (1817) II. 214 The jury is drawn very fairly. 1862 *Temple Bar Mag.* IV. 251 She contributed her half-crown to a Derby sweepstakes. . . and triumphantly drew the winning horse.

35. To separate or select from a group or heap; *spec.* a. To select and set apart (sheep) from the flock, for breeding or fattening, or on account of disease or defect. b. To separate (seeds) from the husks. c. *Falconry*. To remove (a hawk) from the mew after moulting.

14. . . *Treytze in W. of Henley's Husb.* (1890) 54 Euery yere onys betwixt ester and whitsonday drawe your shepe and loke yeff pey be clene. 1523 *FITZHERB. Husb.* 540 To draw shepe, and seuer them in dyuers places. 1611 *MARKHAM Countr. Content.* I. v. (1668) 36 Hawks for the field would be drawn from the mew in June. 1839 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc.* I. II. 169, I then proceeded. . . to draw forty wether hogs out of my flock of Leicesters. 1845 *Ibid.* VI. II. 373, I drew two lots of

lambs on the 15th of April. 1847 *Ibid.* VIII. II. 283 The cost of 'cobbing', separating the [clover] seed from straw stalks, and 'drawing', separating the seed from the husk by hand. 1866 *Ibid.* Ser. II. II. 165, I get all my seeds drawn by contract. . . It took me five days to cob and draw the 45 bushels of Anthyllis which I drew.

36. To drag or force (a badger or fox) from his hole. (See also s.v. *BADGER* sb. 2, 5.)

1834 *MEDWIN Angler in Wales* I. 272 You see this little terrier. . . many a fox has he drawn from earth. 1838 [see *badger-drawing* s.v. *BADGER* sb. 5]. 1844 J. T. HEWLETT *Parsons & W.* iii, Bait cats and draw badgers. 1870 *BLAINE Encycl. Rur. Sports* § 1751 If the fox must be drawn by a hound, first introduce a whip, which the fox will seize, and the hound will draw him more readily. 1884 *LD. RANDOLPH CHURCHILL Sp.* 28 Oct., I will. . . take the earliest opportunity I can find of seeing what I can do to draw the badger.

† 37. To withdraw; in *Sporting*, to withdraw (the stakes), or to withdraw (a horse) from competing in a race. *Obs.*

1597 *SHAKS. 2 Hen. IV.* II. i. 162 Go, wash thy face, and draw thy Action. 1698 *LUTTRELL Brief Rel.* (1857) IV. 365 [The match] betwixt the Yorkshire mare and Mr. Frampton's horse the Turk for 500*l.* is drawn by consent. 1708 *Brit. Apollo* No. 72. 2/1 We wou'd. . . advise the Wagerers to draw Stakes. 1809 *Brit. Press* 5 Apr. in *Spirit Pub. Jrnls.* (1810) XIII. 61 He [a horse] was drawn at the late Westminster races. 1838 J. H. NEWMAN *Lett.* (1891) II. 258 If he would specify any 'Tract which he wished drawn from publication. . . I would do so forthwith. 1857 *HUGHES Tom Brown* II. ix. (1880) 368 'Rory-o-More draw. Butterfly colt amiss', shouted the student.

38. To leave undecided (a battle or game). Also *absol.* [Original sense unknown: see *DRAWN* 3.]

1837 *Penny Cycl.* VII. 51/1 (Chess) In this critical position, white having the move can draw the game by checking [perpetually]. 1871 'THOMSON'V' *Cricketers in Council* 59 To 'draw' a match by refusing to play the ten minutes necessary for finishing it is, in our opinion, a very paltry proceeding. 1878 *BESANT & Rice Celia's* Ar. v. Once or twice the battle was drawn by foreign intervention. 1892 *Graphic* 10 Sept. 302/3 The tendency to draw a match rather than gain a victory at the cost of an individual wicket or two is far less marked. 1895 *Westm. Gaz.* 2 Nov. 7/2 If First Trinity wins, it will be the first success they have had since they drew twenty-one years ago.

39. a. To take (water) from a well, etc. by hauling or pumping up. Also *absol.* b. *Mining*. To raise (ore) to the surface in buckets.

a 1300 *Cursor M.* 5687 (Cott.) pai war draund watur. a 1300 *Vox & Wolf* 277 in *Rel. An.* II. 278 He com to the putte, and drou. c 1450 *Mirour Saluacion* 1115 The thre stronge watere drew vpp out of a cistene. 1540 *COVERDALE, etc. Eras. Par. Col.* 4 Of this fontayne may we easily drawe. 1585 T. WASHINGTON tr. *Nicholay's Voy.* II. xxii. 60 A small bucket to draw water with. 1697 *DRYDEN Virg. Georg.* iv. 540 With Waters drawn from their perpetual Spring. 1797 *Monthly Mag.* III. 322 The engine. . . has been employ'd ever since its erection, in drawing water, full seventeen hours per day. 1892 *Leisure Hour* Aug. 662/2 [They] congregate to draw their water at the old pump.

40. a. To cause (liquid) to flow from a vessel through an opening; to obtain (drink) from a cask, etc. by a tap or the like; to cause (blood) to come flowing through a wound. Also *absol.* to draw liquor; in quot. 1598, to exercise the trade of a 'drawer' (DRAWER 1, 2).

1393 *LANGL. P. Pl. C.* xxii. 401 Ich coupe. . . drawe at one hole Thicke ale and pyne ale. c 1400 *MAUNDE* (Roxb.) xxi. 95 per may na maner of yrne dere him ne drawe blude of him. 1562 J. HEYWOOD *Prov. & Epigr.* (1867) 178 The butler draweth and drinketh beere. 1598 *SHAKS. Merry W.* I. iii. 11, I will entertaine Bardolfe; he shall draw; he shall tap. 1634 *SIR T. HERBERT Trav.* 24 The Toddy is drawne out of the Palmite-tree. 1697 *DRYDEN Virg. Georg.* III. 239 They Stings draw Blood. 1737 *BRACKEN Farriery Impr.* (1756) I. 193 Blood is drawn at several Periods. 1862 *Temple Bar Mag.* VI. 529 You may draw me a mug of ale.

b. to draw it mild: (a) *lit.*, in reference to beer; (b) *fig. (colloq.)* to be moderate in statement or behaviour; to refrain from exaggeration. So, to draw it strong, in the opposite sense.

1837 *THACKERAY Ravensingh* iii, Dress quiet, sir; draw it mild. 1842 *BARHAM Ingol. Leg., Misad. Margate*, A pint of double X, and please to draw it mild. 1864 *SALA in Daily Tel.* 6 Apr., Our ladies faithfully promised to 'draw it as mild' as possible; but when they made their appearance in most splendid array, I felt rather uncertain as to what the consequences might have been if they had drawn it strong.

41. a. To extract (a liquor, juice, etc.) by suction, pressure, infusion, or distillation.

a 1550 in *Vicary's Anat.* (1888) App. ix. iv. 222 Draw the muscellage of them with rose-water and white wyne. 1574 *HVLL Conject. Weather* v, To drinke clarified whey simply, or drawn with cold herbes, is then very healthful. 1639 J. W. tr. *Gubert's Char. Physic.* II. 73 To draw the Juice of Cherries. . . take out the stones and presse them. 1730-6 *BAILEY (folio) s.v.*, To draw as tea. 1747 *WESLEY Prim. Physic* (1762) 83 Oil of sweet Almonds newly drawn. 1836 *FONBLANQUE Eng. under 7 Administ.* (1837) III. 313 How are the graves to be drawn, if the cook goes to church? 1838 *DICKENS Nich. Nick.* ix, He will be here by the time the tea's drawn.

b. Said *absol.* of the teapot; also *intr.* of tea.

1826 *Blackw. Mag.* VIII. 14 [The tea] took a long time to draw. 1836 *Gentl. Mag.* June 627/1, I like the teapot always to have time to draw. 1891 *Morning Post* 25 Dec. 6/5 If people buy strong Indian tea and put the same quantity into the pot as they do of China tea. . . the liquor draws too strong.

42. *Med.* To cause a flow of (blood, matter, 'humours') to a particular part; to promote suppuration. Also *absol.* of a poultice or blister.

c1400 *Lanfranc's Chirurg.* 227 And leie perto resolyung pingis pat ben not to strong, and pat pei drawe not to harde. 1607 *Topsell Serpents* (1658) 808 He scarified the place, and drawed it with cupping-glasses. 1626 *Bacon Sylva* §38 Rubarb draweth Cholier. . Agaricke Flegrne. 1875 H. C. Wood *Therap.* (1879) 365 In order for a blister to 'draw' thoroughly, it usually has to be left on some eight hours. 1890 *Blackmore Kit & Kitty* (ed. 3) III. vii. 96 As soon as his poultice began to draw.

43. To convey away (water) by a channel, etc.; to drain off; also *absol.*, and *intr.* (for *refl.*) to drain off, percolate.

1607 *Topsell Serpents* (1658) 766 They forsake the water when it draweth or falleth low. 1794 *Agric. Surv. Kincard.* 368 (Jam.) The sub-soil is so concentered. . that water does not draw or filter beyond a few feet of distance. 1845 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc. VI.* 572 The deep drains draw the water from a distance of 22 feet. 1856 *Ibid.* XVII. II. 488 It is a common belief that water draws better down a curved drain than a straight one.

44. a. *fig.* To take or obtain from a source; to derive.

a1300 *Cursor M.* 5581 (Cott.) Of israel sede . . wald he drau his manehde. c1400 *Lanfranc's Chirurg.* 193 Now we han medycyns drawn of .ij. wellis and of manie maistris. c1475 *Partenay* 144 On of faire. . Of the which I am drawn lynally. 1552 *ABP. HAMILTON Catech.* (1884) 12 Foure familiar exempills drawn fra the haly scripture. 1576 *FLEMING Panopl. Epist.* 376 The stocke from whence he draweth his descent. 1654 *tr. Martini's Cong. China* 232 Which kind of custom happily the Chineses drew from the Persians. 1758 *JOHNSON Let. to Langton* 21 Sept. in *Boswell*, The consolation which is drawn from truth . . is solid and durable. 1871 *FREEMAN Norm. Cong.* (1876) IV. xviii. 197 This incidental hint may perhaps draw some indirect confirmation from the highest evidence of all.

b. *intr.* or *absol.* To obtain supplies, resources, information, etc., from a source. (See also 66.)

1829 *Examiner* 772/2 His Lordship has drawn from other sources than his own brain. 1867 *FREEMAN Norm. Cong.* (1876) I. App. 702 We get a spirited account of the battle, from which I have not scrupled to draw largely.

c. *intr.* for *refl.* To be derived, spring from.

1847 *TENNISON Princ.* v. 395, I know Your prowess, Arac, and what mother's blood You draw from.

45. To take, receive, or obtain (money, salary, revenues, etc.) from a source of supply.

1596 *SHAKS. Merch. V.* IV. i. 87 If euerie Ducat in sixe thousand Ducates Were in sixe parts, and euey part a Ducate, I would not draw them, I would haue my bond.

1605 *Lear* I. i. 87 What can you say, to draw A third, more opilent then your Sisters? 1779 *J. MOORE Vices Soc. Fr.* (1789) I. xxiv. 195 And draw a revenue from the poor inhabitants. 1850 *Tait's Mag.* XVII. 532/2 [He] drew his salary quarterly. 1871 *MORLEY Voltaire* (1886) 210 Neither could he forget to draw his pension from the King of Prussia. 1879 *SALA Paris Herself* (ed. 4) II. vii. 85 Ladies who have come to the Bank to draw their dividends.

46. To cause to come forth or issue; to elicit, 'fetch', call forth, evoke. *spec.* in *Cards*. To cause (a particular card or cards) to be played out.

a1300 *Cursor M.* 1522 (Cott.) Organis harp and ope rleg, He drou pan oute o musik neu. 1490 *CAXTON Eneydos* vii. 33 They entenyd to draw from hir som wordes seruyng to their entencion. 1634 *SIR T. HERBERT Trav.* 73 Which drew aforetime many a teare from the distressed Christians.

1711 *STEELE Spect.* No. 252 ¶3 So great an Orator in this Way, that she draws from me what Sums she pleases. 1861 *Temple Bar Mag.* II. 280 He drew from me all the information I had been able to elicit. 1878 H. H. GIBBS *Ombre* 41 He draws all the trumps and wins all the tricks.

47. *colloq.* To rouse (a person) to action, speech, or anger; to induce to come forth, 'fetch'; to irritate, exasperate. (Cf. 36, also *draw out*, 87, g.)

1860 *THACKERAY Philip* vi. (Farmer), The wags. . can always, as the phrase is, 'draw' her father, by speaking of . . Waterloo, or battles in general. 1890 *MRS. HUNGERFORD Born Coquette* II. xx. 220 The hostess. . is not here to be badgered and drawn. 1892 *LENTZNER Australian Word-bk.* 21 *Draw*, to vex, to infuriate. . undoubtedly a metaphor from 'drawing a badger'. 1892 *Guardian* 10 Aug. 1178/2 He has striven. . to 'draw' his opponents and to exasperate them.

48. To deduce, infer (a conclusion, etc. from premisses). (Cf. also 64.)

1576 *FLEMING Panopl. Epist.* 176 note, A conclusion . . drawn from hope and bonne esperance. 1693 *Hum. & Concl.* Town 132 From innocent Looks drawing what Conclusions they please. 1701 *NORRIS Ideal World* I. vii. 343 We may hence draw an argument backward for the necessity of truth. 1795 *Gentl. Mag.* 541/1 Astonished at the logic which could draw such an inference. 1847 *MARRYAT Childr. N. Forest* viii, What inference would you draw from that? 1885 *S. LAING Mod. Sc. & Mod. Th.* (1894) 146 Conclusions drawn from a totally different class of facts.

** With that from which the contents are taken as the object.

49. To extract something from, draw out the contents of; to empty, drain, exhaust, deplete, to draw dry; to empty or exhaust of liquid; also *fig.*

1576 *FLEMING Panopl. Epist.* 378 To declare. . it would . . drawe the veyne of mine invention there. c1586 *C'NESS PEMBROKE Ps.* cxv. vi. The conduites of his store, He never dry shall draw. 1589 *NASHE Pasquil & Marforius* 22 Fricouens. . and when they are drawn, they deliuer a batch for the deuils tooth. 1630 *R. JOHNSON's Kingd. & Commw.* 522 The Persian warre. . [has] drawne drie his Coffers. 1666-7 *PEPYS Diary* 24 Feb. Their oven was drawn by ten o'clock at night. 1844 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc. V.* 1. 49 The calf should be allowed to draw the cow fully. *Ibid.* 281 Carrots do not draw the ground more than swede turnips. 1892 *Labour Commission Gloss.*, *Drawing a Pan*, taking out of a pan the draught of salt which has accumulated there.

50. To draw out the viscera or intestines of; to disembowel (a fowl, etc. before cooking, a traitor or other criminal after hanging).

In many cases of executions it is uncertain whether this, or sense 4, is meant. The presumption is that where *drawn* is mentioned after *hanged*, the sense is as here.

c1320 *Sir Trist.* 1797 Seche swore hi godes rode pai schuld ben hong and drain. 1375 *BARBOUR Bruce* I. 278 Sum thai hangyt, and sum thai drew. c1420 *Liber Cocurum* (1862) 35 þo crane schalle fryp enarmed be. . Drayun at þo syde as wodcockis. c1440 *Promp. Parv.* 131/1 Drawe fowlyrs, or dysbowaylyn. . *uviscero*. 1465 *Paston Lett.* I. No. 99. 135, I was arested. . and thretenyd to have ben hongyd, drawn, and quateryd. 1556 *Chron. Gr. Friars in Monumenta Franciscana* (Rolls) II. 152 Thys yere was Roger Mortemer erle of March hangyd and drawne at Tyborne for tresoun. 1655 *CULPEPPER Riverius* I. vi. 27 Take a Goose or Duck that is fat, pluck it and draw it. 1682 *S. PORTAGE Medal Rev.* 178 Those men, whom they can neither hang nor draw. 1790 *BURKE Fr. Rev. Wks.* V. 166 We have not been drawn and trussed, in order that we may be filled, like stuffed birds in a museum, with chaff and rags. 1893 *Field* 4 Mar. 331/1 The proper mode of removing the neck, crop, and merrythought, and drawing the fowl.

51. To draw a net through or along (a river or shore) for fish. Cf. *DRAW v.* 7.

a1440 *Sir Degrev.* 113 He drewre reveres with fysh. 1673 in *Descr. Thames* (1758) 83 That no Person do hereafter presume to draw the Shores in the River of Thames. 1758 *Descr. Thames* 52 Where Fishermen that draw the Shores usually resort. 1784 *COWPER Lett.* 28 Nov., When they drew the river, they presented us with a fine jack.

52. *Hunting.* a. To search (a wood, covert, etc.) for game. Also *absol.*

1583 *STANYHURST Æneis* iv. (Arb.) 98 When they shal in thickets the couert maynely be drawing. 1686 [BLORE] *Gentl. Recreat.* II. 78 When a Huntsman beats a Wood to find a Chase, 'tis called Drawing the Covert. 1789 *G. WHITE Selborne* (1875) 319 Though the huntsman drew Hartley Wood. . yet no stag could be found. 1859 *JEFFSON Brittany* ix. 143 To open the hunting season by drawing the forest. . for wolves. 1891 *Field* 7 Nov. 693/2 Two of the . . coverts were drawn without success.

absol. 1749 *FIELDING Tom Jones* vii. v, You have lost the hare, and I must draw every way to find her. 1892 *Field* 7 May 663/3 While the hounds were drawing, a holla. . made known the whereabouts of a fox.

b. *to draw* (a covert, etc.) *blank*: to search it without success; also *to draw a blank*, and *intr.* for *refl.*, *to draw blank*. Also *fig.*, to be unsuccessful, to fail (in a search); to be in vain. (With allusion to drawing a blank in a lottery; cf. 34 b, and *BLANK sb.* 4.)

1825 *Sporting Mag.* XVI. 25/1 One hundred sovereigns is a very pretty 'find' in any man's pocket, and particularly so in one which is sometimes drawn a blank. 1832 *Ec.-Warburton Hunt. Songs* ii. (1883) 7 The man. . whose heart heaves a sigh when his horse is drawn blank. 1858 *A. F. W. DRAYSON Sporting Scenes S. Africa* 215 Some of these woods had been drawn blanks. 1874 *LADY C. SCHREIBER Jrnl.* (1911) I. 270 Drew blank the only curiosity shop. 1892 *Illustr. Sporting & Dram. News* 3 Dec. 29/3 The Laurels. . and the Willows all drew blank. 1914 *Sphere* 10 Dec. 296/1 She was worrying over Miss Titmus's probable annoyance at drawing a blank from her godchild. 1939 *Punch* 1 Nov. 484/1 Enquiries at the two houses either side of him have drawn blank. 1969 *Woman* 19 Apr. 36/2 Ask the health visitor to introduce you to other mothers. . if you. . draw a blank at the clinic.

53. *colloq.* To elicit information from (a person); to 'pump'.

1857 *READE Course True Love* 225 I'll draw the farmer! 1891 *Athenæum* 5 Sept. 330/1 It is a pity that the dramatist lets himself be drawn by the interviewer.

IV. Of tension, extension, protraction.

54. a. To pull out to a greater length or size; to stretch, distend, extend, elongate; to spin (a thread). Also *absol.*, and *intr.* for *refl.* (See also *draw abroad*, *draw out*, in VII.)

a1300 *Cursor M.* 12499 (Gött.) bis tre þai droght pain bituine. 1511-12 *Act 3 Hen. VIII.* c. 6 §1 The byer of wollen clothes. . shall not draw. . the same clothes. . by teynour or wyneche. 1625 *HART Anat.* II. vi. 88 Any might haue drawne it. . as if it had bene some glue or birdlime. 1655 *W. Fulke's Meteors* Obs. 164 Though Gold be drawn into the smallest wire. 1722 *POPE Dunci.* IV. 590 Or draw to silk Arachne's subtle line. 1747 *STROVIN in Phil. Trans.* XLIV. 572 The Skin drew or stretch'd like a Piece of Doe-Leather. 1824 *Mirror* III. 383/2 Had we but the art of drawing threads as fine as a spider's web.

† b. To stretch on the rack; to rack. *Obs. rare.*

1481 *CAXTON Godfrey* iv. (1893) 96 They make hym to be drawn and payned to say the trouthe. 1483 — *G. de la Tour* cxl. 197 Rather I shold lete me drawe than I shold telle it ageyn.

55. *fig.* To extend, lengthen, prolong, protract. (See also *draw along*, 77 b, *draw out*, 87 d.)

a1300 *Cursor M.* 791 (Cott.) Quat bot es lang mi tale to draw. 1483 *Cath. Angl.* 107/1 To Drawe on longe or on length, *crastinare*, *prolongare*. 1598 *BARRET Theor. Warres* I. i. 1, I will draw my leasure and poore skill to the vtermost. 1659 *BEAUM. & FL. King & No King* I. 1. 8 Thou drawst thy words. 1847 *L. HUNT Jar Honey* ix. (1848) 110 The sense of hushing solemnity is drawn to the finest point. 1885 *Athenæum* 23 May 661/1 The anguish of the last chapters is too long drawn.

56. *techn.* a. To straighten out (straw, etc.) by pulling it repeatedly lengthwise, for thatching, etc. b. To make (wire) by drawing a piece of metal through a succession of holes of diminishing size and thus extending it in length. c. To form (a glass tube or the like) by drawing

molten glass out in length. d. To flatten out (metal) by hammering or otherwise. e. *Cotton-spinning*, etc. To elongate and attenuate (the slivers of cotton, wool, or flax), by passing them between successive pairs of rollers revolving at different speeds. f. To spread plaster over (a wall or ceiling).

1509 [see DRAWN I]. 1606 *Durham Grassmen's Acc.* (Surtees) 33 For the carriage of y^e straw to y^e bull house and for the drawing of y^t, 14d. 1701 *Mem. St. Giles's* (Surtees) 98 Paid for drawing the new Whins, and spent, 8s. 6d. 1721 *Lond. Gaz.* No. 5965/4 A Work-house for. . Drawing Wyr. 1783 *Phil. Trans.* LXXXIII. 450 The glass tube had been just drawn at the glass-house. 1833 *J. HOLLAND Manuf. Metal* II. 334 Wire is drawn either by hand, or by steam, water, or other power. 1837 *Penny Cycl.* VIII. 95/2 (Cotton-spinning) The next operation is called drawing. . The object is to complete. . the arranging of the fibres of cotton longitudinally, in a uniform and parallel direction, and to remedy all existing inequalities in the thickness of the sliver. 1841 in *R. Oastler Fleet Papers* (1842) I. xlviii. 380 Being employed in 'drawing lace', when only twenty-one months old.

57. *Naut. intr.* Of a sail: To swell out tightly with the wind.

1627 *CAPT. SMITH Seaman's Gram.* ix. 41 We haue a. . faire wind, and all sailes drawing. 1762 *FALCONER Shipw.* II. 189 The mizen draws; she springs aloof once more. 1835 *MARRYAT Pirate* ix, The schooner had let draw her foresheet. 1840 *R. H. DANA Bef. Mast* xxii. 66 Her yards were braced sharp up, every sail was set, and drew well. 1893 *Harper's Mag.* Apr. 716/1 The canvas either drew full, or was absolutely slack.

† 58. a. *intr.* To extend or amount to. *Obs.*
1501 *Bury Wills* (Camden) 87 As myche money as iij quarters shall drawe to. 1563-4 in *Wills & Clark Cambridge* (1886) II. 571 Top pieces for the west wyndowe which drewe to xxi foote of glass.

† b. *trans.* To amount to. *Obs.*

c1462 *J. PASTON in Paston Lett.* No. 461. II. 114 To have the seid plase and certeyn of his livelode of gretter valew than the charge of the seid college schuld drawe. 14. . . *Tryteye in W. of Henley's Hist.* (1890) 51 Your costes done vpon he seid acre drawithe iijf. 8. d. ob.

V. Of delineation or construction by drawing.

* *To draw a line, figure, formal document, comparison, etc.*

59. a. To trace (a line or figure) by drawing a pencil, pen, or the like, across a surface; to cut (a furrow) by drawing a ploughshare through the soil.

c1305 *Edm. Conf.* 223-5 in *E.E.P.* (1862) 77 To arsmetrike he drouz. . And his figours drouz alday. . Arsmetrike is a lore pat of figours al is And of drauytes as me drawep in poudre. 1551 *RECORDE Pathw. Knowl.* I. Defin., A Straight lyne, is the shortest that maye be drawenne betweene two prickes. 1552 *HULOET*, Drawe a furrow with a plowe about a place. 1559 *W. CUNNINGHAM Cosmogr.* *Glasse* 130 Wyth th' one foote of your compasse (placinge th' other foote in K.) drawe Cycles. 1669 *STURMY Mariner's Mag.* I. 24 The Center. . from which Point all Lines drawn to the Circumference are equal. 1781 *COWPER Conversation* 380 Like figures drawn upon a dial plate. 1890 *SIR S. W. BAKER Wild Beasts* I. 159 These cuts were as neatly drawn across the skull as though done by a sharp pruning knife.

b. *to draw a (or the) line* (*fig.*): to determine or define the limit between two things or groups; in mod. colloq. use (esp. with *at*), to lay down a definite limit of action beyond which one refuses to go.

1793 *Trial of Fysh Palmer* 42 It is difficult. . to draw the line. 1821 *Examiner* 582/1 They know how to draw the line between private and public feeling. 1832 *Blackw. Mag.* Jan. 129/1 Lord Brougham then proceeds, after stating that it was 'necessary to draw a line somewhere'. 1881 *Scribner's Mag.* XXI. 409/2 Feathers and flowers are different things. You must draw a line somewhere, an I draw it at feathers.

60. a. To make (a picture or representation of an object) by drawing lines; to design, trace out, delineate; formerly also, to mould, model.

1526 *Pilgr. Perf.* (W. de W. 1531) 104 b, We rede that saynt Luke the euangelyst drew and made an ymage of our Sauyout Jesu. 1654 *R. CODRINGTON tr. Hist. Justine* 599 He could draw the figures of men exactly [1606 make Images] in Earth or Clay. 1659 *D. PELL Impr. Sea* 576 Will a Picture continue that is drawn upon an Ice? 1661-2 *PEPYS Diary* 1 Mar., My wife and I by coach. . to see my little picture that is a drawing. 1711 *ADDISON Spect.* No. 83 ¶5 All the Faces he drew were very remarkable for their Smiles. 1821 *CRAIG Lect. Drawing* iv. 203 The forms of the figures. . were finely imagined and correctly drawn. 1861 *Temple Bar Mag.* III. 24 He drew cartoons on wood.

b. To represent (an object) by a drawing or picture; to delineate, depict.

1581 *PETTIE Guazzo's Civ. Conv.* III. (1586) 156 b, Having to draw the singular beauties of Helen. 1602 *SHAKS. Ham.* II. 1. 91 He fails to such perusal of my face, As he would draw it. 1634 *SIR T. HERBERT Trav.* 18 Here are many rare sorts of Birds. . one only I have drawne. 1833 *Mech. Mag.* 341 Those who draw the objects on wood, as well as engrave them. 1861 *Temple Bar Mag.* III. 304 Leech has drawn him in Punch five hundred times.

c. *fig.* To represent in words, describe. Also *to draw a portrait or picture of*, in same sense.

c1374 *CHAUCER Troilus* II. 213 (262) And sith thence is every tales strength. . What should I paint or drawen it on length. 1886 *A. DAY Eng. Secretary* II. (1625) 51 Having drawne his portraiture, I send the first counterfeit to himselfe. 1712 *ADDISON Spect.* No. 309 ¶7 Mammon's character is so fully drawn in the First Book. 1850 *Tait's Mag.* XVII. 229/1 Macaulay. . drawe a flattening picture of William's capabilities. 1891 *Sat. Rev.* 19 Dec. 606/2 The character of Pamphilus. . shows how Terence could draw a young man.

d. *absol.* or *intr.* To trace the lines of a figure; to practise the art of delineation.

1530 PALSGR. 526 He draweth as well in blacke and whyte, as any man in Englande. 1732 BERKELEY *Alciph.* i. § 11 Did those great Italian masters... always draw with the same ease and freedom? 1861 *Temple Bar Mag.* III. 23 He could draw from the 'round'.

61. *Masonry. trans.* To shape (stone-work) by cutting off thin slices. (Cf. DRAUGHT sb. 43.)

1703 MOXON *Mech. Exerc.* 183 The work is hewed or drawn pretty near a Round.

† 62. To devise, contrive; to set in order, arrange, array. *Obs.* (See also *draw up*, 89 f.) (In quot. 1230, the sense is very doubtful.)

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† 63. a. To frame (a writing or document) in due form; to compose, compile, write out. (See also *draw out*, 87 h, *draw up*, 89 g.)

1530 *Cursor M.* 2059 (Cott.) In sotherin englis was it draun, And turnd it hawe i till our aun Langage o northrin lede. 1526 *Pilgr. Perf.* (W. de W. 1531) 1 b, I thought it necessary to drawe a treatyse for my selfe. 1548 *HALL Chron., Hen. VII.* 21 A forme of a league and amitie shoulde be drawn with conditions, clauses and covenantes. 1596 SHAKS. *Merch. V.* iv. 1. 394 Clarke, draw a deed of gift. 1695 PEPYS *Diary* (1879) IV. 92 Drawing the letter we are to send. 1722 SEWEL *Hist. Quakers* (1795) II. vii. 25 Caused an indictment to be drawn against us. 1829 *Examiner* 779/2 Acts of Parliament were drawn so negligently. 1879 L. STEPHEN *Johnston* iii. 72 Langton had employed Chambers... to draw his will.

† b. *intr.* To write or treat of. *Obs.* 1300 *Cursor M.* 2315 (Cott.) Of Abraham now wil we draw [v.r. draghe, drawe]. *Ibid.* 2868 And for per mater es gode to knau, Of almus sal i for-der draw.

64. To frame, make, formulate, lay down, institute (comparisons, contrasts, distinctions, etc.) [App. of very composite origin, having affinities in varying measure with senses 16, 48, 59 b, and 63.]

1789 Mrs. PIOZZI *Journ. France* I. 136. I... drew incessant censures on his taste. 1802 MAR. EDGEWORTH *Moral T.* (1816) I. xx. 190. I... avoided drawing comparisons between your son and F. 1823 KEBLE *Serm.* i. (1848) 31 He has been drawing, in strong colours, a contrast between the punishments and the rewards. 1831 A. FONTAINE *Eng. under 7 Administr.* (1837) II. 157 Praying that a distinction may be drawn between [etc.]. 1868 GLADSTONE *Juv. Mundi* i. (1870) 4 Nestor... draws a somewhat similar contrast between the heroes of his youth and those of the Greek army before Troy. 1875 JOWETT *Plato* (ed. 2) I. 21. I have heard Prodicus drawing endless distinctions about names. 1876 J. S. BREWER *Eng. Studies* iv. (1881) 201 Comparisons were drawn in his favour to the disadvantage of his brother.

** To draw a bill or demand note.

65. a. *Comm.* To write out in due form an order to pay money on the writer's account; to write out (a bill, cheque, or draft). *Const. on, upon* (the person who has to pay).

1671 CROWNE *Juliana* III. Draw bills of death, they shall be paid on sight; I will... pay as fast as you can draw on me. 1722 DE FOE *Col. Jack* (1840) 213 She should draw bills upon me. 1776 *Trial of Nundocomar* 23/2 Bollaakey Doss drew a draught on Benares in favor of Lord Clive for a lack of rupees. 1817 W. SELWYN *Law Nisi Prius* (ed. 4) II. 1171 C. drew bills of exchange on B. for the price of the goods. 1861 DICKENS *G. Expect.* li. With instructions to draw the cheque for his signature. 1892 J. ADAM *Commercial Corr.* 24 The person who writes the 'order to pay' is said to draw the Bill.

b. *absol.* in same sense; also, less strictly, to make permitted demands on or upon (a person) for funds. to draw against, to issue drafts in consideration of (value placed in the drawee's hands).

1671 [see prec.]. 1732 GAY *Let. to Swift* 16 Nov. in S.'s *Let.* (1766) II. 171 You may now draw upon me for your money, as soon as you please. 1809 R. LANGFORD *Introd. Trade* 26, I have... taken the liberty to draw upon you for £5000. 1861 *Temple Bar Mag.* I. 504 Remit Frank his allowance without drawing on our income. *Ibid.* III. 218 She has unlimited power to draw on my banker. 1866 CRUMP *Banking* iii. 78 It is expected that the portion of the credit consisting of those documents, will not be drawn against until sufficient time shall have elapsed for them to be cleared.

66. *intr.* To make a demand or draft upon (a person, his memory, imagination, etc.) for resources or supplies of any kind.

1797 *Hist. in Ann. Reg.* 166/2 England, to meet the war of assignats, drew upon the finances of posterity. 1840 BARHAM *Ingol. Leg., Ghost* *Introd.*, It is on my own personal reminiscences that I draw for the following story. 1855 H. ROGERS *Ess.* II. vii. 323 The narrative... here and there draws largely on our faith. 1850 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc.* XX. II. 488 [Wheat] draws less upon the natural powers of the soil. 1860 *Temple Bar Mag.* I. 41 They drew away upon their imagination when facts failed.

VI. (*refl.* and *intr.*) Of motion, moving oneself.

† 67. *refl.* to draw oneself: to move oneself, betake oneself, come, go, proceed, approach to or towards; to withdraw, retire, or remove from. *Obs.*

1200 ORMIN 10656 Sannt Johan droh himm o bacch. *Ibid.* 11545 patt ilke mann birry drashenn himm Fra

glutterness estess. c. 1205 LAY. 93 bes duc mid his drihte To þare se him droh. a. 1300 *Cursor M.* 7412 (Cott.) þe men was won to draw ham nere. *Ibid.* 15964 (Gött.) A quile forward he yode, A quile him drou againe. 1388 WYCLIF *Luke* xv. 15 And he wente, and droug him to oon of the citeyzenes of that cuntre. c. 1400 *Beryn* 2322, I drowg me to foly, and wold nat be lueved. 1530 PALSGR. 526 He begynneth to drawe hym in to companie nowe. a. 1618 RALEIGH (J.), As their people increased, they drew themselves more westerly towards the Red sea.

† 68. a. *intr.* To move, proceed, come, go. *Obs.* or *arch.* exc. as in b.

a. 1000 *Guthlac* 699 (Gr.) Ongon þa leofne sið draþan. a. 1200 *Moral Ode* 49 þider se sculen sorne drazen. a. 1300 *Cursor M.* 22543 (Cott.) Wodd and wall al drow sal drau. c. 1400 *Destr.* *Troy* 906 lason... Drow eyn to the dragon, dresst hym to fight. c. 1489 CAXTON *Sonnes of Aymon* ii. 66 'Where be my sonnes gone?' 'I cannot telle whether they are drawn.' c. 1489 — *Blanchardyn* iii. 18 So shal we leue him drawing on his waye. 1586 A. DAY *Eng. Secretary* i. (1625) 73 Why draw we not home into our own soyle of England? 1644 CHAS. I. in *Ellis Orig. Lett.* Ser. II. III. 317 We desire you to draw with all your forces to Bristol. 1808 SCOTT *Marm.* vi. xiii. The train from out the castle drew.

b. Now only, To move or make one's way towards a place, to come near, approach, to come together, to withdraw to one side; and in certain adverbial combinations, as *draw back*, *draw in*, *near*, *nigh*, *off*, *on*, *up*: see VII.

c. 1250 *Gen. & Ex.* 2378 Toward here fader he gunen draegen. a. 1300 *Cursor M.* 6276 (Cott.) þe se drogh samon on ilka side. 1393 LANGL. P. Pl. C. xx. 61 Asyde he gan drawe. a. 1533 LD. BERNERS *Huon* lxxxi. 250 They all together drewe a parte in to a chambre. 1563 SHUTE *Archit.* Bjb, Constrained the branches of the herbe to draw downwards againe with a certayne compasse. 1670 NARBOROUGH *Jrnl. in Acc. Ser. Late Voy.* i. (1711) 16 [Sails] all set to draw away southerly. 1697 DAMPIER *Voy.* I. v. 116 Our men immediately... drew together in a body. 1703 MAUNDRELL *Journ. Jerus.* (1732) 144 Having heard of our drawing homeward... drew together in a body. 1703 MAUNDRELL *Journ. Jerus.* (1732) 144 Having heard of our drawing towards an end that looks brighter as I approach it. 1861 *Temple Bar Mag.* III. 535 Every believer would draw on one side. 1892 *Ibid.* Nov. 363 Drawing towards Wales and the line of the Severn. 1893 *Nat. Observer* 5 Aug. 304/1 They drew closer together.

† 69. *fig.* To approach, incline, tend (to some condition, state, etc.) *Obs.*

c. 1200 ORMIN 17902 All hissalys dede Droh till patt an, to turnnenn folle Intill þe rihthe we3pe. 1375 BARBOUR *Bruc* x. 781 He to sa gret vorschip dreuch, That all spak of his gret bounte. c. 1489 CAXTON *Sonnes of Aymon* xxvii. 542 But he draweth now sore to age. 1578 LYTE *Dodoens* II. xcii. 272 The upper leaves draw towards the proportion of the leaves of fenell. 1603 KNOLLES *Hist. Turke* (1621) 235 Of a darke colour, somewhat drawing toward a violet.

70. To draw near or approach in time.

a. 1300 *Cursor M.* 22662 (Edin.) Al þing now draus til end. 1399 LANGL. *Rich. Redeles* iv. 31 Whanne it drowe to þe day of þe dede-doyngne. c. 1475 *Rauf Coibear* 38 It drew to the night. 1568 GRAFTON *Chron.* II. 410 When the time drew neere, he came to Oxford. 1641 D'EWES in *Lett. Lit. Men* (Camden) 169 It draws nowe towards tenn of the clocke at night. 1758 A. REID tr. *Maquer's Chym.* I. 313 The operation draws toward an end. 1821 *Examiner* 121/1 It is time I should draw to a conclusion. 1875 JOWETT *Plato* (ed. 2) I. 379 The days of Socrates are drawing to a close.

† 71. to draw to: to resort to, join the party of (a person); to take up with; to betake oneself to (a course of action, study, etc.). *Obs.* (exc. as associated with sense 26).

c. 1205 LAY. 10530 Alle hwe wulleo to me drazen. a. 1300 *Cursor M.* 45 (Gött.) For þe þat thing men draus till, Men may þain knaue for gode and ill. c. 1305 *Edmund Conf.* 221 in *E.E.* (1862) 77 Sippe... to armstricke he droug. 1393 LANGL. P. Pl. C. ix. 100 Preestes and oþer peple to peers þei drowen. c. 1460 *Towneley Myst.* (Surtees) 5 When Lucifer to pride drogh. 1477 NORTON *Ord. Alch.* xiv. in *Ashm.* (1652) 22 Heche thyng drawes to hys semblable. 1568 GRAFTON *Chron.* II. 139 Much peple drewe unto them. 1893 *Nat. Observer* 13 May 643/2 Like draws to like.

† 72. to draw after: (a) to act by the advice of, follow the counsel of; (b) to 'take after', resemble. *Obs.*

c. 1305 *St. Swithin* 32 in *E.E.P.* (1862) 44 Swithin his counsailler, after whom he droug. c. 1450 *Merlin* 434 She... draweth liltill after hir moder. c. 1475 *Partenay* 6243 He drawith after that laydy Ffro whom he is discedend ueerly.

† 73. *intr.* To move (at chess); cf. DRAUGHT sb. 21. Also *trans.* with cognate obj. *Obs.*

c. 1369 CHAUCER *Deths Blanche* 682 Whan she my fers kaught I wolde have drawe the same draught. c. 1400 *Beryn* 1809 'Draw on', seyd the Burgeyse; 'Beryn! ye have þe wers!' *Ibid.* 1822 He drouse, and seyd 'chek mate!'

74. *Hunting.* a. Of a hound: To track game by the scent. b. To move slowly towards the game after pointing. *Const. after, on, upon.* See also *draw on*, 86 f.

1589 WARNER *Alb. Eng. Prose* Addit. (1612) 345 Ascanius and his Companie drawing by Parsie after the Stagge. 1590 SHAKS. *Com. Err.* iv. ii. 39 A hound that runs Counter, and yet draws drifoot well. 1617 MARKHAM *Caval.* viii. 33 It might bee possible to make a Horse to draw dry-foot after any Man, and to distinguish Scents with his nose as well as any Bloodhound. 1730-46 THOMSON *Autumn* 365 The Spaniel... draws full, Fearful and cautious, on the latent prey. 1855 KINGSLEY *Heroes* III. (1868) 38 Thrice they snuffed round and round like hounds who draw upon a deer. 1875 'STONEHENGE' *Brit. Sports* I. v. 2. 90 Many pointers are capable of drawing.

75. *Racing.* Gradually to gain on or get further away from an antagonist in running or rowing. to draw level: to come up with or alongside of an

antagonist; also *transf.* See also *draw out*, 87 j, *draw up*, 89 h.

1823 *Examiner* 395/2 The boat's crew still drawing on them. 1892 *Illustr. Sporting & Dram. News* 30 Apr. 249/1 They could not draw quite level, and were beaten by two to one. 1892 *Sat. Rev.* 2 July 101/1 Two drew away fast from the others, and the race appeared to be over. 1892 *Black & White* 6 Aug. 158/2 Gradually drawing upon him. 1932 *Punch* 27 Apr. 465/3 Other nations had drawn level with us. 1955 *Times* 1 Aug. 3/6 The South Africans have come from behind and surprised the favourites by drawing level in a Test rubber.

VII. In combination with adverbs.

76. *draw abroad.* a. See simple senses and *ABROAD adv.* † b. *spec. (trans.)* To spread (anything) over a surface; to spread out, expand. *Obs.*

c. 1400 *Lanfranc's Chirurg.* 26 Whanne þe arterie is drawe abroad. *Ibid.* 53 Aboue þe wounde leie terebentine... drawn abroad bitwene two lynnen cloopis.

77. *draw along.* a. See simple senses and *ALONG adv.* † b. To stretch, extend; fig. to prolong, protract. *Obs.*

1362 LANGL. P. Pl. A. v. 124 To drawe þe lyste [C. þe lisure] wel along þe lengore hit semede. 1382 WYCLIF *Ps.* cxix. 5 My pilgrimaging is drawn along. c. 1400 *Lanfranc's Chirurg.* 53 þous þat þi cure be drawe along. 1613 PURCHAS *Pilgrimage* (1614) 426 This... drew me along.

78. *draw back.* a. *trans.* See simple senses and *BACK adv.* b. *Comm.* To get back or recover (the whole or part of the duty on goods) upon exportation: see *DRAWBACK sb.* 2. Also *fig.* to deduct, take off, 'discount' (quot. 1768).

1709 *London Gaz.* No. 4509/3 The Sugars must pay French Duties, but on Exportation draws back all but about 25. per C. 1768 *Strenge Sent. Journ.* (1775) I. 36, I always suffer my judgment to draw back something on that very account. 1776 ADAM SMITH *W.N.* iv. i. (1869) II. 24 When the home manufacturers were subject to any duty or excise, either the whole or part of it was frequently drawn back upon their exportation; and when foreign goods, liable to a duty, were imported, in order to be exported again, either the whole or a part of this duty was sometimes given back upon such exportations.

c. *intr.* (also *refl.*, *obs. rare*) To move backwards from one's position; to retire, recoil, retreat; fig. to withdraw from an undertaking, etc.

a. 1300 *Cursor M.* 15801 (Cott.) He undrag him bak behin[nd] þe men. c. 1340 *Ibid.* 15925 (Fairf.) Petre drogh him bakker mare. 1530 PALSGR. 526 He drewe bakke and defended himselfe as well as he coulde. 1611 *Bible Heb.* x. 38 If any man drawe bakke, my soule shall have no pleasure in him. 1843 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc.* IV. i. 106 These rocks begin at last to draw bak here and there from the river. 1861 *Temple Bar* I. 517 Too deeply committed to draw bak.

79. *draw by.* a. *trans.* To draw aside. b. *intr.* To pass by, draw to a close.

1830 TENNYSON *Mariana* 19 She drew her casement-curtain by. 1850 — *In Mem.* lx. 14 The foolish neighbours... tease her till the day draws by: At night she weeps.

80. *draw down.* a. See simple senses and *DOWN adv.* b. *trans. fig.* To cause to fall or light upon a person, etc.; to attract, bring down.

1634 SIR T. HERBERT *Trav.* 35 These crying simes, have apparant drawne downe Gowde heavy judgments upon these Countries. a. 1694 TILLOTSON (J.), The blessings it will draw down upon us. 1816 KEATINGE *Trav.* (1817) I. 164 This of course draws down French vengeance.

c. *Cookery.* To stew or boil down. d. *Forging.* To reduce (bars, etc.) in size by hammering.

1806 *Culina* 15 Put all those into a stew pan, with some water, and draw them down to a light brown colour.

81. *draw forth.* a. *trans.* See simple senses and *FORTH adv.*

c. 1200 ORMIN 7413 þatt hord tatt oppnedd was And drashenn forþ. 1590 SPENSER *F.Q.* III. x. 29 Out of his bouget forth he drew Great store of treasure. 1632 J. HAYWARD tr. *Biondi's Erotomena* 89 To see if they could... draw forth into the Maine, the Sardan Gallies. 1660 F. BROOKE tr. *Le Blanc's Trav.* 134 The Madrecon that draws forth the Army, and ranges it in battalia. 1879 DOWDEN *Southey* iv. 86 A May morning would draw him forth into the sun.

† b. To adduce; = sense 21 a. *Obs.*

c. 1200 ORMIN 11907 He drohh þer forþ þe bokess lare. † c. To protract, prolong; to spend (time). *Obs.* c. 1305 *Edm. Conf.* 402 in *E.E.P.* (1862) 81 þat he al day forþ droug. 1589 GREENE *Menaphon* (Arb.) 57 In this sort Pleusidippus draw forth his infancie. 1650 TRAPP *Comm. Gen.* ix. 25 Leonard... drew forth a most poor life in the Netherlands, whither he escaped.

† d. To trace out; to design, draw up, draw out (see 60, 87 h, 89 g). *Obs.*

1551 ROBINSON tr. *More's Utop.* (Arb.) 79 Utopus him selfe... drew furth the platte fourme of the citie. e. To elicit, evoke, call forth.

1821 *Examiner* 780/2 [His] drollery drew forth no cordial laugh. 1849 MACAULAY *Hist. Eng.* II. 168 His bravery... drew forth the generous applause of hostile armies.

82. *draw in.* a. See simple senses and *IN adv.*

1579 GOSSON *Sch. Abuse* (Arb.) 54 Eagles draw in their tallants as they sit in their nestes. 1648 GAGE *West Ind.* xiii. 81 The greedy Earth... opened her mouth to draw in 'Townes and Cities. a. 1732 GAY (J.), Now, sporting muse, draw in the flowing reins. 1749 FIELDING *Tom Jones* xii. xiii. As the vulgar phrase is, [he] immediately drew in his reins. 1847 A. M. GILLIAM *Trav. Mexico* 133 Obligated to draw in his reins.

b. *trans.* To contract, draw tight; to cause to shrink.

1628 EARLE *Microcosm., Handsome Hostesse* (Arb.) 55 No Citizens wife . . . draws in her mouth with a chaster simper. 1845 S. JUDD *Margaret* i. ii, Miss Gisborne's flannel . . . must be drawn in to-morrow. 1891 *Eng. Illustr. Mag. IX.* 192 The gown was drawn in but slightly under the arms.

c. To take into the lungs, breathe in, inhale. 1535 COVERDALE *Ps. cxviii.* [cxix.] 131, I open my mouth and draw in my breath. 1607 TOPSELL *Four-f. Beasts* (1658) 469 All their Cattle for want of water do draw in the cold air. 1797 NORRIS *Treat. Humility* x. 122 Soft oily poisons which we incautiously draw in for common breath. 1892 *Graphic* 210 3 Hughes drew in his breath sharply.

d. fig. To induce to come in or take part; to allure, entice, inveigle; to ensnare, 'take in', delude. (Now only with *inf.*)

1558 in *Strype Ann. Ref. I.* ii. App. iv. 6 To draw in other men of learning. 1606 *Proc. agst. Late Traitors* 74 Onely perswaded and drawn in by Catesby. 1726 *Adv. Capt. R. Boyle* 55 Smiling . . . to think how soon I drew in the credulous Captain. 1752 *Foot's Taste* ii. Wks. 1799 1. 24 Mécènes . . . has been drawn in to purchase . . . a cart-load of 'rubbish!' 1813 JANE AUSTEN *Pride & Prej.* III. xiv. 246 Your arts . . . may . . . have made him forget what he owes to himself and to all his family. You may have drawn him in. 1833 HT. MARTINEAU *Manch. Strike* iv. 54 He was not the man to be drawn in to do what . . . he disliked.

†e. To induce or bring as a consequence. *Obs.* a 1450 *Knt. de la Tour* (1868) 56 One worde drauithen an other in. a 1704 LOCKE (J.), A view of all the intermediate ideas that draw in the conclusion, or proposition inferred.

f. *intr.* Of a day or evening: To draw to a close, to close in. Also of a succession of evenings in late summer and autumn: To become gradually shorter (as if contracting or shrinking in).

1840 R. BARHAM in *Bentley's Misc.* Mar. 274 As the evenings begin to close, or, as some people call it, 'draw in'. 1849 *Tait's Mag.* XVI. 260 1/2 Hours passed and the evening drew in. 1880 MISS BROUGHTON *Sec. Th. II. x.* The evenings are beginning to draw in already. 1891 H. S. MERRIMAN *Prisoners & Captives* II. iii. 55 The short winter day was drawing in.

83. draw near. *intr.* To come (gradually) near, approach (*lit.* and *fig.*).

a 1300 *Cursor M.* 21790 (Edin.) *Quen he droch til his ending nere.* c 1340 *Ibid.* 14525 (Fairf.) *Halde 300 stille & drawes nere.* 1503-4 *Act 19 Hen. VII. c. 28 Preamb.* The seid parliament draweth so near to the end. 1596 SPENSER *F.Q.* vi. iii. 47 He staid, till that he nearer drew. 1660 F. BROOKE *tr. Le Blanc's Trav.* 101 Her blossoms like Lillies broken off green, draws near to the yellow. 1712 ADDISON *Spect.* No. 523 ¶ 7 The time of a general peace is, in all appearance, drawing near. 1849 MACAULAY *Hist. Eng.* I. 667 Sentinels were posted to give the alarm if a stranger drew near.

84. draw nigh. = prec.

c 1330 R. BRUNNE *Chron. Wace* (Rolls) 1653 Men drawe to þeynd nych. 1526 TINDALE *John xvi.* 33 The houre draweth nye. 1866 T. B. LA PRIMAUD *Fr. Acad.* 1. 138 The end of this time drew nie. 1667 MILTON *P.L.* III. 645 He drew not nigh unheard. 1842 TENNYSON *Morte d'A.* 163 My end draws nigh; 'tis time that I were gone.

85. draw off. a. See simple senses and OFF.

a 1300 *Cursor M.* 8116 (Cott.) he king drou of his gloue. c 1400 MAUNDEV. (Roxb.) x. 41 Mary Mawdelayne and Mary Cleophe, makand sorow . . . and draw off paire hare. 1697 DAMPIER *Voy. I.* iii. 37 Bark of Maho . . . You may draw it off either in flakes or small threads. 1711 POPE *Let. to J. C.* 19 July (1715) l. 173 Tonsou's Printer told me he drew off a Thousand Copies in this first Impression. 1747 FRANKLIN *Let.* (1887) II. 67 The wonderful effect of pointed bodies, both in drawing off and throwing off the electrical fire.

b. (a) *trans.* To withdraw (troops) from a particular position, or from the scene of action. (b) *intr.* To move off, withdraw, retire, retreat. (c) *Pugilism:* see quot. 1873.

1667 MILTON *P.L.* iv. 782 Half these draw off. 1697 DAMPIER *Voy. I.* iv. 84 Captain W. drew off his men. 1736 LEDIARD *Life Marlborough I.* 377 He resolved to draw off his Dragoons.

intr. a 1625 BEAUM. & FLETCHER *Custom of Country* I. i, Draw off a little; Here come my mistress and her father. c 1645 T. TULLY *Siege of Carlisle* (1840) 17 Barkley drew off sore bruised. 1865 KINGSLEY *Herew.* vii, When they were tired they drew off on both sides. 1873 *Slang Dict.*, *Draw off*, to throw back the body to give impetus to a blow; 'he drew off, and delivered on the left drum'.

c. To turn aside, divert (the mind, attention). 1704 NORRIS *Ideal World* II. iii. 121 There is something in those objects . . . which draws off the mind from itself to the contemplation of them. 1834 MEDWIN *Angler in Wales* I. 187 A friend . . . rode after the brute, and drew off his attention to himself.

d. *trans.* To convey away (liquid) by a tap, or a channel or the like; esp. without disturbing the bottom or sediment. Also *intr.* (for *refl.*) To drain away, flow off.

1697 DAMPIER *Voy. I.* viii. 226 The Indico falls to the bottom . . . When it is thus settled they draw off the Water. 1737 BRACKEN *Fariery Impr.* (1756) I. 321 A Rowel is to draw off the bad or corrupt Humours from the Blood. 1840 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc. I.* iii. 316 The water can be successfully drawn off by a catheter. 1853 *Ibid.* XIV. ii. 442 It is repeatedly 'racked', or drawn off from one cask into another. 1892 *Field* 26 Nov. 802 3 Care should be taken not to disturb the lees until all the cider is drawn off.

intr. 1734 tr. *Rollin's Anc. Hist.* (1827) I. i. iv. 199 To keep back the waters which otherwise would draw off too fast. 1844 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc. V.* i. 9 The deposit that would be left after the water had drawn off.

86. draw on. a. See simple senses and ON.

1694 *Acc. Sev. Late Voy.* II. (1711) 162 If the Whale should draw on again. 1712 ADDISON *Spect.* No. 311 ¶ 5 He immediately drew on his Boots. 1847 A. M. GILLIAM *Trav. Mexico* 135 He drew on his cloak.

b. *trans.* To bring on, bring about, lead to, involve as a consequence.

1593 SHAKS. 3 *Hen. VI.* III. iii. 75 Looke therefore Lewis, that by this League and Marriage Thou draw not on thy Danger, and Dis-honor. a 1627 HAYWARD (J.), Under colour of war, which either his negligence draws on, or his practices procured. 1672 BOYLE *On Fluids* (J.), The examination . . . would draw on the consideration of the nice controversies that perplex philosophers. 1736 LEDIARD *Life Marlborough I.* 55 This Beginning drew on the General Battle.

c. To entice, allure, lead on.

1605 SHAKS. *Macb.* III. v. 29 Such Artificiall Sprights, As . . . Shall draw him on to his Confusion. 1648 GAGE *West Ind.* iv. 12 If I resolved to goe, my resolution should draw on an other friend of mine. 1816 J. W. CROKER in *Croker Papers* (1884) 28 Nov., If you suffer yourself to be drawn on by what you conceive to be the taste of the day. 1875 JOWETT *Plato* (ed. 2) III. 606 When he was drawing them on to speak of antiquity.

d. *intr.* To advance, approach, draw nigh.

1535 COVERDALE *Job xxxiii.* 21 His soule draweth on to destruction. 1886 A. DAY *Eng. Secretary* II. (1625) 12 Christmase now drew on. 1736 LEDIARD *Life Marlborough II.* 303 The Season drawing on for opening the Campaign. 1861 *Temple Bar Mag.* II. 401 Evening again drew on.

†e. To draw near to death, be in a dying state.

1555 WATREMAN *Favle Facions* I. vi. 88 When any man lieth in drawing on a 1577 GASCOIGNE *Pleasur* Wks. (1587) 100 He lay (as some say) drawing on Untill his breath and all were past and gone.

f. *Hunting.* Of a hound: To approach game after pointing; = sense 74.

1892 *Field* 7 May 695 5/2 Mussa pointed and drew on, but could not locate the birds. *Ibid.* 19 Nov. 797 3/2 The setter must often draw on and draw on, not unlike a cat creeping on its prey.

87. draw out. a. *trans.* To pull out, take out, extract, derive, etc.: see simple senses and OUT *adv.* (Also *intr.* for *pass.*)

c 1300 *Cursor M.* 19500 (Edin.) Oute he dro3 bape wue and man. 1393 GOWER *Conf. II.* 251 He anone the tethe out drough. a 1533 LD. BERNERS *Huon* xxi. 58 Than they tooke lond and drew out theyr horses. 1634 SIR T. HERBERT *Trav.* 24 Then in rage and sudden rapture drew out his knife. 1769 MRS. RAFFALL *Eng. Housekr.* (1778) 301 Kill your pig, dress off the hair, and draw out the entrails. 1861 *Temple Bar Mag.* IV. 20 Paying in money, and drawing money out, at his employer's bank.

intr. for *pass.* 1891 *Longm. Mag.* Nov. 69 The harpoon did not penetrate sufficiently . . . and therefore draw out. 1893 *Field* 4 Mar. 335 1/2 A drawer should be fitted . . . so as to draw out . . . and shut back . . . in a moment.

b. *Mil.* (a) To lead out of camp or quarters; to call out. (b) To detach from the main body. (c) To set in array, extend in line, draw up. (d) *intr.* for *refl.* To march out of camp or quarters.

1638 SIR T. HERBERT *Trav.* (ed. 2) 88 Next morning drawing out his men [he] assails him. 1724 DE FOE *Mem. Cavalier* (1840) 81 The king ordered the regiment to be drawn out. 1866 CARLYLE *Inaug. Addr.* 177 Thirty-thousand armed men, drawn out for that occasion.

intr. a 1616 BEAUM. & FL. *Bonduca* i. ii, To-morrow we'll draw out, and view the cohorts. 1660 F. BROOKE *tr. Le Blanc's Trav.* 10 The score of us then drew out. 1894 WOLSELEY *Marlborough II.* 177 Some sixty or seventy Irish Dragoons 'drew out' . . . and took up a threatening position.

c. To stretch, extend; to flatten out (metal). 1483 *Act 1 Rich. III.* c. 8 Preamb., Clothes . . . ben set upon Tentours, and drawn out in Leyngh and Brede. 1694 *Acc. Sev. Late Voy.* II. (1711) 148 One may draw it out in Threads like hot Sealing-wax. 1703 MOXON *Mech. Exerc.* 9 When your Iron hath not its Form . . . then you must . . . batter it out; or, as Workmen call it . . . draw it out. 1754 RICHARDSON *Grandison* (1812) IV. 284 He drew out his face, glouting, to half the length of my arm. 1841 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc.* II. ii. 222 The spores were lengthened, or drawn out into a short pedicel.

d. *fig.* To extend, protract, prolong. 1553 T. WILSON *Rhet.* (1580) 169 Duled with overlong drawing out of a sentence. 1632 MILTON *L'Allegro* 140 In notes, with many a winding bob Of linked sweetness long drawn out. 1709 STRYPE *Ann. Ref. I.* xviii. 515 To draw out time, and weary them. a 1713 ELLWOOD *Autobiog.* (1714) 30, I Prayed often, and drew out my Prayers to a great length. 1893 *Temple Bar Mag.* XCIX. 68 Breakfast was drawn out to a most unusual length.

†e. To utter slowly or with an effort. *Obs.* c 1400 *Destr. Troy* 504 Diamede full depely drough out a laughter. 1581 PETTIE *Guaazzo's Civ. Conv.* I. (1586) 1 Hearing him drawe out his wordes so softlie and so weaklie.

f. To elicit, evoke, call out. a 1586 SIDNEY (J.), To draw out more, said she, I have often wondered how such excellencies could be. 1594 HOOKER *Eccl. Pol.* iv. xiii. §10 To draw out from us an accusation of foreign churches. 1777 MAD. D'ARBLAY *Early Diary* 27 Mar., Useful in drawing out the wit and pleasantry of others. 1816 KEATINGE *Trav.* (1817) II. 215 The bench interrogating the prisoner, and drawing out indiscreet avowals.

g. To induce to talk or express opinions; to elicit speech or information from. (*colloq.*) 1778 MAD. D'ARBLAY *Diary* 23 Aug., She did not . . . use any means to draw me out. 1824 BYRON *Juan* xv. lxxxii, He had the art of drawing people out, Without their seeing what he was about. 1890 A. GISSING *Village Hampden* III. 295 Joice steadily resisted all efforts to draw her out.

h. To write out in proper form, draw up, (in quot. 1500, to translate, render); to make out; to trace out, delineate. c 1500 *Lichfield Guild Ord.* (1890) 14 It ys a Geyde that the Statutis . . . shalbe drawe out in to Englyshe. 1576 FLEMING *Panopl. Epist.* 377 note, It passeth my capacite to drawe out his portraiture in sufficient livenesse. 1773 GOLDSM. *Stoops to Cong.* II. i, Bring us the bill of fare. . . I believe it's drawn out. 1826 *Examiner* 190 2 Leases . . . were drawn out

and founded on the basis of that monopoly. 1861 *Temple Bar Mag.* II. 248 The [marriage] settlements were permitted to be drawn out.

i. *intr.* To extend in length, become longer. *Mod.* The days are beginning to draw out.

j. *Racing.* To get gradually farther ahead. 1891 *Strand Mag.* II. 655 1/2 The runner . . . drew out in front. 1892 *Standard* 10 Aug. 7/5 The favourite drew out and won by two lengths.

88. draw over. †a. *trans.* To overspread.

a 1400-50 Alexander 4207 Draxen ouer with hidis. 1548 HALL *Chron., Hen. VIII.* 3 Their horses trapped, in burned Silver, drawn over with cordes of Grene Silke and Golde. b. To cause to pass over in a still; to obtain by distillation.

1676 BOYLE *On Colours* (J.), I . . . mixed with it essential oil of wormwood, drawn over with water in a limbeck. 1884 N. & Q. Ser. VI. X. 159 1/2 The Moslem physician Rhazes drew over a red oil by distillation called oleum benedictum philosophorum.

c. To convert to one's party or interest. 1707 ADDISON *Pres. State War* (J.), Some might be brought into his interests by money, others drawn over by fear. 1736 LEDIARD *Life Marlborough I.* 153 To draw over some of the German Princes to His Interest. 1737 WHISTON *Josephus Antig.* Diss. i, How otherwise could he draw over so many of the Jews.

†d. *intr.* To extend, last, endure. *Sc. Obs.*

c 1565 LINDESAY (Pitscottie) *Chron. Scot.* (1728) 256 (Jam.) This drew over for ane space. *Ibid.* 312 Their cumberis drew over till the king was twelf yeires of age.

89. draw up. a. *trans.* (also *intr.* for *refl.*) See simple senses and UP *adv.*

c 1175 *Lamb. Hom.* 159 Alswa se þe sunne drach þe þene deu and makeþ þer of kume reines. 13 . . . *Coer de L.* 55 Anon the sayle up they drough. 1548 HALL *Chron., Hen. VIII.* 27 And by force of engines drewe it up. 1694 *Acc. Sev. Late Voy.* II. (1711) 174 They . . . draw it up also with Pulleys into the Ship. 1706 MOTTEUX *Vanbrugh's Mistake* Epil., With Glass drawn up, Drive about Covent-Garden. 1869 W. LONGMAN *Hist. Edu.* III. i. xiv. 261 The gate was shut, the bridge was drawn up.

intr. c 1400 *Destr. Troy* 755 Whan þe day vp droghe and the dym voidet. 1823 *Examiner* 792 1/2 The curtain drew up at the instant of his entrance.

b. *refl.* To assume an erect or stiff attitude. 1850 *Tait's Mag.* XVII. 342 The Doctor . . . drew himself up in offended dignity. 1866 G. MACDONALD *Ann. Q. Neighb.* xiii. (1878) 269 She drew herself up in her chair.

†c. To mend (a rent in a garment) by stitching so as to draw the parts together. *Obs.* 1759 STERNE *Tr. Shandy* I. x. (Hoppe), That he could draw up an argument in his sermon—or a hole in his breeches.

†d. *Cookery.* ? To bring to the proper consistence (as by 'drawing' through a strainer). *Obs.*

c 1430 *Two Cookery-bks.* 20 Draw hem vppe wyth the [almond] Mylke þowr a straynouer. c 1400 *Acc. Cookery in House. Ord.* (1790) 425 Breke hom in a mortar, and drawe hom up wythe gode brothe.

e. *trans.* To bring to a stand (by pulling at the reins). *intr.* To come to a stand; to pull up, stop.

1828 *Examiner* 562 1/2 He drew up his gig on the wrong side. 1849 E. E. NAPIER *S. Africa* II. 26 The waggon had been drawn up so as to form a sort of hollow square. 1892 *Cornh. Mag.* July 22 She drew the horse up short. *intr.* 1823 SOUTHEY *Penins. War* I. 171 A carriage with six mules drew up to the guard-house. 1859 THACKERAY *Virgin.* 1, The young gentleman's post-chaise drew up at the rustic inn. 1885 *Manch. Exam.* 3 Oct. 4/7 The train drew up in the station.

f. To bring into regular order, as troops; to set in array. Also *intr.* for *refl.* 1605 SHAKS. *Lear* v. i. 51 The Enemy's in view, draw vp your powder, a 1671 *LD. FAIRFAX Mem.* (1690) 82 Here we drew up our army. 1776 GIBBON *Des. & W. I.* The legion was usually drawn up eight deep. 1855 MACAULAY *Hist. Eng.* III. 243 The ranks were drawn up under arms.

intr. 1660 F. BROOKE *tr. Le Blanc's Trav.* 292 The whole Portuguese Cavalry being landed, drew up in two squadrons. 1736 LEDIARD *Life Marlborough I.* 231 They did, indeed, draw up in Order of Battle.

g. To put together in proper form; to frame, compile, compose, write out in due form. 1639 S. DU VERGER *tr. Camus' Admir. Events* Ep. Ded. Aiv, The work which I have here drawne up to a translation. 1654 *tr. Scudery's Curia Pol.* 94 Those . . . who drew up the processe. 1693 *Col. Rec. Pennsylv.* I. 423 The Committee having drawn up their Answer to the remonstrance, doe sign it. 1711 ADDISON *Spect.* No. 60 ¶ 7 A List of Words . . . drawn up by another Hand. 1856 FROUDE *Hist. Eng.* (1858) II. x. 440 The report was drawn up by men who had the means of knowing the truth.

h. *intr.* To come up with, come close to; in *Racing*, to gain on or overtake an antagonist. 1795 NELSON 13 Mar. in *Nicolas Disp.* (1845) II. 13 As we drew up with the Enemy. 1889 J. K. JEROME *Three Men in a Boat* 8 We drew up to the table. 1894 *Times* 17 Mar. 14/1 Then the Oxford crew began slowly but steadily to draw up.

i. To take up with, enter into relations with. 1724 RAMSAY *Tea-t. Misc.* (1733) I. 89 *Gin vs forsake me Marion, I'll e'en gae draw up wi' Jean.* 1821 GALT *Sir A. Wylie* III. 152 (Jam.) When I had naething I was fain to draw up wi' you. 1892 *Sat. Rev.* 9 July 32/2 There was news from Morocco that their Minister had 'drawn up' with the Sultan's dreaded rival.

draw (drou), sb. [f. DRAW *vb.*]

1. a. An act of drawing, in various senses of the vb.; draught; pull, strain; the drawing of a card from a pack, etc. 1663 *Flagellum* or O. Cromwell (1679) 45 (L.) The cavalier . . . cut the ribbon which tied his murrion and with a draw threw it off his head. 1755-73 JOHNSON, *Draw*, the act of

drawing. 1867 F. FRANCIS *Angling* iv. (1886) 121 Whenever there is a draw on the baits. 1871 *Daily News* 15 Aug. The salaries... would not bear the extra draw which must necessarily ensue. 1888 MISS W. JONES *Games of Patience* xiv. 31 You are allowed 'two shuffles and a draw'.

b. An amount drawn up or out.
1847 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc.* VIII. 1. 126 The clay being taken out one 'draw' deep. 1852 *Ibid.* XIII. 1. 92 The last spit or draw being much narrower than the preceding one.
c. *Cricket*. A leg stroke in which the batsman deflects the ball so that it passes between the wicket and his legs. Also, a fieldsman placed so as to field balls so hit.

1836 *Nottingham Rev.* 30 Sept., Caught out at the draw through the ball being to the 'leg'. 1846 W. DENISON *Cricket: Sketches of Players* 16 How many 'bats' have been compelled to yield up their wickets just when they fancied they had made a fine 'draw'. 1849 *Boy's Own Br.* 78 As the ball [when drawn] generally gets away between long-stop and leg, it is advisable to place as 'draw' the fieldsman that can best be spared. 1857 *Chambers's Information* I. 690 The 'draw'... is the most elegant... of the batsman's defences. 1893 R. DART *Kings of Cricket* v. 88 Tom Hearne... was more successful with the old-fashioned 'draw' than any batsman I can remember.

d. Short for *draw-poker* (see DRAW- a). U.S. *colloq.*

1857 *Phoenix* (Sacramento, Calif.) 20 Sept. 3/2 This mongrel, David, recently lost a sum of money, playing 'draw'. 1876 J. MILLER *Life amongst Modocs* x. 133 The man... took a quiet game of 'draw' with the boys at the Howlin' Wilderness, and won at once the title of Judge. 1891 *Scribner's Mag.* X. 278 A small game of draw shortens the drying hours. 1945 *New Yorker* 14 Apr. 21 'Dealer's choice,' said Kelly. 'Draw or stud. Fifty-cent ante on draw.'

e. A puff on a pipe, cigarette, etc., a smoke. Chiefly *dial.* and U.S.

1876 'MARK TWAIN' *Tom Sawyer* 138. I could smoke this pipe all day, but he'd keel over with just two draws on a pipe. 1881 A. WARDROP *J. Mathison's Courtship* 24. I'll just light my pipe, an' ha'e a bit draw. 1895 'G. SETOUN' *Sunshine & Haar* 253 After making himself quite presentable, sat down for a 'draw'. 1908 A. M'ILROY *Burnside* v. 'You'll talk a draw', the host would say, taking the pipe from his mouth and handing it to his guest. 1933 P. MACDONALD *Myst. Dead Police* i. 7 There's nothing like a draw to quiet a chap down. 1969 *Flamingo Mag.* (E. Afr.) x. 45/4. I lit the hemp and had a draw of it.

2. a. The drawing or bending of the bow.

1879 M. & W. THOMPSON *Archery* 19 Care and great practice should be given to acquiring the correct draw.

b. The act of drawing a revolver in order to shoot. U.S.

1857 T. H. GLADSTONE *Kansas* v. 54 With my hand upon the pistols... he didn't stand out long. But I felt pretty bad... till I got the draw on him. 1903 C. T. BRADY *Bishop* i. 9 He had the reputation... of being the quickest man on the draw... in the Territory. 1908 C. E. MULFORD *Orphan* iii. 37 And they would have gotten it, too, only I beat them on the draw. 1947 *Chicago Tribune* 22 June (Comics) 9 She might beat me to the draw!

3. Drawing or attractive power or effect; anything having power to draw a crowd. *colloq.*

1881 L. WAGNER *Pantomimes* 58 Little to do with the success or legitimate 'draw' of the entertainment. 1891 N. GOULD *Double Event* 264 Smirke would have proved a big draw.

4. Drawing of lots; anything decided or arranged by drawing lots, as the order of competitors in a contest; a raffle.

1755-73 JOHNSON, *Draw*, the lot or chance drawn. 1885 *L'pool Mercury* 22 Dec. 1 15/4 The familiar raffle or 'draw'. 1892 *Daily News* 27 Jan. 7/2 Unlawfully publishing a proposal for a Christmas draw. 1894 *Times* 11 June 7/2 The following is the draw for the order of play.

5. A drawn game or match.
[1825 J. NEAL *Bro. Jonathan* 1. 50 Everybody was glad when he was beaten; everybody reckoned a draw-game, as a victory over him.] 1856 MONGREDIEN in C. Tomlinson *Chess-player's Ann.* 134 With a view to a 'draw', by bringing the Black Pawn on to a Rook's file. 1860 E. M. COWELL *Diary* 17 June in M. W. Disher *Cowells in America* (1934) 117 Of course every one knows that the fight between Sayers and Heenan was undecided—a draw—and both have belts given to them. 1863 *Illustr. London News* 22 Aug. 191/1 Surrey v. England, at the Oval... ended in a 'draw' yesterday. a 1871 *New York Herald* (Hoppe). He fought his last battle which ended in a draw and division of the stakes. 1885 *Manch. Exam.* 6 July 4/7 The cricket match... ended in a draw in favour of the latter county. 1887 *Times* 19 Aug. 5/2 The war... apparently has ended in a draw.

6. *Spinning*. The distance which a mule-carriage travels in drawing out the yarn; a 'stretch'.

1879 *Cassell's Techn. Educ.* IV. 396/2 So soon as the carriage has receded to the end of the 'draw' or 'stretch'—which usually extends to about sixty inches—it stops.

7. a. 'That part of a bridge which is raised up, swung round, or drawn aside; a draw-bridge or swing-bridge (U.S.)' (Webster 1864).

1786 *Maryland Jrnl.* 3 Nov. (Th.), A draw is placed over the deepest water, for permitting vessels to pass and repass. 1837 J. F. COOPER *Recoll. Europe* II. 243 The bridge is now permanent, though there was once a draw. 18... WHITTIER *Countess*, A skipper's horn is blown to raise the creaking draw. 1889 MORSE *Amer. Geogr.* 181 The draw... is designed to require the strength of two men only in raising it. 1902 G. H. LORIMER *Lett. from Self-made Merchant* 21 Our schooner was passing out through the draw at Buffalo.

b. A drawer. U.S.
1692 in *Connecticut Probate Rec.* (1904) I. 463, I give to Elizabeth Thomson... one table with a drawe in it. 1748 *N.H. Probate Rec.* III. 565, I give... my chest of draws to my daughter Lidea. 1775 *Essex Inst. Hist. Coll.* XIII. 188 You know I can take a Draw at a time and lay them in the same

manner into Dr Gardner's. 1829 in W. L. Mackenzie *Lives Butler & Hoyt* (1845) 50 The celebrated receptacle of Chancery papers... the draw or bushel-basket... of his venerable predecessor. 1862 LOWELL *Biglow P.* 2nd Ser. III. 108 Once get a smell o' musk into a draw An' it clings hold. 1898 E. N. WESTCOTT *David Harum* 143 They're in the draw there. 1929 in WENTWORTH *Amer. Dial. Dict.* (1944) 178/2 The draw sticks. 1971 *Amherst (Mass.) Record* 28 July 15/1 Wanted to Buy. 'Two draw file and adding machine.'

8. *Clock-making*. (See *quot.*)
1884 F. J. BRITTEN *Watch & Clockm.* 92 In a lever escapement the locking faces... are cut back at an angle which is called the draw.

9. A natural ditch or drain that draws the water off a piece of land. Also, a shallow valley containing a stream. U.S.

1882 W. A. BAILLIE-GROHMAN *Camps in Rockies* xii. 340 Among the rough and steep chains of mountains full of 'draws', 'pockets', and gulches. 1884 *Harper's Mag.* Aug. 365/1 You must... find cover in some *coulée* or draw. 1885 in A. Fryer *Gr. Loan Land* (1887) 12 The drainage of the uplands is collected by... shallow 'draws' which effectually drain the surface. 1935 W. CATHER *Lucy Gayheart* II. xi. 216 In the draws, between the low hills, thickets of wild plum bushes were black against the drifts. 1953 J. MASTERS *Lotus & Wind* xx. 253 There was a chance they'd miss the inflow of this draw. 1959 N. MAILER *Adots. for Myself* (1961) 137 The trail rose for a few hundred feet, and then dipped into an empty draw.

10. A thing or person employed to draw a person out, to elicit from him what he knows or intends to do. Also, one from whom information, etc., may be extracted. *slang.*

1811 *Sporting Mag.* XXXVIII. 168 The pretended flat who was a draw, was introduced. 1860 READE *Cloister & H. v.* This was what in modern days is called a draw... to elicit by the young man's answer whether he had been there lately or not. 1887 *Poor Nellie* (1888) 124 Butt was a sure 'draw' on this subject.

11. *Founding*. A cavity inside a casting produced by the shrinking of the metal during solidification; a shrinkage cavity.

1809 McWILLIAM & LONGMUIR *Gen. Foundry Pract.* xxxii. 189 In this class of work, 'draws' are often met with, which constitute another class of liquid shrinkage. 1925 *Foundry Trade Jrnl.* XXXII. 552/2 Many defects described by the practical moulder as draws are in fact blows, or in some cases a combination of the two. 1962 J. G. TWEEDEALE *Metall. Princ. Engineers* vi. 181 Draws are very troublesome in castings.

12. a. With adverbs, as *draw-down*; *draw-in*, esp., in mod. usage, a roadside space out of the way of traffic where vehicles, esp. buses, may make temporary stops; cf. LAYBY; *draw-off* attrib., esp. in *draw-off tap* = *draw-tap* (DRAW- a). b. *Comb.*, as *draw-out* (see *quot.*); *draw-tender*, one who attends to a draw-bridge.

1787 MARY WOLLSTONECR. *Posth. Wks.* (1798) IV. 114 A *draw-down at the sides of his mouth. 1943 J. S. HUXLEY *TV A ix. 53* Ingenious new methods of temporary draw-down of water-level. 1965 G. J. WILLIAMS *Econ. Geol. N.Z.* xv. 238/1 Low-permeability holes where draw-down of aquifer pressures during discharge is substantial. 1968 *Gloss. Terms Offset Lithogr. Printing (B.S.I.)* 27 *Drawdown*, a method of comparing or examining inks by scraping samples down a sheet or slab to produce thin graded films. 1840 *Evid. Hull Dock Comm.* 85 Is there any particular current setting into the old harbour? There is a *draw-in, like all other harbours. 1939 *Nature* 20 May 850/1 'Lay-bys' and 'draw-ins' should be made on every few miles of highway. 1954 *Gloss. Highway Engin. Terms (B.S.I.)* 26 *Draw in*, a part of the highway set aside for Public Service Vehicles to draw out of the traffic lanes to pick up and set down passengers. 1909 *Westm. Gaz.* 28 Sept. 3/2 The *draw-off taps at the sink... fitted on single pipes. 1951 *Good Housek. Home Encycl.* 222/1 Only a trickle of water comes from draw-off points. 1959 *Times* 14 Mar. 9/6 Wassaill bowls fitted with silver draw-off taps. 1960 G. A. GLAISTER *Gloss. of Book* 110/1 *Draw out, a printing fault caused when the roller pulls out a loose type. 1883 *Harper's Mag.* Feb. 357/2 The *draw-tender... saw repeated visions of his death.

draw-, the verb-stem in combination:

a. used attrib. = drawing-, used for, in, or by drawing: as *draw-hook*, *ladder*, *lid*, *mule*, *mail*, *pull*, *stroke*, *window*. *draw-arch*, a movable arch in a bridge; a drawbridge arch; *draw-beam*, a winlass; † *draw-bed*, an extensible bed, also called *drawing-bed*; *draw-bench*, a machine in which wire or strips of metal are reduced in thickness or brought to gauge by drawing through gauged apertures, also called *drawing-bench*; *draw-board*, a board adapted to be drawn up; *draw-bolt*, a coupling-pin of a railway wagon; *draw-bore*, a pin-hole through a tenon, so bored that the pin shall draw the parts together; hence *draw-bore v.*; *draw-box*, † (a) a drawer (*obs.*); (b) = *drawing-frame* (DRAWING *vbl.* sb. 6a); *drawcard* = *drawing card* (see DRAWING *ppl.* a. 4); *draw-cord* = *draw-string*; † *draw-dike*, a ditch from which water can be drawn off; *draw-dock*, a creek or inlet in the bank of a navigable river into which boats or barges can be run to land cargoes, or lie in the mud at low water; *draw-farm*, a farm whence supplies are drawn; *draw-frame* = *drawing-frame* (see DRAWING *vbl.* sb. 6a); *draw-gear*, (a) harness for draught animals (Phillips, 1706); (b) the apparatus by which railway

carriages and trucks are connected together in a train; *draw-head*, (a) the head of a draw-bar in a railway-carriage; (b) part of a drawing-frame, in which the slivers are lengthened and twisted; *draw-hoe* (see HOE *sb.* 2 1b); *draw-horse*, a bench or support on which a drawing-knife is used; *draw-kiln*, a lime-kiln so constructed that the burned lime is drawn at the bottom; *draw-knot*, a simple knot, undone by drawing the ends of the string; *draw leaf*, a leaf of a draw-table; so *draw-leaf table* = *draw-table*; *drawing* (see *quot.*); *draw-link*, a link connecting railway carriages or trucks; *draw-loom*, the loom used in figure-weaving, in which the strings through which the warps are passed were pulled by a draw-boy; *draw-nail* (see *quot.* 1960); *draw-pin*, a draw-bore pin; *draw-pipe*, a pipe for drawing water from a cistern or boiler; *draw-poker*, a game of cards, also called POKER q. v.; *draw-rod*, a rod connecting the draw-bars of railway trucks; *draw-shave*, a drawing-knife for shaving spokes, etc.; *draw-sheet*, (a) a folded sheet placed under a patient so that it can be withdrawn without the disturbance of making the whole bed; ; (b) *Printing* (see *quot.* 1928); *draw-sluice*, a sluice opened by being drawn up a groove; *draw-spring*, the spring between a draw-bar and the truck or carriage; *draw-string*, a string slipped through the mouth of a bag, the neck or waist of a garment, etc., so as to tighten it by drawing the ends; also *attrib.*; *draw-tab*, a theatre curtain which can be pulled across the front of the stage; *draw-table*, an extending table, a table with additional pieces which can be drawn out to extend the length; *draw-tap*, a tap for emptying a pipe, cistern, etc.; *draw-taper* = DELIVERY 5 b; *draw-tongs*, a wire-drawer's tool; *draw-top* (table), see *quot.* 1904; *draw-tube*, the compound tube, one part sliding within the other, which carries the object-glass and eye-piece of a microscope. Also DRAW-BAR, -BOY, -BRIDGE, etc.

1807 SIR R. C. HOARE *Tour Irel.* 197 A *draw-arch... of which all the machinery is worked under the floor of the bridge. 1611 *COTGR.*, *Ergate*, A Windlasse, Windbeam, or *Draw-beame. 1663 *Inv. Ld. J. Gordon's Furniture*, In the chamber next adjacent... an stand bed with a *draw bed. 1859 DICKENS in *All Year Round* 2 July 239 The fillets, or ribands of gold... are taken to a machine called a *draw-bench where their thickness is perfectly equalised from end to end. 1879 *Cassell's Techn. Educ.* IV. 298/1. Draw-bench, a machine used for drawing down the Stone fixed web should have a gauge-weir with *Draw-boards constructed on it. 1812-16 J. SMITH *Panorama Sc. & Art* I. 120 *Draw-bore pins are used in forcing a tenoned piece into its proper place in the mortise. 1823 P. NICHOLSON *Pract. Build.* 232 The Draw-bore Pin, or Hook-pin [used] for draw-boring. 1662 GREENHALGH in *Ellis Orig. Lett.* Ser. II. IV. 13 In the wall... many *draw boxes, with rings at them like those in a Grocer's Shop. 1909 *Cent. D. Suppl.* *Draw-box*, a set of three or more pairs of rollers attached to combing- and certain other machines for attenuating, or drawing out, the sliver. 1940 *Chambers's Techn. Dict.* 264/2 *Draw-box*. This consists of two or more pairs of fluted rollers between the doffer and the coiler of a carding engine. 1959 *Times* 16 Feb. 3/7 O'Neill, who is now the *drawcard of Australian cricket. 1966 *Australian* 24 May 35/10 Yardley left St George's Budapest three seasons ago to become a top drawcard with Transmere Rovers. 1971 *Sunday Times* (Johannesburg) (Business Section) 28 Mar. 14/1 The biggest single drawcard for overseas tourists is London. It is experiencing an unprecedented hotel boom. 1840 W. G. SIMMS *Border Beagles* 376 [I] have nothing to do but tie a few threads and lay a *draw-cord through the end-loops of the net. 1935 *Burlington Mag.* Aug. 92/2 Only alternate threads were controlled by draw-cords. 1936 *Ibid.* Mar. 145/2 The scale-harness is used in order to economize in the number of the drawcards on which the pattern is arranged. c. 1470 HENRY WALLACE ix. 747 Some fell in + *draw dykis deep. 1883 *Standard* 6 Feb. 6/4 A barge... moored in the *drawdock. 1891 *Pall Mall G.* 10 Nov. 5/1 Authority to construct new drawdocks and to repair and rebuild the existing docks. 1885 R. BAGWELL *Irel. under Tudors* I. p. vi, Content to look upon Ireland as a mere *drawfarm. 1897 W. S. TAGGART *Cotton Spinning* II. i. 2 The full cans of silver are taken from the card and put behind the *draw-frame, so that the sliver can be passed up in the direction of the arrows through holes in the guide-plate A. 1889 *Scribner's Mag.* Aug. 217/1 Castings daily required in the way of brake-shoes, pedestals, *draw-heads, grate-bars, etc. 1822 *Draw-hoe [see HOE *sb.* 2 1b]. 1961 *Amateur Gardening* 23 Dec. 13 The draw hoe is pulled towards the operator and is ideal for the larger weeds, earthing up potatoes or making seed drills. 1627 *M.S. Acc. St. John's Hosp., Canterb.*, For mending on of the *drawe hooches. 1845 S. JUDD *Margaret* I. xvii. 160 Near Hash stands the *draw-horse on which he smooths and squares his shingles. 1805 FORSYTH *Beauties Scotl.* II. 446 Collieries and lime-quarries were opened, *draw-kilns erected. 1894 J. GEDDIE *Fringes of Fife* 25 A line of clypeolan draw-kilns. 1635 RUTHERFORD *Lett.* (1862) I. 147 To God, their belt whereby they are girt is knit with a single *draw-knot. 1895 *Daily News* 3 May 7/6 When he... went to the premises they used a *draw-ladder, and went up into the depository where the goods were. 1932 *Daily Express* 4 July 7/6 *Draw-leaf table, size 5 ft. x 3 ft. when extended. 1955 R. FASTNEDGE *Eng. Furn. Styles* i. 9 Tables of joined construction... and indeed those with a draw leaf (first introduced about 1505). 1958 OSBORNE & CREIGHTON *Epitaph G. Dillon* 1. 11 A draw-leaf table with dining chair. 1811 AITON *Agric. Arsh.* 475 Heather and the *draw-ling

(*Scirpus cespitosus*) are the chief plants that the sheep can eat. 1856 S. C. BRES *Gloss. Terms* 153 The patent railway "draw-link" is now universally employed. 1831 G. R. PORTER *Silk Manuf.* 238 The apparatus called a "draw-loom" was invented. 1851 *Art Jnl. Illustr. Catal.* p. viii. *1 The first step in improving the draw-loom was the substitution of mechanism for the handle and boy called a draw-boy. 1603 FLORIO *Montaigne* i. xlix. (1632) 163 They call for their fare, tie *draw-loom to. 1702 in *Phil. Trans.* XXV. 1864 The head not round... but somewhat like the modern *Draw-nails. 1900 R. LISTER *Decor. Cast Ironwork Gt. Brit.* 226 *Draw nail*, a pointed rod for driving into a pattern to extract it from its mould after ramming. Also called *draw spike*. 1703 MOXON *Mech. Exerc.* 160 *Draw Pins described. *1805 *Westm. Gaz.* 12 Feb. 5/3 There were only a supply and *draw pipe, and no safety valve. 1864 SALA in *Daily Tel.* 1 Nov. Losing your money at euchre or *draw-poker. 1890 *Pall Mall G.* 24 Mar. 4/3 The great American game of draw-poker. 1886 *Badm. Library, Shooting* (1895) 60 They are now made without a *draw-pipe, similar to a revolver. 1828 J. M. SPEARMAN *Brit. Gunner* (ed. 2) 17 Wheeler's Tools... *Draw Shaves. Spoke Shaves. Drive Pins. 1870 Z. P. VEITCH *Handbk. Nurses* i. 9 Great care should be taken to arrange a macintosh and *draw-sheet in such a way that no blood or other discharge can possibly reach the under sheet. 1928 H. JAHN *Dict. Graphic Arts Terms* 75 *Draw-sheet*, the sheet drawn on over the make-ready on a press. 1960 *Guardian* 1 July 5/4 Mum replaces the draw sheet. 1721 PERRY *Daggenh. Breach* 31 There was intended *draw-slutes to be made. 1845 C. M. KIRKLAND *Western Clearings* (1846) 127 It was Miss Celestina Pye, and she certainly had *draw-strings in her lips just then. 1872 E. ECCLESTON *End of World* xiii. 89 She pulled out the folds of the chintz curtain, hanging on its draw-string half-way up the window. 1890 *Anthony's Photogr. Bull.* III. 70 The mouth of the bag is... secured by a double drawstring. 1909 *Westm. Gaz.* 10 May 5/2 A belt of thick satin ribbon put through wide embroidered loops like a draw-string. 1955 J. CANNAN *Long Shadows* iii. 51 The striped dress with the drawstring. 1957 *New Yorker* 16 Nov. 150/2 It's a wind-resistant... overblouse, cut straight to a drawstring waist. 1958 *Vogue* Sept. 133 Drawingstring blouses solve the problem of tuck-in blouses and skirts that are constantly parting company. 1959 'M. ERSKINE' *House of Enchantress* iii. 36 She had... a mouth pursed like the opening to a draw-string bag. 1965 C. D. EBY *Stage of Alcázar* (1966) i. 40 The city walls ran in an unbroken line across the neck of the Tagus loop like a drawingstring on a sack. 1833 J. HOLLAND *Manuf. Metal* II. 333 Considerable time is spent between each *draw-stroke and the return of the pincers. 1957 J. OSBORNE *Entertainer* 1. 12 Ordinary, tatty backcloth and *draw-tabs. 1904 P. MACQUOID *Hist. Eng. Furn.* iii. 96 An oak *draw-table of 1560. 1925 PENDEREL-BRODHURST & LAYTON *Gloss. Eng. Furn.* 55 *Draw table*, a term generally associated with heavy tables like the refectory table. The top is divided into three leaves, the two end ones lying under the centre leaf. 1938 *Burlington Mag.* Dec. 275/1 Celebrated drawtable from Hinton Abbey near Bath. 1895 *Daily News* 16 Mar. 3/4 A *draw tap in the supply pipe. 1904 P. MACQUOID *Hist. Eng. Furn.* iii. 93 With the invention of the *draw-top a revolution took place in tables... The top was in three pieces, the lower leaves drawing out and being supported by long armed brackets; the upper leaf dropped into its position, and so the table elongated to double its length. 1955 R. FASTNEDGE *Eng. Furn. Styles* 1. 25 The draw-top table... wherein a subsidiary and additional leaf might be drawn out at each end of the table top. 1567 HARMAN *Caveat* 36 A *draw-window of a low chamber.

b. governing an object: as **draw-blood**, he who or that which draws blood; **draw-stop**, a knob or handle in an organ by which a slider is drawn so as to admit the wind to a set of pipes.

1609 Bp. HALL *Pharis. & Chr. Wks.* (1627) 409 They beat their heads against the walls, as they went, till blood came; whence one... is called Kizai, a Pharise *draw-bloud. 1880 E. J. HOPKINS in *Grove Dict. Mus.* II. 665 The *Draw-stop action. *Ibid.* 606 The 'action' to a single stop... consists of a draw-stop rod... a movable trundle... a trace-rod... and the lever... On pushing in the draw-stop, the action of the several parts is reversed, and the stop is silenced.

'**drawable**, a. Capable of being drawn.

1647 H. MORE *Song of Soul* II. iii. 11. ii. Not fixt to ought, but by a Magike milke Drawable arend there. 1867 H. KINGSLEY *Silicate of Silicates* xv. (1876) 94 Lines... which he recognised as drawable.

drawback ('drɔ:bæk), sb. and a. [f. vbl. phr. to draw back: see DRAW v. 78.]

A. sb. †1. One who draws back or retires. *Obs.* 1618 BOLTON *Florus* (1636) 101 Fabius... got the nickname, to be called, The Draw-back, or Cunctator.

2. a. An amount paid back from a charge previously made; esp. a certain amount of excise or import duty paid back or remitted when the commodities on which it has been paid are exported; originally, the action of drawing or getting back a sum paid as duty.

1697 LUTTRELL *Brief Rel.* IV. 200 For a drawback of the duty on exportation thereof. 1729 SWIFT *Grand Quest. Debated* 21 In poundage and drawbacks I lose half my rent. 1775 BURKE *Corr.* II. 23 To move for the account of the duties paid on tobacco imported; and also for an account of the drawback, when exported. 1874 BANCROFT *Footpr. Time* xi. 269 All imported goods are entitled to drawback whenever they are taken out of the United States. 1883 *Law Rep.* 11 Q. Bench Div. 567 The balance in hand... shall be equally divided amongst the shareholders pro rata per share by way of drawback.

b. *Bookselling*. A rebate of the paper tax given under certain conditions to the King's printers and the Oxford and Cambridge University presses. *Hist.*

1796 (*title*) The Poems of Ossian... Printed for A. Strahan and T. Cadell: And sold by T. Cadell Jun. and W. Davies... MDCCXCVI (Drawback). 1797 (*title*) An Historical Essay on the Ambition and Conquests of France... London. Printed for J. Debrett... 1797. (Drawback.)

3. A deduction, a diminution.

1753 HOGARTH *Anal. Beauty* i. 15 An unnecessary weight, which would have been a draw-back by his strength. 1818 W. TAYLOR in *Monthly Rev.* LXXXV. 395 A little drawback is made from this panegyric. 1837-9 HALLAM *Hist. Lit.* I. ii. 1 §39. 121 The want... was a very great drawback from the utility of their compilations.

4. Anything that retards progress or advance, or that takes from or diminishes success or satisfaction; a hindrance, disadvantage.

1720 *Humourist* 59, I have... as a Drawback upon my Ambition, laid aside my Silver Buckles. 1748 RICHARDSON *Clarissa* (1811) I. xiii. 80 Daughters were but incumbrances and drawbacks upon a family. 1853 KANE *Grimmell Exp.* iv. (1859) 32 Our little vessel pursued her way without drawback. 1865 MERIVALE *Rom. Emp.* VIII. lxxvii. 284 Roman citizenship had its drawbacks as well as its advantages. 1875 SCRIVENER *Lect. Text N. Test.* 6 A serious drawback to our enjoyment.

5. A movable piece or core in a mould used in iron-founding.

1843, etc. [see *false core* (FALSE a. 17 a)]. 1875 [see *CORE sb.* 1 8]. 1960 LAING & ROLFE *Man. Foundry Practice Cast Iron* (ed. 3) iv. 90 When patterns are bedded in the floor, there is rarely more than one joint. Many devices are used to avoid a second, one method being the use of drawbacks.

B. *adj.* That is, or has to be, drawn back: **draw-back lock**, a door-lock the bolt of which can be drawn back by a knob or catch inside.

1703 MOXON *Mech. Exerc.* 23 The Draw-back Spring. 1801 W. BULLOCK in *Trans. Soc. Arts* XIX. 290 An improved Drawback Lock for House-Doors. 1866 TIMMINS *Industr. Hist. Birmingham* 87 Drawback locks... resemble dead locks, except that the bolt springs and is worked by a brass knob on the inside.

draw-bar ('drɔ:bə(r)),

1. The bar that bears the draw-links or couplings by which railway carriages and trucks are connected in a train. Also of other vehicles.

1839 *Jrnl. Franklin Inst.* XXIV. 156 The bumpers or elastic cushions are to be attached... to the front and rear draw-bar. 1861 *Times* 1 June. The draw-bar of one of the trucks broke, and the draw-spring fell on the rails. 1889 *Pall Mall G.* 27 Dec. 8/2 Breaking a coupling chain or a drawbar hook. 1904 *Westm. Gaz.* 30 Mar. 2/1 Two omnibuses... and four light wagons, all... connected by spring draw-bars. 1950 *Engineering* 17 Nov. 388/3 On wet heavy land, a tractor with rubber tyres... will give a drawbar performance. 1954 *Gloss. Terms Agric. Mach.* (B.S.I.) 8 *Drawbar*, a member fitted to a tractor for the attachment of hauled implements.

2. A bar in a fence that can be drawn out. orig. U.S.

1670 *Groton Rec.* (1880) 36 A gat or a sufficient pair of draw-bars [to be] Kept and maintained at the end [of] Nathaniel Lawrence's field. 1811 *Massachusetts Spy* 3 Apr. (Th.). There were a pair of draw bars about twelve or fifteen yards from [his] door. 1836 *Southern Lit. Messenger* II. 162 On every side I was met by gates, drawbars, and gaps. 1884 R. JEFFERIES *Life of Fields* 85 The gates beside the lane were not gates at all, but double draw-bars framed together.

3. *Glass-making*. (See quot. 1948.)

1948 *Amer. Ceramic Soc. Bull.* XXVII. 356/1 *Draw bar*, submerged clay block used to define the position of sheet glass during drawing. 1970 *Glass Technol.* XI. 95A. The refractory draw bar contains sealed cavities providing buoyancy in molten glass.

'**draw-boy**. 1. a. *orig.* The boy employed to pull the cords of the harness in figure-weaving; hence B. The piece of mechanism by which this is now effected.

1731 MORTIMER in *Phil. Trans.* XXXVII. 105 Mr. Le Blon's new Way of weaving Tapestry in the Loom with a Draw-boy. 1831 G. R. PORTER *Silk Manuf.* 239 This machine... from its standing in the stead of a person who was distinguished by that name... is called a draw-boy. 1835 *USE Philos. Manuf.* 339 The occupation of draw-boys and girls to harness-loom weavers... is by far the lowest and least sought after of any connected with the manufacture of cotton. 1851 [see *draw-loom* s.v. DRAW-].

2. An article exposed for sale in a shop window at a very low price to attract customers. *slang.*

1864 HOTTEN *Slang Dict.* 125 *Draw-boy*, a cunning device used by puffing tradesmen.

'**drawbridge**. Forms: see BRIDGE. [f. DRAW-: see also the earlier DRAUGHT-BRIDGE.]

1. A bridge hinged at one end and free at the other, which may be drawn up and let down so as to prevent or permit passage over it, or allow passage through the channel which it crosses.

The original form was the *lifting drawbridge*, used from early times to span the foss of a castle or fortification, or the inner part of it; also in more recent times to provide a passage over canals, dock-entrances, and other waterways; for this the form called a *swing- or swivel-bridge*, which revolves horizontally is often substituted; see also BASCULE. A drawbridge to permit the passage of vessels, sometimes forms a small section of a long permanent bridge.

13... K. *Alis*. 1205 Heore drawbrugghe they drewe ate. 1375 BARBOUR *Bruce* xvii. 757 Thai... a fyre had maid At the draw-bridg, and brynt it doune. 1556 *Chron. Gr. Friars* (Camden) 87 Wyett... made a bulwarke at the bryge fote... and dyd no harme there... for the brygge drawebrygge was drawne agayne hym. 1673 *RAY Journ. Low C.* 2 Before we came into the Town (Graveling) we passed over five Draw-Bridges. 1722 *London Gaz.* No. 6953/1 The Draw-Bridge of the... Bridge of London will be taken up in order to lay down a new one. 1808 SCOTT *Marm. v.* xv. The steel along the drawbridge flies. Just as it trembled on the rise. 1844 *Regul. & Ord. Army* 266 The Barriers are to be shut, Draw-Bridges drawn up. 1894 *Westm. Gaz.* 11 May 2/1 It is the surface of the 'bascule'—the 'drawbridge' part of the bridge.

2. A movable bridge or gangway on a ship, etc.

1856 S. C. BRES *Gloss. Terms* 183 The floating bridge... is a large flat-bottomed vessel... drawbridges are made at each end which let down and form roadways. 1878 Bosw. SMITH *Carthage* 93 The drawbridge... could be swung round the mast towards the point where the danger threatened, and... let fall... with its heavy weight upon the deck of the attacking ship.

Hence 'drawbridged a., having a drawbridge. 1846 DICKENS in *Daily News* 21 Jan. 6/5 Queer old towns, draw-bridged and walled.

† **draw-can-bully**. *Obs.* = next.

1698 [R. FERGUSON] *Vinea Eccles.* 80 Whosoever steps forth as a 'Draw can bully' to stab and murder Persons in their Credit and Reputation.

Drawcansir (drɔ:kænsɪ(r)). Also 'Draw-cansir'. Name of a blustering, bragging character in Villiers's burlesque 'The Rehearsal', who in the last scene is made to enter a battle and to kill all the combatants on both sides: hence allusively, and *attrib.*

[Formed as a parody on *Almanzor* in Dryden's *Conquest of Granada*, perhaps intended to suggest *drawing a can of liquor* (see the references to his drinking capacity in Act v. sc. i. 'Enter Drawcansir').]

1672 VILLIERS (Dk. Buckhm.) *Rehearsal* iv. i. (Arb.) 95 f. Pray, Mr. Bayes, who is that Drawcansir? B. Why, Sir, a fierce Hero, that frights his Mistresses... and does what he will, without regard to good manners, justice, or numbers. 1672 MARVELL *Reh. Transp.* I. 42 But it is a brave thing to be the Ecclesiastical Draw-Can-Sir. 1690 LOCKE *Govt.* II. xvi. § 177 They that found absolute monarchy upon the Title of the Sword, make their Heroes... arrant Draw-can-Sirs, and forget that they had any Officers and Soldiers. 1711 ADDISON *Spect.* No. 16 ¶3, I have so much of a Drawcansir in me, that I shall pass over a single foe to charge whole armies. 1761 COLMAN *Jealous Wife* ProL. (L.). Drawcansir death had rag'd without controul: Here the drawn dagger, there the poison'd bowl. 1768-74 TUCKER *Let. Nat.* (1852) I. 562 Such a Drawcansir, as to cut down both friend and foe. 1797 J. WARTON in *Wilkes' Corr.* (1805) IV. 335 One shall hardly see such drawcansirs-work. 1800 *Rival Bards in Spirit* Pub. *Jrnl.* (1801) IV. 394 Gifford... Now struts a Drawcansir with hideous stare! 1880 MCCARTHY *Owen Times* IV. xlviii. 6 Mr. Lavard... a very Drawcansir of political debate, a swashbuckler, and soldado of Parliamentary Conflict.

drawcht, obs. Sc. form of DRAUGHT.

'**draw-cut**, sb. [CUT sb. 2] A cut made by a drawing movement, and not by a stroke or pressure.

1833 J. HOLLAND *Manuf. Metal* II. 45 Garden shears... amputate by a draw-cut like a knife.

† **'draw-cut**, ppl. a. *Obs. rare.* [See CUT sb. 1] Done by drawing cuts or lots.

1583 STANHYURST *Ennis* i. (Arb.) 34 Shee... toys too pionsers by drawcut lottery sorteth.

drawe, obs. inf. and pa. pple. of DRAW v.; obs. form of DROVE; obs. Sc. pa. t. of DRIVE v.

drawee (drɔ:'i:). [See -EE¹.] The person upon whom a draft or bill of exchange is drawn.

1766 W. GORDON *Gen. Counting-ho.* 346 A bill... would not make the drawee liable. 1767 BLACKSTONE *Comm.* II. xxx. 467 The person... who writes this letter, is called in law the *drawer*, and he to whom it is written the *drawee*. *Ibid.* 469 If... the indorsee cannot get the drawee to discharge it. 1878 *Jurists' Prim. Pol. Econ.* 114 If the drawer and drawee of a bill are persons of good credit, a banker will readily discount such a bill.

drawer! ('drɔ:(r)). [f. DRAW v. + -ER¹.]

1. One who draws; in various senses of the vb. a 1340 HAMPOLE *Psalter* xviii. 13 Puttand away pe dragherre til ill. 1483 *Cath. Angl.* 107/2 A Drawer, vector. 1537 BIBLE *Josh.* ix. 21 Hewers of wood, and drawers of water. 1640 *Remonstr. Troubles fr. Estates Scot.* 20 The drawers of his Majesty to this action. 1781 P. BECKFORD in *Blaine Encycl. Sports* §1719 It is a modern fashion for the huntsman... to ride into the cover... but this proceeding is apt to render hounds bad drawers. 1838 DE MORGAN *Ess. Probab.* 58 Before the drawing was made, it was three to one that the drawer should go to the first urn.

2. *spec.* One who draws liquor for customers; a tapster at a tavern. Also in comb., as *beer-drawer*.

1567 *Triall Treas.* (1850) 32 Drawer. Let us have a pinte of whyte wine and borage. 1592 SHAKS. *Rom. & Jul.* III. 1. 9. 1640 *Canterbury Marriage Licences* (MS.), John Williamson of Canterbury, Beerdrawer. 1750 *JOHNSON Ramblor* No. 16 ¶5 Thundering to the drawer for another bottle. 1859 DICKENS *T. Two Cities* II. iv. Bring me another pint of this same wine, drawer.

3. A name of operatives in various industries. Chiefly in comb., as *straw-, tube-, wire-drawer*.

spec. In a *Coal-pit*: One who draws or hauls the coal from the face to the bottom of the shaft, a hauler. In *Weaving*: A woman who puts the warp into the splits or heddles; also, a woman who draws warps through the combs and reels. In *Gawwicks*: A man who draws the coke out of the ovens. (*Labour Commission's Glossary*, 1804.) c 1400 WYER *drawer* [see DRAUGHT 18]. 1589 *Pappe v. Hatchet* 27 Weauers and Wierdrawers. 1722 DE FOE *Plague* (Rtdg.) 126 Gold and Silverweaver-drawers. 1847 *Nat. Encycl.* I. 989 The toddy-drawer selects a tree of easy ascent. 1864 *Jrnl. R. Agric. Soc.* XXV. II. 315 The straw drawers... purchase the straw in the bulk. 1883 *Manch. Exam.* 27 Nov. 5/5 As the getters can do nothing without the drawers, the mine is stopped. 1891 *Daily News* 23 Nov. 2/7 Metal rollers and tube drawers. 1894 *Standard* 5 Apr. 3/1 A number of loomers and drawers... met the employers in conference yesterday.