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Word	Meaning
MAA	Maw (The only Maw I can find is the throat of a frightend animal) PP
MAA	Mother/ mummy
MAA BAG	Main stomach of an animal
MAAD / MAID	Girl "She's a dear lil maid, always smiling."
MAAKE HUM (UM)	Shut. To accomplish. To do, To think of as in consider. (Well, w'at do ee make hum?) = 'What do you think of it?'
MAAZE(D)	Mad, thoughtless or stupid
MAAZIN	Knocked maazin. Foolish
MABYERS / MABIER	Young hens. Pullets. Bantams
MACHIATE	To emaiciate, smash, or crush
MADE HOME/PULL HOME	To make home, to shut or make fast the door/window. A bit like Drive en home or pullen 'ome i.e. to drive a nail all the way in.
MADDICK	Mattock
MADGIOWLER/ MAGGYOWLER	Goat moth, whose catipiller produces a strong goaty odour .
MADJER	Pullet
MADLY MOED	Mixed up; confused
MAEN	Stone
MAISTER	The boss! Excpet in a mine where he'd be 'Cap'm'
MAGGOT	A magpie
MAGGOTS	Whims
MAGGOTS/MAGGOTY	Fancies; ideas; ill tempered
MAGUMS	May games; pranks
MAIDENS DELIGHT	Southernwood; Boys love (Artemisia abrotanum)
MAIR	Sheaves of corn placed longidinally about 18ft high x12ft deep. Done in a catchy season
MAISTER / MAASTER	Master. Boss, Governor, Farm Owner or Proprietor – Manager
MAIT / MATE	Not limited to meat but any kind of food. "Gone in, tis time fit the mait fer taa." "Where's Reg?" "Ow, 'es out maiting the pigs."
MAKE GAMES	Sports or games or general frolics
MAKE MAININS	See Make wise. But also to show intent
MAKE-HOME	Shut the door or to close any appature
MAKE-OUT	To pretend. To put out. 'The childern are makin out to be cowboys and Indians.'
MAKE-TO	To shut. To close. 'Make-to the door when you go out.'

MAKE-WISE	To pretend. To make-believe, as in MAKE OUT above
MALACHE	Boastful person
MALE	The fish Shandy (Cannot find any reference to Fish Shandy; could it be shanty?)
MALKIN	Mop for cleaning long ovens. 'I've reached as far as I can with me arm, I'll have to use the malkin te claan the rest ubm.'
MALKIN	A dirty person
MALLISH'S LAND	Girls game; (One sgtood in the middle & tried to catch the others running across. (Presumably they are stood in a circle to start with.)
MALLYGOLDER	A large jellyfish
MALT / MALTING / MALTY	To feed. "Malting the pigs". Fleshy
MANE / MANEN	Mean. Meaning. 'What do 'ee mane?'
MAN-ENGINE/INGINE	Machine by which miners descend deep shafts. A long seies of rods the full depth of the mine. The top was attached to the rising and falling beam engine. The rod had small platforms spaced the same distance as the beam fell. Miners would hop on and off these onto similarly spaced fixed platforms to ascend or descend the mine.
MANSHONS / MANSHUNS	Small loaves baked without tins; rather like the French munchet.
MARCHANDISE	Merchandise
MERCHANT	Merchant
MARGY-SOUP	Dog-fish soup with parsley etc
MARINADE / MARINATE	Fish (usually pilchards) baked in vinger, bay leaves and seasoned
MARING	Sweat
MARKET JEW	Marazion
MARNING	Morning (greeting) "Marnen chaps, 'ow are ee this fine day?"
MARROW/MARRA	Tomorrow. 'I'm finished fer tonight, see 'ee marra morning.'
MARRY-BONES	Marrow-bones. The knees
MARSEL / MORSEL / MOSSE	A slice of bread and butter. 'ave something' te eat will 'ee?' 'Iss I'll have a marsal mind to.' This extended to anything small or a snack, perhaps a piece of cake.
MART	Goose fat. 'I'll 'ave a tub of mart Mrs please, faather want to rub'n in, he got a bit o' stummock on the chest.'
MARTY	To eat noisily; to linger over tea
MARVELS	Marbles
MARY-BONES	The knees – marrow bones. "ma mary-bones are achen like mad; full of that arthritis they are."
MASHES	A large quantity. A great deal
MASK	Mast
MASTER	The best. 'He's the Mastetr Man foer the job, there's nawthen he don't knaw 'bout it.'
MASTER	Form of address for a youth or young male who was too young to be called 'Mr'
MASTER/MAISTER	Anyman in authority, could be your boss, the Squire, Councillor, infact anyone you looked up to.
MATE	Meat infact any kind of food
MATE	An instrument used in caulking boat
MAUGER	Meagre. Scanty. I axed fer a nice piece o' brisket but tis a bra mauger piece 'e 'ave gived me.'
MAUN / MAUND	A hamper. A large basket. 'You take the middle raw 'n carry the maun and we'll cut these side raws. (Cabbage, broccoli etc.) When harvesting green crops farm labourers would carry them via a band around the head similar to fish jousters. They were very deep and carried plenty!

MAUNGE	Munch. Chew noisily. ‘Fer goodness sake don’t maunge yer food so, keep yer mouth closed when yer chewin’.
MAUR	Root (see moor more etc). Usually refers to a plant with fine fibrous roots rather than tree roots
MAW	Piece of bread and butter. Or a piece of bread and butter with added sugar, yied in a rag for baby to suck; ‘Sugary Maw.’
MAW	To mow
MAWER	Root of a tree or plant
MAWGUST/MOGUZ/MOGUST	Donkey
MAWTHER	Mother. ‘Day’s Wednesday, mawther always de go town Wednesdays.’
MAXIMS	Whims
MAY	Blossom of the hawthorn
MAY-BIRD	The Whimbrel, a mottled wader of the Scolopacidae family
MAY-DOLL	A doll carried about with birds’ eggs on ferns in a basket on May Day
MAYFLOWER	False ‘steeper’ in hedge laying
MAYGAM / MAY-GAME / MAYGUMS	Fun. Frolic. To make a butt of; ‘I won’t be made a may-game by they’
MAZED	Mad. Annoyed. In a temper. ‘He missed the bus now ‘ee’s as mazed as a curley. (Curlew). Teasy
MAZED MONDAY	The Monday after a feast
MAZED-GETTY-PUTTICK	Wild harum-scarum fellow. Silly
MAZED-GETTY-PUTTICK / MAZE-GERRY-PATTRICK	Awild harum-scarum fellow. Silly;bewildered; stupid. ‘Scat un mazzlin.’
MAZEDISH	Confused
MAZEDISH	Confused. “I thawt I knawed where I was too, but now I’m all mazedish an’ at’t find me barins no’ow.”
MAZER	I found this word in Hamilton Jenkin’s ‘Cornish Homes & Customs. It was referring to ‘am mazer and a ate or two, comprised the substance of even the better class of Cornish husbanman.’ He’s talking about times when, if you built a house in a night it was yours. Help please!
MAZLIN /MAZZLIN	Stupid. ‘Scat un mazzlin’
MAZLIN PAN	Utensil for stewing fruit. Maxlins(small plums) I wonder if this is connected to the fact that you’d probably use muslin with this process.
MAZZARDS	Black Cherries. “Got a nice crop o’ mazzards this yeer, should have a nice bit o’ jam ater on.” Some writers claim mazzards were from Devon and not recommended! Mazzards are considered besrt for use a ‘root-stock’ for grafting.
ME ‘ANSUM.	Term of affection or greeting. ‘All right me ‘ansome?’
ME CABBUN	My captain
MEADER	A mouse
MEADER.	A mower
MEALY/MAILEY	Floury, said of potatoes
MEANING	Intending ‘I’ve been meaning to come over and see you for ages.’
MEAN-OLLAS / MEEN-OLLAS	A stone hearth in a boat; Fishermen’s wooden cooking stove, filled with clay and stones, fo cooking on board boat
MEARY GEEKS	Noisy obstinate people
MEASE	A measurement of Herrings. There are 500 fish in a Cornish mease.
MEAT	Food generally and not to be confused with beef or other animal flesh . ‘I got go yo’ cause I got fit the meat fer tea.’
MEAT-BEANS	Broad beans

MEAT-EARTH	Surface (top) soil
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MEAYER	Measure
MEAZY/MAZEY/MIZZY/MEAZZY / MAZED	Perplexed, confused, annoyed
MED	Might. “Goyne ferritin’ Sarday are ee?” “Dunnaw, I med.”
MEDDICK	Emetic
MEEFEY-MOPPY	Hide & Seek
MEER	A measure. To measure. “Meer twice an’ cut once.”
MEES(Z)Y-Y-MAZY	Muddled. Confused. Puzzled
MEETING	Giving pigs their meal at feeding time. Mawtther! I’m gone meet the pigs.’ i.e. I’m going to feed the pigs
MEEZE	Mice
MEGGYHOWLER, MEGGAHOWLER	A large night moth. ‘ear that ol’ meggyhowler can he bangin’ gen the winder; goyne te wards the light see.’
MELL	Meddle. ‘Don’t mell with en he’s twice as big as you are.’
MELT	Soft roe of fish
MELWIDGEON	A type of slug
MELYERS	The axle of a frame used for washing ores; an axle in general terms. During a lot of WWI bombing people thought the Impact ‘would upset the melyers of the earth.’
MEN	Them??
MERKS	‘Merks’. Mark-land or Merk-land, Wright = division of land varying from one to three acres. Therefore a ‘last’ must have varied from 48-62 acres. The latter figure, 62 English acres, being the size of the Cornish geld acre
MERL / MURL	Link of a chain. ‘Dad, the chain is brawk.’ ‘Well we’ll ‘ave te put a new merl in un tha’s all there is to it.’
MERRY SOLE	French Sole
MERRY-DANCERS	The northern lights. Aurora Borealis
MERRYMAIDEN	A mermaid. “I ‘ear tell that the Merry maiden of Zennor came up an’ sat on the rocks quite close to the pub, bleeve it do ee? “
MERRYMAN	Clown. Jester. “Merrymen used te come ‘round singing drolls an any other ol’ rade years ago, don’t ‘ear tell of it now . Nathin is like it used te be, tha’s w’at I say”.
MERSE	Guillemot
MERTHERY	Mildew on food
MERYAN/MERYON	Ant
MESTER	Porthminster, St Ives
METHEGLIN	A drink made of honey (also Mead). There are at least 100 variants.
MEW	Gull’s scream
MEWED	Scattered by fright
MEWHAY/MOWHAY	Rick yard
MEWS	Moss
MICA	Inferior clay
MICHEE	Play truant or pretend. (Minch)
MIDDEN	Rubbish dump (often excavated these days to determine the way of life in past times, a well known one is at Gwithian)
MIDDLING	So, so. “Ow are ee?” Fair te middling.’

MIDGAN	A mite (Smidgan) 'If you move un this way a midgan it'll be zackly'.
MIDGETS/MIDGANS	Small pieces or bits
MIDGETTY MORROWS	Fidgets
MIDGETY POR/MIGGLE COMPORE	Synonymous words for uproar
MIDGETY-MORROWS	Fidgets. "That boy was a right midget-morrows in Chapel this mornin', 'e wudden stay still two minuts."
MIDJANS AND JOU(W)DS	Shreds and tatters. "Faather bin out workin' in the browse all day, now 'e've come 'ome in midjans an' jouds."
MIDJELS	As above
MIGGLE	Luke warm
MIL(L)YER	A hinge of a gate or door which works with a pin turning in an indentation in a stone in the ground.
MILCHY	Home grown flour sometimes became 'milchy' (i.e. viscous or sticky, whilst in summer the bread was often affected by 'rope' which rendered it nauseous to taste & smell.) On the other hand, if the flour was good the home baked bread remained much fresher than the shop loaf lasting at least a week in good condition.
MILCHY BREAD	Bread made moist and sticky, fro milchy corn
MILCHY CORN	Corn that has germinated
MILKCUP	The cream jug of a tea set
MILKMAID	Ladies smock
MILKY DIESEL / MILKY-DIZEL	The thistle
MILL-BED	A platform in a mill
MILPREVE	A Coralline ball worn as a charm against adders. (Coraline is a group of macroalgae, & are NOT Coral)
MILT	Smelt (the fish) Osmeridae group, found inn Atlantic & Pacific Oceans
MILYER	Hinge of door or gate which works with it's pin in a stone in the ground.
MIMSIE	Minnow
MINCH(ING)	To play(ing) truant from school
MIND	To Remember. 'Do 'ee mind the ol' travelling' cinema that use te come round and saw pictures out the back of a van?'
MINCHIN	Cheating at marbles by pushing the firing hand closer to the targeyt than where the taw originally landed. Playing truant
MINERAL LORD	MILKY DASHIEL a yellow flowered thistle with no prickles that is collected by children for pet rabbits
MINETIME	??? Has anyone got an answer here? (Is it perhaps 'meantime'?)
MINGLE-COM-POR	Confusion; discord; muddle.
MINMES/MINNIES	Stones suspended from ropes used in pilchard fishing, to prevent the fish from wscaping a seine net.
MINNIZ/MINNUS	A strop stone "jawen stone" Cor. <i>Meri mynys</i> lipped stone rather than 'little'
MINNY	A stop fastened to a cord to prevent pilchards from escaping through gaps in the net. Cor. <i>Men munnys, meyn munys.</i>
MINTY OR MINGY	Mean / Miserly. "Gi' us won o' yer sweets." "Shaant" "You mingy bugger."
MIRACLE-PLAY	A farce. A drama
MISERABLE	Miserly. Unhappy
MISMAZE	Perplexed
MISSIZ	Boss's wife

MISSMENT/MISSENT	Error / Mistake. "He made a missment there see, measured wrong in the first plaace spose."
MISS-THE-HAND	To err. To make a mistake. To blunder.
MIT	Meet. "We'll mit ee down by the bridge." A play giving the life, miracles and martyrdom of a Saint.
MIT	The spot from where the throw was made in a game of Bob buttons – said to be a giants game
MITTING(S)	Meeting. Usually prayer 'mittings' or 'mittins'
MOAST	nearly. Almost. "That was careless boy, you moast 'it en if you awnly knawed it." "She missed 'er 'and there."
MOCK OR MOTT	A large block of wood. A Christmas mock = a Yule Log Mott = stump of a tree left after felling.
MOCK OR MUCK	Apple cheese from a cider press
MOCKET	A bib of an apron
MOD(TT) AXE	A large axe. I think they were used particularly to dig out the roots of large tree stumps (Motts)
MOE/MOUE	A grimace
MOGGIATOR	Top stone of the ancient game of quoits. Cor. An moyha tour
MOCUS/MOGUS/MOKE	The donkey
MOIL	Pointed drill used in a mine
MOIL	To work hard; to dedaub. Fr. Moiller, to paddle through mud
MOILE	A mule
MOLADEW	The Blackbird. Corn moladhu, molgh dhu. St Just
MOLDWARP	A Mole
MOLE/MALE	The Goby or Blenny
MOLL	Long handled & long ended digging tool
MOLLAG/MOLLICK	A dog skin buoy
MOLLA HEAD	A shock head of hair
MONEY PENNY	Small white cowrie/small sea snail
MONGER/MONGERN/MUNGERN	Horse-collar made of twisted straw, used in ploughing or harrowing. Formerly a hay collar.
MOLLISHY HAND	Street Game played by girls, it's like 'tig'.
MOMMET/MUMMET	Diminutive creature and of a cat
MONEX	Mattock with blades set in opposite directions. Nancledra, a two-bill or mot-axe
MONEY PENNY	Small white Cowry (Cowry = sea snails)
MONG THE MIDDLENS	Middling well in health
MONOCORY	Affection
MONOCORY	Affectation
MOO	Rick
MOOD	Vegatable sap
MOO-EY	Mowhay or Farmyard
MOOLAN	Chaff found on floor after thrashing
MOOLE	To knead bread
MOOLY COW	Moily Cow; a homeless cow
MOOREISH	Good food – food yoyu particularly like

MOORS	Fine fibrous roots of plants, particularly weeds like chickweed.
MOORS	Marchy wasteland
MOORS/MOORY	Marshy wasteland. Poor damp low lying ground
MOORSICK	Sheep!
MOO-STADE	'Platform' under a corn rick for vermin protection
MOORSTONE	Granite. (I think Moorstone and Freestone are the same, i.e. ashlar that is lying fallow on open moorland.) Ed This stone was often used for the floors of downstairs rooms, replacing the previously sanded and dirt floors. Over this the housewife would scatter dry sand which 'took up' the dirt dropped from men's boots etc.
MOOTER	Vb To spread or 'tiller' viz barley plant
MOOTTY/MULTY	Moping
MOOTY / MUTTY	Moult. To mope
MOP	To blindfold
MOP AND HIDE AWAY ALSO MOP-AN-HEEDY	Hide and seek. Mop = the covering of the face
MOPPER	One of the players in 'rounders'
MOPPING	Signalling between boats
MOPPY-HEEDY (NEEDY)	Hide and seek
MOPS-AND-BROOMS	Disorder. Sixes-and-sevens.Muddled with drink. "I dunaw w'as a matter with me this marnin, I'm all mops and brooms." Confusion
MOPSE / MOPS	A bridle with blinkers
MOR/MUR	Guillimont
MORAL	Likeness or resemblance. "She's the very moral of her mother."
MORD/ MORT	Lard Pig grease
MORE(S) / MAUR	A root(s)
MORE-AND -MOLD	Root and branch "I caught 'old obm, an' 'ede c omed out more-and-mold."
MOREY	Extensive. Long- Lasting
MORGAN RATTLER	Very good of its kind
MORGAY/MORGY	Small spotted Dogfish that was preserved and made into 'Morgay Soup'. From Corn. Mor =sea & ki = dog.
MORGIE/MORGY/MURGY	Jellyfish Corn. <i>Morgowl</i>
MORION	Quartz crystals – Cornish diamonds!
MORRABS/MORRAPS	Low lying pasture and sheep runs near the sea.
MORRON/MURRAIN	Felin
MORROPS	Sheep runs near the sea
MORT	Plenty O.E.
MORT / MART	Lard
MORTY	To turn into fat; to settle; to become fat (pigs)
MOSSEL	Slice of bread and butter
MOSSEL / MORSEL	A small piece of anything, particularly food
MOT	Something very small
MOT / MOTT / MOTE	Stump of tree
MOTHER / MAUTHER	A fungus which forms in fluids such as vinger
MOTHER CAREY'S CHICKEN	Stormy Petrel

MOTHER MARGO/MOTHER MARGARET	Blue-bottle
MOTHER-MARGETS (MARGEYS)(MAGGOTY)	The bluebottle fly
MOUCHE	To play an illegal shot (marbles), usually by gaining distance by firing in front of where you taw landed.
MOULDER	To grow mould
MOULDERED	Mouldy or 'vinnid'
MOULE	To knead bread
MOUNTEBAG	Restless baby
MOUSEY PASTY	A pasty filled with mice, the alleged penalty for wetting the bed. Mathew, Mark, Luke and John had a pasrty five foot long. Bit it once; bit it twice. Lo and behold it was full of mice!!
MOUTH LIKE A SCAD	Scad is a horse mackerel – big and loud mouthed.
MOUTH SPEECH	Speech or voice. "He lost 'is mouth-speech."
MOVAR	The blackberry
MOW /MOO	A rick also a hand mow. A hand mow comprises sheafs from several shocks stacked in such a way as to keep the corn in good fettle when normal harvest is catchy. When 'Mow is used in connection with a stack of corn it rhymes with 'how' when used as in cutting grass it rhyme with 'so'.
MOWGUST/MAWGUST	Donkey
MOWHAY / MOWEY	Rickyard where corn & hay are stacked in ricks
MOYLE	Mule
MUCH	Same as many. 'There was much people over te the sale.' Corn. Mur tus.
MUCK	Pounded apples
MUCKLER	A very large boyyer? Also a Mucklin Hammer
MUGGARD	The mugwort (<i>Artemisia Vulgaris</i>) or Ragwort
MUGGETS	Entrails (Hence muggety pie below)
MUGGETY-PIE	A pie of sheepor calves entrails, parsley, cream, pepper and salt
MUGGLE	To spread the pooks of hay over the field after wet weather
MUGGY DALLY	Lazy person
MUGWORT	<i>Artemisia Vulgaris</i> Common along roadsides
MULLA	Untidy / Unkempt. "He's always mulla w'enever you see 'en."
MULE	To knead dough
MULGRANICK	Mulgronack Bulgran; the smooth blenny. Corn. <i>Morgronek (sea toad)</i> .
MULLER	Stone use for reducing stone to ore
MULLER	Bowler hat
MULLIGRUBS	The colic
MULLY	The European Bull-Head 'Tribulus terrestris', a fruit producing Mediteranian plant.
MULLY	<i>Cottus Gobio</i> , a freshwater fish
MULVAINAH/MORVANNAH	Monk fish
MUMCHANCE	By accident
MUMMING BOOTH	Ten in which strolling Players performed
MUMPER	A Tramp or Beggar. I tramp called at a local farmhouse and to emphasise his hunger he picked up a stale bit of horse droppings and heled it out to the lady of the house as

	she opened the door. “You an’t ate that my man, juss on don to the stable and ‘ave a warm one!” Probably end of conversation.
MUN	Must
MUN	Must. A mixture of fish remains & seaweed carted off and ‘clamped’ ‘till ready for use as manure. In St Ives the clamp field was next to the school, which had to be closed for the day when the clamp was opened, because of the stench!
MUNDIC	Applied to certain types of pyrites, although most are exceedingly beautiful, they are worthless commercially. When used in building it causes the structure to crumble. Properties often become unmortgable. Beware! Mundic cancer. Marcasite
MUNGE	To chew. Munch “She’ve bin mungin’ that bit a fat all meal time.”
MUNGER(N)	A straw horse-collar
MUR/MOR	Seafowls (Puffin) Also listed as Guillemont
MURED	Squeezed “There we was all mured into a tiny lift any wonder it brock down was ‘e?”
MURELY	Nearly; well nigh
MURFLIES / MURFLES	Freckles. Spots on the chin. M. Lat. Murphea
MURGY/MORGYE	Dog fish also Ill looking wench)
MURLEY	Almost (nearly) from the Cornish Mur.
MURPHY	A potato
MURRAIN	Morrion; Felon
MURRICK	A Sloven; a sniveller
MURYANS/MERYONS	Ants “There they were, millions o’ muryans crawlin’ everywhere.”
MUS / MUSN’	Must. Must not. “You musn’ do that tha’s nawty.”
MUSIC	Misty
MUSIC-MAN / MUSICIANER	Musician
MUSSICKY	Thick fog
MUT/MUTTY/MULTING	Cross, sullen
MUTT	Moat? Single straw
MUTTING	Sulk(ing) “Faather spoke te un a bit sharp, now e’s in a right mutt.”
MUTTON	Dressed up as lamb. Cutting remark about a women trying to disguise her age.
MUZZO	Muzzle for rough dog or bullock sucking cow
MY GAR, DARNY, HECK	Gosh. The dear late Johnny Rapson the coal Carrying Champion, had an awful stammer, and he was explaining a much earlier accomplishment. He said, “Ke, Ke, my gar boy, I, I, cycled from, from ‘ere up te, up te, Camburn, in, in no time a’tall, and, and, still ‘ad a few minutes te, te, spare!” My goodness or goodness me. “My gar, I’ve never ‘eard o’ such a thing yu ‘ave ee?”
MY GIT RICH	As in ‘My ‘ansome’ “’ow are ee? Tis luvly te see ee tha’s fer sure.”
MY IVERS/MY IVERINOS	Interjections of surprise
MYSELVE	Myself