

Vent, SEE *Anus*.

Ventral regions, the regions about the vent.

Versatile, capable of being turned either backward or forward.

Vexillum, the web or vein of a feather (each true feather has two of them).

Villose, covered with fine hairs, hairy.

W.

Wattles, of fowls, etc., — fleshy outgrowths.

Web, — of a feather — the closely connected feathery ends of each *vexillum* (vein or side) of a feather; *Web-footed*, when the toes are connected, more or less, by a web or lobe (membrane).

Y.

Young-of-the-Year, this expression is often used to signify "a young bird not a year old and moulting."—MAYNARD.

Z.

Zygodactyle, having two toes in front and two behind.