

annatto, antagonize, antechamber, antelope, antemetic, anterior, anthocyanin, anthrapurpurin, antiarin, antichrist, antihypnotic, antimonid, antipyrin, antitoxin, apanage, apiol, apocynin, apodictic, apologize, *apostasy, apostatize, aposteme, apostil, apothegm, apothem, *appall, appalment, appareled, appareling, apprize (to notify), appraise (to fix a price for), appui, *appurtenance, aquilin, arabin, *arbalest, arbitrament, arbor, arbutin, archduchess, archean, archeology, acheus, ardor, argol, armor, armory, arnicin, [harquebus], arsenate, arsenid, arshin, arsin, artizan, artocarpous, arval, *asafetida, asarin, asbestin, asbestos, asbolite, ascendancy, ascendant, aselepin, ashlar, askance, askant, askew, asparagin, aspidin, assize, assizer, astrean, atheneum, atropin, attar, attitudinize, attracter, auger, aught (sb.), aurin, author, authorize, autocracy, autoptic, avenin, avellan, aventurin, *averdepois, avoset, avowry, awkward, awn, *ax, *ay (ever), *aye (yes), azotize.

* NOTES.

Abetter.—Under *-er* N E D says: “Romanic *-our, -or* of agent-nouns have been in most places replaced by *-er* where the related verb exists in English.”

accessary.—The sb. is etymologically *accessary*, and the adj. *accessory*, compare emissary sb. and promissory adj., but as the adj. was first taken directly from the sb. it was naturally spelt *accessary*. Being afterward “rectified” by scholars to *accessory*, after Latin *accessorius*, it drew the noun after it.—N E D.

acetometer, see *-ometer* in N E D.

addable.—Under *addible* N E D says: “*addable* follows purely English and French analogies.” *addible* follows a hypothetic Latin *addibilis*.

agast.—Erroneously written *aghast*.—N E D.

albumen and *albumin* are not synonyms.

alinement.—The English form *alinement* is preferable to *alignment*, a bad spelling of French.—N E D.

aluminium.—The termination *-ium*, now preferred, harmonizes best with other names of elements, as sodium, potassium, magnesium, lithium, selenium, etc. Both *aluminium* and *aluminum* lived for some time.—N E D.

amarant(h), also the name of a township in Dufferin Co. The *h* is not justifiable etymologically. See N E D. Milton has *amarantin*.

ambergris.—The spelling variants are due to attempts to explain *-gris* as grease, Greece, etc.—N E D.

Ameer.—As a historical Saracen title commonly spelt *Emir*; the spelling *Amir*, *Ameer*, is used of Indian and Afghan rulers.—N E D.

amability and *amiability* are thus distinguished in N E D.

amiantus.—Spelling corrupted by confusion with *polyanthus*, etc. The correct form *amiantus* should be used.—N E D.

amygdalin, formerly *amygdaline*.—N E D.