PREFATORY NOTE.

This section of C contains 2738 Main words, 578 Subordinate words, 450 Special combinations explained under the Main words: total 3766. Of the 2738 Main words, 562 (20%) per cent.) are marked obsolete, and 210 (7½ per cent.) as alien or imperfectly naturalized.

The section contains the important articles CALL, CAN, CANON, CAP, CARD, CARRIAGE, CARRY, CART, CARVE, CASE, CASH; and among others, the interesting words cabal, cabinet, calibre, calm, caltrop, campaign, canal, candle, cane, cannell, cannibal, cannon, canoe, cant, canvass, carfax, carnival, carol, carpet, cassock. Ca- strikingly illustrates the composite character of the English vocabulary. Unlike B, it claims a small proportion of Old English or Teutonic words: it contains many from Latin (directly and through French) and from Greek. The words of Celtic origin are proportionally numerous, e.g. cairn, cairn, (?cambrel, (?cammock, cantref, capercailye, caple, car, carrageen, carrow, (?caschielawis, caschrom; and those directly or ultimately from Oriental and non-European languages are very numerous, including cabal, cacao, caique, (?calibre, calico, caliph, camel, camlet, camphor, candy, cane, cannibal, canoe, caoutchouc, capybara, carafe, carat, caravan, carboy, carmine, carob, carthamus, cash², cassava, cassia, cassimere, cassowary.

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