

A NEW
ENGLISH DICTIONARY
ON HISTORICAL PRINCIPLES.

FANGED — FEE.

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NOTE.

THIS Section contains 897 Main words, 179 Combinations explained under these, and 187 Subordinate words: total 1263. Of the main words 220 (24·5 per cent.) are marked as *obsolete*, and 27 (3 per cent.) as *alien*, or not fully naturalized.

The section is remarkable for the almost complete absence of terms of modern science or other words of recent formation, and for the unusually large proportion of words that have a long history, i. e. that have either come down from the Old English period, or were introduced from French not later than the 14th century. In many of these the development of senses, now for the first time fully exhibited, will be found of considerable interest. Among the articles to which attention may be directed on this ground are *fantastic*, *fantasy* (which should be compared with the article *fancy* in the last section), *farm*, *fascinate*, *fashion* and its derivatives, *fast* adj. and adv., *fastidious*, *fault*, *favour*, *fear* sb. and vb., *'feat*, *feature*.

Among the words the etymology of which has been more fully or correctly given than in former Dictionaries, may be mentioned *far* and *farther*, *farce*, *fathom*, *favel*, *favella*, and *fee*. In the case of the last it is shown that the word now surviving in various senses is of Romanic origin, the native word of similar sound being wholly obsolete.