mostly of a bitch, (IAar, TA,) signifies She lusted for the male: (Lth, Lh, IAar, S, M, O, K:) and the epithet applied to such an animal is أَصَارِفُ لا لا المعارِبُ (Lh, IAar, S, M, O, K.)

2. التَّصْرِيفُ [in its primary acceptation is like in the primary acceptation of the latter, but generally relates to several objects, or is used in an intensive sense]: see 1, first sentence: it signifies The turning of the winds (Lth, O, K, TA) from one state or condition, to another; (O, TA;) or from one direction, or course, or way, to another; (Lth, O, K, TA;) and so of the torrents, and of the horse, and of affairs, and of the verses of the Kur-án; (Lth, TA;) the making of the winds to vary, or differ; and so of the clouds; (M;) the changing of the winds to south and north [&c.] and hot and cold [&c.]; (Jel in ii. 159, and xlv. 4;) or the making of the winds to be south and north, and east and west, and to be of various sorts in their kinds: (TA:) or تُصْرِيفُ signifies [the varying, or diversifying, of the verses of the Kur-an, by repeating them in different forms; or] the making of the verses of the Kur-an distinct [in their meanings by repeating and varying them, as expl. by many of the expositors in the instances occurring in vi. 46 and 65 and 105, and xlvi. 26]. ((), K.) _ It signifies also The deriving one word from another [by modification of the form for the purpose of modifying the meaning; including what we term the declining of nouns (like الصُّرْف) and the conjugating of verbs]. (O, K.) [The science of علم in language is commonly termed التَّصْريف . In relation to property, or money, see 1, near the middle of the paragraph. __ And in relation to speech, see 1, near the middle of the paragraph. _ One says also, صرّف الشّيء, (M,) inf. n. as above, (TA,) meaning He employed the thing in other [i. e. more] than one way; as though he turned it from one way to another way. (M, TA.) _ And [hence,] , صَرَّفْتُهُ فِي الأُمْرِ (K,) or في أمرى, speaking of a man, (S, O,) i. q. [meaning I employed him to act in whatsoever way he pleased, according to his own judgment or discretion or free will, or I made him a free agent, in the disposal, or management, of the affair, or my affair: or + I made him, or employed him, to practise versatility, or to use art or artifice or cunning, in the affair, or in my affair; for the quasi-pass., تصرف, is said to be from الصَّرْف as signifying الصَّرْف, and is expl. as syn. with is but the former meaning is the more common: and it is also used as meaning simply I employed him in the managing of the affair, or my affair]. (K.) — [Hence also, صرّف الشّرَابُ الفَوْسُ He exercised the horse.] = الفَوْسُ : and مرّف الخَمْرُ see 1, latter half.

3: see 1, third sentence. — The inf. n. مُصَارِفَة signifies also + The dealing, or buying and selling, with any one بِصُرْف [app. meaning with art or artifice or cunning, or it may perhaps mean in the exchanging of money: see [صَيْرُف], (KL.) Bk. I. 4. إِنَّ الشَّرَابُ: see 1, latter half.

5. تصرّف [quasi-pass. of 2: thus,] said of a man's face, It turned about; or was, or became, turned about; syn. تقلّب. (Jel in ii. 139.) _ And It (a thing) was, or became, employed in other [i. c. more] than one way; as though it were turned from one way to another way. (M.) رفیی آُمْرِی (K,) or رتصرّف فی الأَمْرِ [Hence,] رقی آمْرِی (K,) or رقیقهٔ فیه (S,) quasi-pass. of رقیقهٔ فیه syn. with تقلّب [meaning He acted in whatsoever way he pleased, according to his own judgment or discretion or free will, or as a free agent, in the disposal, or management, of the affair, or my affair; or he was, or became, employed to do so]: (K:) or it is from الصَّرْفُ as signifying ; (S, M, TA;) i. e. it means t [he practised versatility, or] he used art or artifice or cunning, in the affair, or in my affair; syn. احتال. (TA [and in like manner Bd in xxv. 20: but the former meaning is the more common: see also 8].) [It is also used as meaning simply He employed himself, or was employed, in the managing of the affair, or my affair; because the management of affairs generally requires the practice of versatility, or the use of art or artifice or cunning.] - [Hence also, said of a horse, He was exercised.]

7. انْصِرَافْ, (Ṣ, M, O, Ķ,) inf. n. انْصِرَافْ, (O,) and مُنْصَرَفْ is also sometimes an inf. n. thereof as well as a n. of place, (S,) quasi-pass. of صَرَفَه , (S, M,) said of a thing, (M,) or of a man; (S;) as such signifying It [or he] turned, or went, away, or back, from its [or his] way, or course; or was, or became, turned, or sent, or put, away, or back, therefrom; or averted, or repelled, therefrom: (M:) [or shifted from one state, or condition, to another: (see 1, first sentence:)] or i. q. انْكُفّ ; so in the copies of the K; but [this is an inadequate explanation;] the right [or better] explanation is انْكُفا [i. e. he, or it, reverted, or returned; or was, or became, turned away or back]; agreeably with what is said in the O. (TA.) تُمُّ ٱنْصَرَفُوا in the Kur [ix. 128] means Then they return, or go back, from the place in which they have listened: or then they turn away from doing aught of that which they have heard. (M.) _ [Accord. to Golius, it signifies also It ran in a small stream; or the like; for he explains it as meaning "manavit:" but for this he names no authority. Said of a noun, it means It was inflected, or declined, with tenmeen.]

8. اصطرف † He sought, sought after, or sought to gain, sustenance or the like, (M, TA,) and used art or artifice or cunning [in so doing]; (M;) for his family, or household; (M, TA;) as also أصرف (as though of, aor.; you say, مَرْفُ (M;) or he used art or artifice or cunning (صَرفَ نَفْسُهُ لِأُهْله seeking of gain: (O, K, TA:) or [meaning thus] you say, اصطرف في طلب الكسب (S.) = It is also trans.: you say, اصطرف وجبه الحراف الدراهم see 1, first quarter. — And اصطرف الدراهم He procured the dirhems in exchange for [other] dirhems or for deenars. (Mgh.)

10. اسْتَصْرُفْتُ ٱللهُ الْمَكَارِهُ (Ṣ, O, K) I begged God to avert from me the things, or events, that are objects of dislike or hatred. (O, K.)

[as an inf. n. : see 1]. _ Used as a subst., The evil accidents, mishaps, or calamities, of time, or fortune; [thus expl. as having a pl. signification ;] صَرْفُ الدَّهْر meaning مَرْفُ الدَّهْر (Ş, M, O, K,) and نَوَائبُهُ (S, O, K,) or حَوَادتُهُ (Msh;) because it [i. c. time, or fortune,] turns things from their way, or course: (M:) [but it seems to be more properly rendered the shifting of fortune, or its shifting about; and to be an inf. n. sometimes used as a simple subst., and therefore having a pl., for] its pl. is صُرُوفٌ. (M, Msb.) In the phrase الله صَرْفُ نَوَاهَا, in a verse of Sakhr-el-Ghei, [ISd says,] he has made it fem. because of its dependance upon [which is fem.; as though the meaning were The afflictions that are the consequence of the course taken by her in her journey have exceeded the bounds of moderation]: (M:) [or it is here made fem. because having the signification of a broken pl., which is fem. :] or the meaning is, قَدْ بَعْدَتْ أَخُذُتْ فِيهِ [i. c. the shifting-about of her course that she has tuhen has become fur-extending; ضرف being thus used as an inf. n.; for the Arabs sometimes make the inf. n. fem., saying أُوْجَعَنى ضَرْبُكَ as well as أُوْجَعَنى ضَرْبُكَ (see EM p. 157;) and this I think the most preferable explanation]. (Skr in his Expos. of the Poems of the Hudhalees, p. 14 of the vol. edited by Kosegarten.) _ Also Repentance. (S, M, O, Msh, K.) [See a phrase below, in which this and other meanings are assigned to it.] -And † Art, artifice, or cunning. (Yoo, S, M, O, K, TA.) Hence, in the Kur [xxv. 20], And they are not able ! يَسْتَطِيعُونَ صَرْفًا وَلَا نَصْرًا to put in practice art or artifice or cunning, nor aid]: (S, TA:) or this means and they are not able to avert, or repel, from themselves punishment, (O, K, TA,) nor to aid themselves. (O, TA.) _ And Excellence, or superiority, of a dirhem, (S, M, Mgh, O, Msb, K,) and of a deenar, (M,) over another, (S, M, &c.,) in goodness, (S, Mgh, Msh,) or in value; (M, Mgh, O, K;) as in the saying, بَيْنَ الدِّرْهُمَيْنِ صَرْفُ [Between the two dirhems is a difference of excellence], because of the [superior] goodness of the silver of one of them: (S:) and in like manner, of speech; (O, K;) as in the saying فَكَرْنُ لاَ يَعْرِفُ صَرْفَ الكَلَامِ Such a one knows not the excellence of speech over other speech: (O:) and [in like manner] one says, There is, or pertains, to this, فَذَا عَلَى هٰذَا صَرْف an excess, and an excellence, over this; for when one is judged to excel, it, or he, is turned aside from its, or his, likes, or fellows. (O, K.*)___ And The night; and the day: (K:) [because of their interchanging : الصُّرْفَان significs the night and the day; (Ṣ, O, Ķ;) as also الصَّرْفَان (Ķ;) the latter accord, to Ibn-'Abbad; (O;) like , with kesr also [as well as with fet-h]. (TA.) _ In the saying (S, M, O, Msb) of the Arabs, (M,) or of the Prophet, (O, Msb,) in a رَ يَقْبَلُ مِنْهُ صَرْفُ وَلَا عَدْلُ (K,) وَيَقْبَلُ مِنْهُ صَرْفُ وَلَا عَدْلُ (Z12