A

1. **A number 1**: topnotch, the best. From Lloyd's of London's ship classification of the 1800's.
2. **absquatulate**: to take leave, to disappear
3. **aim**: intend
4. **acknowledge the corn**: to admit the truth, to confess a lie, or acknowledge an obvious personal shortcoming
5. **almighty**: huge
6. **air-up**: admit, confess
7. **algerine**: pirate
8. **all creation**: All nature, all wrath: everything or everybody
9. **all in three years**: something goes awry
10. **allow**: to concede, grant, suppose, figure, and expect.
11. **anti-fragmatic**: raw rum or whiskey
12. **Anglo**: white person
13. **Arkansas Toothpick**: a long, sharp knife
14. **Arkansawyer, Arkansan, Arkie**: a resident or native of Arkansas.
15. **argie**: argue
16. **arroyo**: a small valley or gulch, usually with a flat bottom, which is usually dry but liable to experience flash floods during the rains.
17. **artillery**: camp kettles, stoves, posts, tubs, iron foundries.
18. **ask no odds**: ask no favor.

B

20. **bad egg**: bad person, good for nothing
21. **bait**: a quantity of food. Example: "We ate ourselves a bait of collards."
22. **baited for widow**: attractively or well-dressed. Used to refer to men, especially men past the usual marrying age, especially if they are dressed for purposes of finding and courting women.
23. **balderdash**: nonsense
24. **Bam, Bamma, Bammy**: Alabama
25. **bark juice**: liquor
26. **barouche**: An open, fair-weather, four-wheeled vehicle having only small folding hood to protect half of its four passengers in the event of rain.
27. **barrel shirt**: barrel worn by thieves for punishment.
28. **beat the Dutch**: if that don't beat all
29. **beehive**: knapsack.
30. **been through the mill**: done a lot, wore out
31. **bellyache**: complain
32. **big blow**: hurricane
33. **big bugs**: big wigs, important people
34. **biggo**: big and old.
35. **Billy Yank**: designation for any Federal Soldier, especially one, whose name is not known. It was a common name given to privates.
36. **bite the bullet**: to stand firm under attack; stick to one's guns.
37. **bivouac**: the Civil War term defined by the U.S. Army in 1861: "When an army passes the night without shelter, except such as can be hastily made of plants, branches, etc., it is said to be in bivouac."
38. **Black Flag**: no quarter.
39. **blackleg**: A gambler or a swindler.
40. **blow on him**: Tell on him
41. **blowhard**: Braggart
42. **Bluebellies**: Union Soldiers
43. **blue Mass**: Men on sick call; named after blue pill.
44. **bluff**: trick or deceive, cheater.
45. **body**: Person, man or woman
46. **bogus**: false, counterfeit; a stamp or mill for counterfeiting coins.
47. **bombproofs**: A shelter from artillery attack; those not exposed to danger. Also a term for provost guards/commissaries due to soft life.
48. **booze**: Harsh, cheap whisky.
49. **boresome**: Boring.
50. **boss dog**: The head person or person in charge as in "top dog"
51. **botherment**: Something disturbing or distracting.
52. **bottomland**: Low-lying patch of land near a water source
53. **Bragg's body guard**: Body lice.
54. **brass hat**: a high military or naval officer. The reference is not to the braid (scrambled eggs) worn on the hat, but to the cocked hats worn by Napoleon and his officers. When going indoors they carried chapeaux a bras: hats under the arm. Bras was Anglicized to brass
55. **bread bag**: haversack
56. **Bread Basket**: stomach
57. **brevet**: temporary rank assigned, usually to an officer.
58. **brevet eagle**: turkey
59. **brevet horse**: mule
60. **brung**: Brought
61. **bub**: a fellow or guy.
62. **bub and sis**: Nickname for brother and sister, especially given to children
63. **buck and ball**: A close range musket load having 3 large buckshot bound on top of a .69 caliber, smooth bore musket ball, encased in paper. It was most often found in Confederate hands and was not commonly used during the war simply because it was highly inaccurate at a distance.
64. **buck and gag**: A form of corporal punishment used during the Civil War era. The soldier set on the ground, and had his hands and feet bound. His knees were drawn up between his arms and a rod inserted under the knees and over the arms. A stick was placed in his mouth sideways. The offending
soldier was normally placed in full view of the command and had to endure this punishment for
hours. It was normally reserve for shirkers, stragglers and drunkards.

65. buckskin: A Virginian Bug juice: Whiskey
66. bughill: A rural or rustic place; an insignificant town. Same as bugtown.
67. bugtown: a rural or rustic place; an insignificant town. Same as bughill.
68. bull pit: Confederate term for an under-arrest confinement area.
69. bully: exclamation meaning, 'terrific!' or 'hurrah!'
70. bully for you: good for you
71. bumblebee: sound of flying mini-balls.
72. bummer: malingerer, someone who deliberately lags behind to forage or steal on his own shrift
73. Bummer's Cap: regulation army cap with a high/deep crown, so-called because it could be filled
with gathered foodstuffs
74. bust head: cheap whiskey
75. buttermilk cavalry: term infantry had for cavalry.
76. butternut: many soldiers of the Confederacy wore uniforms colored a yellowish-brown by dye
made of copperas and walnut hulls. The term later became a synonym for the soldier.
77. buzzard: an elderly male, usually single, who is regarded as less than desirable.

C

78. call: reason
79. camp canard: tall tale circulating around camp as gossip
80. camp itch: an itch caused by remaining in a military camp for a long period without proper washing.
81. carriage trade: rich, upper class
82. carryings-on: frolicking, partying, etc.
83. carte de visite: photograph on a small card.
84. cashier: to dismiss from the army dishonorably
85. cattycorner or cater-corner: diagonally across a square. From the British slang (cater) for throwing
a four on a die, the four dots forming a square.
86. cattywampus: cater-cornered or diagonal
87. charley horse: a muscle cramp, especially in the leg.
88. cher: dear one
89. cher bebe: dear baby
90. chicken bosom: chicken breast, you never say "breast" in mixed
company.
91. chicken guts: officer's gold braiding on his cuff.
92. chief cook and bottle washer: person in charge, or someone who
can do anything
93. chirk: cheerful (also means chirp or chirpy)
94. chum: intimate companion or cronyn.
95. chur: chair
96. codfish aristocracy: a contemptuous term for people who have made money in business
97. come a cropper: serious setback or ruination.
98. Company Q: fictitious unit designation for the sick list
99. comrade: Fellow soldier
100. conniption Fit: hysteric, temper tantrum
101. contraband: escaped slaves who sought refuge behind Union lines
102. Copperhead: Northern person with Southern, anti-Union sympathies
103. **corduroy road**: an early primitive road comprised of logs and saplings laid side by side, a source of numerous leg injuries to horses.
104. **Corncracker**: nickname for Southerners, especially those from Kentucky, a backwoodsman, a poor white Southern farmer.
105. **Cracker**: a member of the cracker ethnic groups found in Georgia and Florida.
106. **cracker line**: supply line for troops on the move
107. **cracker pole**: a Florida Cracker term for a cane fishing pole, usually a bamboo one.
108. **Cracker State**: the state of Georgia.
109. **croaker sack**: burlap sack, a gunnysack.
110. **creep**: soldier's frying pan used early in the war.
111. **curry favor**: to offer fawning service in the hope of ingratiating oneself.

**D**

112. **dashboard**: a board of leather screen located at the front of a carriage to prevent mud from splashing back from the horse's hooves onto the passengers.
113. **Davis Boot**: named for Jefferson Davis when he was Secretary of War under President Franklin Pierce, this soldier's foot apparel was worn by both North and South. Said to fit most men with a few standard sizes.
114. **dead as a wagon tire**: expired
115. **deadbeat**: useless person, malingerer
116. **deadhead**: a nonpaying customer
117. **desecrated vegetables**: Union term for dehydrated (desiccated) vegetables formed into yellowish squares
118. **devil is beating his wife**: saying that is used when the sun is shining, yet it is raining.
119. **Devil Fish**: term for fish-shaped Confederate torpedo.
120. **dog collar**: cravat issued with uniforms, usually discarded
121. **dog robber**: soldier detailed from the ranks to act as cook
122. **Done**: Used to emphasize the occurrence of something in the past.
123. **Doughface**: Northerners who favor slavery
124. **Dragoon**: applied to cavalry as they were, with the addition of firearms, doubly able to "set upon their foes" with great force.
125. **draughts**: checkers
126. **draw your furrow straighter**: tell the truth
127. **druthers**: preferences.
128. **duds**: clothing.

**E**

129. **egg on**: to urge someone to do something
130. **elephant**: battle, seeing the elephant is witnessing a battle
131. **embalmed beef**: government issued canned beef.
132. **essence of coffee**: form of instant coffee, found in paste form.

**F**

133. **Fairy Fleet**: Boats carrying trade between sides at Fredricksburg.
134. **Fair piece**: A daunting, sizeable, considerable, or long distance.
135. **Fanning**: Euphemism for whipping the horses
136. **Feeling mighty poorly**: Sick
137. **F'ers**: Fellows, companions
138. **Fighting under the black flag**: Killing lice.
139. **Figure**: To suppose, consider, or plan on something.
140. **Finagle**: To manage by trickery or sharp practice; often applied to a card-sharp.
141. **Fit**: Fight
142. **Fit as a fiddle**: in good shape
143. **Fit to be tied**: angry
144. **Fitten**: Appropriate
145. **Fixen**: Intending
146. **Fixins**: The usual accompaniments; normally, though not necessarily, referring to meals. For example, "turkey and all the fixins" would refer to turkey with potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce, corn, pumpkin pie, and so on. Generally used in a complimentary way.
147. **Flicker**: Coward, as a verb "to retreat"
148. **Flim-flam**: Something that is untrue, false, or not to be believed, someone that is dishonest, tricky, or deceptive, though usually not cruel or dangerous
149. **Flux**: Diarrhea
150. **Forage**: to hunt for food, live off the land; also came to mean plundering enemy property for sustenance
151. **Forty Dead Men**: a full cartridge box, which usually held forty rounds
152. **French Leave**: to go absent without leave (AWOL)
153. **Fresh Fish**: new recruits
154. **Full chisel**: At full speed

155. **Gallinippers**: Confederate term for insects, mosquitoes
156. **Galoot**: a guy, a workingman, an able-bodied lout.
157. **Get your dander up**: angry, irritated
158. **Georgia thumper**: Name for a large, yellow, non-flying grasshopper. Better known as the eastern lubber grasshopper
159. **Gig**: To spear or stab.
160. **Ginned Cotton**: Flower bread.
161. **Giving the vermin a parole**: Throwing away clothing infected with lice.
162. **Go Boil Your Shirt**: take a hike, get lost, bug off
163. **Goober/Goober Pea**: peanut.
164. **Goober digger**: A backwoodsman
165. **Goober grabber**: A Georgian
166. **Goobers**: Georgian troops
167. **Grab a Root**: eat a meal, especially a potato
168. **Grapevine**: Telegraph wire
169. **Gravel**: scurvy
170. **Graybacks**: Southern Soldiers or lice
171. **Gravel**: Condition caused by lack of green vegetables. (also Night Blindness)
172. **Great Scott!**: exclamation of surprise.
173. **Greenbacks**: money
174. **Grey Backs**: lice, also derogatory term for Confederate soldiers
175. **Grit**: courage, toughness

**H**

176. **Hackney**: A cab; a vehicle for hire
177. **Hankering**: A desire, wish, or craving to do, have, or experience something.
178. **Hard Case**: Tough guy
179. **Hard Knocks**: Beaten up, tough breaks
180. **Hardtack**: unleavened bread in the form of ¼ inch thick crackers issued by the army
181. **Haversack**: canvas bag about one foot square, which was slung over the shoulder and used to carry a soldier's rations when on the march
182. **Hayfoot, Strawfoot**: Command used to teach raw recruits difference between left and right (respectively).
183. **Heap**: A quantity of something, especially a large quantity.
184. **Hear tell**: Variant of "hear it told."
185. **High-falutin**: highbrow, fancy
186. **High jinks**: festivity, fun and frolic.
187. **Hobnob with**: to be on intimate terms with.
188. **Hoity-toity**: snobbish, high-falutin.
189. **Holler**: Valley
190. **Hominy**: Puffed, hull-less corn.
191. **Hoofing it**: Marching
192. **Hook or crook**: by any means available, by fair means or foul.
194. **Hoppytoad**: A toad.
195. **Horse Collar**: Blanket roll
196. **Horse Sense**: common sense, good judgment
197. **Hornets**: Bullets
198. **Hornswoggle**: to be cheated, outdone, or made a fool of.
199. **Hospital Rat**: someone who fakes illness to get out of duty
200. **Hot Shot**: Solid iron shot, heated in a furnace and fired at wooden vessels of war. Shot furnaces were found aboard ships and at coastal fortifications. The projectile would embed itself in the ship, smolder and then set the vessel on fire.
201. **Housewife**: sewing kit
202. **Huffed or huffy**: Angry; irritated; offended
203. **Humbug**: nonsense, a sham, a hoax
204. **Humbugged**: Out smarted
205. **Hunkey Dorey**: Great!

**I**

206. **If that don't beat all!**: An expression of amazement or wonder meaning.
207. **I heard it through the grapevine**: Hear the message through the telegraph wires
208. **Ignoramus**: an ignorant or stupid person.
209. **Iron Clad Possum**: Confederate term for An armadillo dinner.
210. **Inexpressibles**: Pants or trousers that is pronounced in mixed company.

211. **Is all**: "That's all," often used at the end of a sentence to minimize, excuse, or downplay what was done.

212. **I.W.**: Abbreviation for ‘In for the War’.

**J**

213. **Jackanapes**: a scoundrel or impertinent rogue.

214. **Jailbird**: Criminal


216. **Jeff Davis' Pets**: Rebel western troops' term for the Army of Northern Virginia.

217. **Jenny Lind**: An early, four-wheeled buggy with a fixed roof and curtains for privacy.

218. **Jimminy/by Jiminy**: a mild exclamation.

219. **Jingo/byJingo!**: a mild expletive.

220. **Jist**: Just

221. **John Barleycorn**: beer

- 222. **Johnycake**: a corn meal cake, originally baked on hot stone.
- 223. **Johnny-come-lately**: an upstart.
- 224. **Johnny Reb**: Designation for any Confederate soldiers, especially one whose name is not know, especially privates.
- 225. **Jonah**: Bad luck
- 226. **Jot 'em down**: "Write them down."
- 227. **Joy juice**: Liquor

**K**

228. **Kangaroo court**: a mock court, or being tried on trivial or fanciful charges.

229. **Keep your britches on!**: Do not be so impatient!

230. **Kibosh/put the kibosh on**: put an end to or squelch.

231. **Kid**: A child pickpocket

232. **Kid glove boys**: Poor unprofessional soldiers

233. **Kin to**: Related to

234. **Kit and caboodle**: all of it, the whole thing.

235. **Knight of the Ribbons**: Nickname for a stage driver

236. **Knock into a Cocked Hat**: to knock someone senseless or thoroughly shock him

237. **Knuck**: A thief

**L**

238. **Land sakes**: A polite way of saying Lord sakes

239. **Larking**: To take a person a larking or to go a larking is to play a kind of prank on someone that is similar to snipe hunting.

240. **Larrapin'**: Very good tasting applied to something really yummy.

241. **Lasses**: Molasses

242. **Lazy man's load**: A very large load carried in order to minimize the number of trips one must make.
243. **Lead pills**: Bullets
244. **Let 'er Rip**: let it happen, bring it on; go ahead and start
245. **Let Drive**: go ahead, do it
246. **Lickety split**: Very quickly, without delay
247. **Light Out**: leave in haste
248. **Likely**: serviceable, able-bodied
249. **Limb**: A polite way to say "leg"
250. **Lincolnites**: Lincoln supporters
251. **Little Coot**: Confederate
252. **Livermush**: A food similar to scrapple; found in parts of western North Carolina. Made from liver and other "left over parts" mixed with corn meal. Served fried with eggs and grits or in a sandwich or biscuit.
253. **Loaded for bear**: Can mean heavily armed, highly prepared, ready to burst into a fit of rage.
254. **Locofoco**: the first friction matches introduced in England and America around 1810, possibly meaning "crazy fire." From 1835-1900 the term referred to a member of the Democratic party.
255. **Long Sweetening**: Molasses
256. **Looky**: Term used to urge a companion to look
257. **Lucifer**: Match
258. **Lulu/ain't he, she, it a lula**: ain't that something!

**M**

259. **Macadam**: A gravel-paved road
260. **Mannerable**: Polite
261. **Manure Spreaders**: Cavalry
262. **Mare's nest**: a mess or hopeless situation.
263. **Maverick**: originally an unbranded range animal.
264. **Mealy-mouthed**: one who is not straightforward or is hypocritical.
265. **Mess**: A large quantity.
266. **Might**: A quantity of something.
267. **Mighty**: Used as an intensifier like "very."
268. **Mollygrubbing**: To rest, lay about, recline, relax, and dawdle.
269. **Mon**: Money
270. **Mooch**: to wheedle or get without paying.
271. **Mooey**: to amble about.
272. **Mosey**: To walk in a casual, leisurely, or sauntering manner.
273. **Much obliged**: Used to indicate a condition of indebtedness or to express thanks.
274. **Muckety-muck/muck-a-muck/high muckety muck/etc.**: mock title of dignity for a pompous person.
275. **Mudsill**: Yankee
276. **Muggins**: a scoundrel
277. **Mule**: Meat rations
278. **Mustered Out** – wry term meaning killed in action

**N**

279. **Nary**: Never
280. **Nearabout**: Almost
281. **Nigh**: Near
282. **Night blindness**: Scurvy
283. **No 'count**: "Of no account," i.e., shoddy, run-down, worthless.
284. **Nokum Stiff**: Liquor
285. **Not born in the woods to be scared by an owl**: Refers to one who is experienced and therefore unafraid.
286. **Not by a jugful**: Not at all.
287. **Notions**: A wide range of miscellaneous articles for sale.
288. **Nullification**: Early proclamation by Southern States to declare null and void Federal laws within state boundaries
289. **Nuss**: To hold or cuddle a child
290. **Nuts for us boys**: Easy for us

**O**

291. **O.K.**: a generalized expression of affirmation, approval, assent.
292. **Old Man River**: The Mississippi River.
293. **Old Red Eye**: Liquor
294. **On His Own Hook**: on one's own shrift, without orders
295. **Opening the Ball**: starting the battle
296. **Opine**: be of the opinion
297. **Ornery**: Base, cantankerous, coarse, common, cranky, irritable, mean, and stubborn.
298. **Out of kilter**: Out of alignment, misadjusted, disorganized, broken

**P**

299. **Paleface**: New recruits, fresh fish.
300. **Pard**: Best buddy
301. **Parlor Soldiers**: Poor soldiers
302. **Parole**: Prisoners take an oath not to fight anymore and were released.
303. **Partisan Rangers**: Civilian military units.
304. **Patent Bureau**: Knapsack.
305. **Peacock About**: strut around
306. **Peaked**: pronounced peak-ed; weak or sickly
307. **Peas on a trencher**: Breakfast call.
308. **Pepperbox**: Pistol
309. **Picket**: Sentries posted around a camp or bivouac to guard approaches
310. **Piddlin'**: Small or inferior
311. **Pie eater**: Man from rural area.
312. **Pig sticker**: Bayonet
313. **Piney woods rooter**: Wild pig
314. **Play Old Soldier**: pretend sickness to avoid combat
315. **Played Out**: worn out, exhausted
316. **Play off**: Shirk duty
317. **Playing possum**: Pretending to be asleep, dead or laying low
318. **Plug-ugly**: A Baltimore rowdy; any rowdy or ruffian.
319. **Plunder**: personal belongings; baggage.
320. **Podunk**: A way of disparagingly referring to small, isolated, or insignificant.
321. **Poke**: Bag
322. **Pone, cornpone**: Cornbread
323. **Pop a cap**: Shoot a gun
324. **Pop Skull**: Cheap whiskey
325. **Porch baby**: A child too small to be allowed to run free; one that must not be allowed to go beyond the porch.
326. **Possum**: A buddy or pal
327. **Privateers**: Letters of marque are given to privately owned ships, which are authorization to attack enemy vessels on the high seas.
328. **Pumpkin Rinds**: gold lieutenant's bars
329. **Puny feelin'**: Sick
330. **Puny list**: Sick call
331. **Putting on style**: Putting on airs.

Q

332. **Quartermaster Hunter**: shot or shell that goes long over the lines and into the rear.
333. **Quick-step**: Diarrhea

R

334. **Rat**: A new cadet
335. **Reckon**: To guess or think
336. **Red Eye**: liquor
337. **Red tape**: the finicky and often exasperating procedures of bureaucrats in handling papers.
338. **Ride out on a rail**: To be forced to leave town
339. **Rigmarole**: long-winded gobbledygook.
340. **Right smart**: Great in quality, quantity, or number. 
341. **Rio**: Coffee.
342. **Road agent**: A criminal who robbed
343. **Roast Beef**: Noon Meal
344. **Robber's Row**: the place where sutlers set up to do business
345. **Rocks**: Money
346. **Row**: a fight

S

347. **Sacred soil**: Virginia, knee deep in the sacred soil is what Virginia is when it rains
348. **Salt Horse**: salted meat
349. **Sam Hill**: Euphemism for the devil (What in the Sam Hill...?)
350. **Sardine Box**: Cap box
351. **Sashay around**: Frolic
352. **Sawbones**: surgeon
353. **Scalawags**: A person who betrays important values or who has caved in under pressure to do the wrong thing. Southern Unionist
354. **Scarce as Hen's Teeth**: exceedingly rare or hard to find
355. **Secesh**: derogatory term for Confederates and Southerners: secessionists
356. **See The Elephant**: experience combat or other worldly events
357. **Shakes**: malaria
358. **Sham Fight**: Mock Battle.
359. **Shanks Mare**: on foot
360. **Sheet Iron Crackers**: hard tack
361. **Shirker**: A soldier who does not do his work or duty, lazy, coward
362. **Shoddy**: trashy, worthless. The term was applied to that well known inferior cloth used by unscrupulous suppliers during the American Civil War
363. **Shooting iron**: A gun
364. **Short-handle dog**: A bob-tailed dog.
365. **Shortsweetin'**: Sugar
366. **Shot in the neck**: Drunk
367. **Shuck**: To remove the edible parts of something, such as shellfish or ears of corn, by stripping away or stripping them away from the inedible part.
368. **Sinkers**: Biscuits
369. **Sing Out**: call out, yell
370. **Skedaddle**: run away, escape
371. **Skillygalee**: Hardtack soaked in water then fried in pork grease
372. **Skinner**: Primarily one who made a living skinning buffaloes but also meant a mule-driver.
373. **Skirmishin'**: Picking lice out of clothing
374. **Slap your pappy**: To pat your stomach.
375. **Slouch Hat**: a wide-brimmed felt hat
376. **Smart aleck**: a wise guy (who sometimes out-smarts himself), a practical joker.
377. **Smile**: A drink; to take a drink.
378. **Smoked Yanks**: Confederate term for Union soldiers cooking over a fire.
379. **Snug as a Bug**: very comfortable
380. **SNY**: Supposed to mean "State of New York" since it was on many buckles of New York troops but more than one rebel wit said it really meant "Snot Nosed Yankee".
381. **Soaplock**: A rowdy. Named after a hairstyle worn by a rowdy: cut short behind and long in front and parted to fall below the ears on the side.
382. **Sockdologer**: A powerful punch or blow.
383. **Somebody's Darling**: comment when observing a dead soldier
384. **Southron**: A Southerner, from the way "Southern" is sometimes pronounced
385. **Sound on the goose**: Well-off; wealthy.
386. **Sour-milk**: Buttermilk
387. **Sour on**: To get sick of someone or something; to give up something out of disgust.
388. **Sparking**: courting a girl
389. **Spell**: For a time.
390. **Spondulix**: Money
391. **Stage**: The section of road between relays of animals, usually from ten to twelve miles
392. **Star route**: A mail route contracted to an individual or firm by the government
393. **Station**: Home of a stationmaster, stage driver or other employee
394. **Stragglers**: Soldiers who fall behind in a march, late-comers
395. **String**: A mount.
396. **Study on it**: Think about it
Stump liquor: Corn liquor
Sunday Soldier. Poor or non-professional soldiers
Sutlers: Businessmen, appointed by the service to be camp vendors.
Swamp cabbage: The heart of the sable palmetto and is cooked like cabbage and seasoned with pork.
Swimmy-headed: Disoriented, dizzy, confused.

Take an Image: have a photograph taken
Tar Water: Liquor
Tarnation: Used to indicate surprise, shock, displeasure, or censure. origin: Euphemism for "Damnation" (i.e., Hell). Example: "What in tarnation did you kids think you were doing?"
Teeth Dullers: Another name for hardtack.
Tennessee or Virginia Quick Step: diarrhea
That dog won't hunt: That proposition (or argument) won't work.
Tight: drunk
To be mustered out: To be killed in action.
To have brick in one's hat: To be drunk
Toad stabber: Sword or bayonet
Toad-strangler: A very heavy rains; i.e., a rain so heavy that it could cause toads to drown, an amazing or intense thing.
Toady: one who will do anything to ingratiate himself, a sycophant.
To the Mark: do as told, follow orders
Tom and Jerry: a hot grog of whiskey, milk or sugar water, and beaten eggs seasoned with nutmeg.
Top Rail: first class, top quality
Tore up: Broken, damaged, non-functional.
Tote: To carry
Tote the mail: To run away quickly.
Tother: The other
Traps: Gear, equipment, belongings
Tree frogs: US Sharpshooters
Tuckered Out: exhausted
Tump: To knock something over.

Unmentionables: Underwear
Unreconstructed: Unrepentant Confederate who will not accept defeat.
Up side the head: Strike on the side of the head.
Uppity: arrogant
Used to could: Used to be able to

Veal: Raw recruits
431. Vidette: a sentry same as Picket but usually on horseback
432. Virginia fence: A staggering drunk was said to make this zig-zagging motion when he walked.
   Also it meant anyone or anything that meanders.
433. Vittles: Food

W

434. Wake snakes: To raise a ruckus
435. Wag: Joker
436. Wallpapered: drunk
437. Web Feet: Term cavalry had for infantry.
438. What the dickens: mild exclamation "what the devil."
439. Whip one's weight in wild cats: To defeat a powerful opponent
440. Whipped: beaten
441. Whitewash: To gloss over or hide one's faults or shortcomings
442. Widder: Widow
443. Worm castles: Hardtack
444. Worth a Goober: Something that amounts to a lot.
445. Wrathy – angry

X

Y

446. Yahoo: A boorish, brutish, uncouth, uncultured person or, more generally, any person referred to
   in a disparaging manner
447. Yaller Dog: A cowardly person, a staff officer or courier in the Confederate army.
448. Yamacraw: A person of "poor character" or "of no good."
449. Yankeedom: A disparaging term for the North.
450. Yankee Brains: Horse manure
451. Yankee notions: Things made in New England made widely known by traveling Yankee
   peddlers
452. Yonder: There
453. Young'un: "Young one;" i.e., a child or young adult. Example: "Them young'uns are wild!"
454. Your druthers is my ruthers: "Your preferences are mine," "We agree," "Your wish is my
   command"

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455. Zu Zu: Zouaves, soldiers whose units wore colorful uniforms in a flamboyant French style with baggy
   trousers, known for bravery and valor

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