

# Definitions starting with T

## **tabby, tabby lime**

[cf. Gul. tabi haus a house made of cement and oyster shells with which pieces of brick are frequently mixed; African cognates (Wolof tabax the wall of a house made of sand, lime, mud etc.; suggest southward borrowing eventually reaching Gul. and Bah.)]

n. Often attributive. mortar; cement: 1963 The houses on Crooked Island were all of what the natives call "tabby lime" (Cottman 87). You see that big old church, tabby church up on the hill? (Acklins). Them days we cook with wood and make like a fire-hearth, a tabby hearth, and then you put iron so (San Sal.). <Gen.>

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