

Buzz-gloak (old), a pickpocket.

He who surreptitiously accumulates bustle is, in fact, nothing better than a *buzz-gloak*.—*Lord Lytton: Paul Clifford*.

By-chop (old), an illegitimate child.

By George! a vulgar ejaculation.

By golly! a mild oath.

By gum! (American), a mild oath.

One night she was gone, *by gum!*
But as soon as ever I missed her,
From the king, for a glass of rum,
I bought her younger sister.

—*The Ballad of William Duff*.

By Jingo! (common), an exclamation denoting surprise, indignation, defiance. See JINGO.

By the wind (nautical), hard up, in pecuniary need.



CAB (common), a brother. The term arises from the fact that four-wheeled cabs are sometimes used for certain purposes.

The French argot describes a four-wheeled cab as *bordel ambulant*.

(University), explained by quotation.

Those who can't afford a coach, get a *cab*, alias a crib, alias a translation.—*C. Bede: Verdant Green*.

(Tinker), a cabbage.

Cabbage (tailors and dressmakers).

This is given as a cant word for private theft by dictionaries of the beginning of the nineteenth century, but it is used now in a slangy sense only in reference to the purloining by tailors of pieces of cloth.

Did any one ever yet hear of a working tailor who was proof against misappropriation of his neighbour's goods, or, as he play-

fully designates it, *cabbage*? Is it not a standard joke in the trade this *cabbage*? Did one ever hear of a tailor being shunned by his fellow-workmen, or avoided by his neighbours, on account of his predilection for *cabbage*? Yet what is it but another word for "theft"?—*J. Greenwood: Seven Curses of London*.

Formerly *carbage*.

Lupez for the outside of his suite has paid;
But, for his heart, he cannot have it made;
The reason is, his credit cannot get
The inward *carbage* for his cloathes as yet.

—*Herrick: Hesperides*.

Wright gives the following definition of *cabbage* used as a verb, "to purloin or embezzle, as pieces of cloth, after cutting out a garment; properly and originally to cut off the heads of cabbages, and occasionally also such as are not our own but belong to others." This derivation is borne out by the old French *cabuser*, to deceive, cheat,