

Caz (thieves), cheese. See CASS.
An easy dupe. As good as *caz*,
easy to accomplish.

Cedar (prison), a pencil.

He was a "first-class" man, entitled to
write every quarter. He provided *cedar*
and a sheet of paper on which I wrote what
was necessary.—*Evening News*.

Century (turf), a hundred pounds.

A little cheque for a *century* is the
prize we offer this week for the successful
accomplishment of the task of naming the
first three.—*Sporting Times*.

Cert (turf), used in reference to
a racing event thought to be
about to have a successful issue.

A man who was burdened with debt
Heard a *cert* and heavily lebt,
But what should have won
So badly did ron
That quickly the man had to "gelt."
—*Bird o' Freedom*.

Certainties (printers). See UN-
CERTAINTIES. A vulgarism ap-
plied to infants of the male sex.

Chaff-cutter (old), slanderous
tongue, slanderer.

Chaffer (popular), the mouth; a
great talker.

One of these men had a wife who used
to sell for him; she was considered to be
the best *chaffer* in the row; not one of
them could stand against her tongue.—
*Mayhew: London Labour and the London
Poor*.

To "moisten one's *chaffer*," to
have a drink.

Chaffy (Blue-coat School), spruce,
amiable.

Chai, chy, tchai (gypsy), girl,
woman; Romany, *chi*, a female
gypsy.

Chairus, cheirus, chyurus (gypsy),
time. Bonar gives this word
also for "heaven."

Chal (gypsy), (pronounced *tchal*, *ch*
as in church), a lad, a gypsy.
Hotten says this was the old
Romany term for a man, but it
is as much in use as ever. A
woman is not a *chie*, but a *chy* or
chai, to rhyme with *why*.

Chālava (gypsy), I touch.

Chal droch (tinker), a knife.

Chalk (turf), unknown or incom-
petent. The names of most
jockeys are printed on slides,
which are kept ready at every
race-meeting for insertion in the
telegraph-board. Formerly a
certain number of slate or black
slides were used, so that the
name of a new jockey could at
once be written thereon in *chalk*.
Hence "a *chalk*-jockey" came
to mean one unknown, or un-
favourably known, to fame. His
name was not considered worth
printing. (Common), unknown,
obscure.

A list of remarkably *chalk*-titled person-
ages.—*World*.

(Tailors), *chalk!* silence!

Chalk - farm (rhyming slang),
arm.

Chalks (popular), by *chalks*, by
far, by many degrees.