

Chowing or chipping (theatrical), incessant talking, grumbling.

The rest of us can *chuck* up work indefinitely.—*Sporting Times*.

Christening (thieves), *christening* a watch is altering the name of maker and number.

Chuck a fit, to (popular), to pretend to have a fit.

Christians (Cambridge University), a name given to the members of Christ's College, Cambridge.

He suddenly tumbled across Stephens and Pascal's "Words and Music for Children of all Ages," and he nearly *chucked a fit* when he saw that No. 9, described as a drinking song, was called "Ginger Beer," and in praise of that fluid!—*Sporting Times*.

Chuck (Westminster School), a schoolboy's treat.

Chuck and toss (popular), tossing for halfpence.

(Military), mealy bread. (Nautical), hard *chuck*, sea biscuit. (Popular), explained by quotation.

They frequently had halfpence given to them. They played also at *chuck and toss* with the journeymen, and of course were stripped of every farthing.—*Mayhem: London Labour and the London Poor*.

A labourer will term a fellow he dislikes "a beggar who eats *chuck*," *chuck* being a low-priced part of the carcase.—*Standard*.

Chuck a stall, to (thieves), explained by quotation.

Also bread and meat.

(Common), the *chuck*, turning out of doors, dismissal.

I said to my pal, "*Chuck me a stall* and I'll have that." What did I mean? Why, keep close to me, and cover what I'm doing.—*Greenwood: Seven Years' Penal Servitude*.

And I shall get the blooming *chuck* as well as fourteen days.—*Sporting Times*.

Chuck, to (popular), to eat.

Mo and his man were having a great breakfast one morning. . . . Mo exclaimed to his man, "*Chuck* rumbo (eat plenty) my lad."—*Hindley: Life and Adventures of a Cheap Jack*.

Chuck churches (old slang), those who dealt simoniacally in the sale of livings were so called.

To turn out of doors, used specially in reference to drunken men forcibly ejected from public-houses.

Chucked (prison), acquitted or released. "7, or the *chuck* for a clock," inscribed on a prison wall, meant that the writer expected seven years' penal servitude, if he was not acquitted, on the charge of stealing a watch.

There's one on 'em a-sitting next to me . . . let's *chuck* him.—*Sporting Times*.

Rit from 7 dials; remanded innocent on two charges of pokes, only out 2 weeks for a drag, expects to be fullied or else *chucked*.—*Horsley: Jottings from Jail*.

To *chuck* or *chuck* up, to give up the game or attempt, from the custom of throwing up the sponge at a prize fight.