

in *King Richard II*. The French *argot* has the correspondent *empporteur*, with a like signification.

**Cooked** (society), done, defeated, finished up, exhausted.

**Cook his goose, to** (common), to kill, ruin a person.

Thus abstinence, which *cooks the goose*,  
At length Sal's life has doffed.  
—*A Song: Drunken Sally*.

Also to worst one.

Billy's too big in the Westphalia's gig-lamps, you're the boy to *cook* Fosbrooke's goose.—*C. Fede: Verdant Green*.

**Cook, to** (artists), to *dodge* up a picture. Artists say that a picture will not *cook* when it is excellent and unconventional, and beyond specious imitation (Hotten).

(Colloquial), to prepare, tamper with, as to *cook* accounts, returns.

A fixed percentage on every backer's pound, and the off-chance of *cooking* the returns.—*Sporting Times*.

I hate my Lady, because she has locked my *cooked* accounts in the bower saloon.—*Punch*.

**Cool** (common), used in reference to a large sum of money.

Suppose you don't get sixpence costs, and lose your *cool* hundred by it.—*Miss Edgeworth: Love and Law*.

**Coolaman** (Australian blackfellows), a word adopted from the blacks by the whites to describe a blackfellow's drinking vessel, and then applied generally.

A few broken gourds . . . and a cracked *coolaman* were to be seen here and there.—*A. Grant: Bush Life in Queensland*.

**Cooler** (American), prison. So called on account of its being a fit place for getting sober or cooling down; or from *cooler*, a large tub, as in quotation.

They came near soaking him in the *cooler*.—*F. Francis: Saddle and Moccasin*.

(Popular), a glass of beer after drinking spirits. Also a woman.

**Coon** (American), short for racoon, a man. The term first became general nearly fifty years ago. A gone *coon* (also English), one who is ruined, lost.

**Coon's age** (American), a very popular expression to signify a long time, the racoon being regarded as a very long-lived animal.

I saw Miss Jones inside the stage,  
'Tis now an hour or so,  
It seems to me an old *coon's age*  
Since I beheld her go.

—*Newspaper Ballad*.

**Coop** (streets), prison, abbreviation of *hen-coop*.

You say that you have been in the *coop* as many times as I have.—*J. Greenwood: Dick Temple*.

**Cooper, to** (American), to understand.

Why on earth nature made you in the shape she did is more than I can *cooper*.—*American Newspaper*.