

Do over (popular), said of any one who is intimate (carnally) with a woman.

Dope, to (American). Doping is the stupifying men with tobacco prepared in a peculiar way, as the gypsies of old were wont to use *Datura stramonium*. From old cant *dope*, a simpleton, dupe.

Nine out of ten saloons in the slums employ *doping* as a means to increase their illicit revenue.—*American Newspaper*.

Dopey (old cant), a beggar's trull; the podex; the buttocks; Scottish, a *doup*.

Doras (Stock Exchange), South-Eastern Railway Deferred Ordinary Stock.

Dose (thieves), a sentence to imprisonment. To give a man his *dose*, or punish him, doubtless comes from a *dose* of medicine, but it is not impossible the Yiddish *dose*, *dosz* or *dasz* (Chaldaic), meaning the law, has influenced the word in this peculiar case. (Old cant), a burglary.

Doshed, I'm, an exclamation of surprise, akin to "dashed."

Doss (tramps and popular), a bed.

As the sombre shades of evening begin to cast their darkening shadows over the earth, the majority of the troops will return to their respective quarters, and soon after nine o'clock the greater number will be comfortably tucked in *doss* (bed) for the night.—*Patterson: Life in the Ranks*.

Dr. Charles Mackay says:—
"Hottensupposes it to be derived

from 'doze,' as a place to sleep in; or quite as likely," he adds, "from *dorse*, the back. It is, however, most likely from neither of these, but from the Gaelic *dos*, a hedge or bush under which tramps very often find their only available resting-place for the night—the money failing them to secure a shelter in a low lodging-house." According to Dr. Brewer, "*Doss* is a hassock full of straw, a bed—properly a straw bed. *Dossel* is an old word for a bundle of hay or straw." This derivation is the more probable, and is borne out by the French slang word *pieu*, bed, from *piou*, straw, straw bed, which has given *piausser* to sleep, modernised into *pioncer*. It also means sleep.

There is only about one of them in London where a fellow can do a comfortable *doss*, and that is St. Pancras's.—*Thor Fredur: Sketches in Shady Places*.

The author of "Sketches in Shady Places" remarks:—"Doss, slang term for sleep—meaning to 'lie on the back.' On examination it will startle one to find how many of these vulgarisms are derived directly from the learned languages."

Dosser, the, the father of a family. From provincialism *dos*, a "masher."

Dossers (common), explained by quotation.

The "appy *dossers*" are the wretched people who roam about the street houseless, and creep in to sleep on the stairs, in the passages and untenanted cellars of the