

(Thieves), an alderman. In Kent a hare.

Fashno, fashni, fashioni (gypsy), false, counterfeit; *fashni augustrins*, false (gold) rings; also *fashino fauny*. (*Fauny* is canting.)

Fast (common), in want of money. Same as "hard up."

Fat (thieves), money. French slang, *graisse*. *Fat* cull, a rich man. (Printers), paying work in contradistinction to bad or "lean" work. This paying work consists of blank spaces in a page which are paid for at the same rate as pages fully printed. Short lines of verse set up in type are also considered as being *fat*. (Popular), *vide* CUT IT FAT, CUT UP FAT. (Theatrical), a part with good lines and telling situation that gives the player an opportunity of appearing to advantage is said to be *fat*, or to have *fat*. When an actor has a part of this kind, his colleagues are wont to say "he's got all the *fat*." (Princeton College), remittances of money to students. (English and American), *fit* thing, something which is very profitable or "fat."

"Those concerns will some time be unable to pay their interest," say these wise men, "and then we will step in and get a *fat* thing."—*American Newspaper*.

Fat flab (Winchester), part of a breast of mutton.

Father (thieves), a receiver of stolen property. (University), *father* of a college, the prælector who presents his men for degrees and represents the parents. (Printers), a person elected to preside as chairman to the "chapel" (which see) when held. He acts as a medium between master and men. (Naval), the dockyard name given to the builder of a ship of the navy.

Fatness (common), wealth.

That a man who has enjoyed so many years of *fatness* should die in absolute penury.—*Sporting Times*.

Fawney (thieves), a ring; also "fauney."

We believe that the *fauneys* on the hands were not molested, probably being left to be requisitioned on some future occasion.—*Bird o' Freedom*.

Hotten gives the derivation, Irish, *faince*, a ring.

Fawney bouncing (thieves), selling rings for a pretended wager.

Fawney dropper (thieves), one who practises the ring-dropping trick. *Vide* FAWNEY RIG.

Shallow fellows gad the hoof and fence their cant of togs, whilst *fawney droppers* gammon the flats and take the yokels in.—*Ducange Anglicus: The Vulgar Tongue*.

Fawney rig (thieves), the ring-dropping trick. A rogue drops a valueless ring or other article of jewellery and when he sees a person picking it up, claims half; or, he pretends to have