

Hawse (nautical), "to fall athwart one's *hawse*," to come across one, to obstruct one's way.

Hay, to make (common), to throw everything into confusion, to turn topsy-turvy. Originally an Oxford phrase.

The fellows were mad with fighting too. I wish they hadn't come here and *made hay* afterwards.—*H. Kingsley: Ravenshoe.*

Hazard-drum (thieves), a gambling-house.

Haze, to. In England, to confuse, annoy, and intentionally perplex by contradictory orders. In the United States it expresses physical as well as mental cruelty. It is there peculiarly applied to the tormenting of newly-arrived students in universities and military or naval schools. This practice is sometimes carried to a great extent.

West Point has just held a court-martial over the insubordination of certain cadets, and now the Annapolis Naval School is indulging in much the same luxury. The accused were guilty of *hazing* some of the younger academicians.—*American Newspaper.*

Hazree (Anglo-Indian), this word is commonly used (Anglo-Indian Glossary) in Anglo-Indian households in the Bengal Presidency, for breakfast. It is not clear how it got this meaning. It is probably *hāziri*, "muster;" from the Arabic *hāziri*, "ready" or "present."

He can't dance (American), sometimes heard to indicate a man

without culture. "His daddy hasn't got no peach-orchard, and *he can't dance.*" In Delaware, where almost every farm contains a peach-orchard, this allusion to the orchard would imply a very small landed proprietor. Not many years ago there were not a few people who regarded music in divine service as a profane thing. A rustic who had never even heard of such a thing visited one of the great cities, and found himself on Sunday morning before the door of a church. "Walk in, sir," said the sexton, "and attend service." Just then the organ pealed loudly and the stranger drew back in horror. "No, mister," he replied; "I ain't used to no sitch carryin's-on on a Sunday—besides, *I can't dance!*"

Head (American), to get a *head*, or a *head on*, is to have a swelled head after being intoxicated.

Neal Dow has been lecturing on "How to get a *head.*" It pains us that the good old gentleman should evince so much knowledge of the after effects of excessive drinking.—*Detroit Tribune.*

To put a *head* on a man, to assault with intent to annihilate an adversary.

But all his jargon was surpassed, in wit, absurdity,
By threats, profanely emphasised, to *put a head* on me!
No son of Belial, said I, that miracle can do!
Whereat he fell upon me with blows and curses too,