

**Divous** (gypsy), a day. *O boro divousko divous*, the great day of judgment. Probably a contraction of *dávdleskro*, divine.

**Divvy** (American), to divide, share, or partake.

If Mexican robbers make a rush on an American ranch in Zapata, Frio, Cameron, Hidalgo, or Starr Counties, they are expected to *divvy* with the American gentlemen engaged in the same line of business before being permitted to cross the river peacefully.—*Chicago Tribune*.

**Do** (popular), a *do* is a fraud, an imposition.

I thought it was a *do* to get me out of the house.—*Sketches by Foz*.

**Do, to** (common), to outwit, to pay out, to cheat. (Thieves), to *do* a place or crib, is to break into a house for the purpose of stealing.

I went in a place and touched for some wedge, which we *done* for three pounds ten.—*Horsley: Jottings from Jail*.

(Popular and thieves), “to *do for*,” to kill.

The prisoners had since stated that the stranger had bidden them to *do for* M. —, and then to take away everything which he might have about him.—*Daily Telegraph*.

**Do a bit, to** (popular), to eat something.

When I asked her what she'd take,

Her answer made me queer;

She said, “I admit

I can *do a bit*

Of everything that's here.

Some mulligatawny soup, a mackerel, and a sole,

A banbury, a bath-bun, and a tuppenny sausage roll,

A little drop of sherry, a little pint of cham,  
A roley-poley pudding, with a pile of cakes and jam.”

—*Matilda Gorger: Francis and Day*.

**Do a guy, to** (thieves), to run away, to get out of the way.

It's a fact to be deplored, though it cannot be ignored,

That all of us are not well off for oof;  
And occasionally a Johnny, who is “gone” on some fair “honey,”

Hasn't cash enough to treat her like a toff.

When he tries to raise the wind, it's just possible he'll find

It difficult to keep within the law,  
Alas! he may be “fly,” but when it's time to *do a guy*,

He's sure to meet the bobby at the door.

—*Sporting Times*.

(Workmen), to be away whilst supposed to be at work.

**Dobie** (Anglo-Indian), a man who performs the functions of a washerwoman; also a washerwoman.

**Dock** (old cant), to deflower (Harman); gypsy, *dükker*, to wrong, ravish, injure. *Dükker* or *docker* is often used without the terminal “er.” Turner derives it from the Gaelic *terraich*.

(Printers). This is colloquial for a man's weekly bill or “pole,” probably from the fact of its being subject or liable to be “docked” or curtailed by the person appointed to check the bills. (Winchester), to *dock*, to scratch out; to *dock* a book, to tear out pages from a book. (Popular), hospital.