

Froust (Harrov), extra sleep allowed in the morning of Sundays and whole holidays.

Frow (old cant), a woman; Dutch *vrouw*.

A flash of lightning next
Bess tipt each cull and *frow*, sir,
Ere they to church did pad
To have it christen'd Joe, sir.
—Parker: *Variiegated Characters*.

Frummagemmed (old cant), annihilated, strangled, garrotted, or spoilt.

Frump (old cant), as a wrinkled old woman, a witch, &c. *Frump* seems to have some connection with the Dutch *frommeln*, to crumple, and *frows*, to wrinkle up the face, frown, appear angry. As a verb it means to mock or insult, quarrel with or annoy.

Frushee (popular), an open jam tart.

Fry your face, go and (American and English), low slang expression addressed to a thin-faced, lean man. Probably a form of "dry face."

"Ga, you vas no goot, *go and vry your faces*." "Vat you mean py tolding me dat I vas no goods? I vas so vorse as you if nod vorse. Vry my faces, indeed! I've got no faces to vry, but you vas got enof for dwo, you oldt shin-parrel!"—*Thomas Browne: The Deutchers on a Spree*.

F sharp (popular), fleas.

Fubsey (thieves), fat; *fubsey* dummy, a well-filled pocket-book.

Fuddle (popular), drink; "out on the *fuddle*," out on a day's drinking. From *fuddle*, an accepted term for drinking to excess; from *full*, by an interposition of the letter *d*. The Scotch have *full* for drunk.

Fug, to (Shrewsbury), to stay in a close, stuffy room.

Fuggies (schoolboys), hot rolls (Hotten).

Fuggy (Shrewsbury), stuffy; from *foyo*, an old word for stench.

Fulhams or **fullams** (old), loaded dice. "So called," it has been suggested, "from the suburb where the Bishop of London resides, which in the reign of Queen Elizabeth was the most notorious place for blacklegs in all England." Dice made with a cavity were called "gourds" (scooped out like the bottle-gourd used for cups, bottles, &c.). Thus those which were loaded may have been called "full ones," hence *fullams*. Those made to throw the high and low numbers were respectively termed "high *fullams*," and "low *fullams*."

Full blast (common), anything is said to be in *full blast* when at its apogee. The allusion is obvious.

Full drive, full chisel, full split (American), at full speed, in full career; an equivalent to "hickety split," "ripping and staving