

**Gawfs** (costermongers), cheap red-skinned apples.

**Gawney** (provincial), common among the lower orders. It means a sawney or half-witted person.

**Gawpus** (nautical), a stupid, idle fellow; a "gawcum" is a provincialism with the same signification.

**Gay** (common), loose, dissipated; a "gay woman" or "gay girl," a prostitute. "All gay," *vide* ALL GAY.

**Gay tyke boy** (popular), a dog-fancier (Hotten).

**G. B.** (American), an abbreviation of "grand bounce," *i.e.*, a rejection, dismissal, or being turned out, or disinherited.

My dad and I

Have had a round-about, and he has dis  
Sis-sis-inherited me; and I have  
Been given the *G. B.* on your account,  
My be-be-beautiful!

—*A Californian Romance.*

**G. C. of C.**, the (American), the Glorious Climate of California, and the Intellect of Boston, are such stock phrases in the United States, that academical writers have suggested the expediency of reducing them, like Anno Domini, to initials.

If the "glorious climate of California" is responsible for the exceedingly hopeful prospects of Rocklin's future census reports, and the said lively outlook, materialised, is responsible for my mishap, then plainly

the said *G. C. of C.* is the responsible element in the case.—*Thomas Stevens: Around the World on a Bicycle.*

**Geebung** (native word adopted by the settlers), an Australian wild-fruit.

**Gee** or **gee-gee** (common), a horse. From *gee* or *gee up*, to turn to the off side.

"I'm sick of seconds," said the Tealeaf, shutting up his book with a bang, after backing five *gee-gees* in succession, who had occupied this unenviable position.—*Bird of Freedom.*

(Popular), it won't *gee*, it will not do. From a provincialism.

*Gee-gee dodge* (commercial), selling horse-flesh as animal food.

The employés I interviewed were encouraged to speak plainly and without reserve; and unknown one to the other, they all agreed in the assurance that to their knowledge the *gee-gee dodge*, as they called it, was seldom or ever practised by their masters—the main safeguard for the public being that it was impossible to bargain with any one for a regular supply.—*J. Greenwood: Veiled Mysteries.*

**Geekie** (Scottish thieves), police-office.

Connor next asked her where it was, to which she replied, "Ben the *geekie*." He did not understand this at the time, but from the light which he afterwards got he knew it to mean the police-office.—*Police News.*

**Geezer** (popular), wife, old woman.

Dutch slang, *geezc* or *geese*, a girl, a mistress, *vide* GANDER. Also a man derisively.

He'd flirt and boat, but never wrote  
A note to his old *geezc*.

—*J. F. Mitchell: Jimmy Johnson's Holiday.*