

All round my hat (popular), "I feel *all round my hat*," I feel queer, do not feel very well. "That's *all round my hat*" is synonymous with "that's all gammon," or nonsense. From a song which was very popular in 1834.

Alls (popular), tap droppings, or inferior spirits, sold cheap; (workmen's), goods and chattels, or, perhaps, more properly, tools. "Come, pack up your *alls* and be off," is a common form of dismissal to a labourer or workman.

All-same (pidgin), a very common expression for "the same as," like, or equal.

Supposey you hearee plenty talkee 'bout fashion. Ch 'hoy! my tinkee China-woman, fankwei woman, állo woman, állo tinkey *állo same* inside her mouth. Wat tim you pay plenty dolla', he állo-tim good fashion.—*Houqua and the Pearls*.

All serene (popular), all safe, all right.

Who're you, sir?—oh, Mister So-and-so—all right—and this gentleman?—friend o' Mr. W.'s—oh, very well—yes, there's Barney—this a friend o' yours, Barney?—yes?—all right, then—yes, I think we're *all serene!*—*Bird o' Freedom*.

Some years ago the phrase was bawled in the streets, before such expressions as "How's your poor feet?" "Who's your hatter?" came into vogue. The Parisians at this time indulged in equally idiotic inquiries or calls, such as "Et tes pieds sont-ils à la sauce?" "Ohé Lambert! as-tu vu Lambert?"

"Et ta sœur?" Of more recent creation is the stupid "On dirait du veau."

All smoke, gammon, and pickles (popular), all deceit, nonsense.

All sorts. (See ALL NATIONS.)

All sorts and conditions of men.

The title of a novel by Walter Besant, and the heading of a well-known collect in the Prayer-Book. It has passed into such common and general use as to have become a truly "fixed popular phrase." (See ALL NATIONS.)

It was a rare mess, *all sorts and conditions of men*, women, and children, dogs and cats, promiscuously intermingled, and all on one grand kick-up.—*American Newspaper*.

All sorts of (American). Bartlett defines this as "expert, acute, excellent, capital." It is more accurately, as its name declares, "perfect, complete in every detail, having every quality." *All sorts of a horse* is a horse possessed of every merit, not one that is merely excellent or capital. *All sorts of a job* (E. A. Poe, cited by Bartlett) does not mean an expert, acute, or excellent undertaking, but one requiring all conceivable abilities. In this it corresponds to the German *allerlei* and Dutch *allerley*. "Hy is van *allerley* soort voorzien." *Allerley* is, in fact, translated *all sorts* by Sewel.

Allspice (popular), a grocer.