

All's quiet on the Potomac! (American). This phrase originated during the Civil War, and has since been the refrain of a very popular song. It denotes quietude; a period of calm enjoyment. "Don't fret about things; they are going on swimmingly, for *all's quiet on the Potomac.*"

All T. H. (tailors), all right, or very good indeed (stock cutters).

All the caboose (common), everywhere. The *caboose* is the galley or cooking place of a ship, or simply a kitchen.

"The fact is he conquers us every one,
Does love, love, love!
We don't find it out till the mischief is done,
By love, love, love!
To fight against him is no manner of use,
A gander's a gander, a goose is a goose,
And Cupid's the king over all the *caboose.*
Oh! love, love, love!"

All the go (common), in demand, fashionable, meeting with a very ready sale.

Jerry Hawthorn was agreeable, and he and Corinthian Tom were soon in the midst of *Life in London*, and lost no time in calling on young Bob Logic, who was a gay spark like his father, and quite *au fait* with all the sprees of the metropolis. "Fashions have changed, my dear Coz," said the Corinthian, "and the young bucks and exquisites seem to us to dress strangely; but I suppose their attire is *all the go* now, and these are the swell suits made by the Dickey Primfit of the day."—*Punch.*

It is also used in America.

A gentleman entered a Chicago gun-store and asked to be shown some revolvers.

"Here is a nice family weapon," said the clerk. "Family weapon?" "Yes, a family weapon. Just the thing for domestic tragedies. It has six chambers, sir, two bullets for your faithless wife, two for the ruthless destroyer of your home, and two for yourself. They are *all the go* now."—*Texas Siftings.*

Fine stock is getting to be *all the go* in that line here now, and there is some as fine here as can be found anywhere.—*Carlisle Correspondence.*

All there (general), extensively used with the signification of first-rate, up to the mark. A good player at any game is said to be *all there*; the same is said of a pretty, well-dressed woman. A smart officer also is *all there*. It likewise means to be in one's element.

The band and the 'opping was prime,
though, and 'Arry in course was *all there,*
I'd several turns with a snappy young party with storr-coloured 'air;
Her name she informed me was Polly, and wen, in my 'appiest style,
I sez, "Polly is nicer than Politics!"
didn't she colour and smile!

—*Punch.*

All the shoot (popular), the whole assembly, all the party. "Every man-jack of them."

The Prince of Wales in a bricklayer's suit,

I could scarcely believe my eyes.
Helping to build the Royal Institute!
At a penny an hour less than *all the shoot.*

Oh! what a surprise!

—*Oh! what a Surprise! Broadside Ballad.*

All the way down, or simply **all the way** (common slang, probably American), entirely (*cf.* "down