

These *dommerars* are leud and most subtyll people: the most part of these are watch men, and wyll neuer speake, vnlesse they haue extream punishment.—*Harman: Caveat.*

**Domum ball** (Winchester College), a ball given by the superannuated college prefects on the evening after the "men" go home for the Midsummer holidays.

**Don**, a contraction of the Latin *dominus*. It is a university term for a man who has taken his master's degree. It is, however, generally confined to resident M.A.'s.

An "Oxford M.A." writes:—"This University has, I suppose, been always notorious for narrow-minded bigotry; but ought the general public to be allowed to suffer because Mr. —, as a robust Radical, is not easily stomached of the Tory *don*?"—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

(Winchester), a master.

**Dona, donah** (theatrical), a girl, a woman; from the Italian. The term is also used by tramps, London roughs, &c.

Of course you've been to — to see the pantomime,

Where fairies sport in clothes so smart, in manner quite divine.

Of course you've seen the Fairy Queen, they call her Mademoiselle,

Well, perhaps you won't believe it, but that *donah* is my gal.

—*Geo. Anthony: Mary turns the Mangle.*

**Donaker** (old), a cattle stealer.

**Done** (common), outwitted, cheated.

And immediately afterwards follows a well-known theatrical costumier, who has been *done* in the matter of fancy dresses by a gentleman connected with an amateur dramatic performance.—*The Graphic.*

*Done* also means exhausted, varied to "*done up*;" *done* for himself, injured or ruined himself.

Lord Randolph is much mistaken if he supposes that it is only an aristocratic friend here and there who believes that he has *done* for himself.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

**Done brown** (common), befooled, that is, completely done.

And they stared at each other, as much as to say,

"Hollo! Hollo! here's a rum go!

Why, captain!—my lord!—here's the devil to pay!

The fellow's been cut down and taken away!

What's to be done? We've missed all the fun!

Why, they'll laugh at and quiz us all over the town,

We are all of us *done* so uncommonly *brown*."

—*Ingoldsby Legends.*

**Done-over** (popular), intoxicated.

**Done to death** (society), repeated *ad nauseam*.

Wasted a shilling in Bond Street by going to Harry Furniss' "Artistic Joke." Why Artistic? And, emphatically, why Joke? Caricature of Academy pictures *done to death* in comic journals with utmost regularity or many past years.—*Sporting Times.*

**Donkey** (nautical), a seaman's box in which he keeps his clothes.

(Printers.) Compositors are sometimes called *donkeys* by pressmen by way of retaliation for calling them "pigs."