

Fiver (common), a five-pound note.

Many a harmless *fiver* has passed from the unprofessional into the professional pocket.—*Standard*.

Fives (popular), the fist. Termed also "bunch of *fives*."

Whereby altho' as yet they have not took to use their *fives*,

Or, according as the fashion is, to sticking with their knives,

I'm bound there'll be some milling yet.

—*Hood: Row at the Oxford Arms*.

(Low), a fight.

You are wanted at the corner for a *fives* . . . they struck Cole . . . and he was kicked.—*Evening News*.

Fixings (popular), house furniture. (American, English, and Australian), paraphernalia, kit, the adjuncts to any dish. (Bushmen), strong liquor.

Fixin to eat (American), a Virginia negro expression. Getting ready for meals.

Fix the ballot-box, to (American), to tamper with the returns of an election.

Before they got back I had the box *fixed*, and my economical friend's name was not on a single ballot. He made an awful howl, and swore that he had voted at least seventeen times himself.—*San Francisco Post*.

Fix, to (old cant), to put people in the hands of justice, to apprehend.

I daresay if any of us was to come in by ourselves and should happen to take a snooze you'd snitch upon us and soon have the traps *fix* us.—*G. Parker: Variegated Characters*.

(American), applied loosely and slangily to a great number of words indicating different kinds of manual action, such as to repair, arrange, put in order, execute in a satisfactory manner, to cook, write, or do anything whatever.

Fix up, to (American and Australian), to settle, arrange.

Later in the evening Cogan told witness that there was no need of his going, as the matter had been *fixed up*.—*Daily Inter Ocean*.

Fiz (common), champagne.

Will the call for *fiz* be less now the fiscal duty is greater.—*Sporting Times*.

(Popular), lemonade, ginger beer.

After winning a considerable sum of money at the sports, he could only treat one of his comrades to a *fiz* and a bun.—*Toby*.

Fizzer (theatrical), a first-rate part; "a regular *fizzer*" is a part full of life and effervescence.

Fizzing (common), first-rate, alluding to the effervescence of champagne.

Fizzle (American), failure. From the old English *fizzle*, a flash, a hissing noise, as of anything which has expired in a flash.

Plutarch says that Demosthenes made a gloomy *fizzle* of his first speech.—*American Humourist*.

(Yale University), an imperfectly said lesson. To "flunk"