

which is almost identical with *gants*, whole, entire. The provincial *gantsen*, to make whole, would thus become *gansen*, to goose. Bartlett ingeniously suggests that *to goose* is derived for distinction's sake from "to fox."

(Common), *to goose*, to hiss, to "give the big bird."

The defendant, one Dallas, hired several persons *to goose* Mr. Brewster's performance. Unfortunately for Mr. Dallas, his opposition "made a fool of it," and "hissed before the blind was up." Consequently Mr. Dallas has had to pay £30 damages.—*Globe*.

Goose without gravy (nautical), a severe starting, so called because no blood follows its infliction.

Go over, to (clerical), to join the Church of Rome.

Goree (American), gold dust, gold.

Gorger (popular), a gentleman, a well-dressed man. A *gorger* or *gorgio*—the two are often confounded—is the common gypsy word for one who is not a gypsy, and very often means with them a *rye*, a gentleman. Actors sometimes call a manager a *cully-gorger* (The English Gypsies and their Language).

(Theatrical), the manager of a theatre.

Gorgonzola Hall (Stock Exchange), the nickname for the Stock Exchange, on account of the marble walls.

Gorm, garm. Bartlett gives this as *gaum*, to smear over. It is English, but probably more frequently heard at present in the United States.

I remember that once when I was a boy the coloured footman of a friend came to the "missis" with the complaint that the young gentlemen had "gormandised" all over the front door. He meant *gormed*.—*C. G. Leland*.

Gorm, to (American university), to eat voraciously.

Gormy ruddles (popular), the intestines.

Gorry! by Gorry! (American), a common interjection or doubtful oath.

Goschens (Stock Exchange), the newly created £2½ per cent. Government Stock.

A hideous panic seized the Stock Exchange. *Goschens* went down to 60 at a single leap.—*Punch*.

This stock was so named after Mr. Goschen, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, who created the Stock in April 1858.

Gospel grinder (popular), a city missionary or Scripture reader.

Gospelshark (Canadian), a parson.

Gospel shop (popular), a Methodist chapel (O. Davis).

As soon as I had procured a lodging and work, my next inquiry was for Mr. Wesley's *gospel shops*.—*Life of J. Lackington*.