

or vex. Probably from *grig*, a small fish-spear used for eels (*grig*, a small eel). Thus to "chivvy," to hunt about, chase, vex, or annoy, is derived from *chiv* (gypsy), a pointed knife, &c.

That word, superiorist. *grigged* me. Thinks I, my boy, I'll just take that expression, roll it up into a ball, and shy it at you.—*Sam Slick: Human Nature.*

Grind (university), a long walk. (Cambridge), the Granchester or Gogmagog Hills *Grind*. A tedious piece of academical work. A plodding student who keeps aloof from the usual sports and pastimes. The ferry-boats at Chesterton, wound across by a winch and chain, "to go over in the *grind*." (Schools), to *grind*, to work hard, to cram for an examination. (Common), to have sexual intercourse.

Grinder (popular), "to take a *grinder*" is to make an insulting gesture by applying the left thumb to the nose, and turning the right hand round it as if in the act of grinding an organ. Also "to take a sight."

Grinders (society), private tutors. (Popular), the teeth.

This round was but short—after humouring a while,
He proceeded to serve an ejection, in style,
Upon Georgy's front *grinders*, which damaged his smile
So completely, that bets ran a hundred to ten

That Adonis would ne'er flash his ivory again.

—*Tom Crib's Memorial to Congress.*

Grindery (shoemakers), material for making boots and shoes.

Grinding mill (students), preparing for an examination.

Grind off (common), a miller.

Grindstone (common), to keep one "with his nose to the *grindstone*," to keep him to his work.

Gringo (American), a Spanish word, common in the South-West, or at least well known, meaning a flat, new-comer, stranger, an American or a foreigner. It corresponds in some respects to the "griffin" of India and China.

When you play with a *gringo* take off that ar' green coat and silver buttons. I seen every hand you held rite in one of those buttons, like looking inter a looking-glass.—*Cleveland Sun and Voice.*

Grinning stitches (milliners), said of sewing slovenly done, where the stitches are so wide apart that they have the appearance of rows of teeth.

Gripes (popular), colic.

Gripes hole (Winchester College), a hole close to the boat-house, thus called because the water there is very cold.