

Gruel (common), to "get one's *gruel*" is to be well beaten, or killed.

He refused, and harsh language ensued,
Which ended at length in a duel,
When he that was mildest in mood
Gave the truculent rascal his *gruel*.
—*Ingoldsby Legends*.

(Sporting), *gruel* or *gruelling*, a beating.

Gruelled (popular), exhausted.

Wadham ran up by the side of that first Trinity yesterday, and he said that they were as well *gruelled* as so many porters before they got to the stile.—*C. Kingsley: Alton Locke*.

Grumble-guts (popular), a person who is always grumbling.

Grumbles (popular), to be "all on the *grumbles*," to be discontented, in a snarling mood.

Grummet (low), *pidenda mulicbris*. Termed also "snatch-box," "turtle," "maddikin," "mouse," "monkey," "pussy." In French slang "chat."

Grumpish (common), ill-tempered, "grouty;" probably from "grum" or "grim."

If you blubber or look *grumpish*, I'll have you strapped ten times over.—*Mrs. Trollope: Michael Armstrong*.

Grundy, Mrs., to be afraid of (society), to be afraid of the world's opinion. *Mrs. Grundy* was a character in the comedy of "Speed the Plough."

They eat and drink, and sleep and nod,
And go to church on Sunday,

And many are afraid of God,
And more of *Mrs. Grundy*.
—*Old Ballad*.

They should go up the Dart and Fal
instead of up the Rhine,
And dip, spite *Mrs. Grundy's* frown, in
truly British brine,
In short, they should resolve to see their
native land right through,
Before they fly abroad to seek fresh scenes
and fevers new.

—*Truth*.

Grunter (tailors), an habitual grumbler.

(Old cant), a bumbailiff, a pig.

Here's *grunter* and bleater, with tib-of-the-buttry,
And margery prates, all dress'd without slutt'ry.

—*R. Brome: A Jovial Crew*.

(Popular), a policeman, termed also a "pig."

Grunting cheat (old cant), a pig.

Gruts (thieves), tea.

Guddha (Anglo-Indian), an ass. "A donkey, literal and metaphorical. Hindu *gadhā*. The coincidence of the Scotch 'cuddy,' has been attributed to a loan from Hindi through the gypsies, who were the chief owners of the animal in Scotland, where it is not common. On the other hand this is ascribed to a nickname, Cuddy, for Cuthbert" (Anglo-Indian Glossary). The only word used at present by gypsies in England for a donkey, is *maila* or *myla*.

Guerilla (American thieves), a name applied by professional