

And there lay the rider we thought
 couldn't fail;
 Ah! Captain Lee Barber! we're broke
 and want bail:
 The Frenchmen are beaten 'tis true;
 but, oh, *hang!*
 We hadn't a bob on that beast Parasang.
 —*Sporting Times*.

Hangers (popular), gloves, generally well worn, carried in the hand, but never put on.

Hang-it-out, to (printers), to "skulk" on a job—not to do justice when on time work.

Hang it up, to (American), to charge to one's account, to put down to credit, to chalk it behind the door. Also English, *hang it up*, slate it.

Hang of a thing, to get or have the (English and American), to become familiar with, to learn the art, manner, or way of managing or using anything. "I am bad at my lessons just now," said a new pupil apologetically, "but I expect to do well as soon as *I've got the hang* of the school-house." Bartlett derives this, very ingeniously, from the adjusting of tools to their handles, which is known as hanging; but hanging in the sense of dependence, relationship, and adjustment, seems to be common in the Indo-European languages, if not in all others.

Though they ain't got *the 'ang* of it,
 Charlie, the toffs ain't,—no go and
 no spice!

Why, I'd back Barney Crump at our
 sing-song to lick 'em two times out
 o' twice.
 —*Punch*.

Hang-off (printers), an expression used to convey a rejection or avoidance of anything objectionable. To "keep off" or "fight shy" of anything.

Hang out (University), a feasting, an entertainment.

I remember the date from the Fourth of July occurring just afterwards, which I celebrated by a *hang out*.—*Bristed: Five Years*.

Used as a verb, it signifies to treat, to have or possess, also to dwell; "from the ancient custom," says Hotten, "of hanging out signs."

"I say, old boy, where do you *hang out?*" Mr. Pickwick replied that he was at present suspended at the George and Vulture.—*Dickens: Pickwick Papers*.

"Ce bon Edouard" used to *hang out*—and hang up—in a cold and barn-like *atelier* in the Rue d'Amsterdam.—*Bird o' Freedom*.

Hang, to (popular and sporting), to be in a desperate state. Said when a man cannot turn one way or the other. Dutch, "tuschen *hangen* en wurgen," to be between hanging and strangling. (American), "it all *hangs* on him," it all depends on him. In Dutch, "De zaak *hangt* aan hem."

Hang up a bill, to (politicians), explained by quotation.

To *hang up a bill* is to pass through one or more of its stages, and then to lay it