

The *hoaxter* consists in the painful ordeal of being compelled to turn out of bed at an early hour, and march up and down under the watchful eye of a corporal.—*Albert Barrère: Argot and Slang.*

Hubble-bubble, the Indian pipe, termed a "hookah," is thus designated, from the noise it makes when being smoked (Hotten).

Hubby (common), husband.

Item, one fair daughter, yeleft Lara. Mrs. S. has great faith in her worthy *hubby*, and knows his book by heart.—*Modern Society.*

You may happen on the pier, at Brighton or elsewhere,

To stumble on a tart you think is tame;

And if you should accost her, and her acquaintance foster,

I really fail to see how you're to blame.

Should she ask you out to tea, why a Juggins you would be

The friendly invitation to ignore.

But your danger you'll perceive, should you when you turn to leave

Come across her *hubby* at the door.

—*Bird o' Freedom.*

Huckleberry (American), jestingly used to mean a person or subject. "That is a *huckleberry* above me," that beats me.

"Dat's cheatin'," said Johnny. "I'se going to stay wid 'em till I graduate. Dere's more stories dat dey tell den you can find in de dime novels. Say, you fellows would be 'spired to hear about 'Liger going right up t'rough de clouds in a chariot of fire, wid no balloon, no nothin'. 'Liger just got in his chariot, cut 'er loose, and flew. Dat's wot kind of a *huckleberry* 'Liger was. And, remember, dis was thousands of years ago. Before dere was any balloons."—*Bird o' Freedom.*

Hue, to (thieves), to belabour with a cudgel.

Huey (old cant), a town, a village.

Hugger mugger (nautical), in its Shakspearian bearing may have meant secretly, or in a clandestine manner, but its nautical application is to express anything out of order or done in a slovenly way.

Hum-box (popular), a pulpit. *Hum* is to cajole, deceive.

Well, you parish bull prig, are you for lushing Jacky, or pattering in the *Hum-box*?—*Lyton: Pelham.*

Hummer (popular), a swaggerer.

"Isn't she a swell?"

A dashing young woman in gorgeous raiment went sailing by like a cutter in a thirty-mile-an-hour breeze. The sun shone down upon her and sent out from her magnificent diamond earrings and the mass of beads that covered her head and shoulders a thousand hues.

"C'rect, Cholly; she's a *hummer*!" said the first speaker's friend.—*St. Louis Globe Democrat.*

Humming, given by Hotten and others as a slang term, is a provincialism meaning strong as applied to drink, and heady, in which latter sense it explains itself.

Hump (common), to have the *hump*, to be low-spirited, distressed, mortified, alluding to the attitude of one who is cast down.

Break! break! break!

O ball on thy way to the stump.

So let's alter the law,

Without any more jaw,

Or you'll give an old buffer the *hump*.

—*Red Gait: The Game of Cricket.*