

He's got a *jag* that there's money buried in his place, but I don't believe that he'll ever get back the money he's spent diggin' for it.—*Newspaper Clippings*.

**Jagger** (popular), a gentleman.

**Jah** (freemason), contraction of Jehovah, used in the R.A. degree.

**Jail-khana** (Anglo-Indian), an English-Indian word for "jail," used in the Bombay Presidency.

**Jakes** (old slang), a privy, a water-closet, a place of convenience.

**Jam, real** (turf), one of the almost innumerable synonyms for a turf certainty. *Real jam* has been the cause of many wry faces. The expression is not as much in vogue as formerly. *Real jam* is used by other classes of people to express excellence, so also "true marmalade." Girls of the lower orders sometimes apply the term *jam* to sexual intercourse.

**Jamboree** (American), a word which would appear to be Anglo-Indian or gypsy, referring to something very nice or pleasant, but which is only used in the United States for a jollification or frolic, *e.g.*, to go on a regular *jam-* or sometimes *jam-boree*. *Jam-* or *jam-bori* in gypsy conveys the idea of a great riot or noise, and the origin of *jam* as signifying anything very apt or agreeable is still obscure. There is really very little ground, however, for the Romany origin of the word.

The negroes sang curious songs, like the following:—

Sally, she went down de ribber,  
*Jambree!*  
 Black man see her gwane dar,  
*Jambree!*  
 Sally's face it shine like gold,  
*Jambree!*  
 Black man's face like tar,  
*Jambree!*

The term is now used in England.

They had met, and it was in the Strand last Wednesday morning.

"Ah, laddie, how goes it?"

"Very seedy, dear old boy. There was a bit of a *jamboree* last night, and I'm quite in a chippy way this morning."—*Sporting Times*.

**James** (thieves), a crowbar, a dignified form of the term "jemmy" for the same. French thieves have the corresponding *Jacques*.

We went to Willesden and found a dead 'un, so I came out and asked my pal to lend me the *james* and some twirls, and I went and turned it over.—*Horsley: Jottings from Jail*.

Also a sovereign.

Make this man leave me alone; he is knocking me 'bout, and I put a half *james* in his hand, and said guy.—*Horsley: Jottings from Jail*.

**Jammy.** *Vide* JAM, REAL.

He was callow, and was diffident of entering the ring;

To his joy a chance acquaintance put him on a *jammy* thing;

He tumbled on perceiving that his quids had taken wing,

That he wasn't on a "smasher."

—*Sporting Times*.

**Jampot** (Australian), applied to the very high, highly starched