

jolly well thrashed, or *jolly* drunk.

Jolly as a sandboy, old expression. The "Three Jolly Sandboys" is a tavern sign. Who the original gay and festive *arenarius* was we have not discovered.

I'm as *jolly as a sandboy*, as happy as a king,
No matter what occurs to me, I laugh at everything.
Although I'm like my mother, I'm the image of my pa,
At everything I see, I laugh—ha! ha!
ha! ha! ha!

—*Catnach Ballad.*

Jolly, by jolly! (American), an interjection. Possibly a modification of *gorry!* made by French Canadians in association with *joli*.

I once knew an Indian named Tomah. His friends made Tomah or Thomas into a beaver by adding *puah* to it. Tomaquah, the Beaver, had but one oath, it was *by Jolly!* What deity in the Algonkin or Kanuck mythology *Jolly* represented, I did not inquire. It occurred to me one day that *Jolly* would have made a good tutelary saint for Mark Tapley. While we were ornamenting lunch boxes, I explained the idea at full length to my friend. He listened gravely, and as it dawned upon him interjected approvingly *by Jolly!* —*C. G. Leland's Algonkin Notes.*

Jolly, to (thieves), to impose upon, to act as an accomplice or abettor. Now common, with the meaning to speak up for.

Of course every "school coach" has one of the most wonderful bowlers or batsmen ever seen. If he did not say so he would not do his duty, and he is bound *to jolly* for his own side.—*Baily's Monthly Magazine.*

(Popular), *to jolly a person* is to "chaff" or "get at" him, or to hold him in ridicule. (Acrobats, &c.), refers to the act of a friend, a confederate in the crowd, who puts in a good show of money when the hat goes round, which is returned to him afterwards.

Jolly, to chuck a (cheap Jack), to praise another's goods, so as to entice the bystanders into buying.

Jomer (popular and thieves), a mistress, a sweetheart; literally a kiss, either from the gypsy *chumer*, a kiss, or the Yiddish *joma*.

Jonnuk (shows, &c.), to be fair, to share equally.

Jonger (gypsy), to awake.

Josey, to (American), to go, hasten on. Possibly suggested by the Jewish slang *josech*, to go out, go forth, or from the gypsy *jüsa*, *i.e.*, go hurry.

"Hey, get along, Jim along *jossey!*
Hey, get along, Jim along *joe!*"

Josh, to (American), to chaff, to make fun of, to quiz. English provincial, *joskin*, a country clown; *jostle*, to cheat (Sussex). There is an apocryphal origin of the phrase that a miner having been told by a friend that Joshua once commanded the sun to stand still and it obeyed him, replied, "I guess you can't come *josh* over me!"