

Title:

Warren Street, Kent

Shelfmark:

C908/67

Description:

Ernest describes killing a pig, baking bread and cooking shackles. He also recalls how people used to be more willing to do hard, physical labour.

Lexis:

this here = this; *browsells* = remains of fat of pig after lard has been extracted by boiling; *these here* = these; *hot* = to heat; *faggot* ~ *lord* = bundle of sticks used as fuel; *purpose for* = specifically for, especially for; *'tato* = potato; *and all* = as well; *shackles* = broth or stew; *bob* = shilling (colloquial)

Phonology:

occasional H-dropping; occasional rhoticity; <-Vt#> + V → [d]

MOUTH [{} ~ {}@]; PRICE [AI]; FACE [{}I]; START [a` ~ a:]; NORTH [O: ~ O`]; NURSE [{}`]; NEAR [{}@`]; TRAP [{}]; BATH [a:]; STRUT [6]; LETTER [{}`]

<-thing> → [TINK]

note also *father* [fa:D@], *off* [O:f], *faggots* [f{gIts], *little* [lId=L/], *go* [gu:] and *'tatoes* [t{It@`z]

Grammar:

multiple negation (*they didn't have no slaughterers, no licences or anything like that; they hadn't got no pork*)

preterite *run* (*when they run this lard off it, it used to leave, like, brown, we used to always call them browsells*)

relative pronoun → *what* (*he used to have to hot it up with these little faggots what they used to tie up in the woods*)

determiner, those → *them* (*in them days*)

preterite *knowed* (*look at the old people I knowed when I was a boy*)

note the construction *I should've thought that would've made it cold* = *I would've thought that would've made it cold*

