CZECH THESE HOMOGRAPHS - PLEASE!

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Running a rubious orb over the corpus of strange words in my Czech-French Dictionary compiled by Vladko Buben, I was startled to see a considerable number of "English" words and thought they might be worth sharing with other word-collectors. I have listed only those words which do not seem to be direct borrowings, and have indicated with an asterisk words that are normally capitalized in English. Enjoy 'em!

Editor's Note: Since only a minority of Word Ways readers are familiar with French, I have taken the liberty of translating this list into English, adding some further examples as well.

ale (but) arch (sheet, roll) báň (cupola, dome) bank (pool) blanket (form, blank) bob (bean) brát (take) břink (clank) bud (either) čáp (stork) cár (rag) část (part) cop (braid, plait) dále (distance) daň* (tax) den (day) dole (down) drive (formerly) dub (oak) fagot (bassoon) flám (spree) gáze (salary) grunt (farmland) had (snake) hod (throw) hold (homage, tribute) holý (bare) host (guest) house (gosling) hut (iron works) jet (ride)

jéstér (lizard) knot (wick) láce (cheapness) lad (harmony) lest (ruse, stratagem) let (flight) lid (people) list (leaf) lit (shed) lump (blackguard) márv* (bier) mast (ointment) mince (coin) misty (here and there) more (sea) most (bridge) my (we) never (unbelief) nit (yard) Nor (Norwegian) on (he) opera (rest) ode (from) or (steed) pád (fall, drop) pán (gentleman) past (trap) pást (graze cattle) pár (couple) pasta (paste) pen (trunk, stem)

penál (pen case) pěst (fist) pět (five) píle (diligence) pít (drink) pláně (crab-tree) plat (pay) plod (fruit) plot (fence) pod (below) pole (field) police (shelf) pot (perspiration) prám (scow) prim (first fiddle) proud (flow) psi(dog) puma (bomb) rám (frame) regál (shelf) rod (birth) role (arable land) rub (wrong side, back) rudé (red) rust (growth) sad (orchard) sám* (alone, single) sane (sled) sát (suck up) šec (carnage)

sever (north) síň (hall, parlor) slap (rapids) sled (succession) sob (reindeer) snít (dream) spár (claw, talon) spát (sleep) stále (always) strep (potsherd, crock) stud (shame) stý (hundredth) sup (vulture) šip (arrow) šit (sew) štáb (staff) štěp (graft) štir (scorpion) tam (there) tát (melt) ted* (now) ten (the, that) tít (do) to (it, that) trám (beam) tuna (ton) tuň (pool) vést (lead, guide) . zed (wall)

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