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n.
The dried stalks and leaves of a cereal crop, used as fodder after the grain has been harvested.

[Middle English, provisions, from Norman French *estovers*, from Old French *estovier*, to be necessary, from Latin *est opus*, it is necessary : *est*, third person sing. present tense of *esse*, to be; see [ESSENCE](#) + *opus*, need, work; see [OPUS](#).]

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