

- Eat one's terms, to** (legal), to prepare for the bar; to attend the requisite number of dinners in hall each term.
- Eat, to** (American), a Western expression, meaning not to consume but to provide food.
 Captin, do you *ate* us or do we *ate* ourselves? *Eat* yourselves, to be sure.—*American Story*.
- Eats his head off** (common), is said of a horse that remains for a long time in the stable. Sometimes of servants or others who have little to do.
- Eaves** (American thieves), a hen-roost.
- Eavesdropper** (American thieves), a chicken thief, or a low sneak or thief generally.
- Eberezer** (Winchester College), a ball at racquets that hits the line and rises high into the air.
- Ebony** (popular), a bit of *ebony*, a negro.
- Ebony optics** (pugilistic), black eyes; *ebony optics* albonized, black eyes painted white.
- Edge** (tailors), "stitched off the *edge*" refers to a glass or pint not filled to the top; "side *edge*," whiskers. A "short top *edge*" is a turn-up nose.
- Edgenaro** (back slang), orange.
- Eggshaw** (Anglo-Indian), brandy; probably from the name of a brand.
- Egyptian hall** (rhyming slang), a ball.
- Eighter** (prison), an eight-ounce loaf.
 "Do you eat all your chuck?"
 "No, I have two *eighters* in my cell now."
 "I shall be orderly to-morrow. Sling me a *toke*."—*Evening News*.
- Elkom** (back slang), a "moke" or donkey.
- Elbow crooker** (thieves), a hard drinker; from the phrase to "crook one's elbow," to drink. In French, "lever le coude," said of a hard drinker.
- Elbower** (thieves), a fugitive; one that "elbows," *i.e.*, turns the corner, or gets out of sight.
- Elbow grease** (popular), hard work.
- Elbow-scraper** (nautical), fiddle player.
- Elbow shaker** (old), gambler with dice. From the expression "to shake one's elbow."
- Elbow, to** (thieves), to turn a corner, to get out of sight.
- Electrified** (American), excited with liquor.
- Elephant** (thieves), a victim possessed of much money.
 (Common), the *elephant*, originally an Americanism. We might compile a volume of the amusing