

Major P—'s unco' sly,
There is *no green about his eye*,
And oh! it makes the major cry,
When bang goes a bawbee, O.
—*Atkin: House Scraps.*

A new pal . . . where did he come from?
Greenland.—*Dickens: Oliver Twist.*

Greenbacks (University), one of Todhunter's mathematical textbooks, because some of them are bound in green cloth. (American), paper money.

Greenman (builders), a contractor who speculates with other people's money.

Green bag (common), a lawyer. "What's in the *green bag*?" *i.e.*, what is the charge to be preferred against me?

Greens (common), "to have one's *greens*," to have sexual intercourse.

(Printers), a term in vogue for bad or worn-out printing rollers.

Green goods operators (American), the counterfeiters of greenbacks.

The article referred to also contained an *exposé* of the methods, headquarters, and gangs who have so long and with so much impunity carried on the *green goods* or sawdust operators. It also gave the names of sawdust operators who had been arrested and indicted in the Federal courts but never brought to trial.—*New York Mercury.*

Green, to (Eton School), to befool, to cause any one to show simplicity.

I was again catechised on many points personal to myself, and some mild attempts were made to *green* me, as boys call it.—*T. C. Buckland: Eton, 1836-1841.*

Green gown, to give a (old slang), to tumble on the grass. Used in an obscene sense.

And Johnny gave Jenny a jolly *green gown*,
Down in the grass by the river.

Green turtle, to live up to (American), to do, and give one's best—a metaphorical phrase which owes its origin to turtle being regarded from the epicure's point of view a *bonne bouche*, and the green fat the most desirable portion.

It were churlish indeed to find fault with any custom, or to dwell critically upon any shortcoming of these hospitable people, who, as hosts, *live up to their green turtle.*—*Paton: Down the Islands.*

Greenhouse (drivers), a derisive term sometimes applied to an omnibus. "Get out of the way with that old *greenhouse* of yours!"

Greenwich barbers (popular), retailers of sand, so called because the inhabitants of Greenwich "shave the pits" in the neighbourhood to supply London with sand (Dr. Brewer),

Greenland (common). "He comes from *Greenland*," he is unsophisticated.