

Joyfully the lads bore T'Owd Mon off to Blurton's and got him a real shiny pair of pointed *excruciators* (small thirteens, T'Owd 'Un usually takes calf fourteens). *Sporting Times*.

Execution day (common), washing day amongst the lower classes.

Expecting (society), a common expression for a woman being in the family way; it is an abbreviation for expecting her confinement.

Explaterate (American), to enlarge upon, to hold forth, to explain and illustrate fully.

On this I will *explaterate*,
And all my views profusely state.
—*Joel Boodler's Campaign*.

From the obsolete English to *explate*, to unfold.

Extrumps (Winchester College), a corruption of extempore. To "go up to books *extrumps*" is to go up without having prepared one's lesson. "Extrumpere," a jocose perversion of extempore, has been used by old English authors.

Eye limpet, another name for an artificial eye.

Eye-openers (American), one of the many concoctions drunk at American bars.

In the vestibule of each refreshment-room there is an American bar, where visitors may indulge in juleps, cocktails, cobblers, rattlesnakes, gum ticklers, *eye-openers*, flashes o' lightning, brandy smashes, stone fences, and a variety of similar beverages.—*E. MacDermott: The Popular Guide to the International Exhibition of 1862*.

Also a general term for any kind of intoxicating drink.

(Society), is said of anything out of the way.

Of course, there were the usual *eye-openers* in the way of dress.—*Modern Society*.

Eyes (low), "no more eyes nor arseholes," said of a one-eyed man.

Eye, to take one's (tailors), to please one's fancy.

Eye water (popular), gin.

FACE (popular), credit at a public-house. From one's physiognomy being known there; or from *face*, effrontery, confidence. "To run one's *face*," to obtain credit by effrontery. "He has no *face* but his own" (Grose), he has

no coin (*faces* in French slang) in his pocket.

Face entry (theatrical), the entrée or freedom of access to a theatre, from the face being known.

Face-making (popular), begetting children.