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n.
A rooster.

[Middle English *chauntecler*, from Old French *chantecler*, the name of the rooster in the tale of Reynard the Fox : *chanter*, to sing; see [CHANT](#) + *cler*, clear; see [CLEAR](#).]

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