## **EPIGRAMS**

## **Edward Voloshin**

Coffee is for the weak and weary-eyed,

To drink it is to trade freedom for warmth.

Water is the drink of kings,

Coffee is aid for slaves.

Only a fool pays for the privilege of drinking dirt,

The wise man drinks water, pure and free.

No tomato, no pickle,

says the coward.

I'll have it as-is,

says one less fickle.

A book's worth is in words,

Not in their weight, but their smell.