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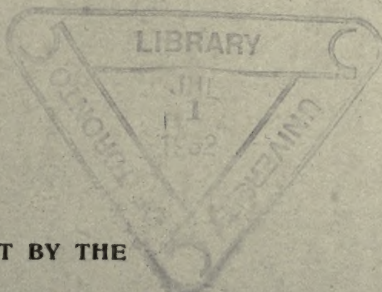
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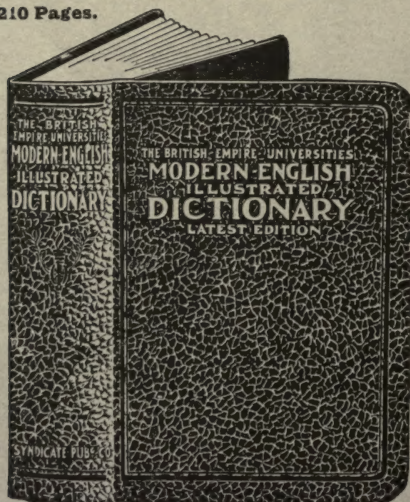
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WAID IN THE BALANS.

A YEER haz paast sins this grait Wor began—and hoo kan tel when the end wil be ?

We hav suferd much—sum beyond werdz. Yet thair iz no complaint—oenli the grimer determinaihsion tu see this thing throo, and a feeling that the air iz kleener than befor, az aafter a thunder-storm. Uther stormz mai be kuming, and mai help tu wosh awai yet mor that woz impeur. We wil not be dismaid, whotever kum. It mai be that we hav not yet reecht the darkest our ov the nyt, but we ar shoor that the daun wil bring with it viktori.

Viktori, but hou deerli baut ! Viktori, but oenli a troo viktori if we ar rezolvd tu keep the air kleen—if the yunger jeneraishon that iz tu bild up and tu konstrukt whair we hav shaterd and destroid iz taut by us tu luv whot iz peur and strong and troo.

Grait iz thair taask, grait thair responsibiliti. Let us doo aul we kan tu help them. Let us remoov aul eusles berdenz, klear awai aul that iz meerli paking strau. The skool lyf ov meni iz veri short. Why shorten it by demaanding the waistful, mekanikal memoryzing ov a foolish speling ? Kan we aford tu let them waist a yeer ov thair skool lyf ?

Aafter the Wor our langwij wil be lernt mor wydli than ever befor—especiali if we remoov whot aul lernerz regard az the grait obstakel. Giv them a speling that afordz gydans hou the werdz ar pronounst, and, aul oever the werld, thai wil shoe thair gratiteud by lerning our speech.

We ar being waid in the balans nou, in this tym ov stres ; we shall be waid again when pees fyndz us—sader, no dout ; and wyzer az wel ? Mai we not be found wonting !

the Simplifyd Speling Sosyety, it woz the good forteun ov the ryter tu vizit a skool "sumwhair in Scotland" and tu see—or, tu be egzakt, tu heer—the rezults ov an interesting eksperiment that had been maid in the infant department ov the skool. The subjekts ov the eksperiment had been kaut yung—az soon, in fakt, az thai went tu skool. Thai wer about a duzen in number. For the ferst feu munths ov thair skool lyf thai had been taut az a separait klaas in reeding. Thair tekstbook woz not the ordinari book set up in the ordinari speling, but a speshal book kauld *Nurseri Riemz and Simpl Poënz: a Furst Reeder in Simplified Speling*. Thai wer given this lesen by the infant mistres herself at the saim peeriodz az the uther children ov similar aij hoo wer taut on the euzheual "Fonik" lynz. The *Furst Reeder* had been suplemented by seutabel ekstrakts taiken from the books in eus in the skool and printed on the blakbord in Simplifyd Speling. The peupilz eksperimented on had not been speshali selekted—thai wer taiken at random from a groop ov inkuming children at the begining ov the skool yeer.

Az far az posibel, the Simplifyd Speling sekshon ov the klaas had lesonz ov the saim deuraishon az the "Noemik" sekshon. An uneuzheual amount ov ilnes amungst boeth teecherz and peupilz interfeerd sumwhot with the kariing out ov this ydeal, but, in spyt ov sum interupshon, the *Furst Reeder*, with the suplementari blakbord werk, woz oevertaiken in ten munths. Thairaafter the Simplifyd Speling sekshon woz poot tu the ordinari senior infant werk.

The hed mistres reports that "at this staj the Simplifyd Speling peupilz wer veri apt at reeding and speling pasijez with fairli ambishus werdz so long az thai wer printed in Simplifyd Speling. So far az the peupilz' ekspeeriens went, eech sound woz represented by wun simbol or groop ov simbolz. Thair wer no eksepshonz and thair woz nuthing tu kauz hezitansi. Thai neu nuthing ov the iregeularitiz ov the komon speling."

The non-Simplifyd Speling sekshon, on the uther hand, had bekum akustomd tu the ydea ov eksepshonal and "look-and-sai" werdz, and aulso tu the fakt that wun sound mai be represented by mor than wun simbol or groop ov simbolz, whyl konversli wun simbol or groop ov simbolz mai represent several soundz. This sekshon woz familiar with iregeularitiz. Nevertheles, it woz found that the thuroe training the Simplifyd Speling peupilz had reseevd in the relaishonz ov sound and simbol maid the "transizhon" staj eezier than had been ekspekted.

NYNTEEN MUNTHS' WERK IN FORTEEN.

On the dai ov our vizit the hed maaster and the infant mistres braut together the subjekts ov eksperiment. At this tym thai had been forteen munths at skool, deuring the ferst ten munths ov which thair instrukshon had been throo Simplifyd Speling. A book in the komon speling woz poot intu thair handz, and eech chyld red a pasij, aafter which he (or she) woz given sertin werdz tu spel. No chyld woz paast oever in yther reeding or speling. Nekst about the saim number ov children ov the uthor (non-Simplifyd Speling) sekshon, hoo had been nynteen munths at skool, wer braut in and red the saim pasijez from the saim reeding book, and aulso wer given werdz tu spel. On the hoel, the reeding ov the too sekshonz az regardz naiming ov werdz woz veri similar. Werdz ov iregular speling that gaiv trubel tu the ferst sekshon gave trubel tu the sekond sekshon aulso.

KLEERER SPEECH AAFTER SIMPLIFYD SPELING.

Such diferens az reveeld itself woz found in the rezults ov the speech training. The peupilz ov the Simplifyd Speling sekshon had a kleerer, eezier pronunsiashon and a mor distinkt and kleer-kut artikeulaishon than thoez ov the non-Simplifyd speling sekshon. The speling test did not bring out eni diferens in the mater ov atainment. Peupilz hoo had had oenli for munths' ekspeeriens ov the vagairiz ov the ordinari speling wer kwyt az good az thoez hoo had had nynteen munths.

Tu sum up. The Simplifyd Speling peupilz, taiken at random, it mai be repeeted, from a groep ov neu peupilz, aafter ten munths' instrukshon in Simplifyd Speling and for munths' in noemik speling, kood reed az wel and spel az wel az the non-Simplifyd Speling peupilz hoo had had nynteen munths' instrukshon. The balans ov advaantij woz aultgether on the syd ov the children hoo had been taut on the "neu" lynz. Thai had had a beter training in the relaishonz ov sound and simbol; thai had akwyrd a beter and a mor nateural uterans and ekspreshon, and had laid a mor solid foundaishon for the subsekwent kultivaishon ov a polyt form ov speech. This, too, under kondishonz which the hed maaster and the infant mistres responsibel for the eksperiment did not konsider aultgether faivorabel. Shoorli in the rezults ov this eksperiment we fynd mater for kontemplaishon and kauz for enkurijment tu uthor teecherz tu goe and doo lykwyz.

THE REPORT OV THE HED MAASTER AND INFANT MISTRES.

Ov the too groops ov children inspekted in this skool, the ferst wun (the Simplifyd Speling sekshon) woz kompoezd ov peupilz hoo had atended skool for fourteen munths. For the ferst ten munths ov that tym thai wer taut az a speshal klaas at the reeding peeriodz, and for the laast for munths hav been reseeving instrukshon in ordinari reeding and speling along with a klaas that had begun thair skool kareer nynteen munths agoe. This speshal klaas, which woz choezen at random from peupilz hoo had joind skool for the ferst tym, wer taut from *The Furst Reeder in Simplified Speling*, supplemented by seutabel ekstrakts taiken from *Angus Primers*, Parts 1, 5, 11, and printed on the blakbord in Simplifyd Speling. In adishon thai roet tu diktaishon lynz from *The Furst Reeder*, and spelt orali from the *Reeder* and *Angus Primers*, werdz joodishusli choezen in konformiti with Simplifyd Speling. In spyt ov konsiderabel interupshon throo absens ov teecherz and peupilz, litel difikulti woz ekspeerienst in oeventaiking the *Furst Reeder* in the ten munths, aafter which, az aulredi staited, the klaas started seenior infant werk.

At this tym it woz noeted that the speshal-klaas peupilz wer veri apt at reeding and speling pasijez with fairli ambishus werdz so long az theez wer printed in Simplifyd Speling. So far az thair ekspeerians went, eech sound woz represented by wun simbol or groep ov simbolz; thair wer no eksepschonz and nuthing tu kauz hezitansi. Thair klaas-maits, on the uthher hand, had aulredi bekum akustomd tu the ydea ov eksepschonal and "look-and-sai" werdz, and aulso tu the fakt that wun sound mai be represented by mor than wun simbol or groep ov simbolz, whyl, konversli, wun groep ov simbolz mai represent several soundz. Theez, then, had nuthing tu unlern, but, in spyt ov this, it woz found that, az regardz the Simplifyd Speling sekshon, the thuroe training in foniks and Simplifyd Speling maid the transizhon peeriod eezier than myt hav been ekspekted.

This woz an eksperiment, and the *Furst Reeder* woz in the naiteur ov an eksperiment aulso. It myt be sujested that a klaas-book which iz aul in rym iz hardli seuted for its perpos. Teecherz noe hou the rymz apeel tu children and hou thai memoryz, whyl thai mai not be aibel tu reed such. Sum ov the eezi litel stori reederz publisht for eus in infant skoolz myt be reprinted in Simplifyd Speling and euzd tu suplement the *Furst Reeder*. In a ferst reeder, too, it wood be advyzabel tu refrain from maiking a

begining with English az it iz euzheuali printed, and defer aul that needz eksplanaishon until the akteual peeriod of transizhon werk. Had the hoel klaas been taut akording tu the Simplifyd Speling skeem, the eksperiment wood hav been mor valeuabel, and a mor desyded opinion az tu its klaimz for recognishon kood hav been given.

TESTS IN PRONUNSAISHON.

PROF. LOUNSBURY telz us, in hiz *English Speling and Speling Reform*, "that everi member ov the English rais haz tu lern tu euz too langwijez. The won he reedz and ryts, the uthher he speaks." Sum ov us eksel in the ferst, uthher ov us ar mor suksesful in the sekond. But, even when we hav traird ourselvz intu a fair maasteri ov boeth, it wil be jenerali admited that thair ar a grait meni werdz which we ar perfektli familiar with in ryting, but which we hav oenli a haizi noeshon ov hou tu pronouns. Moest ov us noe the sensaishon ov being sudenli poold up in konversaishon by this konshusnes ov unfamiliariti with pekeuliar werdz. It mai be that we uterd the werd az we hav aulwaiz sylentli pronounst it ourselvz when meeting it in a book and hav aafterwerdz been harast by douts az tu whether this subkonshus pronunsaishon woz that jenerali aksepted in polyt serkelz. Wun tolerabli wel edeukaited man went so far the uthher dai az tu admit that, if he had tu chooz between submitting tu a test in speling and wun in pronunsaishon, he wood prefer the former.

A MISLEADING WERD.

Not long agoe a reeder ov THE PYONEER roet on this veri subjekt: "A werd which tript up a good meni peepel, I fansi, iz the werd 'mised.' For yeerz I thaut ov this werd az 'mizzled.' Whether I euzd it in this wai in konversaishon I am not kwyt kleer, but I trust I did not unles tu thoez similarli deseewd. Wun dai sum wun hapend tu euz the werd in my heering, giving it the aksepted pronunsaishon az the paast tens ov 'mised.' Lyk a flash kaim the thaut: 'That's the werd I've been kauling "mizzled" aul theez yeerz.' I hav sins diskuverd that anuther frend haz had sumwhot the saim ekspeeriens, aultho the pronunsaishon she had given the werd woz 'mysled.'"

Reserchez in the *Oxford Dictionary* shoe, however, that thair iz a verb tu "mizzle," karakteryzd az "obsoleet eksept in dialekt." The meening iz that ov the verb "mislead"—"tu mudel, mistify, giv rong informaishon." The *Oxford Dictionary* hazarded the theori that the werd haz been suestjed by the substantiv "miz-maze" meening literali a "labirinth" and metaforikali a stait ov konfeuzhon and perpleksiti. Iz it not just posibel, however, that the form tu "mizzle" haz been kraitid az a prezent out ov the mispronounst paast tens ov "mislead"? If this iz the kais the eror iz ov ainsent dait, for we fynd the verb euzd az far bak az 1583—"Their heades preteley mizzled with wine." Thair iz no proof ov the theori advaanst abuv, but if it wer troo it wood be an interesting kais ov the kreaishon ov a werd throo mispronunsaishon. It iz a mater ov proof that a neu pronunsaishon kan be kraitid throo an unfonetik speling (cf. "chart," which a senteuri agoe woz pronounst "kart," and "quad-rille," which Walker telz us in hiz dai woz pronounst "ka-drille"). Thair ar not veri meni such werdz, but the feu thair ar konstituteut an argeument for the kloeser relaishon ov sound and simbol, in the interests ov the stabiliti ov our English tung.

By the kweer yroni that not infreekwentli karakteryzez the jujment ov the werld, speling reformerz hav been akeuzd ov undermyning that stabiliti. Thair ar not the ferst reformerz, however, tu be charjz with perpeteuating the veri abeus thai set out tu keur, and thai kan wel aford tu let such an akeuzaishon aanser itself.

KORESPONDENS.

KRITISIZM OV "PYONEER" SKEEM.

MR. W. GUNDRY, ov the Wissa Skool, Assiut, Upper Egypt, ryts, on Jooly 6:

In reveuing the kritisizmz eksprest in eur Joon number on the kwestshonz that I raizd in Aipril, I gather the foloing jeneral rezults:—

1. The fynal *y* and terminaishonal formz seem by komon konsent tu be kondemd. I thairfor yeeld tu authoriti on theez points. I prezeum, however, that the *-y* iz tu be retaind whair it iz indeubitabli long, az "try, trying," not "tri, triing."

2. *y* for *ie* and *eu* for *yu* ar jenerali aksepted. I beleev that boath theez sujetshonz wer orijinali deu tu Mr. Sexton. Mr. David Isaacs'z ydea ov transferring the dubel funkshon from *y* tu *i* seemz tu me a mor vyolent chainj and mor konfeuzing. It iz a simpel rool that *y* preseeded or foload by a konsonant iz a vouel.

3. On the silabik *-l*, Mr. Drummond maiks a pertinent remark. If this *-l* haz a real vouel fors it stil needz tu be distingwisht from the konsonantal *l*, and shued thairfor be riten *-el* tu mark it az a vouel.

4. The *oo* kwestshon seemz tu be stil undesyded, tho I think that the majoriti ar in faivor ov diferenshiaiting the long and short soundz, with *oo* for the former. Hav we heer struk upon a lookal pekuiliariti? For I noat that the North-kuntri ryterz seem les alyv than uthertz tu the neseliti ov the distinkshon. It iz hard tu understand whot Mr. Drummond meenz by the long and short *u* soundz. Filolojists jenerali denoat the long and short *oo* by theez naimz, but he, I think, meenz our *eu* (or *yu*) and the neutral vouel. In eni kais he wued euz oanli too simbolz for thre soundz. Tu myself the konfeuzhon ov the long and short *oo* in pronunsiashon iz aulmoast az iritaiting az the dropping ov *h*, and I beleev the distinkshon in simbolz tu be absoluteuli neseari by our first prinsipelz. In this leter I am eksperimenting with *ue* for short *oo*. Mr. Maling puets in an objekshon tu this form, but duz not giv hiz argueumt against it. Hiz *uo* seemz tu me tu be les apt bekoz it sugestz an oopen vouel. I shued stil prefer *v*, which iz not un-English unles we konfyn the English langwij tu the laast fifti yeerz. It duz not mater by whot naim it iz kauld; it wued funkshon eekwali sweetli by eni naim. Luek at our prezent naimz for *w* and *y*.

5. My aanser tu Mr. Sexton'z klaim for the marking ov aksent in speling iz that, in much teeching ov English tu forinerz, I never ekspeeriens eni trubel from this sors. If it be rememberd that *verbz* ov too silabelz beginning with an obvius prefiks, az *be-*, *di-*, *ex-*, etc., hav the aksent on the sekond silabel, litel difikulti remainz.

6. *-ant* and *-ent* kan remain separait. But the werdz (O.S.) "assist-ant, assistance, resistance" shued be chainjd, az thai kum from the saim stem az "persist-ent, existence," etc. So aulso "pend-ant" and "de-pendable."

On Jooly 10, Mr. GUNDRY sent us the foloing:—

Mai I ad wun noet tu my preevius leter? Eur eus ov "kari" (= "carry") in dhe Joon number kauzd me sum misgivingz, for our prezent rool staitz dhat *ar* iz tu be konsiderd long. On reflekschon I fynd dhat the eus iz sound, but dhat dhe rool needz a slyt modifikaishon. Dhe adishon must be maid dhat *ar* when foload by a vouel iz short—so we kan, without skroopel, ryt "tari (verb), arabel, barel, sparoe, paralel," etc., and, on dhe udher hand, "star, partner, ardent, arsenik," etc. Dhe ajektivz in *-y* from "star" and "tar" ar eksepschonz dhat must be eksprest az "staari, taari." Dhe unaksented *ar*, az in "ordinari," I think duz not mater.

Dhe kais iz neerli dhe saim with *er* when *er* haz dhe *e* sound (not dhat ov dhe neutral vouel), az in "merry" and its rymz, "cleric, experiment,

terror," etc. Dhe saim rool aplyz: *er* foloed by a vouel wil hav dhe *e* sound. So "ferry" iz riten "feri." But heer kumz a difikulti. Hou iz "furry" tu be riten? It seemz, aafter aul, dhat dhis werd, widh "worry, hurry," etc., wil dryv us bak tu dhe eus ov *ur* for dhe neutral vouel plus *r* in strest silabelz—az *ur* = *err*, but "erand" = "errand." Or, perhaps, *ir*, pueting "stirup, dirijibel," etc., under dhe saim rool az *ar*, *er* abuv.

MR. EVACUSTES A. PHIPSON, Hog Hill, Sussex, ryts :

Desydedli *y* iz an improvment on *ie*, if oenli bekauz dhe later eekwalli wel sugestz *ee*. Moroever, *y* standz for a similar sound in Hollandish, az in the river *Y*, Nymegen, *Yper*, *Vryheid*; aulso—at leest, from the "English" point ov veu—*eu* iz far seupeerior tu *yu*, which oenli okerz in wun English werd, "yule," and luks, and iz in ryting, veri aukwerd, wheraz *eu* haz an eekwalli gud apeerans eedher at dhe begining or in dhe bodi ov a werd. Perhaps, too, if dhis iz adopted, peepil wil be moer lykli tu indikait dhe korekt sound in "seupeerior, soleushon, mezheur." *Y* am serpryzd tu fynd so meni saing "asoom, alood"; *Y* thaut aul edeukaitet perszn nou pronounst dhe difthong.

Y agree widh dhe propoezal tu abolish *ur*—aul the moer if, az propoezd by Mr. Drummond, *u* iz euzd boeth for "put" and "gun." Dher iz no ekskeus for "poot" eksept from dhe moest naroeli English point ov veu, and even dhen it iz ambigeuus az sugesting *oo* in "kool." Anudher reezon why *u* shud be euzd for boeth dheez short foenz iz dhat dhair larjli interchainjabl, az in "sut," whyl in dhe nordhern kountiz dhe soel pronunsiashon iz az in "put." Az for dhe distinkshon between "erth" and "wurd" in Scotland, etc., dhat kan stil be maintaind in ryting, if dezyrd, by eni partikeular individeul; so aulso "gairl, gerl, gurl."

It iz satisfaktori tu fynd dhat dher iz stil a demand (notwidhstanding dhe much egzagjeraited "English prejedis") in faivor ov *dh* for dhe soenant *th*. Indeed, it iz astonishing dhat dhis woz not propoezd at dhe outset. It iz so wel noen nou, even koloekwiali, az in "murder," dhat it wud meet with litl or no opozishun—ertainli no moer dhan *zh*, which iz an aulmoest paralel kais. Pitman haz wydli popeularyzd it. Even moer amaizing iz dhe hostiliti ov dhe manaijment tu a distinkshon between "for" and "fore" or "four," which iz unmistaikabl in speaking and iz kwyt simpli representabl in ryting by dhe speling "foer, moer," etc. *Y* am glad so meni insist on kairful speaking, and not sluvlenli, being dhe oenli kriteerion az tu pronunsiashon. Dhis needz partikeularli bairing in mynd by meni korespondents. Dhe speling shud aulwaiz foloe dhe sloe, formal pronunsiashon, udherwyz it wil leed tu uter kaios. (Ov koers, dhe reeder kan koloekwialyz it az hee lyks.) Dhus, wee shud ryt "langwaj, forain, sertain, figeur, tuwardz, konkleud, komitee, rejiment, bizines, oepen, riten, (but aibl, peepil), organ, eevil, aipron, soften, trezheur, reealli," and not goe out ov our wai tu promoet and stereotyp slering and mumbling. It iz moest important tu enkuriy kleer and distinkt uterans.

Indeed, it iz disapointing tu fynd so much unsertainti az tu dhe korekt sounding ov werdz. Dhus, *Y* noetis "seereez" for "seerieez," "ai" ("ay" = "yes") for "y," "rauth" (noun) for "raath," "milileeter" for "mililyter," "heritij" for "heritaij," (aulwaiz distinkkli dhus sounded in dhe Literji), "doo" for "deu," "klark" for "klerk" (dhis arkaiik pronunsiashon ov *er* aut tu be toetali abolisht, az it iz aulredi in moest kaisez), "egzibishon" for "eksibishon," "feutyer" for "feuteur," "lojkl" for "lojikal," "renaisans" for "renasens," "eust" for "euzd," "tranzpairent" for "transparent" (paj 9, cf. "neuspaiper," paj 7), "pedagogik" for "pedagogjik," "feutyl" for "feutil," "standerd" for "standard," "ydher" (a German afektaishon) for "eedher," "ordeal" for "ordeel," "minityer," for "minityer."

Indeed, dher iz an ekselent rool regarding long and short vouelz

tu which Y hav never found a singl eksepshon. Dhis iz, in kaisez wher boeth ar euzd, tu chooz dhe short. It aulwaiz soundz beter, it iz often moer korekt etimolojikali (az in "tremor"), and konformz kloeser widh dhe orijinal valeuz. Dhus, "pajant, ekononmik, dinamik, progres, sivilizaishon."

In kaisez wher a werd iz boeth noun and verb dhe aksent shud, wherever posibl, be plaist on dhe ferst silabl in dhe former and dhe sekond in the later—dhus, "kóntent, kóntrol" (noun), but "kontrákt." English formz shud aulwaiz be preferd tu French—az "prestij, restaurant, enveloep, klyentil."

[We insert, with plezher, the abuv leter, aultho we kan not agree with Mr. Phipson on aul the points he raizez. It iz kwyt lykli that he iz ryt in thinking that we aut tu adopt *dh*, but wood it reali be wel tu obliterate the distinkshon between the vouel soundz ov O.S. "put" and "shut"?

Az for the speling ov O.S. "for, four, more," etc., we shood be graiftul tu him if he wood send us a list ov the werdz in which *oer* shood be euzd. We beleev that, so far from the distinkshon being "unmistaikabl," thair iz the veri graitest diferens between speekerz az regardz the pronunsiashon ov "or, oar, our," etc. The mater woz delt with at sum length in THE PYONEER, Vol. III, pajez 40 tu 42 and paj 55.

Our reederz wil fynd it interesting tu test hou meni ov the werdz given by Mr. Phipson thair pronouns az he duz. Sum ov hiz pronunsiashonz stryk us az obsoleet; uthertz ar meer "speling-pronunsiashonz," with no etimolojikali justifikaishon. Mr. Phipson sez he iz disapointet tu fynd so much unsertinti az tu the korekt sounding ov werdz; that iz hardli reezonabel, for whot standerd iz thair at prezent uther than the praktis ov edeukaite speekerz? This, in meni kaisez, duz not agree with Mr. Phipson'z. Whot iz Mr. Phipson'z standerd? It iz not eezi tu gather from hiz egzaampelz. Thus, he objekts tu the pronunsiashon "klark" on the skor that it iz "arkaiik," aultho it iz in jeneral eus amung the edeukaite; but he preferz "eedher" tu "ydher," aultho the later iz nou wel establisht and haz been in eus for too hundred yeez and mor. It iz not klear why it shood be kauld a "German" afektaishon, unles "German" iz intended az a jeneral term ov abeus. "Konkleud" iz interesting; the *eu* pronunsiashon, aafter konsonant plus *l*, iz "arkaiik" indeed. Thair iz evidens that "bleu" woz regarded az dandifyd in 1840!]

MR. CHARLES S. BURT, 724 East University Avenue, Ann Arbor, Michigan, ryts an amezing leter in suport ov Mr. Gundry'z sugestion that *v* shood be euzd az a vouel simbol, but wood prefer tu giv it the valu ov *u* in "but." He aulso pleedz in faivor ov *iu* in plais ov *eu*, and *u* for the long and short *oo*.

MR. R. P. CHOPE, Hollyhurst, Blythwood Road, Crouch Hill, N., ryts:

I hav been much interested in the laitest number ov THE PYONEER, and I think the speling iz a grait improovment on the preevius sistem. But if *y* iz euzd for *ie*, why shood not *ie* be euzd for the fynal *y* or *i* in such werdz az "funie, laidie," etc.? This wood be in akord with a verie komon praktis, boath in England and Scotland, in the kais ov dimineutivz, and wood giv ryz tu no difikultie in komparativz and seuperlativz—e.g. "funie, funier, funiest." At enie rait, the fynal *ie* looks lyk ordinairie English (or Scottish), whairaz *i per se* sertainlie duz not.

THE DEVYS OV BÄRD LETERZ.

Ser William Ramsay, ryting to the Sekretari, sez (we maik no chainj in hiz speling):—

I tæk this oporyünyty ov riting in bård leterz. I am in the habit ov riting Norwējjan, and ov rēding Swēdish, and thæ kontæn, az yū doutles nō, æ = *ai* in "pain," φ = *ö* in *hören* (German), â = *a* in "all." Swēdish, indē, gōz sō fār az tū aulter French tū sūt Swēdish speling. For instans, *entente cordiale* becumz *oungtongt kordial*, *douceur* = *dusör*, *rendez-vous* = *rongdeuu*, and sō on. But that iz by the wæ.

Whaut I want tu convæ iz that it iz much *ēzier* tū rīt with *bārd* than with *dubl* or *combind* leterz. I *yūz* *i* and *y* indifferently, *kēp qu*, *bār ā* = "far," *ē* = "see," *y* or *ī* = "my," *ō* = "note," *ū* = "full" or "foot" or "boot," *æ* = "may." This *lēvz* "all." I *yūz au*, but it isn't satisfactory. *ā* (Swēdish) iz aukward tū rīt or print. Norwējianz *yūz aa*. If *pēpl* *cūd* *bē* *convinst* that the sound ov *a* in "all" rēly *duzn't* *difer* *eksept* in length (*dyūrēshun*) from *o* in "hot," in ordinary English (*thō* it *duz* in American *spēch*, whær "hot" haz *ofn* an *aproximēshun* tū "hāt"—*a* az in "far"—and *a* in "all" tū *o* in "hole"); then the *difficuly* wūd *bē* *non-existent*. Tū my *ēr* *mōst* English *mæk* the *sem* *diferens* betwēn "not" and "naught" az betwēn "seat" and "scene." However, that iz a *debætēd* point, and whaut wē wont iz *sum* *mezhūr* ov *yūniformity*.

Plēz *excyūz* this *digreshon*. I wish, however, *yū* wūd *pūt* *thēz* points tū the *rēderz* ov the *magazin*. Its *tītl* iz an *isōr* tū *meny*; *yū* *nō* it—"simplifid" and "sosiēti." With *bārd* leterz it wūd *bē* "simpifid" and "sosiēty."

P.S.—*Mæ* I point out that the French and Italianz help *themselvz* out with *acsents*, which *corespond* tū *bārd* leterz; that *Spaniārdz* *yūz* *ñ*; and that *Jermanz* hav *ō* and *ū*, *crijinaly* *ō* and *ū*. So it wūd *bē* a *natyūral* *tranzishun* for us tū rīt *ā* for *aa*, *ē* for *ee*, *ī* for *ie*, *ō* for *oe*, and *ū* for *uu* or *ue*. Let *yūr* *rēderz* and *riterz* try it and *sē*.

[Eni *kontribeushon* from Ser William Ramsay *nateurali* *dezervz* the *ernest* *konsideraishon* ov our *reederz*, and iz *lykli* tū *kari* *grait* wait. In *diskusing* the *advyzabiliti* ov *euzing* *dyakritiks* *thai* *mai* *be* *glad* tu hav *befor* them the *arguements* against *thair* *eus*. *Theez* ar—

1. In *ryting* it iz a *grait* *advaantij* tu *be* *aibel* tu *ryt* a *werd* az a *hoel*, *kontineuusli*. The *dyakritik* *rekwyrz* eu tu *stop* *yther* *imeediatli* *aafter* the *leter*, which *meen*z a *braik* in the *midel* ov the *werd* or tu *retern* tu a *paast* *leter* when the *werd* haz *been* *riten*. In *yther* *kais* the *even* *floe* ov the *pen* iz *impeded*.

2. In *reeding* it iz the *uper* *haaf* ov *werdz* that iz ov *cheef* *importans*. *Taik* a *lyn* ov *print* and *kuver* the *botom* *haaf*—eu kan *stil* *reed* it; *kuver* the *uper* *haaf*—eu wil *fail*. The *outlyn* ov the *werd* iz *whot* we *rekognyz* it by, and that *outlyn* *dependz* *larjli* on the *prezens* ov *leterz* that *ekstend* *abuv* the *lyn*. Iz it *not* *reezonabl* tu *aseum* that the *prezens* ov *meni* *dyakritiks* wil *impair* the *distinktnes* ov the *outlyn*?

3. In *printing*, *partikeularli* from *plaits*, the *dyakritik* iz *trubelsom* *bekauz* it *tendz* tu *get* *damijd* *eezili*. *Ferthermor*, *theez* *leterz* ar *mor* *ekspensiv* for the *typ-founder* tu *kaast*, and, *being* ov *nesesiti* *laid* in the "uper-kais," *thai* ar *manipeulaid* by the *kompozitor* with *far* *les* *fasiliti* than ar *loēr*-*kais* *leterz*, *boeth* ov which *faktorz* *wood*, ov *kors*, *graitli* *inkrees* the *kost* ov *produkshon*.

Az for the *aksents* in French, *thai* ar a *doutful* *boon*. The *akeut* *aloen* haz *eni* *reel* *valeu*; the *uther* *too* ar *mor* ov a *neusans* than a *gain*.

Thair *kan*, however, *be* *no* *dout* that a *good* *method* ov *indikaiting* *length* *wood* *be* a *grait* *advaantij*. We ar *inklynd* tu *think* that the *internashonal* *skeem* iz *ryt* in *having* a *simbol* that *foloēz* the *vouel* tu *be* *lengthend*—*not* a *dyakritik*; but the *simbol* *adopted* iz *not* *aaltugether* *satisfaktori*. We *wont* *sumthing* that iz *distinktiv* in *print* and *eezi* tu *ryt*.]

"THE WOR AND THE WERLD LANGWIJ."

Mr. A. T. MALING, ov *Summertown*, *Oxford*, *ryts* (we *retain* *hiz* *oen* *speling*):

Pleēz *alou* me tu *deny* and *protest* against *dhe* *cloazing* *staitments* ov *dhe* *articl* on "The Wor and the Werld Langwij" in *eur* *curent* *iseu* (*paij* 38). *Whot* *wuod* eu or *eni* ov us *think* if it *wer* *sed*: "When *Speling Reform* can *claim* 130,000,000 *adheerents*, *dhen* it *wil* *be* *tym* tu *discus* its *claimz*?" It iz *emfaticali* *not* *troo* *dhat* "the *oenli* *valid* *argeument* for *Esperanto* iz that it iz *neutral* and *duz* *not* *eksyt* *nashonal* *jelusiz*," *nor* *dhat* "Germanz *aloen* *wood* *feel* that az an *argeument* against *English*." I *belev* *Esperantists* ov *aul* *naishonz* *doō*, az a *fact*, *feel* it so. *Dhe* *argeument* for *Esperanto* from its *neutraliti* iz a *veri*

strong wun. Dhe ryter apairentli quyt failz tu realiz hou strong. It puots peopl ov aul naishonz at wuns on a level; no wun haz eni advantej oaver anudher, az must aulwaiz be dhe cais when too personz hooz nativ langwejez ar diferent ar conversing, or trying tu convers, in dhe langwej ov wun ov dhem. But dhair iz anudher argeument az valid—naimli, dhe absolutej regeulariti ov Esperanto gramar and inflecshonz, and dhe simplisiti and fasiliti ov its soundz. English haz, indeed, a remarkabli simpli gramar; but its iregeular inflecshonz (cheefli, az in udher nashonal langwejez, in dhe verbz, but not confynd tu dhem) and its peceuliar vouel soundz (besydz dhe *th*) constitute a barier tu its becoming euniversal, which wuod remain even if its speling wer maid perfectli fonetic. I am convinst dhat, until English speling reformerz giv up dhe ydea ov forsing dhair langwej on dhe rest ov dhe wurld, dhair wil be in dainjer ov dooing az much harm az guod. Reform ov English speling wuod be a boon tu forenerz so far az dhair wish or need tu lern English; but it wuod be a curs tu dhem if it carid widh it dhe purpos ov destroying dhair nativ idiomz and literateur. Esperanto duz not aim at displaing eni egzisting langwej, but provydz a meenz ov intercors between peopl ov aul langwejez, and dhat on a baisy ov absolutej equoliti. I speek from ekspeeriens, being an Esperantist ov ten yearz' standing, and having convertet freeli and eezili in Esperanto with peopl ov at leest ait diferent langwejez besydz my oan. I moast earnestli beg aul eur reederz not tu let dhair reforming zeel aly itself with a fauls and tiranical (so-cauld) "patriotizm" which myt becom a seerius political dainjer. Az ~~sum~~ wun haz wyzli and witali sed: "It talks aul sorts tu maik a wurld." Why not liv and let liv? Speling reform and Esperanto shuod be *alyz* in the grait cauz ov progres—not ryvalz, stil les enemiz.

[We hav resevd a similar leter from Mr. H. Lewis Leadley, ov York, hoo sez:

Az a patriotik Englishman—and we ar aul patriots in theez strenuous daiz—I doo not wish my muther tung tu bekum the euniversal tung. I doo not wish it tu bekum mauld and spoilt by milionz ov strainjerz. Such a prospekt iz too teribel. Moroever, I trembel for British intelektuel vyaliti if we English aloen ov aul the peepelz ov the Erth ar tu be wun-tungd. For when the Esperantist speeks ov a Euniversal Langwij he meenz a langwij which *aul* shal speek—rich and poor, ignorant and lerned, the foolish and wyz; not simpli a feu politishanz and skolarz, biznes men and Sosyeti.

"The English chyld kood lern Esperanto in the tym that he nou waists oever speling."

It mai remoov sum miskonsepschonz if we defyn our atiteud with regard tu English az a werld langwij. We noe for sertin that the studi ov English haz maid much progres in meni parts ov the werld deuring the laast twenty-fyv yearz; partli on akount ov its komershal valeu, no dout, but in meni kaisez bekauz ov a jeneuin interest in its literateur and ov simpathi with us az a naishon. We beleev that it wuod be stil mor wydli lerned if the inishal difikulti ov the speling wer remoovd, and with a rashonal speling the difikulti ov pronunsiashon wuod be much redest. Theez hav been groesli egzajeraited; eni wun hoo haz had ekstensiv ekspeeriens ov the aplikaishon ov fonetiks in the teeching ov English tu forinerz kood suply abundant evidens. We beleev that it wil be tu our advaantij az wel az tu that ov the foriner if our eforts maik it eezier for him tu lern our langwij.

But theez eforts ar not direkted cheefli tu this end, az woz sujested in a veri foolish artikel in the Joon iseu ov "Modern Language Teaching" by a ryter hoo shoez at leest sum diskreshon by withoolding hiz naim. We ar mor neerli konsernd with our oen peepel. "We doo not wish" our langwij tu kontinue tu be "mauld and spoilt by milionz ov"—our oen peepel, hoo speek it badli and spel it wers.

Thair iz nothing tu gain, az far az we kan see, by eni kontroversi az tu the relativ merits ov Esperanto and ov English az internashonal langwijez. It iz kwyt posibel tu be a keen Esperantist and tu faivor speling reform in English.

It iz awy kwynt a defensibel atiteud tu feel that aul wun'z enerjiz shood be devoeted tu wun ov theez kauzez ekskloosivli.

Thoez hoo ar werking for English ar kwyt wiling tu leev the verdikt tu tym ; tym wil tel which langwij spredez mor rapidli. Mr. Maling ekspresez the opinion that English speling reformerz hav the ydea ov "forsing thair langwij on the rest ov the world." It iz not kleer hou he imajinz this kood be dun utherwyz than by argeument and by rendering the langwij mor atraktiv, for whot uther meenz hav the speling reformerz ov "forsing" forinerz tu studi English? And shoorli he duz not wish us tu refrain from argeument and from our endevozr tu sekeur beter speech and beter speling?]

NOETS AND NEUZ.

The membership ov the Sosyeti nou numberz 2513.

"Lowland Scotch."

We ar indeted tu Ser James Wilson for sending us a kopi ov hiz *Lowland Scotch as Spoken in the Lower Strathearn District of Perthshire*. This book, publisht by the Oxford Euniversiti Pres, iz a fasinaiting studi ov an interesting dyalekt. The speshal atrakshon ov this voleum for us iz that Ser James Wilson haz adopted sumthing veri lyk Simplifyd Speling for denoeting the soundz ov the dyalekt. In hiz introdukshon he sez: "The sistem ov speling the soundz which I hav adopted iz baist on too prinsipelz: ferst, that the saim sound shood aulwaiz be represented by the saim leter or kombinaishon ov leterz, and sekond, that the leterz emloid shood be thoez which wil moest redili sujest the sound thai ar intended tu indikait tu the reeder familiar with ordinari English."

An Historian on Speling Reform.

Mr. W. H. Thompson, 48 Queen's Gate, S.W., ryts:

I doo not think that I hav ever noetist the naim ov Dr. John Pentland Mahaffy, Profesor ov Ainshent Histori in the Euniversiti ov Dublin, kwoeted as a speling reformer, yet he duz seem tu be wun. In *Alexander's Empire*, 1888, paj 154, he ryts: "We kan see from the Septuagint whot sort ov Greek woz spoeken in Helenistik kapitalz—veri kors and rood az kompaired with Atik refynment, interlarded with loekal werdz, which wood difer akording tu the provins and its oelder tung, but a praktikal and handi komon langwij, such az Latin, woz in the Europe ov the Midel Aijez, and such az we hoep English wil wun dai bekum when we maik our speling az simpel az our gramar and giv up the abserd fashon ov ryting wun sound and speaking anuther."

Duz Singing Keur Defektiv Speech?

The kwestion oepeniz up an interesting lyn ov thaut. Meni singerz enunshiait kleerli and presyli when singing, but, az soon az thai relaps intu ordinari speech, braik everi rool ov elokeushon in the shortest posibel spais ov tym. Teecherz ov singing hav hemselvz tu be taut hou tu teech peur and kleer enunshiaishon befor thai teech hou tu sing, and we understand that instruksion in that veri braanch ov the subjekt iz being given at the Tonic Sol-fa Kolej. Faults ov speech, partikeularli naizalyzing, ar destruktiv ov good toen. The vouelz ov the kokni chyld, so we ar informd on good authoriti, rekwyr a thuroe oeverhaul-ing befor he kan prodeus voekal melodi. Thair iz a kloes konekshon between singing and good speech, and it iz for this reezon that our moovment apeelz tu meni meuzik luverz.

A Simplifyd Speling Gaim.

Moest reederz ov the "Pyoneer" wil noe the speling gaim in which eech person in tern haz tu ad a leter tu a werd, but must not end it or els he loozez a lyf, ov which he haz thre tu start with. Haz it okerd tu them that the gaim iz far mor interesting and eksyting when plaid in Simplifyd Speling? The member ov the Sosyeti hoo akts az leeder in the gaim must veri breefi eksplain the prinsipelz ov the neu speling and then hand round the Sosyeti'z printed kardz giving the valeuz ov leterz, and aluso a pajj or so ov mater printed in simplifyd speling which eech shood be given fyv minits tu reed throo. Without waiting for everibodi tu be satisfyd with everithing he shood then sujest proseedng with the gaim, telsing the parti thai wil soon lern the neu speling by praktis. The leeder, and eniwun els hoo woz thuroeli akwainted with the neu speling befor, shood ofer tu looz wun "lyf" by wai ov handikap befor starting, and then start the gaim himself with eni leter. Remember that werdz ov thre leterz doo not kount. No wun kan looz a "lyf" for ending a werd ov les than for leterz. The winer iz he hoo staiz in longest, az thoez hoo hav lost thre lyvz drop out. —Kontributed by Prof. H. Stanley Jevons.

Neuspaiperz and Speling Reform.

Our neuspaiper frendz mai be taiking tu hart Mr. William Archer'z homili regarding thair plain deuti tordz speling reform. This iz a kais whair ydealizm wil be found tu hav a sound komershal bailsis. The mor peepel hoo kan reed eezili, the beter for the neuspaiper oener and prodeuser. Thair iz not the slysted dout that oing tu the kompleksitiz ov our prezent sistem, a grait meni children yeerli leev skool without having maasterd the art ov reeding eezili—a veri diferent thing from the art ov reeding.

The "Newspaper World" haz taiken the trubel tu evolv a fonetik alfabet, which it beleevz shood be eusful for the speling ov proper naimz. This alfabet foloez our oen veri kloesli az far az konsonants ar konsernd. Tu represent the siksteen vouelz it kaulz in the aid ov fyv foenotyps, fyv dygraafs, az wel az siks ordinari alfabetik karakterz. Despyt theez aidz it iz forst tu retain the dubel eus ov y az konsonant and vouel.

The "Newspaper World" iz printing a short ilustrativ paragraaf everi week, and we hav no hezitaishon in koroboraiting its klaim that eni jernalist hoo understandz foenografi wil hav no difikulti in reeding it. We komend the egzaampl ov the "Newspaper World" tu uther paiperz. We fansi we kan ashoor the timorus that thair haz been no vizibel depreesiaishon in its serkeulaishon sins theez paragraafs apeerd.

A Sujestion for an Internashonal Vokabeulari.

Mr. R. C. Eldridge haz dun eusful servis in kompyling hiz list ov 6,000 werdz. Asuming that English (with a revydz speling) iz lykli tu bekum the internashonal langwij, kood not this list be euzd az a bailsis for an internashonal gramar? It haz been estimated that a pezant in the pre-Bord-skool aij kood ekspres aul the emoeshonz and wonts ov a lyf-tym in from 400 tu 600 werdz. The lait P. G. Hamerton, in hiz interesting *Intellectual Life*, telz ov sum distingwisht traveler hoo maasterd the 500 moest eusful werdz in the langwij ov eni kuntri that he intended tu vazit. In this wai he sekeurd hiz kumfort. I hav seen in Germany and elswhair wun-langwij peepel poot tu egzaasperaiting inkonveeniens, and eeven "dun" by unskroopeulus waitertz, when a nolej ov 500, or eeven 200 or 300, werdz wood hav saivd them this trubel. I wood sujest, thairfor, that Mr. Eldridge or sum uther entheuziast shood maik a kompilaishon ov, sai, 500 indispensabel werdz. I am kwyt shoor that a foriner kood akwyr theez 500 and euz them in the saim tym az he kood maaster an ekwivalent amount ov Esperanto. Esperanto looks eezi tu thoez that hav akwyrd a Latin and a Teutonik tung; but it seemz kleer

that English, with a revyzd speling, wood be eekwali eezili akwyrd. Whot entheuziast volunteertz?—Kontributed by Mr. A. Meff.

[We hav plenti ov travelerz' handbooks which myt be eutilyzd by the rekwyrd entheuziast, but we ar konfident that he wood soon fynd 500 a kwyt insufishent number. Ferthermor, it iz not oenli a kwestion ov werdz, but ov fraizez, which komplikaits the problem a good deel.]

Jernalistik Plezantriz.

I woz toeld the uther dai ov a man hoo roet tu a frend ekskeuzing himself for not keeping a sertain engaijment on the ground that he had a bad atak ov "gowt." Shortli aafterwerdz hiz frend met him, eksprest hiz plezher at seing him out, and sed be hoept hiz gout had kwyt gon. "Wel," sed the uther, a litel shaimfaistli, "the trooth iz it wozn't gout; it woz roomatizm, oenli I koodn't spel it." It iz, I think, regretabel that a man hoo kood doo so wel with a simpel werd lyk "gout" did not try hiz hand at the hyer gaim. He wood hav maid "rheumatism" a real maasterpees. And why shoold he hav kwaild befor the job? Why shoold he be afraid tu let himself goe when he kumz up against a werd ov which he haz not got the hang? Thair wood be a sound reezon for being subservient tu Noah Webster and the dikshonari maikerz if thai had given us an intelijibel sistem ov speling. But thai havn't. Thai hav given us an orthografi which iz dezynd tu maik our skooldaiz a torture and our lyf a berden. It iz az ful ov pitfaulz az a siv iz ful ov hoelz.—"Star."

A Plee for Speling Enihou.

I think this ydea ov speling enihou kood be defended on heumanitairian groundz. Thair ar sum peepel hoo simpli kaan't spel. Thai ar ofen kwyt nys peepel—ofen, indeed, kwyt klever peepel. But thai kan never remember whether the *e* kumz befor the *i* in "ceiling" or hou meni *c*'z and *m*'z thair ar in "accommodate" and "recommend." Thai hav been toeld heeps ov tymz, but thai aulwaiz forget, and the mor thai think about it the mor thai doen't noe. Thai ar lyk Mrs. Shandy, hoo dyd unsartin whether the erth went round or stood stil. Her huzband had toeld her thouzandz ov tymz, but she aulwaiz forgot. Nou, think whot a lot ov mizeri wood be spaird tu theez werthi peepel if thai kood poot az meni *c*'z or *m*'z in "recommend" az thai felt wood be setubel. It wood taik a loed of thair mynd tu noe that thai kood foloe thair oen fansi without inkering ridikeul.—"Star."

An S.S. Champion.

Sam Weller had the root ov the mater in him. Hiz grait deklarashon tu Justis Stareleigh that hiz naim woz spelt "akording tu the wishez ov the speler, my lord," iz the veri Magna Charta ov liberti. In the konflikt between Sam Weller and Dr. Johnson on this point I am on the syd ov Sam—at aul events, until the dikshonari jentelmen kan giv us a sistem ov speling that iz not a jumbel ov kontradikshonz.—"Star."

THE foloing veri beautiful vers iz ov speshal interest. Tho everi werd kan be found in the dikshonari, everi werd iz inkoreklti spelt.

" 'Air eye flea too Wails,
Thee felloe preyed,
' Raze ewer suite blew ayes,
Owe crewel made! ' "

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