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ALFABETIC LIST OV SIMPLIFIED SPELINGZ.

a in at	o — on, or
aa — faather [oenli wun a befor r—az art]	oe* — goez
ai — aid, air	oi — oil
au — auger	oo — good [short vouel : ecsepshonz—tu,ful,fuli]
b — bat	ou — out
c — cat [never az in "city"]	p — pet
ch — chat	ph [yuzd oenli in proper naimz]
d — dot	q [yuzd oenli in proper naimz]
e — end	r — rat
ee* — eel	s — sat
er — perform, usher [unstrest—ur when strest and not preseeding a vouel]	sh — she
f — fat	t — ten
g — get [never az in "gem"]	th — thin, this
h — hat	u — us
i — it	ur — urban, concur [strest—er when unstrest and when a vouel foloez]
ie* — tied	uu* — buun ["boon"—long vouel]
j — jet, juj	v — vat
k [yuzd oenli in proper naimz]	w — wet
l — let	wh — whet
m — met	x [yuzd oenli in proper naimz]
n — net	y — yet
nc — zinc	yu † — yusful, yutiliti
ng — sing, and linger	z — zest
	zh — vizhon ["vision"]

* **e** (or second **u**) dropt befor a vouel, and in the foloing monosilablz :—be, he, me, she, the, thre, we; I, bi, mi, whi; O, no, so; hu, thru, tu.

† In the prezent isyu **yu** iz yuzd in strest az wel az in unstrest silablz.

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GOING AHED.

THE desizhon not tu isyu THE PIONEER dyuring tu ov the sumer munths woz prompted bi the dezier for a litl rest aafter the strenyuus wurc ov the furst haaf yeer'z campain. Hoepful az we wer when we comenst operaishonz, we hav been mor than gratified at the suces which haz atended our eforts. THE PIONEER haz aforded evidens ov the wiedspred interest which our wurc iz arouzing, but we thaut thair wood be a lul in the munths in which we looc for suni holidiaiz. Perhaps it woz the atroeshus wether, which cept so meni ov us indorz, that iz responsibl for the ecstensiv corespondens that haz reecht us. Eezili cood we hav fild tu numberz besied this wun with leterz—leterz ov aul ciendz, discusing our sceem and propounding uther sceemz, raizing fresh cwestionz or resusitaiting oeld wunz, teling us that we hav gon tu far or not gon far enuf.

We never maintaind that our sceem woz not caipabl ov impruuvment. It woz indeed considerd veri cairfuli befor it woz publisht—with mor cair and nolej ov the posibl aulturnativz than sum ov our critics hav shoen. On several points we wer veri doubtful ; and heer critisizm iz begining tu be valyuabl. In meni caizez diferens ov opinion iz dyu not tu cauzez conected with the speleng, but tu divurjens ov pronunsiashon or (mor freecwentli) tu unsurtinti az tu whot constityuts standerd speech. The sentens we hav just riten containz tu spelengz that ar tu the point : *surtin* and *standerd*. Sum wood hav us riet *surtain* and *standard*, and aparentli consider

that the unstrest silablz ov theez wurdz shood hav the saim pronun-siaishon az the unstrest silablz ov *maintain* and *blackguard*. Ar thai riet? Ar we tu retain the prezent speling ov the unstrest silablz, and pronouns acordingli? This iz wun ov the grait problemz that wil hav tu be discust bi the Conferens on Standerd English Speech which must be sumond befor long. Simplified Speling and a Standerd Speech ar intimaitli conected; and the fonetic edyucaishon ov the English-speecing wurld which iz proseeding apais iz the grait condishon for the suces ov our wurc.

Our propaganda iz helping on that fonetic edyucaishon in a wai which no sientificali purfect speling wood acomplish. The man in the street can and duz reed our Simplified Speling. He fiendz that it iz eezi tu reed: and if he can not riet it without a litl trubl, it iz becauz the Oeld Speling haz prevented him from lurning hou the langwij iz pronounst. He iz lurning it nou, and he fiendz it a veri interesting studi. Suun he becumz critical; sum ov our spelingz du not pleez him, and he telz us so. Then he gets a "jentl aanser" in which we confes our eror or maintain our pozishon. Rezult: another recruut for the armi ov speech and speling reformerz.

The man in the street iz lisening tu our wurdz. Our apeel tu hiz comon sens duz not faul on def eerz; he iz cwic tu recogniez the mudl and waist ov the Oeld Speling, and the impeerial aspects ov our muuvment stur him. The man, and stil mor the wooman, in the claasruum eegerli reseev the good tiedingz: mor tiem for teeching whot iz truuli edyucaishonal, les humdrum memoriezing; mor tiem for secyuring cleer speech, les need ov red inc for slips in the speling. Goe tu a lectyur on Simplified Speling whair the audiens consists ov teecherz, and yu mai heer sum kritisizm ov deetailz, but nun ov prinsiplz; and, abuv aul, yu wil heer the cwestion, repeeted again and again: "When mai we begin tu yuz a simpler speling?"

Our sceem haz shoen meni whot thair iz tu be gaind from a simpler speling. Meni hu had never faist the problem befor hav been maid tu thinc about speling reform and the hoel cwestion ov the relaishon ov speling tu speech. It iz bringing materz ov syupreem importans befor the milionz hu yuz the langwij az an instrooment, and the tenz ov thouzandz hu cherish it az a moest preshus pozeshon.

That iz whi we valyu our sceem, abuv the (mor or les) sientific sceemz which reech us so freecwentli. Thoez hu prodyus such sceemz mai rest ashuerd that the siens ov fonetics iz not aultgether

unnoen in the iner sanctyuari ov the S.S.S. We hav amung our memberz sum ov the moest enlietend fonetishanz in this cuntri. The reesentli elected Prezident ov the American sister asoesiaishon iz perhaps the moest distingwisht fonetishan in the United States. Whi ar such men interested in the muuvment for speling reform? Becauz, unlic sum ov thair coleegz, thai ar in tuch with the graiter wurd outsid thair academic wurd; becauz thai noe that, far from hindering thair wurc, the propaganda for simplified speling iz destind tu du for the living langwij whot no amount ov lurned treetisez cood acheev. In thair studiz thai mai elaborait injeenius methodz for recording the speech ov our dai; thai mai eeven giv thaut tu an internashonal alfabet for a distant fyutyur; but thai hav enuf nolej ov prezent needz and ov prezent condishonz tu apreesiait the importans ov our wurc, and thai giv us thair harti suport in our campain against ignorans, mudl, and waist, in our fiet for cleer speech and cleen speling.

NOETS AND NYUZ.

AT furst siet the telefoen seemz tu hav nuthing tu du with speling reform. In realiti thair iz a cloes conecshon, az a biznes man pointed out tu us reesentli. He haz cauz tu complain ov the mumbld speech that peepl practis oever the 'foen, ading iritaishon tu the biznes dai. Cleer speeing iz esenshal; the telefoen wil transmit no uthet. We shal get cleerer uterans when we hav a speling that iz a hie-roed tu it, not til then. At prezent our lips ar in survityud—tu ded scribez.

IT iz not strainj that biznes men ov eminens—and thairfor ov insiet—ar joining the Sosti. English iz a chanel ov comers, and theez men wont tu du aul thai can tu send it az a river intu the wildernes. Further, thai recogniez that, edyucaishonali, we ar waisting tiem oever whot profiteth nuthing. Subjects ov hie importans, that wood fit us for the marcets ov the wurd, must wait, whiel our internashonal competitorz forjahed. Fienali, the biznes man haz an ie—or aut tu hav—for esenshalz. He duz not chuuz an enjineer for hiz speling, nor a wairhousman. Ov cors, in biznes corespondens the convenshonal speling must be cairfuli conformd tu, and the ofis boi iz curst for hiz non-conformiti. Fashion hoeldz swai for the prezent. Men mai murmer at her caprees, but thai foloe in her footsteps nevertheles. Reegal az she iz, she can not long ceep Reezon in subjecshon. He iz ov mor ainshent blud than she.

THE sentenari ov the launching ov the s.s. "Comet" on the Clyde haz just been selebraited. Glasgow poot on her roebz ov rejoising in onor ov Henry Bell, the inventor. The siti itself iz hiz memorial. But thair iz fuud for thaut—and

repentans—in the urli treetment ov this pioneer. He wurct at the problem ov steem navigaishon and tried tu perswaid the Admiralti ov the importans ov hiz sceemz. Lord Nelson suported him, but ofishal eerz wer def. Snubd at hoem, Bell maid oeventyurz tu uther cuntriz. *Thai* lisend tu him. Hiz paath oepend intu liet at length. The "Comet" began tu peepl the seez. Sum dai the wunder wil be that speling reform (which, in a sens, maics eezier the crosing ov "the sault, unplumd, estraining see") ever met with ridicyul and—delai.

THE despiedz ov wun jeneraishon iz the darling ov the necst. Jeneral Booth'z wurc reseevd whot sum wun haz cauld "the faivor ov persecyushon" at furst. Hiz deth iz az the deth ov a cing. Whairin iz a parabl.

IN the holidai seezon wun lietli turnz tu the grait novelz. An articl waits tu be riten on thair cwiët smiel, haaf tolerant, haaf satirical, at "corect speling." Thackeray iz aulwaiz jiebing. Puer Frank Castlewood'z leterz wer modelz ov mis-spelingz, and the saim jeenial fun—Puck in the corner—laafs in convenshonal Cranford. Mis Matty cood never spee in the fashion, nor her muther. And hou admirabl boeth!

THE South Indian Braanch ov the S.S.S. iz nou definitli formd. At a meeting held in the Prezidensi Colej, Madras, on the 30th Joolie, Mr. W. B. Hunter, Secretari and Trezherer ov the Banc ov Madras, woz yunanimusli elected Prezident ov the Braanch. Prinsipal E. W. Middlemast, M.A., Bishop's Gardens, Adyar, Madras, is On. Trezherer, and Profosor Mark Hunter, M.A., Bainton, San Thomé, Madras, the On. Secretari. It woz rezolvd that a Comiti shood be formd, consisting ov seven memberz rezident in Madras and wun member from eech senter that mai be instityuted in the Mofusil. For the prezent it woz desieded tu elect wun member oenli, in adishon tu the ofiserz, for Madras. Mr. K. B. Ramanathan, M.A., B.L., L.T., Profosor ov English, Pachaiyappa'z Colej, woz elected, with the foloing Mofusil memberz:—Mr. L. C. Hodgson, M.A., Prinsipal ov the Maharajah'z Colej, Travancore; Mr. J. A. Yates, M.A., Prinsipal ov the Government Colej, Kumbakonam; and Mr. P. T. Srinivasa Aiyangar, M.A., Prinsipal ov the Colej, Vizagapatam. Planz ov campain wer draafted: (1) Mr. K. B. Ramanathan iz tu be aasct tu arainj a meeting ov the Madras Teecherz' Guild, at which the aimz ov the Sوسيeti can be ecsplaind and discust; (2) the leeding sitizenz ov Madras ar tu be invieted tu atend a public meeting ov ecspozishon; (3) the atenshon ov the Madras Chaimber ov Comers wil be invoect. The muuvment teemz with promis in South India. Stagnaishon can not be naibor tu Profosor Mark Hunter. He iz a Jehu in this mater, and "drieveth furyiusli"—but with a hand ov scil.

OUR haiven haz ships from meni ports. Mr. R. J. Lechmere Guppy, ov Trinidad, sendz a brietli riten pamflet. He gets tu grips with the etimolojical goest. "The object ov riten langwij iz tu shoe the wurdz, not thair histori ov etimoloji. The proper plais for that iz the dicshonari. But wood yu cloeth a man az a boi tu shoe that he had wuns been a boi? Or wood yu insist that a milionair shood be drest az a sweep becauz hiz grandfaather had been wun?" Mr. Guppy iz riet. The etimolojical garments shood be cept in thair proper wordroebz. Mr. R. C. Harding, ov Wellington, N.Z., haz been a reformer from Sur Isaac Pitman'z tiem. We hav a sumari ov an admirabl adres he gairv in Wellington ten yearz ago. Dr. Johnson iz delt with, huuz dicshonari "practicali conjeeld our speling in the uterli confyuzd and transizhonal stait in which

he found it. . . . It woz tu him we oed the *a* in *coco-nut*"—which several London paiperz stil retain. The Reverend J. O. Nash, wun ov our member in Johannesburg, contribyuted an apeel for rashonal speling tu the "Transvaal Leader" ov the 8th Joolie laast. Militant wurdz thai ar, nun the les insiesiv becauz ov thair tuch ov hyumor. Not leterz oenli, but vizitorz, hav cum from uther landz. Profesor Goodell, ov Yale Yunivursiti, woz among the laast. He iz a member ov the Adviezori Council ov the American Speling Bord. Plezant it woz tu tauc with him. Tu aul wurcerz acros the wauterz we bid welcum—and good cheer. Speling reform iz no insyular mater.

MR. S. SEWELL sujests Christmas cardz in simplified speling. It iz a hapi iedea. Perhaps it can best be carid out individyuali; but, graanted a sufishent number ov applicants, the Secretari mai be aibl tu maic arainjments for speshal printing.

"WHI shoold *recede* be spelt wun wai and *proceed* anuther? We goe forwerd with a dubl *e*, bacwerd with the *e'*z apart."

MR. ANDREWS, ov Cotherstone, sendz an ecstract from an articl by Dr. Wu Ting Fang, ecs-Ambasador ov China tu U.S.A.: "In China, az in uther Eestern cuntriz, the English langwij iz mor freecwentli spoeen than eni uther. That langwij haz nevertheles meni draubacs. Thair ar no ficut ruulz (or, rather, thair ar so meni ecsepshonz tu the ruulz ov pronunsiashon), the strainj and iregular speling, the capreesz ov accent ar for the foriner aulmoest insyuperabl dificultiz. Tu adapt the English langwij tu mor jeneral yus wun must eliminait the myut and yusles leterz, and maic yuniformal the ruulz ov pronunsiashon and accent. I ventyur tu aasc the English and American edyucaishonists tu egzamin this demaand. Aul hu ar interested in teeching wood du a grait survis tu manciend if thai wood undertaic the reform ov the English langwij." A significant chalenj.

THE enemi haz found nyu argyument—"rair and refreshing fruit." The jurnal "Modern Man" solemlly defendz the curent speling on the ground that criminalz ar ofen discoverd bi mistaics thai maic in rieting it. The omishon ov a *p* in *opportunity* mai bring a rufian from hiz hieding-plais. We shal noe it az the Sherlock Holmes apeel, or az boroed from Russian polees methodz. Meenwhiel aul criminalz wil adopt the nyu speling!

WUN seshon ov the Impeerial Teecherz' Conferens woz ov speshal interest tu reformerz ov speling. Profesor Stanley Kidd, ov Grahamstown, South Africa, submited a paiper deeling with English speech in the Coloniz. He sed the pronunsiashon ov English oever-seez woz tending tu strai from the jeneral standerd. It miet cum tu paas that a South African wood fail tu maic himself understood in London. Macaulay's New Zealander wil speec an unfamiliar tung! Profesor Kidd apeeld for an Impeerial standerd ov speech. He did not aasc for a speling which shoold enshrien it. The argyument iz thair. Mis Althaus maid an ecselent speech, astonishing the delegaits bi teling hou litl refienment ov eer she fiendz among children. We hav maid the ie du everithing. Eer-gait, as Bunyan wood caul it, iz choect with weedz and rust. A chainjd speling meenz a nyu estait in edyucaishon.

SPELING reform had a plais on the staitli ajenda ov the Hed Mistresez' Asoesiaishon. Mis Gavin maid a memorabl speech. We wish it cood be printed wurd for wurd. Theez ar fien thrusts: "We hav tu train the chield tu reezon for itself; the mor teechez du thair dyuti the wurs speling wil becum." "Az for the etimolojical argyument, speling reform can not aluter the histori ov a wurd. That iz riten for ever. We ar simpli ading a nyu chapter."

IT seemz that the simplified speling ov Irish iz about tu get into the scuulz. Our congratyulaishonz ar dyu tu the enerjetic sosieti which haz flung its batl-lien so far. Ireland haz lesonz for England.

THE "Simplified Spelling Bulletin" for Juun iz a joi tu reed from begining tu end. Sault ov hyumor thair iz on everi paij, liec the sprai ov the see. In a speling contest at Jefferson City, Missouri, 100 wurdz wer given tu spel orali and 100 tu riet. The winer "mis-speld" 14 ov the 200 wurdz. We mension a fyu ov the wurdz given out: *Abacus, eleemosynary, appetence, glucyness, appurtenance, deleble, irascible, syzygy, sirloin, separable, roguery*. A fien sport, forsuth!

THE nyu Prezident ov the American Speling Bord iz Profesor Charles H. Grandgent, ov Harvard Yunivursiti. Not oenli iz he an eryudiet filolojist in the jeneral sens, but wun ov the moest eminent fonetishanz in the United States. He iz Prezident ov the Modern Language Association ov America. We giv him cordial greetingz.

THE foloing memberz hav joint the Sosieti:—

Mrs. W. Archer (King's Langley), T. Milne Tait (Edinburgh); *Mises* E. H. Ansted (London, S.W.), A. Birch (Kingston-on-Thames), Calmettes (Carcassonne, France), M. H. Cole (London, N.), E. C. Crowcroft (Market Harboro'), M. Dunn (London, W.), A. Gronert (Osnabrück, Germany), M. J. Ingram (Hyde), M. Ireland (Edinburgh), E. Jackson (Dundee), W. G. Jameson (London, S.W.), E. E. Keppie (Edinburgh), R. Kulka (Brünn, Austria), H. N. Mack (Henfield, Sussex), A. Milne (Helensburgh), S. E. Peters (Derby); *Messrs.* P. T. Srinavasa Aiyangar (Madras), G. V. Appa Row (Ootacamund), H. Clive Barnard (Ramsgate), J. Berry (Manchester), G. Bissing (New York, U.S.A.), G. W. Black (Madras), David Blackadder (Dundee), Prof. G. Bonnard (Lausanne, Switzerland), John Cape (Dundee), C. E. Cardew (St. Columb, Cornwall), F. A. Cavenagh (Lytham), G. F. Crawley (Washington, U.S.A.), E. de Cristoforo (Venice), K. S. Desikan (Madras), W. Erdmann (Gollnow, Pommern, Germany), Dr. A. Fleig (Hohensalza, Posen, Germany), J. E. Green (Argentina), C. H. Grinling (London, S.E.), L. T. Guitart (Rotterdam, Holland), H. E. Hamilton (Bristol), R. C. Harding (New Zealand), E. H. Highfield (London, N.W.), L. C. Hodgson (Travancore, India), T. C. Horsfall (Macclesfield), P. R. Huizinga (Johannesburg, South Africa), W. B. Hunter (Madras), R. T. A. Innes (Johannesburg, South Africa), Dr. H. Jantzen (Königsberg, Germany), T. H. Johnson (Manchester), Geheimrat Prof. Dr. M. Kaluza (Königsberg, Germany), Rev. J. L. Keating (Hove), A. Leighton (Dundee), L. Lyon (Ashtabula, U.S.A.), McDonald (Dundee), J. S. McInroy (Dundee), J. H. Mackintosh (Madras), D. McLeod (Dundee), G. S. Miller (Washington), A. T. De Mouilpied (London, S.E.), W. Race (Manchester), H. Ramachar (Madras), Prof. K. B. Ramanathan (Madras), M. S. Ramaretnam Aiyar (Trichinopoly), S. E. Ranaganadham (Madras), C. S. Rangaswami (Madras),

B. Robertson (Glasgow), Prof. A. Rotter (Prague, Austria), R. Sadagopachari (Madras), A. B. Salem (Ernaculam, Cochin, South India), J. S. Scott (Japan), G. P. Seifert (Leipzig), W. C. Stapleton (West Kirby), Subramani Aiyar (Malabar), P. G. Sundavera Sastri (Trichinopoly), Suryanarayana, B., Rao (Madras), C. K. Tait (Edinburgh), W. H. Thompson (London, S.W.), C. W. Valentine (Dundee), V. K. Van de Venter (Dundee, Michigan, U.S.A.), H. H. Prince Rama Vavue (Tripunitura, Cochin, South India), J. J. Waugh (Edinburgh), P. H. Wicksteed (Wantage), A. R. Williams (Worcester), T. Wilson (Harpenden, Herts), J. A. Yates (Madras).

THE lectur list for the winter iz given below. It iz not yet complet :—

- September 13.—Liverpool (N.U.T.).
 „ 25.—Hartlepool (N.U.T.).
 „ 26.—Sunderland (Froebel Society).
 „ 28.—Wimbledon (Surrey County Association).
 October 3.—Bristol.
 „ 10.—Tunbridge Wells (Literary and Natural History Society).
 „ 16.—Nottingham (District Association of Certificated Teachers).
 „ 19.—Oldham (N.U.T.).
 „ 22.—Leeds (N.U.T.).
 „ 31.—London (Incorporated Phonographic Society).
 November 7.—Teachers' Guild, London (Section A).
 „ 15.—Norwich (Education Committee).
 „ 21.—Monmouth School.
 „ 30.—Hastings (Wellington College).
 Desember 4.—Macclesfield (N.U.T., Cheshire P.N.E.U.).
 „ 11.—Newcastle (English Association).
 „ 12.—Middlesbrough (Froebel Society).
 „ 14.—London (Society of Shorthand Teachers).
 „ 19.—Rothesay (Young Men's Guild).
 Januari 22.—London (Royal Society of Literature).
 Februari 6.—Preston (Educational Guild).
 „ 15.—Stockton-on-Tees (N.U.T.).

A SHORT stori, *The Star*, bi Mr. H. G. Wells, iz nou reprinted in Simplified Speling and wil acumpani this isyu ov THE PIONEER. Further copiz can be had at 3d., poest free. We wish tu ecspres apreesiaishon ov the author'z ciendes in alouing the transcripshon.

WUN agreabl feetyur ov our wurc in the pres iz the fiending ov frendships in the wildernes ov controversi. An editor ov a London weekli atact the nyu speling. We rusht into the arena—and becaim frendz with the lion. The sun ov the editor haz joint the Soscieti. A pleezing ecspeeriens it haz been. Sum weecs ago a good-naityurd critisizm apeerd in the "Gentleman's Journal" oever the signatyur ov "Zekiel Homespun." This jeenial critic sent a ciendli acnolejment ov our replie and a short set ov vursez for THE PIONEER. A serpriez gift it woz, plezant tu reseev. We can oenli print an ecstract :

Fansi speling *know n-o*,
 And that twister *dough d-o*;
 Whi it's just az eezi az iz sheling peez;
Phlegm wil be *f-l-e-m*,
 And *condemn con-d-e-m*,
 And *committee* without tu *m'z, t'z, and e'z*.

Then, tu, *b-r-i-e-t*
 Wil spel *bright*, no *h* nor *g*
 Stuc in whair it iz not ov the sliestest yus ;
 Sielent *s* fog us no mor,
C-o-r-p-s be *cor*,
 And that nauti swair wurd shoc us les az *dyus*.

“Zekiel Homespun” sienz himself “Unbeliever.” Hiz vursez sujet that hiz dai ov repentans iz neer.

IN our Octoeber number we shal rezyum the consideraishon ov Speling Problemz and hoep aulso tu deel with sum Pronunsiashon Problemz. We shal discus the sujestionz that we hav reseevd from meni corespondents, for which we ofer our thances.

ESAI COMPETISHON.—*Esais shood be poested so az tu be deliverd tu the Secretari ov the S.S.S., 44 Great Russell Street, London, W.C., on or befor Octoeber 1 (November 1 in the cais ov competitorz rezieding outsied ov Europe).*

FROM AUL PARTS.

(A Japanese riets.)

Tokio, Japan.

“ I AM veri ceenli interested in yur speling reform, becauz it simplifiez the teedius speling and saivz the tiem ov lurning. I hav grait confidens that yur urnest muuvment wil bring a grait suces in a number ov yeerz, if not in the neer fyutyur. The nyu speling givz forinerz mor corect pronunsiashon and eezier speling than the oeld : espeshali it givz much mor nolej and conveeniens tu the Japanese hu du not noe English soundz wel ; for moest ov them pronouns English wurdz bi thair speling, but the real pronunsiashon iz cwiet diferent from it. Even yur simplified egzaamplz ov English wurdz gied them veri much. Sum ov mi frendz ar interested in the simplified speling and hav promist me tu be memberz ov yur Sosieti.”

(The foloing leter poots the reezonz for reform intu vivid fraiz.)

Toronto.

“ Wun reezon which iz not sufishmentli apreeshiaited or even hurd ov iz : The Injoori dun tu our Children’s Reezoning Facultiz. Thair iz ampl authoriti that this iz a seerius mater—tu teech children habityuali tu mistrust thair reezon. Another aspect iz : The Pecyuniari Los tu the Naishon. Sai 50,000,000 peopl ar edyucaited

in eech jeneraishon in the Empier and the valyu ov the wun yeer or mor lost tu eech in speling iz, sai, £20. Then we hav £1,000,000,000 lost tu the Empier eech jeneraishon on edyucaishon aloen. A priti good tacs! The Handicap in Competishon with Uther Naishonz needz tu be emfasiezd."

(Heer iz evidens from an Inspector ov Scuulz on wun or tu points raizd in the leter preseedng.)

"The cwestion ov Simplified Speling interests me veri much indeed, and I shal be glad tu becum a member ov yur Sosieti. I hav speshal reezonz for noing hou much dul unintelijent griend iz dun tu acheev eeven paasabl speling."

(From a London scuulmistres.)

"It haz struc me that the grait point iz the tiem saivd for the chield. Practicali, in an infants' scuul it wood saiv haaf the tiem, thus aloung mor tiem for naityur studi, storiz, gaimz, ets. This iz esenshali an infants' scuul cwestion, and I feel veri ancshus for its suces. It iz in the infants' scuul the seed wil hav tu be soen."

(The remarcabl leter which foloez woz printed in the "Madras Mail" for Joolie 15.)

"I red with grait interest Mr. Mark Hunter'z articlz on speling reform and yur coments thairon. Wun ov the argyuments that Mr. Hunter advaansez in its faivor iz that it wood maic the lurning ov the English langwij eezier for beginerz. This argyument aplez with graiter fors tu us in India. It taics meni yeerz for the averij Indian boi tu get himself acwainted with the manifoeld ecsentrisitiz ov the English tung. Az the lait Mr. Krishnaswami Aiyar sed in hiz memorabl Convocaishon Adres, 'The dificulti ov lurning a forin langwij ov iregyular gramar and stil mor iregyular orthografi haz furst tu be encounterd.' The dificulti ov imparting instrucshon thru English tu Indian styudents haz long been considerd wun ov the moest seerius problemz conected with Indian edyucaishon. But it iz aulso yunivursali recogniezd that, for a long tiem tu cum, English must remain the meedium ov instrucshon in Indian scuulz and colejez. Thairfor, eni chainj which maics the lurning ov the English langwij eezier aut tu be welcumd."

N. DURAISWAMI.

(Profesor Mark Hunter's aibl articlz in the "Madras Mail" arouzd grait interest—and the ainshent argyuments. That cauld the Etimolojical provoect this leter.)

"A grait meni opoenents ov speling reform relie on the oeld argyument ov the etimolojical prinsipl. The orijinz ov wurdz interest but a fyu scolarz. The man in the street noez nuthing about them; nor duz he cair hou a wurd iz deriev'd. The averij Indian noez no uther European langwij than English. . . . Ov the meni thousand gradyuaitz turnd out bi the Indian Yunivursitiz not eeven a handful pai eni atenshon tu the etimoloji ov English wúrdz. . . . English iz spoecen and riten tudai bi milionz ov hyuman beingz. We in India lurn tu yuz it with grait dificulti. . . . Tu simplifie it and maic it mor rashonal iz tu ad an impetus tu its spred. A mor wieldspred yus ov the English langwij wil ashuer a graiter demand for English boocs; the publisherz hav an interest in the mater."

E. SANKARAN UNNI.

JENTL AANSERZ : V.

"**Y**U caul yur form ov speling 'simplified,' but when I looc at such spelings az *sics*, *jeenial*, *truuth*, *styuepid*, it seemz tu me that the ordinari speling iz the simpler."

The turm "simplified speling" wood arouz no coment if we had confiend ourselvz tu the remuuvall ov redundant leterz. Thus, *hed*, *liv*, *siv* ar surtinli simpler than *head*, *live*, *sieve*, and *nat*, *det*, *rap* than *gnat*, *debt*, *wrap*. It iz when we trie tu deel with the glairing inconsistensiz, espeshali ov the vouel notaishonz, that we ar sumtiemz compeld tu recomend formz that ar longer than thoez nou emloid. If we riet *stics* (saiving a leter) we must aulso riet *sics*, yuzing a leter mor than at present. If we let *e* represent the sound in *bed*, *head*, *any*, *friend*, we can not aulso let it hav the valyu ov *ee* in *sweet*, *eat*, *here*, *chief*, *receive*, *genial*; for, if we did, *bet* miet stand for *bet* and *beat*, *hed* for *head* and *heed*, and so on.

Az for *truuth* and *styuepid*, thai ar egzaamplz ov the saim thing. The spelings *uu* and *yue* wer choezen tu represent the long soundz, and the former survz fairli wel; but the later iz raather clumzi, and sumtiemz neseditaits the rieting ov thre soundz

whair the oeld speling haz oenli wun. For the present isyu ov THE PIONEER we ar yuzing *yu* for the sound (or raather soundz) whether it be long or short, and *yu* wil be aibl tu juj for yurself whether this haz eni disadvaantijez.

Sum prefer tu caul our speling "rashonal," and ov cors we hav no objecshon tu this turm; but we thinc it mai aulso fairli be cauld "simplified," for the speling iz simpler, not oenli when unnesesari leterz hav been remuuvd, but aulso when in plais ov meni diferent notaishonz ov the saim sound we select wun tu du dyuti in aul causez. *Yu* wil fiend plenti ov egzaamplz in our Object Lesonz; thai wil shoe *yu* veri cleerli hou we ar bringing order intu the caios ov the present speling.

THE ENGLISH LANGWIJ IN JAPAN.

MR. WILLIAM ARCHER, rieting from Kyoto, Japan, sez:

Mi tu munths heer hav convinst me ov the importans and urjensi ov the argyument that oenli rashonal speling iz needed tu maic English practicali a yunivursal langwij. *Yu* hav no consepschon ov its hoeld upon Japan. It meets *yu* absoluutli at everi turn; and practicali no uther European langwij egzists for the Japanese. Shop-sienz in English abound even in streets not at aul freecwented bi forinerz; everi poest-ofis haz its funcshon anounst in English az wel az in Japanese—with the adishon, whair nesesari, ov "Muni Order Ofis" and "Telegraaf Ofis." Everi pilar-bocs bairz the wurd "Post" (which iz ov cors misleading az regardz pronunsiashon). At the railwai staishonz aul direchshonz (such az "Wai Out") ar given in English az wel az Japanese; and at moest staishonz thair iz a list in English and Japanese ov "Plaisez ov interest in the naiborhood," with distansez. A grait number ov Japanese noe a litl English; but meni hu noe it wel boeth tu reed and riet, speec it veri badli. I woen't pretend that this iz entierli dyu tu dificultiz created bi the speling, but such dificultiz ar aulwaiz cropping up; for instans, when a man hu, in the main, speecs escelentli "apologiezez" insted ov "apolojjezez" for being lait. The main fact tu be born in miend iz that in Japan "English iz furst and the rest nowhair." Reform speling, and English wil hav a trebl hoeld.

THE English chield hu iz lurning tu reed iz involvd in the maizez ov meni notaishonz, under the egzasperaiting pretens ov batling with wun. The natural dispozishon ov hiz miend tu clasifie and jeneraliez leedz him tu ecspsect that the sien wil chainj when the sound chainjez, that it wil not chainj when the sound iz unaulterd, and that the leterz wil help him tu the soundz. The English notaishon disapoints aul theez espectaishonz; in consecwens, the proses ov lurning tu reed English iz not in itself edyucativ.—PROFESOR J. W. ADAMSON.

PRAIZ AND PREJOODIS.

PRES NOETISEZ OV SIMPLIFIED SPELING.

Jun, 1912.

Simplified Spelling Bulletin containz (i) noets from the Adres ov Mr. Wm. Archer at the sicsth Anyual Meeting ov the S.S.B.; (ii) an acount ov the diner given tu Prof. Gilbert Murray at the Yunivursiti Club in New York on Aipril 22nd, 1912; (iii) the S.S.S. sceem ov notaishon; (iv) a noetis ov THE PIONEER; (v) anoetaishonz ov important pasijez from THE PIONEER. **Journal of Education**: A simpatetic referens tu the wurc ov the Sosieti. "The amount ov efort that iz poot intu lurning our cyurius sistem ov speling miet maic a grait diferens in the nashonal eeconomi if it wer directed intu helpful chanelz. . . . Theez naimz [thoez ov the Sosieti'z ofiserz] ar a garantee that the wurc ov the Sosieti iz jenyuin, and not a meer fad. We wish it rapid suceses." The A.M.A.: Anounce the Esai competishon.

1st.—Kensington News: Leter from the Secretari in replie tu criticizm ov THE PIONEER. **Aberdeen Evening Express**: Account ov lectyur bi Prof. W. Rippmann. The editor mai be congratyulaited on the adroitnes with which he conseلز the fact that he iz siting on the fens. "Thair ar fyv ov us hu wood not raiz a statyu tu the reformer hu wil simplifie them boeth [our speling and our grammar], and saiv our children and our children'z children from thair toilz. . . . But he [Prof. Rippmann] iz up against the etimolojists aul the tiem." **Northern Scot and Moray and Nairn Express**: Articl bi Mr. R. Cairns on "The Land and Tiemz ov Burns," riten in Simplified Speling. **Sheffield Daily Telegraph**: Articl bi Prof. W. Rippmann on "Cleer Speech and Cleen Speling." Strong criticizm ov Prof. Rippmann'z articl under "Current Topics." "We publish an ecstreemli interesting articl [thanc yu, Mr. Editor!] bi Prof. Rippmann. . . . But we du not fiend it convinsing. He deelz larjly with 'redundansiz and inconsistensiz,' but thoez miet be gradyuali remuuvd without caasting the hoel ov our langwij intu the melting-pot and moelding it afresh." **Cambria Daily Leader**: Coments on Prof. Rippmann'z articl in the "Sheffield Daily Telegraph." **Aberdeen Journal**, **Aberdeen Free Press**, and the **Aberdeen Evening Gazette** aul contain ful accounts ov Prof. Rippmann'z lectyur. The **Evening Mail (Newcastle)**: "A Nyu Cruusaid," Articl in which the Secretari S.S.S. sets forth the "aimz and objects ov the S.S.S.—the ecstenshon ov scuul lief." **Pitman's Journal**: Articl on "Cleer Speech and Cleen Speling"; aulso noets theforthcuming isyu ov Mr. H. G. Wells'z stori, "The Star," in Simplified Speling. **St. Pancras Guardian**: A replie tu criticizm ov the S.S. sceem. **Oldham Evening Chronicle**: Editorial on "The Nyu Orthografi." "Thair wood surtinli apeer tu be sumthing ov the absurd in an orthografi which laiz doun lauz licc thoez ov the Medez and Persianz, whairbi 'plou' must be riten 'plough' and 'cof' 'cough.' But az far az we can understand, Prof. Rippmann duz not taic hiz stand upon the solid baisis ov fonetics." **The Schoolmaster**: Haz a moest faivorabl noetis ov our wurc. "The sceem iz wel thaut out, tho thair seemz no adecwait reezon for thair retenshon ov the leter y." **Consultor Mercantil (Barcelona)**: Frendli referens tu THE PIONEER az a "notable periodico londonense"; it concluzd a bref statement ov the Sosieti'z objects with: "En Londres todo lo hacen bien." **Westminster Gazette**: "I . . . THAUT THIS SPELING GROTESC, AND FELT AUL MI LITERARI NURVZ JARD BI THE FURST SIET OV THE SCEEM. . . . BUT, TAICING MIESELF IN HAND, I HAD TU CONFES THAT THE NYU SPELINGIETS MAID OUT SUMTHING MOR THAN A MEER CRANC'S CAIS. I FOUND . . . THAT IT WOZ SINGYULARLI EEZI TU REED AND RIET, AND I CAN TESTIFIE THAT, AZ THE REFORMERZ CLAIM, THE 'NATYURAL AND INSTINCTIV DISTAIST'—NOT TU SAI DISGUST—TENDE TU EVAPORAIT AZ WUN RED ON." [The capitalz ar ourz.] **Accrington Observer**: "Theez ar indeed

uncumfortabl daiz for the man ov consurvativ temperament. . . . At the prezent moement wun ov the moest insistent ov the reforming hoests iz the advocait ov whot iz turmd a rashonal sistem ov speling."

2nd.—**Sunday Times**: Leter bi Secretari S.S.S. in aanser tu paragraaf in isyu ov 26th ult.

3rd.—**Daily Express**: Replie bi Secretari S.S.S. tu leter ov Mr. F. Sewell Revers in "Express" ov Mai 29th. **Liverpool Evening Express**: Replie bi "A. B. C." tu Mr. Shield'z second leter in advocasi ov Speling Reform. **Glasgow Herald**: Report ov Prof. Rippmann'z lectyur. An editorial coment, with the (no longer nyu) jieb about redundant leterz in hiz naim. **Aberdeen Free Press**: Editorial coment on Prof. Rippmann'z lectyur at Aberdeen. **Glasgow Evening Times**: Refuruz tu Prof. Rippmann'z lectyur.

4th.—**Liverpool Evening Express**: Leter from Secretari S.S.S. in suport ov Mr. Shield. **Sheffield Daily Telegraph**: A severe, but thauful atac, tho in sum respects baist on insufiscent studi ov the sceem. The rieter sienz himself "Revizion, not Nyu Speling," and complainz that sum ov the nyu spelingz adopted ar not in acordans with English yuzij. **Huddersfield Examiner**: Leter siend "Maud Campbell" in faivor ov Speling Reform. **Glasgow Evening Times**: Critisiezez the "Westminster Gazette's" "confeshon." **Liverpool Evening Express**: Leter from Secretari S.S.S. in replie tu "A. B. C." **Natal Witness**: Containz an aluuzhon tu Mr. Wm. Archer.

5th.—**Sheffield Daily Telegraph**: (i) Leter from Secretari S.S.S. in aanser tu critisizm; (ii) further coment on the Secretari'z leter. **Yorkshire Observer**: Leter from Prof. Rippmann. **Daily Herald**: Cwoets from the leter ov a correspondent in suport ov the S.S. sceem. **Cork Examiner**: On the simplificaishon ov "Erse." **The Sketch**: A witi and amuzing scit on Mr. Archer'z suport ov the Speling Reform sceem. We cwoet:

"The critic's [*i.e.* Mr. Archer'z] editorial chief
Saw this and bowed in silent grief;
The office boy
Remarked with joy,
'This langwidge is hinfernal!'
The hardy printers howled with fear
(A feeling they assuage with beer),
But, nevertheless, it did appear
Next morning in the journal."

The reali important fact iz that nuthing cood stop its insurshon!

6th.—**Sheffield Daily Telegraph** and the **Yorkshire Observer**: An escellent leter, strongli suporting the Sosieti, bi Mr. Sykes, the Hed Maaster ov the York Road Council School, Leeds. **Oldham Evening Chronicle**: Leter from Secretari S.S.S. **Huddersfield Examiner** and **Stirling Journal**: Leterz in advocasi ov Speling Reform siend "Bon Accord." **Gosport Journal**: Sensibl leederet on "The nyu orthografi."

7th.—**Daily News**: Givz a descripshon ov Mr. Carnegie'z Rectorial Adres at Aberdeen. This adres (sez the "News") woz isyud az a pamflet, in which Mr. Carnegie adopted hiz reformd speling. The **Daily Express** and **Hull Daily News** contain similar accounts. Boeth paiperz du thair best tu por ridicyul on Simplified Speling. This, perhaps, iz hardli serprizing, but even the jenerali wel informd **Globe** joinz thair "hieena corus"! The **Glasgow Evening Times** iz cooldli critical. **Uxbridge Gazette**: Escellentli riten account ov Prof. Rippmann'z Uxbridge lectyur; also an editorial. **Nelson Leader**: Leter bi "Ca' Canny" advocaiting reform. **Sheffield Daily Telegraph**: Leter bi Prof. W. Rippmann in replie tu the leter siend "Revizion." "Isaac" piloriz the prezent speling bi maicing the moest ov aulturnativ spelingz: "Your correspondent was *rite* in *poring* fun upon the deformerz of *hour* venerable spelling." (The italics ar "hourz.") **Liverpool Evening Express**: Leter from Mr. W. J. Shield (a member ov the Sosieti) in replie tu "A. B. C." **Jarrow Guardian**: Orthografic noets (bi Mr. H. Drummond).

8th.—**Preston Guardian**: "An Educational Symposium." Articl bi Secretari S.S.S. **Darwen News**: Articl on "Cleer Speech and Cleen Speling."

Sussex Daily News: Leter from Secretari S.S.S. in replie tu coment on Prof. Rippmann'z articl in the "Daily Telegraph." **Daily Express:** "The 'Express' ventyurd yesterdai on a jennial ['jeennial,' indeed!] berlesc ov the reformd speling," ets. "The penalti haz been swift and shuer. From the Secretari ov the S.S.S. the 'Express' haz reseevd the foloing," ets. **St. Pancras Guardian:** Leter siend "Ruym," defendng the vuz ov "Legato" in replie tu Mr. S. Walton. Aulso a leter siend "Sculmaaster," suportng the S.S.S. propoezalz. **Stirling Reporter:** Leter in advocasi ov S.S. **Dundee Advertiser:** Leter in suport ov reform. **Middlesex Advertiser:** Report ov Prof. Rippmann'z lectyur; aulso veri faivorabl editorial coment on the seem. **Oldham Chronicle:** Leter bi Secretari S.S.S. in replie tu criticizm ov articl in the "Daily Telegraph." **Manchester City News:** Noetis ov the Garden Siti'z isyu ov its prospectus in S.S. **Aberdeen Free Press:** Leter siend "Aye See." **Neath Gazette:** Refurz tu surtin wurdz az thai apeer in S.S. **Northern Scot (Elgin):** "Semper Idem" aascs: "Wood it not be mor patriotic tu cling tu the romantic and poetic orthografi laboriusli perfected bi our predesesorz and enshriend in the wurdz ov Shakespeare?" This iz probabli a joec.

9th.—**New York American:** Cwoets Sur W. Ramsay'z mesij tu "Woman Teacher's World" az transmited tu America bi speshal caibl.

10th.—**Pall Mall Gazette:** Leter propoezng tu start a sosieta tu maic rong speling permisiv, in order, az the rietter francli avouz, tu escaip the "Nyu Speling." With Mr. Tickell'z pardon, we mai sai it wood be an eeven beter doj tu maic the aulturnativ ov rong speling (az he sez) compulsori!

11th.—**Sheffield Daily Telegraph:** Leter siend "Revizion not Nyu Speling." **Commercial Education:** A frendli aluuzhon tu Prof. Rippmann'z articl in the "Daily Telegraph."

12th.—**Northern Echo:** A leter bi our oeld frend, Mr. H. Drummond, propoezng tu tacs redundant leterz! **Eastern Morning News:** Complainz ov the yuslesnes ov so-cauld corect speling.

13th.—**Pall Mall Gazette:** Replie tu Mr. Tickell bi Secretari S.S.S. Aulso a leter from Colonel Prideaux, hu riets: "Az a strong individyualist, I hav no dezier tu evaid responsibiliti in going rong in mi oen wai." **British Weekly:** Refurz tu Mr. Carnegie'z Rectorial adres. "It iz printed in whot iz cauld the Nu [sic] Speling. [No; it iz not so cauld!] This inevitabli givz it an apeerans ov singlar fatyuiti, liec the braud grin on a tuuthles fais." Perhaps it iz wun ov the faimus "Braud Grinz from China" ov which the "British Weekly" iz thincng. At leest he iz just about az neer the marc az if that wer the cais.

14th.—**The Bookseller:** Leter from Secretari S.S.S. in replie tu "Jacob Omnium." **Sheffield Daily Telegraph:** Leter bi Prof. W. Rippmann. **Evening News:** Containz an obscyur jieb at "nyu spelerz." **Aberdeen Free Press:** Replie tu criticizm. **Stockport Advertiser:** Another "braud grin" at S.S. **Haslingden Guardian:** A long articl bi Prof. W. Rippmann esplainng the objects and yus tu be maid ov a rashonal sistem ov S.S. **Nelson Leader:** Apeel on behaaf ov S.S. bi "Bon Accord." **Huddersfield Examiner:** A similar apeel siend "Francesca." **Carpenter and Builder:** Leter from the "Housing Reform Company, Ltd.," ov Cardiff (which had publishd a prospectus in S.S.), in replie tu sum "braud grinz" in which the editor had sumwhot prematyurli induljd at the cumpani'z ecspens. **Boston Herald:** "The Yunivirsiti ov London, thru its Senior Inspector ov Sculz, iz nou engaijd in lifting the muuvment tu its proper plais in the soeshal order az a goel for progresivz ov aul tieps. . . . But the argument gainz litl 'rashonaliti' and no inheerent byuti from the speling in which it iz 'disgiezde.'"

15th.—**Newcastle Journal:** Articl on "The Merits ov Cleer Speech and Cleen Speling." **Smethwick Telephone (Supplement):** "A Nyu Cruusaid," bi Secretari S.S.S. **The Gentleman's Journal:** A pretended revyu ov THE PIONEER. The jentlman iz cwiet prepaired tu condem the hoel seem ov the Sosieta ruut and braanch, but admits that aul he haz red iz the contents taibl. **Northern Scot (Elgin):** Leter bi Mr. R. Cairns in replie tu "Semper Idem." **Midland Free Press:** "A Nyu Cruusaid," bi Secretari S.S.S. **University Correspondent:** A bref noetis ov THE PIONEER: "The grait advaantij claimd for the muuvment iz that it wood set free an apreeshiabl porshon ov a

child'z scuul lief for uther subjects." **Essex Times**: Prints a "jem ov speling" in the shaiip ov a leter apling for the survivez ov a "Pleace cunsterball." **St. Pancras Guardian**: Articl bi Secretari S.S.S.; aulso a leter in replie tu criticism bi "Ruym," and a second leter siend "Sydney E. Miles." **Bacup Chronicle**: Articl on "Cleer Speech and Cleen Speling." **British Weekly**: Containz a benieted referens tu the "Nu Spelling" [*sic*].

17th.—**Manchester Guardian**: Account ov meeting ov Hed Mistresez, at which Mis Gavin muuvd a rezoluushon in faivor ov the reform ov English speling. **The Standard**, **Daily Telegraph**, **Morning Post**, and **Halifax Evening Courier** aul containd similar noetisez.

18th.—**The Standard** and the **Bristol Evening News** annons the forthcoming "Pitman Sentenari" selebraishon. **Evening News**: Shedz a fyuteerz oever the aproeching duum ov the S.S.S. Unfortyunaitli for the "Evening News" (huuz simpathi we accept with plezher) we ar far from being ded, or even moribund!

19th.—**Daily News**: A faivorabl articl on the "speling problem," cauld "Lief's Handicap." **Darwen News**: Account ov the Hed Mistresez' Conferens. **Sheffield Daily Telegraph**: Telz a capital stori (against ourselvz!) ov an Irishman huuz fais woz blact bi a companion whiel he woz asleep. On being cauld necst morning the Irishman servaid hiz nou saibl feetyurz in the glaas, and remarkt, "Be jaiberz! thai'v maid a mistaic. Thai'v waicend the niger insted ov me!" This stori becauz we had ventyurd in **THE PIONEER** tu cwoet sum remarcz from the "Telegraph" in our oen speling. Liec the scuulboi hu woz wordn that tu duzen Banbury tarts at wun siting wood infalibli upset hiz djestion, we defiantli replie, "Never miend: it's wurth it!" So it woz, tu get that stori. **Dundee Advertiser**: Replie tu Mr. Hamilton bi Secretari S.S.S.

20th.—**North Devon Herald**: Cwoets from **THE PIONEER** (No. 4), and remarcz: "This iz a sampl ov the reformd speling, and we graitli prefer the oeld." **Cambria Leader**: Haz a paragraaf icalical with wun in the "Evening News" ov 18th. **Strathspey Herald**: An ecseleent leter in Simplified Speling upon "The English Langwij and its Reprezaishon," bi Mr. R. Cairns. **The Fiji Times**: A leeder on "The Nyu Speling: Whot it Looos Liec," cwoeting from an articl bi Mr. William Archer. A fair and oepen-miended staitment ov our "cais," creditabl tu the paiper consurnd.

21st.—**The Wishaw Herald**: "A moderait sensaishon [we ar sori for the moderaishon!] haz been cauzd tu the endz ov the Urth—we have the evidens in unimpeechabl tipografi befor us—bi the publicaishon ov a modest tupeni magazeen bairing the tiel ov **THE PIONEER**." The editor proseedz tu giv instansez ov the awaicening ov interest in the muuvment abraud. **Leicester Daily Post**, **Ardrossan and Saltcoats Herald**: Leterz siend "G. W." in faivor ov reformd speling. **Birkenhead News** and **Berwick Advertiser**: Similar leterz. **The Bookseller**: "Jacob Omnium" returnz tu the charj—but with no fresh amyunishon!

22nd.—**The Preston Guardian**: An admirabl articl bi Mrs. Yates (ov Kirkham) entietld "Speling amung Defectivz." It caulz atenshon tu whot haz hithertu reesevd smaal consideraishon. **Darwen News**: Noetis ov the Esai Competishon. **Northern Scot** (Elgin): A replie bi Secretari S.S.S. **Liverpool Echo**: A despondent paragraaf about whot wood hapen "if theez jentlmen [our noebl selvz, tu wit!] get thair oen wai." **Barnsley Chronicle**: Articl on "Cleer Speech and Cleen Speling." **Middlesex County News**: Articl bi Mr. W. A. Richardson in Simplified Speling. **Sheffield Daily Telegraph**: Leter bi Secretari S.S.S. in replie tu the "Telegraph's" comentz ov the 19th. **The Onlooker**: Laments the unfeeling atacs maid bi the championz ov S.S. upon the inosent and inofensiv leterz. Wurst ov aul thair criemz, "the puer oeld leter *k* iz tu be cild!" **Teachers' Aid**: Noets on teeching the curent speling. **School Guardian**: Maniejz tu sit priti scwairli on the fens.

24th.—**Irish News** and **Cork Examiner**: Advocait S.S. ov Irish.

25th.—**Westminster Gazette**: Articl bi Sur Harry Johnston on "Fonetic Speling," interesting from sum points ov vyu, but shoing litl acwaintans with reesent wurc in fonetics. We regret tu see that eforts liec ourz maic the rieter "rieth with anger."

26th.—**Reading Standard**: Articl on S.S. bi Mr. W. A. Richardson. **Grimsby Telegraph**: Leter bi "Yorkshire Scot" strongli advocaiting reform.

27.—**Eastern Morning News and Stirling Journal**: "Maud Campbell" riets in favor ov reform. **Cambria Daily Leader**: Leter in replie tu the "Leader's" sjustesion that the "nyu spelerz" wer aulredi in trubl. Mr. Walton's leter shoold satisfie the "Leader" az tu the amount ov "lief" left in the muvment.

28th.—**Berwick Advertiser**: Leter bi "Anglo-Scot," urjing reform, and cwoeting *A Mis-spelt Tail*. **Cambria Leader**: Articl entietld "Our Speling." **Wishaw Herald**: Leter bi Secretari S.S.S.

29th.—**La Chronique** (a French paiper publisht in London): Containz an articl cauld "L'ecritur Demotic," bi Jean de Saintours. The rieter ov this ecseleat articl, personifing the S.S.S. as Alceste, "l'Intransigeant," remarcs ov ourselvz: "Puisque le valeureux Alceste a établi le quartier-général de la S.S.S. en face du British Museum, vis-à-vis de la salle des momies, ne pourrait-il pas aller un jour écouter auprès de leurs sarcophages la leçon que l'antique Égypte nous donne à travers les siècles? . . . Il apprendrait qu'à côté de l'écriture hiéroglyphique, il y avait pour le peuple égyptien une écriture dite démotique." Thair iz much ov interest in the articl, and we ar glad tu see it concludz with *à suivre*. **School Guardian**: "The strength ov the cais for speling reform iz undeniabl, yet with aul dyu respect tu the infloosenshal suport which the muvment haz secyurd, we du not remember tu hav seen ~~oni~~ practical propoezal for deeling with the peeriod ov transizhon between the oeld and the nyu; nor ar we awair ov eni definit plan poot forwerd bi the suporterz ov a fonetic sistem for deeling with the mienor, but real, dificulti presented bi the vairiaishonz in provinshal pronunsiashon." **Liverpool Echo**: Leter bi Secretari S.S.S. **Wimbledon Borough News**: Descripshon ov Prof. Rippmann's lectyur at Wimbledon Hill School. **Uxbridge Gazette**: Containz an articl bi Secretari S.S.S. **Daily News and Leader**: Breef account ov Prof. Rippmann's lectyur at Manchester. **Modern Man**: Jujing from the opinioz held bi this jurnal, "Medieeval" or "Prehistoric" wood be mor syutabl than "Modern."

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Ladies' Realm: Haz an articl on "Speling Fashonz" bi Secretari S.S.S., hiz them being "Whot iz speling but dres?" **Journal of Education**: Iz an ecseleat frend tu us. "If the mishonariz ov the Sosieti can indyus peep tu cair a litl les about egzactiyud in speling thai wil acheev sumthing. . . ."

2nd.—**Bristol Evening News and the Berwickshire Advertiser**: Articlz on "Cleer Speech and Cleen Speling" bi Prof. Rippmann. **Westminster Gazette**: Leter from Sur H. H. Johnston on "The Fonetic Speling ov English." Sur Harry's sceem iz *considerabli mor drastic* than enithing propoezd bi the S.S.S. **The World**: A noet on the yus ov the speling "peel" for "peal" (ov belz) bi the editorz ov tu daili paiperz apeering on the saim dai. We ar geting on! **Commercial Education**: A referens tu Mr. Carnegie's reesent adres, cwoeted from the "Manchester Guardian." "The muvment iz wel afoot and haz the suport ov such naimz az," etc., etc. Aultgether a moest frendli noetis. **Liverpool Echo**: An objecshon tu the sceem on account ov homonimz. **Cape Argus**: Cwoets an account ov Mr. Carnegie's resepsion at Aberdeen on the ocaizhon ov hiz Rectorial Adres.

3rd.—**Aberdeen Evening Express**: Containz a violent atac on S.S., in which it bringz forwerd sum ov the tiem-worn "argyuments."

4th.—**North Devon Herald**: Critisizm, baist on the dialect argyument ov *An Apeel tu Comon Sens*. **Hull Daily News**: Points out that the ambigyuity ov such a wurd az "sewer" (for "sower") wood be avoided bi S.S.

5th.—**Westminster Gazette**: Leter from Prof. Rippmann in replie tu Sur H. H. Johnston's articl, shoing hou litl that jentlman apeerz tu noe ov reesent wurc in fonetics. **Ardrossan and Saltcoats Herald**: Fiendz the S.S. sceem insufishentli drastic.

6th.—**Gentleman's Journal**: Replie bi Secretari S.S.S. tu critisizm ov "Zekiel Homespun" (in the isyu ov the 15th Juun). **Newcastle Daily**

Chronicle: Account ov the Yunivursitiz' Congres. **Wiltshire Times**: Cwoets part ov an articl bi Mr. A. Richardson in S.S. **Northern Scot**: Leter bi "Bon Accord," advocaiting the S.S. sceem. The **Schoolmaster**: Menshonz the furst tu numbez ov THE PIONEER. **School Guardian**: Leter bi Secretari S.S.S. in replie tu the "Guardian'z" coment. **Madras Mail**: A long and admirabl articl (tu columz) bi Prof. Mark Hunter, seting forth and urjing adopshon ov the sceem. Also a fairli simpatetic editorial; the editor stil leenz tu the establisht speling. **Neath Gazette and Herald of Wales (Swansea)**: Articlz on "Our Speling," bi Prof. Rippmann.

8th.—**Transvaal Leader**: A strong and vivid staitment ov the cais for a mor rashonal method ov speling, and in particyular for the sceem adopted bi the S.S.S.

9th.—**Madras Mail**: Containz tu leterz, wun ov which iz a fuulish wun from a printer. The uther iz an eceslent and wel informd leter siend "S. E. Ranganadham," advocaiting the claimz ov the nyu speling. **Commercial Education**: A moest simpatetic and welcum account ov Prof. Rippmann'z veri sucesful lectyur at Manchester, which, sez "Commercial Education," "woz lisend tu with rapt atenshon."

11th.—**Daily Mirror**: "A living alfabet." This woz a moest atractiv descriphon ov a nyu method ov teeching speling bi meenz ov acting, invented by a talented London teecher (Mis Haynes). We oenli wish thair wer ruum tu cwoet it. **Strathspey Herald**: Leter from G. Weir suporting the sceem. **Sydney Morning Herald**: Noetisez Mr. Archer'z pamflet on *The Etimolojical Argument*.

12th.—**Aberdeen Evening Express**: An aanser bi the Secretari S.S.S. tu the violent kritisizm in the isyu ov 3rd inst. **Bookseller**: An aanser bi the Secretari tu mor violent kritisizm. **Eastern Morning News**: Advocasi ov S.S. bi "En Avant." **Madras Mail**: Leter from E. Sunkaran Unni. Also sum hostiel kritisizm (a cwoetaishon ov Mr. P. D. Hugon'z vyuz).

13th.—**The Academy**: Containz whot we feer we must descrieb az being (for the "Academy") a strainjli unintelijent paragraaf on the "American Language [*sic*] and the Standardizaishon ov English." **Newcastle Chronicle**: A long articl seting forth Mr. Knowles'z sceem and containing *inter multa alia* a good meni sound argyuments for speling reform. **Schoolmaster**: A short, but favorabl, account ov Prof. Rippmann'z lectyur at Manchester. **Hamilton Advertiser**: Leter siend "Bon Accord" in suport ov the sceem. **London Opinion**: Emploiz a referens tu the "Nyu Speling Adepts" az a stic with which tu beet the dog "Myuzical Comedi." **Uxbridge Gazette**: Leter from Secretari S.S.S. on our propaganda.

15th.—**Freeman's Journal**: A leter on the simplificaishon of Irish speling. **The Star**: Cwoets from our pamflet, *The Cais against Simplificaishon*: "Our etimolojiezertz miet az wel riet 'scense' as 'scent'!" **University Correspondent**: Givz deetailz ov the S.S.S. Speling Competishon. **Yorkshire Observer**: Candid and oepen-miended coment on the "tracts" isyud bi the S.S.S. Thair iz oenli wun boen we hav tu pic with the rieter—viz., hiz staitment that Mr. Archer'z sceem wood tend tu cristaliez a pronunsiashon which iz the product ov suthern lasityud. In this he iz mistaicen, sins whot he descriebz (especiali, for instans, in regard tu the ceeping ov *r* in "arm," which iz an organic part ov the S.S. sceem) reali refurz tu Sur H. H. Johnston'z sceem—not that ov the Sosieti, az haz sins been pointed out. **Madras Mail**: Leter from N. Duraiswami.

16th.—**South Wales Echo**: Cwoets from our pamflet, *The Cais against Simplificaishon*.

17th.—**Freeman's Journal**: Leter on the simplificaishon ov Irish speling. **Torquay Directory**: Insurts *A Mis-spelt Tail*.

18th.—**Strathspey Herald**: Leter by Maud Campbell, urjing the adopshon ov S.S.

19th.—**Ardrossan and Saltcoats Herald**, **Clydebank Press**, and **Lytham Times**: Articlz on "Cleer Speech and Cleen Speling," bi Prof. Rippmann. **Yorkshire Observer**: Replie bi "Speling Reformer" tu the remarcs ov the "Observer" in its isyu ov the 15th. **Daily Express**: Leter bi Secretari

S.S.S. on the cwestion ov English pronunsiashon az taicen up at the Impeerial Teecherz' Congres. **The Bookseller**: A replie tu Secretari S.S.S. bi "Jacob Omnium."

20th.—**Hamilton Advertiser**: "Shood Speling be Revoluushoniezd?" Leter bi "G. W." **Wimbledon Borough News**: Articl bi Mr. Alfred Richardson on "Speling Reform." **La Chronique**: Continyuashon ov J. de St. Tours'z articl on "L'ecritur Demotic." **Kent Messenger**: Critisiezez S.S.S. pamflets.

22nd.—**Cork Examiner**: On simplificaishon ov Irish speling.

23rd.—**Daily Herald**: An interesting acount ov a nyu and injeenius method ov teaching speling tu the yung bi meenz ov whot ar cauld "living [*i.e.* acted] wurdz." **Freeman's Journal**: Iedential with articl in "Cork Examiner" ov 22nd.

24th.—**Manchester Evening News**, **Bolton Evening News**, **Nottingham Evening Post**, **Westminster Gazette**, and **Daily Graphic**: Anouns the fresh campain in faivor ov speling reform which iz pland for the autum and winter.

25th.—**Manchester Courier**: Containz the saim anounsmnt. **Banffshire Advertiser**: A welcum and aibl articl bi a member ov the Sosieta (Mr. R. Cairns) entietld "Simplified Speling: its Meening and Reezon." Aulso anounsez the Esai Competishon.

26th.—**Harrow Observer**: Articl on "Harrow and its Ainshent Scuul," riten in S.S. (bi the Secretari S.S.S.). **Cork Examiner**: Acount ov a lectyur bi Prof. Bergin on "The Simplified Speling ov Irish."

27th.—**The Academy**: A replie bi Secretari S.S.S. tu sum strainj, unintelijent criticism ov the nyu speling. **Newcastle Weekly Chronicle**: Leter bi Mr. H. Drummond in suport ov the propoezal ov the Rev. J. Knowles. **La Chronique**: A replie from a frend ov reform (D. H. Lambert) tu Jean de St. Tours.

28th.—**Weekly Times and Echo**: Anounsmnt ov the forthcuming "nyu speling" campain.

30th.—**Scarborough Post**: A similar anounsmnt ov the propoezd campain.

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Educational Times: Containz sum frendli and enlietend coment on the reformd methodz ov teaching modern langwijez, and deelz espeshali with speling in conecshon with Prof. Rippmann'z reesent articl in "Modern Language Teaching." **Windsor Magazine**: Haz an amyuzing cartuun in referens tu the S.S.S. **Zeitschrift des Allgemeinen Deutschen Sprachvereins**, No. 2, 1912: Coments on English az a wurld-speech.

1st.—**Strathspey Herald**: Givz a leter with sum interesting advocasi of fonetic speling in jeneral.

2nd.—**Lytham Times**: Haz a leter siend "Bon Accord," urjing adoshon ov a radical reform ov English speling. **Ardrossan and Saltcoats Herald**: Containz a leter from "G. W.," cwoeting the nou faimus *Mis-spelt Tail*. **Woolwich Pioneer**: Noetis ov S.S. Competishon. **The Bookseller**: Our Secretari deelz "faithfuli" (in a further replie) with Mr. "Jacob Omnium," hu gainli continyuz—tu cwoet hiz oen fraiz—hiz efforts tu rieval Mrs. Malaprop in "sweeping bac" the oeshan with a bruum, and that tu, aparentli, a bruum with oenli wun remaining brisl!

3rd.—**Gloucester Journal**: An eceslent leter from our good frend and staunch suporter, Mr. Henry Drummond. **Kent Messenger**: A strong replie bi the Secretari S.S.S. tu sum random, but good-hyumord, criticism in that paiper.

4th.—**Washington Post**: Givz a saampl ov S.S. sceem in a leter.

6th.—**Rothsay Express**: Anounsez the Sosieta'z forthcuming autum and winter campain.

8th.—**Glasgow Herald**: Anounsez the forthcuming campain. **Leicester Daily Post**: Leter in suport ov S.S., bi "Bon Accord."

9th.—**Ardrossan and Saltcoats Herald** and **Lytham Times**: Leterz from

"En Avant" and from G. Weir respectivli in suport ov reform. The **Cork Examiner**: A frendli account ov the sceem.

10th.—**Wimbledon Borough News** and **Merton Advertiser** and **Hamilton Advertiser**: Leterz in advocasi ov the Sosieti's sceem. **La Chronique**: Leter (in French), siend "Jean de Saintours," apreeshiattiv ov the sceem, but doubtful ov its suces. **Freeman's Journal**: On simplified *Irish* speling.

12th.—**Leicester Daily Post**: On the mytuyal coneshon ov langwij, pees, and patriotizm. **Dundee Evening Telegraph**: A frendli paragraaf.

13th.—**Leicester Daily Post** and **Leicester Daily Mercury**: Iedential leterz in suport ov reform bi "Verbum Sap." **Freeman's Journal**: *Irish* simplificaishon.

14th.—**Dumfries and Galloway Courier**: Articl on the yus ov English az the yunivursal langwij. **Leicester Post**: Insurts Prof. Rippmann'z articl.

15th.—**The University Correspondent**: A paasing referens tu the Sosieti'z wurc.

16th.—**Leicester Daily Post** and **Leicester Daily Mercury**: Iedential leterz from "En Avant," urjing reform. **Shrewsbury Chronicle** and **Leyton Times**: Print Prof. Rippmann'z articl, the later paiper with faivorabl (editorial) coment. **Hornsey Journal**: A sceptical revyu ov *The Cais against Simplificaishon*, bi "Phoenix." **Andover Advertiser**: Insurts articl on "Cleer Speech and Cleen Speling." **Freeman's Journal**: The simplificaishon ov *Irish*.

17th.—**Walthamstow Times**, the **Accrington Observer**, the **Nottingham Express**, the **Shrewsbury Chronicle**, and the **Kilkenny Moderator**: Aul insurt Prof. Rippmann'z articl. The **Bradford Observer Budget**: Haz sum sensibl observaishonz on "The Burden ov the Paast," bi "Cogitator." The **Schoolmaster**: Containz sum thautful remarcs on "Speling and Speech" and on "Speling and Memori." The **Weekly Freeman** and **Freeman's Journal**: Simplified *Irish* in the scuulz.

19th.—**The Munster News**: Givz strong suport tu the Sosieti'z sceem in an editorial, baist on Prof. Rippmann'z articl.

20th.—**Leicester Post** and **Leicester Daily Mercury**: Iedential leterz siend "Arthur W. Faire," encloeing a leter from a Dutch member ov wun ov the South African Scuul Bordz chalenjing sum ov the staitments (on the subject ov Dutch reformd speling in South Africa) maid bi a rieter hu woz advocaiting the Sosieti'z sceem. Aulso a leter bi "Maud" wormli suporting S.S.

21st.—**Kirkintilloch Herald**: Insurts Prof. Rippmann'z articl; aulso a leter on behaaf ov the Sosieti'z sceem bi "G. W." The breek editorial coment objects tu the "looc" ov the nyu speling. **Dumfries Courier**: "Joe the Rover" sujests sum aulturnativ spelingz (in plais ov thoez yuzd in the sceem). On this the editor remarcs: "We begin tu thinc that the oenli simpl speling iz that with which everibodi iz familiar." **Freeman's Journal**: On the *Irish* S.S. sceem in scuulz.

22nd.—**Narberth and Clynderwen Weekly News**, the **Northern Herald**, and the **Stewartry Observer** aul insurt Prof. Rippmann'z articl, the furst-naimd paiper including a faivorabl editorial. **Leicester Daily Post** (and in **Leicester Daily Mercury** ov 23rd) continyuz the corespondens about speling reform, the leterz being bi "Verbum Sap.," "En Avant," and the Secretari ov the S.S.S. The editor aulso haz a frendli paragraaf. The **New Age**: In an articl on "Prezent-dai Critisizm" refurz tu "that arai ov ignoraimusez (!) nou engajid in 'impruuving' our English speling." The atiyud ov the "New Age" apeerz tu be ov prehistoric anticwiti!

23rd.—**The Bugle**, the **Southport Journal**, the **Jarrow Guardian**, the **Narberth Weekly News**, and the **Worksop Guardian**: Aul print Prof. Rippmann'z articl, the tu laast-naimd with frendli editorial coment. The **Androssan and Salcoats Herald**: Leter bi Maud Campbell advocaiting reform. **Hornsey Journal**: Leter bi Secretari S.S.S. deeling with the dificultiz ov "Phoenix." **Freeman's Journal**: Leterz on simplified *Irish*.

24th.—**The St. Andrews Citizen**, the **Peterhead Sentinel**, **Reading Standard**, the **Bournemouth Visitors' Directory**, and the **North Bucks Times**: Aul insurt Prof. Rippmann'z articl. The **Coatbridge Leader**: Haz an articl (bi an "ocaizhonal corespondent") on the cuming reform campain in

Scotland. The **Belfast Evening Telegraph**, the **Scotsman**, the **Edinburgh Evening Dispatch** and the **Glasgow Evening Citizen**: Giv an account ov Prof. Rippmann's lectur at Edinburgh. The "Dispatch" aulso maics interesting coment. The **Edinburgh Evening News**, **Evening Times** (Glasgow), and **Glasgow Herald**: Giv similar accounts ov the lectur. The **Advocate of India**: Descriebz a lectur on S.S. deliverd bi Prof. Mark Hunter on the 18th Joolie at Triplicane. The **Mid-Ulster Mail**: Coments on the *Appeal to Common Sense*. The **Freeman's Journal**: Haz a further leter on simplified Irish speling.

26th.—**Nottingham Express**: Leter, bi "G. W.," on "'Right' Speech and 'Write' Speling" ("riet speech and riet speling") **Edinburgh Evening Dispatch**: An atac bi H. Skelton (Edinburgh) on "Simplified Speling Inconsistentiz." **Irish Telegraph**: An account ov Prof. Rippmann's lectur at Edinburgh. **Irish News** (Belfast) and the **Cork Examiner**: Simplified speling ov Irish.

27th.—**Leicester Post**: Descriebz an American doctor's aulturnativ seem for whot he propoezez tu caul "Wurld-English." It iz tu contain nien nyu leterz and meni diacritical marcs! Necst, pleez! **Edinburgh Evening Dispatch**: Mor aulturnativ sugestionz bi Mr. Fred T. Tyndell, C.T. **Evening Mail** (Newcastle): Cwoets jestingli from the Sosiety's prospectus. **Evening Standard**: Repeats the tiem-worn joec about the redundant leterz in our Trezherer's naim!

28th.—**Leicester Daily Post**: Leter bi "Maud" urjing adopshon ov the seem. **Evening Standard**: Cwoets disparijngli from our prospectus in a mornful colum heded "Meri and briet."

29th.—**Daily News and Leader**: Leter from Mis A. Milne upon the spelingz "lurned" and "lurnt." **Blandford Herald**, **Royal Cornwall Gazette**, and **Gosport Journal**: Insurt the articl on "Cleer Speech and Cleen Speling."

30th.—**Nottingham Express**: Leter on "Right" speech and "Write" speling bi "Semper Idem." The **Newcastle Chronicle** and the **Northern Daily Telegraph**: Cwoet from our prospectus. **Evening News**: Cwoets from an advaans copi ov Mr. Wells's stori, *The Star*, isyud in S.S. at 2d., and hoeldz that it iz veri cheep at the pries. In heding its articl "Urthcwaics," the "Evening News" shoez dyu apreesiaishon ov our volcanic pouerz!

31st.—**Daily News and Leader**: Replie tu Mis Milne's leter in "Daily News" ov August 30th bi R. Wyke Bayliss. **Evening News**: Noetisez complaints ov the bad speling ov scuul children in Worcestershire.

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