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—Jespersen, ov Copenhegen, haz propozd j fer Frensh j; we hav yuzd j, dotles j; hwil J iz tu be found.

—Vikrei sez: “J and Ch ar peculyar consonants.....Sum regard them az compoundz, but the ar pyrli elementeri in American spech and demand definit sînz.” Our obzerveshun agrez with the latr stetment.

—From a corespondent: “The alfabet yuzd in HERALD meks les chenj in the printed pej than eni uther sen so far. Yu sa that o, e and i, ar capabl ov impruvment. EE, with hwich yu began, iz preferd tu Ee. It iz elweaz dezirabl tu hav capitl and loer cas letrz alîk. E iz a gud loer cas form, and, lik el ny sheps, wud be impruvd en cuming intu jeneral yus. E iz elredi a familyar script form fer old letr E, and iz wel enuf fer script. Pitman yuzez e fer a, hwich iz wurs stil. Besîdz, e iz wun ev the indented fermz, hwich ar el ugli.” Utherindent-ed fermz ar Øø, Ø, and Wu.

—Ph FOR F is absurd enuf. Let ph be used generally for f and the absurdity and waste of time and space becomes convincing. A new paper started out west under difficultis. It tels its own story as folos: “We begin the publication of the Rocay Mountain Cyclone with some phew diphiculties in the way. The type-phounders phrom whom we bought our outfit phor this printing ophphice phailed to supply us with any ephs or cays, and it will be phour or phive week bephore we can get any. The mistaake was not phound out till a day or two ago. We hav ordered the missing letters, and we will have to get along without them till they come. We don’t lique the loox of this variety ov spelling any better than our readers, but mistaize will happen in the best ov familiees, and iph the ph’s and c’s and x’s and q’s hold out we shall ceep (sound the c hard) the Cyclone whirling aphter a phasion till the sorts arrive. It is no joque to us—it’s a serious aphphair.”

ENGLISH AS SHE IS SPELT.

The squaw of a chief of the Sioux
Eloped with a red-headed Sioux;

The pair in Dubuque

The husband o’ertue,

And this made a nice how-doux-yiouxs-doux.

—Waif.

EXERCISE IN PRONUNCIATION.—The National Educator says:—If yu think yur Pronunciation is perfect, try the foloing words. Pronounce them and then look in Webster’s Dictionary. It is likely yu hav mispronounst haf of them. Do not take it by ges. Look for the pronunciation of each word.

Err, coffee, courtesy, excise, vendue, off, humor, Philemon, docile, Italian, dumb-founded, vagary, vicar, era, caret, construe, exhale, vary, okra, lyceum, double-quick, eh, amateur, ere, turbine, communist, exhaust, courier, decorous, valet, indissoluble, wont (custom), drama, eighteen, millionaire, extant, carbine, courtier, exit, courant, usurp, eyrie, probity, ornate, bronchitis, ducat, complaisance, coadjutor, gladiolus, courteous, errata, mistletoe, culture, piquant, Uranus, exquisite, squalor, divert, formidable, leisure, dumbwaiter.