

Ex.: As he was busy and could not receive us,
we did not call on him.

*Comme il était occupé et qu'il ne pou-
vait pas nous recevoir, nous n'allâmes
pas chez lui.*

PUNCTUATION.

Punctuation is the art of dividing a written com-
position into sentences or parts of sentences by pauses
which are required by the sense.

There are commonly reckoned four principal stops
or signs.

The comma,	<i>la virgule.</i>
The semi-colon,	<i>le point et virgule.</i>
The colon,	<i>les deux points.</i>
The period,	<i>le point final.</i>

The comma.

The comma usually separates the parts of sentences
which are closely connected in sense, but require a
pause between them.

1° Two or more subjects relating to the same verb
are separated by the comma.

Ex.: The husband, wife, and children were sick.

2° Two or more objects relating to the same verb.

Ex.: They sold their furniture, clothes, and
stock.

3° Two or more adjectives qualifying the same
noun.