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DEVOTED TO PRONUNCIATION AND AMENDED SPELLING.

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—St Louis is a cosmopolitan city. Midway between East and West, North and South, the elements meet, mingl and blend. Here is the forener from frozn Norway to suny Italy. For haf a generation all our children hav been taut fonetically, and the result is that brogues and foren accents ar so thoroly eradicated that a stranger can not tel the latitude or nationality from which children come.—St. Louis *F. Teacher.*

—Max Müller sez: “Riting [in the sens Orthograpy, we tak it] wez never intended tu fotograf spokn languejes; it wez ment tu indicat, not tu pant sounds..... A pre-Rafaelit minytnes ma destroy the very object ev the pictur. Languej dels in bred culers, and riting et tu folo the exampl ev languej, which tho it alowz an endles variety ev pronunsiashn, restricts itself fer its on purpos, fer the purpos ev expresing thet in el its modificashns, tu a very limited number ev typical vowels and consonants.”

—From J. H. K.: “The most presing nesesity is a complet alfabet. Nu leters must not luk lik strenjers and foreners, but must hav a family liknes tu old leters. An alfabet is not exsted ev yusfulnes in indicating rit pronunsiashn: it is helpful in indicating mispronunsiashn.In yus ev leters, we must

relinquish personal preferenses and pet fansis that du not in a reznabl tim comend themselvs tu jeneral acseptans, and must study practical agrément. We shud accept alfabet ev S. R. A. so far as it goz. It is insufishent. Tu restrict us tu it wud put an end tu Speling Reform, becoz disfigurment ev diacritic marks wud be intolerabl in buks and papers, and ther yus in script hindering and trublsom.It is dificult tu find a gud sin fer ce. I dout evnything beter than yur Ee being oferd. It is a familiar form; its nem givs its power; it is unequivocal; it extends tu wun mor leter the desirabl fetur ev clos resemlans betwen capital and loer ces leters. The script form (Ee) is lik the tip and is ezily mad. The sin e has not ben put tu so gud yus befor... I agre with Dr. Her that yur shep Uu iz beter than u fer oo; and go farther: seing it et tu be accepted az final—wun ev the hapiest sujet-yuns yet mad.”

REVISED SPELLING: 1. Omit evry useles leter.
2. CHANGE: *d* to *t*, *ph* to *f*, *gh* to *f*, if sounded so. These rules ar justified by Revision of Speling (now in progres). Such speling is to be proford, just as the Revised Translation of the Bible is preferred to that of 1611.