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safe sare. 11th,—case cases face faces pace paces. 12th,—see say saw so ease ooze ask. 13th,—steam steed speed spado steep speet scheme.

PAGE 37.—“Short I.”—it knit nip nib pill mill. 2nd,—silly finny pity sticky guinea niny lily. 3rd,—get let red deck peck beck bell. 4th,—bellow fellow perry berry merry ready manv. 5th,—at rat rap cap cob pack back. 6th,—tarry marry marrow barrow fallow valley carry. 7th,—cot cob rot rod rock rock. 8th,—knotty copy folly volley rocky spotty loggy. 9th,—cut cup duck love rub tusk musk. 10th,—money funny mummy muddy musty fusty lucky. 11th,—took book look rook pull nook soot. 12th,—fully pully pullet bully bullet sooty.

PAGE 38.—Line 1,—deem dim leave live peel pill leap lip. 2nd,—ream rim reap rip beat bit deep dip. 3rd,—gate get bake beck pale pell bale bell. 4th,—robe rub roge rug role rut loaves loves. 5th,—room rum dome dumb coat cut cope cup. 6th,—mode mud mole mull spake speck mate met. 7th,—psalm sam palm pack balm back calm cap. 8th,—pool pull tomb took boom book food foot. 10th,—tusk (not tsuk) desk (not dsek) musk (not msuk).

PAGE 41.—Line 1,—time pile bile mile mire rise life knife. 2nd,—miry fiery mighty tiny china tyro filo tidy. 3rd,—toy toil boy boil coil now spoil. 4th,—out our bow row thou sow cow mouth. 5th,—due few view sue use (yoos) use (yuze) youth youths. 6th,—wide wife wives wire wipe wire twice wiles. 7th,—weed weep weave wave sweet swede swear swain. 7th,—walk woke wore wore swore quote wode wood. 9th,—wit wet twill twig wag watch wash warm. 10th,—year yates yoke yawn yon young yellow yankee. 11th,—heed hear heap hot hide white home hope. 12th,—house husk hasten hue hearty hero hollow honey.

From the Brighton Weekly Flag.

Phonography.

Mr. Editor:—I hail with peculiar delight the advent of the Canadian Phonetic Pioneer, and hope it may meet with a reception both cordial and encouraging. Its Editor has made a move in the right direction; as such a Paper evidently is required in our rapidly improving Province. Although the sheet is small and makes its appearance only once a month, as the principles which it presents and advocates become known and appreciated, its dimensions will enlarge and its circulation become more extensive. As a people we are too much inclined to think ourselves wise, and pride ourselves on our mental freedom, forgetting that being wedded to the errors of the past we have yet scarcely entered on a career of intellectuality, and that we have still nearly everything to learn. The fact that our language—so cogious and beautiful—has been so long suffered to exist encumbered by

a barbarous, unnatural, and disgusting system of spelling, is proof positive, that in pure intellect, we have scarcely got beyond boyhood, if we have really left the stage of infancy.—Phonography as a system of spelling, is so simple, easy, and natural that we can only wonder that it was not discovered long ago; and now that it is discovered, the wonder is that all who are interested in the progress of education are so exceedingly slow to learn its principles and adopt them in practice. But what else could we expect? New truths and inventions from time immemorable, have had to fight their way into existence, amidst the apathy and errors of their avowed friends, and the sneers, jests, and determined opposition of their bigoted and conceited enemies. But truth in opposition to error, and its natural ruler, daily gains ground and in the lapse of ages totally annihilates its antagonist. So phonography being natural and truthful, must not only force its way into all the ramifications of our educational establishments, but forever expel from our schools, the present bungling system of representing sounds. This once accomplished, it will save our noble but abused youth many bitter tears and years of regret. Being beautiful and natural it will give them a love for further study, and time to be applied to the acquisition of such branches of learning as they may need to fit them for after usefulness. Leaving out of the question all the other advantages of Phonography; as a system of spelling, alike applicable to all languages, it will accomplish an amount of good totally beyond the powers of the most profound Intellect to fathom, and which shall place Pitman in the grand and glorious galaxy of well directed and noble-souled men who have been the benefactor of our race. Most persons who have heard of this wonderful invention regard it mainly as a system of Reporting, or writing short-hand, and so they let it pass almost, if not totally neglected. But its grand use is in reference to the masses lies in the simple fact, that in the short space of two weeks any child of ordinary intelligence may be taught to spell correctly all the words in the English or any other language. Every child spells phonographically because he spells naturally, and it is exceedingly painful to see children scolded and whipped for spelling as nature dictates: and for not remembering the hundreds of unnecessary and silent letters in the words which occur in their lessons. Need we wonder that so many of them become disgusted at the very idea of books and that their minds remain so useless both to themselves and the world?

There may be said to be three systems of phonography, all alike in spelling, but differing in the characters or letters representing the sound.

The systems are the long-hand, corresponding, and reporting style. The long-

hand system is much easier learned, as it consists chiefly of our present Alphabet slightly modified so that one letter never has two sounds. Any good reader may become perfectly acquainted with it in a few hours. The alphabet of the correspondent style is represented in the first number of the Pioneer and is certainly quite simple; from this is developed the reporting system,—the most rapid and accurate method of taking down speeches and sermons in existence. In this age of the world, when man is but just awaking from his long and profound slumber, to the fulfillment of his lofty and glorious mission—when the dominion of mind over matter is becoming more positive and general—when, by a single mighty pulsation of the great Atlantic Telegraph, the whispers of Europe are distinctly heard across the broad waters of the ocean on the American shore—when our thoughts being quickened, we naturally look forward for greater achievements in the future—when every man waxing prophetic, is certain that the very next important discovery will be that of “Aerial Navigation”—and when all things conspire to enlarge our present vision and to bring new and extended fields of knowledge and true wisdom in grand panoramic review before our enchanted sight, why should we bind the budding powers of our children with a burden we have felt to be too heavy for ourselves to bear, and tax their opening and expanding minds with a monstrous system of spelling, which can only be acquired by years of hard study, and which a more advanced age will compel them to consign to oblivion?

In conclusion, I would earnestly hope that every true and progressive Canadian will take this neat little monthly, and faithfully aid its spirited Editor in this noble enterprise.

A TEACHER.

Colborne, Aug. 27th, 1858.

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