WORD-REGISTER.

[A dash (—) means, same as the preceding.] [..... means, infer from the preceding.] NEW SPELING COSMOPOLITAN OLD SPELING ORTHOGRAFY ORTHOEPY REVIZED Dunsinan (e) † Dunsinan den-sinan. laip·sic‡ Leipsic Leipzig laip tsi 1; thrash præl, prel§

*In hurrid speech Canada is cæn ə.də. but in speech a litl more leisurely can's det. is herd (where s is put for weak a). Such use of s seems useful and necessary, and we purpos to employ it in future (in orthoepy-fonetics only, not in New Speling which wil not tolerate turnd leters). Pronunciation is inferd from orthografy (Canada) by bearing in mind two establisht lin-guistic habits of our language: (1) a strong tend-ency to put hevy stres on first sylabl; (2) the first a has a singl consonant between it and the next foloing vowel and so sounds æ like a in cat, cat-erpillar—a rule stated and more fully exempli-fled on p. 49 and which is fairly sweeping in its aplication to determin a in such case

†Shakspear (in *Macbeth*) uzesthis word. From his meter it is plain that he ment the last sylabl to hav strong stres—a mistake to which comentaters hav calld atention. With Shakspear it apears to hav been a bookword, borod from Holinshed from whose records he took most of his history. Ford on p. 40 of his "Tayside Songs" (Gardner, Paisley and London, 1895) says that Dunsinane is "locally pronounced Dunsinan." and this speling (with dubl n) and orthoepy he proceeds to adopt in his anapestic mesure, as in 'In the woods an' the glades o' Dunsinnan again.' This use of dubl n to mark stres on the second sylabl is quite remarkabl. Otherwise one wud put strong stres on the first (see Canada above). In New Speling we ar drivn to adopt a dubl consonant now and then (exceptionaly, like Spanish) or els must resort (in Scool Orthografy only) to shoing stres in uncomon place (Dunsin an),

‡Acording to the U.S. Board on Geografic Names, Leipzig is the capital of Saxony; while Leipsic is a river in Kent co, Delaware. Establisht diffrences in speling prevent confusion.

§Both thrash and thresh ar in good use. Among those uzing it most frequently in actual speech and not as a bookword an overwhelming majority say thræsh. For this reason it apears beter to abolish the speling thresh.

WORD-LISTS. [Our Word-Register is a machine thru which all words shud be run, with necessary coments—space forbids. A fixt New Speling presuposes ful word-lists. Acordingly we begin such, giving only words involving principls alredy considerd. New Speling word-forms ar in larger type.] calico advance avenue colonel comfort aveniu advan curnel cumfort futurity cuntry cot coat caut cavity fiutiuriti cōt cüt caviti governer Hoboken incision isolate janguverner Hoboken insizion isolat jandice kernel later latter ligature mater dis later later ligatiur money monetary movement shalo shado muni munitari müvment stomac scool skul shew spasm sing singe spazm " sinj

shutl solicit superstition smother shufl smuder shufl shutl solisit superstision superficial sullen since sins superfisial sulen sins sinz supōz tabular talent talo throat thwart subjectiv throt thwort subjectiv tabyular torture troop tropic troup Tibet tooth tūth tortiur trūp nsefulnes utterly victual union onion yunion union yüsfulnes uterli

ENGLISH IN THE ORIENT.

English-speaking peopl hav a great advantage in China now becaus their language is popular in Asia, and more uzed than any other foren tung. This advantage shud be folod up by making it stil more adaptabl to needs of nativs. Presnt popularity is due to circumstances. Britan controls India, and when they found their way to China ahed of other European nations they bro't their language. is not easy to lern. Chinese ar not slo in lerning, but it is not right that unnecesary obstacls be placed in their path. I am not partial to English. It is evidently here to stay. It may be calld alredy the oriental comercial language. In all treatyports and important centers it holds a place in scool and counting-house which no other language can claim. Spoken in the streets of Shanghai, taut in the scools of Yokohama, it has obtaind such vogue that merchants of all other nations resident in the east uze it in busines and in their families. If ther is to be any international language, it wil be English, and therfore I say it o't to be improved to facilitate lerning it.

A hole language cannot be sudnly reformd. Changes must be of slo growth. Ther is one respect, speling, in which improvement can be without violence to idiom or construction. If fonetic speling is adopted, it wud bles those with whom English is not a habit, and who find ourselvs continualy triping and stumbling over words not sounding as they apear to the eye. It wud be worth while to change. Americans, I find, acomplish many results by meeting and discusing question. Why wud it not be posibl to hav a great convention, with object to bring speling to conform more closely to sound?—Chinese Minister in Ainslee's Magazine.

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