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DEVOTED TO PRONUNCIATION AND AMENDED SPELING.

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—Dr Gsa Her r̄its from Du-bq: "Yur last is ecesent. E is preferd tu E er E; and i, tu i. Yur shep (u), tho lik u, is better than w for oo. Uq is a gud shep. I canot endur ei er ai for i, nor yu for u eccept for the pronoun."

—Mr W. A. Duglas, B. A., advocated Amended Speling at the resent meting ov Canadian Sherthand Asosieshn in Teronto Sherthand r̄iters understand redily enuf the basis on which Simplifid Speling must rest, but most ov them ar indifferent or wurs: ther beter jujment beclouded with bigoted prejudis. The ned awkening.

—Prof. Max Müller in tretis on Siens ov Languej sez: "Wun argument which mit be supozd tu we with the st̄udent ov languej, nemly, the obscureshn ov the etumolojical structyr ov wruds, f canot consider very fermidabl. The pronunsieshn ov languejes chenjes acording tu fixt lez, the speling is chenjd in the most arbitrary maner, so that if our speling folod the pronunsieshn ov wruds, it wud in reality be a greter help tu the critical student ov languej than

the present unsertn and unsien-tific mod ov r̄iting."

—Amung the Romans, a pepl eminently endowd with the filolojical sens, ther wer attempts ov this kind, wun ov which is ov histerical notoriety. The emperor Claudius wez a fonetic reformer and rot a buken it in erly lif. Thre leters as a furst instelment ov reform he forst intu yus when he woz emperor. The wer neglected after his t̄m and forgotn. Yet tu ev the thre hav ben quietly resund by a let posterity. Thez represented I and U consonants as distinct from the cognet vowels. In the sevntenth sentury the European pres determinid this by the ferms J and V. Claudius wez not however the furst tu direct atenshn tu the inadequasy ov the Roman alfabet. Verrius Flaccus had m̄l a memorabl propozal with regard tu the letter M. At the end ov Latin wruds it wez indistinctly herd, and therfor he propozd tu cut the leter in tu, and rit onl, haf in such posishns; thus. N.—Erl, Filolojy, 2d ed., paj 179.

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