Plans of the Spelling Reformers

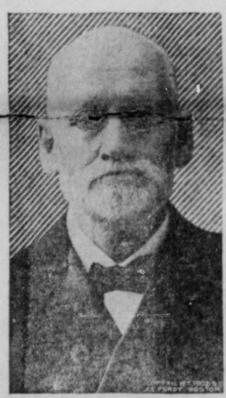


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NOW that Andrew Carnegie has come to the aid of the advocates of spelling reform that movement has taken on new life. If the ideas of these reformers be come generally adopted the old

NEGIE. fashioned spelling bee will be more out of date than ever. and it will be no trick at all to be a good speller. At the spelling bees the persons who remained in line after conquering such orthographical monstrosities as "phthisis," "psychical," "mnemonics" and "phlegm" were accounted the smartest ones in the room. but when the philologists have arranged the language so that words are spelled just as they sound the good spellers will have nothing in particular to plume themselves upon. That time is still a good way off, so say the spelling reformers with whom Mr. Carnegie is co-operating, but they propose to go forward with a plan for what they term simplified spelling, and Mr. Carnegie will contribute \$15,000 a year, or more if desired, to pay the expenses of such an educational campaign.

It has long been a belief of Mr. Carnegie that the English language is destined to become the language of the world and that its adoption as such will have a great influence toward international peace. The chief obstacle to the speedy attainment of this result is the contradictory, difficult and often arbitrary system of spelling which has come into existence in consequence of the peculiar circumstances under which the language was formed. Spelling reform even in America is no new thing. In this country it dates back at least to the time of Benjamin Franklin and Noah Webster. In recent years the philological associations of both England and America have come to an agreement as to certain general rules for the simplification of spelling The strength of the movement is now seen in the character of the member ship of the body called the simplified spelling board, organized to carry forward the work from the headquarters in New York. In this body are the principal editors of the Century and Standard dictionaries, Dr. William T. Harris, United States commissioner of



DR. WILLIAM T BARRIS

education and editor of Webster's International Dictionary; Richard Watson Gilder, editor of the Century Magazine; AUDITOR'S NOTICE. Dr. William Hayes Ward, editor of the Independent: President Nicholas Mur ray Butler of Columbia university. President David Starr Jordan of Le land Stanford university. Chancellor E. Benjamin Andrews of the Univer sity of Nebraska, Justice David J Brewer of the United States supreme court, Andrew Carnegie, S. L. Clemens (Mark Twain). Professor Brander Francis A March of Lafayette college AUDITOR'S NOTICE. and many other scholars.

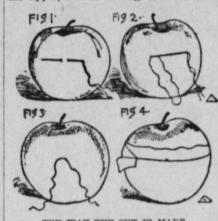
It is the purpose of the reform spellers to follow closely certain spellings proposed by the National Educational association, such as "altho" for "although," "thru" for "through," "program" for "programme," "thoroly" for "thoroughly," etc. They will aim to proceed conservatively and seek to simplify by elimination of unnecessary letters rather than by radical change. This, it is urged, will be in accordance with what has been going on for several bundred years, as any one may see by perusal of old books. We no longer spell "music" with a "k," and the same letter has been dropped from the termination of "almanac" and several other words in which it was wont to appear. In this country the "u" is now commonly left out of "color," "Savior," "favor" and many similar words, though it is but a short time since they were spelled with this letter, and in England that is still the usage. In this country "esthetic" is



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be careful to draw the needle from out of the hole it made when inserted to make the first stitch. Now the thread completely encircles the apple only just under the skin, and the two ends of the thread are seen hanging loose (Fig. 3). Crossing these threads, pull them steadily and firmly in opposite directions, and in a few moments the apple will be cut completely in two and the whole of the taread will have been drawn away through one small hole. If nicely done, no sign of a breakage will appear on the surface, although the apple is cut into two

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usage. In this country "esthetic" is now much used in preference to "aesthetic," and it is the aim of the reformers to substitute simple vowels generally for the more inconvenient form of the diphthong. Scholars and literary men are not agreed, however, as to the desirability of introducing these changes in the language. Some very discordant notes are heard in England when the proposition is mentioned. Algernon Charles Swinburne declares the idea "a monstrous, barbarous absurdity."

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