

WE TRIQUAT COMPOR, I LOVE YOU MATMOR.*

Lost in misery,

Comforts few;

Now euphoric

HOWBY you.

With all others,

SEPFROM them;

I find you

MATADORNBLEM.

Our hands SURTACT,

Sun in your hair;

My heart pounds

A' RECURPER.

World GENERAT,

Growing big;

My love for you

MATRESILRIG.

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THE unruly English language of Chaucer, Milton and Gertrude Stein is being tamed by the Patent Office to fit the needs of the computer Age. The office estimates that computers may one day take over the job of making every new patent application against some 7,000,000 American and foreign applicants to determine if it is a valid idea.

A computer, however, can remember only one meaning for every word. The language adheres to a single meaning for every word. The computer is a finger, and the scene of a resonant word is from a book. The work of the computer is to "simplify" suitable words for the computer. The computer is a tool of admirable accuracy.

dornblem—[From *adorn* and *blemish*.] Denotes appearance, from pleasing to displeasing, when used in a fix—*mat* (material) or (substantially) or (lightly). Thus, *sh'ad* means "displeasing eye"; *mat'adornblem*, "the eye."

forlap—[From *before* and *lap*.] Denotes a period which begins before an action starts and ends when the action continues. Thus, the rain is *forlap* in the rain.

compor—[From *common* and *por*.] Having one or more things in common.

howby—[From *how* and *by*.] As the result of—e. g., *limp howby* a fall.

lapast—[From *lap* and *past*.] Denotes a period of time which begins before an action starts and ends after that action.

matless—[From *material* and *less*.] Substantially small.

meanaby—[From *means* and *aby*.] As a mechanical result of.

recurper—[From *recur* and *per*.] Repetitive—refers to an action which occurs several times in the course of another action, as lightning flashes during a storm.

resilrig—[From *resilient* and *rigid*.] Used with reference to objects *sh*, *mat* and *sh'ad* indicates relative degrees of resiliency and rigidity. Thus a *resilrig* object is slightly resilient, or fairly rigid.

sepfrom—[From *separate* and *from*.] Having nothing in common.

surtact—[From *surrounding* and *contact*.] Surrounding and contact with (another substance).

status—Denotes any unchanging (1) position (2) existing circumstance (3) activity or (4) mode of being—e. g., hardness, sleep, eating, etc.

timefor—[From *time* and *for*.] Denotes a period of time during which an action ends completely before being followed by a second action.

triquat—[From *tri* and *quarter*.] Three quarters or less.

* See: Words for Computers, The New York Times Magazine, March 8, 1959.