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St. Paul, Minn.
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The Smith Premier Type-writer Company,
Syracuse, N. Y.

Gentlemen:- I am so much pleased with your improved machine, and have found it so valuable for doing marginal work, that I feel like sending to the benefactors who have put upon the market such a boon to writers, the following brief mention of its most valuable features.

Little Things. In these days, when there are half a dozen very good type-writers, the choice of a buyer must be influenced by minor conveniences. It is the little things that go to make up a whole which is pleasing. The Smith Premier has so many little devices for expediting work, and for doing all sorts of work easily, that one cannot fail to be delighted with it.

Margin Stop and Notes. Among these little things is the margin stop, which can be instantly adjusted so as to leave any margin. Yet at the same time it is possible by a touch of the finger to write notes or heads on the margin also. The importance of this device for legal work, for specifications and all writing in which marginal catch words are useful, can hardly be over estimated.

"Light running" and quiet. The day has come when only the "light running" sewing machine can find a ready sale. So it will be with type-writers, now that The Smith Premier is on the market. It runs softly and easily; it makes no harsh, grating sound to wear on the nerves as some of the best machines of other makes do. A person of the most sensitive organization will take pleasure in using it.

Alignment. By a simple but entirely new arrangement of the type-bars a hanger has been made possible, wide enough to have served for a wheel several feet in diameter. The hanger is in fact more than three fifths as long as the type-bar itself. It is impossible for the alignment to become otherwise than perfect, unless one takes an ax or a hammer and destroys it by main force. Allowance has also been made for all possible wear, which can be taken up by tightening a screw.

Carriage Release. It is no small advantage to be able to release the carriage at any point, to move to any point and have it stop there. On the Smith Premier no allowance has to be made for the escapement to catch. If one wishes to stop at 30 one has only to carry the carriage to that point, and it will catch just there, and not at some point beyond. For beginners this is a particularly valuable feature.

General Appearance. The beauty, simplicity and compactness of this machine will sell it, even if it had no other particulars of advantage over others.

Corrections and tabular work. Corrections can be made without the slightest difficulty. It is not necessary even to look at the scale. No more attention is absorbed in making corrections on this machine than in making them with a pen on manuscript. Tabular work is a delight. The carriage can be manipulated forward or backward with the greatest ease.

Tensions. Those who have used other machines can adjust the tension so that it will be as heavy as they can desire; but those who are wise will learn that a soft tension is less fatiguing.

Removal of platen. It is a great-convenience to be able to change the platen from hard to soft. This is done in an instant on The Smith Premier. Thus two pieces of work can be run at once. Users of machines have hitherto been obliged to do single copy work on a noisy hard platen in order to be able to do manifolding. On The Smith Premier, by having two platens, the user has all the advantage that was formerly gained by owning two machines.

Removal of paper. It is not necessary in withdrawing paper from The Smith Premier to pull it out by main force, and so wear the ratchet which holds the platen. By touching the platen release, the paper may be withdrawn noiselessly and without wearing the machine.

Other valuable features. When we add to the points mentioned above the wonderfully convenient brush by the revolution of which the type are cleaned in ten seconds, the regulator by which the line may be terminated at any point, and the machine locked at that point, and above all the remarkably quick action of the carriage on its perfected ball bearings, we have a complete type-writer, which is without disparagement to other excellent machines, the best and most durable in the market.

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Yours very truly,

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