

bug 151  
down 80, 85  
good 78  
numbers 89

There is no subheading under this last entry for 'preparedness', but we do find 'Preparedness for writing' under P.

Omissions include: 'Carbon copies' (for which see 'Yellow', as above); 'Charts' (we have 'Bar charts' and 'Pie charts', under B and P); 'Drafts' ('Number of drafts' is under N); 'Rights' (only found under S for 'Subsidiary rights'); 'weights of headings' as a subhead under 'Headings' (to be found only under W).

A distinguished name is misspelt; Gowers, Sir Ernest, is correctly cited thus in Appendix 1, but appears in the index as Gower, Sir Ernest.

There are simple inconsistencies in page numbers, as:

Counting words 72, 83

Words: counting 62, 72, 83

Handbooks 7, 58, 90

Uniformity of appearance in handbooks 91.

And there are headings that seem to require qualification:

Editor, copy (providing editor with? No, copy-editor)

Signatures (not the value of the author's autograph; 16 pages of the printed book)

Royalty jump (A challenge to the mind's eye, especially as it follows the heading 'Royalties' with 7 undifferentiated references. But no—it's just royalties, jump in.)

As to punctuation: the colon following 'writing' was superfluous, but colons are lacking where needed in:

Book, length 51, 136  
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Size, book page 97  
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paper for typing 107.

The admirable sentiment is expressed, 'It requires considerable skill, both professional or [*sic*] technical and literary, to edit a compilation of others' work'. How deplorable that a related truth is not recognized about indexing! But there can be no doubt that the quality of this index disastrously demonstrates that the do-it-yourself indexing here advocated simply will not serve.

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## Indexes Past

Let us hope that such entries as these from *The Diary of Samuel Pepys* with introduction and notes by G. Gregory Smith (Macmillan and Co, 1925) are indeed past for ever.

Whitehall, 2, 5-9, 12, 14, 15, 36-50, 52, 54-63, 65, 66, 68, 69, 73-5, 88-90, 93, 95, 96, 98, 99, 102-104, 109, 111, 113, 114, 119-24, 127, 138, 140-42, 146, 149, 150, 152, 156, 158-62, 165-70, 174-6, 180, 183, 186-9, 191, 192, 106, 107, 202, 209, 212, 215, 216, 219, 220, 230-33, 236, 239, 244, 246, 248, 249, 251, 253, 254, 260, 265-7, 271-3, 275, 277, 285, 287-9, 291-3, 296, 298, 299, 302, 304, 306, 310-12, 315-17, 319, 321-3, 328, 351, 360, 364, 368, 370, 373, 378, 379, 381, 382, 385, 387, 388, 390, 391, 393, 394, 402, 403, 411, 413, 414, 417, 418, 421, 422, 424-8, 430, 432, 434-40, 442, 444, 445, 448, 449, 451, 453, 456-8, 460, 462, 466, 468, 471-3, 475, 479, 482, 484, 487, 497, 498, 504, 509, 513-16, 523, 529, 535, 536, 538, 541, 543, 545-7, 549, 551, 554, 559, 563, 568, 569, 573, 577, 578, 580, 582-4, 591, 593, 597, 598, 600-604, 607, 608, 610, 616, 618, 619, 621, 623, 625-35, 637, 640, 641, 644, 647, 652, 656, 657, 663, 664, 666-9, 671, 673-9, 681-5, 688, 689, 691, 692, 695-7, 700, 704-715, 717-719, 722, 724, 725, 727-9, 731, 732, 735, 737-44, 748, 750-54

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At the other extreme we find such examples of 'mini-encyclopedias' (castigated by Professor Wellisch, *The Indexer* 13 (1), 4) as these, cited by E. M. Hatt in *The Indexer* 3 (2) 1962, 61-2, as 'leisurely index items designed for more spacious times' from 'old editions of Froissart's *Chronicles*, Fabyan's *Chronicle* and the like':

LONDONERS, the: dissatisfied with King Richard and his council apply to the Duke of Gloucester to take upon him the government of the realm, 503; wait upon him at the instigation of the Duke of Gloucester to demand the real . . . etc.

MONTFORD: the Lord John de, excuses himself to the Duke of Buckingham, who had come to his assistance, for not meeting him on his march.