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OUR MISTAKES

Our colleague Cattleya Concepcion (she is an editor of our annual *Almanac & Reader*) has tactfully pointed out a few mistakes we have failed to flag until now. Here is one:

On page 82 of the 2007 *Almanac & Reader*, there appears to be what I believe is a typo. Quoting Harriet Martineau's courtroom observations from 1835, the *Bag* says of Henry Clay: ". . . his small gray eye and placed half-smile conveying an expression of pleasure which redeems his face from it [sic] usual unaccountable commonness . . ." Perhaps the *Bag* typed "it" when it meant "its"?

She is correct – "it" should be "its" and we admit it. Here is another:

On page 396 of the 2009 *Almanac & Reader*, is there a stray period? When the *Bag* cites the Shakespeare quote, it cites "Act. IV, Sc. 3, ll. 218-224." Would it be better to cite "Act IV" (without a period)?

Correct again – the period after "Act" should be omitted. One more:

In the annotation for the Chief Justice John Jay bobblehead, which appears in the Autumn 2010 issue of the *Bag* and on the website, the *Bag* explains that the Chief Justice holds the second volume of the *U.S. Reports* partly because it includes his opinion in *Chisholm v. Georgia*, "which inspired the the [sic] 11th amendment to the Constitution."

Concepcion is correct yet again – please ignore either the first "the" or the second "the" but not both. We thank her for the corrections.