

awaken us to the need for adopting a practical, dynamic, and growing Pilipino language, bound by as few restrictive rules as possible, as our national language.

After all, a language grows not through the dictation of arbiters of language, but through usage. This is the natural way a language should grow, and as shown

by the bold experiment of the new Taliba, this is the way our national language, the Filipino, should evolve and develop in order that it shall become a useful and practical tool of communication among the people. — *From a speech in the House of Representatives, March 6, 1967, by Representative Aguedo F. Agbayani.*

POETIC JUSTICE

What is meant, for instance, by *poetic justice*? It does not mean a justice that differs by its object from the ordinary justice of human jurisprudence, for then it must be confessedly a very bad kind of justice; but it means a justice that differs from common forensic justice by the degree in which it attains its object, — a justice that is more omnipotent over its own ends, as dealing, not with the refractory elements of earthly life, but with the elements of its own creation, and with materials flexible to its own purest preconceptions. — *Thomas Dequincey.*