A KEEPSAKE FOR FRIENDS OF FRED W. GOUDY: PRODUCED FOR HIS SEVENTY-NINTH BIRTHDAY



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# THE TYPE DESIGNS

MADE FOR PRIVATE

AND COMMERCIAL USE

1896 TO 1943

BY

## FREDERIC W. GOUDY

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The Typophiles now have in preparation their most ambitious publication action in two-volume edition of the above title. It is planned that the publication of these volumes will coincide with Gondy's 80th birthay. The present booklet, a slight foretast of these books, is issued in an edition of 42s copies on the occasion of Gondy's 79th birthay party at La Selfe de Bois, New York,

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#### THE PRINTERS TO F. W. G.

The clutch of commerce holds us tight, And although we had planned To let these pages see the light In Kaatskill set by hand . . .

The scarcity of men and time Demanded setting faster... So for our linotyping crime We beg indulgence of the master.

### THE AUTHOR'S PROLOGUE



THE WRITING of these simple annals of a crafts-man, which include also the origins of the types I have designed in the forty-seven years past, has been in the main a labor of love. While I cannot refrain from expressing a degree of pride in the accomplishment of such a considerable volume of work as is here presented-since my conscience fears neither the accusing fingers of the ghosts of past designers nor an accusation of plagiarism by the living-I do have two purposes in mind, neither of which is an egotistical desire to exploit my own work, nor indeed to set down here anything except the plain, simple facts of my work as a type designer. My first purpose is to fix unmistakably the paternity of the types themselves, since several of my designs have already been credited in error to others; and my second is to tell something of the personal reasons leading to the designing of them. facts that could not be known so completely to any biographer as to myself.

I am under no illusions as to what I have attempted to do, and white possibly some of my types may now seem a waste of time and effort and material, at the time of their creation they presented problems I winded to solve. No one attains the mountain peak by a single leap, but rather step by step: my type work has been just as simple as that; one design, then another, always striving, always hoping that each new essay would better the designs which preceded it.

As a traditionalist I have taken the essence (as I saw it) of the early craftsmen's work to intensify my own handicraft; but I insist that I have not allowed myself to be "enslaved by the work of bygone days," nor have I attempted to impose on my own productions the superficialities of the past, "I have never marched in the wake of the latest movements in type design, nor have I been seduced into following the slimy trail of 'art nouveau'." I passed every design I made through the refining fire of study and research, and trusted that the result might bear the stamp of reason. The vagaries of the faddist have never had even a casual interest for me. I have endeavored to produce thoughtful, dignified type faces of legibility with a degree of distinction and beauty, "freshly risen from the canons of good type design"; attempting always to secure in them the negative quality of unpretentiousness and avoiding any fantastic exhibition of self-conscious preciosity.

With little crudition and even less literary skill, I have tried to present my story in an interesting manner, although I fear it can have little interest save to the few who care for type, typography, craftsmanship, and the like. I have plans for more work—to stop now would probably mean the end of life itself. I ask only that it may be said of me too, as it was said of William Morris, that "he sought to do good work within the limits of his own craft."

FREDERIC W. GOUDY

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# THE TYPE DESIGNS OF FREDERIC W. GOUDY



1896 Camelot 1897 Unnamed A Display Roman 1898 DeVinne Roman 1002 Palet 1903 Pabst Italic Powell Village 1904 **Cushing Italic** Boston News Letter Engraver's Roman Copperplate Gothic 1905 Caxton Initials Globe Gothic Caslon Revised Monotype 38-E 1908 Monotype Italic 38 1910 Norman Capitals 1911 Kennerley Forum Title Sherman 1912 Lanston 1014 Roman Klaxon

1915 Goudy Old Style Gondy Old Style Italic Goudy Cursive 1016 Booklet Old Style National Old Style Goudy Type Advertisers' Roman 1917 An Unnamed Design Kennerley Italic 1918 Cloister Initials Hadriano Goudy Open Goudy Modern Collier Old Style Goudy Modern Italic Goudy Open Italic Goudy Antique 1021 Nabisco Goudy Lining Gothic Goudy Garamont Goudy Garamont Italic

Goudy Newstyle
1924 Goudy Italic
Goudy Italian Old Style
Goudy Italian Old Style Italic
Kennerley Bold
Kennerley Bold Italic

1925 Goudy Heavyface Goudy Heavyface Italic Marlborough Venezia Italic

1926 Aries

1927 Goudy Dutch Companion Old Style Companion Old Style Italic Deepdene Record Title Goudy Uncials

1928 Deepdene Italic Goudy Text 1929 Strathmore Title

1929 Strathmore Title Lombardic Capitals Sans Serif Heavy Kaatskill

Remington Typewriter
1930 Goudy Inscription Greek
Trajan Title
Sans Serif Light
Goudy Mediaeval
Hadriano Lower-Case

Advertisers' Modern
Goudy Stout
Goudy Truesdell
1931 Goudy Truesdell Italic
Deepdene Open Text

Deepdene Text Ornate Title Sans Serif Light Italic Deepdene Medium

1932 Goudy Goethe Franciscan Deepdene Mostert Village No. 2

Quinan Old Style 1932 Goudy Bold Face Goudy Book 1933 Goudy Hudson Goethe Italic Deepdene Bold Italic Saks-Goudy 1024 Saks-Goudy Italic Hadriano Open Title Village Italic Textbook Old Style Hasbrouck Tory Text 1935 Atlantis Millvale Bertham 1936 Pax Mercury Sketches, incomplete Sketches, incomplete 1937 Friar University of California Old Style 1938 University of California Italic "New Village" Text

Murchison

Phillips Old Style Goudy "Thirty"

1041

1942



