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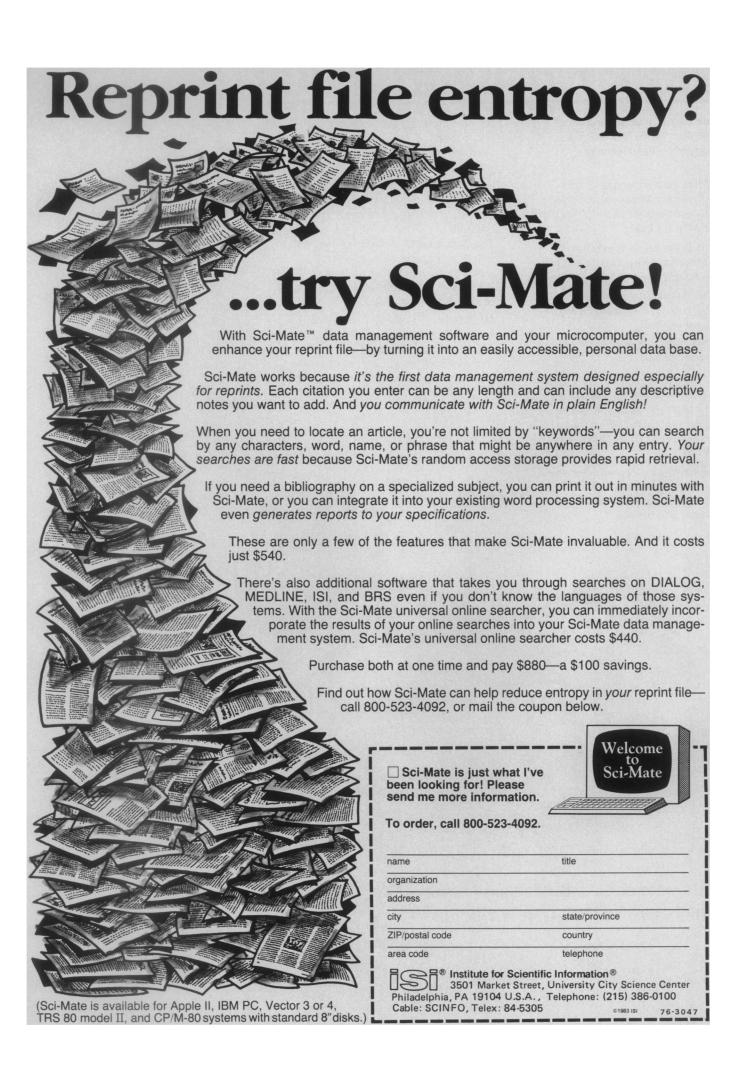
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More Misinformation

More fables, fallacies, and fictions from More Misinformation ... exploded by Tom Burnam:

- "Mind your p's and q's." This admonition is not derived from old alehouse tallies of "p" for pint and "q" for quart.
- The cesarean section is not named for Julius Caesar, nor he for it, and he wasn't born that way.
- The "Franklin" stove as designed by Benjamin Franklin never worked.
- · Sake is not wine, or spirits; it's a kind of strong beer.
- Dew does not fall.
- · "Come with me to the Casbah." The late Charles Boyer said he never said this at all: he said a press agent said he said it in a movie.

· Lemmings make a nice metaphor, but they do not periodically commit suicide by marching en masse into the sea.

A witty and provocative sequel to the best-selling

The Dictionary of Misinformation

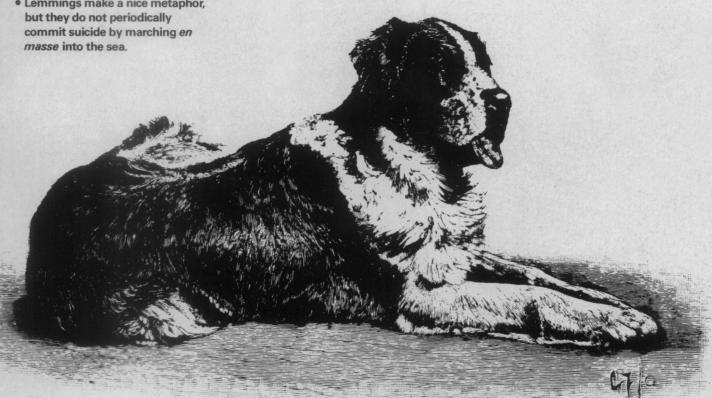
So much of what we're told and what we self-importantly tell others isn't true - it's misinformation, false facts, and bunkum. In this fascinating sequel to his

The Dictionary of Misinformation,

Tom Burnam continues to unravel the misconceptions and straighten out the little fallacies we've been earnestly passing off as the real McCoy. (Incidentally, no "real" McCoy has been found. The name, popularly assumed to originate with the welterweight

champion Kid McCoy, came into usage

long before McCoy gained fame as a boxer.)



St. Bernard dogs of Switzerland never carried casks, of brandy or anything else.

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