

## Bill's an Operational Logician

*Bill's an operational logician  
(Plan -- departure -- journey -- arrival)  
Whose reason, a tensile catapult,  
Projects him in a pre-plotted course  
From one precise point to another precise point  
Along a steel-blindingly brilliant-in-the-sun,  
Carefully-engineered-for-the-specific-purpose  
Monorail.*

*Sometimes (often, of late),  
Failing of his destination,  
Or, finding, when he arrives, that it's the  
wrong terminus  
Or not at all the end of the line,  
He becomes so honestly and so deeply disturbed*

*That he*

*Clenches his fists,  
Grits his teeth,  
Furrows his brow,  
Cudgels his brain,  
And, in the attempt to eliminate entirely --  
or at least, reduce by a considerable  
percentage -- the extant Margin of  
Error,*

*Redoubles his efforts.*

**-- T. P. Shoenfield**

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competent without poet's commitment.*