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INTRODUCTION.

§ 1. Of the various Middle-English prose and verse translations of the Romance of Alexander the Great, only those which are in alliterative verse will be here discussed. As to those, I have already explained, in my Preface to "*Alexander and Dindimus*," that there are three such poems, all fragmentary, which I denote by the letters A, B, and C. Those poems are as follows :

A. A fragment preserved in MS. Greaves 60, in the Bodleian Library, beginning—"Yeo þat lengen in londe · Lordes and coþer." This was edited by me for the E. E. T. S. in 1867, being printed in the same volume with William of Palerne, pp. 177—218. It has never been printed elsewhere.

B. A fragment preserved in MS. Bodley 264, beginning—"Wlan þia weith at his wil · wedaring hadde." This was edited by Mr. Stevenson for the Roxburghe Club in 1849, and re-edited by me, with numerous corrections, &c., for the E. E. T. S. in 1878, with the title "*Alexander and Dindimus*."

C. A fragment preserved in MS. Ashmole 44, in the Bodleian Library, of which a portion is also found in MS. Dublin D. 4. 12. It begins—"When folk ere festid & fed · fayn wahl þai heri," and was also printed in 1849 by Mr. Stevenson, and in the same volume as the last, but from the Ashmole MS. only, without any consultation of the Dublin MS. This fragment C is the one which is re-edited in the present volume, and to which, for the sake of distinctness, I have given the title of "*The Wars of Alexander*," because it follows the Latin text entitled "*Historia Alexandri Magni regis Macedoniae de præliis*" more closely than either A or B does.

§ 2. With respect to fragments A and B, I must refer the reader to the Preface to "*Alexander and Dindimus*" for further information. It is sufficient to say here that Dr. Teutmann has shown, from



internal evidence, that these two fragments are by the same author, and belong to a poem which, when complete, must have been of very great length. Fragment C, here edited, is wholly independent of these, in the sense that it was written by a different translator. Whatever it has in common with them is due to their common source. Accordingly, the remarks below refer to fragment C exclusively.

§ 3. Of the two MSS. containing this fragment C, viz. MSS. Ashmole 44, and Dublin D. 4. 12—which will henceforth be called simply the Ashmole and Dublin MSS.—the former is the more important, partly because it contains a much larger portion of the story, and partly because it is more correctly written. It was printed by Mr. Stevenson in full, and has thus become known, being frequently cited by Dr. Morris and other writers, whilst it has also been made use of by Matzner and Stratzmann in their Middle-English Dictionaries. Mr. Stevenson's text (like that of his edition of fragment B) is by no means free from faults, and was doubtless printed from an imperfect transcript, without due collation of the proofsheets with the MS. itself.¹ Thus in l. 15, he prints "forwart" for "forwith," and "ettillis" for "ettillis," though the latter word is rightly given in the Glossary. In l. 16, he has "oȝefullest" for "aȝifullest," and so on. In some cases the errors are still more serious; as in l. 70, where "it semyd" is turned into "or myd," and in l. 417, where "sweyxw" appears as "sedydn." Nevertheless, the transcription was, in general, well made, and a little more caution would have given us a faithful text throughout, excepting in such minute particulars as the use of þ for th, & for and, and the mode of expressing contractions. The chief defects of the edition, after all, are due to the fact that the Dublin MS. was not consulted. Mr. Stevenson does, indeed, mention it, but says that he only knew of it through the kindness of Sir F. Madden, who had made a note that it commenced with l. 678 of the Ashmole text, and ended with l. 3426.²

¹ Such a collation would have detected the omission of two whole lines in the transcript, viz. 4002^a and 4733.

² I. 3425 of the present edition. As it is always my endeavour to keep to old numberings of lines, for the sake of reference, I must explain how this

§ 4. It is surprising to find that Mr. Stevenson edited the Ashmole text without ever discovering that there is a great gap in the story. He prints l. 723, which is the first line on leaf 13 of the Ashmole MS. (as now numbered), as if it immediately followed l. 722, which is the last line on the back of fol. 12. Yet l. 723 forms a part of a speech of Anectanabus, and l. 723 a part of a speech of Alexander; and, according to the Ashmole MS., Anectanabus drops out of the romance in the middle of uttering a sentence, and is no more heard of, whilst a king of Peloponnesus, by name Sir Nicholas, jumps into the story without any introduction, and is at once found in the midst of an angry parley with Alexander. A moderate attention to the progress of the story shews us at once, that the Ashmole MS. must, at this point, have lost one or more leaves, and we now know that it has, in fact, lost just two leaves, or 122 lines. The discovery of the precise state of the case was made by Mr. Hassell in 1874, after a careful examination of the Dublin MS., and comparison of it with Stevenson's edition. He found that the very passage required to fill up the gap occurs in full in that MS., which, notwithstanding its incompleteness at the beginning and end, supplies this very material contribution to the continuity of the story. Even now, the conclusion of the Romance is wanting, since the Ashmole MS. has lost a few leaves at the end also. After making this discovery, Mr. Hassell made a transcript of the entire MS., and kindly consented to assist me in editing the Romance. Owing to pressure of other work, he resigned to me the preparation of the Notes and Glossary, and expressed the wish that my name alone should appear upon the title-page; but so much of the work was done by us jointly, that it is best to describe more fully the method of editing adopted by us.

§ 5. In the first place, a collation of Stevenson's edition with the Ashmole MS. was made by Mr. George Parker; and, as that edition was printed without any punctuation, the punctuation was

difference arose. It was because it escaped my notice that l. 3028 in Stevenson is immediately followed by l. 3030; so that, after following his numbering for more than 3000 lines, I was thus, to my regret, thrown out. There are other slight differences further on, as explained at p. xii, but the difference in the numbering never amounts to more than one line.



added by myself. Meanwhile, the Dublin MS. was transcribed by Mr. Hessels, and both texts, thus prepared, were sent to press, and printed in full. In general, the Ashmole text occupies the left-hand page, and the Dublin text the right-hand page; but, throughout the first 21 pages and the last 71 pages, the Ashmole text occupies both pages, to save space. The word *Ashmole* or *Dublin* is printed at the top of every page, to prevent ambiguity. The gap in the Ashmole MS. is shewn by leaving a part of pp. 24 and 32 blank, as well as an entire blank on pp. 26, 28, and 30; and further on, a gap in the Dublin MS. is similarly shewn by leaving blank a part of pp. 197 and 201, and a blank on p. 199. Considering that the exact reproduction of the MSS. is, after all, the chief duty of editors, Mr. Hessels and myself have paid very close attention to this point. The proof-sheets were carefully compared with both MSS. by both of us separately, and we venture to think that the texts are faithfully reproduced in the minutest particular. Every tag and curl has been carefully watched, and notice is given in the foot-notes whenever a word is miswritten, or corrected, or supplied in the margin. The head-lines, side-notes, and Notes were prepared by me, and I accept the responsibility for them, but they have had the great advantage of revision by Mr. Hessels. As regards the Glossary, the shape in which it now appears is due to myself; but it was chiefly prepared by Miss Wilkinson, who has kindly assisted me on other occasions (particularly in the glossaries to my selections from Chaucer), and was much augmented by Mr. Hessels, who added to it numerous words and forms chiefly from the Dublin MS., and also underwent the great labour of verifying all the references, which will, we believe, be found to be correct throughout. The preparation of this Glossarial Index has occupied a long time, and has delayed the appearance of the edition for some years; but, now that Dr. Murray's Dictionary is passing through the press, it seemed highly desirable to make the references as full as possible.¹ We also owe to Mr. Hessels the transcript of the very brief prose "Story of Alexander," which is

¹ Mr. Stevenson's Glossary, consisting of 12 pages, is rather a poor performance and contains several false forms. Having, for example, printed "forwart" for "forwith" in l. 15, his Glossary has "Forwart, to promise."

here printed for the first time, from the Dublin MS., at pp. 279—283.

§ 6. One great defect, in nearly all copies of poems in alliterative metre, is caused by the liability of the scribe to lose his place, and to miss one or more lines here and there. The Ashmole MS. is the more carefully written of the two, but (in addition to the gap contained in the lines numbered 733* to 844*), it misses ten other lines. In order to avoid much deviation from Stevenson's numbering of the lines, these extra lines are here denoted by asterisks, and are called respectively, lines 1633*, 1766*, 1767*, 2168*, 2538*, 2724*, 2842*, 2980*, 3167*, and 3267*. The Dublin MS. (in addition to the gap caused by the loss of leaf 40, ll. 3296—3356) has lost 30 lines, viz. 911, 1227, 1333, 1334, 1745, 1749, 1804, 1822, 1874—7, 2012, 2120—5, 2143, 2317, 2318, 2328, 2373, 2380, 2386, 2440, 2519, 2721, and 2808. Unfortunately, I did not discover, till too late, that Stevenson's printer missed counting a line after l. 3028, so that from that point to l. 4733, the number of each line in this edition is one less than in his. Here Stevenson misses a line which I have supplied,² thus bringing the numbering right. Unluckily, his printer again missed counting a line after l. 4933, so that from this point to the end the number of each line in this edition is again one less than in his. My last line (5677) is the one formerly called 5678.² This will not give much trouble to readers who refer to this volume for words mentioned by Mitzner and Straßmann, but it is best to explain how the difference arose. An old numbering, even if faulty, should be adhered to, where possible, for the sake of convenience of reference. I shall describe the MSS. more particularly.

§ 7. Respecting the Ashmole MS. 44, there is not much to be said. Nothing is known of its history previously to its acquisition by Ashmole. Mr. Stevenson dates it, no doubt correctly, at "the middle of the fifteenth century," and says that "it is on paper, written by a hand coarse, rough, and irregular, without any attempt at neatness, and without much regard to accuracy. The errors into which the scribe has fallen seem to indicate, in some instances, that

¹ Stevenson also misses a line after l. 4002, but I have called it l. 4002*.

² See also note 1 on p. 56, explaining why Stevenson's l. 1093 disappears.

he was unable to read correctly the copy which he had before him, while others would appear to shew that he wrote from dictation.¹ I have not observed any passages of the latter kind; and I think that the above description, though fairly indicating the general condition of the MS., err somewhat on the side of severity. I should say that the scribe aimed at being both neat and regular, though his success in attaining to these is not of the highest order. Still it is a tolerably good MS., and I have seen many that are worse. No doubt it abounds with singular errors, but the number of these has been needlessly augmented in the former edition, as if it were the editor who, in just a few instances, "was unable to read correctly the copy which he had before him;"² though the general carefulness and correctness of that edition may be admitted. The MS. contains at present 97 leaves, wholly occupied with the Romance, and is imperfect at the end. Each leaf contains about 60 lines, sometimes more, and sometimes less; and we thus see that two leaves are missing after leaf 12, since the missing portion amounts to 122 lines; but the following leaf is numbered 13, as the gap in the MS. seems never to have been noticed. The MS. gives us no further information of any kind, so that we are entirely thrown back upon internal evidence. We may perhaps date it about 1450, as already suggested, and I think we may also say that it was probably written in the north of England. With reference to this question of locality, Mr. Stevenson ventures to "hazard the conjecture that this romance was written in one of the north-eastern counties of the midland division of England, some district in which the Anglian dialect had originally prevailed, uninflected, however, by those peculiarities of vocabulary and construction which characterize the language of ancient Northumbria."³ I would venture to say, on the contrary, that the Northumbrian character of the dialect is very strongly marked. If we apply, for instance, such dialectal tests as are given in the Introduction to Morris and Skeat's Specimens of

¹ Examples: "forwint" for "forwith," 13; "sodeyn" for "swoneys," 417; "Anez" for "anez," 478; "Anez ansey" (*sic!*) for "Anacester," scribal error for "Anetzauber," 487; "sey heyn" for "seyn heyns," 1528; "to within" omitted, 1634; "cōde" for "old," 2174; "twine" for "turne," 2276; "chose" for "theled," 2329; "herdo" for "pards," 2707.

English, Part II., we easily find, in the Ashmole text, all the marks of the Northumbrian dialect. It may suffice to instance the use of the suffix -ds in the first person singular of the indicative mood, as in *I ettilis* (15); the use of -id or -yd for all persons of the prototrite indicative of weak verbs, as *I newydyd* (76), *he hauntd* (16), *josi lerid* (36); the frequent¹ loss of e in the infinitive mood or the gerund, as in *reshes* (21), to *know* (54), *fly* (110); the use of *solt* for *shall* (21), and of *cold* for *sholde* (100); present participles in -and, as *feftand* (91), *comand*, *keruand* (63); the omission of i- or y- as a prefix to past participles, as in *fourned* (3); the preservation of the final -es or -ys of past participles of strong verbs, as in *cowsyn* (85), *cowsyn* (129); the use of *pif* for *these* (262); the use of *echo* for *she* (267); the use of *thaſt*, *thair*, and *thaim* (very common); the use of *hethe* for *hence* (see Glossary); *fre* for *from* (139); of for *that* (161); &c. But it will be convenient to defer any further discussion of the dialect till after the Dublin MS. has been described.

§ 8. The Dublin MS. D. 4. 12 contains not only a portion of Alexander, but also part of a copy of the A-text of Piers the Plowman, and has already been partially described in a foot-note to my edition of Piers Plowman (E. E. T. S.), part ii. p. vi; and again, in my Notes to P. Plowman, p. 836. But I take the present opportunity of giving a more minute account of it. It is a paper MS., the size of each page being about 8½ inches by 5½, and each page containing about 30 lines or rather more. The first 26 leaves contain an imperfect copy of the A-text of Piers Plowman, the contents of which have been turned by the scribe into a Northumbrian dialect. This copy shows a close connection with the curious copy in the library of University College, Oxford, denoted in my collation of the A-text by the letter U, as the following selected readings from it will shew.

PROLOGUE, l. 1. *whon—sone*] as I south went. 2. *into*] in.
A—were] as I a schepe were. 4. *Wende—wydene*] I went wide. 9. *laouede*] leoned me. 14. *treake*] entyred (*sic!*).
32. *hit—to*] it is sene in.

¹ The scribes often write an idle final e where it was not meant to be sounded; this is common, for example, in the MSS. of Barbour's Bruce.

After l. 54 of the Prologue it inserts 4 lines, though they do not occur in U. These are:—

Persons with pair precessys
With al þe beynys of þair body þe better to hanse.
Vicars on felde halme fandyn Jhesus to done,
Lede[rs] þei ben of lodesdays & with þe lawe melyn.

The two last lines occur also in MS. Rawlinson Poet. 137, which contains an A-text of P. Plowman of the same character.

After l. 83 of the Prologue there are two more extra lines, also not found in MS. U. These are:—

Dan come þer a king knyghtis hym led,
Conciens & þe king into þe halle went.

The former of these agrees with B. prol. 112.

After l. 95 of the Prologue we find another insertion of 10 lines, also not in MS. U; they resemble B. prol. 92—99, C. i. 90—94, and are as follows:—

Saw servis þe kyng & hya syder tallis
Of wardenis & of wardensis of waynes & straves.
Some sittis as synecallis & servis other lordes,
And cytis þer upon þair aconys þe pare to distroy,
And holdis escris in Centres like men of law,
For to take vatrewo yaigns concisenes,
Ye suffice your parochyng(s) apyl & paine for euir,
Holy kyrie ye distroy & þer is gret rewyl,
þe servis god vs-dewly (sle) it is dred at þe hast
Put crist in lys consistory of þow wel curse mony.

Line 100 of the Prologue runs thus:—

Talwers & tynkheles & tollers both,

In Passus I, the following remarkable readings are worthy of notice.

Instead of ll. 39 and 40, we find—

To shend þi sorý saule he war with þair wyles.

For l. 95—And ryde rapiþ to remake þe redenes abovete.

For l. 137—And in plente of þes preche þou it ofte.

The difficult word *o-firi* (A. vii. 115) appears as *of-tery*, showing the nature of the compound. On fol. 6 of the MS. we find that Pass. i. 184 is immediately followed by Pass. vii. 71, thus shewing

¹⁻² Not ‘premisses’ and ‘cherches’ as printed in Pref. to Text B, p. vi, note.

a transposition of the subject-matter closely resembling that in MS. U (see Pref. to Text A. p. xx). On the back of fol. 8 is another transposition, where A. vii. 216 is immediately followed by A. i. 182 (over again), whence the text is continuous down to A. vii. 45. Thus A. i. 182-4 occurs twice over, and the order of the subject-matter is: A. prol. 1—i. 184; vii. 71—216; i. 182—vii. 45. On fol. 13 occurs the passage printed in the Notes to P. Plowman, p. 836. The text ceases at A. vii. 45, at the bottom of the back of leaf 26, the rest of the poem having been lost before it was bound up with the Alexander Romance, which has lost (probably) eleven leaves¹ at the beginning.

§ 9. With the Alexander Romance, the numbering of the folios recommences. Fol. 1 begins with l. 678 of the poem (see p. 23); and, most fortunately, just 45 lines before the gap of two leaves occurs in the other MS. It thus supplies the missing passage in lines 723²—844* (see pp. 25, 27, 29, 31, 33), and goes on without a break to the end of leaf 39 (l. 3295, p. 197). Here leaf 40 is lost, as shown by the blanks on pp. 197, 199, and 201 (lines 3296—3356). Leaf 41 is the last of the poem; at the end of which the poem comes to a sudden stop (l. 3425, p. 205), the rest having been torn away before the MS. was last bound up. It may here be remarked that the scribe is even more careless than the scribe of the Ashmole MS., and repeatedly misses lines, viz. 911, 1227, 1333, 1334, 1745, 1749, 1804, 1822, 1874-7, 2012, 2120-5, 2143, 2317-8, 2328, 2373, 2380, 2386, 2440, 2519, 2731, and 2808. Leaf 42 is bound in upside down, and has some names and numbers written upon it, evidently part of some accounts. Among the names mentioned are:—T. Hagirston, Ric. Hagirston, Magister Holborn, Ric. Barow, Joh. Watson de goewyk, Willelmus sanderson de bukton, Joh. half de bolden, . . de ancorf, . . de morpet. These obviously allude to a cluster of places lying in that northern extremity of the county of Northumberland, which is so oddly considered as forming a part of the county of Durham. In Pigot's County Atlas (1831) I here find Haggerston, Goswick, Buckton, and Ascroft, and (within Northum-

¹ The first 11 extant leaves contain 680 lines. The number of lines lost at the beginning is about 677.

beefland proper) Bosedon, now Bowsden, Howburn, and much further south the well-known town of Morpeth. We are thus enabled to connect the MS., beyond any doubt, with the county of Northumberland.

On leaf 43 are various scribblings, amongst which occurs " Declaratur de libro vincentum," which is quoted from P. Plowman, A. vii. 68, but does not occur in the body of the MS.; also—" Omnis omnia non mea sumptua dicere possum"—" Explicit liber Ames quod Cuthbertus Emeyson (l.)"—and other trivial remarks. On the back of leaf 43 is a tale in Latin, beginning—" [Nar]racio. Legitur in vita brevi remigii quod quidam miles anglianus valde probus & in actibus nimis [MS. nimus] strenuus [nisi] ad diversa regna vadiens propter acta militaria excoecatus & in ossibus locis sive ubiq[ue] locorum se viriliter genos & triumphantis domum Tedilit laboria & reuersus est ut repatriant ad propria propter (l.) probitatem suam in sua patria cōtescendam." And then the story goes on to tell how this invincible English soldier, riding through a forest, lost his way, wandered about for two days, being half famished, and finally met a dwarf a cubit high, who demanded who he was. On describing himself as an invincible but starving English soldier, the dwarf took him to a hall and his horse to a stable, and provided for the wants of both. Before parting, the dwarf addressed him, saying, " As you claim to be invincible, you must now fight me or one still smaller than me;" whereupon the soldier consented to wrestle, and was thrown prostrate on the earth. And so the story ends, being nearly illegible near its conclusion.

Leaf 44 merely contains four words¹ scribbled to try the pen, but in the same hand as that which wrote out the Romance. The back of the leaf is blank.

Leaf 45 is blank on the front, but on the back begins the short prose story printed at pp. 279—283. This occupies the rest of leaf 45, the whole of leaf 46, and the front of leaf 47. On the back of leaf 47 are three lines of music and some scribbling; and here the MS. ends.

¹ They begin with ornamental initials, and are merely long words in alphabetical order, via. Annasconserunt, Beaconsencia, Circassederunt; and an illegible word beginning with D.

On a fly-leaf at the beginning are some accounts scribbled in Latin, which commence thus:—" Ludes specialis tentus apud Potyngton undesimo die mensis septembri per (l.) Magistrum Tomasi castell priorem, R. Heryngton existente seneschallo anno dominii Milesimo quingentesimo tercio," &c. This is interesting as containing an allusion to a play held at " Petyngton," which may be the modern Pittington, at no great distance from Durham, where there is now a railway station; and as giving us the date 1503. This again associates the MS. with the North of England, and leads us to suppose that the main part of the MS. was written, as would also otherwise appear, towards the close of the fifteenth century.

§ 10. The Dublin MS., like the other, shews decided marks of a Northumbrian dialect, as seen in the use of *soll* (688), of the pres. part. in -*and*, as *syd-and* (698), of -*es* in the pres. pl. indic., as *drew-es* (706), of -*yn* in the pp. of strong verbs, as *know-yn* (719); &c. But the remarks prefixed to Dr. Morris's second edition (1869) of the Early English Alliterative Poems warn us how extremely difficult it is to separate the pure Northumbrian dialect from the Midland dialect, where it borders upon the Northumbrian; for the latter is often marked by the use of Northumbrian forms. We have, first of all, to consider which of the MSS. probably gives the dialect more correctly; and here I have very little hesitation in at once preferring the Ashmole MS., which ought certainly to be most considered as being at once the older, more correct, and more consistent MS. of the two. If we compare, e. g., lines 678—722 (pp. 22—25), we find that the Ashmole MS. steadily keeps to the Northumbrian forms where the Dublin MS. varies from them. Examples are:² A. *wald*, D. *wold* (690); A. *fro*, D. *from* (694); A. *wrytz*, D. *wrytu* (700); A. *saw*, D. *must* (707); A. *slise*, D. *sachs* (711). And a further collation of parallel passages will amply confirm these results. We even find, though rarely, in MS. A. such a clear mark of the Northumbrian dialect as the use of *at* for *to* denote the gerund; as in *at gretz*, i. e. to weep (872), *at dresz*, to dread (4294). It would take a prolonged examination to enable me to speak decisively on

² I here (and below) denote the Ashmole MS. by "A," and the Dublin MS. by "D."

this point; but I am inclined to think that the translation of the Alexander Romance here printed was originally made in a pure Northumbrian dialect, in some county lying between the Humber and the Tweed; and I think it will be found to exhibit this dialect in a purer form than any other unrhymed alliterative poem now extant,¹ with the obvious exception of such as are in Lowland Scotch, viz. Dunbar's poem of the *Twa Maryit Women* and the *Wedo*, and the Prophesies in MS. Kk. 1. 5 in the University Library, printed in *Bernardus de Cura vel familiaris*, ed. Lumby, 1870 (E. E. T. S.).

§ 11. The method here adopted, of printing the two MSS. side by side, as far as they go, not only gives fuller information than could be shown by a mere collation, but dispenses with a great deal of explanation and emendation. It will be found, repeatedly, that one MS. corrects the other; and the reader should compare them for himself. It is sufficient to point out a few obvious instances; there are other instances which require more thought, and some where the right reading is doubtful.

In D. 681, the alliteration fails; the line is corrupt, but is given correctly in A. The contrary takes place in L. 684. In L. 687, A. misses the necessary word *is*, which we have supplied. In A. 689, the spelling *worid* is due to the trilling of the *r*; the word meant is *word*, i. e. *wold*, fate. In 692, D. misses me, supplied from A.; on the other hand, the reading *gome* in A. is false, as shown by the failure of alliteration; we must read *done*. In D. 710, read *hylynde* for *bylynde*. In 711, the reading *hyw* (D.) is better than *he* (A.). The latter half of 714 is right in D., but wrong in A. In A. 717, we may read either *angirly* or *angirly*; but the latter is intended, as shown by the spelling *angirly* in D., and by comparing all the other passages; see *Asgard*, *Asgird*, and *Angirly* in the Glossary. We find, however, *angirly* elsewhere; see *Angrike* in the same. It is needless to multiply instances, as the comparison can so easily be made. It is also worth while to add here, that further help is sometimes to be obtained by consulting the other alliterative translations

¹ The Troy-book, as we have it, is West-Midland (pref. p. lv); so are the Alliterative Poems edited by Morris. The *Morte Arthur* abounds with Midland forms.

of the Romance, viz. fragment A (printed with *William of Palerne*) and fragment C (printed as *Alexander* and *Dindimus*). Of these, the former illustrates ll. 23—803^a, and the latter ll. 4019—4714; as noted at p. 285. For further examples of this, see the Notes.

§ 12. We come now to consider how the translator has performed his task. He has given us but little of his own, the chief original passage being the first 22 lines, which are introductory. He has also divided his work into Passus, by way of affording intervals of rest, and sometimes adds a few lines of his own at the beginnings and ends of these, such as ll. 212, 213, 214, 523, 524, &c. At such points, we may particularly observe that he uses such expressions as *þe text me recordis* (214); *as says me the text* (741^b, p. 27); *as þe buke sais* (881); *For all þe first [part] is in fiftis* (3473). The most explicit passage is the following (ll. 3472-3):—

"þe laste end of his lyfe · we list gow to tell.
For all þe first is in fiftis · & followand the letter."

Here he expressly tells us that he has already arranged the preceding part of the work in Passus, and that it was "following the letter," i. e. a more or less literal translation from the "text" which was before him. It does not appear that he has adopted any single text exclusively, but the main part of the narrative follows, with tolerable fidelity, the Latin text known as the "*Historia de Preliis*." Of this work, I fortunately possess an excellent black-letter copy, printed at Strasbourg in 1489,^c which has been of great help and service in making out the true sense of several passages. In order to shew how the translator has treated his original, I have quoted the whole of the first Chapter of this work in the note to l. 13, on p. 285. It answers precisely to the translator's *Primus Passus*, ll. 23—211; lines 1—22 and 212, 213 being obviously additions to it. I have also, in the note to l. 722, quoted the whole of the Latin text answering to the two missing leaves in the Ashmole MS. But, in general, each Passus of the English version contains several chapters of the Latin text; thus *Passus Secundus* is equivalent to the second,

^a In my Notes to *Alexander*, fragment A (printed with *William of Palerne*) and fragment B (*Alexander* and *Dindimus*), I have quoted a copy in the University Library, printed in 1490.

third, fourth, and fifth chapters of the Latin, and ends at the same point as the fifth chapter, lines 521-4 being additional; see note to l. 214, p. 289. All the more important elucidations of the English version, as obtained by help of the Latin text, are pointed out in the Notes. But it is necessary to add that the "Historia de Prelis" was not the sole text which our translator consulted, and it is tolerably clear that another source was the Latin version of the story of Alexander by Julianus Valerius, as shown in the Notes. Some expressions can be explained by help of the Latin text, called The Letter of Alexander to Aristotle (*Epistola Alexandri ad Aristotelem*). A copy of this is extant in MS. Cotton, Nero D. 8, fol. 169, and is printed in *Narrationes Anglicae Conscripere*, ed. Cockayne, 1861, pp. 51—62; see notes to lines 3782, 3926, 3932, 3944. For further information, I must refer the reader to my prefaces to William of Palerne, &c., pp. xxxiv and xxxvi, and the notes to the same, pp. 236—249; the preface to Alexander and Diadumenus, and the notes to the same; and the notes to the present volume. The development of the Story of Alexander is a most difficult problem, and cannot be fully explained without long and patient research. An excellent book on the subject has just appeared, written by M. Paul Meyer, with the title "Alexandre le Grand dans la Littérature Française du Moyen Age," published at Paris in 1886. It is full of new information, drawn from manuscript sources, and is the more important because many of the MSS. are still unedited. I may here mention, for example, that M. Meyer tells us (p. 294) that the English rimed version of King Alysaundar, as printed in vol. i. of Weber's Metrical Romances, is chiefly taken from the unedited Roman de Toute Chevalerie, by Eustace of Kent.

It is proper to add that there are some words and phrases which point to the occasional use of sources which I have not found; cf. note to l. 5268. Both MSS. are often corrupt, and are merely poor copies of older MSS. The Dublin MS. is, usually, the more careless of the two, but occasionally corrects the other; and the fact that one of the MSS. is often correct where the other is obviously wrong, is not a little curious. As regards proper names, the misspellings are often of the most extraordinary character, and it is useless to guess

at them without at any rate consulting the chief Latin text; and even in that they frequently assume the most singular forms. In the English text, for example, the goddess Ceres becomes a god named Sermon (4510), Bacchus appears as Bury (4506), Hercules as Arcubius (4068), and Cyrus as Cussey (3219).

§ 13. As to the date and dialect of the original composition, nothing is really known. We can only conjecture that the original was probably written in a pure Northumbrian dialect rather than in West-Midland (but even this may be wrong), and that the version belongs to the former half or to the middle of the fifteenth century. When the barrenness of this period is complained of, as is not unfrequently the case, we ought to remember that, in addition to the poems by known authors, it is probable that such anonymous poems as the *Morte Arthur*, the *Troy-book*, and the two versions¹ of *Alexander* belong to the same period, and compare favourably with the poems by Chaucer's successors. I suspect that the dates usually assigned to other alliterative poems are often too early; and that, for example, the date which I formerly suggested for the other fragments of the *Alexander Romance*, viz. 1340-50, should be placed later. At the same time, this is a point of extreme difficulty, as the MS. copies are all of later date than the period of the original compositions, and there is no available evidence by which we can correctly judge of the intervals to be assigned.

In the Glossarial Index, we have endeavoured to include every form that occurs in both the MSS., as well as to furnish a complete index of all the proper names. The poem seems to me to be of unusual difficulty. Many of the words could only be correctly explained by collating both MSS.; and others only by comparing the original Latin. Several forms are thus ascertained to be corrupt or inaccurate; and, in consequence, in some passages where there is but one MS. and no clearly corresponding passage in the original, it is very difficult to be quite certain that the correct sense has been given. We consequently offer the explanations for what they are worth; though they have cost a great expenditure of time and labour.

¹ The former is that epic of tremendous length, of which fragments A and B are short relics; and the latter is the version here printed.

ERRATA AND CORRIGENDA.

(The more important corrections are marked with an asterisk.)

- P. 9, l. 281. The stop after 'third' should be raised, like the rest.
 P. 15, l. 477. For the second *ja*, read *na*. See note on p. 290.
 P. 18, l. 554. Insert a hyphen in *Thessore-thrata*.
 " 562. The same as *halo-fye*.
 *P. 19, l. 584. For *schewful* read *schewful*. See note on p. 290.
 P. 20, l. 596. Read *The tane*, to bruns [l. v. described], &c.
 " 627. Insert a comma after *wile*.
 P. 29, l. 779. After the slanting stroke to a raised full-stop, as in other lines.
 P. 32, l. 740. Insert a comma after *he*; and transfer the marks of quotation as to precede *backward* instead of *h*.
 *P. 37, l. 846. Read *hal* [Darl] *wod*. See note on p. 293.
 P. 45, l. 868. Insert a hyphen in *stidie*. See *Afke* in the Glossary, and in Murray's Dictionary.
 P. 56, l. 1009, 1110. Insert *hyphen* in *topp-haris* and *hero-wedis*. See note on p. 294.
 P. 69, l. 1173. For *wayne* read *wayne*.
 P. 72, l. 1370. Insert a comma after *isome*.
 P. 91, l. 1650. Insert a comma after *he*, and after the stop after *wald* to a comma. See note on p. 298.
 *P. 99, l. 1747. Insert a hyphen in *cour-sheet*. See note, p. 293.
 P. 101, footnotes 1 and 4. The MS. has a stroke over the final *n* in *enghen-dyde*.
 P. 102, footnote 1. The MS. has a *to* to the final letter of account.
 P. 110, l. 1870. For *wella*? read *wolla*?
 P. 124, footnote 1. The MS. has a stroke over the final *n* in *layn*.
 P. 132, fourth side-note. For Alexander read *Strausgoras*. See note to l. 2312, p. 302.
 P. 147, l. 2519. There should be a line of dots here, to shew that a line is omitted.
 P. 164, l. 2811. Insert [of] before my *warks*.
 *P. 176, l. 2995. Insert [in] after *tiltide*, and add a semi-colon at the end of the line. See the reading of the Dublin MS.
 P. 180, footnotes 5 and 8. There is a stroke in the MS. over the *n* in the words *ent* and *spokien*.
 P. 188, l. 3194. The stop at the end of the line should perhaps be a comma.
 P. 204, l. 3436. For *wayne* read *wayne*.
 P. 234, l. 4337. For *bewes* read *beweves*.
 P. 236, l. 4417. Insert a comma after *sotlie*. See note on p. 311.
 P. 241, l. 4493. Delete the comma after *ja* and *lede*.
 P. 242, l. 4603. Delete the comma at the end of the line.
 " 4629. Insert a comma at the end of the line.
 P. 243, l. 4640. Delete the comma after *stecke*. (See note, p. 312.)
 " 4654. Insert [in] after *sotlie*.
 " 4665. Alter the stop at the end to a comma.
 P. 247, fourth side-note. Read—Alexander comes to trees full of fruit. (The trees of the Sun and Moon appear at l. 5003.)
 P. 268, fifth side-note. For *The snakes read Some beasts*. See note to l. 5423, p. 315.
 " 5423. For *word* read *wood*. See *Wood* in the Glossary.
 *P. 329. 'Basing' means 'basement', not 'boasting'. It is put for 'basing' (abusing), by confusion with 'baist' (based). Cf. l. 446.

In the margin: A few other suggestions for amending the text will be found in the Notes and Glossarial Index.

[Romance of Alexander the Great.]

[MS. Ashmole 44; fol. 1.]

When folk ere festid & fed · fayn wald þai here
 Sum fasund ping efter fode · to fayn þare her[1].

Or þai ware fourmed on fold · or þaire fadir oper.

Sum is loue to lythe · þe lessing of Sayntis,

þat lete per lifs be borne · for oure lordis¹ sake;

And sum has langing of lufe · lays to berken,

How ledis for paine lemans · has langor endured.

Sum couettis & has confortis · to carpe & to lesyn

Of curtaisy of knyghtode · of craftis of armys,

Of kyngis at his conquirid · & ouer-counyā landis.

Sum of wirschip I-wis · slike as þam wyse lattis,

And sum of wanton werkis · þe pot ere wild-ledis; 8

Bot if þai wald on many wyse · a wonderl ware it els;

For as pairis wittis ore writh-in · so þer will folowis.

And I forwith þow all · ettilis to schewe

Of ase Emperoure þe agefullist · þat ouer armys haunlid,

þat was þe stiill Alessandrie · as þe buke tellis,

þat ate eynis as his awyn · all the weed ouine.

For he recoured quills he regnyd · þe regions all cleme,

And all rialme & þe riches · in-to þe rede est.

I salt rebres, & þe will, renkis · rekyn your tongis,

A remnant of his riale · & rist queu vs likis.

¶ Once in þe erth of Egyp · enhabent vnuquile
 þe wyssot wees of the wenf · as I in writt fynd. 24
 For þai þe mesur & þe mett · of al þe malle conthe,
 þe size of all þe grete see · & of þe grym wawys;

1 MS. lord — lordis perhaps.

ALEXANDER.

After meals,
some like to hear a
story.4 Some like to hear
legends of saints,
others legends of
lovers.others stories of
kings and
conquerors.I will try and tell
you about the
most renowned
emperor
Alexander.In the land of
Egypt lived the
wise men.

Of þe ordens of þat oddis home · þat over þe airc hingis
Knew þo kynd, & þe curses · of þe cleere sternys, 28

Of Articis the aghill · tre¹ airis & opire

Of þe fold & of þe firmament · wele þe fete enthe;

And Antarcticus also · þat all² upon turnys,

þe passage of þo planetis · þo poynis & þe sygnes, 32

þai ware þo kiddest of þat craft · knawyn in paire tyme,

And þe solstille vndres son · segis in paire lyfe,

þus ware þai breued for þe best · as þe buke tellis;

All þai lerid of þat³ lare · þat it were wald, 36

As wide as þe wold was · went wondre of paires teching,

Of aescry & slike werkis · aleystis enogh.

And þe kyng of þat contre · was a clerke noble,

þe atheist ans of þe wend⁴ · & Anee was hattien. 40

He was wyse enogh · windis to reken,

When he þe hewyn behelde⁵ · of ledes⁶ upon lyfe;

þe iapis of alt genestri · gentilli he couth,

And wel as Aristotill · þe artis alt seyn.

þer preued neuer name his prik · for passing of witt,

Plato nor Piktagarus · ne Proktans his seluen.

Emusing his dyukis on a day · as he on dene syttis,

þan was him bowdred vanlyly · broȝt to þe sale, 48

þut Artaxesenes was armed · with þe men of his rewne,

þe proude king of Persey · to passe him agayn.

þoþe he þas sawis hemi say · git amynd he me princis,

No ost onland he name · of na kyd knyngis,

Bot artis even furth him ane · & entir his chambre,

To know by his clergi · þe come of his fa.

He takis a Boll of bras · barneschid full clene,

And full he fillis it of the flode · at fell fr̄ þe heuen,

On hiȝt in his a hand⁷ · holdis a wund⁸,

And kelenly be cosurissons · callis to him spritise.

In-to þis water as he wunitis · was he ware sone

They knew the
names of the
stars,

[Psal. 148.1]

and the signs.

All men have of
their love.

Their king was
Anexanaxus.

He knew all the
names of
geometry.

As he sat one day
on the dale,
near unto that
Artaxesenes, king
of Persia, had
Invaded his land.

He filleth a beaten
bowl with water,

and invoketh the
spirits.

¹ So in MS.; read athile · there. ² MS. reports all.

³ MS. 'þat m.' but o is expunged.

⁴ MS. hand hand, the latter underlined.

Of his enmys in þut Element · ane endles number; 60

He say þam in þe hige see · sailand to godire,

Was never none slike a some · vnder þe son bemya.

Carrygis comand he knew · kermand þe ithis,

Dromonds dryfes ouer þe depo · with dukis & Esles, 64

Gales & greate schipis · full of grym wapens,

And full of brewid bernes · bargis a hundredth,

Of slie a nasse is nouy · to here or to tell.

For all þe largenes of lenth · at he luke myȝt, 68

Silk was þe multitude of mast · so makil & so thikke,

þat all him poȝt bot he truis · a hare wod it somyd.

At þe enteria of Egyp̄t · as Anee had beden,

Ware peris of his prouynce · & princes of his cyties, 72

Was comandid of pairs kyng · to kepe þa landis,

þat name aproche it to paine · of Persy no oþerne.

þan was a warden ware · custe in þe wale strenys

Of all þe name & þe note · I nomenyd beforé;

Last littly his ledis · & leuys his warde,

Comes to courte to þe kyng · & oþi kneys fallis,

Anee bi his awyn name · he onane gretis,

Sais, "þurc þe now zepyl" · or zild vp þi rowme;

Artaxesenes is at hand · & has aue est reryd,

And resyn vp with all his rewne · to ride vs agayn;

For he him-self is oþ þe se · with siche a somme armed,

þat any hathill vnder heuen · ware handy to rekyñ.

For þer is comynt with him knyȝt[es]⁹ · of landis dyneres,

Segis of many syde · outis of sere remys,

þe perreyns & a pupill · þat parthy¹⁰ is callid,

Men of Messepolaymo · & of Mede baþe,

Of Syre & of Sychim · a sellis nombre,

Of Capidos & Caldee · kene men of armes,

Fell feigland folke · þat Faire we call,

þe Armibians & all þa · [of] þut origyne,

Bernys out of Batary · batails arrayed,

And oþre out of þe orient · many od hundrethe.¹¹

He sees his
enemys sailing
(Psal. 2.1)
on the sea.

He beholdis a
great navy.

The masts were
so thick on trees
in a wood.

One of his princes
was the fleet
captain.

and tells
Asterion.

"Artaxesenes
comes with a
great navy;

Persians and
Medes.

Cappadocians
and Chaldeans
(Psal. 8.3.)

and others of
the east."

¹ MS. knyȝt. ² MS. panȝy.

The king leight.
He respects the
prince, and
overcomes him of
cowardice.
¶ Will not a lion
put to flight many
hosts?
He makes little
shame of war,
and over the
Persians are
defeating his own
men. (Vol. 5.)
Thus he dignifies
himself as a
dwarf,
and takes with
him all things
that he requires.

¶ pen Aneç onane riȝt · after þis wordis,
A lowde laȝer he loȝt · & to þe lede said, 96
"Hane þou na care," quod þe kyng, "bot hene to þe
marche,
As I have demyd þe to do · & dred þou na ferrye;
For soth it is vnsenely¹ · alike sawis of a prynce.
I kan noȝt knaw at þou carpis · as a knyȝt sulȝt, 100
Bot as a frek at wans ferid · & feynes riȝt nowe.
Eriþo noȝt hurtles & hale i · lat noȝt þi hest falle.
For vertu vailes neȝt aȝt · if þou avaided worthie, 103
Emang þe multitude² of men · quare mane ere togeder,
Bot þer abovte as þai ere blend · with bignes of wiȝt.
If þai be folke bot a fa · oft tydys þam þe better.
Or elis wate þou noȝt weli · þe witer borne,
How it is comonly carpedit · in contries a-boute, 108
þat aseley leot · þat ouer þe land ryannys,
Wilt make to fange to þe flȝt · & thy many herte!³
With þet þe segge⁴ all him selfe · silis to his chambres,
And in þe brasen boȝt · fulþ [of] blak wates 112
He shapis him of shire wax · liflit schipis many,
And papely þarkid in his hand · a þerd of a palme.
þen com he chater & enchant · with alþ his chefe myȝtis,
A-ȝynd him in þe vessell · & was avaided alone, 116
How þe powere out of Persy · pallid dounse his knyȝtis,
And how his land sulȝt be lost · withouten lett mare.
Whan he was ware of þis watre · how it worthe sulȝt,
þan wenidis he wiȝly furth · & his wede changis, 120
Clede him alþ as a clerko · & his cronne shauys,
And with a bytund blade · hi his bered voydis.
þen takis to him treasur · & trusses in baggis,
As many Besantis on his bake · as he bens myȝt, 124
And opis necessari notis · as nedis to his cratifs,
To sike salmyr dangelf · as him self vyses.
He take twimmes him writh · to tute it is þe sterres,

¹ MS. vnsenely.

² MS. multitude.

³ MS. 'segge,' but the line is marked for correction.

Astralabius¹ algite · as his ate wald, 128
Quadrentis² corsen all of quyte · siluyre full quayntie,
Mustours & mekil quat · man þen a littil.
Whan he was grefed with his gore · a gladen he wayte,
And passis furþe at a Posterne · premly alane, 132
Furþe on his fete withouten fole · he passis his way,
Vn-wetandly on any we, · þat wont in his wanes,
þus airis he out of Egypþ · & his erde leuys,
Fled for feid of his fai · fere fra his kythis, 136
It was na hote him to hide · ne batif to golde;
For all his kynglome he knew · sulȝt be cast vnder.
Fra þe parts of Persy · he past bot a litȝish,
And eynȝ so þurȝ Etiyope · & þar him ȝeft clothis, 140
Aft his liche in lyn clape · for ledis sulȝt irowe
And all þe purple persayue · a propheet³ he were.
þeff methe he furlike to Messadon · full viȝ-mete galis,
And quen he comes to þat kith · as þe chance tellis, 144
Oft with his instrumentis out · he openly denuyne,
And noȝt hilȝt he it ne hid · bot here qua sa likid.
Bot þan was methe⁴ for to mole · þurge men of his burȝ,
þot he by-hind him at hame · withouten heðe leuyȝt, 148
Slik care kindlis in his curte · quan þai þer kyng myȝsil,
þot it ware tere any tong · of þurȝ tone to reken;
Princes of his palas · preses in-to chambres,
To lante þer lord at was lost · with latis vn-blythe; 152
Kairis in-to chosettis · knyȝtis & Erlis,
Sekand þar souerayn · with many salt ȝerys;
Barons & bachelors · balefully gretis,
Swiers swemyle · swouned ladys, 156
And many was þe bad borne · at hanmed þor quile,
þat ewe he dureþ þat day · vndede opon erhe.
Bot quen þai wist he was went · & wald neȝt be fone,
Couth þai na hote þam ebland · how best for to wirke,
Bot sillis to ser Sirmaphis · at sittis in his throne, 161
Finding he is
gone,
they ask counsel

¹ MS. Astralibus.

² MS. Is adreces.

³ MS. propheet.

⁴ or methe.

of Seraphis their god.

Seraphis says,
Your king is gone.

He know the
Persians world
conquer.

[fol. 4.]

Axartes was
come and take the
kingdom.

But come from
your sorrow.

Your king will
put avenges you,
and reign the
kingdom."

Theys valo an
image of black
stone to
Axartes.

þet was þer god alþire-greythist · on þe ground samen.
Him þai supplied & soȝt · & him ensence castis,
Honored him with offyngis · & elkende him sayre, 164
þet he suld say þath þe sothe · & sorely þam teche
Quader þair kyng was becomen · at þor car kyndilla.
þan sayd Syraphis him selfe · he sayd þam þir wordis:
“Ane, þow aþhill kyng · is out of his awyn land, 168
For Axartesens aȝo · is all him ane foundid,
þe pronde kyng of Perses · þet passes vs a-gaynes.
Full wele he wist, er he went · quot suld worþe after,
And all þe fourme of þe fare · þat falt ȝow he-houys.
For all þe erth of Egypt · fra end vn-to oþhire 173
Bees conquirid & oþeremyna · cleene alto-gedre.
þe people out of Persse · is parwid all sames;
þe kyng is comand full kene · with his kene ostis, 176
þat suli oure renkis all rayne · & oure rewme bathe,
And we be all at þare wile · þus is wridis schapen.
Sen it is sett to be soo · & slipe it ne may,
Ne schewik to be na noþine schaþ · ne we to schouint
noȝthir,

180
Bot gofe þaue vp þe gindill · vs gaynes noȝt ellis.
Bot cosis, seris, of your eyte · & soruys na mare;
þet certayȝ, quod Syraphis · “my-ælf I it knawe,
þour king salt in a noȝtre kithe · cast out his elde, 184
And come a-gayn eft jonge man · ȝit to his rewme.
þati suli pot victoires þow venge · on ȝour vilie fuis,
And þe provinces of Persse · purley distruye, 187
And gott agayn his awyn gronde · at he forgaüs nowe,
And aȝe of þe oddis Emperours · of þe wroðe worthe.”
¶ When he þis talis had talid · þen take þai belyfe,
And after Ane on-anē · and ymagy gert make;
þe buke saie, of blake stane · all þe hode oyvre, 192
With corone & with comyschante · as it a kyng were.
Quis it was perfite & piȝt · a place þai it wayted,
And stallid him in a stonete stede · & stiȝthid him faire.
Lordis lift him on loft · & lawe to him bowid,

196

In reuerence of þa riche kyng · at had þer rewme gydilȝ.
Quen he was semely vp set · with septour in hand,
þen ledin at ware lettird · on lawe at his feet¹
All þe sawis of þaire Syne · as Siraphis talid,
þate gan þai graithly þair gorne · in golden lettire,
All þe wordis at he þair werpid · of þairs ware kyng.
þare þai wrete þam I-wis · as þe buke tellis,
Supposand þair in sun tyme · for sothe to be knownen,
And men to make of þair mynd · ever-more after. 205
Be þot þairs enmes þor erde · was entild wælhian,
þe powres ote of Persse · with many pronde otes;
Bot of þar battais to braf · it botis me na ferrie, 208
For all þai conquirid cleene · þis cithre at þaire wile,
And Ane² is all his aȝe · ferre of his awyn landis,
With in þe morris of Messedoyȝ · þur na maȝ him knewe,
Bot will þe herken heuds · now sali þe here 212
How he kide him in þe courte · & quayntid him with
ladis.

¶ Secundus passus Alexandri.

S yre, it be-ȝis on a tyme · þe text me recordis,
þat þe mode kyngis of Messedone · with mælikh
numbere,
þot was sirc Philip þe fers · farne out of tonne, 216
For to fest wiþ his fai · out of fere landis.
Quos he was bounis oute of barge · & his bale turned,
As tis as Ane him amed · out of his awyn kythe,
He paste vp to þe Palais · & prenaly entis, 220
þot he miȝt lond þare on loft · & luke on þe gwene.
Some as him selfe was in þe sale · & saȝe hire with eye,
He beheld Olympadas · þot honorable lady;
Hire bewte bitis in his brest · & his hodi thrillis, 224
And drifis thurȝ his depe hert · as he ware dart
wondid.

¹ MS. fortis; cf. ‘at his feete’ in Alex. A. 570. ² MS. Ane.

At the foot of the
image is written
the prophecy of
Seraphis.

The Persians
attack Thess.

[fol. 4 b.]
and conquer.

I will tell you
more about
Axartes.

King Philip
leaves Macedon
to fight his foes.

Axartes
arrives, and
captures queen
Cyprian.



þe lode lawlid in hire lofe ' as leme dose of gledis,
Put vp his hand to his hars' & heldid it bot littil.
" Haile, modi qwene of Messidoyne" - he maister-like
said ; 228
Janus deynd him na daynte ' madame' hire to call,
Be-cause he knew him a kyng ' he carpid ot þis wyse.
For if he come as A clerke - with a croune schaunyn,
And diȝt as a Doctour - in drabland wredis, 232
þit all þe erti of Egypt' had he bene aise oure.
Janus awnswers him qwene - with full myld speche,
" Haile, maister," quod þat myld ' & made him to sytt
On a sego hire be-ayde - of silikyn clathis, 236
And þurh spakid with his speche ' & spird of him
wordis.

The queen
replies, " Haile,
maister!"

She asks if he is
of Egypt.

[Fol. 3.2]

" I am glad to
hear you speak of
Egypt.

There dwelt the
wisest men of the
earth.

They can read
the stars, and
understand the
song of birds.

I myself have
seen skill."

¹ MS. redis a redis; the two latter words underlined.

Sa cleze a witt & sa cleze ' my creatoure I lofe,
þat all þe noȝte at I menynd ' nobly I can,

As any prophet a-perte - to proue ȝow þe noȝte."

Quen he þire sawis had sayd ' he in his sego levol,
In stody still as a stane' & starid in hire face,

Beheld haterly þat head ' þat had his hert percold, 264
With depe desire of deldie ' ay on þat dore waytis.

Sone as hire selfe it sawe ' to he hire an behaldis,
Pon echo talkis him to ' & titely him fraynes :

" Quare-on muse je as mekill, maister?" acho sayd ; 268
" ȝe behald me as heugly ' quare-on is your mynd?"

" My frely fode," quod þe frroke ' noȝt hot þe wordes
Of my gracious goddis ' þe grettest on erde. 271

þai haue talid he-for pi tym ' þat now I new fynd,
How I suld² lenge in a land' & loke on a quene."

þan out of his bosom he brayd ' a blesand table
Of Enour & of oþerne þingis - edly fourmed,

Of beas & of brynt gold ' & o[ff] briȝt siluer,
þot thre serolis were ' in it selfe had.

In þe first compas I keen ' as me þe claus tellis,
Stude þe xij vndirstandings - stoutly engrauen.

In þis opir draȝt ware deuyd ' a danum of bestis, 280
And semely sett was in þe thrid . þe son & þe mone.

Setthen he claskis out of a cas ' vij clere sterres

To tell him takens of þy tyme ' & talis of our werdis;

And vij stole-grunyn stanys ' & stonys opir tway, 284
þot wald for huris or for harme ' any hathill keps.

þus as he take forth his toylis ' & his trummays³ schevis,

" If I salt lefe on þi lane" - quod þe leus qwene,

" Say me þe day & þe same yere ' & þe selfe tyme 288
Of þe birth of þe bald kyng ' þat I best lufe."

þan awnswers Anes oname - sayd, " is þor oȝt ellis

At ȝo wahl, head, of me hers ' or at yours hert willis!

For any cas þot is to com⁴ - to know if þe likis, 292

¹ MS. I suld I suld; the two latter words underlined.

² MS. con.

³ MS. con.

As he shows his
implements,
the queen asks
him to tell her
when Philip was
born.

He says he can
tell her anything.

He stands on
the queen's
face.

When she notices
this, she asks
him of what he is
thinking.

" I am thinking
of what my gods
have bestold."

[Fol. 5.2.]
He takes out a
table,

marked with
three circles.
In the first stood
the sun and
the moon;
in the second,
the twelve signs;

in the third,
the sun and moon.

"Then tell me
what shall happen
to me and
Philip."

"He will not
long have another
queen, but will
return to you."

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He continues,
"One of our
greatest gods will
descend to you."

"In what form
will he come?"

"He is of middle
age."

He has two horns
on his head,

and a mouth like
a boar's.

I wolt as namely þow neuyn as it ware nowe done."
"þan will I," quod þe wale qwene "ȝe wete me to say,
Quat me & Philip - sal fall va be-twene.
For, bow he fra þe betailȝ - bernys me tell, 296
þen will he wed anþirs wife & wayfe me for ever."
"Nay, noȝt for ey," quod þe froke "þur hame þai fale
spoken;
Neser je latter, or oȝt lange - salt lymþ as þou sayd, 1
Bot þit I fynd, for all his fare - iteme he sal þe tofise,
And wil your self to wil - nyȝ he so wil he." 301
þan was a-wondird of his wordis - þe worte lady,
Be-soȝt sekinly þis sire - if he safe vouchid,
þat scho myȝt weterly wete - þe wil of all pingis,
Quatkyng poynȝ or plyle - prediestinȝ hirs were, 305
"Athilȝ qwene," quod Ane "as I am enformed,
Ane of þy gretist of our godis - of grose & of mist,
I fynd, or it be fere - toȝ fleshely þe knew, 308
And after in all aduersies - is ained þe to help."
þan sayd Olympadas "now, honourable maister,
I be-ske þa, my sire - if þou me say wald,
Quatkyng fygoȝ on fold - or fourme at he beris, 312
þat demyd is destanyd - þis deale for to worche."
"þat will I welo," quod þe we, " & noȝt a wold leȝe.
þis myȝt god at I me[n]e - is of a medilȝ age,
Noȝt of youth nor of eld - nor perris to many, 316
Bot eynȝ so be-twene twa - & to [mekyll] of nouthir.
How he is merkid & made - is mervalle to neuyn,
With-tachid in his for-top - twa tufeȝ homes;
A berȝ as a besom - with thynd breed haris, 320
A mouliche as a mastifȝ hund - vn-metely to shaw.
Bot, dame, if he be þus diȝt - dredre þe never þe more,
Bot þe be buxson & bayne - & hounse to his will.
Be nyȝter-tale he sal þe neȝe - þis note to begyn, 324

¹ Line 300 precedes 1, 299 in the MS., but they are marked for transposition.

² MS. to þe; with þe underlined.

³ haris inserted here, but struck out.

⁴ MS. mastis.

And þe be merryd never þe mare - bot mete him in ^{þe} not afraid." sweynȝ."

"Now certayn, sire," sayd þe qwene "selly me thinke. If this turn out true,

Bot may I se þis be sothe - at þe me say here,

Noȝt as a prophet ne a prest - I prayz salt þi selfe, 328

Bot rehers þe as hieȝe god - & his þe for ouare."

Wilt þat ryȝt vp þe renke - & his rownes lofyȝ,

Laȝt leu at þe qwene - for a littil quile,

Gase him deuine be þe groȝe - a-gayȝ fra þe sale, 332

Furthe to make his maistrys - & mose in his arte.

þus passid he fra þe place - to prese his deȝtis,

Silȝ furth all him selfe - þe eye with-outen,

Drafe in-to a depe dissent - & drewe vp herbis, 336 He goes into a

þe chosest for inchantment - at he chose couthe.

Quen he had gedird his groȝe - & gruno paws esundre,

For Iapis of his gemetry - þe ȝous out he wrenchis,

Ene till exorce - & ethis euer elike, 340

þut it salȝ worthe as he wald - & on na way faille.

He claid on exorcisoun - & calid to him desyls,

And all þe inclesoun of his charme - wald þat þe chefe

quwene, 344 may see Ammon in her sleep.

þe same nyȝt in hire slep - salid se with hire eyen

Amon hir awyn god - in hire armes ligge,

And dreme at he diȝt hire swa - & quen he done hadid,

þan salid he say to hire-selfe - sadly pire wordis, 347

"Now has þou, woman, Iwys - with-in þi twa sydis

Conayued him at in all þi care - þi cors salt defend."

þis ilk eynȝ ouer-gode - & arly on þe moone,

As arly as þe riches qwene - was resyn fra slepe,

þan after Ane¹ on-ane - scho al aboute sendis, 352

Takis him betweene þam twa - told him hire sweynȝ.

"þa," quod he, " comly qwene I couthe, & þou wald

Prensyly in þi palais - lat me a place haue,

Make þe to se þo same god - & þis life wakand, 356

Face to face att his fourme - & his effecte clene.

¹ MS. Ane.

I will honor
thou art a god."

Anthonianus
takes his horn.

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he begins to
repose,
that the queen

Next morning
the queen falls
her dream.

He asks to be
allowed to have a
place in the
palace.



Pis grete god full of grace · sal glide to þi chambre,
In a drefulle deus · a dragons fourme,
And þan je figur of a freke · he sal take estire, 360
And pouslyn in þat part · a-pere powe be-forme.
þan answers him þe swete quene · & sone him it
grentis,

"Sise, chese þe a chambre · quare þe chefe pinkis,
Nowþire myne awen na nothir · god lat þo noȝt spre,
Or any place at þow piece · my palas wâth-in. 365
For may þou hold me pis heft · as þou here tellis,
And profis þus in my presens · as a propis sothe,
þen sal I cherische þe with chere · as þou my child were,
Loue so louely & lone · all my lyfe days." 369

"Grant me my," quod þe grete clerke · to þe gude lady,
Thankis¹ hire full thraly · & þen forth wendis
To leke & layte him a lode · quare he lenge myste,² 372
And buske him a bedlat · quare him best likid.
Qwen it was metyn to þe merke · þat men ware to ryst,
And folke was on þair firsste slepe · & it was forth
eynys,

þan Ane oñ aine · his artis he fandis, 376
And changid by enchantmentis · his chere all to gedre,
þer worthid he by his wiche-craft · in-to a wild dragon,
And to the ladi lere · he lendid in haste,
Filijand in his feshins-hames · & ferly fast alcias, 380
And in a braidis, or he blan · he þe bed entris.
Quen he was³ laide be-lyfe · his liknes he changis,
Worthis agayf to a wee · fra a worme turnys,
þen kisses he keleny je quene · & clappis in armes,
Langis sare to je layke · & on-loft worthis. 385
Quen he had wroȝt all his will · hire wame þou he
touches,
And with a renyst reryd · pis reson he said, 387
"þis concepcion with kyngis · sal be callid here-after

The queen
greets it.

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"If it turn out
true, I will
cherish them as if
they were my
children."

He chooses a
place for himself.

Next night he
enriches himself
into the form of
a dragon.

and flies to the
queen.

He then becomes
a man again.

He prophesies
that her son will
overcome all the
world.

¹ MS. Thangie, altered to Thankis.

² MS. myste. ³ MS. he was he was, but corrected.

A verrr victor a-vansid · with all þe vayne wende."
þus be-gylid he this gude wyfe · & makis hire to wene
It ware na gott of na gome · bot of god ana.

Qwen þe day-raw rase · he rydis be-lyfe,
Lendis a-lande fra þe left · & left hire with child,
Sone as hire hole gun bolne · all hire blee changis,¹

So was scho ferð & a-frijt · a ferly ware ellis. 395 [fol. 7 b.]
To be bonden with barne ·mekill hale to hire neyehis,
For it & Phillip hire fer · o-ferrom was sybb.

þan Ane hire awyn clerke · scho on-ane callis,
"Lo, master, silike a myscheife!" · & mayfly hire

pleynes.

"I dred þat I nere dee · bot þe me dome sone 400
Quot me is beste of þis case · if enur þe kyng tawne."

"Be noȝt a-bayste," quod þe berne · "ne a-blayed
nothir,

þare sal na chanche þe chefe · þe charge of a pose.

For Amon our athlef godis · sal all-way þe helpe, 404 Action will all
And keþe þe full caroles · if any cas fallis."

"Quot dene now þis diuinour · bot to desert wendis,
Abris on all him ase · out of þe cite,
þede Amor ferthe eftisrons · herbes to seche,

Reft þam² vp by re-toe · & radly þam stampis,
þe Inse for his gemetry³ · þat Logloure takis,

A[n]d sythen⁴ a brid of þo see · him selvyn him fangis,
Clatis to hyre coynys pingis · kenedy enchantis, 412 [He makes a
þe same nyȝt in his sleep · he saȝe, as him thoȝt,
And all þis demerlyke he did · bot he þe deuyllis

craftis,
How he myȝt compas & last · þe kyngis to begyle,
He wroȝt a wondrifull wile · & wile þe now here 415

How he be-glounid þis gome · & gildis him in swenyia!
þis ilk Phillip þe fyrs · put in þe fift lenges,
þe same nyȝt in his sleep · he saȝe, as him thoȝt,

¹ MS. g changis (sic). ² MS. him, copied from line above.

³ MS. gemmetry. ⁴ MS. cythen.

The queen
listens, and asks
for advice.

"No harm shall
come to you;

Action will all
you."

The enchanter
again goes to the
desert, and picks
herbs.

He makes a sea-
bird with their
jaws.

Hour how he
begyled Phillip.

Philip dreams
that he sees the

quene to
Alexander's arm;

Amon his awen god · in armes with his quene, 429
And make with hire market · as [ho] a man were.

And quen he wroght had his will · þen witre him metis,
But he bowes to hire belechiste · & higly it sorwy,

And sethen asselis it him solfe · semely & faire 424
With a rede golde ryngs · on þis amy graywyn;

A lyons heuyd was on-loft · louely corwyn;
þe bounde of a brynt son · & a bronde kene,

And þen he went furth his way · sayd, "woman, þou
hawys 428

þi fast defourdes oþ fold · now froly consa[u]yd."
Als radly as þe riche kyng · rase oþ je morne,

Ryght in þe dawing of day · a diuinour he callis, 431
And as him dreymyd ilke a deo · þut doctoour he tellis,

And fraynes him fast on þis fare · how it be-fall suld,
"Phylip," quod þe phylusofye · "þi fore is with childe,

And with no gett of na gome · bot of god selfe.
And, godman, [on] þe gold ryng · þe thre grueus

thyngis,¹ 436
þai ere þus mekill to mene · as me my mynd tellis.

To þe lyot heide," quod þe lede · "þan licken I, on firs,
þe birth þut acho here salt · als best it be-semys, 432

Bot chose salt to a chaffau · & alike a chefe maister,
As to be halder heuydman² · of all þe halde werde,

Now salt I clerly declare · þe course on þe sonne;
Bot syggyfys þe³ same man · þut sett is, be wif,

So many prounyce to pas · þurh prouis of armys, 444
Bot he salt hit with his heide · in-to hi heuge est.

Now⁴ of þis bytan brand · berne, wif þe here;
And all is bot þis hathill man · as I are sayd,⁵ 447

Bot salt as fele men afry · with fauchon in hande,
And out of noundre to neuyn · of nations wynyn."

þan foundis Philip to þe fyȝt · & þe fild entres,

Philip calls a
saint,

who tells her
the queen is with
child,

who will be
like a lion,

and will pass
over all the world
to the far east;

with sword in
hand he will
conquer all.

¹ MS. ȝ thynges (sic).

² MS. beysydman.

³ ms. inserted, but struck out.

⁴ MS. W Now; with W expuncted.

And soone in dolinges of dynatis · a dragon aperis,
þat streight be-for him in þe stoure · strikis downe his
faus,

A dragon aperis,
and strikis downe
Philip's foes.

452

And all his enmys in þat erd · he endid in a stounde.

When Phylip with his fairs folke · had þe fild wot,
þan metis he him to Messadone · þor metis him þe Phylip refers to
Messadone, and
giveth the queen.

þwone,

Kyssis comly hire king · & of his come ioyys, 456

And how he fore scho him frayneys · ferly zeena.

"Wele, gowunt mercy," quod þe kyng · "my god, I him [P. 8. 3.]
lone;

Bot how þut je ga saȝ grete · gud dame?" he sayd.

þou has ragid," quod þe range · "with verry gestis;

Now þe I, lode, aff to lange · lengid fra hame," 461

He requires how
she does.

þus to bre hire o broude · he breysis þre wondis;

"To queris has þou je tane till · tell mi[e] þe sothe!

Outhirs mete has mendid þe feld mekill · as may I noȝ

trowe,

and of her
condition.

464

Or aue has stollen in my steale · sen I was sted þare."

þus bayst he þe briȝt qwene · þet all hire ble changid,

To skyre skarlet hewe · skyfis hire face,

Hire cheire at wsa chalke-quytle · as any chaffe⁷ worthis;

So was scho shamed of þe schout · þot hire þe schalk

The queen
is ashamed.

made.

469

"Nay, quod þe comly kyng · "cache vp þine hert,

þote þou haue forfut, na force · so has feli oþhins.

þou has giltid, bot noȝt gretly · it greysis me þe les; 472

For god has gotten þo þis gett · a-gaynes þi will;

All þot was done þo bedene · was me be dreme schewyð,

I sage it surdy as my-selfe · slepe in my tentis,

And oare god aȝ-to-godis · is ground of þe cause;

476 Of me woorthis þo þe⁸ wite · ne of na weo ellis."

"þe þan tyd it azen on a tym · a lytil termes after,

þis dere kyng on a day · off his dese styttis,

telling her he has
seen all in a
dream.

479

Had parred him a proude festo · of princes & dukis,

One day, at a
feast,

þe quene ga sa.

"Or chasse." ² Read nz.

With maisterlingis of Messadone · & many oþre
noble[es].

be sete beside the
queene.

Anctambur
squares in a
(fol. 8.)
dragon's form.

goes to the queen,
and salutes her.

Philip recognises
the dragon.

soon after behi
another prodig.

A bird comes,

who bears an egg
in Philip's lap.

The egg falls,
and breaks ; a
serpent comes
out, and snas
dise.

þut as he sat in his sete · softly by his quene,
In schene schemerand schrounde · allt of schire stanes,
He kest vp his contenance · & knyȝtly he lokes, 484
And glads godly his gestis · as his degr wald,
Jan Anee[t]anabur on-ane · in alþire-mast ioy
Did of him his drago[n]e-hame · & dñe thurh þe sale,
With stike a rowste & rorid · þe romance it wittnes,
þut nore had bernes for þut bren · bren heoȝt out of
witt. 489

He was sa hatter & sa hoge · quen he þe halfe entred,
Lete sa latheys a late · & sa londe cried,
þut all je fest was a-ferd · & opere folke bathe. 492
To je chefo chaisare of þe quene · he chefe him be-lyne,
And laide as headly as a hunde · his hefe in his arme,
Sepia kyssis he hire clese mouthis · enclynyses hire hefe,
And beydys furth with a brym bren · out at þe brade
gatis. 496

þen sayd Phillip to his fere · & allt his fre gestis,
“ Jone sole dragon forsothe · I saye with myne eyen ;
Quen I was stadal in þe stoure · he strenthid allt myne
oste, 499

And þur þe flouse in þe filde · I fangid þurȝe him selfe.”
Anopins ferly þur feld · within fewe days,
þe king was sett in his sale · with septer in hand ;
þen come þur in a littil broid · in-to his arme slope,
And þur hunkils & hydis · as echo were hand-tasse ; 504
Fast soho flekirs about his fete · & flekirs aboute,
And þur it nestikkid in a noke · as it a nest wen,
Quwill soho had layd in his lape · a littil tyme egg,
And Jan soho fangis hire flist · & flise away awyth,
þis egg, or þe kyng wyst · to þe erth fallis, 509
Brak, & so it wele bursde · & brast all e-soundir ;
Jan wendis þur-out a littil worm · & wald it oft enter,
And or soho hit in his hefe · a hard deþ deth suffirs. 512

þut was ser Philip of þet fare · ferly mekill sterbið,
Callis to him a kid clerke · declaris to him þis wonder,
Bosȝt him quat it aygnified · to tell him þe treuthe,
“ þut graunt I godly,” quod þe gone · & þus-gate he A see says,

speckis :

“ Sir, þere salt borne be a burne · of þi blithe lady,
þut driȝlyn after þi day · has destaned to regne,
þe quikis salt walke off þe wold · & wyn it him selfe,
And hent salt a full hetre doþ¹ · or he may have
couser.”

þus he vndid him ilka deþ² · & hew þe dome reched,
Said it was sett to be so · he saȝe by his artis,
And if þow likis of þis lare · to lesten any foorthire,
Some salt I tell þow a text · how it be-tid after. 524

“ Your quene's
son shall conquer
all the earth, and
then die before
returning home.”

The quene's time
of travail draws
nigh.

¶ Tercius passus Alcasadri.

N ow it teþt þe tymis · at trunale þut qrenne,
Ques who suld bryng forth · hinc birth to þe werd,

Scho bidis many hard brayde · baref enduris,
What of wandreth & wa · as wemen dose aþ.

Thik schouris hire thrat · tholid mekill sorosoȝ,
Many pevalus pull · grete payne suffirs,

Se sare werkis hire þe wame · & silk vn-wyn dreis,
þut all scho dresis hire dede · & dounte for þe wort,

þan efter Anctambur · scho on-ane clepis, 533
And he was hounse at hire bode · & bowes to him

chamber,
Guis hire vp at þe greece · & gracie him faire,
Fand hire sett in a sege · & sorosoȝ ay elike.

“ A! Anee¹ ! quod þe quene · “ me argys of my-selfe ;
I am allt in auster · as akis me þe wame,

Of werke well ne I wede · & slike wa tholis, 539
þut me ware dese to be dede · & dare þes on lyf.”

“ 3a, wyunes þou vp,” quod þe gone · “ & walkis a littil,

“ MS. derth ; see l. 512. 2 MS. illa adele ; wroȝtly.
Read thus,

Anctambur
comes and
gretis her.

The quene
lament.

Fol. 16.7
“ The moment
is inauspicous,”
he saye.

For þe arre nowe & þe clementis · ere evyn in þis tyme
So trouallid out of temperous & trouiblid of þot sonne,
þat makis þi grippis and þi gridis · a grete dele þe
kenere."

544

She walks about. Jan faris echo vp & farkis furth · a fute or tway,

And some assis aft hire syde · in a sete quyle.

At last she rests,
and Alexander
is born.

" Now how þe doone," quod þe berne · & echo his bone
fillis,

And sytland so int' hire sege · was softly delynerd. 548
Bot now is meruall to me² of þis wondre,

Quos þis man fra his modine wanbe · on þe mold fell ;
For all iþ erd euyn ouer · sa eigrly schakis,

þot tellis, templis, & touris · tomble on hepis. 552
þo hit lemand late · laschis fra þe houyn,

Thonere thrastis ware thurh · thrastid þe welkyn,
Cloudis clevely to-elef · clastin vnfaies,

All blakenid a-boute · & boris þe sun. 556
Wild wedris vp wrepe · & þe wynd ryse,

And alt³ flames jodele · in it fire were,
Nowe brijt, nowe blaue · nowe off blase after,

And jan ouer-qwelmayn in a qwirre · & qwanis euer
o-like. 560

There is great
darknes.
Jan silke a dernes⁴ þor drafe · & demyd þe skewys,
As blesemend as hale fyre · & blake as þe hell,

þot it was never bot as nyȝt · fra þe none tyme
Till it to myddyday was meten · on þe morne after. 564

Gife þis ware mervale to myn · yet emang oþhire
Jan rekiles it vurydilly · & raynes doone stanyis,

Felt fra þe fyrment · as a hand lyfysing,
And some as hoge as þi hede · fra þe heynw fallis. 568

Se ferd was Philip of þot fare · þot his fleische
trymblid,
For soro syngys at he saȝo · as selli ware ellis.

As wyde as all þe weed was þurȝa · warwyng þai haddi,
[Vol. 19 B.]

¹ *Added in the margin.* ² *MS. to me to me;* ³ *but corrected,*
⁴ *a to feet;* ⁵ *but alle in margin.* ⁶ *MS. dernes.*

The earth
quakes.

There is lightning
and thunder.

The wind arises.

Stones fall from
the sky.

All the world
is wrang.

þot¹ houre þot Olympias · was of his son lyster. 572

Than kendis him vp þe lone kyng · his lady to vysite,

Quod þe man to his make · " I am in many thoȝtis,

þot þi frate sali haue me forstring · ne be fed nouþire;

I ges it be noȝt of my gott · hot of god foermed; 576

Be many cause at I keþ · I kan noȝt suppose

It be consayned of my kynde · ne come of my-selfe.

I say so, in þe same tyme · he seynd fra þi wambe,

þo erd & alt þe elementis · so eigrly schoutid.² 580

And queþer ȝit, for any quat · a quyle latt him keþo,

And norischi him as namely · as he mynys awyn warre,

ȝit will þare make of him mynde · & myn as heofne-silfe

Hathilis, swilkes a haly son · I hade in my tyme. 584

Anoþer termis," quod þe berne · " I of my blode haue,

Ane of my sede, I supose · & aiblire of þe twa,

þut I wan on myne ofise wylle · þot I wuld first. 587

Lat him as ayre, quan I am erþed · enherit my landis,

And stell us him in stele of þis · to stiȝtis my rewme,

For he is borne of my blode · & n-bore merre,

And fedewe þis oþre, þot³ folke quan we eray worthid,

May sitt & carpe, alike a knaue · þaire last kyng hade,

þai did all as he demed · & his domes pleased. 593

Cheres þai þis young child · & chesely him kepid;

þai ware as besy him a-boute · birdis & ladis,

As he had bene þor hige god · for as þai hoper alt, 596

þis borne, quan he borne was · as me þe boke tellis,

Mijt wele a-profe⁴ for his a-port · to any prince oute.

Bot of þe lyfe þot he hit off · he like was to name,

Nouþer of fetour ne of face · to fadins ne to modyne;

þe fax on his faire heles · was ferly to schwere, 601

Large lyons lockis · þot lange er & scharpe;

With grete glesemadan eyen · grymly he lokis,

þot ware as blyckenand briȝt · as bleſſand sternes, 604

Philip comforte
Olympias.

Philip advises
that her son
should be mounted
as himself.

" Let my first
son be my hair,
and let this
other be well
taken care of."

The ladies
scratches
the infant.

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His hair was
like lion's locks,

his eyes were
bright as stars.

¹ MS. þot o; ² þot o is coȝnected.

³ MS. schoutid; altered to schoutid.

⁴ *Added in the margin.*

⁵ MS. a per, altered to a prefe.

It ware pale sett vn-sameit · of serelippy hewys;
Be tame to brenie at a blisch · as blak as a cole,
As any jare juten gold · jalow was þe tothine.

He was wall-eyed.
And he wald-eyed wan · as þe writh schewys,
316
317 It tellis me þis tale · þe tothe in his hede
Was as bitand heume · as any bare tuskis.

His voice was as
a lion.
His steuny stiffe was [ðe] steryn · þet stonyd many,
And as a lyon he lete · quen he lound romys. 612
His feli fygoure & his fourme · fully be-takend
þe prowis & þe grete prysse · þet he a-preynd esfere,
His hardynes, his hyndelsake · & his hettir mystis,
þe wireship þet he wan · quen he wex eddis. 616
Jan semblid his syb men · be sent of pain alr,
To consolle of þis kyng son · how þai him call sald,
And so him neuynd was þe name · of his next frendis
Alessandrie þe athlit · be allirs a-conde. 620

He goes to school.
Aristotele is his
maister.
He is clever and
wise.
[Vol. II. 8.]
He bairns come
in five years
than others
in sev'nty.

Jan was he lede furthe be-lyfe · to lere at þe scole,
As sone as to þat sapient · him-self was of elde,
On-ane vn-to Arystotil · þot was his awen maister,
And one of þe coronest clerkes · þot knew enewe letter,
Jan was he broȝt to a benke · a boke in his hand, 625
And faste by his enfowme · was fettild his place;
For it come noȝt a kyng son · þe knaw wele to sayt
Domme in margou & melle · emange oþre schewris.
Some wex he witter & wyse · & wonder wole here, 629
Sped him in a schort space · to spell & to rede,
And seþen to gromers he gase · as þe gyse wale,
And þot has he all halo · in a hand-quyle. 633

If Aristotele
was away,
he wold knock
his masters
on the crown.
tablis,

In fore or in fylle yere · he ferre was in lare
Jan oþire at had hem þare · sesynte wynter;
þot he suld passe him in þot plite · vnpusible semed,
Bot at god wiſt at ga furth · quis may agayn stande?
In absens of Arystotil · if any of his feris 637
Raged with him vnydly · or rofe him with harme,
Him wald he keleny off þe crone · knok with his

pat al to-breast wald þe bordis · & þe blode folowe. 640
If any scoldes in þe scole · hin skorne at him makis,
He skapis him full skathlyche · bot if he skyp better,
þus with his feris he fapt · as I fynd wrotten,
As wele in letter & in lare · as any laike ellis. 644
þus skilfull lange he scolaid · & þe scole wæſt,
Tille he was eynyn of eld · ellenwyn wynter.

He had na pere in na place · þut proued so his tyme,
For þe principale of all þe pake · he of a-preſe wynays.
And quen it testi to þe tyme · of ten þre of age, 649
Jan was him kend of þe kynde · & craft of bataile,
Wele & wigrly in were · to wedden n spere,
A[nd] preke on a pronde stede · proudly enarmed. 652
þot lare was him lofe to · & lerid in a quyle
Was þer na lede to him like · with-in a fewe jeris.

So cheualus a chiffta · he cheuya in a stonde,
Bot in arbers of armes · all men he passes. 656

Quen Philip see him a fers · in his first elde,
His hert & his hardynes · higely he lofed,
Comesid mekiff his knyȝt-hede · & hise callid off a day
Bo-twene þam selfe off a tyme · & talkis þis wordis:
"Alexander," quod þe kyng: "I anglily prayse 661
þi wireship, þi worthines · þi wil & þi strength.
Ea name so teche of þi tyme · to tryw now o lyfe.
How suld I, lede, for þi lofe · bot lufe þe in hert? 664

Bot I am sary for sothe · my son, at þi fowerme
Is likemand off na lym · me like to to my selfe;
Oft storbis me þi statour · & stingis me germe,
þot þi personale proporcio[n] · se party is to myne." 668

þis herd hire þe hond queue · & helerly echo dredis,
Sent after Anse · & askis him be-lyfe,
Be-know him cleve al þe case · how þe kyng sayd,
And frays him fast quon þe frake · of hire fare thingis,
þes con he calke & a-conde · & kest on his fyngars,
Lokis him vp to þe life · & þe haly swares: 674
"Be noȝt a-fryȝt," quod þe frake · "ne a-frayd noȝtþir,

He fightis with
his followis.

He has no peer.

He lemons to
wind a spear.

He overcomes all
in armes.

Philip commands
him.

[Vol. II. 12.]

I am sorry,
my son,
that you are so
unlike me."

The queen
consolles
Alexander.

He comforts her.

It salt þe noy negt a negt' name of his theþis." 676

and observes the
stars.

Alexander asks
him what he
sees in the stars.

With þat he heyns vp [his] heide · & to þe heuny lokis,

Hedis heterly on hiȝe · behelde on a sterne,

Of þe quylke he hopid in his hert · sunquast to knowas,

Quant cuire he wald weote · of¹ his will all-to-gedire.

Quod Alexander to þis athilf · as he his arte fandis,

"Quat is þe planet or þe poynþ · þe purpose to some?"

Quat sterne is it at þe stody on · quare stekis it in

heuny? 683

May þe oȝt me in any maner · to þat sterne schewe!"

"But can I wele," quod þe clerke² · "ellis couthe I

littiff;

Noȝt bot sewe me, soft · quen þe soft is to resto,

Quon it [is] dreynyn to þe derke · & þe day fynys,

And þou salt soȝtely se · þe same wiȝ þine egen." 688

"Is oȝt þi world to þe wised?" · quod þe wee þan;

"For þat I couet to ken · if þou me kylike wold."

"Sire, soȝtely of myne awen soft² · slayne mon I worth,

So was me destined to dye · gane many winter," 692

As tyte as Ane[banabus] · þis auctor had tald,

þen [he] treymyd downe fra þe tourne · to tute in þe sternew,

þas alris ser Alexander · aftir his fader, 695

þat er he kyndill of his kynde · kend he bot liflē.

þas led he forth his leue child · late off an euen,

Sylis softly him selfe · þe cete wiȝ-owen,

Byses him vp to a brenke · as þe buke tellis,

To þe hicht of þe depe dyke · & to þe heuny waybis. 700

"Alexander, athil son!" · quod Anece his syre,

"Loo! ponder behalfe oner þi hude · & se my hatter

wendis;

þe cuyll sterne of Ereclues · how egerly it sorops, 703

And how þe mode Marcure · makys so mekyll ley;

Loo! jondre þe gentill Iubiter · how loyly he schynes,

þe domes of my destiny · drawis unto [me] swyth.

Anectanabus
says he will
tell him at
night.

[fol. 12 v.]

Alexander
follows his
father

to the edge
of a dyke

Anectanabus
says that his
own doom
approaches.

¹ MS. of *w his*: *bot w is expanded*.

² *Added in the margin.*

Hedes heterly on height · behelde on a sterne, 678 [fol. 1.]

Of þe whilke he hopyd in hys hert · somquast to know,

Whast erer he wilnet for to wete · hys wille all to-geder.

þen syd alexander to þis athell · as he by hym stonndes,

"What is þe planott or þe poynþ · yhe purposse¹ to se?"

Or what sterne at ye stody on · where stekys it in

honest?

May þe oȝt in any maner me · to þat merke shew?" 684

"But can I wele," quod þis clerke · "ellis couthe I bot

lytiff;

Noght bott shew² me now, sone · quen þe soft is at rest,

When it is dryven to þe dirk · & þe day fynysht,

And þu salt soȝtely þe same · see with þi eghen." 688

"Is oȝt þi weid to þe wist?" · quod þe wee þan;

"For þat I couet to ken · if þu me kyth wold."

"Syr, soȝtely of myne awen son · slwyn mon I worth,

So was [me] destinate to dy · done many wynter." 692

Als tyte as anectanabus · þees auctours had tald,

Than turned he doȝht from þe tourne · to tote on þe sternew,

þan ayres sir alexander · aftir hys fader,

þat er he come of hys kynde · knew [he] full lityll. 695

þas led he forth is leue sonn · late on an euen,

Syland softly paim selfe · þe cete wiȝ-owen,

Bowns þain vp to a brenke · as þe buke tellis,

To þe hicht of þe depe dyke · & to þe heuny waybis. 700

"Alexander, athell son!" · quod auncs hys fader,

"Beyond be-hald over my hed · & see my hote wendes;

þe ilke sterne of ereclues · how egerly it sorops,

And how þe mode marcure · makys so mekyll ley;" 704

Lo! how gentilly iubiter · how loyly he shynes,

þe domes of my destiny · drawis unto [me] swyth.

¹ MS. propose.

² *sle*; *read swy*.

þik & þrithly am I thrett & thole most I sone
þe slaster of myne awen soni * as me was sett ouer." 708
Vneth werped he þis worte. þe wrift me recordis,
þet ne Alexander as sone * was at hym be-hind,
And on þe bate with alike a bate * he bare with his
handis,

Alexander pushes
him into the
water,

saying, " thou
art false in thy
predictions."

þat douse he drafe to þe depest * of þe dyke bothom, 712
Sayed, " lo ! vnhappiest vndre heysyn * þat þus on hand
takis

As he þe welken to wote * quet suld come after !
þou has feyned þe for wyse * & fale al-to-gedre,
Wele semys elike a saechell * to syep þus of lyfe !" 716
Jan Aene, as him aȝt * wele angirly granaȝ,
Dryues vp a dede voyce * & dymly he spekis,
" Wele was þis eas to me knownen * & kyd many wynter,
þet I suld dee elike a dede * be deme of my wendis. 720
Sayed I þe noȝt so * my selfe here be-fore,
I suld be slain of my son * as now goȝte worthis !" 722

Anectanabus
cries out,

" I know it
would be so,

þat I not say so ?

Thik & thrithly am I thrett & thole most I sone
þe slamer of myne awen soni * als me was sett ouer." 708
Vneth warpyd he þis wort, * þe wrift me recordis,
þet alexander als belyf * was at hym bylyue,¹
And on þe bate with suche a bate * hym bare with hys
handes,

þat Dount he drafe into þe dyppest * of þe dyke bothum; 712
Sayed : " lo ! vnhappiest vndre heysen * þat þus on hand
takes

Als he welkyn to wete * what worth salf her-aftir !
Hase fenyd þe for wyse * & fale al-to-gedre,
Wele semys such a saechell * to sepo þus of lyfe !" 716
Jan Aene, als hym awight * wele angirly granaȝ,
Dryves vp a dede voyce * & dymly he spekes :
" Wele was þis to me knawyn * & kyd mony wynter,
That I suld dey such a dede² * by³ dome of my wendis. 720
Sayed I þe noȝt so * my selfe here beforene
I suld be slain of my soni * als now is sooth worthen ? 722

" What, and am I," quod alexander * " aȝe of þi soni *
childer ! " 723*

" Jea, soni ! als glad I my god * I gat þe my solueñ." 724*

Fro he had hym þis worte sayd⁴ * he wakens no more,
Bot gane a grevly grame * & þe gat pheldeñ.

That oper wy for hys werkez * weþys euerlyke,
So hard & so hertly * þat neȝ hym hert brestes. 728*

þus plenys þis pround knyght * þe pyte of hys fader,
Carres hym downe into þe cafe * þur as þe core ligges,
Belife lyfþ he on-lofe * esen on hys sholders, 731*

And bors hym forth rypon hys bate * at þe bronde gates;
Sone sayd þe whene, when shi hym see * with eyland teres;

" What have þe done, my dere sonni ? " * & drowwpys down
in swone.

" Dame, now is þer none other to do * bot deme it þi solueñ,
For as þi foly was before * so foloweth aftir." 736*

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Alexander
drowns
Anectanabus

Alexander
drowns,

and carries
herself
body.

Alexander
drowns the
queen.

¹ read byhynde.

² written above the line in MS.

³ written above the line in MS.

Than makes his man & hys moder · menskfullly & faire
Tately hys enterment · as þai þat tyme vased.

þus shameless of hys awne childe · hym chevyd such end.
And her fynes a fyt · & fayr wher vs likez. 740*

To perished
Anacharazan.

Quartus passus.

The same & þe selue tyme · as says me þe text;

Fro þe contre of capadose · come a kyd prince

To kyng philipp þe fers · & hym a fole brynger;

A grott horse & a hoge · a hegh & a wilde,

744*

A store & a styf stede · stalwerty bonyng;

His choft chalbird & chaneleȝ · in chyneze of yren;

A prince
Brings to
Philip a wild
horse,

[Vol. 2.]

In rapes fast · for ryfing of borres;

For other mete þan manysflesche · mouthed he never.

748* who fed upon
human flesh
only.

Busifolen to þis blonk · was knowne þe name.

He hed so feridfull a face · as ony fyre lokes;

Here als a boles¹ honed · a bryn on hys shulders,

And totton owt of hys toþ · als tyndis of horns.

752*

The fayrmes of þis ilke fole · when philip nyseed,

þan says he to hys arriand · to see to þis capyl,

Philip puts
him in a
stable,

And stighillys hym in som stede · a stable by hym one,

With long lateis of yren · þat he myght lig in.

756*

And all at wer dampned to þe deth · & demyd at þe lawe,

He held upon
criminals.

þai sail be knyȝt fra þe bare · þis blonk into stable,

To wery at hys awne wille · & weyle² of þe fatteſt.

759*

þit philip of hys faire goddes · hym fangos such a aware,

The gods say
that whereso
times the
horse will
succes
Philip.

Iff ony berme was so bald · baron or other,

Or wy þat myght þis wilde best · worth for to ryde,

Was dowlly after hys day · destinate to regne.

When alexander was of elde · awght jeres & foore,

764*

þan was he worthy & wight · & wisely hed leryd

At arrestidell all oner · þo ardest all soner,

And castor, ane oþer clerke þar · at wer hys kyd maistres.

Alexander is
now 33 years
old.

So care he in þe casteȝ-jarde & cowmes on a day

768*

By a wyndow als þis wild horse · [was] warloked in bandez;

¹ Altered to boyles in later hand. ² MS. wele, covr. to weyle.

Lokes in at a lat · sagh ly hym byforne
So mony membes of men · wer mervayle to tell.
þar ligerre lymnes of laddes · legges & harmes,
Tharmes thirst owt of thees · banes & shuldres,
Som hanchyd of þe hewe · som þe handez ctyñ,
Som þur rigges owt ryte · & som þur ribbez rent.

Of þis wonder he hed · & so he wele bured.
And hardly hym awne hand · in at a hole puttes,
He¹ layd owt a lang nake · & hym hand likkys;
Faire faldes hym fote / & falles² hym³ to þe erth,
Hendly halder vp hym hened · byheld in hym face,
On Alexander ay-whare · ouer elike wates.
þen wist þa wy wele enough · hym wyft al-to-geder;
Brades vype þe brade gate · & þe barn entres,
On þe rigt with hym right hande · hym redely straker,

And he full frely & faire · hym faunys & londex.
Was never bardelt in hand · more baxum to hym lord,
þen was þis blonks to þis berh · for all his bremse teches,
þus lowres þis ledes on low · & lowryng hym chynys,
Elyssis blithly hym abounte · & a bridylly fyndes;

Grathes on þis gay gare · & þen a gilt saydl;

Lodes hym forth of þis logo · & þen of þisfis lepus.

Than strenys he hym streoperes · & strect vp sittes;

Lad hym by þis lornit · & hym þis lode wises.

And he als rekynndly ran · rolland hym vnder,

As he þe saydl hed aewyd · seuenent wynter.

Some as philip þe ferre · hym on þis fole meter,

"Son," he sayd, "now or þe sawes · into þi sculen fynesheit,

Right as my graceous gode · hase galet me before.

For þou must rewile all my realm · quwen I am raght hyne."

Quod alexander als beline · "my awne athell fader,

I besoke þe my souesen · þet þou my sete dresse

In a chosyn charliot · as a chefe maister,

With folawand me a fair flete · of fole men of armes."

He sees the
horse sur-
rounded by
men's legs
and arms.

772*

776*

The horse
licks his
hand.

(fol. 22.)

He goes to
the horse,
and strokes
him.

He gets a
bridle and
saddle,
and mounts
him.

780*

784*

792*

796*

Philip sees
Alexander,
and predicts
that he will
be king after
himself.

¹ MS. And. corr. to He. ² MS. faldis, corrected.

³ MS. hym fote, repeated, but struck out.

" pat graunt I gladly," quod je gome w[hi]t a gode wille,
 " Frieſe of my faire foles fang je a handreth ; 805*
 And syne ſexy thouwaand, my ſouȝ þouȝ þi ſeluen wale
 Of ſhillenger & of ſhire gold · to ſhone in þi Cofyre ;
 Syno of my cheſe chiftanes · cheſe je þe² best,
 þe moſt prooved of my priuees · in poynzies of were ; 805*
 W[hi]e ne no wale wede · want ſhall þe nofer,
 And held on wiþ a hale here · þer horound þou worth."¹
 Thys borne hym buſkes as he bede · & bade hym no langre,
 Bot grathes hym to þe gate · with a gy[n] noble. 812*
 Forth wiþ eſteſyus he fed · a freke þat he loued,
 þat was a fyne Philo[so]ph[e]r · a frenf of hys awne,
 Sittis takes hym wiþ-owte þe towne · twelf tried childer,
 þat he hed Coſyn hym for cheſe · hys chevally to lede ;
 And fair enformed juan of fight · & foter of armes 817*
 For þapeſt in hys awne yoke · parly to drawe ;
 Few folom wiþ hym fanges · & florens snowe,
 Full preſcious appereſt · hys person to cloth, 820*
 Comand keneſt hys knygtheſt · to kepe to hys blonkez,
 þat no⁴ vnehaſane pain ſcheſe · þet in þe charē yodez.
 He prekyis forth on hys play · bot wiþ a preuy menye,
 Chatereand wiþ hys chiftanes · in hys child gare. 824*
 To poliponenes haſe he paſſed · a puſſuine vnk[n]awys,
 And so was ſtrykyn or he ſtyntyd · in-to þe ſtrange realm,
 The kyng of patti entree · þet þe kyth wellyd,
 Which was calyd nicholas · & hym maynly mister, 828*
 Had raynd vp a rode hoste · & heldyd hym ayaynez
 Wiþ bold bartowers on bent · hym batell to ſelle.
 He flonge owt[er] on a fers fole · far from hys hote,
 Ayres to sir alexander · & angryl franes : 832*
 " What is þi name, noteman ! nonen me jo sothe ;
 And whyne ert þou & who · & what makys þou here ?"
 þe knygħt, as he wele conth · hym curiously answers :
 " Sir, kyng philip þe ferſe · my fader was haten, 835*

Philo gives
Alexander
men and
money.

Alexander
takes
men
and
money.

With a small
force he
invades the
Palauine-
ness.

The kyng's
mister was
Nicholas.

Nicholas
intervenes
Alexander.

¹ MS. þet, ecer, to þou.

² MS. tho, ecer, to þe.

³ MS. wroth.

⁴ written above the line in MS.

[fol. 12.]

þof I þis wîschip þe wayfe · as wald þine astate,
Lat þou þi hert neuer þe hiȝere · hale in-to pride. 724
For it was wont," quod þe weo · "as wyse men tellis,
Full hiȝe þingis ouer-heddis · to held oþer-quile.

Sliske as ore now bropt a-hoƿe · nowe þe bothum askis,
And alike at leſt¹ ore on lawe · ore lift to þe sternew."
"Se mu aydeus," quod þut oþire man · "þou tellis me
treuthe,

729

Soñ þis ensample of þi-selfe · þou axis me, I trowe.
Vn-behalde þe wele on ilk halfe · & hanne a god eȝe,
Les on þine aue here-eterwane · þine onysyngis list." 732
þan Alexander all in ire · angriile spekis:

"Hyl þe heþen-ward, þou hathilf · & houe þou na
langire.

For na-þing as a-nente me · þou has noȝt to meſt,
Ne with þi domes me to dele · dole vndire sonne." 736

Now² is ser Nicholas annoyed · & nettild with ire,
As wrath as [a] waspe · & wode of his mynde,
Beviles he þis oþire renke · with vniȝid speche: 739
"Behalde," quod he hedirward · " & berken how I say;
Now be þe hert & þe hele · of my hathilf fadre,
And be þe god," quod þe gome · " þat gafe me þe saule,
A[la] spreant [of] my spittynge · a specke off þi cheire,
þou salt be diȝt to þe deþ · & dreidþ of my handis." 744

¹ Indistinct; see l. 814.

² MS. Nowith; by confusion with line above.

Many things
that we shall
go to the
bottom."

"Take care lest
your predictions
prove true of
yourself."

Mr Nicholas
is as wrath as a
waspe.

And all þe marche of massydion · þe manours cleme;
And I hys hygre alexowder · als elders me callen."
þat oþer renishit r[e]uke · hym rightes in þe sady³,
Strane owt hys storaga · & sternly hoker;

840*

With a sembland as a hye sir · settes owt þe breast,
Sayed: "who am I þut am hero · as þou supposse?"

⁴ Who art
þe name
Nicholas.
⁵ You are a
king; yet
take heed."

"Sir, þou art a kyng of þis kyng · I ken wele my-selfe,
Bott neuer þe latter in þis hole · if þou be lord here, 844*

þof⁶ I⁷ þis worship þoi⁸ wife · as wald þine astate, 723

Lett þou þi hert neuer þe hyer · hale to þe pride. 724
For it is wont," quod þe wey · "as wise men tellys,

The hyost thyngh rafest⁹ · holdes oþer while.

Suche as now is brought a-howne · now þe bothom asken,
And sich als laſt¹⁰ now on loft¹¹ · er lyf to þe sternew."

[fol. 23.]

"So madens," quod þis oþer man · "þou mallys me þe
sothe,

729

For þis ensampyl of þi-selfe · þou says me, I trowe.

Vnþeþo ðe wele on ilk halfe · & hanne a god Egen,
Lest on þiscloun ane oþer tyme · þine asking list." 732

þan Alexander all in ire · angriile spekis:

"Hyl þe hyneward, þou athelf · & hofe here no langer.

For noȝt[12]ing als anense me · þou have liȝt to melle,
Ne with me might have to do · ne dele vnder þe sonn." 736

Now [a] sir Nicholas noȝet¹³ · & nettild with ire,
Als wrath as a waspe · & wode out of mynde,

Reyyles he þis other renke · with vnuðe speche:

"Bylþad," he sayd, "hyderward · & herc qwat I say; 740
Now by þe hert & þe heale · of my old falir,

And be god," quod þe gome · "at gane me þe saule,
Als sprout of þi¹⁴ spittynge · a speke of my⁹ face,

743

þou salt be diȝt to the deþ · and dreidþ of my handes."

¹ MS. OG.

² þe follows after I in MS.

³ þe written above the line in MS.

⁴ or Inst.

⁵ so in MS.; read left or on lawe,

⁶ MS. madens, altered to madying, in later iss.

⁷ so in MS.; read of my.

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²⁰⁶ read on þt.

He spites in
Alexander's face.

Quen he had spokin so, for spyte · he spittis in his face,
Disprise him despotously · dispersions him foule.
" Hent þe jare," quod þe hatifl¹ · "as þe to haue² semes,
Cure, for þi kene carþe · clache nowe a schame!" 748
Jan went him furthe Alexander · & his ande takis,
Letis a-swage or he sware · þe swelme of his angre,
Be-saysis him how he say wold · or he his says zeld,³ 751
And turnes him þen to þe tulke · & talkis þis wordis:
" For you haue noȝtis me now · Nicollas," he sayd,
I swere þe, be my syn saule · & by his selfe pite,
And be þe worthis wonbome · of my wale modre
þat I was getin in of god · & graithely consyned,⁴ 756
þou seis me, lede, or oȝt lango · in þi lande armid,
And opres recosyns me þi rewme · or reche vþ þe
girdilH."

They appoint
a day for
fighting.

Jan sett þai þam slike a day · to semble & to fȝt,⁵ 759
And þar-to tuke vp þair trouthis · & twyned esondre,⁶
þen yode him furthe þi[s] yong man · papeli & swythe
In-to þi marche of Messedonne · & manly a-seambilis
Of sandlowes & skirr men · a sounne out of noumber,
þat was þe baldest & þe best · brouneyd in armes. 764
He permis him a proude ost · of princes & opis,
Farkis to ser Phillip · & fangis his leue,
And jan Boctillas his blonke · he bremely ascendis,
And bounes on with his bataylf · out at þe brade gate,
þe same day at was sett⁷ · þe semblung of bathe, 769
Aithis with a fire flote · in þe fild metis.
þe noumber of ser Nicollas · it noyes me to reken,
And Alexander was ame ost · of angird many. 772
With þat þai take vp þair trompes · a-poi þe twa
sidis,

Braids banars a-brade · buskis to mete.
So knelld þe clarons · þat all þe cliffe rynges,

¹ So in MS.

² MS. hanse, with first stroke of 'n' subscripted.

³ MS. to semble & to fȝt, struck through, with & twyned
esondre above.

⁴ Added in the margin.

Alexander
gatheres a host.

Both armies are
very numerous.

The clarions
resound.

When he had spokyf so, in spite · he spittis at hys faces,
Dispays hym dysprestously · revyler hym foule.
" Hent þe þar-to," quod þe atheil · " þot þe to haue semes,
Cure, for þi kene carþyng · caciou now a shame!" 748
Jan ayres hym forthi alexander · & hys synde takes,
To let swage or he sware · þe swelme of hys angre,
Wyser hym how he say wold · or he answer sholdes,
And tarynd hym þen to þis tulke · & talkes þis wordes:
" For you haue noȝtis me now · nicholas," he sayd, 753
" I swere by my syn saule · & by hys swouer pyte,
And be þe þorþi wonbome · of my wale moder
þat I was gettin in of god · & graithely consumed,⁸ 756
Thou seis me, lede, in þi land · or oȝt lang enarmid,
And oþer rescuer me þi realm · or reche me vþpe [þe]
girdilH."

þan sett þai þam on such a day · to semble & to fight,
And þar-to takes vþp þer trouthes · & twynoff in-sonder.
þan yode hym furth þis yong man · þaply & swithe 761
Into þi marche of maydon · & manly assemblies
Of sowiores & of syker men · a some out of noumber,
þat wer þe baldest & þe best · brouneyd in armes. 764
He Appelles hym a proude ost · of princeis & oþer,
Forkys to sire philip · & fonges hys leue,
And þan lucifolon hys blonk · he bremely ascendis,
And bounes on with hys batell · in at þe brade gate,⁹ 768
þe same day þat was set¹⁰ · þe semblung of bath,
Aithis with a fire flote · in þe feld metis.
þe noumber of sir nicholas · it neyt¹¹ me to roky¹²,
And alexander was ame ost · of awryng mony. 772
With þat þai tukyn vþ þair trompes · vpon þe two
sydez,

Brade basers on brade · buskis to mete.

So knelld þe clarons · þat all þe cliffe rynges,

⁵ So in MS.

[MS. 4.3]

þe holts & þe haire heors¹ & þe hillis schenyn. 776
 Ilk a hathill to hors · higis him be-lyves,
 Stridis into stele-howe · stertis upon loft,
 Has a helme on his hole · & house on his swyre
 A schene schondirhand schild · & a schaft hentis. 780
 Qwest of stamping of stedis · & sterling of bernes,
 All dymyd þe dale & þe dust ryssa.
 (P. 14.3)
 Steel stamp,
 and dust rises.
 Shields are broken.
 Lances are shattered.
 Nicholas attacks Alexander.
 That spouts blood.
 They fight with swords.
 Alexander carries Nicholas' head.

With silk a bront & a brouche · þe bataill n-sembild,
 As þe erth & all þe el[e]mentis · at anez had wrestylid. 784
 Now aithine stoure on þur stedis · strikis to-gedir,
 Spurnes out spakly · with speris in hand,
 Brekeis in-to blasons · bordren² shildis,
 Beris in-to briȝt stede · bitand lances, 788
 Some in schenerand schailes · schafis ore brosten,
 Al to-spryngis in sproutis³ · speris of syria,
 Dryfusys downe duchespers · & doyks of þer horses,
 Felis fay to þe fold · many fresch knyȝtis. 792
 Qwest done now þis nicholas · bot nymmer hym a sper,
 Kest hym on þis yong knyȝt · to couine him a name;
 And alexander with anotheris · airis him agayne,
 Girdis grymly to-gedir · grevously metis. 796
 So sare was þe semble · þis seggis be-twene,
 þai al to-wraistis þai þer wode · & werpis in-sondre,
 Al to-clatris in-to canals · clene to þair handis, 799
 þer leſt nouȝtre in þor hand · þe lengthe of an ellen,
 þen littid þai na langer · bot laschild out swerdis,
 Aithine a blosynam brand⁴ · hrait out of schetishe,
 Hewis on hattir · had thurgh malles,
 Many starasd stanys · strikis of paires helmes. 804
 Ben Alexander in ane ire · his arme vp-liftis,
 Srythe awyngis out his swerde · & his swaysfe feches,
 þe nell of nicholas þe kyng · he fr̄e nebb portis,
 þot douis he fell fra his sole · & fynyst for enir. 808
 þus was him destinal þat day · as driften had shapyd,

¹ read haire heore,² read bordren.³ MS. rejects in sproutis.⁴ Added in the margin.

That þe holtes of þe haire heore · & þe hillis schenyn. 776
 Ilke aethel to hys hors · hys hym belyne,
 Striden to stele-howe · startyn upon loftis,
 Had helmes vpon bedes ful key · & hyget vnyly þer shwyre
 A shemervand sheld · & pair shaftis byntis. 780
 What of stampyng of stedis · & stripynge of banners,
 Al demmyd þe dale & þe duste risea,
 Witl sucha a bront & a brouche · þe batell assembled,
 As þe erth & all þe elementis · at anez had wrystylid. 784
 Now ather stoure on þur stedis · striken to-gedir,
 Sprenter owt spakly · with speris in hand,
 Brochen both basynettes · & broaden sheldis,
 Hores in-to bright stede · bitand lances, 788
 Some in-to shewerand shidez · shafteis to-bristeis,
 Al to-spryngis into spretes · spretes of cipres,
 Dryvez downe doceperes · and dusek of blonkes,
 Folles fay to þe fold · many fera knyȝtis. 792
 What doys me now þis nicholas · bott nymmer hym a sper,
 Kest hym on þis yong knyȝt · to gett hym a name;
 And alexander with an oþer · ayers hym agayne,
 Ridyn grymly to-gedir · grysly metis. 796
 So [sar] was þe semble · [þis] Sagis by-twene,
 þot al to-wraistis þai wed · & warþyd in-sonder,
 Al clatris in eylexes · clene to þair fistes,
 þai leſt noþer in juire [hand] · þe length of ¹ ane Eline. 800 (P. 14.3)
 þan lot þai no langer · bot laughtys owt swerdes,
 Apis a brade blysmad braud · brade forth of shethes,
 Hewen on hatterly · hadis þorow malys,
 Felo starasd stanys · striken of þair helmes. 804
 Than alexander in ire · hys arme upp lyfes,
 Swich awyngis vp hys swerd · & hys swaffe faches,
 The nol of nicholas þe kyng · he fm [þe] sek portis,
 That dohn he fel from hys sole · fynysht for enir. 808
 þus was hym destinate þat day · as driften hym shapyd,

¹ written above the line in MS.

To hent him þe hipes hande · of his shithfais.
 Bare silke wirschip he waf · ware wonder to tell ;
 Had of þat hige kyng · þe hedc fra þe shouldirs. 812
 Jen was hiw geswyn vp þe gerde · & yolden þe rewme,
 And all at lefft was¹ o lyfe · lordis & othir,
 Come to þat conquerour · & on kness² fallis,
 And in his mercy & meth · mekely þain put. 816
 His renke & his roussey · jai reche vp a crome,
 As gome at has þe garland · & all þe gre wonn.
 Jus with þe floure in þe feld · he fangid his enmy,
 And haldis on wiþ halfe here · hame to his fadre. 820
 Jai fyndis he Philip on his flet · wiþ a fest huge
 Had wed him snoer wyfē · & wayfid his quens ;
 Ane Cleopatras calid³ · a grete kyngis dohter,
 And [haft] had Olympadas · & openly forsaken. 824
 " Fadre," quod þis fell knyȝt · quen he þis fest entir,
 " De palme here of my first price · I pray þe resseyfe,
 Forth to þe weding or I winde · of my wale modir,
 And kaise me to a-nōþir kyng · to couple him to wyfe.
 For þe to felson me to folysse · fallis me na mare, 828
 Ne here to denui with þi douse · deynys me na langer,
 Now þou mas þe alike a mangery · & macchis changeis,
 And I to⁴ consule vs-eallid · I can neȝt pur-on." 832
 With þot þur carpis⁵ to þe kyng · a knyȝt at þe table,
 Ane lessas, a lode · & on lowde spekes :
 " Cleopatras a knaſſe child · conſume miſſ & bore,
 þet demed is aftir þi deth · duly to regne." 836
 Jen Alexander at þis knyȝt · angire vnfaire,
 Wynnes hym vp a wardrene · he walt in his handis,
 So hard him hitis on þe hede · his hermes out welfid,
 And so he lost has þe lyfe · for his leper wondis. 840
 Jen was þe wale kyng wrath · as wonder ware ellis,
 Beaydis hims vp fra þe bordis · & a brande elekes,

[Vol. 14 8.3
All submit to
Alexander.]

Retiring,
he finds Philip
has wedded
another wife.

Alexander
refuses to submit
to Philip any
longer.

One Lessas,
a knight.

Greatest
Alexander,

but losses his
life by

¹ MS. repeats was. ² MS. knen knew, with hen streak ent.

³ MS. he calid ; but he is not wanted.

⁴ Added in the margin. ⁵ MS. carpis.

To kynt hym þe overhand · of hys athell foes.
 þor such a worship he wan · war wonder to tell ; 811
 þan hed he of þe kyng kyng · þe heud from þe shouldirs.
 Than jai gave hym vp þe gerd · & yolden þe realme,
 And alþ þat lefft wer [e] line · lordes & other,
 Comes to þe¹ conquerour · & on knes fallen,
 And on hys mercy & his might · mekely þain puttes. 816
 þen þus renewely · jai rechein hym a crowne,
 Als gome þat hase þe garland · & all þe gree woane.
 þus with þe floure in þe feld · songes he is enmy,
 And haldes on wiþ a lynde heyre · home to his fader. 820
 Then fyndes he philip with his flete · at a feste hege
 Had weddith hym aue ofer wife · & waneschyd hys moder ;
 Ane cleopatras was callid · a grett kynges dohter,
 And laft [had] olympades · & opynly forsaken. 824
 " Fadre," quod þis fele child · when he þe fest entred,
 " The palme here of my first pride · I pray þe resyne,
 Forth to þe wedding wiþ I wende · of my wale modre,
 And enire me to aue ofer kyng · to cowpyl hir to wyfe.
 For þe to filson no to folow · fallis me no more, 828
 Ne here to dwelle at þi devyse · deynys me na langer,
 Thon makes sucha a mangery · & þi mache changes,
 And I to counself vnscaldy · I can neȝt heron." 832
 With þot þur carpes to þe kyng · A knyȝt at þe table,
 Ane lessas, a lode · & on lowde spekes :
 " Cleopatras a knaſſe child · conſume miſſ & bore,
 That destinate is aftir þi day · dewly to regne." 836
 Jen Alexander at þis athell · angires vnfaire,
 Wynnes hym vp a wardrene · he wold in hya hande,
 So hard hym hitis on þe hede · his hermes owte weltyng,
 And so he lost has hys lyfe · for his lether wordes. 840
 Than [was] þe wale kyng wrath · als wonder wer elles,
 Beaydis hims vp fra þe bordis · & a brande elekes,

Note pri-
marie vio-
lence ac-
corded.

¹ written where the line in M.S.

Philip attacks
Alexander.
(Vol. 15.)
but strangers and
stranckes,

Alexander
represents him.

He drags the
bride out of
the hall by her
hair.

Alexander offers
Philip his
friendship.

and makes him
to forgo his
anger.

The king begins
to weep.

Airid toward Alexander & ames him to strike.
Bot han him fallis þe fote¹ or he first wenys, 844
He stakirs, he stumbilis & stande he ne mijt,
Bot ay fundirs & fallis as he ferde ware.
þe faster forwand hisw² he faris & þe faster he snapris;
Quat was þe cause of þe case? þat knawis ourse lorde.
"Quat now," quod athisth Alexander. "quat³ nillis þe
to fall?" 849
Has þou na force in þi fete? ne fele of þi selfo?
For a freke to be ferd, or a fraid outhins,
And þou þe gouernare of greece? þat ware grete
wondre!" 852
Ben tittis he doun in þat tene & þe tabbis ilkane,
Out of þe halfe he [þe] hare, halles he þe bride,
And so þe wæ in his writh, wrekis his modre,
And philip falsis [was] sare seke & all þe fest struldet. 857
As sone as Alexander of angire he slakis,⁴
He lendis o-loft to þe lede, a littif days after,
Cairis vp with comfurth & þe kyng for to vysite,
He comes to þe casten & carpys þis wondre: 860
"Philip," quod þis ilke frake & forwæt him standis,
"þof iñ vsenmely me sytt & þe so for to call,
Noȝt as þi suget & þi soȝt? my sawe I þe yeld,
Bot as a felaw or a frynde, fallis to a noȝthine. 864
Siz, hatt þi writh a-wai wende & wil þi wifre captiñ,
And þe los of Lesias, littif þou change.
I did bot my deuise to drepe him, me² thinkis; 867
For it awe him noȝt so openly, slike osyng to make.
And ser, vnwoertheily þou wroȝt & þat þou wæt knawis,
Quen þou was bowne with a brand & my bodi to
schende."

Jem reuix je riche kyng of varide werkes,
Blissis vp to þe herne & braste out at grete. 872
Jem airis him off Alexander to his awen modre;

¹ MS. fote, altered to fote. ² Added in the margin.
³ quod. ⁴ Read slakes.

Ayses toward alexander & aymes¹ hym to smyte.
Bot he fayled þe fote & he first wenys, 844
He slakirs, he stowables; þat stande he ne might,
Bot ay he fondens & fallis as he ferde war.
The ferer forthward [he faires] & þe faster [he] snappers;
What was þe cause of þis case? þat knawys our Lord. 848
"What now," quod alexander. "quait ayles þe to
fale?"
Hase þou no force ne no fete? ne fele to þi seluen?
For on freke to be so ferd, or afrynd oper,
And þou þe gubernare of greece? þat is a grete wondre!" 852
Then tittis he doun in þat tene & þe tabbis ilkane,
Owt of þe halfe by þe hare, halles he þe birdie,
And so þe wye in his writh, wrekes hys modre,
And philip falsis was seke & all þe fest struldet. 856
So als bylme als alexander on angre asakes,
He lendis on-lofte to þe lede, a littif dayes after,
Cares hym with comfurth & þe kyng for to visiti,
Comes hym to þe costyns & carpes þosa wonder: 860
"Philip," quod þis ilke frake & forwæt hym standis,
"þof iñ vsenmely me sit, þe so for to calle,
Noȝt als a sogest me ni sonne, my saw I þe yeld,
Bot als a felaw or a fremd, fallis to an-other. 864
Sir, lat þi writhes all wende & wil þi wifre saghyll,
And þe losse of sir lysys, littif þou change.
I dyd bot my deuise to drepe hym, me thynke, 867
For it awght hym noȝt so epynly, slike osynges to make.
And vnwoertheily þou wroȝt & þat þou wæt knawys,
When þou was bowne with a brande, my body to shende."

Then reuix hym þe riche kyng of hys vrrede werkes,
Blissis upp to þe herne & bristes owt to wepe. 872
Than ayres hym on sir alexander to hys awne modre;

¹ MS. synes. ² MS. of.

"Bees not a-glopened, madame: 'ne greted to my fadir;
If all þe synned hisse be-ayde: 'as þour selfe knawis,
þor of me we may jo wite: 'it was godis will." 876
With þat he fonges him furthe: 'to Philip hire ledis,
And he comly hire kist: ' & cordis with hire faire,
Anes with Olympadas: ' & þe tothire woydis,
And leves hire lely: 'to his lyfes ende. 880

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Philip and
Olympias are
reconciled.Heralds come
from Darius to
Philip.They demand
tribute,
Alexander
refuses it.saying that the
old hen is now
barren.The messengers
take their leave.

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¶ Quintus passus Alexandri.

Some aftir in a secon: 'as þe buke saie,
Come dirmand fm Dariis: 'je deyne Empereur,
Heranidis on heye hors: 'hendly a-mye,
To ser Philip þe fers: 'to feche þur trouage. 884
Littil kyngis þur come: 'as þe claus tellis,
List downe at þe logo: ' & þur blonkis leues,
Caires in-to þe carle: 'to emme him þur dottis,
Touchis titly þe carle: ' & tribute him askis. 888
"Ja, caires hame," quod Alexander: "agayn to þour
kithes,
And sais þour maister, he make: 'na na sandis;
For sen Philip had a fresche soi: 'þat fast now
emeresis, 891
þat bees neyt suffrid, I suppose: 'mane alike hisse to þeðd.
For sais your lord, þe lefe hem: 'þat laide his first egg,
His bold nowe with barant: 'is barely consumed,
And is Darius so of his dett: 'duly depryned;
And be þis titill, him tellis: 'na tribute him fallis." 896
þen mervalid þam þo messangirs: 'mekill of his speche,
His witt & his wisdom: 'wonderly proyed.
Fair at ser Ph[ilip] þe fers: 'fang þai þur lone, 899
And synne cleane of all þe carle: ' & cairis to þur landis.
To þe palais of þe prounde kyng: 'to peris þai went,
Dose þam in to Darius: 'þar he off dose syttis,
And telles him how his trouage: 'is tynt al-to-godire,

¹ MS. 'egs', corrected to eggs.

"Beys nocht aglopened, gude Dame: 'ne greted to my fader,
Ak if you haue synned hym bysyde: 'als you þis seluen says,
Barfore no gome may þe gylt: 'for it is goddes will." 876
With þat songez him þis freke: ' & to philip ledes,
And he opynly hir kysatt: ' & cordes with hir faire,
þus [he ames] with olimphades: ' & þis other woydez,
And leues leuely with hir: 'all hys lyue days. 880

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Quintus [Passus].

Sons aftir in a secon: 'als says me þe writter,
Come dryvand from sir dariis: 'þo digne Emperor,
Harsaldis on hys horsez: 'hendly arayede,
To sir philopp þe fers: 'to fott þair trusage. 884
Kenges þur come: 'als þe claus tellis,
Lightyd doot at þe logo: ' laftyn þur blonkes,
Cairen fourth in-to þe courte: 'to crumen þair deit,
Tochett titely þore tale: ' & tribute hym asked. 888
"Ja, ayres hame," quod alexander: "agayn to your
kyther,
And says your maister, to me: 'he make no moo sondez;
For soth philop had a fresh soi: 'þat fast now em-
crossed[s],¹ 891
That beys not suffrid, I suppose: 'no sache to hym peld,
And says your lord, þe leyns hemme: 'þat lade his frist Egge,
Hir body now with barant: 'is barely consumed,
And so is dariis of hys dett: 'dewly depryned;
And be þis tale, hym tellis: 'no tribute hym fallis." 896
Than mervalid þes messangyers: 'mykyll of hys speche,
Hys witt & hys wisdom: 'pai wonderly preson.
Fair at philip þe fers: 'fair leue þai fangeſ,
And eyne cleane from þe courte: 'caires to þair landes. 900
To þe palais of þe prounde [king]: 'to peres þai wenden,
And dyd þaim to sir dariis: 'þere he on dose syttis,
And tald hym howe is trusage: 'is tynt al-to-godre,

¹ The lines 890 and 891 are written after line 892 in M.S.

As Alexander swyā mouth · had þan all enfourmed. 904

Messengours come
to tell Philip
that the men
of Armenia have
revisited.

¶ Ben messangges to Messodoyne · come in þe mene
quylle

To Ph[ilip] þe fel kyng · & freshely him tald,
þat all þe erthe of Ermony · Erles & princez,
þat suld be sogett to him-selfe · wald seke hym with
armes. 908

And Alexander belyfe · as athis man suld,
Vndirfangid to fest · for Ph[ilip] to wende,
Gedis him a grete ost · gnaithes him in plates,
And aires toward Ermony · þat ord to distroy. 912

Philip invades
Armenia.

A Marodonian,
named Pausanna,

rebel against
Philip.

He had long
had the quyn.

Philip goes out
against him.

Philip flees.

þan was a man in Messodone · in þe marche duellid,
A proved prince & a pronde · Pausanna was hattid,
A big berne & a bald · in brenys to ryde,
þe son of aue Cerastis · as þe buke witnes. 916

þis freke all his franche · of Ph[ilip] he hadde,
And was a sanguine to him-selfe · & serues his art;
Bot þan he depoly many day · desired to hanwe queme,
And lyes vnlappid with hir lufe · many lange wyster.
And by¹ þer cause to þe kyng · he kest slyk a hate, 921

þec he desired his deeth · & dylid [him] þan-for.
AB þe folke of his affinitate · he freshely a-semblyd, 923
And sekis furth with a hoge some · a-saile² his to zelid.
Quen Ph[ilip] horis of þer fare · gret ferly him thiske[re],
Ferkis furth with a fewe folk · hisw in þe fild metis,
Seis þe multitude sa mekiñ · of men at he bringes,
Bridlis on his blonke toward þe burys · & þaim þe hak
shewis. 928

þen schrikis schilli all þe schalkis · & schoutis him at
anes,

And Pausanna þe prince · a-pon a prounde stede
Sprongis ont with a spere · & spedis him eftir,
And purȝ þe bac in-to þe breast · his beris to þe end; 932

¹ Inserted in the margin.

² It is inserted before a-saile, but subjoined.

Dublin.] Als alex[ander] awne mouth · þaim all hal enformed. 904
þan messangges to maydoñ · come in þe meyne quylle,

To philopp þe fel kyng · & felly hym toldyd,
þat all þe erthe of ermony · Erele³ & princoz,
At suld be sogett to hym-seluen · wald seke hym with
armes. 908

And alexander als beline · als athis man suld,
Vnderfangid þer þe fecht · for philip his fader,

And ayers toward ermony · þat erth to distroy. 912
Then was a man in messodone · þat in þe marche dwellyd,
A proved prince & a pronde · pausana he heght,
A Bligg' berne & a bald · in brenys to ryde,
þe sonne of one cerastis · als says me þe text. 916

This freke of all þe franches · of kyng philip he hadde,
And was sogett to hym-seluen · & seruage hym awight.
Bot þet depoly mony day · desired he þo whene,
And lemed valappid with his lone · mony lang wynter. 920

And he put cause to þe kyng · he kest anche a hate,
þot he desired his deyde · & dylid hym parfore.
All þe folkes of his affinitate · he freshly a-semblyd, 923
And seker owt with a hoge some · a-saile hym to yelle.

When philip herd of þis fare · gret ferly he thynkes,
Ferkis forth with a fewe folke · & hym in feld metes,
Seys þe multitude so much · of men þat he brynges, 927
Brades toward þe burgh on hys blonk · & hys bak
shewys.

þan strikes shilly all þe shalkys⁴ · & shotes at onys,

And pausana þe prince · vpon a prounde stede
Sprongis forth with a spere · & spedis hym after,
And purȝ þe lake in-to þe breast · hym boris to þe erth. 932

³ The MS. has & baron after Erele, but crossed through and expunged.

⁴ all þe is repeated here, but expunged in MS.

[Pd. 38.3]

At ware he wondirly wondid · he wendis noȝt be-lyfō.
His men & alſt þe Messadones · full manly ware
stourbed,

Quat of dolours & dyn · quen þai him dede heipid.
Pausanna þan for þe prowes · slike a pride hentis, 935

Vnclhes wist he for weſth · wirke quat he miȝt.
He prekis in-to þe palais · to pull out þe quene,

Wenys to wilde hir at wiȝt · & away lede, 939

þan comes Alexander in þot cas · þe cronacles tellis,
With a riall ost · of many able princes,

Airand out¹ of Ermony · & had all þe erth wos;
Sees slike a rottillyng in þe rewme · & ridis al þe fastar,

Þas past vp þe pround quene · in to þe vnew chambres, 944
Waynes out at wyndow · & waytis a-boute,

Sape he þe sygnes & be sike · as with hire soñ comys,
And be þe alyens armes · at he was alſt maister.

With þat scho haldez out hire hede · & heys to him
callis, 948

"Quare is þi wendes, my wale soñ · þou wan of þi godis,
þou suld be victoř & venga · & vencust² neuer!

If þou haue³ any hert here · help now þi modir."

Some as pausanna þe peince · with-in þe palais heris 952
þe comyng of þe kene knyght · he caires him agaynes,

Presis out of þe palais · with a pake armed,
And metes him in þe myd-fild · with a mekill noumbre,

And Alexander be-lyus · quen he on him waites, 956
He swygges out with a swerd · & swappys him to deth;

And þe renker, al the route · reches vp þaire wapen
Vnto þis kid conquerour · & cried eftir souere,

þan was þur ame in þe ost · on Alexander callis, 960
Said, "Ph[ilip] þi fader · is in þe fild dreþyd."

And he halis furth on hede · & halfe-dede him fyndis,
Brasches downe by þe bernis · & bitterly wepys.

Pausanas is
pared up with
his success.Alexander
returns with
an army.The queen sees
Alexander
coming.She implores his
help.Pausanas goes
out against
Alexander.

who kills him.

Alexander is
told that his
father is mortally
wounded.¹ Inserted in the margin.² MS. vencustis.³ MS. haue haue, altered to haue.

Dublin.]

He heldes douf in þe hey way · & halfe deyde ligges, 933*

And was so wonderly wounded · he wenyd noȝt to leve, 933
Hys men & alſt þe massidons · full fowly war stourblett,

What for dolours & dyne · when þai hym dede hopeſt.

Pausana for þees prowes · slike a pride hentis, 936
That vncle he⁴ wist for weſth · what he wirke miȝt.

He prekes into þe palace · to pull out þe quene,
Wenes to wilde hir at wiȝt · & away lede,

þan comes enef onon · þe cronacles tellis, 940
Alexander with ane ost · of mony able princes,

Ayrand out of Ermony · had alſt þe erth wonne;
Herd souche a rottilyng in þe realm · & rydes þe fastar,

Than pouȝt forth þe pround whome · into a pevvy chamber,
Wayfaz vp a wyndow · & waytis par-owȝt, 945

Sees wele by signes · at hir come,
And by þe alyens armes · þat he was alſt mayster,

With þat she haldez forth hir hened · & hoge to hym
callis: 948 [Pd. 38.1]

"Whare or þi werdes, my wale sonn · þou wan of þi goddes,
Thou suld be victoř to venge · & venkeſt neuer!

If þou haue ony hert her · help now þi modir."

Some as pausanna in þe place · pis tale herys, 952
And þe comyng of þe kene knyght · he caires hym ayayne,

Presis out of þe palasse · with a pake armed,
And metes hym in þe myd-fild · with a much noumber,

Bot alexander als belyfe · as he on hym wates, 956
He swygges out a sharpe swerde · & hym to deth swappys;

And þen hys renker al in rowte · reches vp þer waypynnes
Vnto þis kyd conquerour · & cryest affir souear, 959

þen sayd þur an wilke in þe ost · & on alexander callis,
Said: "philip þi fader · is in þe fild dreþyd."

And he hyes þen fast forth · & halfe-deyde hym fynder,
Brushyas down by þe bernis · & bitterly wepys.

* victoř
alexander⁴ MS. by, corrected to be.⁴ Above the line.

[Vol. 17.]

"A! Alexander!" quod þe kyng · "now am I at¹ ane
ende;" 964

A litil liftis vp his liddis · & lokis in his face;

"Bot git it gladis me," quod þe gome · "to ga þus to
deth,

To se my slaire in my sijt · be so sone goldan, 967

A! wele be þe, my wale son" · & wagged with his heued;

"þou has baldly on my bane · & bremely me vengid."

Wilt þat he blokis in þe brest · & þe breth stoppi;

And in a spedfull space · so þe sprete goddis.

And Alexander ay oh-ane · angrily he wepdis, 972

And gretis for him as grenously · as he hitw geten hadis,
With barons & bachelors · him brogt to þe cito;

And endis him in his awen erl · as Empyore fallis.

The day after his deth · drearily him wendis 976

Alexander his airo · & syttis in his trome,

A cleme crouse on his heude · clustred with gemmes,

To se how him semo wald · þe sete of his fader.

He sis desoun in þe sete · with septow in hande, 980

Makis a cry þat all þe curte · knyghtes & erles

Sold put paine in-to þe presoun · his proesp to here.

And all comys at a kall · & on kneis hekkis; 983

Jan blisches he to his baronage · & brenes þir wordis:

"Lo! maisties of Messedone · as myghty men & noble,

þe Traces & of Tessaþoyne · & ye þe trouw Grekes,

How likis nowe your lege lord! · lokis on my

foursme, 987

* Diuers all our.

And letis all feedshipys² fleſ · & fonge vp your heris,

And aires for nameys · quills Alexander lastis,

For with þe graunt of my god · I gesse, or I dye,

þot all the Barbares blode · salt bow to my selfe.

þare is no region ne rewme · ne reake vnder heuen, 992

No nouthire-quare na nacion · bot it salt my name lowte.

For we of grece sal have þe gre · with gracie ay to wold,

And anely be ouer þe werd · honound & pryevol.

Every nation
shal serve me

[Vol. 17 a.]

¹ Inserted at the end of the line.

Philip is glad
to know of
Alexander's
success.

and dies.

Alexander
carries him.

He assumes
the crown.

and assumes al
his brightnes.

He addresses
them.

Divers all our.

[Vol. 17 a.]

"As! alexander, sonn!" quod þis atch · "[now] am I
at an ende," 964

A litil lyfes hys londes · & lukes in hys face;

"Bot yett me gladdes," quod þis gome · "to byde þus on
lyve,

To see my aler in my sijt · be so sone sholden. 967

A! wele be þou, wale son" · & wagged with hys heued;

"For þou has baldly on my bane · & bremely me vengid."

With þat he blythes in þe brest · & hys breth stoppyis,

And in a spedfull space · þe spirit he yelde.

Bott alexander ouerlike · awgredly pleynez, 972

And gretter for hym ays graufly · as he hym getyn hed.

With barons & with bachelors · he bare hym to þe cyte,

And endes hym in hys awne erl · as empyore fallis.

The day after hys deth · þen dursly he¹ wendes 976

Alexander hys ayro · vpp in hys awne trome,

A cleme crouse on hys heued · clustred with gemmyas,

To se how he¹ semo wald · þe sete of hys fader.

He sittes down in þat sete · with septow in hand, 980

Makes a cry þat all þe courte · knyghtes & erles

Sold come & be present · hys presop to here.

And all þat come at hys calle · & on knyes heldit,

Jan blysses he vnto hys bernes · & brenes þer wordes; 984

"Lo! maisterlynges of masydoff · so myghty & so noble,

Ye trases of thessaloi · & ye trouw grekes,

How likes now you your lege lord! · loko on my forms,

And letters all feedshipys² fleſ · & fonge vpp your heris,

And argies for me alien · whilse alexander lefyas, 989

For with þe graunt of my god · I gesse, or I dye,

þot all the Barbares blode · salt bow to my seluen.

There is no region ne rewme · ne reake vnder heuen, 992

No nouthire-quare na nacion · bot it salt my name lowte.

For we of grece sal have þe gre · with gracie ay to wold,

And only ouer all þe werd · be honound & peassed.

¹ red him. ² MS. feedshipys.

ALEXANDER.

Note mention
philippe, etc.

[Vol. 17.]

Whosoever wants
armes, let him
take them."

And quilk of all myne athill men · þut any armes
wantis, 996

Let þan in-to my palais · & plates hym deluyire,
And lie² at of his awen hys · harness him swythe,
And make him boome lika berne · to bataill to ride."

þan answerd hym with [a] voice · all his prood prynces,
And Eroles in his Empire · þut ware in old striken, 1001

Hathilis of hige age · Auntemet knyghtis,
Barons & bachelors · & bryssed ware in Armes:

" Sir, we haue farn to þe fift · & bene in fild preued
With sir Ph[ilip] your fader · mony fole wynter, 1005

And now we failis all our force · & oure flesh waykis;
For be þe floures neuer so fresche · it fadis at þe last,

Sire, all þe zeris of oure yonths · es yare synne passid,
And we for-travellid & torid · þut now oure topp haris,

All to hevy to be holdid · in any here wedis, 1010
Or any angwische of armes · any mare suffre.

For þi, lord, with your leue · we haue þow be-aechis
We may neȝt stand now in stede · oure strenþ is [to]

feble.
Choose younger
men."
" Nay,"
says the king,
" I want old men,

Wale þow oper wernioris · þut wight ere & yonger,
Sike as ere stife in a stoure · strakis to thole."

" Nay, be my crowne," quod þe king · " my countynge is
elder 1016

þe saimes of alike men · þan swyfines of childir;
For barnes in þair bignes · it baldis þath mokylif,

Oft with unprodeness in pressis · to pas out of lyfe;
For thi over-sight of alde men · I anely me chose; 1020

Be connynge & be conseil · þai kyng si þur werkis."
þe slept of hys² sapience · þai selcouthly pryste,

And cleme a-cordis to his caspe · knyghtis & oþre.
" þan dose him furth þia dere kyng · a littil dais after,

Alexander with one ost · of many athill dukis, 1025

" your strength
fails us.

Our heads cannot
bear the helmed.

We beseech you
to let us go.

Choose younger
men."

" Nay,"
says the king,
" I want old men,

who are wary."

All menise like
stlosion.

(fol. 18.)

¹ Inserted at the end of the line.
² þar, altered to hys.

And whilk of all myn athill men · any armours wantis, 996

Bot passe into my palasse · & plates hym deluyver,
And he þot of hys awne hase · harness hym swith,
And make hym bowne encylke berne · to bataill to wend."
þan answerd hym with a voyce · all hys prounde prynces
And Eroles of hys Empire · þut wer in elde stryken, 1001

Hathilis of hige age · & auncient knyghtis,
Barons & bachelors · þut bryedyd wer in armys:

" Sir, we haue faren in-to feld¹ · & ben in feld² preuent:
With sir philip your fader · many fole wynter, 1005

And now we failuz all our force · & our fleche wakens;
For be þe floures neuer so fresche · it fadis at þe last,
Sir, all þe zeris of our youth · bene þare synne passyd, 1008

And we for-travellid & for-tyred · þut now oure topp horis,
All to hevy to be holdid · with our here wedes,

Or any awntorez of armes · to any more suffre.
For þi, lord, with your love · we longly bækkes, 1012

We may noȝt stande you in stede · our strenþez or to
foble.

Lat wale yon other wenioris · þut wight er & yonger,
Sike as stylle er in stoure · strakez to dele."

" Nay, by my Corone," quod þe kyng · " my covetyng is
holder 1016

The sadnesse of such men · þen swyfines of childir;

For barnes in þair bignes · þut boldis þain to mokylif,
Oft with vapro[sel]nes³ in pressis · passen owt of liue;

For thi over-sight of alde men⁴ · I anely me chose; 1020

By Connynge & conseil · þai kythen ay þur Werkes."
So þe sleȝt of hys sapience · þai selcouthly pryste,

And cleme a-cordis to his caspe · knyghtis & oþre.
Than dose hym furth þe derfe kyng · a lityȝ days afir,

Alexander with one ost · of many athill dukis, 1025

¹ So in MS.

² MS. repeats feld.

³ MS. porose, corrected to pressis.

⁴ MS. almen.

⁵ MS. vapenes.

⁶ MS. oþre.



He goes towards Italy.

He assails Calidene.

He calls on his warriors to fight to the death,

or to yield at once.

He enters Italy.

The Emperor gives him 90,000 leuens.

He lays Europe under tribute, and goes to Africa.

He wins Africa.

[Vol. 18.8.]

Samed a vnsene somme · to saille he begynnes
Ouer in-to ytalie · þa yles to distroye.
In-to þe coste of Calodone · he comes hys ouer first,
And þur a cito he assailes · &¹ in sege lengis. 1029
Bot wres wightli with-in · þa wallis ascendit,
Freschly fendil of · & ferly with-stude.
"þe Calodona," quod þe kyng · he callis frs with-
oute, 1032
"Outin macches þow maynly þerto · or manly dyes,
And figh fast with your fays · to þe fayre worthen,
Or geses parly vp þe perde · & yld me þe cite."
So chaunses it þis chiften · or he a-chouen þine, 1036
þot fele he brenes of þa bernes · & þo burse wynnes,
And caires so out of Calodone · quen he it couerid had,
Ouer þythes in-to Itale · & þur Ile entres. 1039
þen wan þai² [rediles of] reile · aft rodd of his come,
Pruya him aft of þe pees · & pressandis his faire,
Sexti thousand þai him send · of sekir besandis,
Of clere gold of þair kist · & coras a hundredre,
þan take he tribute þat tymre · þe titill reonida, 1044
Out eyn in-to þe occident · of aft at þare duellis,
Of qwilke pe erde & þe erthe · Europe was callid,
And ames þan to Afrrike · & aft at easse leues.
þan raȝt he fra þa regions · & remoued his ost, 1048
Cachis in-to anoxir kythe · & crossis ouer þe stremes,
Aires in-to Afrrike · with many athill prince[s].
Anoþer wing of þe werd · & wynnes it be-lyfe,
þot syde sodanly & sone · þot ser he a-chewes. 1052
For þur he fande bot fewe · þot felly with-stude,
Na ridan in þa³ regions · ne rebelle bot lityll;
He laches it þo litylere · as was þe les wonder.
þan kaires he fra þo contrees · & kerus[es] ouer þe
strems, 1056
Furthe to Frastites he ferd · alikes a ferre Ile,

¹ Above the line. ² MS. þa.
³ MS. na, corrected to þa.

Sampene ane vñsene some · to sayle he begynnes
Oure in-to Itale · þe yles to distroy.

In-to þe cost of calydoun · he comouez on first,
And þur a cyte assailes · and in a sege lengis.

Bot wres wightli with-in · þa wallis ascendit,
Freshly defensydysg of · & ferly with-stondy.

"The calodons," quod þe kyng · and [calles] from with-
oute, 1032
"Owther macho yow manly¹ þerto · or manly dyes,

And figh fast with your fays · to þe fayre worthen,
Or yves parly vp þe perde · and geses me vp þe cite."

So chaunses it þis chiften · or he a-chouen þine, 1036
That folc he breitens of þa bernes · & þo burgh wynnes.

þen carex owt of calidoun · when he it couerid hadde,
Owre þe yles of ylde · & þe yles enries.

And þai wer radles of raghno · of þis kenges commyng,
Prayed hym all for þe pease · & present hym faire, 1041
Sexty thousand hym sendes · of sekir besandis,
Of clero gold of þair kytes · and corownes a hundredre.

Taoro take he tribute þat tymre · as þe text recordez, 1044
Owt onos into þe occident · of all þat þur dwellyd,
Of þe whilke þe erth · of Ermany is callyd,

And ames hym toward auffrike · & aft at easse leues.

Than raȝt he from þe regions · & rowmyd hym ost, 1048
Cachis into an-other kythe · & crossis ouer þe stremes,

Ayres hym into auffrik · with many aþell princez,
An-ether wyngs of þe wold · wynnes it belyve,

þot syde sodanly & sone · þot sire hym acheruya. 1052
For þur he fande bott fewe · to ferly hym wylakende,

Ne ryders in þat regions · ne rebelle bot lityll;

And he pain laught all þe lighter · as was þe les wonder.

þen caires he fro þose contrees · & kerus ouer þe
strems, 1056

Forth to francoides he fared · suche a ferme yle,

[D. 6. 8.]

¹ MS. malij, corrected by later hand to manly.

² So is MS.; both MSS. corrupt.

Seches þur to a synagoȝe · him-selfe & his princiȝ,
Amon þur awen god · þat þai honoure myȝt. 1059

And so to þe temple as he tiȝt · witt his¹ tisf Eroles,
þan motis him mydlys þe way · was mervale to sene,
A hert witt a huge heud · þe hareest on erthe,
Was to be-hold as a harrow · for-helid ouer þe tyndis;
And þatt comande him þe kyng · klenly to schote, 1064
Bot þur was na man so nemylly · þet hym hit conthe.

"A ! hills, haile," quod Alexander · & hisse a narawne
hent,

Drapȝ, & at þe first drapȝe · hisse dreȝed for esire.

Fro þis þeil to þis ilk day · þan is þat ilke place, 1068
þe stede þur þis stith man · strikis þis hert,

Sagittarius forsoȝt · men gafis it to name,
And witt do for þat ilke wark · ay quen þe wend tærnes.

þen aires hisse of ser Alexondres · tilis Amon temple,
Offris to his awen gode · & honours him faire, 1073

Geysis him garsons of gold · & of god stanes,
And held hestes him to hate · him hettirly besekis.

þen passes he þeilen with his princiȝ · to siech a place
wendis, 1076

Capho Rosey we rede · þe romauunce it callis;
And þor-in fyndis hisse þe freke · fyftene Burghes,

And glyndand to þe grete see · xij gryȝt wates.
Of ilkë bïld, sais þe buke · barred was þe patis, 1080

Stoken stifyt with-out · with staples & chynes.
þan lengis hisse lefe þe¹ kyng · & logis aff a newes,

And sacrifysse þur efsones² · to many sore godis.
þe same nyȝt in his slope · Seraphis aperis, 1084

Anoþhire of his grete godis · in a gryȝt fourme,
Cled in a comly clath · of castans howes,

And sils eyȝn to hisse-selfe · & said him þur wordis:
"Alexander, stihil kyng" · & asperly spekis, 1088

Toward a myȝti montayne · him myntis with his
fynger,

¹ At the end of the line.

² Read efsones.

He goes to the
temple of
Amon.

On the way he
sees a large hart.

He draws a bow,
and shoots it:

the place is still
called Sagittarius.

Alexander offers
to Amon.

He comes to a
place with 25
burges,

and 15 rivers.

He kills them.

He sees Seraphis
in a dream.
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who aks if he
can move a
mountain.

Seches þur to a synagoȝe · hym-selfe & hys princiȝ,
Amonse þur awne god · þot þai adiour maȝtien,
And so to hys tempyȝt to-teȝt · all witt hys tried Eroles,
Than met þalm in myd way · was mervale to see, 1061
An hert witt a huge heud · þe aughfullest on erthe,
Was to behald as a harrow · for-helid ouer with tyndes;
And þan Comandez þalm þe kyng · klenly to shote, 1064
Bot þur was no man so nemylly · þet hym hit conthe.
"A ! esell hale!" quod alexander · & an arow hymis,

Drogh, and at þe frist draught · hym dreȝed for esire;

Fro þine þan vnto þis day · þan is þat ilke place, 1068
The stede þur þis styff man · strikis þis hert,

Sagittarius for soȝt · men seggeit it to name,
And witt do for þat ilke deydi · ay to þe wold lastes.

Than aycra hym on sir alexander · to þe amonese temple,
Offers to hys awne god · & honours hym fain, 1073

Gylfer hym garsons¹ of gold · and other gode stanes,
And held hestes hym to hate · hoterly beseker.

Than passid he þine with hys princiȝ · to siech a place
wendis, 1076

Chaiþip roseȝ we rede · þe romanyȝs it telles;
And þor-in fyndes þe freke · fyftene burghes,

And glyndand to þe grete see · twelfe gret wates.
Oif ilkë bïld, says þe buke · barred was þe patis, 1080

Stoken stifyt with-out · with staples of yren.
þaro lenges þe leue kyng · & logis aff an esel,

And sacrifysse þur eft-sones · to many sore godis.
The same nyȝt in hys slope · seraphis appered, 1084

An other of hys grett godis · & in a grymmre forme,
Cled in a clath · of castans colour,

And sils eyȝn to hym-selfe · & sayd hym þees wordis:
"A ! alexander, stihil kyng" · and asperly spekys,

And toward a myȝtige mountayne · hym myntid with hys
fynger, 1089

¹ MS. garsons.

² So is MS.

He answers,
" Nay."

Syraphis prophesies that Alexander's name shall endure as long as the mountain.
Alexander asks when his death will come.

Syraphis says it is better for him not to know;

but he will be pleased while still young.

Another oracle will tell him more.

He tells his companion,

" May þou oȝt, lede, þe ȝonder lawe · lyf on þi schulder,
And stire it ouþe of þo stede · & stable in a noþhere ! "

" Nay, qua myȝt þot," quod þe man, " for mede vndre
hesen ? " 1092

" Sir, as ȝone jondre hys hill · salt ay held his place,
So salt þi name fra now forth · be myȝed in mynde,
And ay to þe day of dome · þi dedes be remembryd."

þan Alexander belyue · him askis a demaund, 1096

" I be-sche þe now, Syraphas · if þou me say wald¹
þe prophecy, or þou pas · of all my playne wordis, 1099
How me is destaneyd to dye · & quen my day fallis ? "

" Sire, certayne," quod Seraphis · " as to my-selfe
thinkis, 1101

For any hathill vnder heuen · I hold for þe better,
Withouten wa² noȝt at wate · þe wathc of his ende
þen know³ þe eas or it come · & ay in easre lange, 1104
Bot nener-þe-less I salt þe never · sen þou me now prayis,
þou salt⁴ be drechid of a drinke · a draȝte of vnclese,
And all þi yris ere þoton þaro · & þi ȝouths fonyȝt, 1107
Lange or þou haue meten þe merke · of þi mydill age,
Bot queȝ ne in quic time · sal quwaite þe þis auctor,
Enquire me noȝt þot question · for I quoth þe it never,
For oþeris out of þe orient · salt openly hereafter
Vndo þe droȝt of þi days · & þi deth to⁵ telle." 1112

þan wanyȝit him þis wayne god · & voldis fra þe
chambre.

þe modi kyng on þe morne · all murnand he riesz,
þe mast porti of his princiȝs · & of his prouud ost
Hastis þast in-to Ascoiloym · & þar þai him bydis, 1116
þan callis he to him carpentariȝ · & comandis þais
swyȝe.

¹ After L. 1097 the MS. has a half-line, viz. " For any hathill
vndre heuen." This is really the former half of L. 1102 below,
and is marked for omission in the MS. This accounts for the
omission of L. 1098 in the numbering, which is made to agree
with Stevenson's edition.

² MS. to noȝt at wete ; ³ bett er to, or at, must be omitted.

⁴ The w above the line. ⁵ MS. salt sal.

" May þou oȝt, lede, yond[er] low · lift on þi shulder,
And stire it owt of one stede · & stablet in ane other ! "

" Nay, wha myȝt þot," quod þe man, " for mede vndre
hesen ? " 1092

" Sir, as ȝonder hys hillle · salt held ay hys place,
So salt þi name owt of nowmbr · be nomyn in-to mynde, [MS. 5.3]

And vnto þe day of dome · þi dedes be remembryd."

Than alexander als belyue · hym askys a demande, 1096

" I beseeke þe, sir seraphis · yf þou me say wald¹
þe prophecy or þou passo · of all my playne wordes, 1099

How me is destaneyd to dye · & when my day fallis ? "

" Sir, certayne," quod seraphis · " als to myselfen
thyakes, 1101

To eȝy atheil vnder heuen · I hold it for þe better,
With-owȝin wa noȝt to wittie · þe woches of hys ende

No knaw þe eas or it come · & ay in easre lange, 1104
Bot nener-þe-less I salt þe never · sen þou me prayis,

Than salt be drechott with a drinke · a draȝte of vnclese,
And all þe yherez þar · in þi youth fynysȝyt,

Lange or þou metyn haue þe merke · of þi mydill age,
Bott when ne in what age or tymo · salt fallo þis awentur,

Inquire me noȝt þis question · I quoth it þe never, 1110
For oþer owt of þe orient · salt openly hereafter

Vnto² þe droȝt of þi days · & þi deth to³ telle." 1112

þan wanyȝit þis wayne god · & woynde from þe
chambre.

The modi kyng on þe morne · all murnand he riesz,
þe mast porti of his princiȝs · & of his prouud ost

Bound to ascoleȝ · and þar hym abydez. 1116

Than callyd he to hye carpentariȝ · comand þais
swyȝe

¹ Line 1098 is omitted in the numbering; see note on p. 54.

² So; for Vnto.

³ Better omitted.

and builds
Alexandria.

In mynde & in memory of hiw¹ to make a cite,
And nemen it his awen name · þat never synge changid,
Bot Alexander ay furth · after him-selvne.² 1120

He goes to
Egypt.

¶ Sextus passus Alexandri.

Now airis he furthe witt his ost · to Egist he
thinks;
And cleme all þe confre · quen þai his come herd,
As he had bome a hige gode · þai yode him a-gayn,
Resumed him with reverence & to þar rounwe lode. 1124
þere entres him þut Emperoure · & in þat erd findis
Of Anee his awen sire · ane ymage of sable,
A borne was of blake stane · all þe body howen
With conysshance of a kyng · wilh³ coron & septre,
þan akis of þan Alexander · as he þur-on lokis, 1129
Quat maner of man upon mold · it was made after
“Sire, Anectanabus” · quod all with a sterren,
“þat all þe erth of Egypfe · emerid vnoquie.” 1132

With þat þe flawmand flole · fel in his eyas,

“þat Anee,” quod þis astil kyng · “was myno awen
fadre.”

þan fallis he flat on þe fold · & þe fote kyssis;

On þe stane quare it stode · stilly he mournes. 1136

He goes to Syria.

Syne in-to Sirie with his seggis · he soȝt at þe gaynest,
And þai⁴ as baratours bald · him bigly with-standis,
Set on him sadly · & sloȝe of his knyȝtis;
Bot þet garely are he yode · þai yold him þe regne. 1140
þan drafe he se to Damas · with dukes & princes,
And some he sesyd all þat syde · & Sydoyne he takis,
And þan trussis him to Tyre · & þan his tentis settis
Be-syde þe cite with a soffe · & in a sege lengys. 1144
þan he lies with his ledis · lang or he foundest,
Before þe burgh with his bernes · & mekiȝ hale suffred.

Then to
Damascus.
(fol. 28.)

He besieges
Tyre.

¹ called added in a later hand, at the end of the line.

² Inserted at the end of the line.

In mynde & memory of hym · to make þor a cite,
And after his⁵ awne name · þat never synge chaungent,⁶
Alexander ay forth · after hym-seluen. 1120

Sextus Passus.

Now ayers he forth witt hys Ereles · to egip he
wendes;

And cleme all þe castree · when þai hys comyng harde,
Als he hed ben a hugh god · þai halden hym agayn,
Resaved hym with reverence & to þair realm ledyn.
There entres hym þe Emperoure · and in þot erth fyndes
Of aner hys awne syre · ane ymage of sabyh,
A borne was of blak stane · all þe body even 1127
With conysshance of kynges · corof and septur in hand.
Than askys he þaim alexander · als he þur-on wales,
What maner of man vpon mold · þat was merkyd after?
“Sir, anee,” quod all men · with a sterne steven,
“That þe erth of egypfe · enhered some tyme.” 1132

With þat þe famed flole · flashed in hys eghem,

“That anee,” quod þis astil kyng · “my awne fadre
was.”

þan fallis he flatt on þe fold · & þe fote kyssex

Of þot stane þat stode · & stylly murnez. 1136

Syne into surry with hys seggex · he soȝt þe ganest,

And þai as baratours bald · hym bigly withstandyn,

Set vpon hym sadly · & slow of hys knyȝtis;

Bot þarle or he yode · þai yold him vp þe realm. 1140

Than drase he so to Damask · with dukes & princes,

And sono he sesyd all þat syde · and sy[de]ne he takez,

And þen he trassyd hym to tyre · & þar hys tentis settis

Be-syde þe site with a somme · & in a sege lengys. 1144

þair he lay with hys ledes · lange or he fomdyȝ,

Before þe burgh with hys bernes · & muche hale suffred.

⁵ MS. myne; wrongly.

⁶ MS. chaungent.

(fol. 28.)

His men grow
weary, and
complain.

The strong fort
of Tyre.

No builds a vast
tower.

His men are
fascinated,

and nearly die of
hunger.

He sends to
Jerusalem.

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He demands help
and more men.

He tells them it is
better to serve
Greeks.

Quat of ane, quat of¹ opir' oft his oste pluynes,
For wele wist jai þan name - to wyn to þe cite. 1148

It was so stiffe & so strang' & stalworthly wallid,
And² so hedeously hige - it was a huge wondre,
Tildid full of tressis & toures of defencē,
Batalid & beitagid - aboute as a castell. 1152

þe wawis of þe wild see - upon þe wallis betis,
þe pure populand hurle³ - passis it vmbys,
It was enforced with sa fels - fludis & oþhire, 1155
It seemed never sege vnder soñ - be sante it to wynē,
Jan etlis him sir Alexander & belyns makis

Be-side þe cite in þe See - to sett vp a logo,
A hige tild as a tour - tildid on schippis,
þat myȝt na Name for þat note - neȝe to þe cite. 1160

Quos he þis baistell had hild - vþ to þe burgh wallis,
And tȝt him as tyme was - þe touris to assaile,
Slik mischefe in þe mese quile - emang his men fallis,
For meȝre & for metelesse - ware merwalle to heret. 1164
þor was Princess in poynȝt - to perischi for esire,
Alike in drouȝte to be dede - dukis & erlis,

In fore to be famyshist - many fer knyghtis,
For þor is na wa in þe word - to þe wode hunger. 1168
Jan plenyis his þe proud kyng - þe pote of his men,
And sendis out his sandis-men - with scelit lettres, 1171
To Ierusalem to Iauis - at þe Iewes teches,

þat was þe bischop in þat burȝe - breuyd in þa daies;
Him moneste as a maister - him⁴ manly to send
French folke for þe fight - & fode for his oste,
And all þe trouȝe þare to him - tittly to wayne,
þat he to Darius of dewe - was dangere to paye. 1176
And git comand he þis clerke - þe kyng in his writis,
For any riches him redis - rather to thole

þe mayntenance of þe Masedoynes - & of þe meri
Grekes;

¹ Inserted at the end of the line.
² MS. And þai; but þai is better omitted. ³ read pele. ⁴ read pele.

What of o þing, whatis of opir' ofte hys oste plenyis,
For wole trowde jai þan - nome to wynne to þe cite. 1148

It was so stiffe & so strang' & so stalworthly wright,
And so hydusly hys - þat was A grott wondre,
Tyldet full of torrettes & towres of defencē,
Istold & britagid - about as a castell. 1152

The wawes of þe wilde see - upon þe wallis betys,
The pure populand perle - pasyd it vmbys,
It was enforced so welle - with fodes & other,
þor seemed never sege vnder þe son - by awte it to wynne,
Than stellar hym sir alexander - & al belyns makes
Besyde þe cite in þe sea - to sett vp a logo,

A hys tyld as a towre - tyldet of shippes,
þat might no hay for þat note - negh to þe haven. 1160
When he þis baistell had byggid - nere þe burgh wallis,
And tȝt hym as tyme was - þe burȝ to assaile,
Such mischefe in þe meyngyn tyme - vppon þe men fallex,
For meȝre & for metelesse - ware merwalle to tell. 1164

There wer princes in plite - to perischi for esir,
AII in dowie to [be] dede - dukez & Eeles,

In fore to be famyshyd - mony ferre knyghter,
For þor is [na] wa in world - to þe wod hunger. 1168

Than rowys hym þe prenude kyng - þe pyte of hys men,
And sondys forth sendesmen - with scelit lettres,

To Ierusalem to Lawdes - þat þe Iewes teches,
þot of þat burȝ was byshop - breuyd in þo dayes; 1172

He monyshytt hym as a minister - hym manly to sende
Fresh folke for þe fight - & fode for þe folke,
And all þair trouȝe - tyde to hym wayfe,

That he to Darius of dewe - was dangere to pay. 1176

And git command he þis clerke - þe kyng in hys writis,
For any riches he redes - rather to chese

The mayntenance of massidons - & of þe mony grekes,

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Epiſtola.

thus Fardon.

Jehu jaime¹ of Persey to pay ' or to please authers. 1180

Jehu takis þe bischop þe brouȝt ' & buȝes to a chamber,

Resayued it with reverence ' & redis it² ouȝte,

Gase him done be degreee ' a-gayne to þe sale,

Swiftly to þe swiars ' & jaime his aware jolids : 1184

" Sirs, alris a gayn to Alexander ' & all þus³ him tellis,

þat me was done many day ' depely to awere,

Neuer Persey to paire ' to pas with myne armes

In damagynge of Darius ' durand his lyfe." 1188

Sone as þe wale kyng wist ' he writhis him vnfraue,

" Now be þat god," quod þe gome ' " þat gait me on

erthe,

I sali anes on þe iewis ' enioyne or I die, 1191

Salit ken þam quas comandment ' to kepe at þam

fah."

þit for no torfor him tid ' Tyre wald he noȝt lene,

Bot cheze hym owt a chiftane ' & charge[s] his belyue,

A mody man, sir Meliager ' a maister of his oste,

To fande him forth with a flete ' of fyue hundred

knights; 1196

A[nd] Ioynes him to Iosaphat ' his iourney to⁴ take,

And all þe pastours & þe playnes ' prestly to drive,

And leing in all þe bestaȝt ' þaryn & oþire,

þat he miȝt se oþi any syde ' þe cite of Galira. 1200

Jehu monys he on, sir Meliager ' þis miȝtiful þrince

With a soume of sekiȝ men ' & Sampson þam ledis,

A renke at in þe regions ' had redyn oft sythes,

And knew þe costes & þe kitthis ' cleme all-to-goder.

þus pole þai furthe egerly ' & entira þe valle, 1205

And alike a prai þam apenes⁵ ' as pyne were to reken,

Bryngis furthe, sayd þe boke ' bestis out of noumbres,

And troties oþ toward Tyre ' wilȝ tails at Jaies hercys.

Bot or þai meteȝ ware a myle ' þe meris with-outen,

He needs now
out on the
' Song of Galira.'Meliager and
Sampson enter
(Vol. II.)
the valley.will take a great
number of outlet.¹ MS. palow. ² Inserted at the end of the line. ³ MS. de.⁴ MS. his. ⁵ MS. to to ; with force to stretch out.

MS. mounters.

þen jaime of perse to pay ' or to please ouðer. 1180

Than takes þe Bishop þe heuse ' & to chawmboȝ bownes,

Resayues it with reverence ' & redes it ouȝer,

Gase hym downe be degreee ' ayayn to þe sale,

Swythly to þe swyres ' & jaime þe aware jolids : 1184

" Sirres, ayres agayn to alexander ' & all þus hym tellys, Epistles.

That me was done mony day ' deply to awere,

Neuer perse to pare ' ne passe with none armez

In damagynge of darius ' endrard hys lyue." 1188

When þe wale kyng wist ' he wes wode wroth,

" Now by god," quod þe grome ' " þat gait me on

erth,

I sali seches Lewres on þe Lewes ' enys¹ or I dye,

Salit ken whosoȝ comandement ' þat jaime to kepe

faller. 1192

þit for no toſter þat he tyde ' tyre wald he noȝt lene,

Bot cheze hym owt a chiftane ' & chargez hym belyue,

A mody man, sir meliager, ' a maister of hys oste,

To fonde forth with a flete ' of fyfe hundredþ knayghtz;

1196

And miȝtines hym to Iosaphat ' hya Iornay to make, 1197

And all þe pastours & þe playnes ' prestly to² dryve,

Bot bring in all þe bestes ' bareñ & other,

þat he miȝt see in any syde ' þe cite of Gader. 1200

Than mefes on sir Meliager ' þis miȝtiful þrince

Wyth a soume of syker men ' & sampson þam ledes,

A renke þat in þe regions ' had rydyn oft sythes,

And knew þe costes & þe kitthis ' cleme all-to-goder. 1204

þus hyd þai forþ egerly ' & entird þe wale,

And suchis a pray þaim p̄seved ' als pyne wer to reken,

Bringis forth, als says þe boke ' bestis out of noumbres,

And troties oþ toward tyre ' wilȝ tails at þair hercys. 1208

Bot or þai meteȝ ware a myle ' þe meris with-outen,³

[Vol. II.]

¹ read enys.² MS. de.³ MS. were out.

þor metis pain with a mekill flote · þe maister of þe
playnes,

He was duke of þe¹ drounes · & of þe derfe hillis,
Ane Thosellus, a tulke · þet tened þam vnfaire. 1212
He girdis in with² a gyn · armed in plates,
Alto-brutes oure bernes · & brathly woundid,
Felles fel at a frasch · fay to þe grunde,
And many renke at he roue · rase neuer after. 1216

þan was sir Meliager moned · & maynly debatis,
Flingis out on a fole · with a feli spere,
Gers many greto syre geane · & girdis purje maillis,
And many bernes at a braide · in his heath endis. 1220

So do Sampson
And Sampson off anotherie side · setis out belyne,
Brusches farth on a blonk · brymly he smytes,
Betis off with a brande · broken was his lance,
Hewis down of þa hirdis · hurtis þam vn-faire. 1224

and Aristed.
Arystes, an astill man · ai elike fiftie,
Spirris out with a spere · & spedis his miȝtie,
And noyed of þare note-men · at þo nene keþid,
And many bald, or he blan · broȝt out o-lyue. 1228

Caulus also
distinguishes
himself.
Caulus, anotherie kniȝt · on a kene stede,
Oñ Thosellus in twa · his tymble he brekis;
And þan he dryfes to þe duke · as demys me teextis,
And with a swyng of a swerd · swappis of his hedde. 1232

(Vol. 22 8.3)
Meliager retires
in triumph,
with all the
cattle.

And when he was drepyd & dede · at þe drounes þomyd,
þe prekers of þe pastors · & of þe proude landis,
All þe folke of his affinitate · at frasch ware vn-wondid,
þat outhire foto had or fole · to þe diȝt foundid. 1236

But his troubles
are not over.

Beritimus attacks
him.

þas Meliager with his men · þe menske has a chevyd,
For þe fairers of þur fass · & þe fild wonid;
Raschis with rethres · & rydis hot a quyle,
And nejis juñ a-nothirre note · as new as þe first. 1240
þare was a maister of þe marches · mightist of oþhire
Ane Beritimus, a berne · als þe buke telles,
Come girland furth of Gadires · out of þe grete cite,

¹ Inserted at the end of the line.

þor metis paine a miche folke · þe maister of þe
playnes,

The duke of þe drafes · & of þe derfe fellys,
One tocessell a tulke · þet teayd þam vnfaire. 1212

He girdis in with a gyn · grathid in playthes,
All to-brouantes þes bernes · & wykyly paine wounded,
Felles mony fay at a frash · fast to þe grunde,
And mony renke þet he ouer-rade · rase never aftir. 1216

Than was sir Meliager amoved · & manly debatis,
Flynges forth on a fole · with a feli spere,

And bernes mony grett syro · þorow thikke males, 1219
All fell bernes at [a] brayde · whilse his breth lastez.

And sampson on one other syde · settes on belyne,
Brushes forth on a blonk · brathly he smytes,
Botes on with a brande · for brokyn was hya launes,
Howes down on þe berdes · & hurtis þam vnfaire. 1224
Then aristes, an atheist man · & by elike feightez,
Sparres forth with a spere · & spedos hya miȝtitez,

· · · · · Mony bald or he blan · bright owt of lyfe. 1228

Than Caulus, an other knyȝt · on a ked stede,
On thosellus in twa · lys tembre he brekys;
And þen he dryfes to þe duke · als tellys me þe teextis,
Bot with a swyng of a swerde · swappex of hys hened.

When he was drepyd þus & dede · & þe drounes þomyd,
þe prekers of þe pastures · & of þe prouud Landez,
All þe folk of hys affinitate · port frehess² wer vnwoundid,
þot other foto hed or fole · to þe flyȝt founder. 1236

Thena meliager with hys men · þe menske þur schenett,
Fellyd þe feiranc³ of þur foes · and þe feld wonnez⁴;
And raches with þair route · & ryden bott a while,
Bot þor neghyd þam ame oper note · als new as before;
þer was a maister of þe marche · þe myghtiest of other.
One beritimus, a berne · als þe buke telles, 1242
Come girland furth of gadires · owt of þe grete cite,

¹ Better omitted. ² Sic. ³ MS. feiranc. ⁴ Read woon.
ALEXANDER.

With þe selcoutht soume · þat semblid was esir. 1244
 Silk a mynd vñ-to¹ me · ware meruallif to reken,
 [20,000 foot attack
the Greeks.]
 Thretti thousand in thede · of thare men of armes,
 Slike as was buskest on blonkes · in bronys & platez,
 And oþhire folawand on fote · fole with-outer noumbe.
 þe multitude was so mokift · as mynes vs þe writhis,
 Of wees & of wilþ horsis · & wapened premys,
 Sa stiþe a steyn in þe stoure · of stedis & ellis,
 As it was semand to siȝt · as all þe soyle trymblid. 1252

þan waro þe Messedones amayd · quen þa see² sa many;
 Sirs Meliager [was] in gret mynd · a man out to sende
 To acr Alexander belyne · paire allire maister, 1255

To come & help with his horȝ · or jai to hande sole.
 þare was name þat was glad · þat message to gange,
 Bot ilka lathire & oþhire · to lese jaire frydne,
 Fest pur forward in-fere · þat fowe at þai war,
 To do as drigkeit wald deme · & dyi ait to gedre; 1260

To tolle paire torfer entrye · it taryed me swythe.
 Bot so þe mode Meliager · & his men feftis,
 þat ser Beritimus þa hale · þai brentid to deth,
 And Sampson on þis side · was slay þar-agynys. 1264

þeth mowernes alli þe Messedones · & maynten hym jerne,
 Makis jure mane for þut man · & many oþhire noble,
 For maistris & mynistris · menors & gretoris, 1267
 þet was in morsels magred · & martrid a hundredth.

And þut left ware on lyfe · bot a littil meyne,
 Ware als maltrid³ & mased · & matid of paire strenthes,
 Sa walke & so wyndles · & wary for-fogted, 1271
 þet þai were will in þis werd · qwat þai worth suli.

Sise Meliager & oþhire man · mayned were sare,
 AH be-blid & to-brissid · þat neȝ þur broth falias,
 þai were as feble & as faynt · & full of paine-ache,
 þet all in fere was in fourme · þe fild for to jold. 1276
 þai aires him forth Aretes · was angrily woundid,
 To alexander onomos · þas auantis him tellis,

The Macedones
are dismayed.

None like to go on
a journey to
Alexander.

(P. II.)

Sir Meliager kills
Beritimus.

but Sampson is
slain.

Many Greeks are
killed.

Sir Meliager is
now wounded.

Aretes goes to
tell Alexander.

¹ to added in margin. ² see added in margin. ³ Sir.

With þe selcoutht soume · þat semblid was euer, 1244

With a mynd to me · wer merellif to rekyn,

A thretti thousand in thede · of thare men of armes.

Snehe as war on blonkes · in bronys & platez,

And other folawand on fote · fels owt of noumbe. 1248

The multitude was so much · as mynes vs þe writhis,

Of wyres & of wild horse · & of wapened bernes,

So styf a steuen in þe stoure · of stedes & enmys,

As it was semand [to siȝt] · as þe sei tremblid. 1252

þen war þe masydones amoved · when þai so mony seeð;

Sir meliager was in grete mynd · a man owt to send

To alexander als belyue · paire aller maister, 1255

To Come to help with hys heir · or jai to hand rydyd.

Bot þar war name þat was made · þe message to fanning,

Bot ilke ledi elike loth · to leven jaire frendes,

And festid jaire forwender in-fere · þe few þat þor war,

To do as drigkeit wald deme · & dyi ait to gedre; 1260

To tell jaire torfer in ter · it wald tary me to lang.

Bot so þe mode meliager · & hys men foughtell,

þat Sir beritimus þa hale · þai brityned to dede,

And sampson was of hys syde · slayn þar-agynys. 1264

þen mowern alli þe masydones · & meynyd hym swythe,

Made grett mone for þis man · & mony oþer noble,

For maisters & ministris · meynier & gretoris, 1267

þet war in morsellys made · & mortyred by hundrethis,

And þut left war on-lyne · bot a lytelt meynah,

Wer also maiestrit & maynd · & matid of paire strenthes,

So walke & so wyndles · & wary for-fogted,

þot þai war will in þe wold · qwat þai worth suli. 1272

Sir meliager & oper mo · mayned war sare,

AH to-blid & to-breyed · þot were paire broth fayled,

Thair were so feble and so fayne · and falt of paine-sches,

þot ait in fere & in forme · þe feld for to jold. 1276

Than ayres hym forth aristes · was angrily woundid,

To alexander onomos · þees auantis hym tales,

þe morth of all þe Messedone[s] · & of þe many grekis,
Rokem him þar reson[s] · þat restis was to here. 1280
With þat þe semely kyng · chachos his bernes,
Semblis him a huge soume · & fra þe sege wendis,
þe touris of Tyre & þe touris · titly he leves,
And Ioynes him to Iosaphat · full ioyles he rydes. 1284
Ay he gretis as he gais · for grefe of his knyghtis,
Ay he pleynys as he passes · þe pite of his erlis,
Ay he weys as he wendis · for his wale princes,
And sounervynly for Sampson · he sorowis ay elike. 1288
Whem he was tane froward! Tyre · toward þe vaille,
þe werke at he wreft had · þat water whyl-in,
þat he had sett in þe see · þe cite with-out,
þar-in he lefis had a lede · þe logo for to kepe. 1292
Bot þan ser Balaan, a berne · sit in þe burȝe lengis,
Ane of þe tenards of Tyre · atyres him³ belyus,
Buskes him in bremes · with big men of armes, 1295
With trameis & with tribochetis · þe tild to assile.
He bekirs owt at þe bild · withiin þe burȝe-wallis,
And jai without in þe werke · wylly defendis,
Schot scharply betwene · schomes⁴ of darts;
Weris wondirly wele⁵ · weyris out stans. 1300

Alexander kills some men round him, and leaves Tyre.

[fol. 22 v. 1]

Sir Balas of Tyre sends Alexander's dogs.

and breaks them down.

He destroys Alexander's towers, and throws them into the sea.

Bot Balas[n] is þe barmekene[n] · sa bitterly fiftis,
All to-combes þam clene · with cast of engynes.
Sone þe top of þe touris · he tiltis in-to þe water,
And all þe talkis in þe tild · he termens o lyve; 1304
And þan in batis & in bargis · he bownes him swyth,
To þe bothous of þe baistell · he buskes hym wikkis,
Brutens downe all þe beldi · & þe bernes whelles,
Drenches hir in þe dep[i]e · & drawis hir on heys. 1308
Quen it was smotin so in small · withiin þe smet wawes,
Ilke gobet his gate · glidis fra oþire,
Pus⁶ þe strenth ilk stike⁶ · was in a stounde wasted,

¹ MS. toward altered to froward.
² MS. here inserts h, but it is struck out. ³ Read schomes.
⁴ Added in the margin. ⁵ MS. þas was.
⁶ MS. stilk stike; but stilk is struck out.

The morte of all þe masydons · & of þe many grekis,
Rekens hym þe reson[s] · þat restis was to here. 1280
With þat þe comle kyng · chaker hym bernis,
Semblent Hym A Hoge soume · & fro þe seige wendis, [fol. 22.]
The touris of tyre & þe towne · titly he levys,
And ioynes hym to Iosaphatt · full ioyles to ryde. 1284
Ay he gretis as he goys · þe grefe of hys knyghtis,
Ay he pleynys as he passes · þe pite of hys Erles,
Ay he weys as he wendis · for hys wale princes,
And sounervynly for sampson · he sorowis easirlyke. 1288
When he was turnyd froward tyre · toward þe vaille,
The werk at he wrought had · þe water within,
þat he had sett in þe see · þe cite wikkis,
Thare-in he left hed a lityll⁷ · [þe] logo for to kepe. 1292
Bot þen sir balas, a berne · þat in þe banch lenged,
One of þe tenards of tire · stred hym belyne,
Buskes hym in bremes · with big men of armes,
With trawynns & trebgetes⁸ · þe touris to assyille. 1296
He bekirs owt at þe beldi · ouer þe brade walle,
And jai within⁹ þe wesk · wightly defenden,
Shotis sharply bytwene · swappyn owt darter;
Weris wondirly wele · warpyn owt stanis. 1300
Bot balas is þe brilage · sa bitterly feghtez,
All to-combers þam clene · with cast of engynes.
Sone þe toppe of þe touris · he typys in þe water,
And all þe talkis in þe tild · he termys þe lyve; 1304
Than in barges & in botzis · he bownes hym swyth,
To þe bothous of þe baistell · he buskes hym wikkis,
Brutens downe all þe beldi · & þe bernes whelles,
Drenches hir in þe dep[i]e · & drawis hir on heys. 1308
When it was smotyn so in small · withiin þe smet wawes,
Ilke gobet his gate · glidis fra oþire,
Thus þis strenth ilke stike · in a stounde wastyl,

⁷ Read ledn. ⁸ MS. trebgetes. ⁹ MS. without within.
¹⁰ MS. gydes, covr, to gydes.

And Balas[n] bowis in-to þe burȝ · & barris to þe patis.
Be þis owt kyng with his knyȝt[is] · is comen in-to þe
vaille, 1313

Alexander arrives at the
vaille,

spurs Bucifalos.

[Pl. 22.]
and overthrows
all before him.

He draws his
sword, and leaves
no man alive
except the
captain.

He hastes his own
dead.

He hastes Gaders,

and returns to
Tyre.

He sees his siege-
works destroyed.

Alexander with one ost · his knyȝt[is] to help,
Fyndis a fewe of his folke · feghtand ferme,
And ay a sagge be him-selfe · sett all a hundreth, 1316
With þet Bucifalon his blonke · he brased¹ in þe side,
Springis out with a spere · spillis at þe gaynose,
Rides enow þurȝe þe route · þor rankest jai were,
Be rawe of þer rabetis · he rusched to þe erthe, 1320
He strikis al fra þer stedes · streȝt hym be-forne.
Was name sa stiffe in þet stoures · miȝt stand him
agayn;

Quane althir-thickest was þe thrange · þurȝe þaim he
rynnes,

And makis a wai wyde enoȝe · waynes to mete, 1324
He laschis out a lango swerde · quen his lance failes,
Threeshys dous in aȝ thrawo · many threyn dakis,
Stirs him se in a stonde · & his stithe erla
þat þer was [na] borne on bent · bott brestened or
yolken.

þe sagge ouf his awen side · þat he slayn fyndis,
He mas to grene sun in grete · & saw in gray marble.
And ja þot laft wares o-lyne · he lokis þer woundis,
And faire fangis his folke · & fra þe feld wendis, 1332
Jan bowes he to þe baistall · & brymly it semblis,
Gedirs of ilk glode · grottir & smallise,
And prekis furth with his pray · & passes fwardar
Gadirs,

And tȝt agayne toward Tyre · to termen his age, 1336
Quen he was drewn ouer þe dales · & drew to þe cite,
With þot he blisches to þe burȝ · & sees his bȝld
woydell,

Als bare as a bast · his baistell a-way,
But outhire burre or bate · bot þe brade watter, 1340

And balsam bownes to þe burȝ · & barres þe gatez, 1312
Be owt ewr kyng with hys knyȝt[es] · was comen to þe
vaille,

Alex[ander] with an hostis · hys aþtoff to helþ,
Fyndes a fewe of hys folke · feghtyng full jarne, 1316
And a sage by hym-selfe · sett to a hundreth,
With þet basifalon hys blonke · he brochys in þe sydez,
Sprynges forth with a spere · spyllez at þe ganest,
Rides enow þorow þe route · þor rankest jai were, (Pl. 22. 2.)
The rawes of þair arayes · he rushes to þe erth, 1320
He strikis al þair stedes · streȝt downe hym before,
Was none so stiffe in þe stoures · to stand hym aȝayns;

þat al þe thikkest wer of thrange · thrugh þaim he
rynnes,

And makez a wai wyde enoȝe · waynes for to mete, 1324
He lashes out a lang swerde · when hys lance wantes,
Threashys downe in a thrawo · mony thryme dokes,
Stirs hym se in a stound · he and hys stiffe creles,
þat þer ne was born on þe bent · bot brytynett or
golden. 1328

The segges of hys awne syde · al at he slain fyndes,
He makes to grave, some in grete · some in gray marbly.
And þo þot left wer on lyne · he leches þair wondes,
And fair fangis he hys folke · & fro þe feld tournes, 1332 ^{þe victoria}
^{alexandri.}

Then prekes forth with hys pray · jus before gaders,

And tournes agayn toward tyre · to terme hys seige, 1336
When he was drewn ouer þe dales · & drew to þe cite,
With þot he blyshys to þe burȝ · & seys hys beyld
woydett,

Also bare as ony basto · hys baistell away,
Bot ony barks or bordis · hot þe brade water, 1340

¹ The x is ill-formed.

² Added in the margin.

Jan mournes al þe Mossadones & maynly was
sturb[i]g.¹

And Alexander also was angrely greuyd,

So ware jai troublid out of toun quen þai jaire tilde
miste,

þot of þe taking of Tim trest þai na langire. 1344

And so him-selfe in his slepe þe same nyȝt after,

Him thought he had in his hand & held of a vyno

A growen grape of a grype a gret & a rype, 1347

þe quale he flange² on þe flore & with his fete
tredia.

And quen he broken had þe bery als þe berne sumes,

þur folous out of frescho wyne feethes to mete;

So largely & so delanly of licoure him thinkis,

Of ase raysyn to ryȝt it was a ryȝt wondrie. 1352

þe kyng callis him a clerke kende on þe³ morn,

Als radly as he rase to reche him his sweyn.

"Sire, bees dred menir a delo" þe diuinour said,

"I vndiretake on my trouthie Tyre is þine awen; 1356

For þe bery at þe brake sa is þe burys eues.

þai saff be seid þe full som & to þe p[er]cell golden,

For þou saff est oft on ernest entir on þe wallis,

And foulis⁴ vndir þi feete within a fewe days. 1360

Now compas keneil þis kyng & castis in hys mynd

How he mijt couir in any cas to come to þe cite,

Deynyses depoly on dais dropis many wiles,

If he esthe seke any sleȝt þat hym serue wald; 1364

And makis to sett in þe see⁵ right in þe same place,

þær as þe bild at he be[ll]ild biggid wasse first,

To stabill vp a grete strente al on store schipis,

Hugis be þe halfe dele & hiȝer þan þe tofere; 1368

And þot he ficheſ & firmes so fast to þe wall,

So neȝt vnethes at aȝe old mijt narrowly betwene,

And band hire, as þe buke sais bigly to gedre, 1371

Alexander de-serves of taking
Troy.

but dreams
that he has a ripe
grape
in his hand,

[Pl. 22 & 1]
which yields
much wine.

A stock tells him
that this predicts
his victory over
Troy.

Alexander builds
up a large tower
than before,

higher than the
walls of the town,

¹ The i is illegible. ² MS. inserts et, but it is struck out.

³ Added in the margin. ⁴ Read soule hire.

Than marnes al þe musidens & felly wer trublett,

And alexander was also awgredly greuyde,
So ware jai turblett of þe towne quen þai þer till
myseyd,

That of þe takyng of tyn tristed þai no longer. 1344

And so hymselfe in hys slepe þe same nyȝt after,

Hym toȝht⁶ he had in hys hand a hold of a wyne,

A growen grape of a grype a grett & a rype, 1347

þe whilke he flange of þe flore & with hys fot
trodes;

And when he brokyn had þe bery als þe berne sumes,

þær flowe owt of fresh wynne fidelez exowre;

So largely & so delavy of liquor hym thynker,

Of ase raysyn to ryȝt þat was a gret wondrie. 1352

þe kyng callis a clerke kende on þe morn,

Als radly as he rase to reche him his sweyn.

"Sir, bees dred menir a delo" þe devinour hym sayde,

"I vndertake it on my trewhit tyre is þi nawne; 1356

For þe bery þat þou brake þot is þe burgh ones,

That shal be sayd þe ful som & to þe p[er]cell jolies,

For þou saff oft in ernest enter þe walles,

And felte hit vnder fotu within a fewe days." 1360

Now compas keneil þis kyng & castis in hys mynd

How he couth in any cas come to þe cite,

Deynyses depoly on dais dropes mony willes,

If he couth seke any sleȝt þat hym serue wald; 1364

And makis to sett in þe see right in þe same place,

þær as þe bild at he be[ll]ild biggid wasse first,

To stabill vp a grete strente al on store schipis,

Hugis be þe halfe dele & hiȝer þan þe tofere; 1368

And þot he ficheſ & firmes so fast to þe wall,

So neȝt vnethes at aȝe old mijt narrowly betwene,

And band hire, as þe buke sais bigly to gedre, 1371

⁷ Sic in MS.

With þat scho flisch moþer fayle¹ · fyue score anukirs,
Quen he hed tijt vp þis trame² · & þis tild rerid,
Hit had of bradnes aboue · to broune out of mesour;

and close against
them.

He seconds the
tower,

[Fol. 54.]

and bids him men
be ready.

He assautes Tyre;

Drums and
trumpets sound.

Arrows approach
the walls.

The besieged
defend them-
selves.

The Greeks
attack the tower.

Alexander
performs
wonders.

And to hedes haþe a huge thing · hiȝen it somed

Jan was þe wallis, axis þe wrift · of þe wale touris. 1376

Jan Alexander all his aȝe · an-ȝe he ascenderis,

Closid all in clere stele · & in clene plates,

And monesit ilk modir soȝt · manly & swyþt,

þat all be bowne at a brayd · þe burȝe to assaile. 1380

And all þe oȝt enyf ouer · he openly comandis

To beȝt radly all arayd · & redy to fijȝ;

And quen jai sage þot him-selfe³ · þe cite was entird,

Wan vp wiȝyl on þe walis · ilk weȝt him eftir. 1384

Now tenelis vp tabars · and all þe toȝin rengis,

Steryn shewyn vp stroke · strakid þar trumpeȝ,

Blewem beymis of bras · hermes assembleis,

Segeys to on ilk syde · & a saute yeldis. 1388

Pare preis to wilk panes · peple wiðoutis;

Archars with arows · of atter envenemondis⁴

Schotis vp scharþy · at shalkeȝ on þe walis,

Lasch at þam of loft · many ledȝ flown,

And þai japeyly a-payne · & yldis þam swythe,

Bekirȝing forth of þe burȝe · bold men many,

Kencly þai kastis of · with kastis of stanys,

Drives darȝis at ourr dukis · delyl þam woundid. 1395

Jan passis vp ourr princes · prestly⁵ enarmis,

In-to þe baistell a-bofe · tremely ascendis,

Sum with lances on-lofe · & with lange swerdeȝ,

With ax & with awblester · & alken wapen. 1400

Alexander ai elike · angriȝ feijȝis,

Now a schaft, now a schild · nowe a schene he[n]tis;

Now a sparh, now a spere · & sped so his miȝtis,

þot it ware too my tonge · to of his turns rekyu. 1404

Lest sho fleschet or faylett · with fyle score ankers. 1372

When he hed tijt vp þis trame · & þis tild rerid,

It hed of bradnes aboue · to broune out of mesour;

And to hede by hoge p[ro]ng · hegher it semyd

Than was [þe waliss], as þe writte sayȝ · of þe wale touris.

Jan alexander all [his axe] · a-nome he ascenderis, 1377

Closed all in clere stele · & in clene plates,

And monyshit iche moderis · manly & swyþt,

þot all be bowne at a heade · þe burȝt to assaile. 1380

All þe hoste⁶ even ouer · opuyly he comandis

Jarlȝ all to be armed · and redy to fight;

And when þai see þat hym-selvȝ · þe cite was entird,

Wynnes vpp vppo⁷ þe walis · ilke wy hym after. 1384

Now tykylȝ vp taburnes · þot all þe towne riages,

Storne steyn vpon stroke · straked trompettes,

Blew beymis of bras · bernes assembled,

Sought to on ilk syde · & a saute yeldyn,

To prese to wilk paves · a peple wiðoutis;

Archers with arows · of atter envenemondis⁸

Shoten vp sharply · at salkeȝ on þe walis,

Lasheȝ at þam on-lofe · in mony lowd showis,

And þai japeyly aȝayn · yeldyn þain swythe,

Bekirȝing forth of þe burȝe · bold men many,

Kesely þai keþe · with castyn g of stanes,

Dryves darȝis at ourr dukis · deþly þam wounded. 1395

Than passylȝ vp of princes · prestly enarmis,

Into þe baistell abowne · tremely ascendis,

Some with lances on-lofe · & some with long swerdeȝ,

With ax & with awblester · & alken wapen. 1400

And alexander ay elik · awgerly feghtis,

Now a schaft, now a schild · nowe a schene he[n]tis;

Now a sparh, now a spere · & sped so his miȝtis,

þot it wald tene my tonge · hys tourneya to reken. 1404

¹ MS. fay fayle; þat fay is struck out.

² Added in the margin. ³ softis added in the margin.

⁴ Sic. ⁵ MS. inserts or, þat it is struck out.

⁶ Sic.

⁷ Read vppo.

⁸ Read envenemondis.

And þai wiþ-in on þe wall · worthil wiþ-stude,
Ferly defend of · & fellid of his knyghtes,

Christis oure thikkefeld · many threnyn berne[s]. 1407

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The Greeks are
hard pressed.

The Greeks fight
very fiercely.

and destroy the
barribances of
Tyre.

Then Alexander
enters the breach.

slays Balan,

and throws
him over the
wall.

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The Greeks drive
off

And down bakward þam bare · in-to þe bretz wattris.

With þat oure wees without · writhis þam vnfare,

Went wode of þaire witt · & wrekes þam swyth;

For na wounde ne na watho · wand þai na langir,

Bot all wirkyd þaim wa · & wreke at þe culis. 1412

Saxo bmidis to þurh bowis · bremely þai schut,

Quothris out quards · quikly be-twene;

Strykis vp of þe stoure · stanes of engynes,

þet þe brageste a-hous · heast all in soundine, 1416

Girdis oure gargettes · with gomes to þe erthe,

Tilt toretis done · tounes on hepes,

Spedely with spreygaldis · split þaire braynes,

Many myȝtiful man · marris on þe wallis. 1420

And he þe kirmells ware kast · & kutt dous before,

Be þot þe baistef & þe burgh · ware bath elike hys,

And all oure werke without þe wallis · weterly semyd,

þe silis of þe cite · to so to o ferres, 1424

þai Alexander belyf¹ · on þam all entris,

Brusches in with a hand · on bernes a hundredth,

Thrang thurh a thousand · þare thikke þai were,

Wynnes worthily ouer þe wallis · with-in to þe cite. 1428

þe frist modirson þot he mett · opire man enthre,

Was Balan þe bald berne · as þe boke tellis,

And hir he settis on a saute · & slope him belyue, 1431

And werpid him out ouir þe wall · in-to þe wild stremes.

Som as oure athila be-hind · sape þurh he entred,

His men & all þe Messedones · maynly ascendis,

And þai of Greece greedily · girdis vp ofte,

Thingis vp on a thras · thousanddes many. 1436

Sun steppis vp on stans · to þe stane wallis,

On ilka staffe of a staine² · stike wald a cluster;

¹ MS. bely, altered to belyf in later hand.

² MS. reprents staine.

And þai within on þe wall · wightily withstandyns,
Derley defenden of · & felix of hys bernes,

Thrasto ouer thikkefeld · mony thriuen knyghtes,

And douȝt bakward þai bare · into þe brado water. 1408

With þat oure wyes withowte · wrathen þaim vnfare,

Went no wode out of þurh white · & wrekes þaim swyth;

For no we no wound · waned þai no langer,

Bot all wirkyd þaim wa · & wreke at þai couth. 1412

Son braden to þair bowes · & bremely shotyn,

Whirres out quards · whilkly betwene;

Strike vp of þe stoure · stanes &³ engynes,

þet þe brageste abofo · heast all in sonder,

Girdes oure gargettes · with gomes⁴ to þe erth,

Typed toretis donne · tounes on hepes,

Spedely with springaltes · spliten þair bernes,

Many myȝtiful man · murred on þe walles. 1420

And be þe kernels wer kast · & cut⁵ down before,

Be þot þe bastef & þe burgh · was bath elike hys,

And all oure þe werke without · witterly semyd,

The sydes of þe cite · to se to on fernesse, 1424

Than alexander als belyne · on þam all entris,

Brushos in with a brande · on bernes as hundreth,

Thrang thorow a thousand · þurh all þe thikke wer,

Wynnes wightily ouer þe wall · within to þe cite. 1428

The frist modirson þot he mett · or other man other,

Was balan þe bald berne · as þe boke tellis,

And hym he settes on a sawte · & slegh hym belyfe,

And wappyd⁶ hym ouer þe wallis · in-to þe wild stremes,

When þair hatels byhynde · saw þurh hemed entre, 1433

Hys men & all þe maydons · manly ascended,

And þai of greece greedily · girdes vp after,

Throngs vp on a thras · thousanddes mony. 1436

Some spettyn⁷ vp on styes · to þe stane walles,

On ilke staffe on a stare · stike wald a clostre;

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¹ MS. writes above the line; read of.

² MS. cunes; ³ wrongl.

⁴ Read warpyd. ⁵ Read steppyn.

some with
holders,
and some
without.

And quan as holdirs had name · as þe lyne tollis. 1439
 Wald gett þair hand with þair hand · & on-lofte elyme.
 Sa frejt ware þor ethine · þat fiftis whilin,
 For Balan þor bald duke · þat broȝt was¹ of lyne,
 þat al failis þam þe force · & so ferd wroþin,
 þat nothins with stafe ne with stane · withstand þai na
 · langiz. 1444

Sire Alexander with his athils · & his aƿen sleȝtis

Thus was Tyre
taken.

þe tounes of Tire þus he take · & oþerne twa burges,
 In þe quylke þe siriens of þis sire · so many sorowys
 had,
 As wald hot tary all oure tale · þair torment to reken,
 Some als þis cite was seyd · & slayne vp & golden, 1449
 þen ridis forth þe riche kyng · & removid his ost,
 Gase him furth to Gaza · a-nothins gret eite,
 And þat he settes on a saute · & sesis it be-lyue; 1452
 And quen þis Gaza was gotten · he graythis his swyfth,
 And Ioynes him toward Ierusalem · þe lewys to distroy;
 And þe þat² keþys of þis erupe · to knaw any ferre,
 Some salt I neuer saw þe note · þat is next after. 1456

Alexander takes
Gaza,

and approaches
Jerusalem.

Septimus passus Alexandri.

When the bishop
hears of his
approach.

Als hastily as þai herd of · in þe haly eite,
 And bodword to þe bischop · broȝt of his come,
 For Alexander ap · almost he esen deis, 1459
 For he had nite him a merand · noȝt bot o new time.
 And now his pinke in his þost · him thurt noȝt han
 carid
 In all his mast mystir · nad he þat man faylid,
 When he for soucre to þe cite · sent him his lettir;
 And he soyned him be his sorement · þat sare him for
 thinkis. 1464

(Vol. 25, p. 1)

¹ Added in the margin.

² MS. inserts his; but it is struck out.

And who so holderys comth lache · as þe line witnes,
 Wald gett þair hand with þair hand · & on-lofte wynne.
 So frijt we þase other folke · þat foughten whilin, 1441
 Fr¹ balan þair bald duke · þat broȝt was of line,
 þat al failis þam þe force · & so ferd wroþin,
 þat nowder with stafe ne with stane · whilastode þai no
 langer. 1444

Sir alexander with þoes athellys · & with his awns
 sleȝtis

The toare of tire þus he take · and other ij borghes,
 In þe whilke þe sarries of þis syre · so many sorowys
 haddyn;

All wald hot tary oþre tale · þairre torment to reken. 1448 ^{whilastole} tyne.
 Some als þis cite was seyd · slayne vp & golden,
 þen ridis forth þe riche kyng · & removes þe hoste,
 Gase forth to guza · ane oþre gret eite,
 And he settes on a swite · and seses it beline; 1452
 And when þis guza was gotten · he grathes hym swyfth,
 And ioynes hym toward Ierusalem · þe lewys to distroy;
 And þe þat² keþys of þis caspyng · to hero any ferre,
 Some salt I neuer saw þe note · þat now is next after.

Septimus passus.

Als hastily as þai herd of · in haly eite, 1457
 And Bodword to þe bischop · was broȝt of his come,
 For alexander aw · almost he dyes, 1459
 And for he hed nekyd hym with nay · in a new tyse.
 And now he penkes in his thought · he turft³ noȝt haue
 care

In al hym matester · made he hym fayler,
 When he for soucre to þe cite · send hym hym lettir;
 And he soned hym by þis case · þat nowe hym for
 thynek. 1464

¹ Read For. ² Read thurt. ³ Read nad he þe man fayled.

He had rather
have here
forever than
have denied
Alexander
anything.

"For me haſt leſer," quod þe lede, "be lethirly for-
sworniſſ."

On as many halidoms · as opens¹ & speris,
þan anys haſe greuyd þat gone · or warſed him his
erand! 1467

þet ouer I warmed him his will · wa is me þat stonde!"
þus was Iudeſ of ioy · & iolite depreyfed;

And all þe ieuſis of ieruſalem · he loyallyt aſſembled.
He ſaid, "Alexander is at hand · & will vs all cumbre,
And we ore dredles vndone · bot driftien vs help." 1472

þan bedis þe biſchop aſt þe burge · borneſ & oþire,
Athiſis of all age · elder & þongire,

Comandis to ilka creatour · to crie purje þe stretis,
To thi dain on a thrawe · he threplid to-gedire, 1476

Ilk a frek & ilka fante · to fast & to pray,
To occupy þar oures & orisons · & offere in þur temple,

And call vp with a clea voice · to þe kyng of heynyn,
To kepe þam, at þis conqueyrour · encumbrið þaſſe
newis. 1480

Now seȝen þai to þur Sinagogis · all þe cite ouire,
Ilka bodi þar bedis · þat in þe burge longis,

Putt þam to prayris · & penaunce enduris,
þe vengance of þis victour · to vido if þai miȝt. 1484

þe night estis þe note · na² tellis me þo writteſ,
Quen all þe cite was on-alepe · & sacrificiſ endit,

In ane abite of þe ayre · aue Aſangell aperis
To Iudeſis of ieruſalem · & him with ioy gretis: 1488

"I bringe þe bodworf of blis · sir biſchop," he ſaid,
"With salutis of solas · I am ſent fra þe trone,

Fro þe maister of man · þe miȝtiful fader,
þat bedis þu noȝt be³ a-haſt · he haſe þi bone herd; 1492

And I amonſt þe to-morne · as I am enloyned,
þou pou as radly as þou riſe · amy aſt þe cite,

þe stretis & in all stedis · stowly & faire,

He addressed the
Jew,

and predicted a
5 day's fast.

All pray for help,

to be delivered
from Alexander's
vengeance.

An angel appears
to the bishop,
and comforts
him.

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"Arry the city
as if to receive a
victor,

¹ MS. open; altered to open in later hand.

² MS. &. ³ Added in the margin.

"For me haſt leſer," quod þe lede · "bene lethirly for-
sworneſſ"

On all þe halidoms · as opyn are to nevyñ,
Than onys haſe greved þis gone · or groched with hys
erand! 1467

þet ouer I warmed hym hys willo · wa is me boudoun! "
Thus was Iudeſis of ioy · & iolite depreyfed;

And all þe ieuſis of Ieruſalem · he ioutly aſſembled.

And¹, "alexander is at hand · & will vs all combre,
And we er vterly vndone · bot drygheſ vs shelde." 1472

Than biddes þe biſchop aſt þe burgh · borneſ & oþer,
Athelis of all age · both elder & younger,

Command ieho creature · & cryed þowor þe stretis,
Tir thr̄ days on a thrawe · weare threpliyt to-gedir, 1476

And ilke fruke & euryſ faſtis · to fast & to peſy,
To occupy in pair orisons · & offens² in þe temple,

And calle vp wiþ kene cry · vnto þe kyng of heynyn,
And kepe þam wiþ þis conquerour · he comber þam
nener. 1480

Thair soȝt to pair sinagogue · all þe cite ouire;
Ieho body to pair bedes · at in þe burgh londes

Putten þam to prayers · & penaunce indureteſ,
þe vengance of þis victor · to vido if þai miȝt. 1484

The thred nyght after þis note · as newen me þe text,
When all þe cite was slope · & sacrificiſ endyt,

In ane habite of þe ayre · an angel apperes
To Iudeſis of Ieruſalem · and hym with ioy gretis: 1488

"I bringe þe bodworf of [blis] · sir biſchop," he ſaid,
"With salutes of solas · am ſend fro þe trone,

Fro þe maister of mageſte · & þot mightiſ ful fader,
A byddes þe nightiſ be abyſed · he haſe þi bone herd;

And I amonſt þe to-morne · as me was amoved, 1492
þot þou as radly as þou ryſe · amy all þi cite,

The stretis & all stedis · stowly & faire,

¹ Read Said. ² Read combre. ³ Read offer.

þot it be onest all ouire : & open vp þe patis. 1496
 Lett þen þe pupill ilka poll : apared be clene,
 And al maners of men : in mylk-quyte clathis.
 And pas, þou & þi prelates : & prestis of þe temple,
 Rauente all off a raw : as youre rewile askis. 1500
 And quen þis conquerour comes : caire him agaynes ;
 For he mon ride þus & regne : ouire all þe ronde wende
 His lordship in ilka lede : in-to his late days,
 And þen he' ditz to þe deeth : of driflins ire." 1504
 ¶ Some þe derke ouire-drafe : & þe day springis,
 Oure bishop bownes hym of bed : & buskis on his wedis,
 And þen logis all þe iewis : & generall callis,
 A-vnies þain his vision : how þe voice bedis; 1508
 þan consule hims hi clergy : cleane all-to gedre,
 And all þe cite usentis : samsons & oþir,
 To bowne furth with all þe burye : & buske þum
 belyns,

As him was said in his slepe : þis souverayn to mete. 1512
 þan ryndes he furth in a rase : & arais all þe cite,
 Braids ouire with bawdikyns : all þe brade stretis,
 With tars & with tafta : þor he tredo suldu, 1515
 For þe erth to slike ame Emperour : ware ouire feble.
 He plyes ouire þe pavement : with ȝ pallon webis,
 Mas on hight ouire his hede : for hete of þe sole,
 Sylours of sendale : to sele ouire þe gatis, 1519
 And sumous pain on aithire side : with silken rapis,

And þen he eggis vp on cordis : as carteyns it were,
 Eesen as þe eyngys pede : ouire be þe costes,
 All þe wawis with-oute : in webis of ynde,
 Of bright blasand blewe : browden with sternes, 1524
 þus aitred he þe tounes : & tately þar-efur
 On ilka way wid open : werped he þe patis;
 And quo se lukis fra with-out : & with-in haldis,
 It semyd as þe cite to se : one of þe seuy² houynys. 1528

and go to meet
Alexander,
the great
conqueror of the
world."

All the Jews
come to meet
Alexander with
honour.

Then he arrasps
the city to
receive Alexander.

He puts up
a banner to keep
off the earl's host.

[MS. B. 1. 1.]
He opens the
gate.

¹ MS. ba. ² Added above the line.

² MS. scyphus; with final s expected.

þot it be honest all ouer : & opyn vp þe gates. 1496
 Lett þen þi people ouerilko pollis : apared¹ be clene,
 And all maner of men : in milke-whitte clathis.
 Bett passe, þou & ji prestis : & prelates of þe temple,
 Rauente all off rawe : as your roche askes. 1500
 And when þis conquerour comes : carer hym agaynes ;
 For he must ryde & reynes : ouer all þe bresis of þe woldis,
 And be Lord of ilka lede : vnto hys last dayes,
 And þen be dight vnto þe deeth : of driflone ayre." 1504
 Some þe dyrke ouere-drafe : & þe day springis,
 Oure bishop bownes hym of bede : & buskes hym wedes,
 And þen þat Iew of all Iewes : in generali he cleys,
 Says þain hys vision : & as þe voyces biddes; 1508
 Than counsells hym þe Clergy : cleane alþat-geler,
 And all þe cety be assent : sarumbez & other,
 To bowne hym forth with all þe burgh : & buske hym
 belynes,

As hym was sayd in his slepe : þis souverayn to mete.
 Than ryndes forth in a rase : arays all þe eyte, 1513
 Spredre ouer with lawdikens : all þe brode stretis,
 With riches cloþez of tafta : qwer he tredo suldu,
 For þe erth to slike ame emperour : wer all to feble. 1516
 He plyes ouer þe pavement : pallent webbes,
 Makes on hight ouer þe haned : for het² of þe soff,
 Silours of sendale : to syle ouer þe gater, 1519
 And sampnez þaine on afer [side] : with sylkyn rapis,
 And þan he esches vp on cordis : als cartaynez it were,
 Eesen als þe eyngys pede : ouer be þe costes,
 Al þe walles withoute : in webbes of Inde,
 Of bright blysmund blewe : browden with sternes, 1524
 Thus styrred he þis tounes : & tately þar-after
 Of ilke way wide hopyn : warpyd he þe gates;
 Att who so wates fro withoutis : & within hedes,
 It semyd as to se to : on of þe seuen houens. 1528

¹ MS. apared; see L 1532.

² The t is written above the line.

The bishop and
priests are richly
arrayed.

Now passis furth þis prelate · with prestis of þo temple,
Reneschid him rially · & þat in riche wodis,
With erst & ¹ alite vnydes aft · as I am in fourmede,
Fulle of bridis & of beatis · of biss & of purpse; 1532
And þat was garnest full gay · with golden skirtis,
Store stansd stanes · strekiland all ouire,
Sandid fullt of safis · & opis were gemmis,
And poundid with perry · was perosor & oþires. 1536
And eithen he castis off a Cape · of kastand hewe,
With riche rables of gold · maled bi þe ² hemmos,
A vestoure to vise on · of violet floures,
Wroȝt full of wodwose · & oþer wild bestis; 1540
And þan him byȝtild his hele · & had on a Mitre,
Was forgid aft of fyne gold · & frot fullt of perlis,
Stift staffullt of stanes · þat straȝt out hemes,
As it was shemerand shaftis · of þe shire soñ. 1544

Doctors & denymours · & oþire dere maistis,
Instis of iowyry · & logis of þe lawe,
Ware tired all in tomacles · of tarmyni webbis;
þai were bret-full of bees · aft þe body ouire, 1548
And oþer clientis & clerkes · as to þe kirke fallis,
Ware all sumen of a soyle · in surples of raynes,
þot slake a siȝt, I suppose · was nener sene eltes,
So parisold a procession · a person a-gaynes. 1552

Now bowis furth þe bischop · at þe burȝe jatis,
With prestis & with prelatis · a pale owt of nowmbr;
And aft þe cite in sorte · felawis him elter,
Quirris furth all in quyte · of qualite as angels; 1556
Maistis, marchands, & Mairo · mynistris & oþires,
Worthi wedous & wenches · & wynes of þe cite;
Be ilke barne in þe burȝ · as blangt ere þaire wedis
As any snyppend snaw · þat in þe snapo lizis. 1560
þær passis þe procession · a piple beforne,
Of childre aft in chalk white · chosen out a hundredth,
With bellis & with banners · & blesand torches,

¹ Read an. ² Added in the margin. ³ MS. shall.

The bishop wears
a golden mitre.

The rest are
dressed in rich
vices.

So rich a sight
was never seen.

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The citizens
follow in the
bishop's train.

All the robes white
as snow.

Now passes þis prelate · with prestes of þo temple,
Renest fully rially · & with ryche wedes,
First am habett under aft · as I am enformed,
Full of bridis & of beatis · of byss & of purpse; 1532
And þat was garnished full gay · with gold skirtis,
Store stansd stanes · strekilett aft ouer,
Sandid with saphires · and oþer were gemmis,
And pounderid with perre · was purer þurh ¹ oþer. 1536
Bot syne he kest on a Cape · of castans hewe,
With riche rybans of gold · raynely he þem,
A vesture of tyce · of vyolet floures,
Wright full [of] wodwose · & oþer wyllie bestis; 1540
And þen he heughtid on hys heued · a hoge fair myter,
Was forgett aft [of] fyne gold · & frett fullt of perlis,
Stight staffullt of stanes · þat straȝt ouer hemes,
Als it wer shemerand shaftes · shott fro þe sun. 1544
Doctors & denymours · & oþer dere maistis,
Instis of Lewry · & Lewes of þe lawe,
Wer tyrett aft in tomacles · of tarmare webbya;
And þai wer heightfull of bees · aft þe body ouer, 1548
And oþer clerkes & colters · at to þe kirke longes,
Wer all sampoun in a sort · with surples of raynes,
That such a sight, I suppose · was nener sene afir,
So parisold a procession · ane person a-gaynes. 1552

Now bournes furth þe bischop · at þe brode jatis,
With prestis & with prelatis · a pale owt of nowmbr;
And aft þe cite in sorte · sylex hym after,
Whirre forth aft in white · of qualite of angels; 1556
Marchaundes, maister mair · mynister and oþer,
Worthy wedous and wifes · & whences of þe cite;
Be ilke a barne in þe burȝ · all blanght is hys weder
Als any snappend snaw · þat in þe snapo lizis. 1560
Than passys þe procession · a peple beforne,
Of childre aft in chalk white · choeyn a hundredth,
With bellis & with banners ² · & blesand torches,

¹ Read þan. ² MS. banners.

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Instrumentis & ymagis · wilkin of þe Mynstire; 1564
 Sunne with sensours & so[n]es] · with silueryn cheynes,
 Quare of þe roke aromaticis · rase to þe welken;
 Sunne with of þe saynt-ware · many sore thingis,
 With tablis & topoures · & tretis of þe lawe; 1568
 Sunne bolstis of burnet · en-bruden with perlis,
 Bare before þe bischop · his buke on to lig;
 Sunne candilastickis of clere gold · & of clene siluer,
 With releckis full rialis · þe richest of þe austere. 1572
 þus sayl all þe semble · þe cite with-aute,
 Va-to a stonem stede · streit on þe temple,
 Scopulus, by sunn skill · þe scripture it callis,
 And þare þe come of þe kyng · þis couenant abidis. 1576
 Sonis Alexander with ane ost · of many athill dukis,
 Come prekan toward þe place · with prinses & erlis,
 Sees like a multitude of men · in mulke-quite clothis,
 And ilk seg in a soyte · at sellly him thinkis. 1580
 þan fyndis he in þis opie flote · famous and stolis,
 Practisirs & prematis · & prestis of þe lawe,
 Of dialictis & deces · doctours of aythir, 1583
 Baile chamerlayn & chaplays · in chalk-quite wodis.
 And as he waytis in a wra · þan was he ware some
 Of þe maister of þot menyeys · in myldis þe peple,
 þot was þo bald bischop · a-bofe alle þ[e]s² iewis,
 Was grypid in a garnant · of gold & of þur[r]prees. 1588
 And þan he hentes vp his epe · be-haldin on his myter,
 Before he saye of³ fyne gold · forgid a plate,
 þar-in graven þe grettest · of all godis names,
 þis title, Tetragrammaton · for so þe text tellis. 1592
 With þat comandis þe kyng · his knyghtis ouire⁴ ilkane,
 Baile berut & bachelors · & bald men of armes,
 Na mere þot place to aproche · a payn of þor lyus,
 Bot all to hold þam be-hynd · herewd & othire. 1596
 þan airis he forth all his ane · to þis athill menys,

*Children bear
strawberries.*

*Others bear
candle-sticks and
roses.*

*They wait
Alexander.*

*Alexander comes,
and finds all
waiting to receive
him.*

[fol. 37 a.]

*He sees the
bishop in his
morne.*

*With the title
Tetragrammaton.*

*Thinking advances
alone.*

¹ Added in the margin.

² MS. b.

³ Here forgid is inserted, but is underlined.

⁴ Read ouire.

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Instrumentis & ymagis · within of þe temple; 1564
 Som with censours & sow¹ · with sylveryn cheynes,
 Whar of þe roke of aromatyke · rase to þe welken;
 And of þe sanctury · mony sore þinges,
 With tabels & tapers · & tretis of þe law; 1568
 Som bolstis of burnet · enbowden with perlis,
 Borne byforo þe bischop · hys beke on to lig;
 Som candlestyke of clene gold · & of good syluer,
 With relikkes fully rialis · þe richest of þe world. 1572
 Thus seyse all þis semble · þe cite withoutis,
 Vnto a stonem stede · streit on þe temple,
 Scopulus, be some skely · þe scriptor it callis,
 And þar þe come of þe kyng · þis Countayblez. 1576
 Sonis² Alexander with an hoste · of many athill dukos,
 Come prekan to þe palace · wiþiþ prinses & Ereliz,
 Sough suche a multitude of men · [in] mylke-white wedes,
 And ilk a seg in a sote · þat sellly hym thynkez. 1580
 Than fynder he in a mother flote · of famous & stoles,
 Practy men in prevates · & prestez of þe lawe,
 Of dialictis and deces · doctours of other,
 Bath chamerlayn³ & chaplays · in chalkie-white wedes.
 And als he wates in a wray · þen was he war sone 1585
 Off þe maister of þot menyeys · in myldis of þe peple,
 That was þe bald bischop · abowne all þe Iewis,
 Was grypid in a garnant · of gold & of siluer. 1588
 Than he heledis vp on high · behald on hys myter,
 Before he se of fyne gold · forgett a playte,
 An þer-on graven on þe grettest · of all godis names,
 This title, tetragrammaton · for so þe text witnesse. 1592
 With þat Comandis þe kyng · hys knyghtes all,
 Bath barons & bachelors · bald men of armes,
 No mere þot place [to aproche] · vpon payn of þor lyus,
 Bot all to hold þam byhynde · þe lessis & þe more. 1596
 Than ayres he forth all hym one · to þis athill menys,

¹ MS. so, alt. to set; but read si — son.

² MS. Sonis.

³ MS. chamerlayn.

and kneels to the
bishop.

Bowis his doun of his blonke · þe bischopp beforne,
And kneland on þe cald erth · he knockis on his brest,
And renunceon þis haly name · at he seis wreted. 1600
Jan þe iewis of ierusalem · Iustis & oþrane,
Lordis & ladiis · & be þe littil childdes,
Enclynes Jam to þe conquirour · & his on¹ kneis gretis,
Kest vp a kene crye · & carpis þis wordis. 1604
"Ay moȝt he lefe, ay moȝt he lefe" · quod ilk man
twysse,

They cry, "Long
live Alexander!"

"Alexander, þe athill aire · vndre þe heynȝ,
Ay moȝt he lefe, ay moȝt he lefe² · þe lego Emperour,
þe wldre of all þe wrold · & worthist on erthe, 1608
Ay moȝt he lef, ay moȝt he leue³ · quod lounde all
at anys,

Conqueror of all
the earth! "

"Onycomynre clene of ilk coste · & onycomynre neuir,
þe greatest & þe gloriousest · þet enir god formed,
Erle or Emperour · & any erly prince." 1612
Jan was comen with him kyngis · as þe clause tellis,
Senecours out of Sireland⁴ · was to him-selue golden,
And þai merawellid Jam mekiȝ · as þe buke tellis, 1615
When þai it herd so be-heryȝ · & held it in wondre,
Jan Permeon, a pronde kniȝt · a princis of his oste,
Aires to sir Alexander · & sekis at his swythe,
Syn him adoured all men · eldrie & jongȝ, 1619
Qui he obeschid so lawe & hende · þe bischopp of iewis!

"Nay," quod þe comly kyng · & þe knyȝt swaris,
"Nouthir haylaid I him · ne hildid him nouthir,
Bod it was god at I gret · þe governour of alȝ, 1623
Of whom in þe abite & þe armes · he was all cledhyd.
For in þe marche of Messedone · me mynes on a tyme,
þat slike a segg in my slepe · me sodanly aperid,
Enyn in slike a similitude · & þis same wedis,
For all þe wrold as þis wey · wendis now attyred. 1628

He replies that
he leuth to the
great God.

¹ Inscribed in the margin.

² Here the MS. strongly inserts quod.

³ land is above the line in MS.

Bowes hym downe of his blonke · þe bischopp before,
Kneland on¹ þe cald erth · & knokez on hys briste,
And hensounz þis haly name · þot he bysde written,
Jan alȝ þe iewes of ierusalem · Iustis & oþer, 1601 Processio
versus alex-
anderus spes
Ierusalem.
Lordes & lader · be þe lityȝ sonnes,
Inclene Janis to þis conquerour · & hym on knees greteis,
Kest vp a kene crye · & carpyd þees wordis: 1604
"Ay mott he leue, ay mott he leue" · quod ilk a lade
twysse,

"Alexander, þe athefullest · hayr vnder heven, 1606
Ay mott he leue, ay mott he leue · þis lego Emperour,
The wlder of all þe wrold · & worthiest vnder wyld,
Ay mott he leue," quod þe Land · [lounde all] at anes,

"Onycomynre clene of ilk coste · & onycomynre neuir,
The greatest & þe gloriousest · þet enir god formed,
Erle or any Emperour · or ethillic prince." 1612
Jan Werjair comewid whith hym kynges · als þe clause tellis,
Senyours ewt of Surry · wer to hym-selue golden,
And þai amervale paine moskyȝ · as menys me þe writhes,
When þai saw hym so hercȝ · & heldyn it a wondre, 1616
Than Permon, a pouule knyȝt · a princis of hys hoste,
Ayres to sir alexander · and askys hym swith,
Sen hym adoured all mett · alder & yeunger,
Why he obeyd & bowed so · to þe bischopp of Lewes!

"Nay," quod þe comly kyng² · & þe knyȝt swereis,
"Noȝt haylaid I hym · ne heldit hym noȝer,
Bod it was god at I gret · þe governour of alȝ,
Of whom in þe habett & þe armes · he was all cledhyd.
For in þe marche of assydon · me mynes on a tyme,
Suche a segh in my slepe · me soleynly appered, 1626
Ezen in suche a somblant · & in þe same wedes,
For all þis wrold as þis wy · wendis now attyred. 1628

¹ MS. of,

² MS. kayȝe.

And þen I mused¹ in my mynde · how at I myȝt wyn
Anoþhire anell of þe erth² · þat Asey we calle it,
And me thret to be thra³ · & for no thyng turne,
Bot tire me telyt þerto · & tristly to wendo. 1632
And synge sage I ha segg · þot sa was arsyd;

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And sekirly yone semys · þe same to se⁴ to within,
Be same gode at I in my slope · sage in my days; 1633
And now I hope me, þurh þe helpe⁵ of þe holy fader,
Of quene þe hored holy name · is yndis on hys wreten,
To do with Darius or I dyi · how so me dñe thinke,
And þe pride of all þe Persens · purely distroy.

And git I soþely suppose · quat so my sale hopis, 1640
þot sal fall upon foli · slyk fyamnes I have
In þe grace of grete god · at gres all þe sternes,
þot it sal be in my will · & on no way faille." 1643
Now tas þe bischop þe berne · & to þe burgh wendis,
With sange & solemnite · him to þe cite ledis,
He was resayned, as I rede · with reverence & Ioy,
As he were duke of ilk douth · & dresyn doun fra
hemou. 1647

þan gas he forth with his gingis · to godis awen temple,
þot of sir Salomon þe sage · sett was & founid,
And þare he lythis of þare lare · as þe law wal;
He offled in þot oratori · & honoured corne londis.
And Iordan of ierusalem · & al þe iewis estir 1652
Bringis out a brade buke · & to þe berne reches,
Was plant ful of prophesyes · playnly al oure,
Of þe doctrine of Daniell · & of his dere sawis.
þe lord⁶ lokis on þe lyne · & on a lefe fyndis 1656
How þe gomes out of greece · suld wiþ fair grete miȝtis

<sup>"of whom I once
dreamt."</sup>

<sup>"Now I hope to
destroy all the
Persians."</sup>

(fol. 39 A.)

Alexander is
royally received,

and goes to
Solomon's temple.

Judas brings out
a book of Daniel's
prophecy.

how the Greeks

And þan I mused in my mynde · how þat I might wynne,
Anoþer angle of þe erth · þat asy we calle,
And be me thrett to be tra⁷ · & for no thyng turne,
Bot tire me telyt þerto · & tristly to wendl. 1632
And synge saw I no segh · þot so was aþred ; 1633
And he⁸ heþpyd þe holder þot þis was he · at he⁹ saw
þef, 1633*

For soþerly he semys so · to se wilcomis, 1634

The¹⁰ same god þot in my slope · I sawe in þo days;
And now I hope, þorow helpe · of þe hys fader, 1636
On whom þe holy name is sond · on hys wreten,
To do with Darius, or I dyi · how I some dere thynke,
And þe pride of all þe persens · purely distroy.

Bot gitt I soþely suppose · quat so my saule þincket, 1640

That sal be falle vppon falle · slyke flame I have
In þe grace of þe grett god · þot gyder al sternes,
That it sal in my will be · & in no ways faille."

Now takys þe Bischop þe berne · & to burgh ledes, 1644
With sange & solemnite · with hym to cite wendis,
He was resayned, as I rede · with reverence & Ioy,
As he were duke of ihe dechre · & dresyn owt of

heuen.

þan gayas he forth with hys gyng · to godis awen temple, (fol. 16)

That of sir salomon þe sage · sett was & founid, 1649

And þar he lightes of þar lare · & als þe lawe wald;

He offers in þot oratori · & honoures over Lordis.

And Iordan of Ierusalem · þe Iewis fafir, 1652

Bringis forth a brade buke · & to þe berne reches,
Was plantyd full of prophecyes · playnly al ouer,
Of þe doctrin of daniel · & of hys dere sawes.

The lede lokys on a lefe · & in a lyne fyndis 1656 prophecy

How þot þe gomes out of greece · suld wiþ fair grett mightez

¹ Read thus.

² MS. word erth; ³ word is struck out.

⁴ MS. repeats to be thra; partly underlined.

⁵ MS. þe is same to to w; altered to þe same to se.

⁶ Inserted in the margin.

should destroy
Persia.
Rewards all,

Be papill out of Persye · purely distroy;
And þat he hopis all be he · & horly he ioye.
Jan pertis he to ja prelatis · many proude giffis, 1660
Was name sa pore in þot place · bot he hisse purſe fillis,
Genes Janis garisons of gold · & of god stanes,
Rife riches enoȝe · robes & perles,
Rewards to þe bischop · he bed out of noumbes, 1664
Reches him of rede gold · ransoms many,
Tas him to his treſory · talent him to shewe,
Bad him wale quat he wald · & wild him to topis.
þit bedis he him, þe bald kyng · as þe buke tellis: 1668
"Sire, quat þou will in þis weſt · to wild & to hane,
Nost bot ask it at¹ Alexander · quat þou will upon
resof,

And I shall grant, or I ga · with a god wiſt."
Jan bowis downe þe bischop · & him a bone askis, 1672
"Sire, þis I depely diſis · dirst I it neyn,
þot it be benefiſ vs oure lare · & oure law vse,
As oure faſters has folowid · forwith þis tyme;
As of poure grate gulmes · at þe grant wald 1676
To lat vs sitt be ſafe · bot for þis ſeyn wynter,
But tribute or tronȝ · quils þe termes lastis,
Jan were we halden all þe heþe · to hiȝe þe for enȝ.
And git I will, be your leue · a wordes & na mare, 1680
Bot þe men of Medi · man, be your leue,

Lang al is oure lawe · loly to gedre.
And þai of Babylon bathe · & bede I na nothir,"
Quod Alexander belyves · "all þis I graunt, 1684
And els any oþre thing · aſke & be ſerved."
"Nay, now na mare," quod þe man · & mekly him
thankid,

"Bot ay þi lordship & þi loue · quils my lyfe dures."
Now kastis þis conquerour · to caire fro þe cite, 1688
And mas to bide in þe burȝ · a berne of his awyn,
A messenger to myn · on quat meſ of him ſaid,

¹ MS. at St.

Alexander richly
rewards all,
and tells the
bishop to take all
he wants,

and to ask a booc.
Drol. 22.)

The bishop asks
for leave to
abide in his
own religion,

and that the men
of Media and
Babylon should
become Jews.

Alexander grants
this,

and offers more.

Alexander leaves
a victory behind
him.

The peple owt of persie · purely distroy;
And [þal] he hopys alld be he · & histerly he ioye.
Than he partes to þe prelates · mony proude gyfies, 1690
Was non so pure in þe place · bot he his purſe filleȝ,
Gyfies þaim garisons of gold · & of god stanes,
Riche gyffter enogh · bath rubies & perles,
Rewards to þe bischopp · he hadde owt of noumbre,
Reches hym of rede gold · ransoms mony, 1695
Takez hym to his treſory · talentes hym shawys,
Bado hym wale quat he walde · & wyld hym face ofer.
þit bidder hym þe bald kyng · als þe boke tellis: 1698
"Sire, quat þou will in þis weſt · to weld or to hane,
Nost bot aske at alexander · any thynge of resof,

And I ſalt grounte, or I gay · with a goode wille."
Than bowes downe our bischop · & hym a bone askoz,
"Sire, þis I depely desire · durſt I it neſen, 1673
þot þe wald latte vs oure lare · & oure law vse,
Als over faſters has folowid · forewith þis tyme;
And of your grott geolæſſe · if þe þis grounte wald 1676
To lat vs ſitte & be ſafe · bot for þis ſeuen wynter,
Withoutis tribute or tronȝ · whils þe termes laste,
Jan were we halden al þe heþe · to pray for you for euer.
And þitt I willis, be your leue · a wordes & no more, 1680
Bot þe men of medi · may, be your leue,
Lenge al in your¹ lawe · lely to gedre,
And þai of babylon bathe · þan bid I none oþres." 1684
Quod alexander als belyvyn · "al þis I graunt,
And ells ony ofer thynge · aſke & be ſerved."
"Nay, nowe no more," quod þis man · & mekely hym
thanked,

"Bot ay þi lordship & þi loue · whille my lyfe laste."
Now kyst hym þis conquerour · to caire fro þe cite, 1688
And made to byde in þe burȝ · a berne of his awne,
A messenger to meyn on · quat men of hym ſaid,

¹ Read our.

Ane Andromachis, a gome * as¹ þe buke tellis.
þan bowis to þe bischop * his benyson to fang,² 1692
Takis luffi his leue * & lendis on forther.
To Sere cities þur be-syde * he soȝt wiȝt his hostis,
And þai frendly & faire * frely resuynd him.

Some of the
Systems complain-
of Alexander to
Darius.

Man of þe Siriens swame * in þe same tyme 1696
Follow fr̄i þe fell kyng * as fals men suld,
Did þam to sir Darius * & depely þam playnt,
Quat errours of þis Emperour * & esil þai esilid. 1699
And he¹ þam faire vnderfong * & fraynes þam perne,
Askis þam of sir Alexander * all at he cuthe,

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Darius enquires
about Alexander,

Bathes of his statoures & his strenþ * if he² ware sture bon,
His qualite, his quantite * he quiryis all-to-gedre;
And þai in parchement his payntid * his person his
shewid, 1704

and is shown a
carteause of him.

Ane asalaye, ane asaleny * ane ape of all oþire,
A wirling, a wyrnyng * a wawil-eȝid shrewre,
þe cait[if]este creatur * þet cried was ewine.
And þan, as he hemes * & lokis on his forme, 1708
His littilaik & his liknes * he laythly dispised,

Darius despises
Alexander,

And thre thingis of his thede * he post him as feble,
He drossis to him in dedeyne * & in dispise sendis:
First a halff, says þe buke * þe barne with to play, 1712
A horn-pas³ of a berne * of brend gold yenen,
For hotte & for hething * a Hatt made of twygges;
Said þut was bener hiz to here * þan a bright helme.
Slike presundis out of Persy * he to þe prince sendis, 1716
His brofe with a brade sole * & boldis hum⁴ ga
awythe.

and in twylight
sendis him a ball
to play with,
a golden head-
piece,
and a hat made of
twyggs.

And qua si will has to wete * howe it worthis eftir,
Now sall I neuen vs here next * þe note of his lettir.

* Inserted in the margin. * MS. repeats if he,
 * Read his.

And¹ andromachis, a man * as I am enfermed.
þan bowys he to þe Bishop * hya benyson to fange,² 1692

Keeches luffi his leue * & lendes on forther.
To eser þer bysyde * he soȝt wiȝt his hostes,

And þai frendly & faire * & frely resuynd hym.
Bot þem of surriens a soume * in þe same tyme 1696

Flownen from þis fell kyng * as fals men suldyd,
Did þam to sir Darius * & depely þam plenyd,

What errour of þis emperour * & ille þut þai suffered.
And he þam faire vnderfonge * & franeȝ þam parne,

Askes þam of sir alexander * all þut he couȝt, 1701
Bath of hys stature & hys strenþ * if he wer stare-baned,

Hys qualite, hys quantite * enquieres all-to-gedry;

And þai in pecheyn depayntyd * hys person hym
swayd,

Ane asalangh, ane aslyn * ane ape of all other, 1705
A whryng; a warlow * a wangle-eȝid shrewre,

The esyfest creatur * þut credylyit was easer.
And þen þe Lord, as he leyyt * & lokett on hys forme,

Hys littilyke & hys liknes * he loudly dispyses, 1709
And thre² thynges of hya thede * hya thought so feble,

He dressyd to hym in dysdens * & dispise sendes:
Frist to þe barne, says þe buke * a balle with to play,

A brayn-pas³ of a berne * of brend gold þen,⁴ 1713
For hoccoar & for hething * a hat made of wigges⁴;

Sayd, þut was bener hym to bring * þen a bright helme.
Suche presandez owt of perse * he to þe prince wayfer,

Hys berfe with a brade seal * & byddes þam go
swithe. 1717
And who as wete wald * how it worthed aftir,
Now saȝt I neuen vs on next * þe note of hys lettir.

¹ Read Ane. ² Read ther.
* to ahere the Rane in MS. * Read twygges.

Octauus passus Alexandri.

A letter
to Darius to
Alexander.

"Sir dere Darius on dese · þe digne Emperour,
þo kyng without comparsion · of kyngis all oþire,
Of al lordis þe lord · þat leues in erthe,
Predecessor of princes · & peer to þe soni, 1723
þe souerayne sire of my soyle · þat sittis in my trone,
In fang with my faire godis · þat I affe maste,
To Alexander, þat of all · so angrily him leves,
Our subiect & oure seruand · þas we oure-selfe write,
For it is wayned vs to wete · þat wikkidly haues,
þury enmyte & enmy · elacion of pride, 1729
Be vanyte & vaynglori · þat in þi wayns kindlis,
Parayd þe platomis · oure partis to ride.
For þou has sumed, as men he^r saw · a silly noumber
Of wrichis & wirlings · out of þe west endis, 1733
Of laddis & of losengrys · & of litil theyns,
Slike sary sorowys as þi-selfe · to seke vs agaynes,
And wenys to wylf þi will · & þat worthis ful late,
þe prouynys & principalle · of Persye is graunt, 1737
For þou art fere al to faynt · oure force to ministre;
þof þou had gederid all þe gomes · þat enur god formede,
So, man, rised is oure rewme · þat þou may reȝt lycken
þe sture strenthe of oure stoure · to sternew of þe hemis,
And slike a neker als þi selfe · a nogt of all oþire,
Is bot a madding to melt · with mare þan him-seluen.
Forthi is bettre vnbende · & of þi brethe leue, 1744
And feyne al with fairnes · & fayne at þou may.
For mare menesk^s is a man · to make hym be tyme,
þan after made to be muke · malegreuous his chekis,
For all þe gracieus godis · & godnesse on erthe, 1748
þat sanya sete & sole & sustaynes po erth,
Prayses ay þe Persyys · passing all oþire,

[fol. 96.]
These art too
proud and vain.

They men are late
and thicke.

These art too
weak to harm us.

They hadde
better submitte
to me at once.

The Persians are
a mighty race.

¹ Read pera.

² Inserted in the margin: better omitted.

³ So; for membre.

Octauus passus.

Syr Dere Darius on dese · þe digne Emperour, 1729 *Epistola
darii.*
The kyng without comparsion · of kynges all oþer,
Of al lordes þe Lord · þat leues in erthe,
Predecessor of princes · & peer to þe Son,
The souerayne sire of my sole · þat sittis in myne trome,
In fange with my faire god · þat I affe maste, 1725
To Alexander, þat of all · so augeridly hym leves,
Oure seget & our siruant¹ · þus our-selfe writerz,
For it is wayned vs to wete · þat haues wikkidly, 1728
Through enmyte & enmy · Elacion of pride,
Be vanyte & vaynglori · þat in þi vaynes kyndeles,
Purvayd þe platomis · oure partie to ryde.
For þou haue sumed, als men sayn · a sellich nowmber
Off wreches & of wrylynges · out of þe west ende, 1733
Off laddes & of losengrys · & of litil theyns,
Siche sary sorowys as þi-selfe · to seke vs agayns,
And wenys to weld at þi willo · þat worthes full late,
The prouynce & þe principallitie · of persye is graunt, 1737
Bot þou art fere al to faynto · oure force to wilksdonde,
þof² þou hadde gederid³ all þe gomes · þat enur god formede,
So, man, ryse is owr reme · þat þou may wile lekyñ
þe sture strenthe of owr stoure · to þe sternew of hemis;
And slike a neker als þi selfe · a necht of all oþer,
Is bot⁴ a madding to melt · with mare þen þi-selue.
For þi is better vnbende · & of þi brethe leue, 1744
* * * * *
For mare menake is a man · to make hym be tyme,
Than after made to be muke · mawgry hys chekys,
For all þe gracieus godis · & goddesse on erth, 1748
* * * * *
Prayses ay þe persons · passing all oþer,

¹ MS. souerayne siruant; the former word expunged.

² MS. OI. ³ It written above the line. ⁴ MS. bid.

ALEXANDER.

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And for þe oddest of ilka est¹ honours oure name, 1751
 And slike a dwynyg², a dwaje³ & a dwær⁴ as þi-selfe,
 A grub, a greg out of grace⁵ and erth-growyn⁶ sorow,
 Wilt count hit as a king⁷ with catyfes to lyte,
 To couir at combeid all þe kynges⁸ vndre þe cape of
 heuens!

Riȝt as a flaw of fell snawe⁹ ware fallyn of a ryȝt, 1756

[Pv. 20 8.] Of a wylt wondryng wagh¹⁰ with þe wynd blawen,
 So with a flote of Fresons¹¹ folowand thi helis,
 þou sekyss fraward Sichim¹² þi-selfe wrethir-haile,

Then thiddest to do as thou list,
 And leys as a lord¹³ þus oure lande to entre, 1760

And maa þi lepys & þi laikis¹⁴ & quat þe liste ellis,
 As raton or raze myse¹⁵ in a rowme chambree,

Aboute in beddis or in borrys¹⁶ þare haddis ere name.
 Bot I haue willyly waiteid¹⁷ þi wiles & þi castis, 1764

And quen þou hopis all-pir hiest¹⁸ to haue all þor wif,
 I soll þe sett on a saute¹⁹ & als þe [with] my handis.

For þi for pompe or for pride²⁰ þi purpose a-vise, 1767

Turste þe trechour, be-tyme²¹ þat þou no treson haue,
 And drawe a-gaygn²² to þi den²³ vndre þi dam wyngis.
 So quat I send to þe²⁴ son²⁵ þi-selfe wikk to laike,
 A hatt & a hand-baff²⁶ & a herne-pamme; 1771

I send three sone playthings.
 Slike presantis to play wikk²⁷ as pertenes to babbis.
 For si a child mot hize chese²⁸ to childire geris;

For mestis & miserie²⁹ vnneth may þou forth
 Blis awen caitife cors³⁰ to cloth³¹ & to fede,
 And supposis as a soft³² to seeo oure landis, 1776

And oothire darius to drepe³³ or dryfe fra his kythis!
 Bot by þe grace & þe guode³⁴ þat god gafe my fader,

So riued is þe rede gold³⁵ oure regions within,
 Bot qua so had it on a hepe³⁶ holy to godre,³⁷ 1780

Our land is so
 rich in gold that
 it outshines the
 sun.

¹ MS. dwynyg.

² MS. þi, altered to þe.

And for þe oddest of ilke one est¹ honours our name.
 And slyke a dwynyg² a dwrygh of þi-seluen, 1752
 A grub, a grig out of gree³ and erth-growyn⁴ sorow,
 Wyff conett pittie as a kyng⁵ with catyfes liffe,
 To couer & to combeit all þe kynges⁶ vnder þe Cape of
 þe heuens!

Right as a flaw of fell snaw⁷ fallen wer fro þe driftie, 1756

Of a wylt wondryng wagh⁸ with þe wynd blayñ,
 So with a flote of fresons⁹ folowand thi helis,

þu sekyss fraward sychim¹⁰ þi-selue with euer haile,
 And Lenes as a loslef¹¹ owr land fer to entre, 1760 [Pv. 17 8.]

And make þi lepys & þi laiker¹² & quat þou list ellis,
 As raton or raze myse¹³ in a rowme chambree,

About on beddes or in berres¹⁴ þur border er name.
 Bot I haue willyly wnyted¹⁵ þi wilox & þi easies, 1764

And when þou hopys all-pir eldest¹⁶ to haue at þou likez,
 I soll þe sett on a swete¹⁷ & slaye þe with my handez, 1766

And so salt, sole, for þi folix¹⁸ be fenyshit on dawes. 1766*

For þi pompe & þi pride¹⁹ þi perjasse nyse,²⁰ 1767

For yf þou shote ouer sheet²¹ þou shendes mi flayne. 1767*

Turne²² þe, trechour, be tyme²³ þat þou no treson habbe, 1768

And [drawe] agayn to þi den²⁴ vnder þi dame wenȝe,
 Se quat I sende þe, son²⁵ þi-selfe wikk to layke,

A hatt here & a hand-ballo²⁶ & a herne-pamme;²⁷

Slike presantis²⁸ to play wikk²⁹ as pertenyss þe to haue. 1772

For ay a childe most hym chose³⁰ vnto childer gammes;

For mister & for mischeve³¹ vnneth may þou forth
 Blis awen caitife cors³² to cloth³³ & to fede,

And hit supposes as a soft³⁴ to seeo oure Lander, 1776

And Darius to drepe³⁵ & dryve out of hyss³⁶ kythes!

Bot be þe grace & þe goode³⁷ þat god gafe my fader,
 So ryfe is þe rede gold³⁸ oure regions within,
 At who so had it on a hepe³⁹ holy to godre,⁴⁰ 1780

¹ MS. to avysse; bot to is better omitted. ² MS. To me strongly.

³ MS. payne, corrected to paine. ⁴ MS. presantis presantis.

⁵ lys, corrected to hys. ⁶ MS. to gredre.

It wald vs let, as I leue · þe lyst of þe soñ!
For-þi bëd I þe hadrich · on bathe twa þine ezen,
And on þe plegg & þe payn · & perill as folowis,
Ah þi vanyte to vode · & þi wayne pride, 1784

And mew agayn to Messedome · or any mare fall.
For be þe saule of my sire · bot if you sone turne,
We salle þe send silke a soume · of segis en-armed,

Nogt as Phillips fant · salle fare with þisselfe, 1788

Bot as a prince of proued theues · þyne þe to dode.
Als sone as his sondesmen · to þis sire come,

þal present him þe playntis · þe pistill him rechis,
And Alexander belyne · bo-forre all his princes, 1792
Te alſ his ost eygn on · he openly declaris.

And quen his knylis of þis clause · þe carpe vndirstode,
þen ware jai frekly n-fryd · of þe fell sajes;

And as some³ ne his-selfe say · his segis amoned, 1796

In hilling of his bachelors · he brengys þine woodis;
"Quat now! my worthi warriouris · m wiȝt & m noble,
Mi berres & my baratours · þe best vndre hemen;

Lettis nevir it broȝt be on brade · for vþraide of
schame, 1800

³ He is not afraid of
Darius.

þe doute for þe idityngs · of Dariis pistils.

I sett ȝow ane ensample · þe se it all daye,
In thorps & in many thede · þar þe purje ride,

At ilka cote a kene curro · as he þe chasche wald; 1804
Bot as bremely as he baies · he bitis nevir þe fasteir.

Bot in sum, I suppose weli · þet sothe is þe lettir,
Pare as he tellis quychys tunxe · of tresour he hauns.

For-þi va buse to be bigg · & bettaill him yold, 1808
þe grete garisons of gold · salt gedre vp oure herter."

Wili þat commandis þe kyng · his knylis be-lyne,
þe donesmen þat fra Dariis come · wili þe derfe lettir,
þat þai eald titly paim take · & by þe toye throtis, 1812

And for paires sonerayns sake · þam sendi to þe galawis.

We want get his
gold."

þe kynges

¹ MR. inserts his s; but it is struck out.

² The s is above the line.

Return to
Mardon,

[Vol. II.]

or then shall be
bring like a stooif."

Alexander reads
the letter aloud,

and his men are
afraid.

He says,

³ He is not afraid of
Darius.

He is like a poly-
mer cur, that
cannot bite.

We want get his
gold."

þe kynges

It wald hym lett, as I leue · þe light of þe Soñ!
For-þi bëd I þe hadrich · on bathe twa þine ezen,
And on þe plegg & þe payn · & perill þat folowa,
Ah þi vanyte to vode · & þi wayne pride, 1784

And mew agayn to messedome · or any mare fall.
For be þe saule of my sire · bot yf þou sone tornie,
I salle send þo esche a sume · of segges charmed, 1787

þot noȝt as philip faint · þou salle fare wili þi-seluen,
Bot as a prince reproued · salle be pymyd to dode."

Als sone as ever hys sondesmen · to þis syre comynyn,
þhei present hym playnly · & þet pistill hym rechys,
And alexander als bylise · before hys atel² þricez, 1792

And to þe host eser ouer · it opynly declares.
And when þe knyghtes · of þis clause vnderstande,
Than wer jai felly³ affrayed · of hys fell awses;

And als sone as hym-selfe se · hys segis ameyd, 1796
In holding of hys bachelors · he breues þees wordes:

"What now! my worthy weryours · so wight & so noble,
My berres & my haratours · þe best vnder heuen;
Lett never it be bright on brade · for vmbreyd of
shame, 1800

þe doute for þe idityngs · of darius pistells.
I sett you an ensample · ye se it encorilke day,
In thorps & in mony thede · þare ye porow rydes,⁴

For yf he bremely hays · he biter never helder.
Bot in some way, I suppose weli · þet sothe is hya lettir,
þar as he tellis which tunne⁵ · of tresour he haus.

For-þi vs [bus] to be big · & betale hym yelde, 1808
þe grete garison of gold · salt gedre vp ouwr herter."

Wili þat commander þe kyng · hys knyghtes belyne,
þere Domessmen þat from darius come · wili þe derfe lettir,
þat þai eald titly paim take · & be toye nekez, 1812

For paires sonerayns sake · þam sendi to þe galouise.

¹ MS. eughen. ² Se in MS.

³ MS. foliyd. ⁴ MS. tyne.



to bring the
messengers.

They beseach him
to be merciful.

[Fol. 21 A.]

He says it is
because Darius
calls him a thief.

They scolded him
that it is Darius
who wrote the
letter.

He pardons them,
and extenuates
them.

He writes to
Darius.

¹ Alexander to
Darius, who calls
himself a con-
queror.

Jai was ja messenger a-maided · as mervale ware ellis,
With kene carefull cri · þis conquerour jai said: 1815
"Alas! what lake lyse in vs lord · if it be your will,
þus caueses for ure kyng · encumberid to worthe!"

"The sages of þour souerayn" · said þe kyng þen,
"Nedis me to slike notis · as I haue never estis,

þot has þow sent to my-selfe · moyt sa as his app; 1820
Loo "lithi thefe" in ilka lyne · his lettis me callis."

"Ja," quod jai, "comly kyng" · & oñ knes² fallis,
"þas ditis entided to powe · sir Darius him-seluen,

For he knew noȝt of þour knyphede · ne of your kid
strength; 1824

No wist noȝt of þour worthenes · & wrate all þe baldre.
Bot wald þe grant vs to gaa · & gefe vs your lefe,

Ben suld we heymys your bill · to þe berne shewe."
Ben lete þe lord þant allane · & went till his fest, 1828

Takis jaſti with him to his tent · & þant at ese makis.
Some as jai in his sale · were sett at þe table,

"Sire Alexander, aſthi kyng" · quod aſt with a steyn,
"Comandis vs to eare · knyghtis a thousand, 1832

And we shall surely care sire · þe send in þaire handis."

"Ja, make we blis," quod þe kyng · "blithe mote þe
worthe,

For as for takyng of your lord · salt na lede wynde."

To Darius anſter day · entidit he a pistill, 1836
A crest cleynly inclosid · þot consuyed þis wordis.

Alexander, þe aine · & eldest childe bathe
Of kyng Philip þe fere · þe fender of grece,

And als of Olimpades · þot honorable lady, 1840
To þe, Darius, on dese · þus dito I my letter.

þou prince of all þe Persyns · þot peres to þe sonne,
þe conquerour of ilka cost · callid of þiselfe,

With all þi gracieus godis · graithid in þi trone, 1844
All þus I send to powe I my² swere · vndir my sole wretchen.

Sire, if we se with a suth · surely me thinke,

¹ MS. hanc, altered to knes. ² written above the line in MS.

þen war þees mesyngnes amased · as mervalle war ellez,
With earfah chere · to þe conquerour jai saydyn:

"Alas! what lake lyse in vs · lord, be your lefe, 1816
Thus caueses for oþr kyng · encumberid to worthe!"

"The awex of your soueren" · sayd þe kyng þen,
"Nedes me now to seche notes · as I namer attelys,

That he hase sent to my-seluen · noȝt as he aȝtis; 1820
Lo! lityl thefe" in ilke line · hys lettis me callis."

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"þis doynges sir darius · entidit you hym-seluen,
For he knew noȝt your knyghthode · ne your kyd
streñþes; 1824

No wist noȝt of þour worthenes · & wrote all þe balder.
Bot þo wald grant us to go · & gyfe us oþr lyfes,

Than suld we heymys your blysses · vnto þe berne shewe."

þan lete þe Lord þaim alon · & latthys þaim to hys frost,
Takes pain with hym to hys tent · & makes pain at ease.

Some as þees sandesmen in rale · wer sett at þe table, 1834
"Sir alexander, aſthi kyng" · quod aſt with a steyn,

"Comandis vs to eare · knyghtez a thousand, 1832
And we shall surely oþr syre · þou send in þair handez."

"Ja, make þe blysses," quod þe kyng · "blyth mote þe
worthe,

For þe lachyng of your Lordis · salt noȝt a lede weynde."

Bot to Darius on þot oþer day · entidit he a pistill, 1836
A lettis cleynly enclosid · þot consuyed þees wordis.

"I, alexander, aȝr · & eldesteste childe boþe 1836
Of kyng philip þe fere · þe fender of grece,

And als of olimpades · þot honorable lady, 1840
To þe, sir Darius, on dese · þus dito I my lettis.

þou prince of all þe persone · þot appersys to þe son,
The conquerour of ilke coste · callid of þiselfe,

With all þi gracieus godis · graithid in þi trone, 1844
All þus I send þow to say · vnder my seale wrytten.

Sir, if we se with a suth · surely me thynke,

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Epistles.

All men's lands
Are but their own
For a day.

[fol. 22.]

Oure facultes, oure faire feys · oure fermes & our landis,
We may nocht chalang¹ þas[n]e clayme · ne call þas[n]
oure awen,
1848

Bot all I deme it as dot · & to a day borowid.

For sen we rideon je rime · & on je rings seled

Of þe quels of Fortune, þe queene · þot whistly changie,
Oftes pas we in pouert · fro plente of godis,
1852

Fra mirthe in-to mournyng · fra mournyng in-to Ioye.
For now vs wantis in a qwirre · as þe quels turnes;

Queli we suppose in oure sole · to sit alþir heist,
þas[n] fondis furth dame Fortune · to þe fode-pates,
1856

Drares vp þe daunce-horde · & drenches vs cuine.

For þi a we þat has wit · pofe he wele suffir,

So sadly in souernynde · he set nouire his hope
1859

For pride of na pro[sp]erite · ne prise at hiȝt folewis,
To oile ay off his vndirling · for ouer-like a quyle.

For any sole vndir son · a sott I haw held,

þot ay has deyne & dispete · at delis of lityll,

Sen oft þe hanedest her · is houes to þe sternes,
1864

And he þut graithist is of godis · gird all to pondise.
For þi a depo dishonour · þo do to your name,

Ane emperour þat on erth · is euy[n] to þoureselfe,

To me sa lityll & sa lawe · elike lettirs to sende,
1868

And presound out of Persy · bot for a pure hethyng.

For þou inheretes alt þis erth · & enemis to þe son,

And callis þe kyng of ilka kith · vndir þe cape of hemes,

And þerto sittis, as þou sais · in sege na anc Angell,

To geddes wiþ þi grete² gods · and on a gilt treone.
1873

Bot syn gothid godesse & gods · ere graythid nouis to dye,

Bot ai sail last furth elike · on lyne oure³ mare,

þai nuse no will to my notis · no wilnyng to hane,
1877

No dole me no daliace · of dedely bernes.

But I knew I am corruptible · & caire pow agaynes,

Als wiþ a dedily duke · to do my bataſſit;

¹ MS. repeats with gr̄te.

² Read caire.

When we think to
be highest,
Fortune divers
us.

Let no man
despise his
smaller neigh-
bours.

Ye dishonor
your name in
reeding me.

You call yourself
king of all men,
as if you were
immortal.

I know myself to
be mortal, and
attack you.

[Dublin.] REVILING ME, YOU DISHONOUR YOURSELF.

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Our facultes or faire feys · oure fermes & oure goddes,
We may nocht chalang¹ þas[n]e clayme · ne calle þas[n]e our
awen,
1848

Bot all I deme as deit · vnto a day borowid.

For yff we ryde on þi reme · & on þi roake settyn²
Off þa whale of fortun & þe whemo · þot whistly chanȝez,

Off[1] passe we in-to pomere · fro plente of godes,
1852
Fro mirthe into marnyng · fro marnyng into Ioy.

For now vs vanes in a whirre · as þe while chanȝez;
When we supposye in howre-selfe · to sittis aff[2] þurh heldest,

þen founder donh dame fortun · to þe fode-pates,
1856
Drares vp þe dame-horde · & drenches vs for ever.

For þi a wye þot has witte · of þe while sofre,
So[3] solandly in lys souerayn · to sett nerow⁴ hys hope

For pride of no prosperite · ne prise at hym folower,
1860
To oile ay on lys vnderlunger · for overlayke a while.

For ony cycle under heren · a set I hym halde,
þot ay has dene & disperte · of dedes of lityll,

Syon oft þe hadokst her · is heuen to þe sternes,
1864
And he þut⁵ grethest was of goddes · gird all to geder.

For þi a depo diſHonor · yhe do to your Name,
1868
Ane Emperour þat on þis erth · is even to your-seluen,

To me so lityll & so lawe · such lettirs to wayfe,
And presents owt of perse · bot for a pure hethinge.

For þou inheretes alt þis world · & esens vnto þe sun,
1872
And callis þe kyng of ilke kyth · vnder þe cape of hemes,

And þerto sittis as þou sais · in sege as an angell,
To godis wiþ þi greet goddes · on a gilt treone.

[fol. 19.]

1876

I knew I am corruptible · & caire pow agaynes,
Als a dedilich duk · to do my bataſſit;

¹ MS. So doys he so solandly; of which doys he is subþpected.
² So in MS.; for newer on. ³ MS. þ, with þt above the line.

[Vol. 22.5.]
It is written, ground
with the rays
however,

Bot þof¹ þou þe victor a-vaille · na vannte salt arise,
No less, bot a a littil theſe · þow limpid to encumber.
Bot chance it me, þet am a childe · þe cheuer to worth,
So þet be genyn me þe groo · grete glorie is myn awen.
For þan salt springe vp þe speche · & sprede out² of
mynd,
1884

How I have conquered a kyng · þe kiddest of þe wold.
Bot a tale þe me telle · I trow be no fable,
Of þe ryfenes of þe rede gold · your regioun wittin,
Quylle plente is in Persy · of perell & of ellis,
1888
þe somme of siluer & of siche · & of sevne stanes,
Pare with oure wittes has þou wels · & ouru wiff shapred,
And blid with þi beswanda · þe bataill to told,
1891
Made vs coragous & kene · þoure clere gold to wyn,
And put a way our pouerit · þe pleide vs to hold,
Bot as tochand þe trunis · þet þe to me sent,
1894
þe herne-pas, þe hand-ball · þe batt made of twygges,
pare has þou preþeþid aþert · & playnaly vs schewid,
And faire enformed vs before · þet salt fall ofte,
1897
For by þe half, sir, I breue · all þe brode werd,
Be ethre at to myne empire · entierly þess golden.
And be þi hat, þet is holewe · be-for þe hened bowes,
I constre þet ilk kyng · salt clyne to my-selfe,
1901
þan hope I by þe herne-pas · þet þe hefe coniur,
Ouer-comers³ to be callid · & oure-comers neuer.
Now þou, þe grettest vndir god · graithis me trounge,
With all þis dignites be-dene · þet I disined hanse."

þis brofe belis þaim his bore · & beswanda þam reches;
And ofte armes all his ost · & aries on ofte forther.
Sire Darius for þe ditis · nere died he for angre,
1908
To two of þe derrest of his dukis · ditis he þis pistill:
"I, þe coronemost kyng · of kynges all oþer,
To þe, sir Priamus, a prince · of Persye þe grettest,
1911
And als to ser Antagoyne · myn awne athel dukes,

Ton specke of the
plenty of your
gold.

This makes us
bold to hope to
win it.

I will explain
what the playn-
things meant.

The half is the
world, which
shall be mine.

The hollow hat
shows that all
shall give way to
me.

The headpiece
means I shall be
head."⁴

A note.

"Darius to Sir
Priamus.
[Vol. 21.]

¹ MS. Bot þou þof: but þov is underlined,

² Inscribed in the margin. ³ Read Ouer-comer.

Bot if þou þe victor avale · no vannt salt þar risc, 1880
No less, bot of a lityll theſe · enlympled you to combre,
Bot chanceu it me, þet am a childe · þe cheuer to worth,
So þet be genyn me þe groo · grete glorie is myn awen.
For þan salt springe vp þe speche · & sprede owt of
mynde,
1884

How at I haue Conquered a king · þe kyldest of þe wold.
Bot one tale þe me telle · I trow be no fable,
Of þe refuse of rede gold · your regioun wittin,
Which plente is in perse · of perle & of ellis,
1888
þe some of silver & of siche · & of sevne stones,
þer-wilt our wills er replete · & our wittes shapred,
And hablit vs with þi beswander · þe beswander to hyd,
Made vs coragous & kene · þi clere gold to wynne, 1892
And put away our pouerit · yhe pledyn vs to hold.
Bot as tochand þe trunis · þet þe to me send,
þe herne-pas, þe hand-ball · þe batt made of twygges,
pare has þou preþeþid aþert · & playnaly vs schewid,
And fair enformed vs before · þet salt fall after. 1897
For be þe half, sir, I breue · all þe brode wold,
The crith þet to myne empire · entierly is sholden. 1899
And be þi hatte, þat is holys⁵ · & before þe hened⁶ boȝet,
I constre þet iche kyng · salt incline to my-selfe.
þan hope I, be þe herne-pas · þet þe hened Couers,
Ouercommer to be calyd · & ouercomyn neuer,
Now þe gretest vnder god · gyfes me trounge,
1904
With all þor dignitez be-dene · þet disouned I Haue."
Thys brefe he biddes þaim Bere · & beswanderde þaim reches; [Vol. 12.1.]
And aftyr armes lys oate · & ayres on forther.
Sir darius for þis dites · nere dyes for sorow,
1908
And to two þe derrest of hys dukes · dites he þis pistill:
"I, Coromendost kyng · of kynges all oþer,
To þe, sir Priamus, a prince · of þe grettest perie,
Epistola.
And also to þe, sir antigon · myn awne athel dukes, 1912

⁴ Is, written above the line. ⁵ Read below.

⁶ MS. lessoned; but see l. 1802.

Show Alexander
Invades my lands,

I charge you to
attack him;

Take this boaster,

That I may
avenges him and
send him to his
mother.

He is only fit to
play at bowls."

A letter.
"Sir Phianus to
Darius.

This child, as you
did him,
has wasted our
lands.

[Vol. 228.]

þe souvereynt of my securie · my saroparis¹ hadden,
Se here I send þou my seale · with salutes of loye.

Fra Alexander þe kyng · as I am in-formed,
Is entred with oure enmya · aff endles nowmbre, 1916

þe Anglies of Asia · & has þam all stroyed,
For þi of life & o lym · my lege men I charge

To prestil þow apparaill · & pas þam agaynes,
With al þe hathills & þe heris · & þe hige maistris 1920

þat þe may semble in þe sidis · sandions & oþhire.

þem chese þow furth my chiftaner · & me þe child take,
Laches me þis loengere · & ledis me him hedre,

þat I may him skelv with a skorge · & þem² of³ skire
porpore. 1924

A side slanyn him sewe · & send him to his modir;
For now he proches for pride · & propurly he wedis,

For þi him boso to be bett · as a barno failis.

For it⁴ ape moȝt silk ane Assal⁵ · nane abledes to off
werres, 1928

Bot at þe bowlis as a brode · or with a bale playe."
þine princes, some as þe pistill · was put þam in hand,

þan part þai þe proðed sele · þe printe þai adhounred,
Vn-lappis lightly þe lefe · & þe line redes, 1932

And þus-gate agynwarw · þai graithid him anothir.

"To þe kiddest kyng to a count · of kyngis alþ oþhire,
Sire Dari, with þi dere godis · dresid on þi trone,

Gouvernouris of ilk a gome · & god all þi-selfe, 1936

þi satrapies, þi seniours · with aervage obeschef:

Sire, withit it wele, yours worthiness · & wenys it na
langire,

þat þis child, with his chiftans · þat þe charge vs to take,
Has reken aff our regions · & raymed oure landis, 1940

Deportid all our prouynce · & purely it wastid.
And we jan lift vp a lite · & lent him a-gayne,

Ferd forth with a flote · & him in þe fyld metis; 1943

¹ Read saroparis; see L. 1937.

² MS. þen þe; but þe is struck out.

³ Inserted in the margin.

⁴ Written above the line in MS.

The souverainest of my senyory · my satrapers haldeyn,
Se here I send þou my scalle · with salutes of loye.

For alexander the kyng · as I am informed,
Is entred with oure enmya · ame endles nowmbre, 1916

In þe angley of assy · & has pain all stroyde,
For þi of life & on lynne · my legenes I charge

To priestly you apperesse · & passe hym agaynes,
With al þe katelys & þe heroz · & þe hye maistres 1920

þat þe may assemble on þai sydex · saugesons & oþer.

Chese þou forth chiftaner · & me þis childe takes,
Laches me þis loengere · & leide me hym heder,

And [I] sald hym skelv with a scorgre · & Jon in skyre
1924

purpore

A syde slanyn hym issaw · & send hym hys modre;

For now he prokes for pride · & ȝ[ro]prely wodez,
For þi he must be bett · as a barno failis.

Bot it aught noȝht sucha brulle · in none armes of
were, 1928

Bot at þe bules as a brode · or with a bale to play."

þine princes, when þis pistell · was putt pain in hand,
þai deportyl þe prouile scalle · þe printe þai honour,

And walappyd lightly þe lefe · & þe lines redys, 1932

And þus agaynwarr · þ[al]i graithid hym one oþer.

"To þe kyng to a count · of alþ kynges on erth,
Sire Dary with þi dere goddes · dresyd in trone,

Gouvernour² of ilk grome · & god alþ þi-seluen, 1936

þi satrapers, þi seniours · with aervage obidens:

Sire, wotis it your worthynes · & wenys no langer,

þat þis childe with hys chiftanys · þe charge vs to take,

He haue riden all your regions · & raymed oure landis, 1940

Desperet all our prouynce · & purely distroyde.

And we pen liften vp a lite · & rydyn hym aysyne,

Ferd forth with a folke · & hym in þe feld metis; 1943

¹ MS. account.

² MS. Gouvernor.

Epistola.

We fel bates
him.

We bates your
help."

Darius bates that
Alexander
approaches.

He is grieved.

A letter.
" Daries to his
parent Alex-
ander,

How couldest thou
be so bold?

(Fol. 94.)

Then had he
enough to do to
keep Macedonia.

But some we bed him þe bakes & besyd¹ we shapið
Out of þe handis vu-hewyn ² of ovrre hatill³ faiſ.

And now haly all þe hope ⁴ at þe⁵ yore help callis,
Vu-to yores mekill maniste ⁶ we mekely beseke,
þet vs your lege & yours lele men ⁷ it likid you to
forthire, 1948

Or þan oure wirschijp at-wynde & wastid be þe regne.
As mally as þe riche kyng ⁸ had red ouir þis pistil,
Be þot mevis in A⁹ Messangere & maynly hym tellis,
þot Alexander was at hand & had his ost loygid 1952
A-pō þe streme of Struma¹⁰ þot strekis purse his landis.
Sire Darius for þa ditis ¹¹ was depely a-greynyt,
Callis him his conseil ¹² a clause he him endit,
Mas a brefe at a brude & it in brathis sendis, 1956
To Alexander us be-lynes & aſt þus him grotes.

¶ "I, sir Dari, þe deyne & derfe Emprouer,
þe kyng of kyngis I am callid¹³ & conquerour bathe,
Of all lordis þe lord & a-loſe¹⁴ purſe þe werd, 1960
And one of þe souerayn aires vndir þe vij sterres,
To þe, my seruand, I send & aſthely þou knawes,
And wete þou wile purſe all þe wende ¹⁵ is wirschip
oure name.¹⁶

For all þe gracieus gods at þe ground visites, 1964
All ers done me to doote & ducases¹⁷ & oþhire.

How bards þe þan be so bald ¹⁸ for blod in þi heade,
To moche þus caſe þe mountey[n]s & oſir þe many
watirs 1967

With slike a souosome oſir þe see ¹⁹ a sante vs to jold,
Or any maistrie to make ²⁰ my maleste a-gayne?

For wella²¹ wide ware þe wels ²² wete þou na nothire,
Bathis þi glorie & þi grace ²³ þi gladnes in erthe, 1971
Mijþ þou þe marches of Masedoyne ²⁴ mayntene þi-selue,
And gouern þine awen gronde agynys oure²⁵ will.

¹ MS. & hi bessey.

² Inserted in the margin.

³ Read alsoſ.

⁴ So (or ducases) in MS.

⁵ Read hastil.

⁶ The u is above the line.

⁷ MS. MSS.

⁸ Inserted in the margin.

Bot some wer bidden þalm þe bakes & besyd¹ eschapyn 1944
Out of handes to þe awerde ² mony of ovrre athelies,
And we now haly all þe hepe ³ þot þe your helpe callyn,
Vnde your mykle mageste ⁴ we mekely beseckyn,
þet vs your lege & your lele men ⁵ it liked you to
further, 1948

For our worship is weynd ⁶ & wasted is our remes,
And als rarely as þe ryche kyng ⁷ had red oner þe pistelt,
Be þot meys in a messenger ⁸ & manly hym tellys,
þot alexander was at hand & hed an hoste loget 1952
Upon þe strome of struma ⁹ þot straightis þow þe land,
þen sir dary for þoo dedes ¹⁰ was depely agreyvd,
Callys hym counsell ¹¹ a cluse he inditer,
Makez a krene in a brayde ¹² & in a broth sendes, 1956
To alexander als belyne ¹³ & all þus hym gretes.
"I, Sir Dary de digne & derfe Emprouer,
The king of kyngis am called ¹⁴ & conquerour bath,
Of all Lordes Lord ¹⁵ I lowed þow þe wrold, 1960
And one of þe souerayn syres vndir þe seven sterres,
To þe, my seruand, I send & aſthely I knew,
And wete þou wels all þe wrold worshippys my name.

Epiſtola
dari.

For all þe gracieus goddes þat þe ground viseten, 1964
All er vndir my obedience dredles I telle.
How durst þou be so bald ¹⁶ for blode in þi heade,
To moche þus ouer þess montannez ¹⁷ & þes many wates

With eyke a soume for to seke ¹⁸ a sawt vs to jolde, 1968
Or any maistrie to make ¹⁹ my magaste ayayns ²⁰
For wels wyde wer þi wels ²¹ wete þou none other,
Both þi glorie & grace ²² þi gladnesse in erthe, 1971
Might þou þe marche of masidon ²³ maystene þi-selue,
And gouern þine awen grund ²⁴ agayns ovr wyll.

Return home,

before my hate
kynesse open thy
hand.

*As a token,
I send thee my
glove, full of
seeds.*

If thou cannot
count them, then
count my men.

*They are number
less."*

The messengers
bring the letter
and the seeds.

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Alexander bittis
the seeds, and
says,
"They may be
many, but they
are small."

For-þi was bettir vnbrynde * or þou hale suffre,
Remewe agayne to þi rewme * & rew of þi werkis.
For certayne, nuf my seniourie * me I my selfe nothins,
Alt þe wend myst a wedowes * wele þan be callid. 1977
For-þi tarme þe be-time * or any tene worth,
Or at þe hate of my hert * a-paþ ȝi hale kindil.
Lend agayn to ȝi hande * nowe quen you leue hanys,
Pot I mete ȝe in my malicole * my meth be to littif.
For-þi to keff ȝe to knaw * my kyndnes here-aftr, 1982
Bath my graco & my glori * & my gret strengh,
Lo here a glove full of greynys * I grayne þe to take,
Of þe chessess of a chessboll * chosen for þe nanys. 1983
For may þou sowme me þise sedis * surely þou trowe,
þou myst a-count all oure knyfis * & oure kyd ostis;
And þou truches þane to tell * þen tilis þe na noþer,
Bot move agayn to Messedone * & move¹ þe na forthire.
Fyne, sole, of ȝi fare * & fange to þi kythis; 1990
For þis sede I þe send * vnsowmyd bee neuire.
So ere we of all folke * folke to be nombrid,
Or any wen to a-comme * vndrie þe clere sternys.² 1993
Now aires furth his stille men * to Alexander wendis.
Vnto þe streme of struma * streight with þa lettis,
And he þam redis in a rose * & reches to³ þa sedis,
Tastis þam vndrie his tuthe * & talkis þir wordis: 1997
"Here I see," quod þis sire * "be þine like cornes,
þot þe pupill out of Persy * ere passandly many,³
Bot þam semys to be softe * as þis' sedis presys; 2000
For-þi how felo he all þe flote * it forces bot littif.
Be þis was men of Messedone * fro his modirs comen,
And said þat semely was seke * & semed to die;
And he þe waest of þe wond * wald worth hire to visitie,
Bot jit to Dary, or he went * he⁴ diþt þas a lettir. 2005

¹ MS. me, altered to move. ² Added in margin.

³ MS. make many; but make is struck out.

⁴ MS. his, altered to he.

For-þi it wer better vnbryden * or þou hale suffre,
Remewe agayn to þi realin * or þou sali it rew.
For certan, yf my senory * & my selue ne wer,
Alt þe world might albiðo¹ * wele þan be called.
For-þi tarme þe be-time * or any tene worth,
Or þe hate of my hert * on þi hened kyndle.

Lend Agayn to ȝi Land * With I Lene gefe þe, 1980 [MS. 10. 1. 1]

Lest you mete with my malicole * þi might be to lityll.

Fos-þi to ken þe to knaws * my kyngdom here-after,

Both my glory & my grace * & my gret strengh,

Lo, her a glove full of grynes * I grafh þe to rekyn, 1984

Off þe chefest of² chessebollez * chasyng for þe nonest.

For and þou may scame þees sedes * surely þou leue,

Thu may account³ all ovr knyfis * & ovr kyd ostis;

And yf þou thynkes þain to tell * þen tydes þe none oper,

To mefe agayn to masdon * & meff þe no farther. 1989

Fyne, sole, of ȝi fare * and fange to þi kythis;

For as þis sede pot I send * vnsowmud is euer,

So ben we of all⁴ frakes * & folkes vnsowmyrd, 1992

Or oþy weght to account * vnder þe elore welkyng.

Now ayres forth þees messengres * & to alexander wendyn,

Vnto þe streme of struma * streight with þis lettis,

And þam redis on a rose he * & reches to þe sedis. 1996

Castes þaine vnder his tothe * & talkys þees wondes:

"Here I see," quod þis sire * "be þis' selue cornes,

þot þe peple out of þeors * er passandly mony,

Bot þam semys to be softe * as þees sedis presys; 2000

And þen how felo he all þe flote * it forces bot lityll.

Be þot was men of masdon * fro hys moder comyn,

And þot semely was seke * & semyd to die;

And he þe waest of þe wond * wald for hir to vi-ytt, 2004

Bot jit to Durins or he diþt * he ditez suche a pistyl.

¹ Read a wido.

² MS. oft.

³ MS. account; see 1, 1993.

⁴ Here follows ben we of all fo, crossed through.

Nonus passus Alexandri.

A letter,
to Alexander the
Great,

I find I must
go home for the
present.

It is not for thy
honour, but my
mother is ill.

I shall soon
return, with fresh
news.

(Vol. III.)
I send you
a purse, full of
sharp pepper."

Alexander returns
home.

In Armenia he is
attacked by Dara
Amont.

" **A**lexandres je atihil' aine oute [of] greece,
Je soi of Ph[ili]p[er] je fons & of his faire lady,
Honoured Olimpades - je oddest vndire heuya, 2008
To je, sir Dari, on ji dese - jis dites I write.
For I am sent, be je sure many sare letters,
And namly now on new time - fra myne awen kith,
Out of je marche de Messadone - jat nekkil me gneus,
All oper waies to wirke & my witt likis. 2013
Bot I warne je, or I wynd - & witt at þou knaw,
Bot for me dredre I will-draw - ne doute of ji pride,
For baisting of ji bobance - ne of ji breme wordis,
Bot for to se þat is seke - my semely modire.
Bot wete þou wele þis, L-wis - will-in a wale tyme,
Fra þut I frast hane þat faire - of my fayre lady,
I salt je seke with a sowne - of segges enarmes, 2020
Ane ote to noy þus to meny - all of new knygtes,
And for je sake of ji sede - þou sent with ji lettres,
Lo, here a purse full of pepire - my powers to ken,
To se ji-selfe a similitude - how all ji soft grynes 2024
Sall vndire-put be all je pake - vn-to þir peper-cornes,"
þis pistill to Persiens - he with his peþir takis,
Portis prestly þam to - many prounde giftis, 2027
And þai hane last þam þer leue - & je letiȝr fungis,
And passis on to Persy - þe princes to shewe,
þan Alexander helyne - with his atihil dukis,
Rais him radly to ride - & remowis his ost; 2031
Fra þe streme of strume he streȝis - & stilli mowres,
And mevis him toward Messadone - his modir to visit.
He aires þurgo Arabie - & armed þor he findis
A duke of Darys þe kyng - þat drase him agayne,
A þere out of Persy - & prince of his ost, 2036
A maister man in ja marche - Amont was hatten.
He girdis him with a ging - þe grakis he asilles.

Nonus Passus.

" **I**, alexander, eldest - ayr out of greece,
þe son of Phillip[er] þe fons - & of þys faire lady,
Honored olimphades - þe oddest vnder heuya,
To je, sir darin, on ji dese - þis dites I write.
For I am send, be þe sure many sare letters,
And namly now on new tyme - fro my awne kithes,

All oper-wyse to wirke - þen my wille liked. 2013

Bot þis I werte, or I wende - & witt at þou knaw,
Bot for no dredre I withdraw - þe dow of þi pryd,¹

For baisting me for bobas - ne for breme wordis, 2016

Bot for to Se þat is Seke - my awne Semelych Modre.

(Vol. II.)

Bot wete þou wele þis, L-wisse - in a wale tyme,

Fra þut I frastyd hane þe fare - of my fayre lady,

I salt þe seke with a soun - of segges enarmes, 2020

One ote to noy vs to newyn - & all of new knygtes.

And for je sake of ji sede - þou send with þi writte,

Lo, here a purse full of piper - my power to ken,

To se ji-selfe a similitude - how all þea softe granes 2024

So vnder-put [be] all je pake - of þis pote cornes."

Thys pistill to þe persens - he with þis peper takis,

Portis prestly to þam - many prounde gyfher,

And þai hane laughten pair leue - & je lettrefx fangett, 2028

And pasyld unto perse - þe prined it to shewe.

Then alexander - with hys atihil Dukez,

Iachet hym radly to ride - & remeveþ hys ostez,

Fro þe streme of strume - he moved & stilly mærnez, 2032

And mevez on toward masyðos - hys moder to visett.

He ayers toward araby - & armyd þor he fyndes

A duke of Daries þe kyng - þat drase hym agayne,

A þere out of perse - & prince of hys hoste, 2036

A maister man of þe marche - amont was callyd.

He girdes in with a gyn - þe grekes assaylez,

¹ MS. pryde, or peyde (like þer in piper, l. 2023); read peyds.

They fight all
day.

The battle lasts
for three days.

Horses wade in
blood up to the
hockeys.

[Vol. 25 &c.]

The man is
killed.
At last the
Greeks prevail.

and the Persians
give way.

Amonata goes
to Darius,

and finds
him perusing
Alexander's
last letter.

The messengers
repeat the story
of the Greeks.

With Alexander all day · asperly festis,
Marres of þe Messedons · mightfull knyghtis, 2040
Dingis dous of þe dukes · deris þam vn-faire,
Fra morne to þe mirke niȝt · maynly þa cockes,
Sejus dous ouȝt aythine side · segis out of nombre, 2043
Begynnyngs sone in þe gray day · as any gleme springis,
And so to sett of þe soñ · seid þai nevire.
þus thre dais out a thraw · þai threpȝ alieke;
So lange, sais me þe lyne · lastid þe batall, 2047
Silke scores were of blude · of schondriched bernes,
þat foles ferd in þe flesches · to þe ſetelakis;
Sa store & stithe was þe stoure · þe story me tellis,
þat for soroy of þe wiȝt · þe¹ son² on þe henes
Kest away his clereto · & his clippis affires, 2052
For bale to blische on þe blode · at on þe bent floyes.
With þat ouȝt gomes out of greece · gedris vp þur herteis,
Fey fallis in þe filȝ · fele of þire oþre,
þo pouwer of Persy · in partie many 2056
Sejus sillingis dous · slayn of þaire blonkis.
And quen þe duke of ser Darya · þa dedis be-haldis,
Amonata þe miȝtfull · his men þan he fangis, 2059
And vnoȝt limpid him þe leo · þe lyne mo recordis,
Fra his faces with a fewe · þe filde to de-voide.
And slike a pas, sais þe prose · to Persy he ridis,
þot jis þe³ selfe sandismen · he in þe sale fyndis, 2063
þot fra þe streme of strama · were apon stediis wysisd
Fra Alexander & his ost · with his aþir pistilȝ.
And git ser dary on his dese · þa dities a-visis,
Held þe lettis in his loue · & at þe ledas frayneis,
Quat he saidis of þe sedis · þot he⁴ him-selfe sent, 2068
And þai swiftly him swarȝ · & awyth þas him tellis:
"þe kyng him kaȝt," quod þe knyghtis "· & on þe cornes
bitis,
And wele he gessis be þe gruynes · your gomes er sofis,

¹ MS. of the; of being added in the margin, but smearred out.

² Added in the margin.

And with alexander all þe day · asperly fechtis,
Marres of þe masidons · mightfull knyghtis, 2040
Dyngis dous of þe dukes · deres paine vnfaire,
Fra morne vnto mirke nyght · manly þai fechtis,
Show downe on ather syde · segis ȝort of nowmbeis.
Began in þe gray day · when þe gleme sprongis,
And so to þe sett of þe soñ · sonsyd þai nevire.
þus iij dais in a thraw · þai threpȝ eserlike;
So lang, says me line · lastyd þe batall,
Slyke shewres of shire blode · of shendevet bernes, 2048
þat foles faired in flosheis · to þe fetelakes;
So sture & stifyf was þe stoure · þe story me telles,
þat for sorow of þat fight · þe sett of þe hounis
Lost hase is claris · & hys cleyps wifers, 2052
For hale to Blissh on blod · þot on þe bent flowes. [Vol. 25 &c.]
With þat oȝt gomes ȝort of greece · gardyn vp þair herteis,
And fellyd fel in þe fiel · feyley of þis oþer,
þe power ȝort of perse · in partie mony 2056
Sweyl slightly downe · slayn of þair blonkis.
And when sir Darius duke · þis dedes bihaldyn,
Amonata þe miȝtfull · hym men þas he fangis,
And vnoȝt limpyd hym þe lyfe · þe line me recordis, 2060
And fro his face with A few folke · þe feld he dedoxis.
And suchis a passe, þen says þe prose · to perse he rydes,
þot jis þe some sendesman · he in þe sale fyndes,
At fro þe streme of strama · was on stede wyeſett, 2064
Fro alexander & hys hoste · with hys aþir pistilȝ.
And gitt sir claris on þe dese · on þis dytes awyseis,
Held þis lettis in hys loue · & at þe ledas frayneis,
What he sayd of þas sedis · þot he paim send hed, 2068
And þai⁵ swiftly hym swarȝ · & soþly hym tald:
"The kyng þain kachȝ," quod þe knyghtis "· & on þe
kirmels bote,
And wele he gessis be þe gruynes · your gomes er sofis,

⁵ MS. re duke; þat ye is subpaned.

⁶ MS. þai hym, þat hym is subpaned. ⁷ MS. kath.

Bot a thing, he said, he saye ' Bot solast him maste, 2072

Jai ware bot soft, he suposed ' for so je sede proued.'
Jan pullis his vp je proude kyng ' & on je pepre tastis,
Said, as it take him by je tonge ' his talkis ore fewe,
Bot, be his knyghtis as kene ' as me pis comes shewis, 2076
All je wend war to walke ' his wrothe to withstand,'
je modly man Amonis ' Jan melis jir wordis,
" Jis, he ledis bot a lite ' lord, with your lefe; 2079
Jars is' bot fewe at him folges ' hat fegynd bernes,
Bot mare fersere in feld ' felf neise of modire.

[fol. 26.]

Amonis wry,
" I attacked the
Greeks with a
larger army.

They best us,

For three days
we fought there,

and at last we
gave way.

As for Alexander,
he was soon the
pruder.¹

Alexander goes
to Sicily.

For I my-selfe with a sowne ' set jaius agayns,
With of je Persys preude ' a pake out of nowmbe,
Feliue jan his folke ' be full fyue thousand, 2084
And jis vs fell all to fern ' je fayntis to worthe;
For jai hame helid of eure hathilis ' & a hepe woundis,
Fey false to je fold ' many fers eris,
Bet doune our bachelors ' my banis to-rased, 2088
And a selly somme ' slayne of my knyghtis.
Quetheis days² than purpe-out ' thraly we feysten,
Derfe dimis & dreys ' delt & taken,
And jis je lawest at je last ' vs limpdyd to bee, 2092
And vmetheis saynd I my-selfe ' vn-slayn of pair handis.
Bot treuly, ser," quod je duke ' " greet tresore me thinkis
At Alexander je athil ' for of³ all ware he maister,
A-vanced with je victore ' & vngyd on his face, 2096
Was neuire je heire of a hawe ' his hert full of pride,
For mekely ilka modire son ' his awen met & othre,
Als wels je pure Persons ' as je prounde grekis,
All je douth at was dede ' be-dene he commands 2100
To gedre jan vp ilke gome ' & jan in grone ligge.
Now Alexander & his cat ' armyd on he ridis,
And some Cecile he ' with his seggis entred,

¹ MS. to wreke, altered to wrothe to in the margin.
² MS. blith stand.
³ Add'd in the margin.
⁴ Of added above the line, indistinctly written; it is
hardly wanted.

Bot on¹ thyngye, he sayd,² he sawgh ' jet solast hym
mekylly,³ 2072

Thai wer bot softe, he supposyd ' for so je sede proued.'
Jan pullis hym vp je prounde gome⁴ & on je pepre tastis,
Said, als it take hym by je tonge ' hys talkes wer felis,
For, be hys knyghtis als kene ' as me je come shewys,
All je world is to wake ' hys wrothe to wit-stande." 2077
The worthy man amonta ' jan mellys jir wordis,
Said, " he ledes bot a lityll ' lord, be your lefe;
Thair er bor few at hym folows ' of fegynd bernes, 2080
Bot more force on a feld ' felle neise of moder.
For I my-selfe with a sounse ' set hym agayns,
With je persons preude ' a pake out of nowmbe,
Mo jan hys awne meynys ' be full fyue thousand, 2084 Victoria em-
tress datus
And jis vs fell all be few ' je fayntis to worth;
For jai he⁵ herit of our athenys & a [hope] woundis,
And fey fally in je fold ' many force Erelas,
Betyn Done our Bachelors ' my Barons all distroyd, 2088 [fol. 26.]
And a selly somme of my knyghtis⁶ ' in je fold slayne.
Wherif three⁷ days out-porow ' thraily we feysten,
Drade dynes deefs ' deldyn & taken,
And jis je lawest at je last ' vs limpdyd to be, 2092
Bot vmetheis saynd I my-selfe ' vnslayne of pair handis.
Bot treuly, sir," quod je duke ' " greet tresore me thynake
At alexander je athil ' for all was he maister,
Anasoyd with wickory ' & vngyd on hys enmys, 2096
Was neuire je holder of a haw' [his] hert full of pride.
For mekely ilke modernis ' hys awne men & othre,
Als wels je pure persons ' as je prounde grekis,
All je doughty be-dene ' jet was dede he Commandez 2100
To gedre jan vp ilke grone ' & jan in grone bring."
Now alexander & hys cat ' armyd on he rydes,
And sone into cosyll ' he with hys sager enters, 2103

¹ MS. ony, corrected to on.
² he myd repeated; jet once expanded.
³ Above the line in MS.
⁴ Read haue.
⁵ The r is above the line in MS.

þer were citis of þa sidis¹ to him-selfe sweren, 2104
And sandiours him to sewe · seyntene thousand.

[Psal. 28 & 1]

On the top of a
cliffe he fand
Persipoli.

He goes to
Phrygia,

and sees
Scamander.

"Happy are we,"

he says, "who are
honoured
by that odd
clerk, Homer."

In Macedonia, he
finds his mother
dead.

He returns
towards Persia.

[Psal. 31.]

þan sede he ouire in-to ane Ile · Yssanna was hattef,
And þat was japeley him ȝowyn² & golden belyne.

þan vp he clame to a cliffe · þot to þo cloudis somed,
þe Tær³ of Tare to taken · þe treis it callis, 2109

þan fand he tildid on þe top · & tild⁴ vp a cite,
þe proud⁵ towñ of Persopole · & to þe place he nepes.

þare saye he selouthis sere · as þe buke sais, 2112

þe musys of musik & þe merke · how it was made first.

þan aires he in-to Asia · & si as he fonsdiz,
Ah þe clifis of þa sidis · he sesis þam close,

So fares he furth⁶ to Frigie · a-noþire faire Ile, 2116

And ane pur of his ali gods · he honourid in a temple,
þan ferd he furth to a Flum · was fyue cubetis brad,

Scamandra þe silis⁷ flode · þe scripture it callis.

"Now happy be ye," quod þe hathih · "all in her
beris 2120

þe honouris of þat odd clerke · Homere þe grete."

"Mekil dore," quod ane Dostomens · "of swi I deme saft,
And he of þe takyng of Troy · talid all his lyne."

"Nay, I wald more worth," quod þe [wee] · "a wyse
man dise[i]ple, 2124

þan þe honour þat Achæles · aȝt all his time."

þan moves he him to Messedon · with his mony princiex,

Amedell of his malidy · his medine he fyndez,
A littil dais with him lengis · & of hir lyve loys, 2128

And gruythes him þan with his gres · & a-gayn fondia

He passes on to-wand Persy · & pȝt downis his tentis
Bosyd a burpe at þe buke · Abandra men⁸ callis.

þan fall on freshly · þe folke of þe cite, 2132

And barri bremely at a burpe · þe fourre brod gates.

þan takis þe kyng his knyghtis · vñlapiis þe wallis,

¹ MS. Top, altered to Tor.

² MS. do tild; with do underlined.

³ MS. perweude.

⁴ MS. he furth he; with second he struck out.

⁵ Broad shire.

⁶ Added in the margin.

There were citis of þai syder · to hym-selfe was goldyn,
And sangeours hym to sewe · seyntene thousand.

þan sede he ouer into an Ile · Yssanna was hatef,
And þat was japeley hym gefen · & yolden belyne. 2107

Than vp he clame to a cliffe · þut to þe clowdez semyd,

þe towre of taure to token · þe treis it callis;

þar fand he tembret on þe top · & tyldit vp a cete,

The proud towne of persipoli · & to þe place goys.

þar saw he seleouthis sere · as says me þe writter, 2112

The musys of musik & þer merke · how it was made frist.

þan ayred he into asy · & ay as he fondez,

Alt þe cites of þo syder · he seses þam ilkon,

So fares he forth to frigo · an-other fair yle, 2116

And one of hys olde goddes · honours in a temple.

þen faryd he forth to a flume · fyue cubettes of brode,

Scamandra þe skyr flode · þe scripture it neese. 2119

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Then mefes home to masidon · with hys mony princez,

And mendyl of hir maledy · [his] moder he fyndez,

A litte dayes with hir he longes · & of hir lyve loys, 2128

And grathes hym þan with hys gyngs · & agayn fondez. [Psal. 31.]

He passed on towand perse · & pyth douȝt hys tentes

Beynde a burgh þat þe buke · bandam callis.

þan fall to pain freshly · þe folke of þe cite, 2132

And barri bremely at a burpe · þe fourre brod gates.

Then catches þe kyng hys knyghtis · vñbelappes þe walles,

He attacks
Alexander.

The men of it
say they only
abst their galas
for fear of
Darius.

We fightes
them,
and they give up
the keys.

He comes to the
Water of Winter.

His men say,
"our horses are
dying."

He reproves
them, saying
they can get
new horses;

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and ride them
advances.

Sottis vp-on a saute' on sidis enoys;

Bot for je cite was vnsure · je segges within 2136

Mijt noyt je breditis a-bide' of hermes enarm'd.

Jan eries off to je kyng · "sir conquerour," jai said:

"Ne stike we noyt ours stift jatis' your strenthe to
defend,

Bot for dired of sir Dary · je derfe Emperour, 2140

Lest, had we helidit to your heste · he had vs eft wastid."

"Ja, werpis jam vp," quod je weo · " & wyde open setzis,

If at ye shap pow to shouint · vnschent of oure handis.

For quen I done hanis with Dary · & my dede fenyshyd,

Jan salt I tell yow my tale · how it salt tide after."

So baiste jam je bald kyng · with his brome wordis,

Jan jai unsparkid him je gatis' · & yald him je keyis,

je burge jas of¹ alexandrin · he with his men takis, 2148

To take & leue quat his list · & lendis on forthire,

Jan wyndis he to A with touis · was Wythyattan,

And come so to Calidpol · anofter kid cite,

So to the watir of winter · as it je write callis. 2152

Jan here was foy for defuate · enfamyschist his ost,

Knygkis kest vp a cry · & kenedy jan menes:

"Lo, oure folcs ere in fere · fodeles to dye;" 2155

Jan pleynore je pomise · & je pite of our horis

Jan je soroye of jan-selfe · by je seuynt parte.

"Quat niles yow!" quod Alexander · to his athlit

dukes,

"Mi barons & my baratours · je biggest in erth,

Bot has je angwisch of armes · ay to now sufferd; 2160

Quethire cuire your hertis, I hope · for horisy abatis!

May vs noyt limp, if any life · lenge in our² brestitis,

To courer be eas at a cloke · coursours a thousand!

And yf vs demys be je dome · to die of je wond, 2164

Jan standis in stede noyt of a stra' all je store stedis.

For-ji I rede," quod je renke³ · "We ride off forthire,

For-ji⁴ I rede," quod je renke · "We rydyn on Forjer,

¹ Added in the margin. ² Miswritten ore in MS.

³ MS. keuke.

And settes vp a sawte' to je towne sydes;

Bot for je cite was vnsure · je segges within 2136

Might noyt je barettis abyde' of segges enarm'd.

Jan callyd jai to je kyng · "sir Conquerour," & sayd:

"We stike noyt eor gates · your strenth to defende,

Bot for je drode of sir dary · je derfe Emperour, 2140

Lest, had we helidit to your hest · he hed vs eft wastid."

"Ja, warpes pain vp," quod je wye¹ · " & wyde opyn setis,

For when I done hanis with Darius · & my dede fenyhyd,

Than salt I tell you my tale · how it salt tyde after." 2145

So bayste jais je bald kyng · with hys breme wordes,

That jai unsparkid hym je yates · & yeld hym je kosa.

Thus je brought of bandis · he with hys hermes takes, 2148

To lache & lefe quat hym lyst · & lendeis on forjer,

jan wendes he to a wale towne · was worthily haddyn,

And Come so to cadypolex · an ofer kyd cite,

So to je water of wynter · als it je write callos. 2152

There negh was foy for defuate · enfamyskyd hys ost,

Knygkis kest vp a cry · & kenedy jan meane;

Sayd: "Lo, oure folcs bene in fere · for fodeles to dye;"

Pleny more je perti · & perti of fair blonker" 2156

jan of je sorow of jan selfe · be je sement dele.

"What aylas you nowe!" quod alexander · to hys aethell

Dukes,

"My barons & my baratours · biggest on erth,

That has je angwisch of armes · ay to now sufferd; 2160

Whefer ever your hertis · for horse-fleshes shaytex?

May we noyt lympse, if any lyfe · lenge in our brestes,

To courer be eas at a cloke · coursours a thousand!

And yf vs demys be je dome · to die at ones, 2164

Jan standes in stede noyt of A stra' all eor styffe stedes.

For-ji I rede," quod je renke · "We rydyn on Forjer,

¹ MS. wye.

² The i above the line in MS.

And pas to sum oþre place · þare plente is in,
þat we may fange at þe fulf · þe fode at vs wantis." 2168

þan prekis he furth with his princes · to slike a playn'
wendes,

They soon find
plenty of forges.

At Tergarones,
he goes to
Appoline's temple.

Zacca tells him
to come again
another day.

The oracle
calls him
" Herosius."
Alexander says
She oracle is
false.

He next comes to
Thebes.

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The Theban
oppose him.

Luctus it hit, þe letterre · & þe lime þas it callis;
þare his forsayrns fund · þe fulth of vitall,
Bathes to² berne & to blomk · hide quon him likid. 2172
When he was full þare & fedd² · he flittis with his ost,
To Tergarones he teȝt · þare tijt was a mynster;
He pig down his pavillion · & passis to þe temple,
Sire Appoline to adoune · & oþre ald goddis, 2176
To offere in þot oritory · with honour he wyndis,
And sum of þam² at³ spire · how he spede salid.
Bot some aȝra him said · a semly summe,
þan was naȝt honour of answeris² · bot on a-nopers
bide. 2180

þan does him furth þe dore king · &, on þe day after,
He sej�s to þe Synagog · & sacrif[is]e makis,
And Appoline als belin · him aykewordly swaris, 2183
" Sire Ercules þe Emperour" · he cuies in alle callis.
þan Alexander all in ire · angrily spekis:
" Now fynde I wile," quod þe frake · " þut fals ere þi wordis,
Now you neyume me a new name · at I neuire hiȝt;
And you a god," quod þe gome · " þut is grete ioy!"
þan sekis he furth with a scorne · & to A cito wyndis,
þe town Thebes · þe treis it callis,
And þare he biddis all þe burgs · þut fourre bald knyghtis
Suld be lett with him lemf · & lengi in his weris. 2192
þen temed þe Thebees folke · & tynd to þe galleis,
And to with-stand his strenthe · stejd to þe wallis,
Bad him bow of be-lyne · & hide þare na liingine; 2195
For if he diȝd, withoutyn dowe · þe deth jai him hiȝt.
þan fangis him vp þe fell kyng · a fayl feynyd laȝter,

¹ MS. ap lay. ² Added in the margin.

³ After al, to is wrongly added above the line.

And peasse we to som oþer place · where plente is in,
Thare we may fang at þe fall · þe fode at vs wantis, 2168
And bath our folk & owr foler · fyll faire wambes." 2168²
Then prekys he forth with his pricess · to souche a place
wendes,

Luctus it þe letterre · & þe lime callis;
There as hys sanguours have fondyn · þe fulth of þe vitale,
Bath to berne & to blonke · byde while he liked. 2172
When he was full þar & fed · he flittis hys ostes,
To tergarones he tijt · þar table was a mynster;
þyȝt doȝȝ hys pavillons · & passyd to þe temple,
Sir appolyne to adoune · & oþer ale goddes, 2176
To offere in þot oritory · with honour in he wendes,
And of som sperete to spire · how he spede salid.
Bot on þasora hym sayd · a semlych Noni,¹ 2179
þar was none oþer answer · bot ans oþer day to abyde.

þan drate hym for[th] þe dore kyng · &, on þe day after,
He soȝht into þe sinagoge · & sacrifice maker,
And appolyne als belyue · hym awkwardly answeris,
" Sire ercules þis emperour" · hym ever oner clepys. 2184
Than alexander all in ire · angrily spekys:
" Now fynde I wile," quod þe frake · " þut false eri þi wendes,
For you neyves a new name · þut I never hiȝt;
And you a god," quod þe gome · " þut is grete ioy!" 2188
Then sekys he forth with a scorne · & to a cyte wendes,
þat like towne hight teben · þe treis so it calles,
And þar he biddis all þe burgh · þut fourre bald knyghtis
Suld be lett with hym wende · & in hys werys lengo. 2192
þen tenyd þe tebe folke · & til to þe gates,
And withstode his strenthe · & strode to þe walles,
Bad hym bakes on belyue · & abyde þar no langer; 2195
For if he dyd, withoutyn dowe · þe deth jai him hiȝt.
þan fangis him vp þe fell kyng · a ful feynyd laȝter,

¹ So in MS.

Alexander says,
" Ye Thebans
bent to be brane,
pet ys alast yon-
selves up behind
wallis."
He orders a grand
assault.

and take his men
finc the city.
The attack begins.

[Pd. 20 b.]

The Greeks
threw stones out
of gree.

The city is fired.

Said, " þe of Tebet ere tried · þe tethiost on erth,
Of all þe seggis vnder soþ · þer elizians hatt ;
Mast hije þe ere herisil · herid of joure strenthe. 2200
And now se yape meti as þe · þe patis haue stoken,
And me & þe proudest of my princez proferne vs were ;
And at þe so will, I-wia · wondre me thinke, 2203
For jus walð never at þe wroȝt · þe wyrscip of armes.
It contraries knyȝthode · þe knewe wele your-selfe,
To any wiȝt warriours · in wallis jam to close,
For he pat kyd is & kene · & conettez a name,
Wilt feft fensly in fild · his famen agayns." 2208
Jan Alexander be-line · all a-boute þe cite,
Makis four thousand · with flanes & bowis,
Biddis jam to bend vp · brathly with aravis
To wondre þe wees with-in · þet on þe wallis houys. 2212
And twa thousand be tale · he tityly comandaunce,
Of wole buskil berres · in breynys & platys,
All þe sidis of þe cite · þet sechus had biggd,
And Amphion, all athiȝt kempe · onane to distroye. 2216
A full thousand he fangid · to fire þe fourte patis,
And thre thousand of thra men · to throw whil engynes,
Him-selfe of slings & slike · a-somblis a me[n]ȝe, 2219
To heede & helpe of his hyne · if any harme lymphid,
Now ore his seggis all sett · & þe saute neyȝis,
Were waknes be-twene · werbile in tramps ;
Oure pepill with payns · pressis to without,
Hallis vp hemp cordis · hurled out arowis ; 2224
Other athils of armes · Albastis bendis,
Quirys out quarrels · quappid thruse mayles.
Suu with gunnes of þe grekys · girdis vp stanys,
To teme þe Tebet folks · þet on þe touris festis ; 2228
Suu braide ouȝt þe barres · in blasand wede,
And faire fest on a fyre · all þe fourte patis ;

Sayd, " þe of tebo er trist · & theliest on erth,
Off all þe segges vnder sun · þet citoyns er called ;
Most heylý þe be answere · & hight in hert.¹ 2200
And now so yope meti as þe · þates Haſe stoken,
Me & my proudest of my princez · þe do profre were ;
And þet þe so will, L-wysa · wondre me thyneke, 2203
For jus walð never þet þe wroȝt · worshipe of armes.
It contraries knyȝthod · ye knewe wele your-selfe,
To any wiȝt warriours · in walles hys to close,
For he pat kyd is & keno · & couates hym a name,
Wilt fensly fecht in þe feld · hya faymen ayayns." 2208
And alexander als bolyfe · all vmbre þe cyte,
Mise illij Mille² to fonde · with flanes & bowes,
Byddes jam to bend vp · & brathly with arowes
To wondre þe wyes wilkin · þet on þe waller hoved. 2212
And two thousand be tale · he tytely Commander,
Of wile buskil berres · in brenes & in plates,
All þe sydes of þe cite · þet sichus had biggd,
And amphion, þe aſthel komþ · anone to distroye. 2216
And illij Mille² he fonge · to fyre þe illij þates,
Bot thre Mille² of thre men · to throw with engynes,
Hymself with slengens & slyke · he sonned³ a menȝe,
To heyl & to helpe hya hynes · if any harme lymyd. 2220
Now er is segges all sett · & þe saute neghed,
Were waknes be-twene · werblet tramps ;
Our peple with paryeys · pressen to without,
Hales vp hemp cordis · hurled owt arowis ; 2224
Oþer athils of armes · albastre bendes,
Whirres owt quarrels · wappyd through males.
Suu with gunnes of þe grekys · gyrdyn vp stanys,
To teme þe tebet folks · þet on þe touris fightis ; 2228
Som brasyn ourse þe barres · in blisnand wedes,
And faire fest on a fyre · all þe fourte pates ;

¹ Cateleward—in hert; *verywylly*.

² Read thousand, which is intended by this contraction for
Lat. milie. ³ Or sonned.

They yield.

One Sisters is
glid to see
Todes on fire.One Heman is
scry to see it.and says
Alexander to
show money.The king is
wrath, and
destroys the city.One Clytemnestra,
a Thelion, follows
his host.

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An oracle says,

the man who is to
receive Thelion
will states con-
quer in wounding.

All þe burȝ at a brayde · was on a hale kyndlett, 2231
 And þa þat sounde ware wnelayn · als sottes þam yeldis,
 þan will-out in cure ost · as þe buke tolly, 2232
 A Sir, at Scicistrus · was callid be name,
 A meri man, a Messangere · þat maynly was ioyd
 To se þe cite be so soone · sindid to bramdis. 2236
 Another hathilf vndre hand · þat Hismon was² callid,
 Ane a maistre of musike · ³a mas of þe cite,³
 Aires to ser Alexander · & in his hert wepis, 2239
 As qua sai, "prince, of oure place · suns pete þou haue,"
 þan lokis þe lord to þe lede · said, "letrid berme,
 Quare-to feynys þou þis fare · for-with myne ezen?"
 "Sir conquerour," quod þe clerk · "þoure comego to bend,
 And in ridding of oure riche toun · þour reuth for
 to call." 2244

þan was þe wale kyng wrath · & wixly comandis
 To bote in-to þe bare erth · all þe burȝ-walles;
 And quen all kynd was on colis · & kast upon heþes,
 þan siris he on with his ost · man honour to wynh.
 A lenthill mas full ioyles · iournais him esfir, 2249
 Foloxys þan fare · ai on fote as þai ride,
 A sage at of þe same toun · sires was & maistre,
 Ane callid was Cletemestra · to erie esfir soucre, 2252
 His ledis at lefe ware o-lyne · a lite of þe cite.
 þan askid at sire Appeline · al⁴ with a steuen,
 "If enire it worth salte to wee · quen þe word stand,
 Oure bu[r]ȝys agayn for to higg · þat brettid is to noȝt?"
 þan gales þair god · a-gayn & þus spekis: 2257

"þe talki þat tild your toun · salte thold vp & rare,
 Salt three times have pe thrys · of sunn thewys gone
 Of were one of wrisilling · for þas has wind shapen,
 And quen þat wrischip is wofl · within a wale time,
 þan sell he sett vp him-selfe · þe cite as beforene."

¹ MS. aja, with first a underlined.² MS. was wan; the second was underlined.³ Substituted in MS. for "as in his art wepis;" see next line.⁴ Written above the line.

þut all þe burȝ at a brayde · was on a blasse kyndlett,
 And þo þat sounde war vndayn · as segos þaim zolden.
 Than was withoutw in þo est · als þe buke tolly, 2233
 A syre, þat sicistres¹ · was seget to name,
 A meri man, a messangere · þat manly was Ioynes² {P. 24.}
 To see þe cite be so soone · shewdit to bramdes. 2236
 Ane-ófer aþell vnder hand · þet Hismon was callyd,
 One maister of musike · a man of þe cite,
 Ayrez hym to Alexander · & in hys hert wepis, 2239
 Als whi sa, "Prince, of your place · som pite þe haue."
 Then lokys þe lord to þe led · sayd, "Ilfred berme,
 Whare to feynys þou þis fare · fee-with myn eghen I see!"
 "Sir Conquerour," quod þis clerk · "your³ eorge to bynde,
 And in ridding of our riche towne · your reuth for to
 calle." 2244

Than was þe wale kyng wrught · & wittily Commandes
 To bote into þe bare erth · all þe burȝ-walles;
 And when all kyndlett was on coles · & castyn vpon heþys,
 Than ayrez he on wiþ hys ost · more worship to wyñ. 2248
 A gentilman full ioyles · þen lornays hym after,
 Fowles þe folke ay on fute · as þe faire ryden,
 A sega of þe same cite · þot syre was & maistre,
 That callyd was clytomaes · to cry after socour, 2252
 Hys ledes þat left wer on-lyne · a lyne of þe cite.
 Then askyd þai at sir Apolyn · all wiþ a stervyn,
 "Yf it worth salt to wy · whil þe world standes, 2255
 Oure burȝ ayayn to be held · þat hreytund is to noȝt?"
 Than galoz þar god þain ayayn · & þus gates he spekes:
 "The talki þat told moch your towñ · salte thold vp & rare,
 Salt three tymes have pe tro · of some kyngne gamez
 Off were or of wrislyng · for so hase werdez shapyn. 2260
 And when þat worship is won · within a wale tyne,
 Than salt he sett vp [him] selfe · þe cite als beforene."

¹ Or sicistres.² Read ioynes.³ MS. pere.

Alexander goes
to Corinth,

and holds some
games.

Clytemnestra
sets to be allowed
to wrestle;

and throws his
man Thurio.

He is crowned,
and they ask his
name.

[Ed. 26 A.]
He says it is
City-less.

"Once I had a
city, but now
have none."

Jus answers þam jaire ald gode · & oses on jis wyse,
And þai als fayne, al þe flote · as fowle of þe day. 2264
þan aires on sir Alexander · with his aithil princes,
To þe castell of Corynþi · he comes with his ost,
With þe Pers of þa porters · to play on þe touras,
As all þe aires of þa sidis · him-selfe had required. 2268
þe multitude ware sa miche · of men for to rekeþ,
þat þare was semblid & sett · þat sijt to be-halid.
Quod Alexander bilyne · to all at þare stode,
"Quint gone salt þis gaweneſt · begin upon first!" 2272
Then comes forth Cleonmacus · & to þe kyng swaris,
þe talkes out of Thebæ · I tald you be-forne,
"If it yowre miskilþ maiceste · miȝt any thyng plesse, 2275
I wald to wacken zones welthi² · now wirstill a turne."
þas mas þe prince him a place · & prestly him matches,
And he him girlies to þe grounde · & he grew wynnes,
"Now faithfully," quod þe folt kyng · "faile þe so theris,
þou all be crowned, or I caire · for kiddest of þe gamen."
þan ȝede he³ eftsones to · & his euen kastis, 2281
Thringis to þe thrid time · & þe thri wyrmyns.
And þan comandis him þe kyng · a coroune on hede,
As for þe prie of þe play · putfull of stanis; 2284
þan bed him beddels belyne · "bress vs þi name."⁴
"Sires, by my sothe," quod þe seghe · "Sities I hiȝt."
"Qwi so, my worthe wirstiller!" · þe wale kyng sayd,
"How tidis it þe & tou[n]les · þis⁵ toname is callid!" 2288
"My lounly lord," quod þe lede · & law hym declines,
"Be-for þe come slike a kyng · & þe croune werrid,
I had a cite⁶ my-selfe · & seges I-nowe;
And nethen ge nyt þis empire · I am it all priued." 2292
þan trouwid trawly þe kyng · þut Theby he menyd,
And beddels & ballyfs · he bad on bmd erie,

¹ Added in the margin.

² MR. Welsh, altered to welth.

³ MS. matches, altered to matches.

⁴ MS. be to ; with to strack out.

⁵ MS. name name ; the first strack out.

⁶ MS. þi ton ; ton strack out.

⁷ MS. a h a cite ; with a h strack out.

Thus answers þaim þis old god · & oses on jis wyse,
And þai als fayne, al þe flote · als foule is on mome. 2264
Than Ayres hym on sir Alexander · with his aithil Princez,
To þe castell of corynþi · he commys with hys ostas,
With þe peres of þai parter · to play on þe toweras,
Als all þe syres of þat sydes · hem-selfe had required. 2268

The multitude Wher to muche oþer men for to rekeþ,
That wer þar sembyld & set · þat fegit to be-held.

Quod Alexander als bilyne · to all þat þar stolidiȝ :

"What gone salt þis gameſt · begyn vrodi first!" 2272

Then commes furth Clytemnestra · & to þe kyng sweres,
The tulke owt of teþe · I tald you beforene;

"If it yowre mekyll mageste · miȝt any thyng please,
I wald to wakyn ourz welth · now wrastyll a turne." 2276
þen makes þe prince hym a place · & prestly hym matches,
And he hym grydes to þe grand · & he grewynnes.

"Now faithfully," quod þe folt kyng · "faile þe þon thrisse,
Thu sal be crownyd, or I go · for kyldest of gamme."

þen ȝode he eftsones to · & hya euen castes, 2281
Thryngis to þe thrid tyme · & þe thri wynnes.

And þen Cowmandes þe kyng · a cronne on hened,
Als for þe fee of þe play · pigfull of stanis; 2284

Then hyde hym beddes belyne · "bress vs þi name."

"Sirs, be my soȝt," quod þe seghe · "sities! I hiȝt."

"Whi so, my worthe wirstiller?" · þe wale kyng sayd,
"How tydes it þe at townis · þi to-name is callid!" 2288

"My lounly Lord," quod þe lede · & law he declynos,
"Before þe Come sucha · & þe crowne wered,

I hed a cyte my-selfe · & seges enewe;
And syns ge nught þis empyre · & I am deprived." 2292

Then trouwid trawly þe kyng · at teþet he neuynd,
And Bedels & ballyfs · he bad a-none crye,

⁸ I.e. city-less ; so also town-less in line 2288.

Alexander
gives him to
rebuild Thebes.
He goes to
Ptolemy.

Diana's
prophetic
vision
welcomes
Alexander.

and tells
Strangeres he
will lose his
lands.

And so it
happened.
Alexander comes
to Athens.

[fol. 48.]

Be-fore his pupill apert · þe powere him grauntis
To sett his cite vp agayn · & of hys-selfe holdies. 2295
þan passis he to a pronde toun · Platæ was hatten,
þere was stijlþane Straßagera · þot was a stiffe prince,
Dose hym in with his dukis · to Dianass temple,
And fand a pure prophetas · sparald in valles. 2300
And scho, as some as scho him saje · said hiss þir wordes:
" Welcom! we, at all Je wurd · salþ wyr with þi handis."
þe secund day before þe son · he at þe cite wilstid,
In-to þe temple he turned · tythandis to herken. 2304
" Quæt ware þi witt, ser, to wete!" · þe womast frayned;

" þou ledes alþi lordschip · within a litle dais."
" Quæt, & has þou osset to Alexander · þis ayndam wyrde,
And me jas ih̄t vn-ably · jime abet þon werys." 2308
" Nay, tene þow nost, for treuly · þus tide bose it node."
And so it wortuld, for in a wrath · þe wale kyng swyþ
Him of his principalete priued · & þan þe prince fondis
Onsan to Athemas · & on þe athilf playstes; 2312
And þai said, saire suld him sow · bot he þe cite hold.
And Alexander with his ostes · aires on forthire,
Atcynes him to-ward þe tennes · & of þar tene heres,
And slike a word he pain waynes · be writt fra him-self.
And qua so wyl has to wete · how it wortuld eftir,
Here salt I tell þum at lones · to here forthire. 2318

Decimus passus Alexandri.

I Alexander, þe aire · & eldest childe hatteſt
Of kyng Philip þe fers · þat fest am in greeſe,
And of þe quene Olimpides · þe oddiſt vnder hevyn,
To all yow of Athemas · þus ethil I my sayes. 2322
Fra þut my fadere was fey · & furne out o lyne,
And I was sett in his sege · with septour to regne,
Sethen went I with my wærloſſes · in-to þe west ende,

¹ Added in the margin.

Before hyr peple so perci · & hym þe power grauntes
To set his cite vp agayn · & of hym-selfe held. 2295
þan passys he to a pround toun · plates was hateſt,
þer was stijlþane Straßagera · þot was a stiffe Prince,
Dose hym in with hyr Dukes · to Diana's temple,
And fand a pure prophet · apparelt in wales. 2300
And als soſe as shu hym see · shu sayd þees wordes:
" Welcom!, wye, þot þa werid · salþ wynne wiþ þi handes."
þe secund day before þe sun · he þat cite weſtit,
To þe temple he tight · tishamder to herken. 2304
" What is þi witt," quod [the] woman, " sir, to witt · &
how þou me frances;
For þou losset all þi Lordschip · within a lityll dayes."
" What & has þu osset to alexander · þus ayndom wyrde,
And me pos̄t vnably · þine habet þon werys." 2308
" Nay, tene þe night, for trewly · þus tyde bus it node."
And so it wortuld, for in a wrath · þe wale kyng swyþ
Hym of hya principalete degrives · & þan þe Prince fondis
Anone vnto athens & on · of þe athilf Planettes; ² 2312
And þai sayd, saire suld he sike · bot he þe cite yelde.
And alexander with his est · þan ayres on ferfer,
Attelys hym toward þe terme · & of þe tene heres, 2315
And such a word he pain wayffes · be writt fro hym-seluen.
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Decimus passus.

I alexander, ayre · & heldest child both
Off kyng philip þe fers · þat fessit am in greeſe, 2320
And of þe whene olimphades · þe oddiſt vnder hevyn,
To all yow of athenos · þus ethil I my sayes.
Fra þut my fadere was fey · & fallyn out of lyve,
And I was sett in his sege · with septour in hand, 2324
Syse went I with my weryoors · in-to þe west ende,

Epistola.

¹ Read Diana. ² Written above the line in MS.

³ So in MS.; ⁴ So corruptly.

I have conquer'd
all Europe.

All who resist
me destroy.

The Thessians
resisted in vain.

Send me ten
philosophers;
I ask no more,
except that ye do
honor me."

[MS. A. 9. 2.]

One Eschylus
recommends
them not to listen
to him.

One Demosthenes
is next
consulted.

He recommends
thee to consult,

And ay with-out any armes · ja'm all at anys golden,
AH Europe to myn empire · enterly ja'm geu[n]g[^a],
Eynu to yo Oceane · out of ald Rome. 2328
Qua pot vs rekenly resynes · na riddour jai tholdit,
And all at otheine wais wroght · we wast pain for cuise.
And now fro je marche of Messedone · I mused upon late
þerze je anglis here of Afle · with myne athif dukis,
And so je Thebien ja'm t[is]t · je tous to defende, 2333
And I þar pompe¹ & þaire pride · to pondire declined.
To sow now write I on þis wise · jai, wald yo² me send
Ten fyne Philisofers² · to fand with my wittis, 2336
Joune burges ne your bright bees · hidde I þai nothir,
Bot at yo know me for kyng · & call me your lord.
For & nyk now to myn empire · your nekkys for³ to bowe,
Pan bus you bigger⁴ to be · þen all my bald princes,
Or herte anotherie Indi-man · a-lost more of strenth
Pan I my-self or my seggys · be je senent dele,"

þire athals of Atenes · þir angard clerks 2343
Pan renuerent jai je riche sole · & red ouer je pistill,
Synke kestyn vp a crie · with a kene voice at anya,
Sum in comending of his carpe · & on cleme it spidil.
A Filisphire pan on first · before yo folke risis,
Ane Eschilus in erle · & ernestly lu spekis, 2348
Je douth & al dinounors · be-dene he comandis,
Pot jai suld corde be na eas · va-to je kingis heste.
With pot all sameon a sopp · semblis je pupill,
A doctor, ane Domestyne · jai derily beseky^a 2352
To consule pain als in je caue · & ken pain je best,
And he rekenly rase · & rekyns þis wordis:
" I he-ske ȝow now, my citijens · if pot je safe vouche,
Bot soberly a sete quile · my sawys for to herc.
Sir, if ye fele sow so fer · his force to wilckond,
Aives ayaynas hym with armes · admittis noht his sawys,
And if⁵ je fynde ȝe be to faynt · fulfillis his will,

¹ MS. pompe. ² Added in the margin.
³ so is written above the line. ⁴ MS. biggs.
⁵ MS. inserts fy, struck out.

And jai wiþkowntyn armys · þaim all at onys yeldyn,
All europe to my empyre · enterly jai geven. 2327

Who pot rekenly vs resaned · no radhour tholett,
And all pot other-wyse wroght · we wastyd for euer.
And now fro je marche of masydoh · I mused on late
Toew þe anglez of asy · with myne atheif Dukez, 2332
And so je tebes pain tyȝt · je tous to defende,
That I þair pompe & þair pride · to powder han declined.
And now writte I on þis wise · jai, wald yo me send
Ten¹ fyne philosopharis · to fand with my wittis, 2336
Your burghes ne your bright bees · hidde I none oþer,
Bot pot yo know me for thyng² · & calle me your Lord. [MS. A. 9. 2.]
For nyk yhe to myn empire · your nekkys for to bowe,
Pan bus you bigger to be · þan all my bald Princes, 2340
Oþer lates me oþer lordesman · alood more of strenth
Then I my-self & my seges · be je seuynt dele."
þoss athals of athens · þes awgred Clerkes
þen renuerent jai je riche sole · & red ouer je pistill,
Synke kestyn vp a cleme voyeo · & cried al at onys, 2345
Some in Commandyngh of hys carpyng · & soth in dyspyeyng
Than A philisofre³ on þis frist⁴ · before þat folke ryse,
Ane Escalus in þat sole · & egisly spakes, 2348
þe⁵ Doughty & al Dynymours · be-dene he Cowmandex,
pot jai suld acord be no case · to þe kynges heste.
With pot al samplis in a sopp · assemþples je peple,
A Doctor, ane Domestyn · jai derily beseky^a 2352
To Counsell pain in þot caue · & ken pain je best.
And he þan rakenly rose · & rekens fees wordes:
" I Beske you now, my citijens · if þat yo sane woch,
Bot soberly a sete quile · my sawys for to hercyn." 2356
And sayd, " If þe feyle you so ferce · hys force to wilckond,
Ayayna ayayna hym with armes · admittis noht hys sawys,
And if yhe fynd je faynt · fulfylȝ þan hys wylle,

¹ MS. Then. ² MS. philipofra. ³ MS. yo.

Vn-to his mckylle maistre · mekely jow bore. 2360
 For Sexes in sun time · surmountid all kyngis,
 Jit ligh he law at jo last · for all his lethir prid.
 Bot Alexander with his armee · in alkin rewmys
 Has happend jit si hedine-to · jo herre of his fess; 2364
 Vnnomitable ere je notis · to newnes of his weres,
 And hit betid nevir jo tyme · jet esire tuke he schame,
 Ware nojt je talkis out of Tire · jo tidiest of erth, 2367
 Je kyddest knyghtez to a-count · vnder je cape of heuen,
 Quat bathe for corage & kene · & connyng in armes!
 Luke quare it profet jasch a peesse · all jaire proud strength.
 Was nojt je Thebes for-to · jo threyest¹ of otheire,
 Wær noht wœs of je werd · & of witte clerest, 2372
 Fra pot paires cites ware sett · jo notelest of wores!
 Quat seruyd aff jai sapient · or slept² of batal!
 Of Poliponensem je pupill · with pis prince forfet,
 And pot pain lethir con like · by je latir ende, 2376
 For þe kyng of jaire kythe · was killid down & hedid,
 His renkes raymed aff je route · & all je rewme golden.
 Ware je nojt wœl purje aff je werd · how wroth with
 him cheues! 2379

Has he nojt cites baile saule · esyed out of noubles!
 And for Strasgira þe strang · he of his strenth priued,
 Je mane al þus malicoly · his maistre a-gayne. 2382
 þans de þe nojt jour denire · jet dare I wile preue,
 It was je gilt all of je gome · & nojt of je god lord.
 Ne had he traipsed him to · I take it off my trouthe,
 Had neuire his cite ne his soile · be seid fra him
 nouthirs.
 For þe aumast aer Alexander · is all je werd famyd
 For one of je curiaid kyng · jet enir crowne woryd, 2388
 And wete je wile at slike a we · at is³ wyse halldyn,
 He wald neuire surprise · no sege vndir heuen." 2390
 Wit þot all of Atenony · þis sunceant maistre,

because Alex-
ander always
wins.

" Did he not
conquer Tyre?

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and Thebes?

and the people of
Peloponnesus?

Ye are angry
because of
Strasgira's faue.

But he deserved
it.

Alexander is
known to be
conqueror."

The Athenians

¹ MS. threyest; with a third e above.
² MS. slept; altered to slept. ³ Added in the margin.

Vnsto his mckylle mageste · mekely jow bores. 2360
 For sexes in sun tyme · sirmountid aff kyngez,
 Jit ligh he lawe at jo last · for aff hys lethir pride,
 Bot alexander with hys armes · in alkyn realmes
 Hase happynd sy jit hyder · to þe hyer of hys fose;
 Vnnomberable er jo notez · to nevyn of þe wero, 2365
 And jit betid nevir je tyme · jet ouer toke he shame.
 Wer nocht je talkis out of tire · þe trewest¹ of þe world,
 Je kydest knyghtez to a-count · vnder je cope of heuen,
 What bath² of corage & kene · & connyng of armes!
 Luke quare it profet jasch a peesse · all pair proude strength.
 Wer nocht je tebetics parto · jo tidiest of oþer,
 The worthiest wyes of þe world · & of witte clerest²; 2372 [MS. 36]

What seruyd jitte aff þur sapiens · & sleghes of were!
 Of poliponensem je peple · with pis prince fechtien,
 And pot pain lederly con like · jit at þe latter ende, 2376
 For þur þe kyng of þe kyth · was kyllid downe & hened,
 Hys renkes raymed aff je route · & hys realme golden.
 Wayte je nocht wœl þorow all je wœld · how aff thyng
 with hym guys! 2379

And for strasgira þe strang · he of hys strenth priued,
 Jit je make you malicoly · hys mageste ayyna.
 þorio yhe do not your Dinos² · I dar it wile prefe,
 It was je gilt of gome · not of je gode Lord. 2384
 For had he neght traipsed hym vnto · I take on my saule,

And for þe graunt of þe sir alexander · is all þe world famed
 For one of þe curiaid kyng · jet enir crowne woryd,
 And wete je wile at slike a we · jet is so wyse halldyn,
 He wald never surprise · no sege vnder heuen." 2390
 With þot all þis athenen · & þis aumost maisters,

¹ MS. has je after bate, but it is struck out.

² MS. Dinos.

continued
Demosthenes,

and send a crown
to Alexander.

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The Athenian
messengers
arrive.

Alexander thanks
them.

He learns about
Archelaus and
Demosthenes.

A letter.
"Alexander to
the men of
Athens.

I do not attempt
to enter Athens
hereby.

And clewe all þe cleryc • comensour & oþre, 2392
þis diuinour Domestyn • bedene þai comendid,
A-eroris pain to his consale • & kensly it prased.
Jan axed þai to ser Alexander • onane for to send
A croune all of clere gold • clusted with gemmyis, 2396
Of fyfty pondis with þe payse • as þe prose¹ tellis,
þis treasour tire þai hym to • & tribute him hetis.
Now ere þe sandisment² sett on paine horsis,
A Ientill man þat Iowell • enyoyued was to kepe, 2400
þat was full sekerly & soft • all in silke faldef;
Bot clerkes to þe conquerour • caled with paine many.
Jan movis furth þe messengres • of mylis³ þat fewe,
þut þai nere liȝt as belyng⁴ • at þe kyngis tentis, 2404
Knedil downe before þe kyng • & hiss þe crowne rechid,
And jeryly tribute him to gene • japeyl hym hetis.
Jan takis þe guidman þe gifte • & gretly þanckis,
And vnderstandis in a stound • how it stode clewe, 2408
Of þe egind of Eschilus • þat erid his feris,
þut þai with-sitt suld his sayes • & serue noȝt his pistif.
þe dities of Domestiane • so did he bathe,
þat comandid & his⁵ commandementis • to kepe in all
wyses, 2412
þit neuir-þo-lattir to ja ledis • a lettir he fourmed,
In presidince with his awen⁶ prince • reportand ja
wordis:

¶ "I, kyng Philipp son þe fers • & his false ladis,
Honoured Olimphades • þut I obesse maste, 2416
I kepe nevir king to be callid • ne cache me þut name,
Tilf all þe barberon blude • bowe to þe grakis.
I stiȝt nevir Athens • with armes to entre, 2419
Bot þow to question enquier • & qweste with my wittis,
I purpose ay ent of repreue • þoure persons to leui,
And þe þo contrari clewe • poure conscience it openes.

¹ MS. persone. ² MS. sandisment.

³ MS. mylaid, altered to mylis. ⁴ MS. bely, altered to belyng.
⁵ Added in the margin. ⁶ MS. awent, altered to awen.

⁷ MS. hantide, altered to wittis.

And Clewe all þe cleryc • comensour & oþer, 2392
Thys Diuinour domestyn • by-dene þai commandyis,
Ascede pain to hym counsol • & kensly it prased.
Then ameyd þain to sir alexander • onone for to send
A Crowne all of clere gold • clusted with gemmyis, 2396
Of fyfty pound was þe payse • as þe prose tellis,
Thys treasour tire þai hym to • & tribute hym hightis.
Now er þe sandesmen in sute • sett on þer blonkez,
A gentilman þat Iowell • inisneyd was to kepe, 2400
þat was full sekerly & full soft • all in silke faldef;
Bot clerkes to þe conquerour • cayled with paine none.
Then myfyd forth þe messengres • myles bot a few,
And list alþ belyng • at þe lordes tentes, 2404
Knele downe before þe kyng • & hym þe crowne raughtis,
And jeryly tribute hym to gyf • papely hym hightis.
Than tas þe godman þair gifte • & gretly þain thankes,
And vnderstandes in a stound • how it stode clewe, 2408
And of þe eggynge of Esculius • þut erid hys foes,
To wittisite hys sawe • & serue neghȝt hys pistif.
þe dites of domestyn • & so dyd of both,
þot Counselyd hys Commandement • to kepe on al
wyse, 2412
Yit neuer-þo-letter to þo ledes • a lettir he enformed,
In presidince hys Awne prince • reportand þes wordes:

"I, kyng Philipp son þe fers • & hys fayre ladys,
Honoured olympades • þut I obey most, 2416
I kepe nevir kyng to be callid • ne cache me þut name,
To¹ all þe barberon blude • bowe to þe grakis,
I attellyd nevir athens • with armes to entre, 2419
Bot þou questions to enquier • to wete with my wittis,
And purposed ay ent of repreue • þour persons to leui,
Bot þe þo contrary clewe • in your conscience doys shew.

¹ Better Th.

Whoever opposes
me will suffer.

[Vol. 42.]

To receive me
because of
Strangerout.

I forgive you."

The Athenians
desire.

Alexander goes to
Lacedeumon.

They agree to
receive him.

They desired the
walls.

They purpose
their navy.

Bot quilk as first of yow founidis¹ a fote vs agayne,
Sall neuer denoide my dedeyne " ne my derfe ire. 2424
And je at wickid ere within " ay wickidly þe thinke;
For as þe greyne is in þe grupe " growis þe frute.
þe Tebies talkyd² vs with tene " a-tired psalm in armys,
3it rad for all paire rebelle " resayued þai paire media.
And for Strasagera þe stout " þe stithil me blamed,
þas as he gilt me sguyns " & I him gradid haue, 2430
I wrate to yow at me to wayne " be ten wyse clerkes;
þe kest out comandementis " þe knew noȝt my strenþ.
I miȝt a-coupe of þat cause " if I it kythe wald; 2433
Bot I forȝeȝe ȝow all þe gilt " & greses me na more.
For-þi bees glad now, all þe gingis³ þe salt na gref haue,
þe diu[n]isour⁴ domestyn " for ȝo his domes held." 2436
Fra þai consuyed had þe clause " & constrawd þe lettir,
þai ware þe meriest modirsoun " on mome miȝt⁵ ryse.
¶ Now founidis furth þe fell kyng " & flittis with his ostes,
Lendis hise to Lacedeoyne " a littif fra þe cite, 2440
With-est þe burȝe on a banke " he bldid his tentis,
And pare him-selfe with a soumme " in a rego le[n]g[e].
þe ledis out of Lacedeumon " belyue þam asembly, 2443
Saide, " how we neuer to his boȝe " for bale upon erth,
Ne lat vs neuer be sa lethir " at we like worthe
To þam of Ateynes " it is oure opyn schame;
For þai ware baist of his best " bredisid for noȝt;
Bot be we knyȝtly & kene " ous comeȝe to schew." 2448
With þat þai parkid to þe patis " & rode to þe wallis,
Sun in Iopoma, sun in Iaserantis " sun Ioyned all in
platiz.

A grayne of þe grete see " paine aboite glidis;
For-þi buskis þam þe burgli " a batall with-out, 2452
Presen furth at posternes " in-to þe porte wyndis,
Schalkis scott in-to shippis " all in shire malys;
Archars with arows " with attred barbes,

¹ Sie; perhaps for talkid. ² MS. diu[n]isour.
³ Added in the margin.

Bot whilke of yow as founides first " on fote vs agayne,
Sall neuer voyde my dysdane " ne my derfe ire. 2424

And ȝo at thynkys wykkydly " & wyrkys agayne;

For as þe grane is of þe grase " & þur growes þe frute.

The tebberis talkyd¹ vs with tene " a-tired psalm in armys,
3it rad for all þair vissalite " resayued þai þair mede. 2428

And for strasagera þe stout " þe stylly me blame,

Thar as he giltyd me ayayns " I hym gradid haue,

I wrate to yow me to wafe " ten wise clerkes;

The kest out Comandementis " & knew noȝt my strenþ.
I miȝt a-coupe you of þat cause " & I it kyth wald; 2433

Bot I forȝyf yo all þe gilt " & grefez me no more.

For-þi bees glad now, all þe pakis " þe salt no gref sofre,
The Diu[n]isour Domestyn " for ȝo his domes hadden." 2436

And fro þai consuyed had þe clause " & constrawd þe pistyl,
Thai wer þe meriest modersoun " þat miȝt on mome rize.
Now founidis he furth þe felo kyng " & flittis hys ostes,

• • • • • 2440

Without þe burȝe on a bank " bldid he hys tentis,

And þar hym-self with a soumme " in a rego longe,

þe ledes out of lacydon " belyue þair assembly,
Sayd: " how we neuer to hys body " for hale vppof erthe,²

¶ Ne letv us neuer be so lethir " þat we like worthe 2445 [Vol. 42.]

To pise out [of] athens " for it wer opyn³ shame;
For þai wer basyv for hys keste " & ferd for noȝt;

Bot be we knyȝtly & kene " ous comeȝe to shew." 2448
With þat þai jarken to gates " & jodein to þe walles,

Some in Iompom & in Iaseruntee " som Ioned in
plates.

A grayne of þe grete see " glad þair all vmbre;
For-þi buskis þaime þe burgessos " a batall with-out, 2452

Presen forth at posternes " vnto a place wenden,

Shalkes shotten into shippis " all in shire malys,

Archars with arows " with attred barbes,

¹ Perhaps for talkid. ² MS. To þe.
³ MS. estid. ⁴ MS. opyn.

(Vol. 42 & 3) Gais jam in-to galays * & grathis jam be-forne. 2456
 Bowes bornes in-to hangis * with basinetts on heved,
 Sparrethys spetous to spend * & speris in handis,
 þai crosse ouir toward þe kyng * as kyndmen suld,
 With an feyle on þe fodel * as foyen with-in. 2460
 þe lord him lokis on þe leid * & a littil smythes,
 And sent twa vndir his seale * þir axes in a pistil.
 ¶ "I, Philip son þe fell kyng * as I first sayd,
 And als of Olimpades * I anely now rede, 2464
 þet þe end of youre shires * entelily þe behald,"
 And roomes mojt at² þe ray[n]bowe * þat roche þe ne
 may,
 And þo powere of þe Persens * so truly þe traist. 2467
 Let so now, getis now a name * & maytis your stre[n]the;
 Bot bowis first frn your bargis * & blythly þaim wayfe,
 For, fest I all on a fire * þe foly is yours awen."
 Ledis out of Lacedome * quess þai þe lettir redd. 2471
 Ware drery, bot for aff þe dole * þa dight þain to figh.
 With þet þe kyng & his knyghts * vna-clappis þe cite,
 Setti all þe galis on gledis * & girdis downe þe wallis;
 þe citipons & soriantis * at vne-skyne ware
 Bowis jam to þis banfavour * bodis & lyuya. 2476
 "þe knew wele," quod þe conquerour * "my comyng
 was esye;
 Bot for þe fangid me mojt faire * fared is your schippis,
 Your burje is brewid & your bernes * I bid you
 my-selfe, 2479
 þe suld mojt stody ne stem * þe sternes for to hanldit.
 For he þat steppis on a stee * quen þe stanes fallis,
 þan fantis him festing to his fete * & fall hit his be-hous;
 So, right as Sexia was slayn * sum tyme with your eldres,
 So entid þe ser Alexander * bot þare yours ame failles."
 Quen he þis sage had þam said * þe cite he þam grauntid,
 Fonda forth with his folke * þar fraunches þam lenes.

¹ Added in the margin.² to be added in margin.

A letter.

"Alexander to
the men of
Lacedemon."Bastet me, and
get you a name."The result
begins.

They red.

"Now you have
lost your shires
and your walls
are broken."Never kunde the
stone."

(Vol. 43.)

Gone þaim into galays * & grathen þalm þorune. 2456
 Bowyn bornes into barge * whi Basyneter on heved,
 Sparrethys spetous to spend * & speris in handis,
 þai crossyn ouer toward þe kyng * as kene men shulden,
 With als felo on þe fode * as foughten wittin. 2460
 þe lord hym lokes on þe ledes * & a littyl Smylez,
 And Sead pain vnder hys seallo * þis saughes in a pistil.
 "Myself, philipp þe fell kynges [son] * as I first sayd,
 & als of olimphades * I only you rede, 2464
 þat þe ende of your elders * esterly þe holden,
 And roomes³ nocht at þe rayne-bowe * þat reche þe ne
 may,
 And þe power of persyss * so purely þe traisten.
 Lettes se, nemmys yow a name * & maytis your strenthe;
 Bot bowes first frn your barges * & blythly þam woydez,
 For fest I al in a fyre * þe foly is your awne."
 The ledes out of Iacidom * when þai þe lettres herd, 2471
 War drery, bot [for] aff þe dole * þai dight þaim to figh.
 With þet þe kyng & hys knyghtes * vmbelappis þe cite,
 Setti all þe Galas on gledis * lorynt downe þe walles;
 The estyners & þe sorgente * all þat vnslayne wryȝt
 Bowes þam to þe baratour * both bodis & lyfer. 2476
 "þe knew wele," quod þe conquerour * "my Comyng" (Vol. 22 & 3)
 was full easy;
 Bot for⁴ þe fonge me not fair * nowe fyryd er your shippos,
 Your borgis or brytthynd & your berne[s] * I byd you my
 schene,
 þe suld nott stidy ne stem * þe sternes to byholda. 2480
 For he þat steppis on a stegh * when þe stane faylez,
 þen fallys hym þe festyng of hys fete * & falle hym byhofys;
 So ryght as sixes was slayn * some tyme with your aldiores,
 Als entid þe Sir A[lexander]. * bot þur your kast faylyd."
 When he þis sagh had þaim sayd * þe Cyte he þam grauntid,
 Fonda forth with hys folke * þar franches þam lefys.

³ MS. hevened.⁴ Or roomes.
⁵ Above the line in MS.

He goes to stich. His sonerayn with his segges · purje Sydyl¹ he wyndis,

Darius is frightened.

"I threatened
him as a thief,
he fight like a
warrior."

I sent him
playthings.

We must no
longer despair
him.

God helps her."

(Vol. 42. 6.)

Oriath,
Burton's brother,
says:

"Your majesty
should do as he
does."

þog to ride & to rayme · þe regions of barbers. 2488
þan was s̄r Dariis dred · & sowblid derf ostis,
His knyghtis, his consall · & carpin þire wordis,
Said: "Io! my soris, now may se · your-self with þour eyis,
How Alexander in his armes · alway encreses, 2492
In valour & in victori · & vertues so noble;
pare as I thret him as a thefe · thedis to dispoyle,
Now werrays he full worthily · as wright man suld, 2495
Constreynes with his contenance · knyghtis to hisse bow,
þe more I spek him dispote · & in my speche hindre,
þe higere I here him enhansed · & hereside his name.
A ball & a herlespan · I to þe berne sent,
For burde & for borbane · þe lab w̄tē to play. 2500
Him pet I couentid bot a knawe · may now be calyd
maister;

For quare he fondis on fold · dame fortoune hym foloys[2].
For þi³ vs hane bos in hert · þe hele of ourse pupill,
And for na pompe ne na pride · his person dispise, 2504
For his lose, for all his littilake · is louned purje þe
wend.

And þe māre I myn oure maieste · þe māre it abatia,
þe grace of þe grete god⁴ · I ges, will him help,
Of pris je hīs prouynce · vnto þis prince lenes. 2508
Quon we hope althirre-higest · to bery him with⁵ armes,
þan am I redl all oure rewme · be reft vs for enire."
Some as ser Dury till his dakis · deuysey had þir wordis,
þan answers him ane Oriathire · ane of his awen
brothires, 2512

"þow has þis gone out of gree · so gretly [in] þansid,
þat we Elanda suld leue · & he þis landis entre.
Bot wald your maieste þe maners · of þis man sewe,
þe myght your realme hane in rist · & other landes wynnes.

¹ MS. Sydyl.

² Is added in the margin.

³ Added in the margin.

Thys souerayne will þya senecors · thregho sociȝ h̄e
wended,

thought to ryde & to name · þe regions of Barbers. 2488
þen was s̄r darius a-dred · & derfly þan sembles
Hys knyghtes & hys Cōnassell · & carpedit þer wordis,
Said: "sirs, now may se so · your-self with your eyis,
How A[lexander] in hys armys · alway encreses, 2492
In valour & victory · & vertue so noble;
þer as I thrett [him] as a thefe · thedes to dispoyle,
Nowe warreyas he full worthily · als w̄tē man suld,
Constreynes with hys contenance · knyghtes to bowe,
þe more I spek hym dispote · & in my speche endered,
The heyan I here hym enhansyd · & hereside hys name.
A ball & a brasyn-pan · I to þe berne send,
For burde & for borbane · þe lab w̄tē to play. 2500
Hym pet I Counte bot a knaife · may now be calyd
[maister];

For whar he floundez apom fold · dame fortoune hym sewes,
For thi³ vs hafe base in hert · þe heyle of our peple, 2503
And for no pompe ne no pride · hys person to dispise,
For hys loye, for all hys hattellayke · is losyt þorow þe
world.

And þe more I meng our maieste · þe more it abatia,
The grace of þe grete god · I gesse, wele hym helpes, 2508
Of pris je heigh prouynce · vnto þis prince lefy. When we hope alþe heidest · to bery hym with armes,
þan am I reddest all our realse · be raymed from vs first." Some as s̄r Dury to hys dukes · devyzed hase þees wordis,
þan answers hym eryather · on of hys awne brother, 2512

"Now hase þis gone out of gree · so gretly enhansyd,
And we þe lande shuld leve · & he þe landes entre.
Bot wald your maieste þe maners · of þis man sewe, 2515
þe myght your realme hane in rist · & other landes wynnes.

⁴ MS. westhly.

⁵ MS. with.

⁶ Catchword—þe grace.

He helps him-self.²

Another says,

"he is of a lion's
kyn."

"How so?"
says Berney.

"Sir, I once went
to Philip's
court,

He heard that
many would come
to attack the
Greeks, and
resolved that
one will con-
quer many
soonest.

Alexander has
200,000 men.

[fol. 44.]

He bathes in a
cold river.

He is chilled,
and has a fever.

For Alexander all-ways · or any of his erles, 2517

Naytis him-self in like nede · & so his name ryxis.

"Quat soll I take of him my temes · tittire jan he myne?"

"Sire, on my perell," quod a prince · "he passes all oþher;

þe was wrikis alþ be witt · he worthis þe beitir;

For-þi of þe lion, as I leue · last is his birthe."

"Quat knawis þou þut?" quod þe kyng · & þen þe knyght

sawis :

"Sire, I was sent on a sond · my-self on a time, 2524

To Philip his fader · to feche ours trouage;

þare had I sijt of þe sogge · his sapient I herde.

For-þi please it to your person · yours princes a-sembles,

Of Mede of Mesopotamie · þe men of Itaile, 2528

þe pupill of Appollomados · þe panthis folke,

And mo þer homes to your host · a hundredre & fifti.

Lat vs godire þus oure gomes · ounre gods wiþ vs helpe;

And quen he sesse vs sike a sowme · sare will he drole.

þa, but a wolle, quod a wee · will were many

flokkes.¹ 2533

And so þe grace of þe grekes · ounre-gos þe barbres."

Be þis sir Ph[ilip] son þe fers · of fightland folk

Had semblid ane vñsene sowme · as þe buke sala,

Twa C. Mille in thede · alþ² of threene knyghtis.

Ridis furth if any · removis his tentis; 2538

2538*

Vn-to a watern he wendis · as þe buke tellis,

þet with þa marchosmen · Mocian was hatten; 2540

It was clerire þan cristall · & cole as a chaff;

þan-in coust oure kyng · his cors for to bathe.

With þat þan wan of his wode · & weeschid him all ounre,

Quare-purze he hent elike a harme · at hatirly him

greued. 2544

Þis chele after chawfyng · enchaufis so hys hermes,

þet he was fallen in a feuer · or he lost wende.

¹ MS. folkis, i.e. flockis. ² Added in the margin.

For A[lexander] always · or ony of hys hermes, 2517

Nates hym-self in ony nede · & so hys name ryxsa."

"Sir, on my perell," quod a prince · "he passes all oþher;

þe was wyrches alþ with witt · & worthes ay þe beitir;

For-þi of þe lyon, as I lefe · lighte he hys byth." 2522

"What knawes þou þut?" quod þe kyng · & þen þe knyght

answers :

"Sir, I was send on a sond · my-self on a tyme, 2524

To philip hys fader · to feche hys trouage;

þor hed I syght of þe sogge · hys sapient I herde.

For-þi pleas it your person · your princes assemblies,

Off medy & of mesopotamy · þe men of yttale, 2528

The people of appolomados · þe permutes folkes,

And mo þen hewon¹ to your heystex · a hundredre & fyfty.

Let vs gedir to vs our gomes · our goddes wyll vs helpe;

And when he seys vs anche a sowme · sore wyll he drole.

þa, bot þen a wolle, quod þe we · wyll very mony

flokkes, 2533

And so þe grace of þe grekes · ouergoon þe barbres."

By þis sir philip son þe fers · of fightland hermes

Had semblid hym a sowme vñsene & þas myo þe test,

Two hundred thousand in thede · alþ of thiro knyghtes.

Hyder furth in any · remeweys hys tentis, 2538 [fol. 29. 1]

And thought to logo þar & rest · & easc hym þat

nyght. 2538*

Vntilly a water he wender · as þe writh shewys,

þat with þe marchosmen · of Mocian es haldyf;

Clear þen cristall · & cold as a chaff;

And þowin couett þe kyng · hys Cors to be bathyd.

With þat þui wan of hys wode · & weeschid hym all ouer,

Wharþerow he hynt suche a harme · þet hetherly hym

greyd. 2544

The chele after chawfyng · enchaufis so hys harmes,

þet he was fallen in a feuer · or he lost wende.

* See; read bouch.

His men are
sorry.

Alexander sends
for a physician
named Philip.

who says he will
soon heal him.

Parmen loves
Philip.

and tells
Alexander not
to trust him.

But Alexander
distrusts.

(P.O. 44 & 1.)
Philip says he is
guilty.

Alexander is
false-wit.
Alexander
thinks Philip.

Jan mourned all þe Messedons · as mervell ware ellis.
Jan saȝe him so to be seke · said Ilkane to oþre : 2548
" Be þis disease to sir Dary · & to his dukez knawyn,
He sall vs sett on a-saute · & surely es[ec]coushne."
If þai were sorry & so · na selly me thingke,
For ay þe hele of þe hele · helps all þe membris. 2552
Jan callis to him þe conquerour · a clerke of his awen,
Ane Philip, his fesistane · his fare to behalfe;
Of al maneres of medeyne · man þot maste couthe,
A jonge berdes berne · as þe buke tellis, 2556
Said : " lat lyghtly my lord · for in a littil stonde
My-self with a scrop · salt same ȝow be-lyue."
Jan permeȝt þe proude · a prince of his ost,
þot held þe erth of Emmony · & enmyte had. 2560
Va-to þis clerke of þe kyngis · & be no cause els
Bot for þe lede was loued · & with þe lord chereschest;
Jan ames he to ser Alexander · on ane slike a pistill :
" Kepis ȝow," quod he, " conquerour · & cacher neȝt his
drunke; 2564

For Darius after his deth · his doȝter has him high,
And ȝow to als be soon sleȝt · to see his landis."
It was þe berne neȝt a bene · baist of his wordis,
He asurid him so sadly · þe scrop he takis, 2568
þe liȝer in his awen looȝe · þe lettir in þe tothise,
And in-to Philipp[us] face · fast¹ he behaldis.
He had him dred neȝire a dole · & it drink swyth, 2571
And þan þe pistill of þe peince · he put him in hand.
þe leche lokid oure þe lynes · " my lordlyng," he sayd,
" I am neȝt gilty of þis gile · be alþ þe grete gods!"
As fast was he fysehale · & Phillip he callis,
Halsis him full herly · & of his hole thankin, 2576
Said, " wele knew þou my kynd · lufe þi conscience,
First supsyd I of þi sorop · syns assid þe lettir.
" Mi louely lord, be your lefe · lates hym spere, 2580
þe talk at slike a trayne · has touchid to my-self."

¹ M.S. face face fast.

þen maruyd all þe massydons · as marvell wæs elles.
When þai hym sawe so he seke · sayd ȝisone to oþer :
" Be þis disease to sir Dary · & to his dukez knawyn,
He sall vs sett on a-saute · & surely vs Combre." 2551
Yif þai wer sorry & so · no selly me thaynke,
For þe heylis of þe hele · helps alþ þe members.
Jan callis to hym þe Conquerour · a clerke of his Awne,
On philipp, hys fysycian · hys fare to byholde ;
Off all maner of medeyne · man þot most kouth,
A jonge berdes berne · as þe buke tellis, 2556
Sayd : " latc lyghtly my lord · for in a lyȝtli stounde
My-self with a Syrone · shall save you bylyfe."
Jan was þer perweȝt þe pround · a prince of his hoste,
þot held þe erth of Emmony · & enmyte had. 2560
Vnde þis Clerke of þe kynges · & be no cause else
Bot for þe lede was loued · & with þe lord cheryt;
Jan says he to sir Alexander · anone suche a pystyll :
" Keppys you," quod he, " Conquerour · & kachez nott hys
drynaket; 2564

For Darius after hys deth · hys doȝter hasse hym lyȝt,
And you to als by som slight · to seyse hym hys landes."
Vitt was þo berne not a beyne · basyl of hys woeðez,
He asuryd hym so sadly · þe synroppe he fanges, 2568
þe liȝer in hys Awne lufe · þe letter in þe toher,
And into philipp face · fast he byholdez.

(P.O. 39.1)

He bad hym dride neȝer a dole · bot drynke it Swyth,
And þen þe pistill of þe prince · he put hym in hand.
The leche lukyd oure þe lynes · " my lordlyng," he sayd,
" I ne am neȝt gilty of þis · by all þe godes owtie!"
Als fast was he fyssh-hole · & philip he clepya,
Halysa hym full herly · & of hys heylis thanker, 2576
Said, " wele knew þou my kynde · þi conscience I lufe,
First supsyd of þi synroppe · syns assyd þe my letter.
" My louely Lord, be your lefe · lates hym spere, 2580
The tulke þat suche a trayne · has attachyd to my-self."

¹ The d is above the line.

who suggests
that Perses
should be seen
and behaved,

Alexander wins
Media and
Armenia,

and makes a
bridge over
the Euphrates.

His men fear to
cross.

He sends over
lads and groves,

and then crosses
himself.

The rivers Tigris
and Euphrates.

[P. 42.]
He cuts the
canals in two.

He says, "We
cannot now see,

We will never
return till we
conquer."

Jan estir ser Permes his prince · prestly he rendis,
And Jane þe trechoure was tane · & for his trayne
heled.

Jan mouys he forth with his meſſ · & Medy he wynnyſ
Enterly to his empire · & Ermonye þe mare. 2584

Till a diſert Jan he draſe · was dry & na wateſ,
þurſe Adriſe till Eufraſen · & ames þare hiſ tentis,
And mos a brig ouires þe boarne · of Bargos¹ with
cheyneſ;

Comandis hiſ knyghtis ouire to caire · & þai jai vneſchid²
herteris. 2588

Jai ſayſ þe ſtrene ſo ſtife · it ſtonaid þam all,
For ferd þe festing ſuld faille · & þai in þe flode droome.

Jan has he laddis ouine to lend · & lokars of beſtis, 2591
And monestis þam ilk modirſon · hiſe maynly to tell.

3it was his baratours a-baſt · & þen þe berne writhis,
Fandis him firſt on be-fore · & all foloyes eſtir.

Jan paſſid þare out of Paradesē · twa proude Flumenes,
þurſe Medy & Mespolanis · þai move, as I fynd, 2596

And ſo to³ Babilon þai bowe · ane is þe boarne of Tyghe,
þe tothair is Eufraſen full enea · & rymane ſo to Sylis.

Jan entis⁴ þe kyng in to þe cablis · & to hiſ knyghtis ſais :

"Lo ! þof va fall now to flee · we may na ferrye
wend ;" 2600

þare I rede," quod þe kyng · "oure bakis neuer to
turne,

And if we did, with-outen dome · to die all at anes;
For he þat folowid has al þe floure · & he at ſled
neuer.

Beos liſt & lachys þow a loſe · it is a lordz gamme. 2604
For I make a-vow at Mecedone · we ſall na mare ſee,
Till al þe barbres vs bow · þan may we bliþ turne."

¹ MS. Bargos. ² MS. onchid, with vn above.

³ In the margin. ⁴ MS. tunc.

Jan after for permed hya prince · prestly he ſendis,
And þar þe trechour was tane · & for hys trayne hated.

Jan mouys he forth with his men · & medy he wynnez
Enterly to hys empyre · & Ermonye þe more. 2584

To a diſert jan he droſ · was dry & no wateſ,
Throgh andriake to enfraten · & ſettes þar hys tentis,¹

And aſkes a brig over þe barne · of barges with
cheyneſ;

Comandis hys knyghtes ouer to carye · þai hed kokell
herteris, 2588

Seghen þe ſtrene be ſo ſtify · þai ſtonaid þe holder,
For leſt þe festynyngh had faylyd · & þaim þe flode drenched.

þen makys laddis ouer to lend · & lokars of beſtis, 2591
And monyhyd þen ieho moderson · þaim manly to ſewe.

3itt wer hys baratours abuſt · & þen þe berne wrothed,
Foundes firſt on be-fore · & all folows after.

þar paſſys owt of paradyſe · twa brade floomes,
Throgh medy & mesopotamy · þai monen, as I fynd, 2596

And ſo to balykoyne þai bowe · þot is þe barne of tigre,
þot oper is eufraſen full enon · rymane ſo to Nilus. [says :
þon Cutteſ þe kyng in two hys cablis · & to hys knyghtes

"Lo ! þof va fallys nowe to flee · we may no ferre wend ;"

parforo I breke," quod þe berne · "our hakkes neuer to
torne, 2601

And if we did, withoutyn dome · to dye all at ones;
For he þat folowis haſe þe floure · & he fleſſe neuer.

Be light & lachys þou loſe · it is a lordz gamme. 2604
For I make a-vow to masydyn · ſhall ſee vs no more,

Tyll all þe barbres vs bowe · þen² may we blyth bee."

¹ Here follows—And þe knyghtes of þe costis as þei þe caſe
segben : but this is l. 2641, cut of place.

² Above the line in MS.

Undecimus passus Alexandri.

Darius collects an army.

Now has ser Darij þe dierf · of dakis & princes
Heued vp a hoge ost · & fyue hundred knyghtis
Ere chosen to chiftans · & chargid pain to lede; 2609
Trottis him off to Tigre¹ · & þare his tentis settis;
Jan mett jai on þe oþre morne · with a mokill nombre,
Sir Alexander je hathill · armed on blonkis. 2612
þe multitude ware to me · mermalle to reken,
þat sawned was on aijper side · many sad thousand.
Now ere þe baners out-bred · & þe hate nejis,
Bllew hemys of bras · buskis to-godire, 2616
þe erie of þe clarions · þe cloudis it perysyd;
For þe dewi² of þe dyn · daunced stedis.
Ballo þe twa battais · bremely assemblis, 2619
And aithine segg with his sowme · soȝt vn-to³ oþire.
Knyghtis of cursours · kest Jan in fewlins,
Taches in-to targetis · tamed þain breyns.
þare was stomling of stedis · sticking of erles,
Sharpe shoderyng of schote · schering of mailes, 2624
So stialworthly within a stond · sterid pain þe grekis,
þot of þe barklyne blod · all þe fild⁴ flowis.
Sone as ser Darij þe deth · of his douth sees,
þe pite of þe Persens · him prickis in his saule, 2628
Sees his menys so mynnesch · & his men fangid,
A few þot fresh ware vndefoulid · & to þe flift
tourmes.

Alexander meets him.

Trumpets are blown.

Knights charge.

There is hand fighting.

[P. 45 A.]

Darius is grieved to see his men beaten.

One Persian warrior is told he may marry Darius' daughter If he slays Alexander.

Jit was ane of his ost · ane odd man of strenth,
A burly berne & a bald · as þe buke tellis, 2632
A segg at he ensurid had · to see him his doȝit,
If he miȝt sli with any sleȝt · þe seniorour of grece.
He clad hym all in cleve stede · a conysehanunce ouire,
þat made was & merkid · on þe messedone armes, 2636
Aires him to ser Alexander · in alþ-pir-mast purple,

¹ MS. Tigre, corrected to Tigre. ² Read daw.
³ vn in the margin.

[Undecimus Passus.]

Nowe hafys sir Dary þe dierf · of dukes & princes
Hefyd vp a hoge hoste · of fyfo C knyghtez 2608
Er chosyn for chyftanes · & chargett þaum to lede;
Trottis on to tygre · & þar lys tenbus setter;
þen mette þai on þe toþer morne · with a mucche nombre,
Sir Alexander & lys athelȝ men · armed on þar blonker.
The multitude to me · war merrell to Reken, 2613
þo[r] sammed was on þot oþer syde · mony ad hundredth.
Nowe er þes baners oute brade · & þe bates negnez,
Blew hemys of brass · & buskyn to-gedre, 2616
þe cry of þe Clarions · the chodez it perayd;
And for doute of þe dynne · dauncen stedis.
Both þe two batels · bremely assemble,
And seges with lys soumes · soȝt vnto oþer. 2620
Knytis on þair coursours · kestyn in fewlre,
Tachyng into targettes · tamyd þair baynnes.
þar was stombyng of stedis · stykkyng of Erles,
Sharpe shoderyng of shote · sheryng of malys, 2624
So stialworthly in a stounde · storȝ pain þe grekz,
þot of þe Barkein blode · all þe beat flower.
Some as sir Dary þe deth · of lys doȝtly heylas,
The pite of þe persynes · hym prékkes in hys sawle, 2628
Says hys maynjo so ameynt · & lys men fonged,
A few þot fresh war vndefoulid · to þe flight turnes.

þyt was on wey of hys ost · an odde man of strenth,
A borely berne & a bald · als þe buke tellis, 2632
A segg þat he swerd hed · to seysse hym hys deighter,
Yf he myght also with any sleȝt · þe seniorour of grece.
He clad hym all in cleve stede · a Conysance ouire,
þat mad was & merkyd · on massidous armes, 2636
Kayres hym to sir A[lexander] · in all þe most prese,¹

¹ Catchword—*as ha.*

He comes
behind the king,
and wounds him
in the head.

As he a hathill ware of his • behind him he stelis,
A brist bryndan brand • he benidis out of shethe,
And jurc-eat þe helme in-to þe hede • he hurt his a
little. 2640

And þe knyghtis of ours cost • as jai þe cas saye,
þan fange jai jis ilk freke • & beforo þe kyng bryngis.
"Quat now! my worthi werayours!" • þe wale kyng
said,

He wend wele at he ware • a weo of his awen, 2644
"Qui has þou brest so my brayn • & with a brand
wondid

þour sekr servaut in same • all wens I sere callid,
All ware I holden as for hede • þour helpe at nede!"
"Nay, hope þe nevur," quod þe hatalt • "ser hiȝe
emperoure, 2648

Me any Messedone to be • þou ames of pine awen,
Bot of cruell kind • comen of barbes.
And þis I did for ser Darius • his doȝter me hist, 2651
And cordid on þis condiccion • to couple hire to wyfe,
And he went out of þe weid • to weld all his regne,
To how þi hede fra þi hale • & anys it him shewe."
þan callis our kyng him his knyghte¹ • þaire conseile to
frayse,

"Quat salt be done him for þis dede!" • & þai bedene
aware, 2656

Susa, at he hangid suld be hige • susa þe hede priued,
Susa bedis in a bale-fyre • brin him to poudre.
"Quat has he fanted?" quod þe frek • "þof he him
forced hanse

þe charges² of his chifian • chefely to fyllie! 2660
He þot him demes to þe dede • he damnes him-selfe,
And dycis his awen dome • & þot dare I prove.
For demed I any of my douth • ser dary to spilh, 2663
As þe þis gentill man enjoyne • suld hym be ingid þen."

Alexander says
why he hit him;

the Persian being
deceived as a
Macedonian.

I am no
Macedonian.

I did this to
gore Darius'
daughter.³

[Psal. 46.1]

* What shall be
done to him?"
says the king.

* Let him be
hang or burn,"
answering his
questioner.

* Nay, for only
did he me tell to do,"
repiles the king.

¹ The first i above the line.

² MS. change, with stroke above g.

[fol. 36.]

As he an aþeþell war of hys • [þe]hynd hym he stoles,
A bryght bryndan heand • he brade owt of sheth,
And þowor þe helme into þe hened • he hurt hym a
lytyll. 2640

And þe knyghtis of þe coste • as jai þe case sawgh,
þon fange jai þis ilke freke • & byfors þe kyng bryngges.
"What now! my worthi werayours!" • þe wale kyng
sayd,

He wend þis witterly it were • a weo of hys awne, 2644
"Why hase þou bryasyd so my brane • & with a swerd
woundet

þour sekr servaud in same • all wer I sir cleyd,
All wer I haldyn for hede • þour helpe at nede!"
"Nay, hope never," quod þe aþeþell • "sir heigh Esperoun,

Me any massyd to be • þou myssys of þi Awne, 2649
Bot of þe cruell kynde • Comes of þe barbey.

And þus I dyd, for sir Darius • hys doȝter hyȝt me,
And overdytt vnder þis condiccion • to coupille him to wyfe,
And quwen he went of þis wrold • to weld all hys realme,
To hewe þi hede from þi hale • & oysa it hym shewe."

Now kyng Alexander callys þen hys knyghtes • þair counsell
to frayne,

"What suld be done hym for þis dede?" • & þai bydomē
none, 2656

Some, þat he hanged suld be • & some þe hede pershed,
Some bydes in a bale-fyre • hym bren all to poudre.

"What hase he fautid?" quod þe freke • "þof he hym
foesyd hafe

The charge of hys chifiane • chefely to fyllie! 2660

He þot hym demys to be dede • he damnes hym-selfe,
And dycis his awen dome • & þot dar I prefe.

For demyd I ony of my doghly • sir dary to spyrl, 2663
As he is⁴ gentill-man enjoyne • suld hym-self be ȝingged þen."

¹ MS. nererer.

² Read beden.

³ MS. poþyð.
⁴ Read þe this.

He diuides the
Persian in pieces.

He latteþ þe Persyn in pess· pas with his hole,
Mekilf for his mayn strent · & for his mynt proyded.

Darius assembler
his men,

As soon as Daryo þe derfe · of þis dede heris, 2667
þut he was¹ sauyd vnslayne · he semblis his knyghtis,
Vp to a mynt montayne · his men jaire he schewis,
And gossis him wele þare to degrayd · þe grekis maister,
þan fandis he futh i-to þe feld · & fled als beline,
And Alexander with his ost · him asperly followed 2672
Right to þe bur[gh]e of Batran · & bldid þare his tentis,
Mas hiss glad² with his ginge · & to his godis offies.
þe cite þan he assalid · & sesid on þe mornis,
With all þe burges þare a-boute · & busked þare his sete,
þare fand he tresor vntale³ · & als þe trew spouse
Of ser Dary, bath his dame · & al his dere childire.

Now doys him fra Darius · a decewþor prince,
Aires to ser Alexander · adoures hym lawe, 2680
"I hane erid wiþ þour enmy · ser empereour," he sayd,
"As soet served hame I þat sire · many sen wynter;
And all my trailli I tint · for take I no guedes.
Bot wald it now your worthynes · to wend wiþ
my-selfe, 2684

A ten Mille vs take · of talkis enarm'd,
I sall you hote in your hand · to have at þoure will
Sir Dary, with þe most dole · of his derfe erles."
"Nay, less, lat aye," quod þe lord · "þen leue I⁴ no
strangerns, 2688

Bot þou be willi in þi witt · to werray þine awen,
Ne tell þou me noȝt þi tale · I trow noȝt þi wordis."
Be þis ser Dary fro his dakis⁵ denysid his pistil:
þe kyng of kyngs was callid · & clere god bathe, 2692
þou, vndirstand I, was þe stile · & stight in þare-aftr:⁶
"Your entropaines, your servant · with seruand obeschen;

but takes to
flight.

Alexander takes
Batran,
and finds Darius'
treasure, and his
wife and
children.

A Persian prince
says he has
served Darius for
night,
(P. 48 5.)

and offers to
deliver up
Darius.

Alexander
refuses.

A letter,
"Darius' entraynes
to their lord"

¹ In the margin.

² MS. ginge glad, with ginge struck through.

³ MS. leud þ^t; with þ^t altered to L. ⁴ or eare.

He latteþ þe persen in pes· pas with his heyle,
Mekyll for his mayn strent · & for his myght doys
þeyss.

Als some as sir Dary þe derfe · of þis dede heris, 2667
þut he was saffed so vnslayne · he semblis his kneghter,
Vp tyll a myght⁷ mountayne · þys men þur he schewez,
And gesys hym zitt degrad · þe grekyn maister. 2670
þen fender he forth in-to þe feld · & fled als bolyf,
And A[lexander] with hys hoste · hym asperly follows
Right to þe burgh of batran · & byggyd þor hys tentis,
And makes hym glad wiþ hys geng · & to hys godiz offers.
þe Cyte þar he assaylyd · & sesyd it vpon þe mornis,
With all þe burghes þor abouþe · & buskett þor hys sete.⁸

þer fand tresor⁹ vntale · & þe trew spouse 2677
O[f] sir Dary, both hys dame · & hys dere cheþer.
Now doys hym on from Darius · a darweth prince,
Kayres hym to alexander · & adoures hym lowe, 2680
"I have erid wiþ your enmy · sir empereour," he sayd,
"As aȝgett seruȝd þat syre · mony aȝe wynter;
And all my travell I tynt · for tuke I no guedes.
Bot wald now your worthynes · to wende wiþ moy
seluen, 2684

And ten thousand vs take · of talkez enarm'd,
I shall you hote hym in your hand · to haue at your willie
Sir Dary, witt þe most dole · of hys derfe Erles."
"Na, leyse, lett be," quod þe lord · "þer leuy þe no lede,

þot þou be willy in þi witt · to werre fine awne, 2689
Na tell þou me not þot tale · I trowe noȝt þi wonder."
By þis sir Dary fro hys dukex · devyse[d] hath a pistyl:
The kyng of kynges he hym cald · & clere god bathe, 2692
þus, vnderstanding I, wms þe stile · & stight in þar-after:
"Your entropaines, your soueraynte · with seruaine obeysshyngh;

¹ MS. maynt.

² So in MS.
³ MS. fetis.

⁴ MS. fetis.

Sire, we have wayued to yow writis: pit write we þe
same,

Alexander has
defended us.

How þis maistir of Messedone · has on oure marchis
entríd, 2696

Help us."

Bynd vp oure biggings: bretted oure kniȝtis,
And we oufretsett be to sure · to suffre any langite.

For-þi yow dignite bydens · we dresly be-ake,

A garmys þe force of oure fa · vs forthre a quile." 2700

Quen he had red alþ þe rawis · for rancour he swelles,
And out on-ans to Alexander · all þus he writis.

"I, Dary, with þe dignite · þe dydeme of Persie,
Of alþ þe kyngis kyng · þat coronede was cuine, 2704

To je, my seruand, I say · als me was sent late,
How þi lownys in þi lilylake · þou likens to my hert,

Bot ponde, þi proundy়ens · impossible it semys,
A hevy As to be houyn · vp to þe sternes, 2708

A thing threnyn is & thike · & jarne þe wryngis,
And fawtis þe fethirhames · & þe flȝt-homes.

Fos-þi þi mynd nemis þe mare · lat mounte in-to pride
For chance of na chevalry · þat þou a-chened hase, 2712

For vertu ne no victoie · ne vant nocht þi-selfe;
He þat enhauis¹ him to heye · þe holdis he declynes.

I haue herd of þi hennilaice · of herauidis & of ethire,
Of þi noblai now o newe time · a-sentis my modire.

Bathe to my wyfe & to my barnes · qvæt bouente þou
shewis, 2717

Qvæt curtasy & kyndilaice · I ken allto-gedre.
Bot surly all þe seon · þat þou juin so plese,

þou fangis me never to þi frend · fyne quen þe likis.
And if þou wirke þam all þe wa · & wrak at þou may,

þe mare vnyfyndischip purfore · fall shall þe never;
Fos-þi to put þam to pyne · I pray þe negh[t] wonz, 2723

For myn angire on Jme arrogancie · salit at þe last kindil;

· · · · ·

This will not
make me thy
friend.

Work them here,
if thou wilt."

¹ MS. ens enhauis; with ens expuncted.

Sir, we have send to yoa writis · pit write we þe
same,

How þis maister oufe of massidoyne · oer marches hath
enteryd, 2696

Brynt vp our biggenges · brytynd our kneghtes,
And we ouersett he so sore · to suffre any lenger,

For whi your dignite bedene · we derly besekyn,
Ayayne þe force of our foes · vs furthers a while." 2700

When he had rokkend all þe rawes · for rancour he swelles,
And oute anone to A[lexander] · alþ þus he writis:

"I, Dary, with þe dignite · þe dydeme of pers,
Of alþ kynges kyng · þat Crouned was euer, 2704

To je, my seruand, I say · als me was sent late,
How þou lownys in þi lilylake · þou likens to my hert.

Bot ponde, þi proundy়ens · impossible it semys,
A hevy asse to heff · on lyo to þe sternes, 2708 ^{¶¶¶¶¶}

A thyngh þat thryffyn is and thyke · & jarne² wenȝez,
And fawtis bath þe fethirhames · & þe flyght-homes.

Fos-þi mynd never þe more · to mounte þe to prydē
For chance of no chevalry · þat þou cheyfud hase, 2712

For vertue ne victory · avysunte nocht þi-selfe;
He þat enhauis hym to hygh · þe lawer he declines.

I haue herd ȝit of þi hynlake · at harhaldes & at oþer,
O[ff] þi noblai now a newe time · anence my awyn modre, 2716

Both to my bñl & my barnes · qvæt bouente þou schewys,

What curtasy & hyndlake · I ken allto-gedre.
Bot surly all þe seon · þou juin so plese,

þou fangis me never to þi frend · fyne if þou likez, 2720

· · · · ·

þe more frenðischip purfore · fall shall þe never;

Fos-þi put þam to pyne · I pray þe negh[t] wonz, 2723

For my angire on þi arrogancie · salit at þe last kyndil;

þorfor þou þi best · god forhyd þou³ spare." 2724*

¹ Read þi. ² MS. peruyden. ³ MS. jarne.

* MS. jan, altered to þou.

A letter.
" Alexander to
Darius.

The gods hate
vadity.

I apply this to
them.

who so boasted.

These epithets
use for showing
kindness.

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I did not so
please them, but of
my own honesty.

Let this letter be
the last."

Alexander writes
to his princes.

The letter.
" Alexander

Quen he¹ had lokid ouir þe lynes · he layes at his wordis,
And ditz agayn to sir Dury · þis ditz þat foloyes:
¶ " I, Alexander, þe eldest · & all myne aue
Of kyng Philip² & his fere · þat frely lady, 2728
Honord Olimpades · þat ancyl me fastend,
To þe kyng of Persy · þis prolonge I write:
Siz, vanite & vayne-glori · & vices of pride
þa ere þe gaudis, as i goso · þat all gode hatis, 2732
And ilkis deilly douth · þai driffe þam to pemesch,
þat has driften of vndesilynes · drayen þuisse to name,
þis similitude to þi-selfe · I say all-to-godlike,
þat a-smris so in þi surquity · & sesis neuere mare 2736
To host ne to blasphem · blyn will þou nothire.
Bot for þi gold & þi gudis · a god þou þe makys,
þou vp-blanydis me for þe besto · þut I þi blod schewid,
As to þi modir I mene · & to þi mercy childir, 2740
þarre mas þou þo to malicole · & meenes for littif.
I wroght it noþire for þi will · ne for þi³ wale threthe.
If I kid þam curtesy · it come fro my-selfe,
Haly of oure awen hert · & of oure lynd thewys; 2744
Ne we prid vs for na prawis · predestayned we ore,
Oure gode gayn vs þare-to · þat greylly þou spises.
Latt now þis letter be þi last · & luke to þi-selfe, 2747
For seker & oþ my surement · I sole² sow agayna.
þis brefe he biddis þam to here · þat broȝt him þe toþire,
And takis þam of his treusour · & twynnes with þam faire. 2750

Quen þai to Persy ware past · a pistill he enforunes,
Wrote a writte of hys wille · & wafed to hys Princez,
Hys seruandis & hys semessalls · oute of sore rewines,
And þas comandis he þam cleme · þe kyng his stile.
¶ " I, Alexander, þut as aise · avanued a in grece,
þe son of Philipp² þe fere · as I first told, 2756
And als of Olymپades · mynne honorable modir,

¹ Above the line.
² MS. so sikk, metted, and altered to sche in the margin.

When he likyd ouer þe lynes · he smyllys at hys wordes,
And dytes ayayn to sir Dury · þe deteyns þat folows:

" I, A[lexander], þe eldest · & all my one 2728
Of kyng philip & hys fere · þat frelich lady, 2728
Honord Olympades · þat only me fastend,

Egyptian.

To þe kyng owt of persye · þis prolong I write:
Sir, vanyte & vaneglori · & vices of pride

þos er þe gwades, I ges · þat þess goddes hatoz, 2732
And ikeh deilly do · þai dreffe þam to ponysh,

þat haue dryghten of vndesilynes · drawyn þame onone,
þis similitude to þi-self · I say all-to-goder,

þat assyra so þi surqudry · & seses neuere more 2736
To host & to blasphem² · blyn wyl þou nowþer.

Bot for þi gold & þi guder · a god þou þe makys,
þou vp-blanydis me for þe besto · þut I þi blode schewyd,

As to þi modir I mene · & to þi many childir, 2740
þou makys þo to malycole · & menys þo for litil.

I wroght it nowðer for þi wille · ne for þi wale thought,
Yif I kyd þam ony curtesy · it Come of my-selfen,

Holy of oure awen hert · & of our head thewys; 2744
Na we pride vs for na proues · predestinate vs here,

Our goddes gyffyn vs þar-to · þat gretly þou dispaysa.
Latt nowð þis letter be last · & luke to þi-selfen,

For sekerly withoute surement · I sole² sow agayna." 2748
þis brefe he biddis þam to here · þat broȝt hym þe toþer,
Takys þam of hys treusour · & twynnes with þam faire.

When þai to persye was past · a pistill he enforunes,
Wrote a writte of hys wille · & wafed to hys Princez,
Hys seruandis & hys semessalls · oute of sore rewines,
And þas Comandis he þam cleme · þe kyng in hys style.

" I, A[lexander], þut as heyr · avanued a in grece,
þe son of philipp² þe fere · as I first told, 2756
And also of Olymپades · mynne honorable lady,

¹ Read blasphem.

² Read vphayres.

to his proues,
yours,
etc.
knightes and lordis

Send skins
of beasts to
Alexander,

and send the best
to the Empresse on
camels."

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Nostanda, a dote
of Darius, writes.

" Nostanda
to his lord.

It giveth me to
writte.

Two of our chid
princes have
perished in battle.

I was escaped.

pus send I to my safeparis · my princes & my dukes,
My peres oue of¹ siphagoyne · salutis & grace,
Of þe sele of Surry · my seggis & myn erles, 2760
My knyghtis out of Capadose · & all my kyd lordis,
þe ledis out of Landae · & all þe landis out-by.
I comand þow ou þe cleare faith · þat þe my crowne aye,
þat belyme to Alyssandire · þot is myn awen cite, 2764
þot ilkane of þow send be your-selfe · of sera slayn bestis,
Of french & of fyne wroȝt · fellis a thousand,
Sum grayne to be neþise gloves · gruythid to my knyȝte,
Sum pureþ pellourre depurid · to put in our wedis, 2768
Lat koth þust upon camels · þot in þot kith longis,
And aires with paies to Eufaten · þis erand haues in
mynd."

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þan was a man, as me of menys · in þe morne-while,
Was of sir Darys a duke · þe derfe Emperour, 2772
Ane þot Nostanda was named · & a noble prince,
þot certified his souverane · þir says in a pistill :

" Sire Dari, duke of ilk a douth · & drigten þi-selfe,
þe gret gloriis god · gruythid in þi² trone, 2776
Nostanday, to your nobilnes · þot ay my nek bowis,
With serrouge to your senyourie · my-selfe I comand.
It semod noȝt your sermand · sire, vndistreynd
Vn-to your mckill maleste · þis mater to write, 2780
Bot I am dopenly distressid · þis dede for to wirke,
And made þis myschefis to myn · malegrefe my cheker,
For wete it wels your worthines · þot of our wale³ princiæ
Twa of þe tethist ere tint · & termyd of lyue, 2784
þot lost was now þe last day · a littil fro Tygre,
In batall upon bent feld · in-blant with þe grekes.
þare was I gird to þe ground · & gremously wounded,
Vanethe it cheud me þot chance⁴ · to chape to þe fligt;
And oþre many of our men · myghtfull knyghtis, 2788

¹ MS. oft.

* fac crossed through.

* MS. can chance; can strew out.

* MS. fligt.

þus send I to my stempars · salutex of grace,
My peres oue of prymphagoyne · my prince & my duke,
Of þe seourne of surry · my segges & my selez, 2760
My knyghtes oue of Capadoce · & all my kyd Lordes,
The ledes oue of Landae · & all þe Landes vmbre,
I command you on þe Cleere faith · þat þe my crowne aye,
þot als belys to alexander · vnto my awne Cyte, 2764
þlk one send be þaim-self · of sera slayn bestes,
Off fresh & of fyne slayn · fellys a thousand,
Some grayne to be grathyd · to my bernez byhofs,
Some puryd pelour & depuryd · to put in our wedis, 2768
And cast pain ypon camels · þot in þot kyth longes,
And karys with pain to enfraten · þis erand haue in
mynd."

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þe[n] was a man, as me of menys · in þe morne-while,
Was of sir Darys a duke · þe derf emperour, 2772
One þot Nostandy was namyd · a noble Prince,
þot certifyed hys souerente · þees sawex in a pistill :

" Syre¹ Dari, duke of iche douth² · drightryn þi-seluen, Epistola.
The gret gloriis god · gruythid in þi trone, 2776
Nostandy, to your nobilnes · & ay my neke bowe,
With serrouge to your senyourie · my-selfen I comand.
It semyd not your secund · [syre], vndistreynd
Unto your mckyll mangoste · þeos mistrys to write, 2780
Bot I am dopenly distressyd · þis dede for to wirke,
And made þis myschefis to meane · maywre³ my cheker.
For wete it wels your worthines · þot of our wale princez
Two of þe tithiest er tynt · & termyd of lyfe, 2784
þot lost was now þe last day · a littyl fro tygre,
In batall on bent feld · in-blant with þe grekes.
þare was I gird to þe ground · & gremously wounded,
Vanethe me cheful in þot chance · to chape to þe fligt;
And oþre mony of our men · myghtfull knyghtis, 2788

¹ The e is above the line in MS.
² MS. Syre duke of a Dary ieho douth; with a above the line.

* MS. maywre.

Alexander
receiveth the men
who receive you.

A letter.

"Porus, king of
India, to Darius.
(Vol. 48. b.)

I am ready to
serve you.

But I see now
sick.

I am sorry for
you.

I shall soon
receive you.

and will then
help you."

Balbina,
mother of
Darius, writes.

And exis of all your empire¹ • enteryd donydell,
Your lere & your leganace • lethirly forsakyn,
Aires paine to ser Alexander & on-ane yeldia. 2792
And he paine faire vndirfangy • enffelid paine belyue,
In paine, in prouince • in principlall regnes."
Pan to Nostandy on next • þus notis he a letter, 2793
þat he suld semple him a sowme • & sett þam agaynac.
Anothir pistill lette he pas • to Porrus of ynde,
To come & helpe with his heer & he³ him þus swaris:
¶ "I, Porrus, þat possessyd am • þe partyes of ynde,
And am þe eron hys kymyl • of cleme all þat Iles, 2800
Sire Dary, with þi dydeme • drest on þi trone,
To þe³ þat salutis I send • þe sele of myn armes.
þou prayes vn-to my person • my power to semple,
And þow enforce with my folke • þour fées to withstand;
And I am boun at þowr bode • & buxomd was eme,
To heye & to help þowr heyt • quen I my hele lastis.
Bot now a langour me lettis • þat I last haue,
Slike a seknes for-aethe • is on my selfe haldeyn, 2808
þat I me may streyne me ne stero • for stondis so hard,
Bot lyse in langwyaches & lokis • queñ my lyfe⁴ endis.
And as waryache I my warke • þat I am in wonden,
As me is wi for þi woe • & þi wrange bathe, 2812
I may noȝt ryde yow to reschow • my reuthis is þe mare.
Bot I shall leue & be lechid • for-þi be liȝt-hertid;
And I be couird of my coth • care for na gakis, 2815
Amay þe for na Messedoynes • ne man vndire homen;
For I shall hele all in hast • & hale to your kythis
With ten legions at þo last • & all of lele knyȝtis.⁵
Be þis Rodogors þe riche • þat renewid lady,
þe dere dame of Dary • of þis dede herys, 2820
þat hire awen chilf with Alexander • amed eft to fest,
And sorowis selouthly sare • & sondis him a pistill;

¹ MS. emperire.

² MS. taken forward; with taken struck out.
³ In the margin. ⁴ MS. lefe, corrected to lyfe.

And erls of our empire • enteryd distred,
þet oper your legeanes • lethirly forsakyn,
Karyn paine to sir A[lexander] • & onnoȝeoldell. 2792
And he paine fair vndirfangy • & feffys þain in Landes,
In palacye, in prouyne • & principlall regnes."

Then to Nostady on next • notez he a letter,
þat he suld semble hym a sowme • & sett þam agaynac.
A noȝer pistill lette he passe • to porrus of Inde, 2797
To Come & help with hya heer • & he hym þus awnswers:
"I, Porrus, þat possessyd am • þe partyes of Inde,
And am þe crowne by kend • cleme of all þe yles, 2800
Sir Dary, with þi dydeme • dressyd in þi trone,
To þe with salutes I send • þe scalle of my Armez.
You pray vn-to my person • my power to assemble,
And you enforce with my folke • þour fées to withstand;
I am boun to þi bode • & buxome was ever, 2805
To heye & to helpe at þowr heyt • whils my hele Lastes. (Vol. 28. b.)
Bot nowe a lungor me lettes • þat I laȝht haue,

• • • • • 2808
þat I may strenge me ne stire • for shoundes þot I haue,
Bot lyse & luke larg • when my lyfe endes,
And as euer I warysh of werk • þot I am woundid in,
As me is wo for þi wroȝt • & þi wrange both, 2812
I may not ryde you to resew • þe reuth is þe more.
Bot I shall lefe & be lightyd • þeferon be þe light;
And be I couerd of my cothe • care for no grekye,
Resew you for no masydyons • ne man vppon erth; 2816
For I shall hele all in hast • & hale to your kythes
With ten legions at þe last • & all of lele knyȝtis.⁶
Be þot Rodogors þe riche • þe renser Lady,
The dere dame of Dary • of þis dede herys, 2820
þot hir Awne Childe with A[lexander] • elyld zitte to fight,
And sorowis selouthly sare • & sondis hym a pistill;

To kyng Dary, ¶ "To kyng¹ dary² þe derf· þe derrest of my childire,
Rodogores þe niche queene" · þis rauth scho hiss wriths:
"Bald baratour on bent · borne of my bosom," 2825
Here send I þe, my swete · salutis & ioy.
þou has heuyd vp þi hugo ost · as I haue heid tell,
Samed all þi sandiours · & semblid þi pupill, 2828
And stils to ser Alexander · eft to assaile.

[fol. 42.]

Though thou
shouldst gather
all men against
Alexander, it
were in vain.

Submit to him.

It will be better
to do so."

Darius weeps.

Wete þou wele it is neȝt worthie · ware þe bytme;
For haȝt þou gedir all þu gomes · I gesse, of þe wroȝt,
ȝit to wilȝ-stand him a stonde · þi strenþo ware to littil.
For godis prouidence aþert · ay prestly him helpis, 2833
Saysys & sustenes him-selfe · & seours him ente.
For-þi hoo wiþ þi hantes · & þine vñhemmed wittis,
A-valle of þi vanite · & of þi vayne pride, 2836
Obey ye to þe baratour · þe best I can rede;
Magnyfie him wiþ þi mouthes · & meke þi hert,
For any hastil vndre heuen · þat at he ne hade may,
Marc sekiȝe it ware him to forsake · þen sewe any
forthiȝe; 2840
In pese & in pacience · possede at he miȝt,
[þan] Be excludit out of his erd · & eaine-mare duell."

Quen he þis rawis had rede · he rewfully weþid,
His eddys & his ancestris · als he remembrys; 2844
þot how pride þaim depryfied: · & here a passe ende.

Duodecimus passus Alexandri.

Alexander goes to Sam.

þen aires him on ser Alexander · furth wiþ his
princes,
To þe cite-ward of Susys · him-selfe he aproches.
bare-in ser Darius duellid · with his derf ostis, 2848
So neȝt he come to þa clifis · he kend oure þe cite.
With þat comandis he he[n]d knyȝtis · to cutt downe
bulynes

¹ MS. kynd, corrected to kyng.² MS. I dary.

"To kyng Dary þe derf · þe derrest of his chilher,
Rodogores þe riches whene" · þus rathe echo hym wriths:
"Bald baratour on bent · borne of my-selfe," 2825
Here send I þe, my swete · salutes of Ioy.
þou haue hefyd vpp þi hoge hoste · as I haue late herh,
Sammyd all þi songours · & semblid þi peple, 2828
And etlyȝ þe sir Alexander · eft to assaile.
Bot wete þou wole it is not worthie · & wroȝt ye to bytme;
For heid thou gedderyd all þe gomes · I gesse, in þe wroȝt,
To wilȝ-stand hym a stoure · þi strenþo wer to lityl. 2832
For godis prouidence aþert · ay prestly hym helpis,
Saflys & seours hym-selfe · & sustayns hym enur.
For-þi hoo wiþ þi haines · & þi vñ-hewnyd wittis,
A vale of þi vanite · & of þi vayne pride, 2836
Obey ye to þis baratour · þe best I can rede;
Magnyfie hym wiþ þi mouth · & mekyn þi hert,
For any hastil vnder heuen · for power þai have may,
More sekiȝe þai wer to forsake · & sewe ony forþer; 2840

[fol. 42.]

In pese & in pacience · possede þat he myȝt,
þen be exclud oute of his erth · & nesc in easse dwel."
Sir Dary for po dytes · was deply disesayfed; 2842 *When he po rawes had reddo · rewfully he weþys,
Hys alders & hys ancestris · als he remembrys; 2844
þought how pride þaim depryfied · & here a passe ende.

Duodecimus¹ Passus A[lexandri].

Fasȝ kayrez hym on sir A[lexander] · with hys athell
princes,
To þe cyte-ward of susys · hym-selfe he aproched.
þor as sir Dary in dwellyd · with hys derfe hostes, 2848
So negh he Come þe cliffe · he kend ouer þe cyte.
With þat he Comandis hys knyȝtis · to cutte downe
bullyfis 2850

¹ MS. Vadeclimus.

of trees, and
fences them to
their houses.

The Persians are
astonished.

[Fol. 20 A.]

He challenges
Darius.

That night he
sees his god
Alexander is a
dream, who says,

*Send no
messenger,
but go thyself.*

Alexander rises.

and determines
to go.

He makes one of
his princes go
with him.

The pair ride to
the foot of
Grecian,
which is frozen.

Bowis of buskis & of branches of bolis & of lindis,
And bynde to paires horn feste of babis of herbis, 2852
Bath to Meoris & to mulis & all maner of besties.
Je popill out of Persey pot slike pake size,
Beheld on he to þe hillis & hetherly was stroub[1]id;
Pai wans so wounded of þat werke & wetirly it
semyd. 2856

As all þe grond & þe greues had glid þain agayns.
So neys Je cite he seyt & sett vp his tentis,
þat thre days to þat thede he tharne & na mare.
Said : "let me drynse to¹ Dary & bede him dryfse zone,
Or put him to my powres & plede we na langire." 2862
þe same mynt in his slepe him sola[n]y a-perið
Amof, his awen god in sunge[ll]a wyse,
Ia mery mantill of mervalous hewis,
Menand as a Messedone² in Marcere fourme; 2865
Said : "vn-to Susya my soft & na sandisun you send,
Bott fonge my fygor to þe fast & fand furth þiselle,
Cleth þe wiþ my conysshawce & for me care dred,
I hate þe halie my help & na harme sal þou suffire."

þan shalde he silpy a-way & he fra slepe ryse,
A brem blasad bliis in his brist rysys. 2871
He knew his knyghts þat eas & þal him cleve redi,
þat he³ suld grayne him to ga² as his god chargis.
þan callis to him þis conquinoor ane of his kid prince[s],
Emynclans, þet his erlis & his ost³ ledes, 2875
Hende & hardy of his hand a hoge man of strenthe,
And Jare-to ledes lelist to his lord leuand of lyne.
He had him bout him belyne & on a blonk worth,
Anespire foole with hym fange & founde with himselfe.
Strad vp him-selfe on a stede in a starand wedis, 2880
And on a coursour þe knyght with⁴ a colt folges.
To þe grete fode of Grantron to-gedirs þai ride,
þai fand it forsen paine befor a fote-thylke yse. 2883

¹ MS. & to ; with & subynneted.
² In the margin. ³ MS. on with ; on being struck through.

þe howes & þe bobbes & branches of bulles & of lindes,
And bynd vnto þair blenkerz fete of buskes & erbes,
Both to merys & to muler & all maner of besties.
The people oute of perwyse þat such a pake arghen, 2854
Byheld on high to þe hyllez & hetherly wer stourbed;
þai wer son wondidertyf of þat werke þat witterly þaw
semyd.

As all þe ground & þe gravez had game þain ayynys.
So neys Cyte he name soghe & sett vp hys tentis,
þat thre days to þat thede he tharnd & no more. 2859
Said : "latt on dryfe to sir Dary latt drysse hym to fighth,
Or put hym to my power & plede we no lenger."
þe same nyght in hys slepe to hym sodanly aperyd 2862
Amoya, hym aye god in angelis wyse,
In A mery mantyll of mervalous hewys,
Menand as a masydoy in mercurim forme;
And sayd : "vn-to Susys no Sondesman þou wafe, 2866
Bott fonge þi fighor to þe fast & fonde furth þiselle,
Cleth þe wiþ my Conyssance & for no care dred,
I hate þe halie my help & no harme sal þou kynte."

þe[n] shalde he silghly away when he fra slepe rysys,
A brem blasad bliis in hys hert kyndela. 2871
Be-knewe hys knyghtes of hys case & þal hym cleve redyn,
þat he shold grath hym to go as hys god chargyl.
þen callys to hym þe conqueror one of hys kyd princez,
Emenylans, þet hys Erlo & hys hoste ledes, 2875
Hende & hardy of hys hand & hoge man of strenthe,
And parto leysel to hys lord of all ledes oute.
He had hym bowne hym belyfe & on a blonke worth,
Anespire foole with hym fange & founde with hym selfe. 2879
Strode hym-selfe on a stede in a starand wedis,
And on a cou[r]jour þe knyght with a colt folwed.
To þe grete fode of grantron to-geder þai ryddyn, 2882
And syndyn it frosyn paine befor a fute-thylke ysyd.

*MS. Note
concerning
Alexander.*

[Fol. 22 A.]

þot is þe streme of Strama · with many stedes clepid,
And sít þe pure propre name · in persyens tonge.
þan Alexander belyue · his wedes he changia, 2886
þis renke with his Roncesse · he ridis ouire & leuys.
"A! lat me lend with pow, lord" · þe ledes him besekis,
"For dredle þot angire or a-ventour · or any slike full."
"Nay, houȝ þou here," quod þe kyng · "vn-to my
hame-come." 2890
He þot I saw in my slepe · salt be my sekirs helpe."
With þot he brades on þe blanke · & broches hym in
þe syd,

Bowis him to-ward þe burȝe · as bright as an angel.
¶ Pis reuer at I first rede · be rewle of his kynde,
As wele in seoss of Somere · as in þe sad wintre, 2895
And þot is nener bot off nyghtis · so natelyle it freysa,
Til any powere to pas · or preke on with stedes.
Ihs has þe floun, as I fynd · a forlange obredre, 2898
And eure-ilke mormyng it meltis · for myght of þe soñ;
With slike a recyd þan it rynges² · þe romansse it witness,
þot qua so take it in þot tyme · tint ware for cuire.

Be his empeschid his ure prince · vn-to þe proude cile,
Band his blanke at a barres · with-out þe burȝe patis,
þe Perswyns of his passag · was passyngly wondred, 2904
And gesses him to be godre · for glori of his wedis.

"Quat domes man ert þou!" quod Dury · & drafte him
agayne.

"Sirz Alexander," quod þis athell · "has all þus me sent,
Bedis beske þe to batell · quat bade makis þou here!
Outhire þare þe papely þar-to · or till his zokke bowe."
"Quoþire þu be he!" quod þe hathill · "so hately þou
spekis," 2910

þou mellis neȝt as a minister · a messangere howis;
þou carpis eyn as a³ kyng · þot closid ware in pride.
Bot I am dred neuver a dele · of all þi bald sauges. 2913

Alexander crosses
it alone.

[F. 1. 58.]
He bids his
friends wait for
him.

This river
always flows
at night,
even in summer.

and melted at
morn,
and then could
not be crossed.

The Persians
wonder.

Dury asks who
he is.

and thinks it
must be Alex-
ander himself.

¹ MS. bede.

² MS. remes, corrected to rynges.

³ In the margin.

þuya is þe strome of Struma · with mony stedes clepid,
And sít þe pure propre name · in persyens toungue.
Then A[lexander] als belyfe · hys abbyt chorunȝez, 2886
Thys renke with hys roussey · he rydes ouer & lefys.
"Na! lat me lend with þe, lord" · þe ledes hym bysekys,
"Lest anger or aventure · or ony suche fallis."
"Nay hofe þou here," quod þe athyll · "vnþo my agayn-
Come;" 2890

He þot I eight in my slepe · shall me sekir helpe."
With þot he brades on hys blanke · & broches hym in þe
sydys,

Bowis hym on towardi þe burȝe · als bright as an angel.
Thys reuer þot I first rede of · be rewle of hys kynde,
Als wele in season of somer · as in þe sad wynter, 2895
And þot is nener bott of nyghtis · so natelyle it freysa,
To ony power on to passe · or preke with a stede.

þit hase þe fide, as I fynd · a furelenȝ of brede, 2898
And enurkis mormyng it meltis · for myght of þe soñ;
With enche a redre þon it ryngys · þe Romayns it wittnes,
þot who take it in þot tyme · war toymd for eser. 2901

Be þis aþrochyd hym þe Prince · vnto þe prounde Cite,
band hys blanke at a barre · withouten þe brede pate,
The perswyns of hys passage · wer passandly wounderyd,
And gesyns hym all to be god · for glory of hys gen.

"What domesman art þou!" quod Dury · & drofe hym
agayne. 2906

"Sir A[lexander]," quod þis athell · "hase all þus me send,
Bydys þe to batell buske · what bode mase þou here!
Ouder þare þe papely þarto · or to his zokke bowe."

"Wheder þou be he!" þe hathill sayd, · "so hetterly þou
spekes," 2910

þou mellis neȝt as a messenger · a mymyster bowe;
þou Carrys likar to A kyng · þot Cloydi wer in pride.
Bot I am dred neuver a dele · of all þi derfe sawex, 2913

¹ MS. Note
notacion
super de
strucc.

[F. 1. 58.]

and make him to
supper.

[Fol. 50 v. 2]

Bot for þi soverayne sake · þat sent þe þus hedire,
3it sall þou sit with my-selfe · & soupe or þou wynde."
He rapt him þan be jo arme · & reuerence¹ hisse makys,
And to his palais a-pert · with princes him ledys,
pare sires him in ser Alexander · & all þus he thinkis,
"þis ilke bar-bryn berne · grete bente me schewys, 2919
put here þus hyndly be þe hand · ledis to his Innes;
his hame with help of my god · I haue salt he[r]-
efter."

Alexander goes to
supper with Darius.

The hall was at
made of gold.

The Persians
which Alexander
a room-looking
man.

When Alexander
drunk, he nevener
the gold cup;

which does thorles.

Darius respects
him.

So silis he furth with þe sires · in-to a somere-halle, 2922
pare secounde was a soper · þe soleste vndre heuen.
Sire Darius drawis to þe delys · & oþir dero princez,
Settis þis sires with hym-selfe · late seru pain to gedre,
þat bld was all of brynt gold · as þe buke bellis, 2926
With þe bath, þe bordis & þe benkes · betef of þat ilke,
þe vessell to vyse off · was verly of þe same,
And alf þe sale of a² aute · set full of stanes.
Be poppy of Persy · upon þis peyne waldis, 2930
þe littillake of his like · lathely þat þai spye;
Bot þe wisedome & þe worthenes · & of þe wale therwys
þat in þat cors was enclosed · kende þai full littill.
Butlors full besly · broȝt vp þe wyne,

In grote gobletis of gold · graythid full of gymmes;
And Alexander belyns · as he³ had ay dronken, 2936
With þat he clekis vp þe coupe · & putis in his bosom.
Anoþer boll was him breȝt · & bathe he deuydil,
And ȝit he threw to þe thrid · & thrast in þan ester.
Some as þu⁴ clentis þat knew · at of þe coupe serued,
þai knele down before þe kyng · & him þe eas talde.
þan haue ser Dary dedeyne · & dorfely he lokes, 2942
Iwyrys him vp reynsch · & roȝt iff his nose,
"Quot faris þou with," quod he, "frynde? · a fōn þe
beemys;

Quy wooldis þou my vessall? · it is a vyle schame."

¹ MS. reuerence. ² MS. same a; with same struck through.
³ In the margin. ⁴ MS. as a þe.

3it for þi sonerande sake · þat send þe þus hyder, 2914
þou shall sitt with my-selfe · & soupe or þou wende."
He right hym by þe right harmo · & reuerence hym makys,
And to his palays full pert · with prinezey hym ledes,
þar kayres hym on Sir A[lexander] · & all þus he thynder,
"þus ilke barboreen berne · grete bente me schewys, 2919
put here þus hyndly be hand · hase lede me to Innes;
Thys home¹ with helpe of my goddes · I haue salt he[r]-
after."

So sylez forth with þis Sire · into a somer-halle, 2922
Thar secund was a soper · þe solest vnder heuen.
Sir Darius drawas to þe delys · & oþer dero princez,
Settis þis sires with hym-selfe · late seru pain to gedre,
þat bld was all of brynt gold · as þe buke tellys, 2926
With both þe bordes & þe benches · botyn of þe same.
The vessell to vyse on · verly of þe same,
And all þe sale of a sute · sett full of Stanes.
The people oute of persey · upon þe prince waylyn, 2930
þe littillake of his lyth · lathely þai spysyn;
Bot þe wisedome & þe worthenes · of þys wale therwys
þat in þat cors was closed · knew þai full lythy,

Boylers full besly · broȝt vp þe wyne, 2934
In grote gobletis of gold · graythid full of gymmes;
And A[lexander] als belyf · as he hed eys dronkyn, 2938
With þat he cleȝt vp a coupe · & cromys in hisy bosom.
Anoþer boll was hym broȝt · & both he devoyded,
And ȝit he threw² to þe thridye · & thrystyn þer-after.
Some as þu³ clentis þat knew · þat of þe coupe serued,
þai knele downe before þe kyng · & hym þe eas taldyn.
þen haue ser Dary dedayne · & darfily he lokes, 2942
Iwyrys hym upp & remeys · in hys sete riche,
"What farys wiþ," quod he, "frende? · a fōn þou be
semys;

Whi woydes þou my vessall? · it is a vyle schame."

¹ MS. helme; but marked for correction.
² MS. dorseyde. ³ The h is above the line in MS.

Alexander says
It is the custom
of Macedonia to
do so.

"Sir, it is þe custome," quod þe knyt. "in our kyngis
feast,

2946

þet, be it ane, be it oþre þat þai of drinke,
þe geatis sall hanwe þe gobletis & þaim gad pinkie,
To wylde & wende wîth a-way & wirke quat þaim likes;
(P. 21.)
Bot sen þis vse is here vn-honourable here I þam
lone;"

Baldis þaint furth wîthouten bade þe butlers þain
yellis.

2951

"Now soothely," quod þan ilk a segge softly to gedine,
"þis maner at he melis of is menskefull & noble."

None of them
praise
Alexander.

Jan was þare ame proude pere a prince at þe table,

One Anepo takes
note of him,

Anepo, þat on Alexander all-way be-haldis,

þan mynes hym anes in Messedone he hed þe man
seme,

2956

Quen he was sent to his syre to feche þaine trouage.

and remembers
that he has seen
him before.

His vertuso & his vysage his voice he remembreis,

He leaves his
seat,
and tells Stories.

His forme & his fetoure his figure a-vysis,

He studis & he stuynes his stemes wîth-in,

2960

"Is þis noȝt Philip soñ þe firs þe fedare of greci?"

With þat he sleȝly vp soȝt & his sete leuys,

Alexander
perceives his
danger,
sets a torch,

Droȝt him euyȝ to seir Dary þare he on dese bydis,

mourns his
horse

Said, "surely, sir, þis sandiseman þat stittis þow be-forne

Is Alexander him awen self or all myn ame faillis."

Sone þis gounour of greci is of þis gande ware,

He torkans wîth & vndire-tuke he touched of his selfe,

Herd a nyngkiling of his name & mayȝt him to ryse,

Ibuskis him vp at a braide & fru þe burde rydas,

He tas a torche fro a tulke þat by þe table standis,

Felly fangis it in² his fist & to his sole wyndis,

Fyndis him faire him before þare he him feste hale,

Rapt him radly þe reyne & off his rige worthis,

2973

With þat he brochis his blanke þat þe blide fames,

Sparis out spadly as sparke out of gledes.

¹ MS. fetoure.

² MS. 1 in; the 1 being an imperfect h, due to his following.

"Sir, it is our costome," quod þe knyt. "in our kynges
fest,

2946

þat, be it one, be it oþer þat þai of drynkyns,
The gestes sall hanwe þe goblettes & þai gode thynke,
To wyld & wynd away & werke what þaim liker;

2949

Bot sen þe vse is here vn-honorable here I þam lede;"

Brades þam forth with-owtyn bode þe butler þain
yoldor.

"Nowe, sir," quod ewelike segge softly to oþer,
"þis maner þat he melliȝ of is menskefull & noble."

Then was þar one, a proude prince at þe tabyll,

Anepo, þat on Alexander all-way byholdest,

þen mynes oys in masydoun he had þe man knawys,

When he was sent be lysis aȝe to see ȝair trouage.

Hys vertues & hys visage hys voycy he remembreis,

Hys formes & hys faciouȝ hys fygure he visys,

He stodes & he staddes with & stempymys hym within,

"Es noȝt þis philip son þe fers fender¹ of greci?"

With þat he shylghly vp skyde & hys aȝe left,

Droȝt hym even to seir Dary þar he on deyses bydes,

"þat surely sir, þis sondesman þat witer yow aforne

Is A[lexander] hym-self & or all my ame falsys."

Sone as þis gounour of greci upon þis gaȝd² wades,

He tokys with & vndertuke it toychyd of hym-self,

Harde a nyckyng of hym name & natys hym to ryse,

Buskys hym vp at brade & fru þe bordre voydes.

He takys a torche fro a tulke þat be þe borde standes,

Felly fangis it in hys fyst & to hys sole wendes,

Fynder hym faire hym bifore þar as he hym fest had,

Rapt hym radly þe reyne & on hys riggs ascende,

With þat he brochis hym blonkis þat þe blide follows,

Sparrys oute sparly³ as sparke doys on gledes.

¹ MS. founder, altered to fender. ² MS. gaȝd.

³ Sic; for sparly. ⁴ MS. 2.

and ride away.

Be þe liȝt at he led · laches he þe way,
And fandis fast to þe flist · with a fers will.
þe pepil of þe palais · quen þai his passe saye,
Rusches vp in a res · rynges in-to chambres,
Sum straies pain in ringis · & sum in row breynys,
2976

With hard hattis on paires hedes · hied to paires horsis,
þrekeis esfyr þe prince · prestly enarm'd.¹

Night comes,
Many lose their
way.

Alexander
escapes.Daring escuton
at home.There was no
image of Xerxes.which suddenly
fell to pieces.This is a bad
scuton.Alexander rides
to the river, and
crosses the ice.

He returneth safely. þan sires he with Emenyelous · euen to his princes,
And derlyf on þe toþir day · a douth he assemblies,

¹ MS. er enarm'd; with er struck through.² The e above the line. ³ MS. j wale. ⁴ In the margin.

Bot now was miȝt on þam neȝet · þat moyd þa sare.
Some ware þai willid fra þe way · þe wod was so thike,
Sum on buȝes & on bryers · blenysched þe face, 2983
Sum were dreynh down in dikis · sum in depe myrys;
Bot Alexander at myn aȝe · jaie aȝe is a-schapid,
Ay trottis him to þe trodegate · as him þe toerde wyssis,
Sir Dury as a dreyr man · dwellis² at home, 2989
With princes in his palais · all peney he sitte,
þe baldines of þis baronour · he boosly remembriſ,
þat skapid so some schatheles · fra all his schathill dukis,
þan was no yunge wilkiȝ · as I am enfourmed, 2993
Of Sexxes þat suns-quyle · þot eite had to weldo,³
Forgid all of fyne gold · & fetid his sorte
Vndir þe souerayn sege · þare sett ore þe lawis. 2996
And sodanly þat semylacie · as tellis þe textis,
It all to-paschis in-to peces · & to powder dryuya.
þan was þe wale kyng was · & wepaned he sayd:

"þis be-takens troubling of my tilde · & tene of⁴ my
regne."
3000

And Alexander all þat quile · asperly rydis
To þe grete flode of Granloȝ · & it ca a glace fyndis.
Or he was soȝt to þe side · þit soundid þe quowryns, 3003
His hors is honyshid for euer · & he with hard
schapid.

By þe light þet he hed · lacchys on hya way,
And fandis fast to flyght · with a fers will.
The peple of þe palays · when þai hya passe sigh, 2978
þai runshyn vp in a reys · ryanyis into chambres,
Some aȝys pain in ryngges · some in rawe breynys,
Some in stalwart stufis · & some in stele plates 2980*
With hard hattes on pair heddes · byen to pair blomker,
Prikkyn after þe prince · prestly enarm'd. 2982
Bot þan was nyght on paine negh · þat moyd þain sore.
Some wer þai welt fro paires way · þe wod was so thykke,
Some of bowes & of heores · blenyst þe face,
Some wer dreyn into dykes · some depe mires; 2986
Bot A[lexander] at my aȝyme · þer augerly eschayys,
And ay trotes on þe trodegate · als hym þe toerde wyssis.
Sir Dury as a dreyr man · dwelland in hys trone,
With princes in hys palais · all peney he sitte, 2990
The baldines of þis baronour · he belyfe remembriſ,
þat scapet so some schatheles · fro all his schatell dukes.
þan was an yngage within · as I am enformed,
Off serexis þat some-while · þe Cyte hed to wold, 2994
Forgyd all of fyne gold · & fetid in hys sete,
And vnder þat souerayn sege · y-est war þair lawes.
And sodanly þat symylacie · as says me þe text,
AH to-paschis into peces · & into powder dryfox. 2998
þan was þe wale kyng woo · & wepaned he sayd:
"þis betokyns troubling of my told · & tene to my

(Po. 33.) reslme."

And A[lexander] þe while · asperly rydes
To þe grete flode of granatum · & it a glas fyndes. 3002
And be he soȝt to þe syde · þit soundid þe quernes,
Hys hors is honyshid for euer · & he with hard
schapid.

Jon kayres he with Emenylaus · euen to hys princes,
And derlyf of þat ofer day · of doghþy he assablex,

¹ MS. fete.

He remembred
200,000 men.

well remembred
them.

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Twa hundredth thousand oþ a thron · all of threens
knytis,
Caisis him vp to a cliffe · & comfurthis his hostis;
" Sall nevir je Persyns pake · be pere to þe grekis,
And if jai me ware bo many · mayes noȝt þour herteis;
Full many flees may fell · bot a fewe waspys."
And all þe company cleane · comendyd his wittis. 3012

Darius and his
men come to the
row.

His host is
remembred.

He has 20,000
chariots,
armed with
scythes-blades.

Alexander mounts
Buccephalus.

Terciusdecimus passus Alexandri.

Bo þis sir Dary was diȝt · whit his dere erles,
Heuyd vp a huge ost · & hast him to ryde,
His ginge & all his garysons · in glyssyngand wedis, 3015
Gaes him oñ to granton · & graithes þare his tentis.
His stoune was so stalworth & store · & strange to
a hyde,
He had of men out of mynde · many mayn hundredth,
þot like a sijt & a sowme¹ · of segges emarred
Was never sene, I suppose · sen þe sege of troy. 3020
þe chifayne had chariotis · chosen for þe names,
Hys stoune was stalwорт & store · & strang to abyde,
Ten thousand be tale · tried for þe were.
And þai ware sett aþre side · full of sythe-bladis,
Kene kermand as knyfes · & cursons þam drowe. 3024
þe next day be þe none · new note ryys,
Aithire freke with his folke · in þe fild metis,
And bold bernes on bent · banrys vnfaldys,
Put peanons oþ pollis · payntid of silvris. 3028
Alexander as belywe · is armed vp cleme,
Bounes him to his blonke · þe best vndirs heuen,
þat was þe blonk Bucifal · as þe buke tellis,
A foile worth² fyfty of þe firstis · þot in þe filde
drowned. 3032
He spynes him out a grete space · fra he[s] peris all,
Comers him full clenly · & closed in his gare.

¹ The me above the line.

² MS. will, altered to worth in the margin.

Twa c m in a thrumse · all of trefo knytes, 3007

Cayres hym vp to a Clyff · & comfortheris hys hoster;
" Sall never je pessions pakke · be pere to þe grekis,
And þof jai war mo bo many · mayas nott in hertes; 3010
Full sole deys may nott felle · bott a fewe waspys."
And all þe Company cleane · Comendyd þan hys wittis,

[Tertiusdecimus passus.]

By þis sir Dary was diȝt · with hys derfe Erlez,
Hefyd vp a hoge hostis · & hastyd hym to ryde, 3014
Hys ginge & hys garyson · in glyssyngand wedis,
Gose hym to granton · & graithes vp hys tentes.
Hys stoune was stalwорт & store · & strang to abyde,

He hed of men for to mynd · mony mayne hundredth,
þot such a sight & a sone · of segger emarred
Was never [sene], I suppose · sen þe sege of troy. 3020
The Chifantys hed chariotis · chosen for þe honest,
A Ten thousand be tale · tried for þe were,
And þoo wer sett on other syds · full of sythe-bladis,
Kene kermand as knyfes · & cursons þam drawys. 3024
The next day be þe none · new note ryys,
Ather freke with hys folke · in þe fild metyn,
And bold bernes on bent · banrys vnfaldys,
Puttyn penons on pollis · payntid with sylver. 3028
A[lexander] als bolyfe · es arsyd vp Clene,
Bownez hym on hys blonke · þe best vnder heuen,
þat was þe bold bucyfalt · as þe buke teller,
A foile worth fyfty of þot · at in þe filde drownyd. 3032

He spedes hym on a grete space · fro hys pers all,
Convers hym full clenly · & cloeyz hym in hys gare.

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The Persians are
enlightened.

The battle begins.

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There is hard
fighting.

A great flight of
arrows.

The arrows cover
five miles of
ground.

The Persians
give way.

Darius flees.

Darkness comes.

The scythian
chariots destroy
the flying host.

Darius goes to
the frozen river,

and crosses it.

The last gives way. Some fra him-self was at þe side · it sonders behinf,

þe pouere out of Persy · queñ þay þe prince saye,
Frayed was of his fourme · so ferdifull he semed. 3036

¶ Now ere þe balaiss boome · with beagings in trumplis,
þe breme beomes blaste · beres to þe welken.

Alexander alþin first · on þam all³ he settis,
And aithire ward¹ at a wapp · wistly inleynes. 3040

Archars & all mett · asperly fightis,
þars was Iusting o Ioy · Iopons a-tamed;

Siles doas on aithire side · seleuth kniȝtis,
Sun darid, sun deale · sun depe wondif. 3044

So fell² fligȝt was of flamy · as I fynd wretis,
Of arrows & of all quat · þat all þe airo blindif;

Hogres on to be-hald · þat of ȝ haile-stanes,
And all þe fild full of folke · fyne mile large. 3048

Als some as þe son vp soȝt · þe slayters begynnes,
And so to þe son-sett · shakid þai neuine.

Be þot þe barbryne blonde · be-gan to disende,
þe proudest of þe Persynes · past out⁴ of lyue. 3052

Sone as ser Dary it deuyisit · & sejis his fole faille,
With þut he bedis þam⁵ þe bake · & bidis na langir;

þen queñ þai⁶ fange to þe fligȝt · was furth in whilc euyis,
And mirke out⁴ of mesur · na man þaim a-pered. 3056

For þi þe chariotis in þe chace · choppid paus to deth,
þe cartis þot I carpid of · with þe kene sythis,

þare fell as fele þam before · of fotemef & oþire,
As risoȝt⁷ in a ranke fild · queñ rideys it spilleyd.⁸ 3060

Sire Dary dryue in þe derke · & his douth folows,
Gaes him on to grantun · vn-to þe grete burne,

Fand it frosten hym before · as fell for þe tyme,
Past him on with his pers · a pale out of nombre. 3064

His folke fellis all þe flide · a forlange o brede,
þe stremme fra þe a strande · streit to þot oþire.

In the margin. * MS. folle folle. ² MS. oerf.
* MS. oet. ³ MS. þam þale. ⁴ MS. þam.

⁵ Or rimeis, or risoȝt. ⁶ MS. spillich.

The power of perse · when Jai þe prince see,
Was ferly frayd of hys forme · so ferdifull he semyd. 3036
Nowe er þe batels bowne · with bragging of trumpettes,
The breme beome blast · beryd to þe welkyn.

A[lexander] all-þor first · on þam all setis,
And aithere ward at a wapp · wigh[5]ly enloynez. 3040

² MS. Note
balaiss boome
Darius &
Alexander.

Archers & all men · asperly shotyn,
þar was Iesting of Ioy · Iopons atmymd;

Seghen downe on ather syde · semelych knytes,
Some dasyd, some deale · some depe weondyt. 3044

So fell fligȝt was of flamy · as I fynd writyn,
Of arows & of alblastres · þet all þe Ayre blyndyd;

Huger to byhalde · þe þe hawle-stormes,
And all þe fild full of folke · fyse myle large. 3048

Als sone as þe son hup soȝt · þe slayters begynnyas,
And to sett was þe same · seynt þai neuine.

Be þot þe barbaryne blonde · began to dosend,¹
The proudest of þe persynes · pasyd owis of lyfe. 3052

Sone as sir Dary devyyyd · & sawe hys doghly fallie,
With þut he bedis þam þe bake · & bydes no langer;

þen queñ þai fange to þe fligȝt · was nerhund euen, 3055
And merke wylkowte mesur · na man myght þam folow.
For þi þe chariotis in þe chace · choppid paus to deth,

The cartis þot I Carpyd of · with þe kene sythes,
þai fell all ley paus byfore · with fotemef & oþer. 3059

As resynys in a runke fild · when men ouer rydes,
Sir Dary deyfys in þe dirke · & hys doghly folows,

Goyis hym on to grentun · vnto þe grete burne,
Fande it frostyn hym byfore · as fell for þe tyme. 3063

Passeys ouer with hys peys · a pale oute of nowmbr.
Hys doke fylys at² þe fild · a forelooge of brede,

The stremme fra þot one strande · streight vnto þot oþer.
Some fra hymself was at þe ayde · it sounderyt byhynd,

¹ MS. defend.

² Read al.

and many
Pardons are
lost,

(P. 22.)

to the number of
200,000.Darius goes to
Susa, and
laments.Now am I cast
down!He writes a letter
to Alexander.I, Darius, salute
Alexander.

To my wife.

Be not too proud.

Xerxes was
proud, and failed.

And all at lene ware on-loft · losto þar þe swete. 3068
 þas many deed þat day · as þe buke tellis,
 Of pollis out of Persye · withouten þe grekis,
 Thre hundredth Mille thare men · þat thrashed¹ þair lynes,
 With þe fooles & þe folke · þat þe fide drouased. 3072
 His sonnoure out of Suays · to his cite wendis,
 Fallis downe on his face · flat in þe sale,
 "Wa is me!" quod he, "wrichte · wa is me vnhappy!"
 Sizis selouthly sare · & sadly he weyys, 3076
 "I þat was straȝt to þe sternes² · am straken now to
 ground,
 Now craton, now caitefe · now am I kast vndre,
 þat had of the Orient all ouere · homage vnuqwe.
 Wist any we quat him suld worth · þis weed wald he
 leue, 3080
 Feſt symphiſt in a seteqvile · acke to þe clouds,
 And þai at most ere of miȝt · smyten all to poudire."
 Whil³ þat reſeuſt he rase · & renkis out he sendis,
 To Alexander belyne · & all alike a pistill. 3084
 ¶ "I, dreyry kyng on my deſe · Darius of Persye,
 To Alexander þot Airo · þat all has to weld,
 þe leys lord of my lyfe · to lose or to save,
 þus send I to my sonnayne · salutis & ioy. 3088
 So wyde is þe wiſdom · þat wonnys in your ſoule,
 þat wole þe wate of all þat was · & worth here before,
 Of all þe notes þot ere now · & quſt on next sewyſ.
 For-þi þow werke ay be witt · ȝe wirke vñreprynt. 3092
 Sir, I knalgeþ me a creatur · & come of a woman,
 Heues noȝt your hert vp to hige · take heðe to your end;
 It limpa noȝt all-way þe last · to lickeri with þe first,
 Quȝt suld a knyȝt mare to keþe · þot conqueþ hys fons! 3096

Was noȝt Sexes himſelf · þe sonnerest on erth,
 And cheued him of cheualry · chakis out of nombre!
 Jit for his will out of wande · was wof in-to pride,

¹ MS. thrashed. ² MS. sternes. ³ MS. þot with; þat struck out.

And all þat louet wer on-loft · lost hanȝ þe swete. 3068 [P. 22. 22.]
 þas mony deyd þis day · as demys me writes,
 Off pollis onto of persye · withouten þe prounde grekis,
 Thre C Mille¹ of throo · þat tharnyd þair lyfes,
 With þe foles & þe folke · þat þe flude drynched. 3072
 þis seneoue unto susys · hys awne cyte wendis,
 Fallis downe on hys face · flatt in þe sale,
 "Wo is me!" quod þe wreche · "wo is me vnhappy!"
 Sighes selouthly sare · & sadly he weyys, 3076
 "I þat was straȝt to þe sternes · am strykyn nowe to
 ground,
 Now oȝt a crathan & a knaſſe · nowe am I kast vnder,
 þat had of the Orient all ouere · homage vnuqwe.
 Wist any we quat hym suld worth · þis world wald he
 leue, 3080
 Full symple in a sete-white · sekyn to þe clodes,
 And þai þat most er of myght · moltyn all to powder."
 With þat he rewfully rose · & renkis onto he sendis,
 To A[lexander] als bylyfe · & all suche a Pistyff. 3084
 ¶ "I, dreyry Kyng on my deſe · Darius of Persye,
 To A[lexander] þe heyr · þat all has to weld,
 þe leys lord of my lyfe · to lese or to safe,
 þus send I to my sonnayne · salutes of ioy. 3088
 So wyde is þe wiſdom · þat wonnys in your ſoule,
 þat wole þe wate of all þat was · & worth here before,
 Off all þe notes þot er nowe · & what on next sewyſ.
 For-þi þow wirke euer by white · ye wekse vñreprynt. 3092
 Sir, I knalgeþ me a creatur · & Comys of A woman,
 Hefys nott your hert to hye · bott heðe to your ende;
 It lympys nott allway þe last · be lykkynd to þe first;
 Quȝt suld a knyȝt more Conett · þen conquer hys fons!

Was not Xerxes hym-self · þe sonnerest on ground, 3097
 And cheydyd hym nott of cheualry · chekeris oute of nombre?
 Jit for hys will oute of wande · was wome into pride,

¹ L. c. Three hundred thousand.

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Remember that
victory is from
God.

Restore my
revenues, and
take my wealth."

The letter is
taken to
Alexander,

whose men
rejoice.

Persuasion adhuc
Darius' offer.

Alexander says,

"How can
Darius expect
anything of me?"

Let him earn
himself beaten."

He bids the
corpses to be
buried.

In þe lede here of Elanda · lithly he fyned. 3109
 þinke þet allanly of god · þis osiralsike þou haues,
 For-þi haue mercy on ȝi meñ · ȝi meche we' beseeke,
 Als of yours grete guidnes · to grant vs our modise,
 Our bridle, oure burnes out of hande · for besandis enoȝe,
 For all þe feote² at ours fadirs · in þe feld³ hade, 3105
 In Battir & in þis beld · þe burȝe of Elanda,
 þe maistre & þe maiestre · of Mede & of Povry,
 With all þe Iolyte &⁴ Ioy · þat Iubiter vs lenes." 3108
 þe seggis at fra Susses · was sent with þe pistill
 Aires to ser Alexander · onone hit⁵ him reches;
 And he dos on before his ost · openly to rede, 3111
 And all his knyȝts to þe carpe · ware keneil reioyed.
 þen was ane Permeoñ, a pere · a prince of his oste,
 Endlynus him done to þe kyng · said: "kyd emperoure,
 Resouys þis risches, I rede · þet þow þis reake bedis,
 And lyuers him his ladis · & all his lele childire." 3116
 þan Alexander belyuo · þa hathelis he callis,
 þe herne at broȝt⁶ him þe bres · said: "bowis to þoor
 lord,
 And say⁷ me wondirs, I-wyse · if he it wene wald,
 For any mode a-peñ mold⁸ · his meneyhe to lyuine! 3120
 If he be fallen vndre fote · & his folke streyned,
 And vencust of our violence · quon vaills him his hostis!
 His person & his prouynce · he pat it in my will, 3123
 And told him vndre my yoke · þan garme I na mare.
 And if [he] grant him noȝt de-grayd · bot for þe gre
 threipis,
 Bed buske him eft to þe bent · vs battail to jeld."
 þas memest he þe messangers · jaire maistir to say,
 Geys þan giftis fall gode · & leto þan ga swyth. 3128
 And þan comande he his knyȝts · þe corses vp to
 gedire,

¹ MS. de. ² MS. fadirs feote; with fadirs struck out.
³ MS. feld, corrected to feld. ⁴ MS. & oñ; of struck out.
⁵ MS. it hit. ⁶ MS. borȝt. ⁷ In the margin.

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In þe lede of Elanda · lythly he synyd. 3109
 Thynke howe only of god · þis ouerlak þou fonges,
 For-þi haue mercy of ȝi man · ȝi myght we beseeke,
 All of ȝi grete guidenesse · to grant us our moder,
 Our bridle, our banner oute of bandes · for besandis enoȝe.
 For all þe feote þat our fadir · in þe mordle⁹ byldyn, 3105
 In baſtry & in þis beld · þe burȝe of elanda,
 The maistre & þe maiestre · of medy & of porc,
 With all þe Iolyte & Ioy · þat Iubiter vs lenny." 3108
 þe seggis þat fra sways · was sent with þis pistill
 Caryn pain to A[lexander] · onone & it hym raghten;
 And he doys one before hys hostes · it opynly to rede,
 And all þe knyȝtes for þe carpe · wer clely reioyed.
 þen was one perweon, a pere · A prince of hys hoste, 3113
 Endlynus done before þe kyng · said: "kyd Emperour,
 Resouys, I rede, þis reches · þis renke þat þou byldes,
 And leuerys hym hya ladies · & all hys leue childir."
 þen A[lexander] al belyuo · þis athel he clepyr, 3117
 þe bernes þat brought hym þe breve · said: "bowys to
 your Lord,
 And says, me wonderys, I-wyse · yf he it wene sold,
 For any mode uppoun mordle · hys meynsay to delyver!
 Yff he be fallen vnder fote · & hys folke streyned, 3121
 And vencust of our violence · what valys hym hys hostes!
 Hys person & hys prouynce · let put in my wyll,
 And yff hym vndre in yoke · I jarne hym no more.
 And yff he grount hym nott degradyl · bott for þe gre
 threipis, 3125
 Byd hym buske hym eft to þe bent · & batteþ vs jeld."
 þas monysader he þis mesyngers · þair maister at say,
 Giffys pain gyfes full gode · & byldes pain go swyth.
 And þan comandad he hys knyȝtes · þa cōses vp to
 gedder, 3129

⁹ Read mordle.

Of al þe douth at was dede · & diȝt þam in grases.
And at wondid was, I-wis · as þe wriȝt tellis, 3131
To serche pair saluya & þar saris · with surges noble.
At þe grete flode of Grantow · now graythis he his
tentis,

[MS. A.1.]

He offis to the
gods.He bide his
man not to burn
my building.The Greeks had
an old reprobate,That of Moors,
made of smotþys,They next had
a priores, with
second care in
it, who are set
free.They were
reduced by
Darius.Indus writes to
King Porus of
India.

Honoured þare his ald¹ gods · & offis þam nouches;
þare fand he palais vp piȝt · & many proude homes,
Saus-quile of Sexes ware sett · þe sire of þe landis, 3136
þa biddis he bedis þam to breis · souȝ of his bone rewys,
And bed na beren be an bald · a brand for to kyndylle.
þare was a brade bent fild · was bered full of knyȝts,
Of ald peros out of Persy · prince & dukes. 3140
þe Messedones in þe mōlē · mynys to þe grānes,
Fand coups all of clene gold · & costious stanes,
þe sepulture of a sire · þat of Surye was kyng.
Him was þo name Nīnas · wan in a noke founðen, 3144
Was of ane athlyf amatist · & all within² greenis,
Plantid full of palmetres · & many proude fowles,
And alike a clerete it kist · þu[r]ȝe kynd of it-selfe,
þai³ miȝt hane kend without þe kist · þe corps all
to gedire.

þare was a tenefull touris · & talkis in-closed;
Sunse ware þe handis of herew · & sun wondid hopes,
Sun se epon, sun se eres · & egerly cries
On Alexander after help · & he þam all livers. 3152
He wepis on þam for wa · said, "wa is me, my
childer!"

And ilkane of his talents · he takis ten thousand.
þea ware þai diȝt of sir Dary · for he dedeyne hadis,
þat þai⁴ ware comyn doun of kyngis · & be no cause
ellis. 3156

Be now þe douth of sir Daris · þe derfe messengere
Fra Alexander agayn · his answare him broȝt;
And he þan giedis out to grete · eft graythis him to fyȝt;

¹ MS. h. add. ² with is in the margin. ³ MS. v.⁴ MS. þat, corrected to þai.

Ol al þe dugly þat was dede · & diȝt þam in grases.
And al þat wosdytt was, I-wysse · as þo writte tellys,
He gart eake þair sarys, & þam salue · with surges¹ noble.
At þe flude of grantow · nowe grathet he hys tentes, 3153

Honours hys olde goddes · & offers þam coucher;
þair fande he palais vp piȝt · & mony proude homes,
Some-while of Sexes was set · þe syre of þair landes. [MS. 27.8.2]
þose heldies he byddes þam beyn · & synye of hys bodes rewys,
And bed no berne he so bald · a brand for to kyndylle.
þær was a brade bent feld · was full of beryd kynges,
Off olde perya ouer of pers · of Princez & Dukez. 3140
The massydoys in þe mōlē · mynys into þe grafer,
Founde couples all of clene gold · & costious stanes,
þe sepulture of a syr · of Serry was crownyd.
Hym was þe name Nīnas · wan in a noke founðen, 3144
Was of ane athlyf amatist · & all within grafen,
Plantyd all wiþ palmetres · & mony proude fowles,
And suche a clerete it kist · þesow kynde of hym-seluen,
Men miȝt hane kend wiþoute kyst · þe cors all
to gedier.

þor was a tenefull touris · & tulkes incloȝyd;
Some was þe harries of herew · & some þe lyges wantyd,
Some þe hoghes, some þe eres · & egerly crydef.
On A[lexander] after help · & he þam all deluyerys.
He weppis on þam for woo · sayd: "woo is me, my
chilber!"

And ichone of hys talents · he takis ten thoȝsand.
þas war þai dyȝt of Sir Dary · for he disdayne hed,
þat þai war comyn of kynges · & be no cause elles. 3155

Be þen þe Doughy of sir Daris · our derfe messengere
Fra A[lexander] ayayn · hys Answer hase broȝtyn;
And he þen gyrdes onto to grete · & grathet hym to fyȝt,

¹ Read surges.² Read clarice.

* Darius to
Porus.

Come and help
me.

[P. 21 v.]

For Alexander is
worth as a lion.

It is better for me
to die than
to live in sorrow.

I promise ten
shillings to a
well-armed
soldier bre to a
bold soldier.

You shall have
the spot."

Alexander is
informed of this,

and prepares to
attack Darius

Darius is
frightened.

Two of his own
knights left a
plot to kill him.

To þe honoryd here out of ynde · þus ordans a pistil.
" þut þe sceptoure & þe sole · sesid am of Persy,
To Porres vndre my present · plesance & ioy.
First wrote I to your worthines · gitt write I þe same,
To help vs at þis hathilf mett · þat hanȝ wald my
regne, 3164

And, be þo sure, þe same way · is to your-self etted.
For he þat wernis vs with · þe wildare of gree,
Is wrayld & wrathfull of wile · & wode as a lyon, 3167

And if I sande mett & sammen · segges out of nombre,
And cokke with þe conquerour · till I be cold drepyd,
þitt me is better on þe bent · in bataile be slayne,
þen se þe losse of my ledes · & ay leue in sorow.
For-þi your lordship as legeman · I lawly be-ske,
As I þat am in angwisch · myne askynge to fill; 3173
Ten schilling of my trew gold · a man þat is armyd,
And fyue to a fute-man · faythfully I hate.
þitt shall I ordane to your aye · quare-suine come out liggis,
A ix score of new gree · of martial maydens, 3177

Bacifalor þe bald stede · sal bathe be oure swefn,
And þe armes of Alexander · & all þe pilage."
¶ Now flees þer fra þe feld kyng · a fone of his knyghtes,
To Alexander beline · & all þus him tald, 3181
How þat sor Dury with his dukis · eft drassis him to
fist,

Had prayd eftir powere · to porres of ynde.
þan ordans hym þis honorabile · with his est flittis, 3184
Agayn þe Persyns king · him ordans to ride,
For þe name of an Emperour · ne wald he nemre fange,
Or þen þat souerayne ware slayne · or yld him his regne.
Some as þe kyng of þat kith · of his come herys, 3188
þan was he ferly afriȝt · & his folke bathe.
Than kest þam twa of his knyghtis · him caueler to spil,
" þut haue in the margin. * MS. regn. altered to regne.

To þe honourd heero oute of Inde · þus Ordays he a pistil.
" That þe septour & þe soyle · sesyd am of pers, 3161
To porres vnder my pryn · plesance & ioy.
First wrote I to your worthynes · gitt write I þe same,
To help vs Anest þees athell men · þet hery wald our
realme, 3164

And, be þo sure, þe same way · is to your-self etted.
And he þat wernis vs · is þe woldar of gree,
Es wrayld & wrathfull of wile · & wode as a lyon, 3167
As wawes of þe wild see · when wynd þam dia-
troubles; 3167* [P. 22. 3]

And þof I somme & sawme · segges oute of nombre, 3168
And euk with þis conquerour · till I be cold drepyd,
þitt is me better on þe bent · in batel to fayle,
þen see þe losse of my ledes · & ay leue in sorow.
For-þi your lordship as legeman · I lawly beseeche, 3172
As I þat am in angres · my askynys fullfyd;
Ten schelyng of my trew gold · a tulke þat is armyd,
And fyfe to A foteman · faythfully I hate. 3175
þitt shall I ordayne to your one · wher-euer our hoste ligges,
Nyne score of new gree · of norþyrd maydens.
Bacifalor þe bald stede · sal als be your swne, 3178
With þe armes of Sir A[lexander] · & all þe oþer peluge."
Nowe doen þai fro þis feld kyng · a some of hys knyghtes,
To A[lexander] als belyfe · als þess hym told,
How þat Sir Dury¹ with hys dukis · dressyd þam to
fyght, 3182

Hod send after power · to porres of Inde.
þen ordays hym þis honorable · & with hys hoste flytis,
Agayn þe persyn Prince · he purpos to ryde,
For þe name of emperour · wald he never founys, 3185
Or þat souerayne wer slayne · & sesyd to hym þe realme.
Some as þe kyng of þat kith · of hys Come herys,
þen was he ferly afriȝt · & hys folke both, 3189
And þen kest two of hys knyghtes · to cancles hym spyd,

¹ he added here, but struck out.

Darius asks why
they attack him.

and says that
Alexander will
avenge him.

[fol. 55.]

They wound
him, and he falls.

þai trowid þan of Alexander · to adil þana a mode;
þine traitours on his tracheans · trowthis has strakid,
Lendis pain on-loft to þe lord · laȝt out swerdis. 3193
"Quat shall I dreȝe," quod sir Dury · "my dere-worth
childire!"

First cald I yow my clenteis · þat now I call lordis,
Semys you noȝt it suffis · my sorow now-with-out, 3196
þat as a bytan brand · me brettons with-in,
And sian þe me þus swidly? · þe se[n]joure of grece,
He wiȝ will me wreke on þous werke · wers þan of thefis!¹
þar⁹ menyd þain⁹ na meray · bot maynly him woundid,
Bot down he hildis all to-hewyn · þaire handis be-twene,
þan dryfes furthe þa dores men · & halfe dode him leys,
Famand⁹ out of fresh blot · & here a fitt end. 3203

Quartusdecimus passus Alexandri.

When Alexander
hears that
Darius is
wounded.

He goes to Susa.

The Persians
wounded him;
but some hide
themselves.

He goes to the
palace.

Quen Alexander of his aȝthil · his auntis hadd herd,
How he was dyȝt of his douth · & to þe dede
woundid,
He streȝt him to stroma · & ouir þe streme ridis,
Sogt him in Susey · him-selfe with his ost.
þe pepill out of Persy · quen þai caue princis see, 3208
þan yode þai furthe & vn-parkid · þe patis of þe cite,
Resyses him fett ryally · with reverence & ioy,
Said: "welcum be þou, wermiour · þat all þe erl loutis!"
Sone as þir werid wytis · was ware of hys come, 3212
þat sloȝe so þaire soueraynes · þat neuire haue hadd,
þai heȝe þain to holes & hymnes · & hydis þaȝis belyue,
þogt, or þai wist of his will · þai wald noȝt aper.
þan gase he vp be degrees · the grocen maister, 3216
Passis in-to þe palais · a perdyce semed,
Was on þo make of þut mote · noȝt² mervalled a littil,

¹ MS. ȝe. ² MS. þal. ³ MS. þai him.

* Famend, altered to Famand.

* Here follows wȝ, struck through.

þam afterward of A[lexander] · ateland a mode;
þess traitours on þut trichory · trouþez han stroken,
Lenden pain on-loft to þe lord · laȝtyn ȝute swerdis. 3193
"What shall I dreȝe," quod sir Dury · "my dere worthy
childer!"

First cald I yow my clenteis · þat now I calls Lordis,
Semys you noȝt it shuld suffice · my sorow now withoute,
þat as a bytan brand · me bytes within, 3197
And sian þe me þus sodenly! · þe senyour of grece,
He wiȝ will me wreke on your werke · wers þen of thefis!²
þar⁹ meyvd þain no meray · bott manly hym woundid, 3200
þat downe he heldes all to-hewyn · þair handes bytwene,
þen dryfes forth þoo Domesmen · & halfdede hym lefes,
Famand ȝute of freche blade · & here a fyt endes. 3203

[fol. 55.1]

Quartusdecimus: Passus A[lexandri].

Qu[æ]hen A[lexander] of þis aȝthil · þis auntis hadd herd,
How he was dyȝt of hys doughty · & to þe deth
woundid,

He straight hym on to struma · ouer þe streme rydes,
Soght on to anys · hymself with hys hoster.
þe peple ȝute of perseye · when þai þis Prince see, 3208
þen yode þai furth & van-parkid · þe gates of þe Cyte,
Resaved hym full ryally · with reverence enogh,
Said: "welcum be þou, weryour · þat all þe wold lester!"
Sone as þees werryd wightis · was war of hys come, 3212
þat Sloghes so þair souerent · þut neuer pain gilt made,
þai hyen pain to holes · & hyden þain belyue,
þogt, or þai wist of hys wylf · þai wald not aper.
þan goye he vp be degrees · þe grocen maister, 3216
Pasyd vnto þe palacye · þat paradyse semyl,
Was in makke of þut mote · noȝt mervayled a lytyll,

³ MS. Duodecimus.

þat compast was of Cusys · þat kyng was of Persy.
þe flore vndirs þe fote · fynewly was paned,

3220

Couerd all of cristall · & oþire clere stanes.

þit ware þe wavess of þe wannes · wroȝt, as I rede,
Polisched all of pure gold¹ · & of plate werkis.

And þat was streken full of sterneys · & of sere
gemyss,

3224

With briȝt blaȝenand beys · as bernes of þe soȝn.

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þe hathill heþis vp-on heȝe · & hogely he wondirs,
þat eueri suld emperour in erth · alike ans herdo wild.

Quen he had ferlyd his fili · apoi þat faire hame, 3228
þurge-out þe sale jan he soȝt · in-to þe selfe chambre,

þare quare þe lord in lay · with lyathely woundis,
Girdid out ne gytars · in grete gylf-sternes,

þit was Jane lyfe in his like · litil if it semed, 3232
At ilk blast of his breþ · þe blode fro him glijis,

Sir Alexander him avysis · & aþuthly him thinke;

þe pure pote of his payn · persyd his hert.

þan nymes he fra his awyn neke · as emperoures
mantel,

3236

He entrenches him,
And þat he² couirs onaþ þe kyng · & clappis him in
armes,

With grym greþyng & gro · & gryzely terys;

Bad: "comfort þe, sir conquerour · & of þi care ryse,
Don asayne þe dignite · þe diademe of Pers,"

3240

And all þe rightis of þi rewme · resayne as before,
My pure powerfull godis · I prestly penoure,

þine empire & þine erytage · entendry to jold;

3243

Sold nevir na gone be to glade · þof he grete ware,
Of his neþbour moy · ementis him-selfe,

Quen fortune foundis him fra · & him þe fote schewis,
And all þe welth hiw at-wendis · & þe wend changis.

Bryngs furth þi banes, & with my brawd · I sali þi
dode venge."

3248

þis sage sobband he said · & þe segge wakyns,

¹ MS. gold gold, but corrected. ² In the margin.

The floor is
stony paved.The walls are of
pure gold.Alexander
wounded.He finds Darius
now wounded.

He pierces him.

He entrenches him.

and wings over
him.
² Sir conquerour;
þe king of Persia
gave more.

Let me now
count of his
success.

Let me now
count of his
success."

þat Compast was of Suys · þat kyng was of pers.

þe flore vnder fute · fynewly was paþryd,

3220

Couered all of cristall · & oper clere stanes.

þit wer þe walle of þe wane · wroȝt, as I rede,

Polyshyd all of pure gold · & of plate werkis.

And þat was siȝengkyllyd full of sternez · & strykyd with
gemyss,

3224

With briȝt blaȝenand beys · as bernes of þe sonne.

þe hathill heðis vp on hight · & hogely he wounderis,

þat euer suld Emperour in erth · such a place walde.

Quen he had ferlyd hys fyll · on joes fair homez,

3228

T[h]rough-oute þe sale jan he soȝt · vnto þe selfe chaunber,

þor as þe lord in lay · with lyathely woundis,

Gyrlande outh as getters · in grete gylle-sternes,

þit was þor lyfe in hys lyre · lytill yf it semyd,

3232

Att Iche blast of hys hent · þe blode fro hym jettes,

Sir A[lexander] on hym avaysa · & trewly hym thynkes;

þe pure pite of hys payn · persyd hys hert.

þen nymmer he fro hys awne neke · ane emperour
mantel,

3236

And þat he Courys ouer þe kyng · & clepys hym in
harmer,

With gremo greþyng & grone · & gryslÿche terys;

Bad: "comfort þe, sir conquerour · & of þi care ryse,

þu dose ayayn þi dignite · þe dyademe of pers,"

3240

And þe rightis of my realme · resayne als before,

My pure powerfull godis · prestly adoure,

þine empire & þine erytage · þe purely to jold;

Sold never no gone be glad · þof he greti wer,

3244

Off hys neþbour moy · unentes hym-selue.

When fortune fundes hym fro · & hym þe fote schewis,

And all þe welth þat he weþles · & þe wold chaunber,

Bryngs forth þi banes, & with a brawd · þi bale shall I

venge."

3248

þis sagi sobband he sayd · & so þe segge wakyns,

¹ MS. weþles.

Darius kisst
Alexander's
hand.

¶ Ah! Alexander

Hyndely hildis him vp · & his hand kysais,
þe breast & þe bare necke · & brenes þise wordis: 3251
¶ "A! Alexander, athill soñ" · & angrily granya,
"þe depe distruction of your dome · has many day
bene¹ knawyn,

All tyme st lost
to remoucion.

[Vol. 46.]

God made man
weaknesse,

now up, now
downe.

Had he gosen
men prosperit
yest,
now world
acknowledges his
power.

We shold all
have despaired.

That's selfe is that
pride shold
have a fall.

This has now long
passed to myself.

þot all þe welth of þe wrold · worthis at þe last
To carynne & corupeion · cleme all-to-godir.
þe warmes of þi wale gode · þot wist all before, 3256
And fully fold allt þo far · þot fall endd on erthe;
On þis maner made he man · þurȝe his miȝt first,
Suld noȝt be foun in his fast · ne ferme ne stable,
Bot houndes here a hand-quylle · & hingand in payse,
Now in leueh, now on-loft · now oft lawe vnder.
All wroldly thing, I-wis · þurȝe þo wift of oure lord,
In-to þe contrarie cleme · is at a clamp turnyd.
For had he wroȝt² ay to wees · welth & na nothire,
So grete had bene vayn glorie · glotonie & pride, 3265
Suld name haue gesid · þot grace · come of god, bot of
paim-edife;

So fm þo makare o mod · suld many man haue erryd.
So feyle had bene þe frelettes · folowand our kynd, 3268
We had bene drawen all bedene · in-to dispaire cleme,
And of þe godness of god · noȝt a grew³ traistid.
For-þi he wald of his wili · his werkis to be changand,
þot, quen a hathilf ware oains hijo · in happe & in
welehe, 3272

þot he knew noȝt his creatour · bi-cause of his pride,
In-to þe dike of debonerte · droune bud him nede.
þis was his wili at it worthid · wenou þou na nothire,
þe gome his god at for-gatt · for any grace heri, 3276
His welth to wile all-a-way · & wickidnes aper,
To ken þe caytefe to know · qua caused him on first.
þe same ensumpill of my-selfe · now is betid, þou sees;

¹ In the margin.

² For wroȝt.

³ Here follows st. standing alone.

Headly halys hym vmb · & hys hande kysays,
þe breast & on þe bare necke · & brevys þeis wordes:
"A! Alexander, athyll soñ" · and angrily gronyx, 3252
"þa depe distruction of þi dome · haue mony day bet
knawef,

All þe welth of þis wrold · waystes be þo last
To carynne & corupeion · cleme all-to-goder.

The wyssyng of þe wale god · þot wist all before, 3256
And fully fele al þo faro · þot falle shuld on erth;
On þis maner made he man · þorow hys myght first,
Suld not be funde in hym fastnes · ne ferme be ne stably,
Bot hofand here an hand-while · & hyngand on payse, 3260
Now in leueh, now on-loft · nowe in law vnder.

All wroldly þ[i]ng, I-wys · þorow wyll of þot Lord,
Into þo comyn cleme · is at a clame tawnyd. [Vol. 46.]

For hed he wroȝt ay to wees · welth & none oþer, 3264
So grete had bene vaneglorie · glotonie & pride,

Suld name haue gesyd þaim gracie · of god, bot of þaim
selues;

So from þe maker of man · myght mony han haue erryd, 3267
And had he shapyn Ay to shalkez · sheshiph & illys, 3267*

So fele had ben þe frekies · folowand our kynd, 3268
We had ben drawyn all bedene · into dispaire cleme,

And on þe guidnes of god · noȝt a dele traistyf.

For-þi he wald of hys will · allt warkys to be changed,
þot, when on athyl was so wele · in happe & in heyle, 3272

Bot he knew not hys creatour · bi-cause of hys prude,
Into þe Dyche of debonerte · drench must hym nede.
þis was hys wille þot it shuld þus worth · wete þou no noþer,
The gome þot hys god forgott · for ony grace heri, 3276
Hys welth to wite away · & wrychednes to spere,
To ken me caytiffe to know · who causyd hym on first.
þe samþill of my Awne self · þou seys nowe betid;

So grete I grew of my gods · & gold in my cofirs, 3280
 þot kindly gods creature · I kend noȝt my selfe,
 Bot for his feloȝe & his fere · faithfully me leued,
 Pold blidde me. þus prosperite & pride · so purely me blyndid,
 I southe noȝt se fra my segs · to þe soile vndire, 3284
 þat at me failed þan to fynd · fast at myn egen.

(fol. 36 4.)

If a man be
cast downe,he shall be
exalted.Let man
acknowlede his
misdre.Let not pride
pull thee up.Look to thine
end.My life is like a
cabbaw, soon
blown away.I, who yesterday
reigned oñ the
world, am now
driven down to
dust.Bury me with
the prince of
Persia.

For gre þe graunt̄ er̄¹ of god · & noȝt² of þi grete
 strenþia. 3292

If ait þe limp as þe list · loke to þine ende,
 For dis þe bone, quen all is done · & ay þi day scortis.
 ¶ Me pink³ my lyfe as to þe length · is like to þis werke,
 þut þis coppis upon keliwyse · knyti in þe wojes, 3300
 With þe lost windis of þe werd · þut þe werd touches,
 þe note amentis ilk aze · & ait to noȝt worthis.

Lo ! so þe quele of qwistsumnes · my quolite has changid!
 I, þut was justind so zap · & jomed all þe world, 3304
 To day am dreuyd all to dust · to dolour & paynes,
 Has noȝt o maistri so meche · as miȝt of my selfe.

My dere son," quod Daryus · " it drawes nere þe tyme;
 My banes, on my bonysoft bery with þi hand, 3308
 With þe proud princes out of Pers⁴ · & with þe proude
 grekis,

And þe maistirlings of Messedoyne · þe me to mold bring.

¹ Read is. ² Added in the margin. ³ MS. Me pink me.
 * MS. Pevers.

So grete I grew of my gudes · & gold in my cofirs, 3280
 þut kindly goddess creature · I knew nott my selues,
 Bot for hya felow & hya fere · faythfully me made,
 þus prosperite & pride¹ · propylyr me blyndyd,
 I kouth noȝt see fro my seyge · to þe sette vnder, 3284
 þat at me failed to fynd · fast at my seyng.
 Ilo þe myrrow[r] of mekeness · I may a myle knew,
 Yif ony hathel be so hard · with vnhappe woundid,
 So þut he hopys hym no help · of þe hys fader, 3288
 þan lyfes þe kyng hym on-loft · hya langer abregges,
 Enhauenes hym in hand-while · & hestys hym on-loft
 So he, þut ere² for vnales · segh nott hya Dryghtyn. 3291
 Lete þen hym know hya creature · in kyndlyng of Ioy,
 þut he laughtnes may ledo · & lyf when hym thyndes,
 And þut bringes hym abow · brytitynd all to powder.
 þi sawle, sir, into Surquydry · latt sech neuer þe
 heyses, 3295

[Leaf 40 is lost.]

¹ MS. prouide. ² For ere, read he.

Let us fight no
longer.

I command to you
my mother and
daughter.

[Fol. 57.]

Be kind to my
men."

Darius dies and
is buried.

Alexander
meets the
throne.

Darius' crown is
put on his head.

The crown shines
gloriously.

The throne is of
gold.

It has seven
steps:

1. of amethyst.

2. of emeralds.

3. of topaz.

4. of garnet.

[Fol. 57 A.]

5. of adamant.

6. of gold.

Lat þan oure kyng-domes a-corde & cock we na langir,
Bot ay perpetuall pes & oure partyas betwene, 3312

Vn-to þouz mekhilt maistres & my modine I comande,
Rodogonus þe rialt & newis on my bride;

My doptir Rosan þe riche & resaywas to your spouse,
It comys wole of hijo kyng & kyngis to descend. 3316

Tak tent to þet at I tell & be tendire of my knyfis."

And wiþ þis speke at he speke & þe sprete he yddis.

þan was his body embawmed & as he bede, graved.
þis bald baratours hiss bare & as a barne gretis, 3320

So did þe pepil out of Persy & bot for his pite mare
þan for þe deths of Dary & be dowble of þe twa.

And Alexander bulyus & he was enterid,
He meues agayn to þe mote & on þe mornis after, 3324

Vp to þe soncayne sege & with Septour he wyndis,
þet Cusus þe conquerour & of clere gold maked,

þe mody mon of Messodome & þe maistres of Persy
þan pet þan in-to presens & as þe prose tellis; 3328

Sire Darius awen dydaleme & þai did on his hede,
A coroþ, ane þe costious & þat euire kyng weryd,

On þe propreste of projecte & þat euire prince here,
þe maysy werke was þe menest & made of þe noble, 3332

þe pride þar-of for to proue & it pyned any cristien;
It gane so glories a gleme & of gold & of stanes,

þet as þe logo for þe hyst & lemed as of heunes. 3335

þe sete þare him-selfe sattis & in soyte with þe croune,
þot was lift a-pou loft & on oþirs littill segis,

Seuyn cubit of clere gold & was countid þo hyst.
And vij degrees was þar grayl & for gate vp of kingis,

And þai ware Ientilly Ioyned & in a Ioyly wyse. 3340

þe first an athil Amatast & I am informed,
And of a Smeth [s]maragdane & Smyten was þe toþir;

þe thrid of a Topas a-tyred & trelest & granen;
þe ferfth degré a Granate & a gracionis geome; 3344

þe fyfthe was of ane Adomant all-to-godire makid;
þe sexte of gletsrand gold & gayle was forȝid;

2. of earth.

1. The strongest
greatest man
against
drunkenness.A king must
be of sober mind.2. The strongest
protects the
right; a king
must be clearly.2. The top
refers to
inverted image.A king must
remember how
all things are
subverted.4. The garnet is
the brightest
of gems;A king must be of
pure heart.5. The adamant
is very hard.
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PROMPTUARY.

þe oulmaſt, all of þe erth · with-out opþre werkis,
Apon þis wyse ware þai grayd · & for grete cause. 3348

þe first was of an Amatist · þat all chaye demes
Riche, said þe romance · & rookenes of wynes,
Latiss na dronckynnes¹ þan dere · þat douth at it beris,

þe same wyr mon a wee · waite to him-selfe, 3352
A knyȝt at conette to clym · to kyngs astate,

Him bus haue warnes him wiþ · of wit & of mynde,
þat he wirke noȝt on þe wethire halfe · for wathie apþ

erth. 3355

þe seȝonde was of Smaragdine · þat ay þe sȝit kepis;
Qua berne as beris it him on · it brightyns hys ryght. (Vol. 41; fol.
40 being lost.)

So bus a kyng to consaile · haue aȝ cleor herf,
To se at syttis him to se · & sagely to wirke. 3359

þe third was a Topas, I trow · at to þe trone lengis;
þat is so cleor of his kind · þe clause me recordis,
þat qua-sun-eareis in þot ilk · his ymage behaldis,
þe face is to þe foldward · þe fete to þe firment.

So comes it wele for a kyng · to knaw till his end, 3364
How ay þe top to þe tan · is turned at þe last;

Quon fortune festis him · he fendis belies,

And all his dignite bedene · drines in-to pondre. 3367
þe ferst was a granate, I gesse · goules althair fytest;

Is nome so redy, as I rede · of all þe riche stones;
Slike color aȝt a kyng wole · in cosynneschase to beris,

þat he eschape to na schaundry · þot schend suld his name,
þe fift was all of adamast · as þe buke tellis; 3372

þat is he þot is so hard · þot hurt may name tolle;²
Is nothirre stelo ne na stane · so stife it may perce,

And growis out of þe grete see · in grynes & in cragis.
If any Nau³ to it neȝt · þot maylid is with iȝn, 3376

þen elouys it ay to þe clife · carryg & oþrey;

¹ MS. dronckynnes, altered to dronckynnes. ² MS. ni.

³ MS. thote tolle; with those struck out.

⁴ MS. aȝt, altered to Nau in the margin.

What beris þat borys it hym on · it brightyns hys ryght. (Vol. 41; fol.
40 being lost.)

So bus a kyng to comasyve · hafe a cleor herf,
To se þat sittes hym to see · & sagely to wirche. 3359

The thuryd was a topas, I trow · þat to þe trone longyd;
þat is So cleor of hys kyndis · þe clause it recordes,
þat who-aemour in þot ilk · hys vyssage behaldes,
þe face is to þe foldward · þe fete into þe welkynd.

So comys it wele to a kyng · to knaw to hys ende, 3364
How ay þe top to þe toes · is turnyd at þe last;

When fortoun fraystes frely hym in-fere · he fyndes hym
belysf,

And all lys dignite bedene · dryfys into Powder. 3367
The fourte was a granate · þat glowys all þer fytest;

Is nome so redy, as I rede · of all þe ryche stones;
Suche colour aȝt a kyng wole · in cosynneschase to beris,

þat he shope to no cheualdry · þot shend shuld hys name,
The fyft was all of Adamant · as þe buke tellys; 3372

þat is he þot is so hard · þot hurt may no tule;
Is noþer stelo nor no stone · so stiffe it may perse,

And growys out of þe grete see · in grynes & in Cragges.
Yif ony navy to it neȝt · þot maylid is with Irne, 3376

þen elouys it ay to þe cliff · carnak & oþer;



Bot blode of body, sais je buke · bees it neuise
perceil.¹

Or je natour of anothire thing · þat nedis noȝt to reken.
þat same kynd suld a kyng · of his craft vse, 3380
So stable & so stedfast · to stand in his werkes,
þat for na prayere ne pres · ne plesance² on erthe,
Out of þe rake of rightwyses · ren suld he neuise.

A king should be
steadfast.

c. The gold is
the chief of
metals;
a king should be
chief.

? The earth
reminds a king
that he is of
earth.

Alexander sends
out a letter.

* Alexander to
the church and
priests of Pontia
sends greeting.

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þe Sext was of gold · graciously hewyn, 3384
Of all metals o mold · þe maistir & þe syre;
þe same cure is a kyng · be kind of his leggis,
To gy & gouerne³ his gomes · þe grettest is he mukid.
þe seynt vp to þe sege · was of þe selfe erth, 3388
þot is na mane for to mene · as me my mynd tellis,
Bot ilka kyng suld hiw knaw · cried of þe soile,
And to þe same sustenance · sodanly to worsh. 3391
þus sett oure syre in his sete · with septoure in hand,
In pelour & in pali & proud met him by.

Jan lete he letters belyny · with ledis out to send,
þurh all þe presynce of pers⁴ · promicid þis weekis.
"þe kyng wiȝt-outen compere · of kyngis all oþhire,
Of all þe lordis now þe lord · þat leis apou erth, 3397
Sir Alexander, athill son · of Amou his dritteis,
And als of Olimpades · anly consoured,
To þe sonerayns & þe Senescallez · þe sires & þe maistirs,
And all þe pers out of peray · princes & dukis, 3401
þe Iustis & þe gentiles & Ingemest of lawe,
Bathie citizens & seriant · salutis of grace.

Syn it lokid has þe largenes · of þe lord of heuen, 3404
þot me þis diadome of Dary · demyd is & graunted,
And to be⁵ here þus enhansiȝ · in his hys trone,
þe shall be glad of my degre · & gretly reioyed,
And ordans aiþare oure aȝt · honorable prinecoz, 3408
Gouvernours & gardens · of all þe grete burges,
As was in Darius days · to deme men þe riȝt,

Since the diadem
of Darius is
granted me,

Let all be
whatsoever as
before.

¹ MS. lansed, altered to perceil.

² MS. gouvenc.

³ In the margin,

Withdraw blonde of body, says þe buke · leys it neuise
perseyd,

Or þe nature of a-noȝer thyngh · þat nedis noȝt to rekyn.
The same kynd shuld a kyng · of hys crift vse, 3380
So stabyll & so stedfast · to stand in hys werkes,
þat for no prayere ne presse · ne plesance¹ on erth,
Oute of þe rake of rightwyses · rynde shuld he neuise.
The sext degree was of gold · graciously hewyn, 3384
Off all þe metallys of mold · þe maistor & þe syre;
The same cure is a kyng · be kind of hys leiges,
To gy & gouerne hys gomes · þe grettest is he grathyl.
The Seuente vp to þe sege · was of þe selfe erth, 3388
þot is no more for to mene · as me þe write tellys,
Bot enerliko kyng shuld hym knawne · create of þe soyle,
And to þe same substance · sodanly to worth. 3391

þus sett our Syre in his sete · with septoure in hand,
In pelour & in pali & prounde men hym vmbre.
Jan lete he letters belyny · with ledes oute to send,
þerow all þe presynce of pers · promouand þea worder:
"The kyng wiȝt-outen compere · of kynges all oþher,
Of all lordes nowe lord · þat leysa vppon erth, 3397
Sir A[lexander], athill son · of amon hys drightyn,
And also of Olympades · only consoured,
To þe sonerayns & senescallez, · þe sires & þe maisterys,
And all þe pers oute of pers · princezz & duker, 3401
þe iuste & þe gentiles · þe iugres of þe lawe,
Both cytysayns & sergantez · salutes of gracie.
Seth hakkyd hath þe largenes · of þe lord of heuen, 3404
þot me þis Diadome of Dary · demyd is & grauntyd,
And to be here þus inhauneyd · in hys hys trone,
þe shall be glad of my degre · & gretly reioyed,
And ordays over all & ay · honorable prinecoz, 3408
Gouvernours & gardens · of all my grete burges,
As was in Darius days · to deme men þe riȝt,

¹ MS. plesance.

[P. 41 2.2]

And cleme all þe clientis · to keþe þaire demayndes.
Ilik a pepill his possession¹ · in pes moyt he brouke,
Armoures & actions · y latt all þat be kepid;² 3413
Caires þam to castells · & in kyng houses,
And none so bald, ore I hale · to bere þam na mare.
And fro þis marche to Messedone · quylle I am maister
here, 3416

þe passage in aithire part · all playn be & open,
þe comers out of aithire coste · to caire vndistrobbed,
With message & Marchandise · & al maner of medis."
¶ Now is his pistils alt past · & þess he comandis; 3420
"Quylle of my frydys ore þe folke · þat my fass slope,
þat was þe drayars of Dary · now doo þam a-spore,
þat þai may weld for þis werke · wirschip to mede.
My mekill myghtfull godis · I maynly þow averse, 3424
And on þe lay at I lene · & be my lufed modir,
þe worthe wage þains wayne · þat þai hanȝe wele serued."
þan all þe pepill out of Persy · pouret out to wepe;
Bathes Besant & Anahra · as þe buke tellis, 3428
þat ware þe banes of his body · baldly þam shawis;
Said: "we to-hewid him [with] care handis · hiȝe
emperours."

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He commandis
them to be
hewid.
þai wend wele þais to wyȝi · a warysof for enise, 3431
þai had he bernes þais to bynd · & bringis þais be-lyne
Vn-to þe guidmans greue · & hewe of þairs hedis.
"Allas, my lord," quod þa hedis · " & þe so late awoe,
To your worthi godis, your wale dame · we suld no wa
affinis!" 3435

"Siris, as þe worthi ware, I-wisse · I wate wele I hit;
And bot your armes were vnyhid · I held moyt myne
aȝhis.
For sen I waiȝ in-to þe world · my witt has bene aye,
Quen tmid was a treachery · þe talkis to be holdid."
þas he did þain to doþ · as drichten him prayded, 3440

Let all armour be
put away.

Let the highwood
be free."

He next bidde the
slayers of Darius
to come to him,

presenting them
their reward.

Besant and
Anahra present
themselves.

as that is
the right reward
of traitors.

¹ MS. peasseciof, altered to possessiof. ² MS. kepis.
³ Here the Dublin MS. ends.

And cleme all our clientes · to keþe þair demandes,
Iche people þair possession · in pease myght þai heuke,
Armoures & actions · lat all þat be kopyd, 3413
Cayres þam to castells · & to kynges housez,
And none so bold, or I byd · to bere þam no more.
And fro þis marche to massydyne · whil I am maister
here,

The passage shall in aither partie · plane be & opyn,
þe Comers oute of aithir coste · to caire vndistourblett,
With message & with marchandise · & all maner of medis."
Nowe er lys pistellys forth past · & þess he Comandez;
"Which of my frenedes or þe folke · þat my foe slogh,
þat was þe drayars of sir Dary · nowe doys þair a-spore,
þat þai may weld for þair werk · worship & mede.
My mekill myghtfull godis · I maynly þou averse, 3424
And on þe lay þat I lefe · & be my lofyd moder,

[Here ends the fragment in the Dublin MS.]

The last is at
peace.

Alexander agis-
ments the giv-
eth,

and bids Roxana
come to him;

where he wels,
and makes
emperors,

The Persians call
him a god; at
which he is
alarmed.

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He keeps an
eight-days' fast
to honour of
Roxana.

Be provynce pigt is in pos · & princes are maked,
An¹ ald derling² of Darius · was duke made of pos,
Request of Je rials · ase of his richa vnelas. 3443.

Oure emperoure, quen his was endis · erly on je morme,
With all pa alyens him by · & ancient lordis,

He gase a-gayns to da-green · vp to Je gilt trone,
Dobbed in his diadem · & dist as be-for; 3447

As Dary demed, or he deid · his doctir he comandess,
Mad Rosan je riche · radly to aperc,

Hire hede vn-helid was on hige · & hild al in trisis,
Vn-by-clappid with a coronacle · of costious stanes;

As pe maners of jet marche was · he wedd hire to wylfe,
And in pe sege with his-selfe · to sitt he hir makis,

Comands hire as a conguyres · of knyghtis to be hounted,
And all je pepill out of Powy · was passandly ioyed.

Bei gone agraythen vp paine gods · on gilden segis, 3456.

Sayed: "you art duke of ilk dome · & driften pi-selfe!"
Jan was he fraid in his flesche · bed, "seyne of your
wordis!"

I am a corruptible kyng · & of clay flourned!"

Jan ont onmo to Aristotil · & to his aven modir 3460
Of all his weris & his welth · he wrete alto-gedire;

And aty daies alh bedene · he dites in his pistill,
For remeance of Rosan · to revell & halowe. 3463

Al be pe metir bot meno · jus mekiſt han I ioynd;
Forthi, lordis, be your leue · list sow to suffre.

Now will I tary for a time · & tempine my wittis;
And he jet stige to je sterres · stijftill vs in hesses!

Quintusdecimus passus Alexandri.

I will now tell
you more about
Alexander.

L ordis, will ye me lithie · & lestin a stonde, 3468

Now sal I kitha vs a carpe · of a kyng riche,
Of pe auctoroures of ser Alexander · jet aise was of grecis,
How all je wend at his will · he wan or he deid.

¹ MS. And. ² MS. derlingis.

Je latir ende of his lyfe · me list sow to tolle. 3472

For all je first is in fittis · & followand je letir,
And he jet made pow piis mirth · oft mynes his saule,
jet driften deyne him to dele · a dele of his blis.

Sone as ser Dary was deid · & done out of lyue, 3476

And Alexander as¹ airo · had all for to wild,
Rosayed to his nicle quene · Rosan his doctir,

And was je crown be-kond · of clene all jus ends,
He gedind him a gretost ost · & geythid him to ride,
A power of pe Persons · & of je provide grekis, 3481

pe Messedones & all men · he [maynly] comandis
On kyng Poetus to preke · & prese him with armes.

Now gase he furthe with his ging · je gaynest in-to
ynde. 3484

pare many daies be desert · he dryfes with his ost,
Be hys hillis & howis · & be holys dednes,

Be wast & be wilhernes · & be waſtibes boxernes. 3487

Sone was he very of je way · so was his wale knyghtis;
Menyd pain pi Mossedones · emang pain-selfe,
Bei said, it myght be sufficient · je sayng of Powy,

And him jet² trouage on tym · has tane of oure eldars,
"Quat suld we fonde any ferre · now faylne our
strenth[is]?" 3492

pe end of ynde is ilk delo · enhabett with bestis,
And he bet willis all pe werd · be weds him to loste,

His fleische is fastard & feid · be fift & by sternes.
And were his person in pos · bot for a pure tym, 3496

Jan said, he faile as a frake · at je fode wantis.
Bot lat vs leue him at longe · & lende to oure hames,

And pas quadire as his pleso · with je proud barbres." 3500

Sone as oure kyng of his knyghtis · pis carpe vadire
standis,

He mas to stand all pe stourne · & standis vp in pe myddis,
"Bald baratours on bent · blythly me heris,

The first part
closely follows
the original.

When he had
married Roxana,

he proceeds to
attack Persia,
and advances in
India.

He comes to a
desert.

The Greeks
invade,

and ask why they
are to go further.

"Alexander lives
upon fighting,

but let us go
home in peace."

Alexander
harangues them.
"Here we!

¹ MS. as ar; with as strock out.

² MS. jet se; with as strock out.

I am your
king.
Ye lightly leve
me.
Did not I comfort
you when Darius
threatened?

I have here in a
handed portle,

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I will never turn
my back;

though ye may
do so."

His princes and
knights beg his
disgrace,

and promise in
fathers to follow
him even to
death.

All þe pepill out of Persy · ere put in my wiþ;
All ware rebell in arrest · now is þe rewme¹ gold, 3504
And I your kyng as þe know · with croune & with septoar,
And now þe lone me þer litly · bot for a littil pyne,
To caire a gayne to your kithid² · I can neȝt fare-on.
Knew þe noȝt how in your care · I cu[m]ferth þow anys,
Quene þe dount so þe dites · of Darus in his pistil³!
Eft quen we ferd in-to fild · & with oure fæs mett,
I was þe first þow before · þat þe fild entrid,
Sot in-to Susses · my-selfe for⁴ þoure hole, 3512
In þe habet of Amon · oure⁵ allirs drȝten,
Put my person in plegg · & perils a hundred,
And in-to tourment of tald · we take for þour sake,
Bot wotis it wile with-ent wene · I wene in my assale,
As I ȝit haue hediretoward · heriel all my fæs, 3517
So sall I gate hys ay þe gree · with my god helpe,
And for na tene at may betide · tare soll I nemise,
If þe will lend in-to þow landis · luke at your herte!
Bot me to do slike a dede · drȝtin it schidle! 3521
I sall neuire graithie me to gree · gase quev jow likis,
Or mire wriþip I haue wot · for wathë vndre
heuen." 3523

Quen he þis reson had red⁶ · þati redid his princes,
And of forge[f]nes of faire gilt · his græse þai be-seke.
Kniȝtis callis⁷ him on kneys · said: " kid emperoure,
All oure life & oure loss · is lent in your handis,
Oure-selfe & oure sorouge · is sandly þous awell, 3528
Ai at your beding to be · oure boldi & oure gudis,
Quare-ower þe wend in all þe wend · in watir or in erthe,
Ay mekely at your mandment · your maiestie to folows,
If we suld die al-bedene · at an day tyme, 3532
We sall never spise þow ne sporne · in speche ne in dede,
Ne neuire your rialte renay · bot rede to sewe,

¹ MS. rewse, altered to rewme.

² Or kithid.

³ MS. co., corrected to for.

⁴ MS. a curv with a crooked tail.

⁵ Head falls;

⁶ MS. synapelite.

⁷ In the margin,

⁸ Read delivered.

ALEXANDER.

Quills any blast of oure breth · in our brest lengis."
Jan ȝede he furth in-to ynde · & in þane illes were;
Questi all þe iolite of gingine · & Iulus was endid, 3537
And messengers a-pon þe marche · him metis belyne,
Fra kyng Porres þe pronde · þis pistill him knoȝt.
¶ "I, Porres, þut as principalf · possessid am in ynde,
To þis michare out of Messedone · þis mandment I write,
þou, Alexander, þou Ape · þou Amaljo out of greco,
þou littil thefe, þou losangier · þou lurkare in cites,
Sen þea ert destayned to die · & dedaly þe acle, 3544
þat agayn drȝtin of vnde[dl]ynes · quest may þi dede
valle!" 3545

Madding marrid has þi mode · & þi mynd changid.
Sen god has sent þe wyl to see · & ȝit þi witt failles,
I hope þou wenes at we be like · to Jire lethire Persyria,
Bot þou þi lordship to loue · has now on late strayned,
And for þou felid has in sigt · a sigt at was synyph,
Now misse þou to þi miseric · my maistie to bowe, 3551
If goumes be goumers of gods · jan mai þi gesse worth;
And if þe land here on lawe · be likned to þe heuen,
þe ministracion of men · to me were to felid.
All drȝtens & dewessis · ere dute of my name;
Ane ser Denys, a duke · gane many wintire, 3556
He bed vs bataill on bent · & þe back turned.
And or þat Sexes him-selfe · scold was in Persy,
At þe marche of Messedone · made vs trounge,
Bot for þe⁹ partie ere vn-prophetable · va pless paine
na langir, 3560

Ai walþ þe wise hanse wale soile · mare þan a wast lec.
Caine agayn to þi kith · caiteme, I bidd,

Here na lordship þe limps · quest list þe diyre."

¶ Some as þis clause to oure kyng · [was] comyn &
delivere,⁸ 3564

Before his bachelors on brade · he bedis it to rede,

June and July
being ended,

a letter comes
from Porus.

[P. 6. 1.]
Madness has
possessed thee.

You think we
are like the
Persians,

All lands are
afraid of us.
I conquered Sir
Denys.

Return to thy
country."

Alexander's men
are afraid.

His talkis of þi tilil· quen þai je tenore herd,
þan ware þai sory of þa sawes · & solly frayed.
" Quet now, my worthe wernayours ! " · je wale kyng
sayd, 3568

Alexander over-
sets them.

" For Porras pistill, I pray · ne for his proud wordis,
No for na manns he mas · mayes noȝt yours herte,

Did noȝt ser Dury to vs write · his pistill with pride,
And all je berbrennes bernes · in bostis þam affyed,
As lehards, leardis, & lexxis · lions & tigris ! " 3573

He writes to
Porras. [Vol. 41. p. 1.]

With comfurther of his contenance · his knyȝtis he gladis,
And þan to Porras apart · þis pistill he writis.
¶ " I, þut¹ je kyng am of kyng[s] · & crouned of lordis,
je eldest child of Amos · þut all has to wile, 3577

And honoured Olimpades · with him ase geten,

To þe oddest aise out of ynde · þis answare I make.
L-wis, oure wittis with þi wordis · þou haue wele scharpid,
And mad we bald with þi boſt · je bettaill to yeld, 3581

Oure boundis are barayne & bare · & fine full of welch;
þe kenir is oure corage · joun kyng-dome to wye,
To put away oure poueris · & pas to joyn hipes,

And ga noȝt, as je gude ware · agayn jow to fit, 3585
Bot a berne full of boſt · a barbrene princis,
Wenand me & all je werd · to walke to þow-selfe."

Porras is wrath,
and assemblies his
men.

Quen Porras with his prone men · þis pistill had rodd,
þan was he wondirly wrathis · & wifly assemblies 3589
þe knyȝtis & þe captyans · of all je coste by,
His champions, his chiftians · his cheualry to gedire.
He feris him a fair floþ · was fed for je names,
Of unicomes, of olyfauntis · wondirfullis bestis, 3593
As ilkane veyl with in ynde · vngylis with to fylle,
And aires agayne Alexander · with armis hñm to mote,
þe powers of sir Porras · was passandly many;

A stour stiffe vadire stelo · þe strangest of þe verde

Of sithid chariotis him aued · a seleuth nombre, 3598

At þe fewist, as I find · a fourteene thousand;

and his syndid
chariotis.

* MS. þat at.

With-outen bachelors on blonkis · & bowmen on fotis,
Four hundredth Olyfants in-fere · folowid his enarmi[1],
With ilkane bunden on his bake · a boordis castell,
And thretly talkis in ilk touris · tired in platis, 3603

Oure mey-he² out of Messedone · quen þai so many saȝe, [Vol. 42.]

þan ware þai storbet of þot stoures · so was je stythe

Persyne.

Al þe athlis of sir Alexander · was aryd in jaire hertis To Greeks are
To machis with sike a multitude · of men & of bestis.

þan was þir chiftans chosen · chevalous knyȝtis 3608

þot bouskil ware on baſis halfe · je bauſtall to rewle.

With þot þai take vp þe trumpis · be thretly at anes,

A-grydys grymly to gedir · þe grekes & barbres.

Sir Alexander was armed · & askis his steed 3612 Alexander mounts
þan was þe bald hocſalof · & off his luke worlhes;

Mare þan a stancessat at a count · be fore þis knyȝtis aff
He standis vp in his stereps · in stanand maylis.

þe men out of Medy · ho mans, & of Pers, 3616

To enverun alle þo rawred · of al þe vyle yndes,

And he was graythid [with] a ging · of grekes knyȝtis

And maistres out of [þe] Messedone · þis mayhe² to helpe.

þe pepilt out of Persye · ware petusly wounded 3620

Of Olifantis oure shi · with horrile hertis ;

All at vnwerid a-way · wyannes in þe stoundis

Durst nevir his face to his faes · eft on fold bode,

Sir Alexander haue a-visis · & ames in his wittis 3624

How he miȝt bring it a-boute · þis bestis to devoide;

And man to boste aff of bras · as bernes it ware,

And full of glorand gledis · þain to þe gorge fillis;

An instrument aff of iroñ · þuris ymagto to bere, 3628

Was compast on carte-wiso · & cursuores þais droȝe.

þis Olifantis of ynde · quen þai þare-on waste,

þai wend þai ware wes · & wyndis þais agyyl

To drope þains as jaire first did · disclosid þai þo

chaviles, 3632

* MS. be before. * Read meyhe.

He had 400
elephants,
each bearing a
castle.

The Greeks are
damaged.

Alexander mounts
Bucephalus.

The Persians are
wounded by the
elephants.

Alexander makes
brave men,
filled with flower-

The elephants
attack them.

(Vol. 61 b.) And some was snaypid on þe snowte¹ with þe smart heise,
and take no flight. With þot jai fonge to þe flist² · þe fifty at armes,
Of ilkne uthill ware jai ayed · þot any armes world.
Some as ser Porres of þe poynete³ · & oþe plite waytis,
þan was he tangid with tene⁴ · & turbled vnfaire. 3637

 The Persians and
Medes attack the
Indians.

 Alexander comes
to the rescue.

 with his Greeks.

 Porus takes to
flight.

 [Vol. 61 b.] Alexander takes
the older city of
India.

And some was in þe Persyna⁵ · & of þe proud Medis
With arowis & with oþiere armes · agayn all þe yndis,
Tolls of þe tirantis⁶ · & ternaynd o lyne, 3640
Sepes down on aithise side · sowme out of neameber,
Thretti dais on a thron · jai thredip eure elike,
So lange at þe last way · as lastid þe betalif.
 þare was þe Medis martid⁷ · & many of Perses 3644
Gorreid & gais⁸ þurþo · & gryesly wounded.
Oure mody kyng of Messedone · þe myschefo be-hadde,
Seis juin fail so ethfully · & felly was greued.
Apon þe bald knyfeliot · brant vp he sittis, 3648
Springis out a spore · sperid all þe platis.
þe breest of þe haufti · he baldly a-prochid,
Girdis dooun of þe grettis⁹ · & þe gree wynnyas.
His awen men of Messedone · maynly jai feſt, 3652
So did his gomes out [of] gree · & gat a grete name.
Some discordid þare down · þe duſtiest of ynde,
And Porrus prekis fra þe place · & þe playn voidis,
His ledis at left ware o lyne · lendis him astre. 3656
And Alexander in þat angle · all þe mijt logis,
Offis all his old gods · his honour pass thankis,
As wele þe ynde as his² awen · he graue þaim alſt.

Sextus Decimus [passus] Alexandri.

P^o second² day with a sauto · a cite he takis, 3660
þe proddost ane at Porres¹ possessour was⁴ eure.
He past in-to his palais · & in þe place findis
þot seemed no syafull saule · þe seelwhe to trowe.

¹ Read girt (struck)? cf. l. 3651. ² MS. ha.
³ MS. sold. ⁴ In the margin.

First fund he pare of fyne gold · a fourt hundredth postis, He fuds 400
With crafti corosals & cleme⁵ corous of þe same 3665 pillars of gold,
Be-twone þe polers was þe p[er]t · with precious leuys,
Gilden wynys with grapis⁶ · of gracious stanes.
Sum wro of cristall clere · elestrid to-godiz; 3668 and golden vines,
Sum made ware⁷ of Margarita · þe mast of þe wend;
Sum was smeth smaragdyns · & oþre small gemmes,
And new nychometis · nemellus endentid,
þat ware as sumely · queſt jai ware sumen, 3672 and other gems.
And all purgestis of plate · as pure as þe noble.
þe Messedons in þam merkid · with þair mekill brandis,
And þe thinnest was a nynche thicke · queſt jai ware
þurþe posset; 3675 The thinnest
And þo ware streñkild with stanes · as sterne oþ þe heuyn,
With charbok[e]s on þe þamp · & with cheſe perles.
Smeltei was smaragdans · in-to þe smeth werkis,
And aithise amytiats als · in angells licknes;
Of Euer & of Olifants · was ordan þe patis, 3680 There were
With barres of aue Ebyn-tree · bonden wiþ cheyneas.
þe Ebyn, as þa buks sais · bein will nevir,
And growis in þe Iles of ynde · as Isodry tellis.
þe solens was of Spyre · all of a soyle makid; 3684 The chambers
And Symphacres in þe sale · was sett vp off trones were of cypres.
All of glittirand gold · as gomes it were,
Discheuler wiþ chaplets · of changard hewes;
And ilk tulke a tabernacle · tillid was ouire, 3688 There were
And þot was gromen alſt grayd · of gilden platis,
Flamband all in flour · & fowlis en-blanchid,
Mekely merkid & made · of all manere of kyndis;
And þa ware proudly depaynt · þe penes & þe wingis,
Of all colours to a-counte · as þai ere cled here; 3693 with bills of gold,
Of fetherhamme & alſt fare · as feteily enjoyned,
As þai ware shapen oþ þe schell · to schew to ourse eȝen.
Bet was all of brent gold · þe billis & þe chaulye, 3696 Also birds,
And queſt as Porres coul plese · in presens of lordis,
There were images on
throneis of gold,
polished.

¹ MS. wode w; ² bet corrected.

which song by
magic art.

þai made as mery melody & musik þai saamg!
As in þe moneths of Mai or mydsomere euyñ!

þare fand he vessele of value to vysse out of nombre,

Also cupps of gold, Gards & Goblets of gold althire-finest, 3701

Coups all of cristal & opyre cleare gemmes;

þai fande bot a fewe dolc forged of silvur,

þan radde he fra þa regions & remewid his hostis;

To þe patis of Caspy he come & sett down his tentis,

A lande, as þe buke tellis a large & a noble, 3706

All saund bot serpentis & opyre aero bestis.

To þe mode quene of Amazoyne þan makis him þis
pistill.

"I, þat þe kyng am of kyngs & kidele of lordis,
Alexander, athil child of Amon oure driftilin, 3710

To Calistride þe conquires comfirth & ioyis!

Ours weris & ours wreichis & of ours wale notis,
How we¹ hano done acr Dary & dreid þis knytiis,

Conserd all his kynglynes & conquirid his landis,
I leue it to þour ladyship þis lange noȝt yaknawen.

With Porsa in þe playn fild proued hano my
strengtheis, 3716

And opyre fele, þat ware to faynt oure force to with-
stand.

¹I suppose you
know we have
conquerid Duria.

Therefore pay us
tribute."

For-þi your landis, if þow list to leuise fra oure handis,
Tas tite vn-to your tresori & tributis vs paya," 3719

þan writh agayne þe wale quene & on þis wyse spekis:

"I, Calistride, þe conquires þat kepis all þis endis,
With þe mery mai[d]lowes² of Amazoyne þe maistis in
erthe, 3722

And oþire birdis ehland þe biggist in erthe,
To þe modi kyng of Messedome message of blisse.

þeure saule sa full of sapient sedis & floures,
þot all þe present is aperi & peitiss þou in mynde, 3726

And has of cases þot ere to come a knawlage in dole.
For-þi oure soile or þou seke vrese þe be tyne,

[fol. 64.]

¹Those knowest
the story.

¹ MS. b. 166.

² MS. ms. 166.

Qust tene & torfane may tide & tent to þine ende.

þars werauld neuir with vs na wee þat wreichip ^{AN THAT WAS WITH}
achewid, ^{US ARE DISMISSED.} 3730

þot he was heried in hast or had a hepe schame.

For ilka lered man of lyse his so lefis haldis,

If he pot for distraccion doas in-to þe depe fallis.

Bot our werkis & of oure wonynge-stede if þe wald
knawe, 3734

I sal declare þow þe eas cleane by þire writhis.

Ours inhabetting, ser, is in aille Iles & amed as a scrole,
With ryndall all aboute ours erd an endles waitis.

And we are of females acr feulis fours & xx Mille,¹
And twa hundred þor-to & all of tried ladis, 3738

A prese plankis is at a place to pas & to entre,
Ours bernes bildis noȝt vs by bot ouir þe hourne
wyndis.

Bot þot be-þende ilka jere make we vs festis, 3742

And thretti daies all be-dene oure delitie haunatis.

If any couense þar a knaf þan kepis him his modire
Vij yere with-in oure selfe & sendis his his fedir.

And be echo lynde of a lame echo lengis in oure barrys,
And is ours thewis of oure thede & thryfandly

enfourned.

Quen we to feit with oure faes fares out of wames,
A hundredth thousand I hope we be on horses enarm'd,

þa lenes in oure lede oure lithis to defend, 3750

Quen we reprise with þe palme þan prayessis vs come furis.

And, buske þo to oure boordswad vs batallit to sold,

þet all we maynly on þo marche mette þow in² armes,

To lithis vs all if you limpes na longyng þou getis,

For you wynnes noȝt bot women þare of na wodes ryndis.

Bot & god grauts vs þe gree grete glorie hano we þan,
For þe atheist empoures we wan even at oures witt.

Be noȝt to sturter with þi sturtis to stryne vs a-gayn,
For many leres may þe limpe silk as þou noȝt wenes!"

We are valis an
array of 100,000
men.

[fol. 64. b.]

If you best us,
you will win no
glory;
and otherwise,
you are disgraced."

¹ i.e. thousand.

² In the margin.

Alexander laughe,
Quen he had lokid eairr po lyne · he lages at hire wordis,
And to jart lady belyme¹ · pis lettore he writis. 3761
¶ "I, Alexander, jart am aire · of Amofiz him-selfe,
To po maistres out of Amazonye · many-fald ioyes!
Thre portys of po proud weside · I playnly haue won,
Afriske & Asyo · and Eropj jart othire. 3765
It was neuer man a-peñ mold · oure myghtis to withstand,
And fest with vs in² po fild; · sow fallis po same.
Bot be-cause we lufe your comyng · we conseill jow blyth
To pas out with your paramours · & pers va be-forse.
On Amofiz oure athisl sire · an athes I jow make, 3770
Of vs to suffre no sare · to sandly to wends,
Batho oure gold jow to gefe · & of oure gud kniȝtis,
To mary to your maidens · & make jam a-vauued."
Sone as jai wist of his wif · jai wistly him sente 3774
Ten vnuersayd coltis · po cleemest of po word,
And as mony to amend · of milk-quyrie stodis,
Of mony & of mekill quat · mayn giftis. 3777
Dame Calistride po conqueris · comes with hire ladies,
Mas hire pes with oure prince · & pes to hire landis.

They send him presents.

[Vol. 63.]
Now comes that
Tome that raised
another army.

Pen come a sandle to jis size · in po same tyme,
Jart kyng porres po preud · with pes out of ynde
Was in po bonds of Batirane · & oft³ had assemblid
Anopire ost of odmen · his oft oft to ride. 3783
As hastely as he it herd · his ostis he flittis,
And athisl harness on hors · a hundred & fyfli
Was choseme⁴ to chifana · & all of chefe⁵ dukes,
Orland of oure emperoure · his ostis to lede. 3787
Jus pes he furthe with his princes · see Porres to mote,
In August eftir Iuli · as po boke tellis.

Alexander goes to meet him.

¹ Read belyme.

² In the margin.

³ MS. oft or ost.

⁴ MS. chosen.

⁵ MS. chefe, altered to chefe.

All ware poi swollen of po swete · & swelid on po soot; Some of his men die of heat.
Suse in jaire harnais for hete · was honest for euise.
poi went be walkis & be wastis · jow water ware name,
And armid bud jam all bee · for angwischis o bestis,
As colwers & for coltris · & embibid snakes, 3794
And opire warlages wild · jut in po wod duelled.
As ai stremand sterres · stared all jaire wedis,
Of gal glisterand gold · glesomyd jaire schildis.
poi drops furth be dessert · & drinkles poi spil,
Was mouthis waldis in par walke · ne watir to fynde.
A kniȝt jat nephall was callid · fand in a cole schuld
A littil drysnyng of dewe · was droppid fra po heunes,
Bot it was in a holig stan · & in his helme fillis,
And bringis it to oure bald kyng · to brigges with his heftis.
Pan Alexander to jis athisl · all jus he spekis, 3804
" Jia solayne sope if I sup · quothire sustene it may
be membris of po Messedones · & of po many Persons,
Or I my-self shall be scorne · & jai sitt with nyfils!"
" Sire, po soll first be refresched" · faythly he sayd.
" Quat I & po perich! po quod po prince" · & pas out o
lyne! 3809

Quothir eairr me list jan to lefe · with langour & sorowe? [Vol. 65 &c.]
And hildis it down out of po helme · befor his athisl al.
jan silike a comfurth jam enclosed · for his kynd wordis,
As all po water of po word · ware in jaire wanhs hellid.
jan fed jai furth till a flosie · & findis all po strandis
Full of Redis, as I redis · rughlye jan thornes. 3815
His folke fell to it fast · & freschely jai drynke,
Bot was na¹ renke at to it ran · at entir rase effire.
It was so keruand & kene! · jan was his kniȝtis stroubid
Mare for po tale of paine bestis · &² brist of paine-selfe.
For with his florante offalants · him followed a thousand,
Of athisl chariotis & soe · & sextene hundred, 3821
With cypres³ & with cleme floure · camels and mules,
And out of nombre of nowte · at nedid to his ostis,

¹ MS. r na.

² Put for than.

³ Sic.

They meet with snakes.

They have no water.

A bright bringes water to Alexander.

Alexander refuses to drink.

They come to streams full of reeds.

The elephants and camels lack water.

Thre C Mile¹ in thede * of thre men of armes.

All are in great distress.

Be now jai ware so nejt tane * þet jai for node supposid,
Sone of his awch vryȝ & sone off Iren likid. 3826
þet it was sorow any segge * þe siȝt to be-hald !
pan nires him on sev Alexander with angwischis & payne,
Ay folge furth by þe flumme * at I first tald,
And at þe aȝland heote * I ame, of þe day, 3830
pan comes jai to a castell * was closid in þe borne.
It was a mervalous mote * made ait of redis,
And fourfe forlange, I finde * þe fode was o brede.
A fewe within þe forset * of folke þare a-perid, 3834
Waitend ont at wyndows * to wondre on his ostis.

The men in it will not speak.

[Vol. 66.1]

Sire Alexander had his men * aske paix of ynde,
And frayne quare þai find miȝt * any french watir;
And þai pan hent in þair heidis * & hidd þan belyne,
And he felly with flame * flengis at þe wallis, 3838
þei for na spelt at he spirid * spek wald þai noune.
And þan comandis he his kniȝt[is] * keleny to swymme,
And þai all bare, sauie þe broke * with beardsis in hand,
Pan thringis in on a throw * thertry & seyn. 3842
Als fast as þai je forthinge-dole * had of þe fode past,
Pan gredis þare vp frn þe ground * & grymly paix woundis
Of Seales & of see-Bules * a swyth grete nounbre,
Droȝe þam dous in-to þe depe * & drouȝe þam for eint,
pan jede he jine with his erles² * & egerly him thristis;
Lebards lendis þain agynnes * loons & heres; 3846
Fra moore to þe mirke niȝt * þain maynly assailed.
þus naȝt he fra his reuir * be many raya wales 3852
To it was meten to þe mere * to myd-eas-vndorne.
pan come he stroke on a stauke * þe store me tellis,
Was nouȝt na hony in na hyue * vndire heues swettis.
A fourfe furlange or fyse * it was of fall brede, 3856
Umby-thoȝed³ with a thake wod * thre mile a-bout,

hat are drowned by sea.

The way is attacked by dragons and tigers.

They fed a pool of sweet water.

¹ I.e. Three hundred thousand.

² MS. el erles, *fat corrected.*

³ MS. Umby-thoȝed.

Was al of þe Rede ryse * as I redd first;
And þet he entis doua clere * & kindlis in fyris.
He gert tild vp his tentis * he þat tems syde, 3860
þot haue a longe quale to lie * & lachen his esse.
þe mons ouir þe montayna * merly it schynes
Or he miȝt drinke any droppe * & pen his dole neȝes.

They pitch their tents.

pan comes þare-out creusesse * of manykine hewis, 3864
Scorpions þain to score * & scaldid meddis,
And þai so large & so laith * & so lowd schrikis,
þot all þe soles of þa sidis * of þe sound ryngis.

Scorpions and scaldid meddis appear.

Dragons dryfes dous o driȝt * fe þe derfe hillis, 3868
With kene carefull criȝt * and crestis on þair heidis,

[Vol. 66.2.] and crested dragons

Grisely gapand & grim * with gilden heidis,
And flameis feruent as fyre * floȝs frn þair eyen ;

þai drewis toward our douth * with dedly blistis. 3872
Sir Alexander & his ent * was arsyd vnfare,

Alexander comes back his men.

Was þare na freke in þe field * þut faithfully he leued
To be denouȝrid & devoidid * & venemis for ouire.

with flaming eyes.

þe kyng pan comfortid his kniȝtis * all if he can poled :

" Mi bald baratours," he bad * " a-basto noȝt yourn hearts;

Seis ensampill at my selfe * & seke þe ferre." 3876

Bot hedis haly to my hand * & harmes þur-efteris."

He enters a sword and shield.

A brand & a briȝt schild * bremely he heidis,

Foȝts freshholȝ & fast * with þa self becis,

Dasches dragons dous * genys þair dege woundis,

Slaue of þa serpentis * many addid hundredth. 3883

and slay hundreds of serpents.

pan bילדid of his bacheles * & braidis to þaire wapen;

If þai ware massed & amayd * maynly þairis feij.

þei was þur twentyn þat time * tangid to dode,

And þot þe comliest kniȝtis * at þe kyng ledis; 3887

Twenty of his best knight peris.

Of athilf archars a * as þe buke tellis,

A-boute a thertry in þet thede * tharned þairis lyfes.

þus many deil of his douth * as þe boke² tellis,

And hilw limpis all þe loos * be þe latire end. 3891

Now comes a company of Crabbe-fische * as calues gret,

Great crabs appear.

¹ MS. ferre.

² MS. beki.

Meund of þis marres · oure men to assaill,
With backis, as þe buke sais · biggyr & harders
þan any comon cogill-stane · or cocatryse scales. 3895
Quen knyghtis of oure conquerours · kest at þam lances,
Was name so welle-stedil poyst · at þam perse miȝte.
Bot goes with paire gemes in twa · in þe gladiis spurned,
And all at lefft was o lyne · in-to þe¹ loȝe entis. 3899
Be jai had fyneschid þis fist · was ferre in with enys,
Fourre hours full ferme · & þe fift² neghes.
And leons quyto as lilly · leant þam agayn,
Of bodis biggirs þan bules · bernard vnsaine. 3903
Oure knyghtis at þe first come³ · cleynly pain alope,
Alto-bretind pain on bent · & breȝt pain on flȝit.
Wild berys in⁴ þe wast · fra þe wold comes,
With ilka tensell tothe · as tyndis of⁵ harowis, 3907
A cubete lenth, sais þe cluse · cold was þo leet.
þai sole out be sundris · sexti to-gedine,
With wild men of þe wast · & women e-blond,
With sex handis, & eoo · sett out of kynd. 3911
þai held in hettily · & hurtis of his knyghtis;
And þai with brundis & bowis · bremely pain woundis,
Slope of þa savagyns · a sowme out of nombre,
And many scopid into þe scoghe · without scath mare.
Sir Alexander & his oat · angwisch enduris, 3915
Was walk, as no wondre was · & very for-fogten.
And þan he beidis at a beide · to beet vp þe stank,
With-out his est onyr all · horrible fires. 3919
þan come a besto of a busche · with a blak hened,
Mad & merkild as a Meere · þe mast of þe werd,
Fere fersers þan an olifant · as we find written,
Stayand on to þe stank⁶ · þe stour to assaill. 3923
þis breme best bore · as⁷ þe buke tellis,
Before forme in þe fronte · thre fell tyndis,

¹ MS. to, with in and þe is in the margin.² MS. fist, altered to fift. ³ Ms. el come.⁴ In the margin. ⁵ MS. l of.⁶ Here follows to þe stank, struck out. ⁷ MS. as ss.

Drol. 47 J
No know'rsoul
please them.

Lions next
appear;

and then wild
boars

together with
savages having
six hands each

Alexander fightis
does all round the
pool.

A black-bended
beast appears,

Drol. 47 s. 3.

Hedous horns & hoge · & hig in paire tonge
Adantirocy withi all men · as I am enfourned.¹ 3927
Before echo drank of þis dam · his douth shou assaill,
And oure kyng with his carpe · his knyghtis he gladis.
Aȝt & twentie men of armes · onone echo deluynd,
Bernes was diȝt þe deth · with dimis omeghe. 3931
þan mys out of þis marres · as any mayn foxes²
Come furth, & feld pain in-fere³ of þe ded corses.
Ah al was hitten of þa best · was at a brust dede,
Bot git þai noyed bot a nykid · to name þat was ermed.
þan floȝe þar by þe firmament · of þa foulis Backes,
Als store & n̄ stalword · as þis seidit dowis 3937
With meekil mayten teeth · as it of metu ware;
And at vn-armed⁴ was · þai asperly womlid,
Of sun þai nyppid fra þe nebb · þe nose be þe open,
Of sun þai ete of paine crise · men by þe rotis, 3941 who hit the
Sum þai luggid of þe lippis · þe lire fra þe chekis.
Bot þer hitis, as þe buke sais · blennest na knyghtis.
þan come a fligȝir in of fowlis · as fast as it dawid,
To vise on as voutres · as vermeid hevrid, 3945
Paire bookis & þar bathire fete · was of blak sable,
And did bot plaid by þe pepili · & fed paine on fuschia.
Quen he had voldid þis vernym⁵ · & venemut þat of ynde,
Out of þis perlaus⁶ place · he past with his ost 3949
In-to the boundis of Beastry · þar biddid he his tentis.
þare reches was of redde godl · & many riche gemes;
And clene all þat contre · quwen þai his come wist,
þai mett his fall manerly · & meekly resayne⁷ 3953
With presents of pires · & many pronde giftes,
And thretti dayis in þat thedo · he thole & aboldis.
A certane folke was in þat soile · þat Serres ers callid,
And all þe lyndis in þat land · with leves⁸ as wolle.
And so þis Serres, at I said · þais in þo Somers godis,
And makis þais wedis þar-of · to were for winteris blasta.

¹ MS. In enfourned. ² MS. foxes. ³ in the maryng.⁴ Sic; read perlaus. ⁵ MS. levys, altered to leves.

having three
horns.

The best days
go soon.

Then appear mice
as large as foxes;

also bats as large
as doves.

who hit the
soldiers.

Nest comes birds
of a red colour.

but they only
devour fishes.

Alexander comes
to Eastric.
(Prol. 68.)

They meet with
the Serres,
whose trees have
leaves bearing
wool (MS.).

They find Pourus.

They attack his
Indians.Sir Pourus challenges Alexander
to single combat.

[P. 64, ss. 4.]

Alexander was
but a small man,only three cubits
high.
Pourus was at
least six cubits
in height.

þire baratours bawors · ere hrmly relioyed 3960
 Of þe conquest of þire eontries · & of þa kene bestis;
 And now he caire[s] fra þut kithe · & comes in a stounde
 Quare Pourus with his powere · off a playn lenga.
 Sirs Alexander & his ost · caires¹ þate a-gayne² 3964
 With þende³ baners & bryt · & bragging of troumpia.
 Apon þe bald boefalon · before his men all
 He flingis out a forlange · his foris to assaile.
 þo Pourus putt þain in pres · & þe prounde grikis; 3968
 þo Medis & þo Masedons · maynely þai fest,
 þai awy down as swiftly · þa swant men of ynde,
 As enire did corne in a croft · be-fore a kene sithe.
 Quen sir Pourus saþ his princes · in þe presse grantz 3972
 þan aires he cut be-for his ost · off Alexander callis:
 "It comes," he said, "to na kyng · no kidd emperoure
 To hatt his pepill þas pas · & perissh in ydylf;
 It fallis more faire him þe fift · to fynesch hisse-selfe.
 Forþi lat stedilh alſ ourre stoune · & stedil þath esoundine,
 þi somble o þe tas styde · & myne on þo tothive; 3976
 Lat vs twa termyn þe taite · be-twene vs alane.
 If I be venemest in þe vaille · & voidist of my lyfe,
 Let alſ my segges & sole · be to þi-selfe golden;
 And if þou fallis in þe fild · & I þe floures wynn, 3982
 Lat þan pine eris & pine erd · myne empys obeyi."
 Thus pourus in his hige pride · to oure kyng spekis,
 For he was litif & laȝhe · his rythly dispices.
 For quen he waȝt to wax · þe writh me recordis, 3986
 Thre cubettis fra þe croune douȝ · his cors had a leughe,
 þe person of ser Pourus · past him þot hiȝt twye,
 He footis him forth in his force · & in his faire hipe.
 Bot þe prowis & þe prouidens · & of þe pure therwys
 þot lurkis wiþ-in þis ledes · full litif he kennes. 3991
 Now is þe partie in þer · & þai þe place dele;
 Aithin kyng wiþ his cause · encomies on oþhire.

¹ MS. a cayrot.² MS. a gyȝ gayne; corrected.³ MS. brade heade; corrected.

Sirs Pourus with a proude sword · him on þe pan strikis
 So smelle at he smatris with · ner smaypid him for enice.
 þan kastis vp a kene erie · þe knyȝtis out of ynde, 3996
 For he was dased of þe dint · & half dede him semyd.
 Pourus, as a prince sold · peraysyed þar latis,
 Turnes him toward his talkis · & titely rehetis.
 Sirs Alexander him avises · & his aunde takis, 4000
 As bald baratour & heume · his brand vp he liftis,
 With bathe his handis in-to þe brayne · his basenet he
 cleuyis, 4002

And he fallis dous fey · & fyue in þot stound. 4002^{*}
 þe pepill of ser Pourus · quen þai [his] pas sage, 4003
 With alſ maners of men · maynely þai fist.
 "A! wriches!" quod þe walo kyng · & wisely he spekis,
 "Eftir þe ded of þour duke · quod deynes powe to stryns?
 We to wele," quod þe wele, "be werryours layes,
 þot quen þe gouernouris is gane · þai is þe gomes wastid." 4009
 "Sire, it is better for to hate · & on þe bent faille, 4009
 þan so þis rewles off your¹ renkis · & neft be ȝow¹ guidis."
 "Sire, blynes of your battailes · & bowes to your landis;
 þour fermes & þour franchises · I frely ȝow grant;
 For þe haue cockid for your kyng · þe sal all care suffre!"
 And þan callid him on knese · & kost dous paire armes,
 þai come to þis conqueyrour · comend him as drifte,
 þan sett he sales vp of² silke · & sacrifice makis. 4016
 Sirs Pourus, as his wele folȝt · he proudly enteris,
 And sitt þe fey in þe fild · & here a fitt ende. 4016

Pourus strikes
Alexander's
helmet severely.

Alexander slays
Pourus.

The Indians con-
tinue to fight.

Alexander re-
veives them;

[fol. 69.]

þat grants them
their liberty for
their bravery.

Pourus is buried.

Alexander comes
to the Isle of
Gymnopholis.

Decimus octauus passus Alexandri.

þan aires he furth wiþ his eris · & entris on Ilc,
 Quare þir Eridnares as Ermetis · inhabited in caues,
 A progenie of por men · þot nevir pride hauntes,
 And jit þe gestill genoscephis · þam in þe gest callis.
 Is þare no host þain ealand · ne battailes wayd, 4023

¹ Reed our.² In the mervyn.

Nouthirs citeis in to sitt' collis, nor na toomes, 4024
 They live in caves,
And cropis in-to creuesse · & craggis on hillis,
But ay is naked [as] a nedif · as natour pass schapis.
 And is kyng of jost contyn · quen he ja come heres
 Of his prince & his parray · his pistill he him sendis.
 "We, corruptible creatours · & cald as before, 4029
 To je mode man of Messedome · all prougate I write.
 Sire, it is sayd to oure-selfe · with oare mens tongis,
 How you come in-to oure kith-ward · to cumber vs
 with care, 4032

[fol. 60 v.]

And jost vs wondres, I-wis · for wyis may je nouthire!
 Nouthir gold ne us guide · at ones godre fourmed.²
 Sen at we loy nouthire gemes · no luwels in cofre,
 Pelour, pire, ne perle · ne us proude wedis, 4036
 Ne assund bot to systene with · oare awent saxy craftis,
 Quant in his time may je take · if je oure termes entre!
 If je wift ake in-to oare soile · & sett vs agayne,
 Oure simpilnes & oare sobrite · forsake salt we neutrise,
 Quen he had lokid ouire je lefe · a lettra he in-dities,
 Bot he apvoched alit with pes · & in na plite ellis.
 Quen he was entrid pur erde · & sees paix all makid,
 And wos as it ware wildernes · in wastis & greues,
 Darke in dennes vndire dounes · & in derme holis,
 And bath pur bridis & pur barnes · with bestes on þe
 fellis,³ 4046

Alexander fuds them living
miserably in caves,
and asks if they
have no houses.

Jan Alexander at þat askis · & all him a-wondres :
 " Haue þa no houses ne na haxies · ne holis in to bery!"
 And pur jai schewid him in schurrys · to schellis & to
 causes, 4049
 Said, " here we ilka day duell · denouse how pow likis."
 Quen he jaire simpilnes sees · he sorges in his hert,
 Pleynes of paine pouerte · & profers paine full faire,
 " Quat cuire je wift in all je wend · or I wend, anki,
 And I sall gladly þow geue · with a god wift." 4054

He is sorry for
their poverty,and offers them
whatever they
like to ask.

¹ Read neuir! ² MS. fourmed.
³ MS. old fellis; corrected.

" Sire, neuir to dee," quod jai jan · " bot cuire dare They ask for
 o lyne, benevolence,

þat we desire þow boldene · & þan do vs na mare."

" Be driftin, sirs, I am a duke · dedelike my-selfe, which he cannot

Foefi vnde[d]lynes to dele · I dowe be na waye." 4058 give.

" Now seh it worthis," quod ja weos · " wriche, for to
 die,

Quarto hys you fra half to halfe · & all his harme
 wirkis!" 4060

" Sire, be my crowne," quod je kyng · " je cause at I [fol. 70.]

hane

Is purly gods presidens · predestayned it is before.

Je se, wele soldon is þe see · with his-selfe turbild
 Bot with þir walewond windis; · my wift ware to riste,

Bot a-nopir gust, & nost my gust · þer-of my gast lettis; ·
 And windis a-way with þot wond · & wendles pain leuys,

þe secound day with vp soñ · he wilh his soumne nejcs,
 Quore jire Imagis ere þat Areclonus · had in an He rerid.

þe tane was all athist gold · of silvir þe tothire, 4069
 Twelfe cubittis fra þe toppe doun · & twa was þe heede.

He made his þeyl þais to perse · to proue þam with-in,
 Quethire þai ware hologie or hale · & hale he þam fyndis,

Says þais thike purþout · & aithine thrifl stoppis,
 And fillis þam florontis · a fyftene hundredth. 4074

þan drafe he pine with his dukis · in a deyne entris,
 A wilcom wast & wil · & wondirly colde, 4076

As mirke as any myndis · quen je mose fallis,
 Bot vnuessis kem may a kniȝt · to so to his fera.

Fifty days be desert · he foundis with his folke, 4079
 Till he come blessemend on a brym · wan welland hate,

And ent þe fern halfe of þe borwe · wan wemen on hors,
 Bot freyl fair wane of face · bot foale ware cledith.

Suuw boris all of brent gold · brandis in paire handis,
 Suuw batall-axes & with bowes · all of breit silvir,

For bras is name wið þa bonds · ne no hige Iren;
 Ne neuir na berne þam ebland · as þe buke tellis. 4086

ALEXANDER.

Alexander says,
 "The sun is raised
by wind;

so is my spirit
stirred by a
higher spirit."

He finds status
not up by
himself.

He comes to a
dark desert.

He next finds a
hot river.

and finds there
armed women.

He cannot cross
the river for the
dragons.

[Psal. 70.8.]

Jai wald his¹ pepif & his princes · have past ouir jo
boorne,

And miȝt noȝt for je moȝure · & maynyng of bestis,
It was so borely & bronde · & bred full of ylres, 4089

Of dragons & of ethine deuyis · & doukand seddins.

Jan caires furth oure conqiuorow · with his kid osis,
Lede jan be þe left side · of þe lande of ynde, 4092

Some was he drenȝy with his drikis · in to a dryi meer,
Was full of gladen & of gale · & of grete rodis.

Jan myȝoþ þur, out of² þer myȝt hill · as with a smayles
pas,

A burly best with a luke · as bedeff as a saȝe, 4096

Kene teþe as a kryfe · a cowdrife breste,
Of sembalancis as a see-hule · & slope him twa kniȝtis.

Wald þur na brande in him bite · no bigge lanneis,
Bot alto-munkis hirr with maces · & molis of Iren.

A twenti daiss ouire ten · with torfase þal ride; 4101

To þe formost forest of ynde · care folke³ all aþrochid.
Euys at þe flode of Eusauis · oure emperoures logis,

And at þe xj hours · I ame, as it ware, 4104

Of Olfaintis out of þe ways · an endles neumber
Come with a carefull cri · oure kniȝtis to assaile.

A-poiþ þe bald Bucifalou · he brendly ascendis,
Bedis of his swiers ga swyth · & swyne wiþ þair take.

Jai ware a-baide all helyns · as þe buke tellis, 4109

Bot durst na berne ou þe bent · a-bide bot hiwselfe.
"He neȝt a-baist, my bachelors" · þe bald kyng sayd,

"For wiþ a sweling of þe swyne · we sal þair al
voide." 4112

And so þai did al boldens · & sum oure douth slope,

Take out je tuskis & þe teeth · & tornen of þe skimous,
Bot oper dai be desert · þair destouned to ride;

Be þe wild ynde woddis · & women þai faund, 4116

With hare hedes as a barne · & bordis to þe pappis,

He comes to a
dried lake.

He finds a
monstrous
animal.

which his knight
kill.

A great number of
elephants attack
them.

Alexander con-
futes him more.

[Psal. 71.3.]

¹ MS. reports his.² MS. it, altered to of.³ In the margin.

Ashmole.] AMPHIBIOUS PEOPLE AND RHINOCEROSSES.

And had na hattir þam to hole · bot hidis of bestis.

His seggis sendis of þam saws · & to him-selue broȝt,

And he þai askid þam of ynde · & at þam enquis,

Quat was þaire viianee in þa vales · "as aer, venyon," þai

said, 4121

"Slike as we haunȝt in þer hollis · with hunting in tymes."

þen ferð þai futh all in fere · & to fild comys,

Eyni to þe hond of Eusauis · as I first rekend, 4124

þær fand þai bernys & bridis · & alt tale-nakid,

At was resild as a reich · & rogh as a þere.

Þit was þe custom of þer kinde · as þe cluse tellis,

Als wele to bide in þe bournes · as on þe bronde lande.

Onome us Jai on Alexander · & on his est waitis, 4129

þai flee as fast in-to flode · & to þe founse plangid.

Jan ferð þai futhre þe þe frithis · fifteene dais.

And so þai willid in-to a wod · was fulþ [of] wild
bestis,

Rynoceros, as I redo · þe romance þam callis; 4133

And þai assemblid on ous seggis · bot þai ware some
drepid.

þan sexti days with his seggis · he soȝt be deserȝt,

Till he was won in-to a werd · all of west fillis, 4136

Quare noȝthir holts was no hilles · ne no hips [þe] jeggis,

Bot all as planis & as playn · as a playn table.

Even as þe alleȝant horns · or eynsange tyme, 4139

Quen he had tild vp his tentis · turbis þe welkis;

þe semblant sorowis of þe scailis · & þe son wadis,

þe wred wannes at a wap · & þe wedre gloumies,

þan fel a fligt & a fire · betwene þe founse wyndis,

Aquilonis & Afrika · & ewras þe thrid, 4144

Vulturus þe violent · þat voðlis dons þe leuys,

þe south & of all sydis · sadly þai mete,

A breme blast⁴ on þe bent · as þe buke tellis,

Bot all þaire tents it to-tesid · & turned dons þe hallis;

þor þamylots of þire · þaire payntid clathis 4149

⁴ MS. inserts abr, streak through.

⁵ MS. A breme a blast.

They next find
bearded women,

whether by hunting,
they had naked
people,

who are amphibia-

They come to a
wood of all
mammals.

Next, to a na-
tive place.

A great storm
arises.

Four winds blow
at once.

[Psal. 71.1.]

which destroy
their nests.

The army is
disbanded.

It alto-schafird, & to scailed · pain in sondine,
Jan was knyghtis of þe case · kenesly afraid,
And ilk sege he him-selfe · said³ vnto othire, 4152
" þe writhis of þe wale god · I wate, off vs listis,
For oure founding ouire his forbod · so ferre to þe est."
Jan conforthis paine þe conquerour · & carpis off þis
wysse,
Bad, " baise now noȝt, my baratours · ne batise nowt your
heritis, 4156

Alexander tells
them it is only
the equinoctial
gala.

It is na gressen of oure gode · ne grafe at vs fallis,
Bot þe entirg of þe equinox · it cuire elike-dele kyndis.
Some as þe wedis wox wele · & þe wynde posid,
As, be þe bale neuir so lrome · it blynnys at þe last,
Jan ferd þai forth fra fild to fild · & freshly assemblis
All at was sperpolid on þe spene · & spills with þe blastic.
¶ Jan fandis he furth, as I fynd · fyue & twentil days,
Come to a velane vale · þare was a vile cheele, 4154
Quare flaggis of þe fett swawe · fett fra þe houses,
þot was a-brade, sis þe buke · as battis ere of wolt.
Jan bett he many briȝt fire · & lost it blin nold,
And made his foli with þairfecto · as flores it to tredis;
þe hote was Jan a hoge helpe · & hottirly it voidis,
And git was perischist, or he past · a port of his knyghtis.
Jan vmbry-clappis þaino a cloude · & cosirs all ouire,
As any pynamul pik · þe planetis it hidis, 4172

They next come
to a cold valley,
where snow falls.

They light large
fires.

(fol. 72.)
A thick cloud
surrounds them.

And þat so thestir & so thik · a thare daies after,
Jan sage na leme of þe lyft · ne list of þe set.
Jan fett þar fra þe firmament · as it ware fell sparkis,
Ropand down a rede fire · Jan any myn thiiking; 4176
þair cabons & þær conertours · it kindilis on a lowe,
And all þær pavillionis of pall · it to pondire wraithe.
It tindis on tend lowe · trappoor of stede,
And many costious costis · consumes in-to askis, 4180
Bages & basers · it blymischid & swellis,
And quare it noyes on þe makid · it noysis for ouise.

Sparks of fire fall
like rain.

which burn up
trapplings and
basers.

In the margin.

Jan knelis doure conqurour · & callis on his driftings, Alexander prayes,
Giff þam siluir & so · & sens at þair castis. 4184

Vaneth his² prayer was past · quer purid off þe cloudis,
And stint was all þe stikkil stormes · in a stand-quile.
Jan made he in aray · remowis his castis,

and the storm
ceases.

To þe grote fode of Gangan · & graythid þor his tents. Alex. and Bind.
His bernes blischis ouir þe bourne · & on þe banke saȝo 16. 6.
Quare thare were in a wra · welk juine allane. 4190 They come to the
Ganges.

Sire Alexander bad att athil · aske þem of ynde,
Quare þai ware, quothin þai ware · & of quost kind.
And þai him swiftly awryd · with a swot stonyȝ,
" We ore bald Bragmenys · þot nemur hale thoyt."

Those men are
poor,

Jan list þe lord on his lyfe · house with þot ledas spoken,
Mist he hane wen ouir þe watris · for wounding of bestis,
As see-hul & serpenteis · & sonkand locches, 4197 [fol. 22. 3.]

who say they are
Brachmanas.

Bathe eddins & acores · & aftercom womenes.

þire Cocatirosseis in creuassis · þer kindilis þai brede,
Scorpions manyȝ score · scantand neddis; 4200

The river is full
of crocodiles,
scorpions, and
 snakes, except in
July and August.

And all-way hot in angwischis⁴ · as þe huk sais,
And sans þe Iolite of Iuly · þai Lowke in þa strandis.

July and August.

Quare he⁵ persayued be na poynit · as he pas mist,
Jan was he sary in þot sithe · & sadly he pleyned,

Alexander has a
host ready, and

Calid to his carpentars · & of his kid wrystis, 4205

Bad make him bous at a bridle · a barge att of radis.
Quen it was done at his diuyse · & dragen ouer with

hidis,

Pared & parredd at his pay · pickid & taloghid, 4208 Alex. and Bind.
Jan boves þarin a bachelore · to bromegys he wendis,
p. 6.
To þe souresayni site of þe soile · & assid him þis pistill,

sends a letter
across.

¶ I, þat kyng am of kyngis · & crowned of lordis,
Alexander þe aȝre · of Amonse oure drifin, 4212 "Alexander, son
of Amon, great
king Dindorus.

And of þe quemo Olimpades · þat I am of srongen,
To þe, ser Dinndux, on þi dese dities of Ioye.

Sen we chapid out of childhode · & chened to eldrie,

Above the line.
¶ M. Vaneth is his; with is underlined, and his above the
line.

In the margin. * Read angust.

Alex. and Diod.
p. 9.

Syns was ours witt ay witht witt' to warischt ours soule,
And kost us all vndeines & cleme it deuidid;
For þe philosophour in his fowme & feftly declares,
þet sage with-outen sapience it seldoun apropres. 4216
And it is wayned vs to wete & warasd now late,
þet all oure leuyng & oure lapes þe wetyly dispise,
And your maners fra all oþer mens so mekill ere
daffirid,
þet nouthire in see ne in soile seke þe na helpe. 4224
Bott deyndit þour docteyne bedens vs to write,
Your customes & your consciencie & of your cleme
thewis,

We miȝt sunn conmyng per eas chach of yours wordis,
And your lare of a leke suld souire þe les worth. 4228
Slike similitude of science is sett, as of kynde,
As of a blesed brand or of a bright candill.
For many lightis of a licht is lichtis oþer-quile,
And þis po licht at þam lightis is lichtis no before. 4232
Quon he had waytid ouer þis writhis his mynd he
remembris,

þis fable needs no answer.
* Discloses to
Alexander.
Alex. and Diod.
p. 11.

And be þo same sandismati hisse send sike another.
¶ "I," se Dindimess, a duke þat neuire deere wregt,
Blith borne on my honke þe Brongneyns maistir, 4236
To þe modi kyng of Messedone þis maundment I
writte.

Sire Alexander, þe athill at al þe weed loutis,
Sire, þe tenour of þi titill I trow, be na mare,
Bot only wisdom & witt þou willis in þi soule. 4240
And bottif it is to þine a-hofe þan baschols of siluir,
And mare passand of prisse þan all þi proude rewmes.
Sen þe discretion disire we depely þow prey;
For a kyng with-outen enmyng¹ he can noȝt distreyne
His subjectis, & to be² subiectis³ as subiectis aȝe,
Bot subiectis till his subiectis his subiectis him makis,

¹ MS. conmyng.

² In the margin.

þou prayes vs to þi¹ person a pistill to² write 4247
Of all oure leyfing & oure lapes & oure land tecchis;
Quars of þe proces to preme vnpossible it were,
And if we did it to dome it dose þow na gode. 4250
For þi tent is alſ on terramdry³ & tourment of armes,
In host & in bohans in batallis & stryvys,
A craft till oure condicions at a condis bot littil;
For simplices & surquity a-sewis noȝt to gedins. 4254
Bot leue þo noȝt we be to heȝo ne hanhan of witt
To steryn or to sturyt & sterid to easy;
A partie of ours propertis & of ours pure thewis
þit all I send gow to say een þe soft haue. 4258

(Vol. 73. 1.)

Your customs
agree not with
ours.

Alex. and Diod.
p. 12.
Yet think not I
gode telling
you.

¶ Decimus Nonus passus Alexandri.

Sire, we þe Brongneyns blonde birdis & oþire,
A lowly lyfe in oure land we lede, and a cleme.
All ydnes in oure Ile es vtyrly devoideid,
& to na syf vndis soñ a-sent we vs neuire. 4262
All þat oure mesur is to mekill esell we decline,
And nouthire coust we na corse hot þat vs kind
lunes,

þot is þe filling⁴ of fode þat ilk flesh askis, 4265
And þur-to suffrand oure-selfe & sobir as a mayden.
Hold we no horre for na harow ne na horned stotis,
Ne nauhire sondrie we þe soile ne na sede sawis,
Seke we neuire no sustinance to ase with comy lyuys,
Set we na saynes in þe see ne ase we na fischiis,
Ne nouthire hunt we ne hauke ne hent we na foules,
Bot sike as growis on þe gronde with-outen gomes
werke. 4272

And þot we fedo vs with in-fere & fillis full oure tables,
A dayntefull diete þot damage vs neuire.

We plough not.
We sow not.

We fish not.
We hunt not.

(Vol. 74.)

We desire no
dation.

¹ In the margin.

² MS. inserts pis, struck through.

³ MS. terrany, alt. to terramdry.

⁴ MS. dinin, corr. to filling.

Alex. and Dind.
p. 15.
We never eat too
much.

and are always in
health.

We need no
medicine.

We die at a fixed
age.

We use no fire.

We see little.

Alex. and Dind.
p. 15.
We stay the fire
within us.

they fightest
against outward
ills.

(p. 34. 8.)

Hauwe we na cures of courte · ne na coints¹ sewes,
Swanes ne na swete thinge · to swell oure wames. 4276
All superfluite of soule · & surfeit vs whatis,
To pegge vs as a pemy hogs · þet praysis nejt oure lyses.
Forþi failis vs all infirmiteis² · of shuyre & of eis,
Ne for na feblis at we fele · na fysyke vs nedis. 4280
Va mistris neuire na medeyne · for malidly on erthe,
Bot ay as freshas & as fore · n[s] flesh quene he plays.
Oure leid has lemett vs elike · þe lethe of oure days,
For þer leues na lede in oure lande · langlise þan oþeris.
If he be sexti yere of sowme³ · þat a segge lastis, 4285
His successours has bot þe same · & þan þe saule yeldis.
We chaunfe vs at na Chrysamneys · for chells of winter,
Ne comes na clathis off oure corps · for na cold wyndis.
We bede nejt to blemynch oure blode · with bodely
dissires. 4299

Persecurance of pacience · & þes we reserve;
Oure inward enmyis ilkane · we inwardly dropis,
þet is to say, all þe syȝ · at sopl may þe saule,
As surfeit, surquidry, & slawth · þe seynȝ all bedene;
So þat oure wearours without · vs worthis nejt at drole,
For wele somers is a cite · sessid, or a castell, 4295
þut segid is on bath sideis⁴ · [than] þut segid⁵ is with-out.
And þou wirkis bot on þa waterward · & worthis þain
caine,

And suffis so within þi fleache · þe faces of þe saule.
And we sitt all way so sure · be sand & be watir,
Bot na supowett vndine soft · seke we vs neuire, 4300
Ne schronde to scheld with oure schap · bot þe schire
lanes,
And with þe braunches of þe bowis · þet beris vs oure
fodis.
Hauwe we na deliteable drinke · of diuerse wynes,

¹ MS. exomis; but indistinct.

² The former a in secret is above the line.

³ The one added above the line.

⁴ MS. sideis, alt. to sideis. ⁵ MS. goghi, alt. to segid.

Bot watir of a wale well · or of a wild bourn.
And þet sulkeþ sine · at sett aft þe wende,
In him we loly¹ belene · & in na lage ellis.
In all oure dijans on daies · þat duke we comend,
Wele wenand in anothere word · to wost ay o-lyne.
And quent as pertenynt to na prefo · vs plesse nejt at lesteſſell,
Ne meckile² mellis nejt oure mouth · bot mesur oure
wordis. 4310

Quen þe we speke any spech · we spoke ai þo treath,
And þan is still as a stane · & stirs it na ferryn.

Richeſſe ne no rede gold · rose we þam nouthire,
Bot ay voide of envy · & of vayne theſtigie. 4314
Is þer na berne vs eblands · biggir þan anothere,
Of land ne of leſſ[ed]elchip · bot all elike simple.
þe pouert of oure personis · for plente we hold,
þe quylke³ is part vs, all þe pake · be parcels euys.

Is þer na hmag in oure bondis · ne bering of armes,
B[oyt] ay perpetual pes · piȝt in oure landis. 4320

Ne nouthire Iugement no Iayly · ne Iustice of aise;
For does na deuth þar no dore · to domme to be callid.

Ne custome in oure contre · contrariis oure lyses,
Is þer na meroy no methe · in oure marche wayd; 4324

And I tall quethe þe forsquy · & quot is þe cause:
þor does na modiriss o-myys · na meroy to crame,

For auryrice & arrogancie · & alþ we devoide,
And to na licherous lustes · lezece ve⁴ oure membris,

A-vowtri ne na vayne glorie · ne na vice hauntis, 4329
Ne neuire to-þliȝt worth a perlo · to-ponyscht be-for.

Fynd we na faste in na frroke · þat vs emange duellis,
For ay on reson & on riȝt · rewelle we oure-selfe. 4332

Ne seges na segge of oure sedis · sodanly of lyne,
For þe aise within oure habitacle · is ai vn-eorumþed.

Nouthire to toly ne to taunde · transmitele we na vobis,
To vermylich no violett · ne variant littis. 4336

¹ MS. loly loly; with loly struck out. ² Read meckill.

³ MS. quylke; strongly.

⁴ Sic; for wo.

We praise God in
all things.

Alex. and Dind.
p. 15.

We always speak
the truth.

We are not
covetous,
nor
envious.

We forsake
warlike.

We show no
envy.

None have to
ask for mercy.
(p. 72.)

Alex. and Dind.
p. 15.
We are hosts.

Our wives wear
no fayre of any
kyn.

Oure pararmours vs to please · ne pride þaum bewenes,
Nothins flurrers, fletis, ne frengs · ne frettis of perle.
Is þam na sercole of silko · ne serkis of raynes,
Ne kirtlis of camlyn · bot as þam kynd leues. 4340

Ne neþ we nouis þam on nijt · to maite for na luste,
Bot fer to sustayne oure sede · & syth ay to voldie.

Make we na salmes for na sarees · no na somir-bathis,
Bot with þe wale dewe · & writh þe warme soñ. 4344

Hewe durst any be so bald · to blomysche for shame
þe hand-werke of þut hige gode · þut al ourr happy
hames!

Alex. and Dind.
p. 17.
We never use a
bath except the
day.

All are equal
amongst us.

We dwell in
caves.

(Pd. 73 &c.)

Alex. and Dind.
p. 18.
We do not go to
sea.

We do not col-
lect learning.

We stalks play.
We only read
romances.

List vs na lordships lache · of ledis as oure-selfe,
For all ourr libertes elike · ere laste vs & payded. 4348
And to sett him in-to servitude · a syñ vs it thinke,
þut god has fowmed to be fros · & to his face lichnid.¹
Make we na vessall of virs · ne of na clere silur,
Ne store stamed strenthis · ne na stithe hames, 4352
Maners mayntry, ne mote · ne marshyni werkis,
Bot dwells here in dissolute · in demnes & in easys;
Ne nothins housing we have · ay quile we here dwell,
Bot at is fetid of flesh · & of na fraunce piers;
þut is þe carions kistis · þut couers þe saule, 4357

A full faynt forcelett · & of feti makid.
We ore no sailers on þe see · to sell ne to by;
Ne rede we nouis na reforik · ne rial to spoke;
Bot certis in all simplices · setti we oure wordis, 4361
þut latis nouis losing · in oure lippis spring.

We folges we na flosyens · ne philiſopher scolis,
As sophistri & slyk thing · to setti with þe pepil.
It is bot wiles & wrankis · at þai with deðe, 4365
And all þare fete & þar fare · in þa falahede it endis.

Lufe we no laike in oure lode · ne layand mirthis,
Bot quetis vs pleases to play · we passe & we rede. 4368
Of þe actis of oure ancesctours · & of þar allihil thewis;
And quetis we gamen suld & glade · we gred & we pleya.

¹ Of lichnid; with misformed n. ² Written above the line.

And oþhine setis wee see² · þot solace come herte;

First, þe faire firmament · fischid full of sterres,

þe rede soñ, quen he ryas · & rynnys in his sorle,

þot al þe land with his lemes · lewis & cleres;

þe playne purperyn see · full of prode fischis,

For tide ne for tempest · it touchis noȝt oure kythis,

Ne neuire sondres oure sole · bot seisi at þe brinkis.

4372

Alex. and Dind.,
p. 18.

We observe the
sun, and the
purple sea, which

is not subject to
storms.

¶ Fiftiesimus passus Alexandri.

A noþhine mirthis is in May · þut vs maste loyes,

þe faire florescht filds · of floures & of herbye,

Quare of þe beþt as of lawme · blawis in oure nose,

þot ilk sensifile snulo · mact souerly delyte,

As in þe woddis for to walkes · vndirs wale schwias,

Quen all is lokit oure with louys · as it ware littill

house.

þan hame we liking to lith · þe late of þe foules,

þe sweing of þe swift wynde · & of þe swete wellis,

þe kind of þis customs · we kepe oure-mare,

þe quylk, I hope, sor, to þo hold · vñhalosom it ware.

If þou wilst chalang þais be chuncke · cheise if þe likis,

For here is written al þi will · & we na writh serue.

As þe tenour of your littill is · oure tochis hame we

schnawid,

Oure dedis & of oure discipline · a dele of þaum aythir;

And of þi late a littill-quat · likis me to write,²

For þe sothe of oure solidite · will seise þe stillle aftur.

Sine, þe hame latj now off late · within a lite jores 4394

Al Europ & Asie · & Auffrik þe mare;

þut seisi burde sufficient · þose soȝt þe na ferre.

Bot ay mekiȝ wald haue more · as many man spellis;

þe soñ, for sake of your syñ · seysi his list,

Be-cause of your countise · to clyni to his bounds.

We love the
woods. (Vol. 76.)

and the songs of
birds.

Alex. and Dind.,
p. 20.

These are our
customs.

3900

Then preventest
the sun from
shining.

Alex. and Dind.
p. 21.
Ye sacrifice your
children.

To content have
enough.

Your gods need to
work all evill.

[P. 78. b.]

Jupiter was
Incharters,
So was Proser-
pine,
Alex. and Dind.
p. 22.

Ye are all unjust.

Ye sacrifice
children.

And þe with wodnes of weis * all þe wende freid,
And jilt for-festis poure face * all fasting it semes. 4401
A-nothir lase is in youre lande * at ours lord hatis,
As, alian youre solemnes in sacrifice * & oþhire synnys many,
To sawe emang þir simpil men * sedis of debate, 4404
And make a terant of a talko * þet nevire tene thoȝt.
þe sole ne þe fourre sees * suffice poure mouthiz,
Bot if þe miȝt ken þe costis * of þe clere honer. 4407
þour gyltz growis of your gods * or god geys þam sorowes,
For many modirson þai marrs * miȝt ellis hanne bene safe.
A-vise pouw now be Venus * quat vertous him foloȝes,
þe Isle of Iupitir * & of his Iapis als. 4411
Dame Proserpyn, a prophetesse * of youre praysal lapes;
Latte þis be witness of my wordis * & waitis now þur
tetchis.
Venus was a-rowntre * & many vice haunid,
And Iupitir a leitoun * þot Iapid many ladis²; 4415
Dame proserpyn in preuo place * playd as hire likid.
Loo, sary soȝis alike a soumre * of synnars jo lufe!
þe leit men of þor libertes * at þam oure lord gransid,
Thryngis þam in-to thraldom * & of thairr jedes spoiles.
Vn-just is your Iugementis * so is yours Iugis al³; 4420
þe dedis of your domesmen * þe for dore halde.
Is Jane no renke in youre rewme * þat oþhire rewifl kepis,
Bot " þus me pinke" * & " so me pinke" * & therpis it is
lawe!
þus fra þe rote of riytwinesse * rauyst ere ȝe cleme, 4424
And to þe way of wickidnesse * be warlages gildid.
þe halid na wee of þe weed * of witt worthe a myte,
Bot he can practise & paynt * & polisch his wordis.
For all youre wisdom, I-wis * is⁴ weaken to your tongis,
And all þe sancof of youre sauls * is satild in þowz
mouthis. 4429
þoures gredy garisons of gold * vngastly þe spende

¹ In the margin. ² MS. dasid ladis; with dasid struck out.
³ In the margin.

In bigging of burgis * & bidding of tourres;
And quen þe sitt in þoures salē * with syris & duktis,
þan hanue þee seggis þow to seruo * soumnes enogh.
þasli as a Marz at a moghe * þoures mawis þe fill, 4434
With bakin mete & with heiddis * holmes poure paunches,
Stuffis so þowr stomake * with stullis & of wynes,
þot vñethis haldis, be þe hoo * þe hale of þow hale!
Quat dewis þow þan þine diatis * & all þis deu fode,
þoures sowpings in vñessed * þoures surfete of drinkis,
Bot settis þow in-to sekenes * of sero-lepy kyndis, 4440
(P. 77. 3.)
And gers þow die on þoures day * many dreys wyntis?
þan þe couett & crave * castels & rewme,
And christis churc all thingis * at in þoures theþt ryndes,
Iaspe, Iuwels, & gemmes * & Iettand perlo; 4444
And all sali leue þow at þe laste * & in-to laires worth!
And maydesse jis, for all your molle * þot modins waȝ cried,
þot formed þe floðe & þe flynt * & þe faire lyndis.
And, as I hefe it in þis buȝt * þe brugmeyns takens
Surmontis all your sapientis * & onne assemy thewisi.²
And opir weckis of west * is wroȝt in þoures landis, 4450
As, graffis garnyscht of gold * & gilden tombe,
Thorghis to thorwyn in quen þe pma worthie,
Sum of silür, sum of siperis * sum of sare gemmes.
þus make þe vessels in vayne * to þoures foulis coruses,
To croft in þoures cariouss * þot kind pou defendis,
þot ilk slymand slugh * quen þe ers slide hyne, 4456
And wile neȝt suffis þe erth * to haue at him fallis.
For iofite of Iupitir * þe joyes vp templis,
With Imagis of youre idolatrie * all within payntid;
Symolaeris vp sett * of Seropis & oþhir, 4460
And sleep in-to þe sacrifici * many sore bestis.
Quen þe hanue tildid vp-on [top] * þoures trouthles gods,
Sum of gold, sum of glas * sum of gray marbil,
Sum of latous & of ledes * & sum of liȝt silür, 4464
And sum ere tiffid al of tree * & sum of tyn pured,
³ Read pou. ⁴ MS. twetherwis, alt. to theris.

Ye like to have
many servants.

You are but
earth-born.

We surpass you
in all thoght.

Alex. and Dind.
p. 23.
Ye build free
tombs.

To make temples
and shotes.

and worship your
gaven gods.

Jan fall ye flatt on ye fold · with fess paix adours,
Bath Armon & Appolyne · & assakis at Jam welthys;

Of any gad at ye goat · a gift ye Jam offirs, 4468

[Dra. 77.8.3]

A quantite of all quare · of quikes & of ellis;
Ye latt as jai miȝt all leth · at ony ledes wald,

And ful may send jew bot vnsle · & noȝt oþir godis,
Jus ȝe comende Jains on knees · as recordis sulit, 4472

Bot mouthlyng sȝit has ne soule · bot of segge werke;
Ye haue na saunour, I suppose · how þat þe kyng of hemis

He has na hert vs to here · ne no hathifell ellis, 4475

For culnes ne for kidis blode · ne for na crise wehbris,
Bot an[il]y for oure orisounes · & for na noȝtire giftis.

Alex. and Dind.
p. 26.

God seȝis our sayres for his soft · at in his selfe denuis;
For sekiur god is þe son · þat all oure sole lones, 4479

And soothly, by þe same soft · we er he all like,
And all he sustayned of þet soft · þat any saule widdis.

Forþi unhappy we jew halde · þat in youre herte lounes
þeure kind with slike a conquerour · to come ou to enemis.

And oþeris harlotry ge¹ hanȝt · þat heris þa goate, 4484

Of forniciacion & filth · & many foule synnes,
Mammetry, & manslaȝt · mescadry & pride,

Þat dose þow demps to þe devill · quen he² ere dede
heþthen.

And we³ þe contrari clene · kepis all oure lyue, 4488

Þat we may howe to þat blis · þat menȝt soft hanȝe ende.

þe gronde pow noȝt⁴ on⁵ a god · þat all of glott fourmed,

þat note newid alt of noȝt · þat neuer sal have ende,
Bot oþire many do þe menake · er he na⁶ mare sible

þan was þe flesh of þe fysch⁷ · to þe faire me[n]þece.

Ilk ledo þat list is of þour ledo · þa call þe litil wende,
And goese wele as many godis · as growis in hiȝ membris;

Ilk a parecole of his person a-peopled · is a-pert drizlin,
And eynȝ-ilek lym, it awes lust eȝir · as him list crues!

¹ MS. inserts to halde, stretch through. ² Read þe.

³ MS. þe, bot underlined, and corrected to we in the margin.

⁴ MS. repeats noȝt; but the second noȝt is underlined. —

⁵ MS. si (?) ⁶ MS. no, alt. to na. ⁷ MS. fesch, alt. to fysch.

For maroues was manslayst · a manumere of worldis,
þe graith him to be gouernour · & god of þe tonge.

And Arcules has aythice armes · in his awen wande,
For þe xij wondirfull werkis · he wroȝt with his handis,

Mars for his maisteris · & for his many werkis, 4502

He brefte þe for his¹ baratri · þe hostis to defend.

Dame Iuno was a lettis² & ioynd ful of iree,
For þi scho hedis to þe heri · & has it to þeme.

Eury³ he was bewyne-wode · for bebbing of wynes, 4506

Forþi [þe] swirȝ & þe swallow · þat swent he kepis.

Cupido has þe custod · & cure of þe manys,
For he⁴ was couatus & curios · vndene of his-selfe.

Serenos is sustenour · & sire of þe wanbe, 4510

For hem was quartis of qwete · vñeqvile out of nombre.

Dame venus þe a-v[er]e⁵ louis · for vices open nightis,

Is possessour & principale · of all þe preue membris,
þas ilk canell of jóine cos · þe call þam driftine, 4514 Alex. and Dind.
Deu[1]dis it in-to dusses · & oþire denels many.

Of ilk gobet of þet glett · þe a god make,
And leues noȝt as melkill as a lyȝt · þour liches on to

stand.

þe haue na hoping in þet hathill · at on hiȝesittis, 4518

How he þours case & þours nebb · & all of most cried,
Bot þinkis on þir other thefis · & þant as thrall seruys,

And sacrifice to ille a segge · a sare-leȝy giftis.

To Mars in his mynstris · at mayntaines þe weris, 4522 To Mars, þe offer
a boar.

þe brings hys a wild boar · for his wale dedis.

þe carcis of a fatt kid · þat carayne is wortho,
þat bring þe to ser bacus · to here vp his drinke.

And Imþil þat Loglour · sum Iape þas hause⁸; 4526

A bullok or a full bole · is broȝt to his temple.

And Iuno þe Tentili · for ioy of his pride,
þe preand hire a pakoke · with peanes of an Aungell.

¹ MS. þour his; with þour marked for erasure.
² Read Eury, i. e. Bacchus; see L. 4525. ³ In the margin.

⁴ MS. a vices. ⁵ MS. þe haue, with þe stark out.

Mercurie is god of
the traȝer;

[Irol. 79.3]
Hercules possedes
over the arme;

Juno, over the
aeris,
Alex. and Dind.,
p. 26.

Bacchus, over
the circu;

Cupid, over the
stomach;

Ceres, over the
womb;

Alex. and Dind.,
p. 27.

You believe not in
the Creator.

In Bacchus, a boar;

to Juno, a
peacock;

Mineras¹ was a maistres · of many kingis werkis, 4530
A ratland myt ravyn · is him to rent golden.

[Pd. 28 A.] To Venus yo rowthriore · may noyt ellis a-vaile,
Bot ilk moneth to mede · &² mi[1]ke-quite dousfe.

¹ Mineras, a white swan.
Appollo with a quide swan · is paid his to tende; 4534
A maners of³ come to meruene · jut wi þi muld cast.

And Serenot is sone serued · þut sees to þe panache;
Hauie he a bell full of heafe · bodis he na mare.

Alex. and Bind., p. 28. And Ercles as emperoure · emyddis alþ he⁴ standis⁵;
And for he preuyd ay þe prise · in prowis of armes,

He has a hatt on his heele · higild o floures, 4540
Of palme & of peruyk · & oþhins proud blossoms.

The temple of Cupid is strown with roses.
þe kirke of cupido · is cleynly a-rayed,
þe stallis & in all stedis · strowid with Rose, 4543

Lo, to so many mayned gods · your membris ye dele,
And will noȝt knaw your creduour · at pow of clay
formes.

þis deme þe for your driftings · þut dreipis þe saule;
For þui may sende you na sole · bot sia þow within.

For your weare · in which be
published. As many of þat feloschijp · as þo trow & adoures, 4548
As many turmentis & tems · þow tidis in hell.

A-vise þow now quate velany · & vices þai þow teche:
Ane leiris þow to be lieheus · & leiris þow to syn;

Ane, to be grindland glutinis · & glorand dronkin; 4552
And ame, to beagg & to boost · & bate with þo pepill.

If þe be herd of your happ⁶ · vs-happi þai þow ken;
Forþi bot harlotry or harme · is at þe here craze;

Alex. and Bind., p. 28. And if þe hole to your hostis · your herv is a-menys,
So queþir þai here or els-queat · it hurtis ay þe saule.

Whether they
hurt you or not,
þe suffer. Your doctours ere yours duesses · þairis ditis alegis,
How þot þai hampire in your herte · with many hard

payn, 4559

þai cause all unkindnesse · & corporall lustis,

¹ MR. Mineras. ² Read a. ³ In the margin.
⁴ MS. y he; with y struck out. ⁵ MS. standis, alt.; to standit.
⁶ happ marked for erasure.

As surquirly & sacrilg · & oþhire sere teches;
Constrime þow isto casuise · to clame all þe werd,

To rayme & to robbery · to rayme meil þains godis, 4553
Wailaway to wriches · & wa is þow in erthe;

Herefore þe hinge moȝt in hell · queſt þe ers hether
passed! "

[Pd. 29 J.] Ye shall dred
in torment.

þan was þe kyng of his carpe · crabbid vnfaire,
For he was spotous of speche · & spised his driftings;

Quesi he had lokid on þe lyne · he lappid it to-godine,¹
And notid to him a-nothirre now · þut now next fologhos.

Alex. and Bind., p. 28.

Alex. and Bind., p. 28.

Vicesimus primus passus Alexandri.

" **P**e kyng crouned of kyngis · o lordis alt oþhire,
Ser Alexander þe athelet · of Amors childire,

* Alexander, son
of Ammon.

And of þo queſo Olimpedas · þut I was of geten, 4572
To þe best of brugmeyns · blissing & helde²!

to Dindamus,
greeting.
If all is true, ye
are very good
men.

Sire, þis sothe at þe say · of all seggis oure
þe may be sett he þow-selfe · for syn doo þe menire!

Bot aethely alike a simpilnes · as me my saule demys,
It comes bot of acustomes · & of na cleas thewes.

And oþwyr þe gesse at þe be gole · for youre gud werkis,
Or dreynes with oare driftings · for³ þut we summa deſt held.

Alex. and Bind., p. 28.
How suld þe tellis withouten tolas · in any tild rare?

Is þer non Instrumentis of Iren · in alþ þat Ile founden,
Ne nakin metalis of to make · masselyne ne oþhire.

To have no iron.

For quay as bestis on þe bent · þe growes on þe greynys,
Refelde þow with refuse · of rotis & of herby; 4585

A longwy wolf
now eat earth.

þe sans wyne doas a wolle · þut wantis of his pray;

Quen he has faute of his flesh · he fallis to þe soile!

Lo, if me list in-to your land · with all my ledis entro,
Quat wisdom at þar wrichidnes · or witt miti I lese t

þe, lede, is litil to loue · þut louys ay in sorowe, 4590
Bot mekill mare he is menskil · þut in a mene dællis.

¹ MS. to godice. ² MS. heles. ³ MS. inserts we, underlined.

[Vol. 79 s.3] Ware jai so wyse þut has waes · qua ware so¹ wide
þreydes.

As þa þut legens ere & lame · þut neuire of leth knewe¹

Alex. and Blad.
p. 33.

If I zones parties aprocche · & piȝt vp my tentis, 4594

If I it miȝt, as I ne may · for misayng of schipis,

þare sold my folk for defaute · be famyscht for esire,
And worlde in a wale quile · to wriȝtis as your selfe!

Your wifes use ne
my appere,
and no man com-
mits adultery.

3o say your wifes haſ na wedis · þe word with to plesse,
Garlands ne no gay gera · to glyffe² in your eȝen, 4599
Silke of Sipeis, ne say · no saffron kellis;

For guy þare is name to gete · nowen neuir I þe cause!

Adultery on all wise · als ȝe denoyde,
Echewris³ by þot caſſure · as eastis wald; 4603

If ȝe na will haue to þat werk · it wondres me littil;

How sold ȝe mayte enir þut note · þut neysa neuir þe
fode?

Silk lust is lang on ȝe leuir · & likand spices,

Mast cherisid & enchesou · of chasteand metis; 4607

And ȝe hot fede ȝow with frute · at flays neyt þoune
hongir,

Alex. and Blad.
p. 34.

For piȝt neuire ailes ȝow þut apetite · þir artis witt to
dole.

Ye never study; Is þur na lare in zones land · labour of scolis,
Fosike, ne no philosofy · ne no fourme elliſis, 4611

Piremancie, ne poisei · ne practyse of lawe,

Ne neuine na mercy ȝow emolt · as mynes me your pistill;

All þis condicions I call · bot comof of bestis,

þut haſ no sent in þais saule · ne saucor in na gude,

Bot we pot fourmed is & fast · & has a fru witt 4616

Differis as in oure frumuches · ferre fir zones kynde.

It ware no possible poynȝt · to paise iñ my witt,

þut all miȝt ay be esir ans · with-outhen any change.

For esir heret or hale · blis vs aperis 4620

And esir wole comys wa · for so þe word askis.

¹ MS. *izawis* wyse h, underlined. ² A curl over the g.

³ MS. Echewris, ⁴ In the margin.

Onsir¹ wild is many wais wraistis · as þe wredre skiftis;
For a cleere clondies day · mast a cleme mynde;

Quen it is² briȝt all a-bowtie · it blithis oure hertis. 4624

And be þor gold in oure gato · or any gul stanes,

We do hot foules it with oure fete · vs fayns it na more,

And quen it walows · & wannew all oure thestis,

þet ere we toghid & frn · be turnyng of eldris. 4628

For quilk a frek is bot a fast · þan is he first simple,

And quen he preessis fra þot priske · þan is he proud-lokid,

Metis on þe medif merke · & þare his mynd stablis.

Mekill variancias of vertus · enveronis oure saules, 4632

For we ere feld full faire · & has oure fyne wittis.

Ane, oure sicht wiþ to see · & auour at þe mase,

And ane to tast & to touche · & þen oure twa eris.

Of all þe frutis on þe fold · we fange at oure witt, 4636

Both venyon & volatile · & variand fisches.

If þe refreyne pow þor-frn · it falis bot of pride

Or ellis ȝow writhis with your wole · for ȝe na welth

hantis! 4639

Be many opynion I prefe · þot þare is youre tecches,

Mare fondis open foly · þan fliccid on reson.

Sone as þe kyng of þe kith · þe clame had deyvysid,

He settis him down full soberly · & sendis him anothir.

¶ "I, sir Dyndyn þe dorrest · at duellis in Jis Ille,

þe best of þe brugmeyns · of bounste & of thewia, 4645

To Alexander, þot airc · þot erles al þe wert,

þo souerayne size of al þe soiles · salus & ioye,

Sire, we erd neyt in elementis · as enymore to duell,

Bot as qua pas a pilgrymage · fra Parysch to rome;

To oþhire hames vs higis · quon we ere hethen roides,

And in þe cites of syn · þan sitt we na hangire. 4651

Vee we name Ecoprise · ne ire, ne no theftis,

Ne nothir gesse we vs gods · ne gyrmis at oure driftis.

For many seerties we seeit · þot eydes al þe werte,

And wryst þe will of ilk we · to wale as hiss likid.

Alex. and Blad.,
p. 31.

[Vol. 80.]
In þer weather,
men are meny.

Man changes
according to his
age.

We use our five
senses in
sight, savour,
taste, touch, and
hearing.

Alex. and Blad.,
p. 33.
We catch fish.

Your hands are
dry."

"Dishness to
Alexander, greet-
ing.

Alex. and Blad.,
p. 37.

We are as pil-
grimes from Paulis
to Rome.

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Alex. and Bind.
p. 38.
He who amis
well is God's
friend.

You say we see us
goods.

But ye see us
rather,
being rich.

and gally clod.

Gold finds no one.

We spurn it.

Alex. and Bind.
p. 39.

Gold quenches
not thirst.

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Alex. and Bind.
p. 39.

MS. parts, with c expanded.

¹ MS. your, altered to our.

² MS. schre, altered to schine.

³ In the margin.

⁴ MS. chem.

And he þot waynes ay þe werst · & wirkis þo bettir,
þat¹ come is gods god frenȝ · & god nonis þo hildis.
And þis alſitide þat oure sode · þou setis my pistil,
þe same ensampli, as me seumes · in-to jous-selfe touchea.
For so þe quele of qwestouunes · þoure qualite encreses,
þut noplir gesso þe gouernour · no god hot your-selfe!
þe heixill our² benignite · oure honerte repreuses, 4662
And beris a-pof v̄ blasfeme · þet nevir bale thopt.
All be we suggestis in oure-selfe · & simpill oure latis,
Voide & vacand of vices · as virgyns it ware.
Neuir-þeles of a lape · hidde we v̄ drippis, 4666
It is your-selfe & noȝt oure-self · þat ai þe self hanȝis;
Abundance of Arouere · ȝow all has englaymed,
For je bot fago ay þe fleſche · & felsen it wele.
þe hide no besynes of bedis · bot to þe body clithe,
Els ȝe may cast ȝow to be coȝt · þe count for na ferre.
With soft wortis of silke · ȝours sidis vñ-loke, 4672
Domebeletis of damasko · & sun of dere tan,
With lika flingire on your fist · fillid full of ryngis,
Schand al of shirs³ gold · as it a schryne were. 4675
Quat profetis ȝow þis porvale · & all þis proud lettiȝ!
For nouthire sanis it þe saule · ne ȝour-selfe fedis.
Bot we, þot knawis wole & ken · þa kynd of þe noble,
Quos we are drinkeles & dry · we draw to þe beorne;
And be þur gold in oure gate · or any god stanes, 4680
We do bot foulis it with oure fete · vs faynes it na more.
For nouthire purgis it oure plȝt · ne prises it oure
hungir,

No nouȝt salves it oure sare · ne sesis it oure thirst.
For folowid it alike a fraunchis · at it⁴ vs fede wald,
þe cursed laikis o couatis · ware cleme⁵ with it dreschild.
þe wise ȝow þor of vessel · for vanyte & pride; 4686
As god was crestynys of clath · þo carþt to seone.

Ashmole.] ALEXANDER BUILDS A MARBLE PILLAR.

I se na godlak in gold · bot grefo to þe saule,
For þe fastir it fallis on a frēke · þe fastir he conetis.
Sire Alexander all at ese · avisis him on þis pistil, 4690
And waynes¹ to him a-noȝtre writh · at oñ þis wyse
Alex. and Bind.
p. 39.

spellis.

¶ " Hige kyng with-out comparision · of kyngis all ofyng,
Of all lordis þe lord · þut leues vñdire henens,

Sire Alexander, þe airc · of Amon eare driftin, 4694

To þe, ser Dyndyn on þi dese · þis dities I write.

In elike a side of þe soile · your-selfe is in-cloudis,
May wole na wes, if he wald · wyñ to your kithis.

Forþi enhabete þe in awygysch · at þoure vñthakis;

And all ȝoure lofing & ȝoure lare² · at þe so louys poyze,
It comis bot of a kyndnes · & of na cleme thewys. 4700

And als ȝe fonde may na forspise · to hijof your name,
Bot pyned þer in a parroke · imporkid as bestis,

þus pero to þir presots · þut ay in þayn lengis,
And he þot sejis to vs sage · þe bot a scott call. 4704

Be þe³ gracie of my god⁴ · miȝt I ȝour grond entre,

I suld ȝow ken to be knyȝt · & clothe you with armes," Alex. and Bind.
pan piȝt oure prince in þat place · a palice⁵ of marble, p. 45.

Quare oñ a talke with a toile · þis titil vp he wrele,
Sum langege of Intime · & letters of ynde, 4709

Sum was graſthid o grow · þut þas to-gedins spekis:

"I, Philipp son ſo fell kyng · þe founder of grecie,

Sire Alexander þe aȝthill · þ[e]at aȝt all þe barbors

Eftir þe day & þe deþe · of Dary & of Perrus, 4713

þus fore I foloyed haue my fass;" · & here a fitt end.

The most gold a
man has, the
more he wants."

Alex. and Bind.
p. 39.

Alexander, son
of Ammon,
to Denebent.
p. 41.
No strangers can
come to you.

You are like swine
and polleners."

Alex. and Bind.,
p. 45.
Alexander runs a
palace of marble.

[End of
Alexander and
Binden.]

¶ Vicesimus secundus passus Alexandri.

N ow gase he fr̄ gungan · and all his ging aftir,
Fondis forth wiȝt his felke · & a fild entris,

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¹ Or waynes.

² MS. Be þe be þe; with Be altered to Bet, and the second
be þe underlined; Bot be þe is probably intended.

³ A curl over the ȝ.

They come to a
woot,

Fall of glauns,

Without frut only,

They stand
stirring at Axer-
noster.

Alexander's men
take a shew,

and the glauns
flow and are strew.

The Greeks eat
dumcets.

An uncoont hour
appears,

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With bristles like
a hore,

and a head like a
horse.

Vensfaldin with a faire wod florischit¹ out ouire 4717
Of Appels & almonds & all manere of frutis.
All jo chiore of jo champs was chargid with floures,
Acre, saie our antour jo art angill in hattien.
Jit went men in ja woddis as je buke tellis, 4721
Of Ioyntours as Iowans in lopess of hidis,
And jai ware fodd all of frute & of na fode ellis,
Of graps & of gemets & otheine gude spicis,
Of sike as growis in je grewis I tald of before. 4725
Jai ware as rugles as a reeche je bake & je sidis;
Quen jai persayned of oure prince & silk a pake Armed,
Jan stode jai glorand on his gome with grisely mawis.
And he was herond & heres to hast for jo names,
And sett vp a sharp schoute at all je schaw ryngis.
And jai for skere of je skrike in to je schaw field,
For jai hadd herd neure of how ne of mans moyse;
And sex hundredth was slame & sessid with oure knytes,
And fourt and threti, as I fode² was in je fild drepid,
And iiii³ score on his side & sonnes at was armed 4735
Was with je charles in je chace choppid to deth.
Jas thre daies in jo thede thugh-out jai longid,
And diete jas with damysens & opir dore frute.
Jan ferd he furth to a fluswane & sett jas his tentis,
And newly eftir je none or next jas aboute, 4740
Jas come a bonde of a breake & breed pain vnfare;
A burly best & a bigg was as⁴ a man shapen,
Vnquile he groneid as a galt with grisely latis,
Vnquile he moyis as a nowte as a nowt queit he lawes,
Jarmand & jomand a poten hinc somed; 4745
And was as bristlis as a hore all je body ouire;
Dode as a dore-hayle & dode was he bathe,
With huth leggis & lungis & twa lase⁵ eres;
A hony hede & a hoge as it a hors ware, 4749

¹ MS. Borischat.

² MS. fode, in the margin, substituted for fynd.

³ In the margin. ⁴ Or lone.

And large was his odd hune je lenthe of a jerde.
With jet commands oure kyng his knytes his to¹ take,
And jai a-saillid his sono bot he na segge drolis,
For nouthire sondis he to flee ne na fens made, 4753
Bot stende & stared as a stotk & stirred he na forthire,
Jan callis to him jo conquerour a comly mayden,
Bad hire be brejt beforje je best & bare to be nakid.
And he held on jet hand & kissis as a nedlire,
He wald haue strangild hire streyt no had stiffe mea
bene; 4758

He wald haue schowid on jet schene had noyt men He is then swyld,
haldeyn,

And to jo prince paundon prestly him lede.

Quen he had feeld his fift on his foale schappi,

He gers jas bynde his at a braid & brent him to and burnt.
pondire, 4762

Jan ride he fra jet reuir & remowid his ost
In till a beade bent fild & biddid vp his tentis,
Jan fande he lindis on jet hands je² lenthe of a spers,
And jai ware frett full of frute je fairest of je werte,
It wan to tere any tong to tell of ja trees kindle, 4767
For jai wak³ sett with je son & with je sun rise.
Fra morewane to jo mydday merely jai spring,
And jan discende jai dona as je day passis.

Lo, jis was a wonderfull werk bot gods aewth wif,
jet jai suld wax soe & wane within a wale time.
For, fra it droe to jo derke ay till it dawid eftir,
It was bot vacant & voide as vanite it were, 4774
je kyng in his cabent with his knytes he ligis,
Tisland out of his tentis & je trees waitis.

A had a berne of a babb bring him a nappill;
Jan bowis furth a bachelere his bedinges to fift; 4778
And he was sodanly sessid & slane with a spryte.
With jet enverroons all je vale a voice fr je henes,
Said, quia so fangis o jis frute bees Fey in a stounde!

¹ In the margin.

² MS. a je, bot corrected.

Alexander sets
before him a
naked maid.

Alexander comes
to the trees of
the Sun and Moon,

which was and
was in a day.

A man who
attempts to pluck
an apple in winter.

The blos on the
trees are deforeld
by forces of fire.

Alexander climbs
a huge mountain.

Dragons, dragons,
dragons, snakes,
etc., appear.

Many men are
stung to death.

They now come
to a valley, very
dark.

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311 bred þor briddis in þa branchis ' at blith was & tame,
And if a man had paine heit ' or with his hand touched,
þan flego þor flawmes out of fire ' before & be-hind,
And quare it liȝt on his like ' it lichid him for exile.
Now bowis furth þis baratour ' & hidis na langire,
Vp at a maste¹ mountane ' he myns with his ost,
And viij daisies be-de-ne ' þe drige was, & mare, 4788
Or he miȝt couere to þe copp ' fra þe cane vndre.
Quen he was comen to þe crest ' his kniȝtis wald hanse
esid ;
And namely a new note ' neglis on hand,
Of dragons & of drandomardis ' & of diuerse neddis,
Of lions & of leopards ' & oþhire laith bestis. 4793
þare was hurling on hiȝt ' as it in hell ware,
Quat of² wrestling of wormes ' & wonding of kniȝtis.
As goðis out of³ guitars ' in galanand wedres,
So voidis down þe remot ' be verynys schaftis. 4797
At oþer time of⁴ oure talkis ' was tangid to dede,
And slayn with þa serpents ' a sowme out of noimbre.
So hard þai hampid oure heires ' & herid oure erles,
Vanesh it chansid þair þe cheke ' þe cheffis to worthe.
Quen he aksoned & skerrid ' all þa skathill fendis,
þen meisid he dous of þe mounte ' in-to a mirk vale,
A drecu⁵ dale & a depe ' a dynm & a theostir. 4804
Misi[6] þare na saule vndre soñi ' see to a nothir ;
þai ware vmb-thonrid⁶ in þot thede ' with slike a thike
cloude,
þot þai miȝt fele it with þaire fistis ' as flabband webbis ;
With all þe botoun full of bouznes ' brigt as þe siluere,
And bory-bobis off þe braces ' brethand as mirre. 4809
þas draue þai furth in derknes ' a nejen daisies euen,
So lang þaire lackis at þe last ' þe liȝt of þe soñi.
þan come þai bleemand till a burme ' of a brent lawe,

¹ Written maypene ; see I. 4883. ² MS. est.
³ In the margin. ⁴ MS. of. ⁵ MS. drige.
⁶ Or vmb-thonrid. ⁷ MS. lawe, substituted for schaue.

Neƿo throtlik with þe thil nire ' & thrange in þare andes.

They next梳
for 11 days.

þai labourde¹ vp a-gayn þe lift ' an ellenen daies, 4814

and the sun shines
out.

& quen þai comest to þe crest ' þen clerid þe welkyȝ ;

and the sun shines
out.

þe schafis of þe schire soñi ' schirkind þe cloundis,

They come to a
plain,

And gods glorious gleme ' glent þam e-mangne. 4817

with excellent
rivers.

þan past þai down fra þut pike ' in-to a playn lande,

They come to a
steep cliff,

Quare all þe gronde was of gols ' & growen fait of Impis,

with two paths,
one north, and
one east.

A cubete length, salis þe clause ' cold was þe mastre,

They come to a
step cliff,

Quare of þe felours & þe frute ' as fygis it sawourd.

They come to a
step cliff,

þare fand þai Revers,² as I rode ' riȝtest of þe word,

They come to a
step cliff,

þof it ware Isly Iurian ' or Iacobis weft ; 4823

They come to a
step cliff,

Was nevir no mode no milke ' so mild vndre heuew,

They come to a
step cliff,

No cliffe of cristall so cleare ' at enire god foormed.

They come to a
step cliff,

A hundredth daisas & a halfe ' he held be þa playnes,

They come to a
step cliff,

Till he was comes till a cliffe ' at to þe cloudis semed,

They come to a
step cliff,

þat was so stafe & so stepe ' þa store me tellis, 4828

They come to a
step cliff,

Mijt þar ne wos bot with wyngis ' wif to þe toppe.

They come to a
step cliff,

þit fand he clouȝt þurȝe þe clynt ' twa crasid³ gatis,

They come to a
step cliff,

Anse to þe noke of þe north ' a-nothir to þe est.

They come to a
step cliff,

Sire Alexander him a-vises ' &⁴ all him a-wondres,

They come to a
step cliff,

And trewid it was wrugt ' of me lelo workis. 4833

They come to a
step cliff,

With þot stairis he forth þe stye ' þot streȝt to þe est,

They come to a
step cliff,

And sooni daies with his men ' he soȝt be þa costis.

They come to a
step cliff,

And on þe agrest day ' effirs þe prime,

They find a
bullock.

A Basilisk in a browe ' heois þaim viñ-fairi, 4837

[fol. 88.3]

A straȝill & a stithre worme ' stinkand of elde,

They find a
bullock.

And is so bittir & so bremo ' & biȝchid in him-selfe,

They find a
bullock.

þot with þe stinko & þe stench ' he stroyes noȝt allane,

They find a
bullock.

Bot quat he sethis on his siȝt ' he shes in a stonde.

They find a
bullock.

He venoms in þe vaward ' valiant kniȝtis, 4842

They find a
bullock.

Maistirs out of Messedone ' of Mede & of Perses ;

They find a
bullock.

þai seȝe down sodanly ' slane of þaire blenkis,

They find a
bullock.

To step & to stand-dede ' & in þe stretre ligges.

¹ MS. labourde.

² Written in the margin, as a substitute for Huere.

³ MS. traskis.

⁴ In the margin.

who slays many
knights.

With that meris all jo route · & ridly jai said, 4846
"jo writh of jo wale god¹ · vs of jo wai lettis."

Alexander finds
the battalions sleep.

jo kyng to knaw of jo case · vp to jo cliffe wendis,
Sage quare jo same serpent · slept in a roke.
Jai mas he bonds in a beside · at sali na pepill pas,
In hole & in halan · bunkes he his fotes, 4851
A blason as a berne-dare · pot all ps body schildis,
And fishes in a fyne glas · on jo fere side.
jo se[h]rews in jo schewere · his schadow be-haldis,
And so jo slaystir of his siȝt · in-to him-selfe entris.
Jai cali oure kyng him his knyghtis · & comandis his
to bryn, 4856

Then the battalions
slay themselves.

And jai as soon as jai liw sayȝ · hix for his aleyn thankis
Some² as jo balefull best · was broyt out o lyfe,
Jan ridis furth oure riche kyng · & remowis his ost.
And of pis way at he wen · some worthis his a nende,
So at he flitt may na feris · ne his folko³ nouthine, 4861
Jare was so dedous & so hogo · hillis pam before,
Clepa at was cloude · la clynterand torres,
Rocheis & rogh stanes · rokkis vnafise,
Senteis to jo scharpe schew · ackersse a hundredth. 4865
Jan jaris he his papely · & a-sayne turnes,
And post in-to jo presod playn · I prossed to sow first,
pot all was breit-full of bowis · & blossoms so swete,
pot hawme ne brouche o aloes · betis was neire.

They come to
lugs mountaines,
and return to the
plate. [Pd. 84.]

I fra pens oure note⁴ men be northo · nymons janis jo way,
And pot jan⁵ fonds all jo flote · fifteene dayis. 4871
And jai croke oure cross · to cache janis another,
pot led jan to jo left hand · & pot a lange quile;
And jas jai dryfe furth jo dryst · of daisys fourre score,
Till at jai come till a cliffe · as jo clause tellis, 4875
Ane egg poe was all oure · of Adamant stanes,
With, hingand in je rugis roches · rede gold cheyneis.
Jan was jare graythid of degrees · for gomes vp to wynde,

They next try the
path to the north.
They come to a
cliff covered with
diamonds.

¹ In the margin.

² MS. Cope.

³ MS. folke.

⁴ Here follows a, expancted.

⁵ Perhaps janis.

Twa thousand be tale · & fyse trow hundredis. 4879 It has nine steps
"jo writh of jo wale god¹ · vs of jo wai lettis."

on its face.

jo kyng to knaw of jo case · vp to jo cliffe wendis,
Sage quare jo same serpent · slept in a roke.
Jai mas he bonds in a beside · at sali na pepill pas,
In hole & in halan · bunkes he his fotes, 4884 Alexander offers
the gods.

And jai ware sett in so souȝ² · of safers fyne,
Pot of jo noblity to newen · it neyd any cristen.

pare logis jo leue kyng · late on aft euen,
Vndire jis magie nowstaynes · & on jo mome eftis,

pare settis he furth of ares gods · a sellis nombre, 4884 He then counts
the steps.

pot he honours & his ost · & offis ilk une.
Syns tan he with him titly · his twelv tried prince[s].

Gas him vp be degerees · to jo grete lawe,
Trenys to jo topward · pot touched to jo cloudis, 4888

pot he miȝt lend jor o-loft · & waite eftir wondirs.

Vp on pe cop of jo cliffe · a closure he fyndis,
A palais, one of³ jo preiousest · & promiest in erth,

A bild, as je buke salis · with twa brude patis, 4892

And sonenty wyndows beside · of sondelis werkes.

Jo patis ware of jeton gold · gykild of platys,

Jo wyndows on jo selfe wyse · as jo vrst schewe⁴;

And jai ware corner full cleme · & clastrid with gemmes,

Stijt staffull of stanes · stagis & oþhire. 4897

Jit was a mynstris on jo mounte · of metall as jo nobilit,

Vmbe-gylid with a gardis · of golden vynes,

Was chastrid full of chefe frute · of charlocke stanes,

With-onten mesme emasunge · of margrite grete. 4901

Pis hame at homes on jis hilf · wan in jo hiȝe est,

Forthi jit heldiro it hat · jo hous of the sun.

It was so precious a place · & proudly a-tired,

Jare was na place it a pera · hot paradise seife. 4905

¶ Vicesimus tertius passus Alexandri.

Pen aires furth ser Alexander · in to pis aȝthil temple,
With Caulus & with clopas · & oþhire kidd princes,
And fand a berne in a bedd · hawmand alone,
Ane of jo gracieousest gomes · pot entis god feormed.
All lemed of his letre · p logo as of heuen, 4910

Alexander enters
the temple,

and finds a man
in a bed.

¹ Or sonne.

² In the margin.

³ Substituted for schile.

⁴ Substituted for stanes; see line above.

For it was gayly begane · with golden webbis.
A blewe bleant o-bofis · brad him al cuire, 4912

Was browde all with brent gold · full of brigt angela.

He teste trased full of irones · with trimballand wingis;

He siloure full of Seraphens · & oþhire sera halous,

With curtyns all of clene silke · & coddis of þe same,

With emuly knottis & with koynis · & knopis of perle.

It ware to tere me to tell · þe tirement to gedire, 4918

Or a manys¹ clerke · þe cost to deuise;

Drol. 28.3 And he þat ristis in þer rowme · þe romansse it tollis,
Was ase of þe borilost bernes · þat cuire body hade,
With fell face as þe fire · & ferly faire schapen, 4922
Balgh bronde in þe brest · & on þe bely akendire.

His cheuerelre as chanelles² · for changing of eid,

And as blayß was his herd · as any brigt snaw.³ 4925

Some as oure prince with his peris · his person ayvays,

He gress his wels to be god · & of na gome kind.

He kneulis down with his kniȝtis⁴ on þe cald erthe,

With hale his halleis on heþo · & oþir head wordis,

þe renke wittin þe rodel · þan mxeis his armes, 4930

Rymed him full reyneschly · & rokind þir wondis:

" Hails, Alexander!" quod þis athill⁵ · " at⁶ all þe erth

weldis,

þou art weloun, I-wis · & all þi wale princes.

Sire, þou shall see with þi sijt · alike signes, or þou passe,

As neuir segge vndire soñ · saȝe bot þine ase. 4935

And þou shall here apot happis · or þou heþhen founde,

þat neuir hathill vndire hecen · herd bot þi-selfe."

" A! A! happy haly here man!" quod þis hathill þan,

" How þat þou neuynes my name · & þou me neuir

kemē!" 4939

" Jis, soþly, ase," said þe seggi · " þi-selfe & þi werkis,

Or any drope of þi delume · drechet had þe erd,

Alexander is surprised to find himself known.

" Do you wish to

List þe noȝt loke on þe lindis · þat louys cuire mare,

¹ Sic in MS. ² Or chanel; indistinct.

³ Substituted for snow. ⁴ In the margin.

þut has þe surname of þe son · & of þe mons alls;
þut is to mezo, bot of þe mons · & miȝt has to speke,
And tell þe trowly all þe text · quod tide salt here-efter!¹

" Jis, by my crounes," quod þe kyng · & kyndly was

joyed,

" þis word I wald, be your will · noȝt all þe wend leuir!"

² Yes, gladly.

" Sire, waite at þou be wemles · for woman touching;

þan may þe leuncy on þam loko · & losten your wendis.

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For be so pure of þut pliȝt · þe may þis place entre,

þut is þe sette of þut sire · þut sett all þe wend." 4951

" Sire, I am clene of þut craft · I know welo my selfis,

Be you ours gode to þe greynys · apot gods name."

With þat bownes him þat berno · & fra his bed rysses,

Cled all in clene gold · kirtilf & mantill,

A gym grisey gome · with grote gray lokis; 4955

Al glitered þe ground · for glori of his wedis.

" Sira, ye þut will has to wend · þour wrepens domidil,

Nymes of þour nethilglose · & nakens þour leggis,

Pesan, panzer, & platys · all to poure preue clathis,

Iopoli & iesserand · & radly mo folows!"

4961

þe kyng at his comandement · with his kniȝtis hew

spoilis,

Puttis of to þe selfi serke · senturis & oþhire,

Takis with him ser telomew · an of his princes, 4964

And Antlet, an atthil duke · & efte him wendis.

þai feed furth all in fere · þir fouris alt to-godis;

þe lede at was þar ladisman · þe lede & his kniȝtis

Went purye a wale wode² · was wondre of to tell,

As it ware hiȝtild in þer hill · with handis of angels.

For þare ware taechid vp tree · þe triest of þe wend,

A hundredth fote to þe heðe · þe hight was & more,

Lyke cleues out of lebany · & lores so grone, 4972

containing olive,
spices, &c.

With sichourmes³ & sypresses · & sorlise o-blande.

þor treckild doze of þa · teres of iemmes,

Boyland out of þe barkis · hawme & mire, 4975

þere follows an erred.

⁴ MS. sichourmes.

The guide goes
through a wood,

and his Alex-

ander lay aside
his arms.

here the times of
the Sun and Moon
tell your tale!"

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They fel a tree
bare of leaves,upon which is a
strange bird.

The king woodes.

He is told it is a
phoenix.Their goldis tellis
Alexander to ask
what his fite
will be.The tree of the
Sun is the gold.

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The Moon tree is
like silver.

Of somes & of oþre saluo : as soþis out of wellis,
þat rase nosins of Aromitike : sike rekils in erth.
þai fande a ferly faire tre : quare-ell na frute grozed,
Was voȝt of all hire venures : & vacant of lounes,
A hundreth fote & a halfe : it had of leȝt large, 4980
With-outer bark ouþir bast : full of hare pines,
þor heide a brid on a boglie : a-bofe je topp,
Was of a port of a pa : with sike a proude crest,
With bathi þe chekis & þe chayuls : as a chykin brist,
And all gidden¹ was hire gong : with golden fethirs,
All hire haunes be-hind : was hevild as a purpse.
And alþ þe body & þe brest : & on þe bely vndres
Was finely florischt & faire : with frekild pennys, 4988
Of gold gruynes & of goules : full of gray mascles.
þan waitis on hire þe wale kyng : & wondre him thinkes,
Was in no figure of his fourme : neȝt forlaid a littif.
“ Quæt loke se!” quod þe ladisman : “ do lendis on!
forþirke, 4992

þone is a ferles foale : a Fenix we calle.”
þan² bowe þe forþis aft ehdland : & to þire treis comes,
þe plants of þe proud son : & of þe pale moore.
“ Behalds now,” quod þis hars man : “ to þir haly bowis,
And quæt you will of þais to wote : wis in þi saghe.
Appose þais all in preuate : bot make na playn wordis,
And þas may swythe hanse a swane : at swike soll þe
meure.

þan may þeu gesse in þi gest : it is a galis spece, 5000
þat sendis þe sike asceronce⁴ : & sees to þi theghe,
þire boles was, as þe hoke sayes : boryl & hiȝe,
þe lind of þe liȝt son : louely clothid, 5003
With foylour as of fine gold : þat ferly faire lemes,
þet ofyr lokon ouare wile leues : as it ware ligi siluir.
þan Alexander at þis astill : askis a demande,
“ In quatkyn maner of ledo : sell me þi treis sware? ”

¹ MS. wing hldn gidden : with wing hldn struck through.
² In the margin. ³ MS. þam. ⁴ MS. accurante.

“ Soþly, se, þe soft-tree ” said þe sage þas, 5008
Enteris in with yndoyes : & endis in greke ;
And mast-quat ay þe mono-tree : þarje miȝt of hire
kynde,

Quen it kithis vs any carpe : þe contrarie spekis ;
For scho begynes all in grow : & endis in ynde, 5012
And þus be twinlepi tongis : tell þai oure wridis.”
þan knelis down þe¹ conquirour : vu-to þe cold erthe,
And aishine bole estur bole : blithly he kissis,
And post if he suld witt þe thra : of all þe thredes wete,
If he suld move agayn to Messedof : quare his modir
dællið. 5017

þan schegs hire þe soft-tree : & schoke hire schirre leues,
And witt a swengand swoȝe : þis sware scho him yeldis :
“ Sire, you ert lede of ilk leda : þe lorde & þe fadire ;
Bot þi sire sole in na side : see salt pou neuire. 5021
For þi modir nor git Messedof : þou seȝis þaist na
mare.”

þan last hitis lithie of his lyfe : & of his last ende :
“ So maidens,” quod þe mono-tree : “ þi meere bees na
langir 5024

Bot out þis anleþi þere : & astirr viij monethis ;
þan sail he duale þe witt a drinke : at þou full dene
tristiſ.”

þan makis he² mowryng & mane : & in his mynd
thinkis, 5027

Qua suld þot trecherous trayne : of tresouf him wirke.
He said, “ bendo haly tree ” : & halsid him in armes,
“ Quæt person sail do me deprese : I peay þe me teft³ ”
“ Sire, soþely,” said þe aȝon-tree : “ if I⁴ þe soþe neuered,
Qua suld þou wite out of þe wend : & þe þi wendis dole,
þan sail þou alaa þe same segge : & so my sawis faile,
And þot⁵ may worthe be na wai : for ay my wordis
standis.” 5034

þan lokid on him his ladisman : said, “ lefe of þi wordis,
¹ MS. þe k conquirour. ² In the margin. ³ MS. þe k will kill me. ⁴ The Sun-tree refers to Hel.

The Sun-tree
tells him to speak in
Irish, and ends
in Greek.

The Moon-tree
does the contrary.

Alexander ask'd if
he will return
home.

The Sun-tree tells
him he will not.

He then asks
about his death.
The Moon-tree
tells him he will
live a year and
eight months.

He says, “ who
will kill me? ”

The Sun-tree
refers to Hel.

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For writhing of þir wale treeis · & willis þais na mære,
Bot graythe þo, gome, oþr gods behalme · and a-gayn
turne, 5037

Alexander weys,
and tells his com-
panions never to
say what they
have heard.

For ouise þe lemetis of þir lindis · may no lede fownde.
þen bownes agayn þe bald kyng · baldly he wepis,
þat he so skilly sold skifte · & fra¹ his shars terme.

So did his princes, eis þe prose · for pete of his-selfe,
With dedis ȝeckingis & yerre · yett out to grete, 5042
þan bedis þain þe barbour · on þe baþe þair eyen tƿa,
þot þai sold nevirs þis note · to name of his ost newyf,
Quat þai beheld in þe hilt · & herd with þaire ers ;
And he þan styrts of his stoune · & steris his hert.

"If þe will gange," quod þis gide · "a-gayn to jous
knijtis, 5047

Moves jow to þe nethire-ward · next I it habd.
þan passis he to þis proud place · & our kynghe lenes,
And he goes downe be green · a-gayn to his tentis.
þan legis he fra² late niȝt · till aften þe² liȝt schewis,
With sene sighingis & sadis · for sake of his wirstis;
Costreynes him with his constenunce · to with his knijtis
play, 5053

Bot þot bot sprang of þe splene · þe sprite was vñ-esid.
Sone as þe day-rawe³ rase · he risis vp belyue,
Riches him radly to ride · & remows his ost,
Drives on with his dukis · day eftir oþrhe, 5057
Till he was meten to þe meere · quare he þe monte
entred,

He returns to the
plain.

and remains there
one day.

(MS. B. 1. 1.)

þot was þe prond playn fild · I prond jow be-fore,
Quane all þe face of þe fild · was of fyne gooles.
þare piȝt he doun his panylios · & with his princes
hidis, 5061

And þe drift of a day · he duellis in þa costis.
Betwene þa styres in a stound · þot strokis þurh þe
mountis

¹ Sic; perhaps read for. ² MS. his þe; with his strokis ent.
³ MS. day day rawe; but corrected.

He has two pylars⁴ down to pynche 'all of playn marble,
And tacchin vp of treid gold · a pelare in þe myddis,

With a prologue in þet plate · on althire post written.
"I, Alexander þe athif · offire þe date" 5067

Of þe prince & Persye & Porme · þis pylars en-hauisid,

Qua list þis lymit ouir-lende · leme to þe left hand,
For þe rake on þe riȝt hand · þot may na man passac."

þis titill was of two tongis · tanis out & gryndis, 5071
Of Ebcu & of yndoyas · & of þires ald lettres,
Of latine & of oþrhe lare · & losses out of grecis,

Proudly peikid all in prose; · & here a pas endis.
Inscribed with "A
title is prose."

¶ Vicesimus quartus passus Alexandri.

N^ow strokis he furth with his stour · & storis with
his tentis, 5075

Ho leuys all þe marchi-gats · I neueweȝ jow before,
And nyxmes a-noȝtre on þe north · þe next to his kith,

þat to þe marche of Messedone · was him mast queme.
Sone was he leut in a lande · a large & a noble,

Precious, þe precious · þe prose þas it callis;

And clene all þot contre · quan þai his come wist, 5081
With clene as provid in þe portis · presentis his faire,

Sunt follis of fischiis · ferly to tell,
Was like as of leopards · & lions skyenes;

Sun with lions on lyms · & lampynys slayis, 5085
þot sex cubittis cleor · was of clene lenghe.

þar was a cite in⁵ þot side · asisid all with gemmes,
With cuten lyme or laire · a lady it keȝid, 5088

A worthi wodow & a wlonk · with thre wale childire,
þot quene Candace þe cleer · was callid in þa bondis.

Now all I soþely of hire softs · say jow þe names;
þe first was Candoyle callid · a knijt althire-fairest;

þe midilmast of þe men · was Marcipy hattid; 5093
þe thrid Camptus is calld · þot kopid all hire landis

⁴ A carl ever p. ⁵ MS. datere. ⁶ MS. þe in; with þ strokis ent.
ALEXANDER.

In a city in that
land

[MS. B. 1. 1.]

ðeclit godes
Candace.

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Alexander writes
to Candace.

Sone as þe kyng of hire knew · a clame he hire writte,
An Image all of asthill gold · of Amoen hirs sendis;
To mete him in þe montayns · þat mild he¹ be eschis,
þot þai miȝt sacrifise] saxome þor · to his sere dr̄ijtina.
Sone as þe princes of pris · þis p̄stil had deuyisid,
þan sendis echo to his sandis-men · with solid lettris,
With tributes & trowes · & many tried giftis, 5101
And p̄ire þe wordis of hire write · at on þese wyse
spekis.

¶ To þe kideſt kyng · of kyngs all oþhire, 5103
Sire Alexander þe aþleſt · of Amoess strands,
I, Candace þe conquires · coroned of Mode,
To þour honours with obeysance · me ans I comandis.
For it was purveid aþert · of þe kyng of houses,
Predestyned of his prouidence · & of his pure miȝt,
þot þe wold pas in-to Pers · & press it with armes. 5109
Itale, Egyp̄t, & ynde · & all þire Iles onire,
þour wiþchijp & þour wortheſſe · [in] n̄h þe word sprong,
þour curtesy, your knyfthode · & all þour cleme thewis.
And þot wile men of þe mold · noȝt meliȝt vs alone,
Bot dr̄ijtina & dreeses · þour dedis declarias. 5114
Forþi like it to þour lordship · & lathis noȝt my sawis.
We at ere voide ay of vice · & vacant of syn,
Quat suld we moove in-to þe montys · þat mysters bot
litil;

5117
Outhire Appole to adoure · or any oþhire dr̄ijtina.
Bot see it sytis noȝt to oure simpilnes · þour saje to
with-stande,
Ne noȝtis to mene ne to mote · þoure maieste aȝayn,
þit sall I send þow fra my soile · a sortan of giftis, 5121
For reuerence of þour riȝte · & of þour roiald werkis.
I drysse þow her a diademe · þous dr̄uitis to were,
þe gaiest gift vndre god · of gold & stanes,
And to yow selfe of þe same · o seroleþy hewis, 5125
A hundred in a halde heore · hiptild with crestis,
 ¹ MS. ho; in the margin.

²I command
myself to you.

Your words is
widely known.

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We do not care to
adore Appole.

þot I send you
presentis.

And twa hundred & ten · be tale at þe lesle,
Of rekunisces of reide gold · railed of gemmes,
With pellicans & pape-joyes · polischis¹ & graven, 5129
With cambis & with coronacles · all of cleme perlo,
Thretti goblettis of gold · þe greateſt in þe worde,
Fyne hundred al of eynȝ elde · of Eþhyops childire,
Hynnesres,² a roglic best · with raggid tyndis. 5133 a chaseres,
An aȝe to³ your empire · I fra myn erd wayne,
Borrers of axe Eþyn-tree · & brilles a thousand,
Foore hundred Olifants in fere · þis fardill to bero, 400 elephants,
And thretti hundred of my thedes · þat threuew ere &
tame. 5137

I pressand þow, of panters · full of proud masclis,
Four hundred felis þit to seo · þat fyndy ere tewid.

Of leopards & of lionesses · þis lady him sendis,
A payntour in preuate · scho prayis with þam to pas,

And his personele proporcions · in perchenem hire bring.
All was done as scho demed · & he⁴ hire dere thankis,

And gemitis hire giftis agayn · þe gaiest vndre heuen,
þe payntour presentis his aþort · & shoo was proud þen,

For scho had depely many day · desyrid him to see.
þen wendis furth hire denz soft · a litiff daſt eſir, 5147

þot was aer Candolle þe kene · þat was his kidd aſre,
His wife & his womeñ · & with his wale forces,

Out of þe cite þai soȝt · to solace þurh herte;

þe kyng of Belrike þe bald · his of þe bent metis,
With a company cleme · of knyȝtis enarmed,

Maynes many of his met · & his make refis, 5153

For he þot lady had loued · many lange wintire,
He gers a berne on a blonke · hire bremely to cast

Before a bald bachelors⁵ · on a bigg stede;

Scho gaſſe skirmand skrikis · at al þe skowis range,
It miȝt a þerid any her · to here howe echo wepid.

[Vol. 25.]

Candole's son,
Candole, goes
from home.

The king of
Belrike assaultis
him,

and rebis him &
his wife;

who strikis
sherty.

¹ MS. polischis, altered to polischit.

² MS. lynosres.

³ MS. fra to; with fra struck out.

⁴ In the margin.

⁵ MS. bachelis, altered to bachelors.

Candall goes to
Alexander's tent,

to ask his help.

Candall is led to
Ptolomy, the
second in command.

Candall tells him
of his misfortune.

[Vol. 80 &]
Ptolomy tells
Alexander.

Alexander tells
Ptolomy to per-
suade him,

and so will for
him by the name
of Antiochus,

Jan was ser Candoile in þer cas · kenesly distourbið,¹
Aires on as boly[ue] · to Alexander tentis, 5160
Thogt he wald sewe to þer aise · & seke him of grace,
If he wald helpe wiþ his hors · þer heid to reschoue.
Be he jo paylið a-prechid · it past wiþin ouen,
And sene jo waeches-með wiþ-out · quen jai him þare
sawwe, 5164

þai tuke him, & to Telomew · titte þai him ledd,
þo mast prayded of þe pers · bot þe prince selfe.
"Quat duns man ert þou!" quod þe duke · " & quat
dos þou here, 5167

Quat is þe cause of þi come? · do kith va þi name."
"Sire, Candace son þe conquires · & Candoile I hiȝt;"
And cleme tald hir[us] of his² care · þe canse all-to-gedre,
þan trimes on ser Telomew · & fra his tent wyndis,
Comandis ser Candoile to kepe · in a kniȝtis warde,
Cairys in-to a cabayne · quare þe kyng liggis, 5173
Fand him slowmand on slepe · & sleyd him rayses,
And tellis him of þat titthamis · þe take how it standis,
How þar was comyn slike a kniȝt · to cruse him of help,
þe son of Candace þe quene · þe kepres of Mede; 5177
And how þe Behrik kyng · had him his wifre refid.
"Ja, aise a-gayn," quod Alexander · "in-to þine awan
tent;

Do es ji heðo a dyademe · þe derrest at I have,
A cronii all of cleme gold · & a kyngis mantis, 5181
A-seyse þe doan in my sege · as þou my-selfe ware;
Lat com a-houte þe my kniȝtis · & call ye my name,
wiþ³ liȝt lions latas · as a lord sulð;
Say pi-sel is my-selfe · & þan my-selfe call, 5185
As I ware Antioch þut athill · noȝt aghe of me þou stand,
And I call hiȝt to þi host · as [I] þi hathill ware.
Quen I com to þi call · & knele þe before,
þou soft declare me þe cas · of Candals auntis, 5189

¹ MS. distressibid. ² MS. told his his care.
³ MS. w, followed by a blot and with; probably with with.

Befor his persoñ aperi · ilk poynt as he touchild.
He neȝt a-haist quen I bow · ne bede me⁴ noȝt to ryse,
Bot lat þi semblance be saidd · quen Jon pi sage zidlis;
And sene þan, "Antioch, mya athill!" quen þou has all tabl,
"Latt se þi witt in þis weke" · & wyclfy me rode."

þan⁵ trimes furth ser Telomew · & tyris him belyue;

In emperouris aperell · his⁶ persoñ he cledis, 5196
And Alexander as belyue · in antiochis name,
Quen he was⁷ callid, with a kniȝt · he coms in a stounde.

þan tellis to him ser Telomew · þe tale all-to-gedre,
Befor ser Candoile he kene · his conseilis hir askis.
"Ware⁸ it your will," quod þe woe · "wale emperoure,
þan wald I fane with þis frake · his ferre to reskewe,
And bid þe Behrik · en bathe twa his eyen,
Withouten hado to þis heigis · his brid to restore; 5204
And say þat sire, on þi⁹ be-half · bot he hirre sone geld,
We salf his cito & him-selfe · syngis in-to pondire!"

With þat inclynes þe kniȝt · & kyndly him loues,
Said, "antioch, of all men · ay be þou Loyed; 5208
It semes þe, for þi sapience · to sit in a trene,
And to be cred as a kyng · with croune & with septis!"

þan aires him furth ser Alexander · as Antioch it ware,
Cairis on with candoile · & cast him his leue, 5212
Soȝt furth þe same niȝt · & to þe cite wan,
Quare þe Behrik kyng · wiþ þis bird lengis.

Sone þe waechis on þe wallis · þan wyclfy ancyres,
Qua jai ware, & of queshun · & quat was þur errande.

"It is ser Candoile," quod þe kyng · "is comys for

his spouse; 5217

And I am messangens made · þat mild to delynys.
þe maistir out of Messedone · þow maynly enjoynes,
If zo jome cite wiþ same · to see him his brid." 5220
þan was þe burgage a-balaiste · & breſt vp þe gate,

¹ no bede me in the margin. ² MS. La þan; corrected.

³ MS. his his; corrected. ⁴ MS. had was; corrected.

⁵ MS. Wink; altered to Ware. ⁶ In the margin.

⁷ MS. wyf, altered to leue.

and bare the rest
to him.

Alexander pre-
tends to be
Antioch,

and offers his
advice. [Vol. 80.]

Candall is pleased.

Alexander, sup-
posed to be
Antioch,

goes against king
Behrik.

and says he is
comes for Candoile's
wife.

Was þur na louyand lode · na lyfe bot þam aue.
And þan echo laches him be-lyfe · & ledis him forthire,
In-to a clochere with a key · þe clennest of þe wende,
Was summed all of siperis · & seder-tables. 5290

¶ Ecclimesimus quintus passus Alexandri.

[Pl. 31 A.]

This room termed
round by con-
nected machinary.
It begins to move.

Alis selore was be sorrey · solouthely foundid,
Made for a mervayl · to meeue with engine;
Twentii tamed Olifants · termid it a-boute,
Quirland alf on quées · quex þe quene entres. 5294
Quen þal ware sett þor in samen · on silkin webbis,
Some begynnes it to gau · & gretly he wondres.
" Ware elike a wondre in oure marche · of Mossedone,"
he said,
" It ware a daynte to deme · for any duke oure!"
 þan answare him þis athill quene · & Alexander him
callid, 5299
" Mekill grettir it ware to yow of grace · & to¹ gomes
here."
þan stemes he with þe stoule kyng · & stuggis with his
name;

Candace calls him
by his true name.

Alexander tarries
pale.

Candace shows
her portrait of
him.

When he sees this,
be troubles.

She tells him he

His chere out of chere hew · it changis in-to pale,
þan has þer hende him by þe hand · & hent vp a laþir.
In to A prene parlour · þai passe bathe to gedre, 5304
And þer in perchement depayntid · his person scho
scherwid.
Said, " so þi-selfe a sampilt · þat I þe sothe nevyn !"
As fast as he oñ þis figure · festid his sij,
All falowis his face · & his flesche trimblis; 5308
" Qui fasilis so þi faire how ? " · said þe faire lady
" þa woorcere of all þe werd · & wastours of ynde,
þou þer hast brettend on þe bent · þe barbens folke,"
þe pepill out of Panty · þe Persons & þe Media. 5312
Loo, now, þe here wildeous hiȝt · in-to my handis seed,

¹ In the margin. ² MS. folke.

Bot in a womans ward · for all þi wale deddis !
Ser, wete it wele þome worthemus · þat for na wele here
Suld neure no hathilf vndire hemes · [he] to hije losed;
For all þe welthe of þe werd · ware it a wee grantid,
It wittis a-way at a wapp · as þe wynd turnes." 5318
þan chawfis him þot chifane · & with him-selfe chidis,
All if he spared to spek · his spryte he rehetis.
As any terord for teme · he with his teeth gnastis,
And hitterly on ilk side · his hemed he declines. 5322
" Qui colkins þou, ser conquerour · & cralhie so þi saule,
Quat may þi vertu now-a-vaille · & all þine vayn pride?"
" I swete," quod þe swete kyng · " þat I na swerd haue,
For I na wapein haue, I-wis · my writh with to venge !"
" Now, bald bartons on bent · if þou a heand hadde,
Quat prowis miȝt þi person · a-preu in his stoundis ?"
" For I wiȝtwar," quod þe kyng · " am to youre will 5329
taken,

is in a woman's
power now.

Alexander is
angry, and
grasps his teeth.

because he has no
sword.

If he had one, he
would kill her and
then himself.

I suld þo shal þare þou sittis · & þan my-selfe estir !"
" Now, be my crowne," quod þe quene · " as kniȝtly þou
swaris ;
Bot nevir-þe-lattis þit be liȝt · & lots of þi sorwys.
For jui has broȝt my soñ wife · of berberians handis,
And I sal surely þe same · vñcessid of þe berberys.
For ware it knewen of þi come · jui walld þi cors schind,
For oressing of þe god prince · Forme of Ynde. 5336
And Caratros my kid son · has couplid him to wyfie
þe doȝtir of þis dere kyngs · þat þou to deth broȝt."
With þer echo seedis þis sijo · & to þe sole ledes,
Sendis estir hire sons · & soñrly þan trair 5340
þis athill of ser Alexander · as þai were nñ haldef,
At þai suld menake him & mirke · & make him at esse.
" I know it wele," quod Caratros · " my comly modine,
þat he my brothirs' brid · has out of bands leuird,
& how þe kyng, be þer cause · has to þis kith sent;
Bot my wyfe will ga wode for wa · bot I þis wee spyll.

Candace assures
him he is safe.

She takes him
back to her seat.

Caratros says he
must see Alex-
ander,

or his wife will go
mad.

¹ MS. brothir.

Ne ware he a messenger · & git man for youre-selfe,
Sure suld hisse sowe for his sake · at hisse has sent hedre.
So soft his maistir, & I may · be my dire saule, 5349
For he þe fadre of my fore · has in þe feld dreipid.
"A!" quod þis lade, "leue son · if we þis lode sloȝe,
Suld we vs nywome any name · eȝt bot of sorowes!"
"Ja, Cartros," quod Candioile · "þis knyf has me sained,
And I sal! lode him on lyne · vnto his lord tentis."
"Quat haitis þou me so, my brothre · with þi bremme
wendis, 5355

List! ye we stryfe in þis stede · & strike aithire oþer!"
"Bot kepe I neȝt," quod Candioile · "ȝit for na ous
nened,

Bot if þe langis to bot laike · lo me here redy!"
Jan callis Candace þe knyf · in conseille his takis,
Sees his sons wald him al · & mally scho pleynes;
"Lord Alexander, pines are · quare is þi wittis!" 5361
I prai þe for þi presidencie · pess now my childire."
Jan bows þis harastour · pire breshtire to stene,
Fand cartros & candioile · at knyfes to drawen,
Bad, "blyns, bernes of youre bouthie · & of your bounnes
wordis;" 5365

þe fare hot with folke · quare ore youre fyne withis!"
Jan carpe he to ser Cartros · & kythis on þis wyse,
Ser, if you lessoun my life · na lowres þor wynnys.
For Alexander of his awen · has many ethil knyfis
þot ore mare sekere at a-say · Jan silke seuen houndreth, 5371
For if I ware fallen fey · him forced bot littill.
For ware I a tresour to bot tulk · trowe wele þi-selfe,
þot me so sedanly bot sire · had neȝt sent hedre,
With-onten wera me to wande · nay, wene you þat nemis.
Bot if ye list on þot lode · lode with pine eyen, 5375
Sire Alexander þe ethil · pine aldfader bane,
þe thars bot gruuant me to gene · quat gude as I crane,

Candioile says he
must save him.

The brothers
quarrel.

Candioile tells
Alexander to
pacify them.

He finds the
brothers fighting.

Alexander pacifies
Cartros.

saying that it is
not worth his
while to kill him.

And I salt prestly þot prince · present in-to þi handis."
pan ware pires breshtire full blithe · þus ware þai bath
passed, 5379

And Candioile callis to þe king · & kindly him thankis,
"Had I ȝow ay with me here · happy ware I þan,
þan wald I wene with your witt · to wast al! my fale?"
With þer scho kende him a croon · clistrid with gesomes,
With Amatiels & Adamands · & an ethill mantil,
Sterind & stiȝt full of stanes · sithin stelis to his ensails,
With oþre preuates hiss plesis · bad pas off with hole.
Nowe aires furth oure conquerore · & candioile him gide,
Drives furth all þe dai · till doun was þe son, 5388
And so þai come till a case · was out of course hoge,
Be-tweens twa hillis in a hope · & herbed all niȝt.
"Sire," quod candioile þe kene · & to þe kyng said,
"All spritis in þis speloun · here spoke þai to-geyns,
Here is paire comon consale;" · & þis þe kyng heris,
Makis he grevys to his goddis · & þan þe grof entres.
Quen he was down in þe depe · he sape a dynȝ clonde
Full of starred sterres · and stiȝtild in þe myldest
A grete gryssely god · on a gay trone, 5397
þat litl lemand eyen · as lanterns he had.

Oure mode kyng was so mased · myndles hisse somed :
"Haile, Alexander þe hende" · quod þat hiȝe drizlin.
"Sire, qua enz þe!" said ourser · "Synches I hit;
And to my powres vndre-ȝytis · is all þe playn word.
For þi name a cite has þou seȝd¹ · bot þou sethi me na
temple." 5403

"Sire, if I miȝt merke to Messedone · a Maistir I þe
hitȝe;
Sail name be like it in na lede;" · "nay," lange noȝt
þar-after!

You sail neisir lode on þot land · ga lawers & be-hold."

pan kend hisse quare anotheris clonde · was full of briȝt
sterres, 5407

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Candioile thanks
Alexander.

Candioile gives him
a crown covered
with gems.

Candioile and Alex-
ander come to a
magic cave.

An oracle calls
Alexander by
name.

Alexander is told
he shall never
return to
Macedon.

¹ In the margin. MR. LIT.

* MS. hundredth, altered to houndreth.

* MS. seȝd.

* MS. nay nay.

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And quan a nothin grym god · was graythid on a sege.
 "Sire, quan ert Jon," said Je segge · "acer Simplic, I-wis;
 Be grood & pe begininge · of all je godis onte."
 "Now I be-seke je, Seraphim," · said oure kyng Jau,
 Quan segge is sett me to ala · Je sothe you me tell."
 "Sire, I have nowend pe or now · pot, ware pot note
 knawed." 5413

Till any douth of quat domo · jen dled I for sorowe.
 You has¹ a blisfull bursye · biggid to pi name,
 Quare many hornes sall debate & bald emperouris,
 þare salt ji berynes be bildid · & pi body gnaues." 5417
 þan come vp oure kiddi kyng · and fra þe kniȝt partis,
 þan kaires he fro candeles · bed, "kepe wile his drȝlin."
 Mous him et to his meny · & on þe morn eftis,
 þan drynes he furth with his dukis · in-to a deyne entris,
 A val full of vermyll · & all of vile neddins. 5422

And jai ware crokid & coyant · with corous on hede,
 As it smythes [waro] all of smythis · of smaragdens fine,
 ȝit war jai pasturde of pepir · as þe prose tellis, 5425
 Of gyloffe & of gingeres · eli oyed þain na fodi.
 For all oure cooserd was þe conne · claggid with spicis,
 þat makis þine wromes so wele · & wood in þaire kyndis,
 þat ilka twelmonth a torno · þai turnay to gedine, 5429
 Ilkane mellis with his make · & so þare many dies.
 þan pas jai therthen till a place · of perlions heitis,
 With cloven cloes, sais þe clause · as kynd of þe hoggs,
 þai ware thikke & thremon² wole · three foote o brede,
 Quare-witt þai fasti with in-fere · & fellid of his kniȝtis,
 þai ware so brofe to a blisch · borely & grym.
 On ilka best a baros hede · full of bromes tusks, 5436
 þas ware þai foormed all be-fore · & farand be-hynde
 Like as it ware leopards · & lions with tailis.
 ȝit was þur goildid out of grispis · & griffons emanage,
 þat felly flappid at þe faces · of þe feff erles, 5440

Alexander notes
Serpents who lie
in thy land.Serpents will not
tell him.Alexander and his
men come to a
valley full of
monsters.all with armes
on their bands.The snakes will
none of his men.Griffins also
appear.

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And eur ilka best was so biggo · of body & of wyng,
 þot he myt bere away a blomke · & a kniȝt armed.
 þe kyng was off his conrees · to comfort his dukis,
 On þe bald becifalon · oblande þain he rydis,
 Prokis fra place in-to place · bed, "þukis vþ your
 herdis," 5445

And cherischt his chiftans · with chealous wordis.
 He baldis of his bachelors · & his bowmen he cheris,
 To flay with flames of þe fowlis · & þe felst bestis. 5448
 And it was done at his dome · with-drews þai na langir,
 Both archers & albastris · & all þaiss assailed.
 þe bataille on bathe halfis · heymly begynnyss,
 Oure seggis & þe Synagyn · semblid vnfairis;
 Grisips grisips of oure gomes · out of gilt sadis, 5453
 Tuk þam in þair talous · & tilt fra þair bloukis.
 Bot git oure kyng with his kniȝtis · so keneley defendis,
 And with his gongs out of grece · þot he je gree wynnes.
 Bot git was herid of his here · twa hundredth & oune,
 þus gafe vþ þo gaste · with gold on þai heles.
 þan ferd he furth till a floo · & þot a ferly hoge, 5459
 Twentie forclang & ferre · it had of full breedis,
 And alf te strands of þe streme · stode full of stith
 reeds,

Quare-of he beds at a broid · his bargis to make.
 Quen it was herwyn at his hest · with heggis ouire-foldet,
 þan entir in of his erles · & ouire þe ce passis. 5464
 And alf jith of oure kyng · quen þai his come wist,
 þai perid to him with preunds · þe proudis of þat land.
 Sesse spends on him of spon[ges]¹ · a sparles noumbr,
 Of mirre & of mekill quat · milke-quite² 5468
 Sesse men muscles his mett · & with so mekill schollis,
 þat sex pond miȝt of þais · hanne ni of wates.
 Sesse of scells of þe see · sendis to him cotis,

Alexander presents
Serpents,and encourages
his archers.

A great battle.

The griffins tear
men out of their
saddles.The swry comes
to a great river
full of reeds.which they cross
in barges.Alexander re-
ceives presents of
shells and sand-
shells.

¹ MS. þ spon, followed by a small blank space. *The Latin text* *feet her spongis.*

² *The line is incomplete; add—“& purpre.” Latin text,*
albas et purpuras.

[Pl. 94 &c.]

Sun bees at ware blode-rede & borely wormes
As large as a mans lego & lampreys of weȝt 5473

Twa hundred pound ay a peo & past it be fifty.

In that river were
creatures like
women,

Jis was þor woman in þis watar as women it seemed,
þor feyly fairs ware of face with haire to paire heelis.
Quire-stride þer any strange man or be þir strandis
saile, 5477

who drew men
down under
water, and
drowned them.

þai droȝe þam down in-to þe depo & drowned þains for
caine,

Two of them are
caught.

Or els ȝai tillid þain to þe trees as ȝa buke tellis,
And gret paire halke with þain so lange till þain þe
life wantie. 5480

Oure men tuke of þain tara was teff foote of hight,
Als blayt as any brȝit snaw & as biche sons tothed.

Alexander
conquered two and
twenty kings,

Including Gog
and Magog.

Names of all the
kings.

[Pl. 95.]

Vicesimus sextus passus Alexandri.

Þan aires furth ser Alexander & with his arte closis
Of terrands of þir tartaryns twa & twentyn kyngs.

He stekis þain vp with þer stournes in a straitne lawe,
And I salt newes pow þer names if þe þaine newis herd.
Gogg & magogg þe grete he with þir gomes pyndis,
Agokany & Amafrage & Almada bathe, 5488

Sire Camosw & ser Casany with all þer kidd ostis,
And uno ser Clambert þe kene was kyng of þer ostis;
Gamarod þe goblyn a-nothir grym² sire,

Marthynye þe myȝtfull & Magon his fere,
Appedanore, Olathers & Alane þe grete, 5493

And uno ser naȝy onone he in þe nabb speris.

He lockis in ase ser limy with a laith mey[n]þe,
And raryfey a riche ray he in þe roche stoppis,
Sire Filios, a fell kyng with all his fers kniȝts, 5497

And uno ser Bedwyȝ þe bald with many brȝit helmes.
Artemenus ase athifl kniȝfi also he in-parkis,

And uno ser Tarbyn a talkis with many toore
thousandis; 5500

¹ Or soos.

² Read grym.

Sire Saltry, a-nothir sire now is þe sowme reckend.
All þire he closis in þet clifis & cairis on forthine
To þe oceyan at þe ethes ende & þor in an Ile he
heres

Alexander comes
to the sunne at the
world's end.

A grete glamir & a glaum of grekin tongis. 5504

þan bad he kniȝtis þain vnothe & to¹ þat kiths awyn,
Bot all at come in-to þet cole crabbis has þain drenchid.

þan sewis furth þet sonerayn ay by þa salt strandis
Toward þe settynge of þe son in sonot of wintir;

He turns to the
west,

Sexi dain with his sworne sadly he ridis,
Risi on to þe rede See & reisid þare his² tentis. 5510

and reaches the
Red Sea.

þare was a miȝti mountayne at to þe mone semed,

He gessis it gaynir to god þan to þe grounde vndre,
And alike a founed fantesey þan fel in his heft,

How þat he liftid miȝt be fra þe lawe vnto þe list
sterres. 5514

He wishes to
ascend in the air.

þan made he smythis to gas smart & smethe him a
chaires

He has an iron
chair made.

Of blake iresh & of bigge & bynde it with cheynes,
A sekire segs in to sitt & sett him on-loft. 5517

to be raised by
four griffins.

And four Griffins full grym he in³ þet grymthe festes;

He makis to hinge ouir þaire heede in hokis of iren
Flesch on ferroȝ þain fra at þai miȝt noȝt to reches,⁴

To make þain freke to þe flift þet fede for to wyn,
For þai ware fastand be-fore haldein for þe names.

Now is he wot purþ þer wingis vp to þe wale cloudis;
So hiȝ to heuen þai hita hale in a hand-quile, 5524

They bear him up
to the clouds.

Midil-erih hot as a mynesteane no mare to him semed,

And all þe water of þe werd bot as a wræthen noddine,
þe verus of þe verny god environmentis⁵ his swythe,

And þan þai fel in a fliȝ as ferre fra his ost 5528 and descend in a
tot.

As any freke miȝt sounde in fifteene daies,
And he valurst with mikil vnhouse he to his ost

wynes. [Pl. 95 &c.]

¹ In the margin. ² MS. is his; with is struck out.
³ Read reche. ⁴ The first I above the line.

He wishes to die
in the sea.

He has a glass
box made
strengthened with
iron.

and supported on
stilts.

He makes the box,
and is let down.

He sees strange
four-footed fishes.

He is drawn up
again.

Strange beasts
attack his men.

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A nothine wonderfull witt · jis worthid in his her,
How he miȝt seke done sounde · in-to ps see bothom,
To see quat sechthe is seit · in ps salt water, 5533
How many kind of creatours · jet in ps cole duellia.
pan gert he comes for to gang · & grayth him a toomf
Of grome glitterand glas · with gressethis of iron,
jet he miȝt sitt in him-selfe · & with his seȝt perse
Ane & othare & al jing · at outwith lit longid, 5538
Sone was it blawen at a heade · & broȝt him be-forne,
AH boun as he hadd · & bunden with cheynes,
Pan of his bald bachelors · pe biggost out callis,
And rapt to paine pire rekenthis · to rewe & to hald.
He makis a conand with his knyȝte · & kend jaiw þe
time, 5543
Howe lange him likid fra þe lande · to leng in þe depe,
In at a wicket he¹ went · & wynly it speris;
Princes pointid it with pilk · & he þe plunge entres,
Pars saye he figours of fischiis · & fourmes diverse, 5547
jet kend he nouȝt so many kindis · ne of so quawnt
hevis.

Saxs ferl all off fourfeete · & farand an bestie,
Bot quas jai blischt enj þis berne · þan bade jai na langi.
And opir sellis² he says · at sal wald he nouȝt, 5551
jet wars vnlykly to leue · to any man wittis.
Some so þe setnes was gane · jet him-selfe made,
jai dreip him vp to þe drye · & he na dore safid,
pan rakis he by þe reede see · & rides ay þe sande,
Ferly ferre with his³ folkes · & flicchid his tentis, 5556
þore fande he besties enj þe brym · with bemes as sawis,
jet ware as blaid brene · as blaidis of swerdis,
jai sett in a sodd sorwo · & sallid his knyȝte,
Perrie doux of his princes · & perwas þur scheldis, 5560
Jit felid his folke of paine foy · fourme seone hundredth,
And fourme hundredth, & ferre · be fliti, jai dreid.

¹ In the margin. ² MS. seer sellis; with seer streck out.
³ MS. he, altered to his. ⁴ MS. repeats &.

pan drives he petlin with his dukis · in-to desert landis, He comes to a
Is riȝt betwene þe reede see · & Arrabie costis, 5564
A wilson wast & a wild · & wous full of needlis,

And jai ware helously hoge · & horned as Tupis.
jai turned down of his talkis · & with þur tyndis slope;
Bot þe dreast deels of paine died · of his dukis handis,
pan past he to a noȝtis place · & piȝt down his tentis,
And fand a batayf of bestis · as bremes as Je first, 5570
jai ware of figour & of fourme · as fendlis of holt,
With hony hedis & hoge · as horses it were.

And jai ware tacchid full of teeth · as tyndis ere of
harrows,

And fell flames as of fire · floȝs fra þalse mouthes.

A silly sowme of his sellis · was slane or he wist,
And he pan heftis his here · biddis, "hewis oþ, my
childire;"

Some are like
fencia.

5576

And ferly ferd of his folke · was in þe fild strangild.
Bot off þe dreys of þa denlis · jai drenchid or jai past,
pan foudis he furth with his folkes · in-to a filf entris,
And þur he logis with his lordis · & lengis for a quile.

For slike a fell infirmite · was in his hore bunden,
Beseafon þe bald stede · jet he for halo dies, 5582 Ducephalus dies.
þe berne blischtis on his blonke · & seyes his breth failc,
Sighis solently sare · & salli he wepis,
For he had standen him in stede · in stouris full hard,
Wot hit his wirschip in were · fm many wathis saued.
þe kyng to þis cariou · he castis his eyen,
Said, "fare wole, my faire foole · þou failid me neuire!
Sal now þi flesh here be freten · with fowlis & with
wormes,

5589

þat has so deyly done l · may, drifin for-beids!"

pan bides he jare a borynes · þis bestis in-to ligge,
Of scheme schemerand gold · as it a schrine ware,

A tombe as a tabernacle · & tildis vþ a cite

Alexander
lament over him,
and builds him a
costly tomb.

5593

In reuerence of þat richie stede · & eftir him it callis.

pan ridis he to a Reuerse · a rynde & a hoge,

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He comes to a
great river;

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Definty þe depe · þe men þare it callis;
Fyue thousand Olifants in fere · þa frithameft him brost,
A hundredth Milles¹ heny chargis · ware heweli for þe
ware.

and then to a
palace of Xerxes.

þan pas he to a proude place · a palas of ioye, 559
Of Sexis, at sum time · was senyour of Persy.
þar fand he garetis all of gold · & gildin chaunabres,
And many a miracle in þe mote · þat miche ware to
roke.

He took white
birds.

þar fand þai bridelis in þa bildis · borely & quite,
Of fofir fresch as any fame · as ere þir fedilid dowris,
þat see wald of a sekemant · or any sorow alid, 5605
Quopir he suld warisch of þat was · or of þe wend
tyme.

who can tell
whether a sick
man will recover.

For if þai blithly vp blenkid · & blischt on his face,
þan suld he conir of his² care · men knew by þe
takens;
And if þai chaungid open chaunce · his chev to be-hold,
Wikh-outeti doute he was dede · þan durid he na langir.
Now bowis furh jis baratour · & Babiliouy he wymsy,
Bretones ye bold kyng · & bringis him of lyus, 5612
Ane Nabizanda was named · & a noble kniȝt,
Was aiso þe proudest of his pirs · & prince of his ward.
He lengis in lithis & in lees · to his lyues ende,
A seuen monethis in sondis · & sende out a pistil, 5616
To his modis in-to Messedone · & to his maistir als
Of his aumtois, of his angwisch · & of his athill werkis,
And Aristotil be-lyne · him anotheris writis.
"To þe kyng of kyngis," quod þis clerke · "comande I
myselfe." 5620

Sire, quen I waitid on your werkis · I wex aft afraid
Sum grayne of godhede, I gesse · was growen þow
within;

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Aristotil's reply. For you has said þet neuir did seggi · ne saȝe bot þine
ane;

¹ L. e. thousand.

² In the margin.

þit myt neuir, I lufe oure lordis · my lege, ȝow with-
stande;
Size, blissid bo all pi bachelers · at þe in³ hales helpid!"
And now fynes here a fitt · & follows a-nothir. 5626

Ficesimus septimus passus Alexandri.

O ure bold kyng in Babilous⁴, nowe biddis vp a trewe, Alexander builds
a thron in
Babylon.
þe postis with all þe apertynance · as pure as þe
noble,

þat was so wonderly wroȝt · of werkis diverse,
þat alikis a sege vndire son · was nonise seno eftir.
So grote garisons of gold · þe grekis in broȝt, 5631
þe Medis & þe Masedons · many horsis chargid,
þat þai out of ynde & elz-quare · wiȝt olifants ledē;
It wald haue whisted any weſ · þat wotth to be-hold.
Twelfe cubettis fra þe cald erth · þe castis it oñ hyst,
And xii degrees all of gold · for gate vp of londis;
And twyse sex Semylacris · resid he þor-vndire, 5637
þat hold on hiȝe wiȝt paie handis · all þe hauy werke.
And þar was graynyn in þos gomes · with grekin letteris,
And titill in þe tried names · of his twelfe princes.
With ilk a statut þat pur stode · stoutly enarmid,
And euer-ilk a person a prince · payntid was eftir.

All þe sets of þa sage · was smangydys fyne, 5643 The rest was of
precious stones.
Off tried topaces & trews · tyrid was þe wares,
A tabernacle ouir þe trone · tilid vñ oñ⁵ loft,
And þan with stases of ilk state · walt þe stouris clustred.
A charboele as a chasse · was in þe cheſe boſt, 5647
þat brynt in bely-blind niȝt · as briȝt as þe soñ,
With Imagis vndire in ilkis nend · & Imyd in þe names
Of all þe provynçies & þe places · þat he was prince ouire.
And þal wan visid all in versis⁶ · in variant letters,
Sum in latens lare · sum language of greece,

Di scia 22 cubiti
lati,
with 13 images.

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Other inscriptions
in various
languages.

¹ In the margin.

² MS. Balliol.

³ In the margin.

⁴ MS. verser.

Assisid all of sex foote & sett in betwene,	5653
Ay thre paies on a plate qware a poyn特 ristis.	
Now sall I neuyn ȝow þe names note ȝo ȝo wordis;	
With the names of all the countries he had conquerid;	
ȝe pepil out of Pantihi is plant in first,	
Prute, Picard, & Pers & Pamphalia ¹ bathe,	5657
such as Portugal,	
Portingale & Puiters it paies me trouage,	
Arabia,	
Arrabe & Arboyes and Assie þe mare,	
Abbech & Aufrike & Acre anotheris,	
Ethiopia & Ethiopis þis ebrues folke;	5661
EE Emmony & Europe enterly me seruas,	
Ingland, Itale, & Ynde & Ireland occide,	
Meode & Mesopotamye & Massedeyne eke;	
Turke, Tuscane, & Troy and Tartary ² cleme,	5665
Surre, SyseE, & Saarde & Syres all ouire;	
Gyane, Garnad, & Grece & Gascoyne I hane,	
Baxe, Bayon, & Bardeux & Breteyl þe grante,	
Capido, & Calde þe Canony pepil,	5669
Russ, Romayn & Ramys a rent jai vs jold.	
All Calahore & Corwaile our conours obien,	
Balthe Naples & Norway þis Nauernes alt,	
þe heoris ³ out of Hungry & out of haythen Spayn,	
Frigie, Flandres, & Fraunce & Femony vs loutis;	
Acsionion, & Arcageo all of vs haldis;	
Tire, & Tasse, & Toscane our tributaris ere,	
Poliopeness, & Pentapol & Palestyne þe riche.	5677

[Here ends the fragment in the Ashmole MS.]

¹ MR. Pamphalia. ² MS. Tartary.
³ Sic; perhaps for heoris.

The remainder of the story may be briefly paraphrased as follows from the Historia de Proliis:—

Alexander next causes a golden crown to be made, adorned with precious stones, with an inscription.

A certain woman in Babylon is delivered of a monstrous child,

the upper half of which is born dead. A soothsayer tells Alexander that it signifies his approaching death.

At that time there was a man in Macedon named Antipater, who conspired with others to kill Alexander. He designed to do so by poison.

Antipater procures very strong poison, and sends it to his son Cassander. Cassander instructs his brother Roboas (whom Alexander loved, but had chidden for a slight fault) how to convey the poison to Alexander.

Alexander makes a great feast in Babylon. Roboas puts the poison in a cup, and hands it to Alexander, who drinks it, and cries out, "Help, help!" In falling, his sword pierces his liver; yet he rises again, and bids his guests continue the feast.

Alexander asks Cassander for a feather, to cause vomiting, and Cassander hands it to him, dipped in poison, which only increases the malady. Alexander passes a sleepless night, during which his lamp goes out. He crawls along on hands and knees to drown himself in the Euphrates. Roxana stops him, and replaces him in his bed, lamenting. Alexander sends for a notary to make his will.

The will instructs Aristotle to give a thousand talents of gold to the priests of Egypt. If Roxana gives birth to a boy, he is to be emperor; if to a girl, she is to be empress, married to some princely Macedonian, who is to be made emperor. Let Ptolemy have Egypt and marry Cleopatra; let Clether have Ethiopia, Antiochus Syria, Arrideus Peloponnesus, Arius India, Nicander Scelonia, Ysmachas Hungary, Haules Armenia, Lyochus Dalmatia and Sicily, Simon the notary Cappadocia and Pelagonia; lastly, let Cassander and Roboas have all as far as the river named Sol, and let their father Antipater have Cilicia.

When the will was made, there followed thunders and lightnings and great earthquakes, and all the world knew that his death was near. The Macedonians crowd round the palace, demanding to see him, and to know who is to be his successor. He names Perdiccas, to whom he commands Roxana and all his soldiers.

Then the Macedonians all begin to kiss him and to weep bitterly. Their lamentations are as low thunder, and even the sun is eclipsed.

A certain Macedonian, named Solentius, asks what they shall do when Alexander is gone. They all deplore the great calamity, and think that the great empire will fall to ruins. Alexander directs his crown to be sent to the temple of Apollo, gives instructions for the embalming of his body, directs Ptolemy to erect to his memory a golden sepulchre in Alexandria, and dies.

After his death, his princess dress the body in imperial state. He is conveyed to Alexandria, and buried in a costly tomb.

Alexander was of middle height, with a long neck, bright eyes, and ruddy cheeks. The days of his life were thirty-two years and seven months. He began to war at eighteen, and in seven years subdued all the barbarian nations. He was born on the eighth of the kalends of January, and died on the fourth of the kalends of April. He built twelve cities (which are enumerated).

Alexander's tomb was of gold. It was visited by philosophers, of whom the first said: "Alexander has made his treasure of gold." The second said: "Yesterday all the world was not enough for him; to-day four eils of it suffice him." The third: "Yesterday he ruled the people, to-day the people rule him." The fourth: "Yesterday he could deliver many from death, to-day he could not deliver himself." The fifth: "Yesterday he led an army out of the city, to-day he is led by it to his burial." The sixth: "Yesterday he pressed the ground, to-day the ground presses on him." The seventh: "Yesterday all nations feared him, to-day they despise him." The last: "Yesterday he had both friends and enemies, to-day all men are alike to him."

¹ Compare the *Gesta Romanorum*, ed. Herriage (E. E. T. S.), p 516, no. xxxi.

The Story of Alexander.

[THE following epitome of the life of Alexander, in English prose, is copied from the Dublin MS., beginning on fol. 45, back.]

Alexander the grete, þe sone of philip kyng¹ of macedon, which philip regned vij yere, and þe said alexander began to regne in the xvij yere of hys age.
 4 And he said to hys peple in his wise: "Fair lordes, I will in no wise be contrayre to your willies, ne to your dedes. But I schewe to you þat I late frawdres & malefis, & as I have loued you duryng my faders lyff,
 8 so will I do in tyme Cœsomyng. And I bothe counsell & pray you that þo dredle god, obeyo hym as souzrynn
 of al. And chese hym for kyng; & be most obeyssant
 to hym þat shall best purvey for þe gode astate of hys
 12 people, & þat shall be most debonar & mercifull to
 pure folkes þat besto¹ woll kepe justis & þe right of
 þe feble agenst the mighty; hym also that shall best
 dispoyse for þe pablyke wele² & for no dilectacion of
 16 wondly³ plessance shall not be slowefull to kepe &
 defende you, and by whom þe shall be defendytt, & al
 esch & harmer by þe meane of hys gode dedes shall
 be destroyed; And he þat most hardilie shall put hym
 20 in devour to distroy your enmys; for suche ought to
 be chosen kyng and none other."

¹ MS. þat besste þat best.

² A correct form.

³ MS. publyke like wele.

and him who the best
 endeavor to
 destroy your
 enemys."

þer also him
 who takes most
 care for the
 public welfare;

His people
applaud him.

"We beseech
thee to reign
over us."

He thanks them
for their prayers
on his behalf.

Darius, king of
Persia, demands
tribute from Inde,
which he refuses.

The Brahmins
of India tell
Alexander not to
use against them.

He goes to visit
them.

He finds them to
be very poor.

And whan hys people had herd hys reasons abouene-
said, & knownen his grates discreces, witt, & vnder-
standingy, thei wer gretly amerold, and answered to 24
hym þus : "We have herd & understand thy grates
reasons, And have ressyned & resseyne thy good
Councole, and theirfor we will & beseeche the that thou
regne vpon vs & haue þe lordship vpon vs. Duryng 28
þi lyf we hope þer is none that haue so wile deserwyd
to be our kyng." And þus Jai chose hym to be þair
king, and Coroned hym, & yaff hym þair blesseynger,
And prayd to god that he wold blesse & maynt[en]e¹ 32
hym. To whom he said : "I herd þe prayer that þe
haues made for me, besyching þat he wold stedfast þe
lone of me in your breste & congrex, And þat by no
maner of the delectacion he suffre me do þot thyng 36
þot is ayen your prefectes to my disworship."

And some after he send letters to all hys princees &
good townez of all hys Royaunce. And when [he] had
sent hym letters, one Dury, king of perse & of medy, 40
sent to alexandre for tribute like as he hed of hys
fadre. And he sent hym word at þe hennet þat layde
þe greet egge was dayde. And after þis alexandre
made grette conquestes, And conquerd Inde, he went to 44
a cuntrie called Bragassu; the which when þai wist of
hys Comyng, þai sent mony wise men to hym, whiche
salute hym & sayd : "Sir alexander, þou hast no cause
to werry vpped us, ne to enyll willyng; For we be² 48
both make & poure, & we haue no-þing bott sapience,
the whiche if you will haue, pray god þat he wyll
gyff hir the; for by batayll you shall never hafe hir."
And when alexander herd hym say so, he made all hys 52
oste to tarye, & with few of hys knyghtez went within
þe sayd cuntrie, to enquire further of þe trouth.
And when he entred within þe same ground he found
mony poore folker, women & chylde all naked, gad.³ 56

¹ MS. marnie. ² MS. be ben.

dering herdes in þe fildes. And he asked of Jai
mony questions, to whiche þai answerd wisely. And
þan he bad þalmake of hym come þing þat might
do þalm good & to all þair people, and he wold gyff
þalm it gladly. And þen Jai said : "Sir, we axen þe
none other þing bot at þou wold gyff vs enlastyng
lyfe." Thenne alexander answerd & said : "howe
64 might a man make other meanes liue enlastyng whan
he may not lemneth hys awne life one houre? And
þot þe axis of me is in no mannez power þat leueth."
Thenne Jai said to hym : "Sehn þou haue good know-
68 legh therof, wher trayvoleþ þou þiself to distroye all
the worlde and godre all þe worsly treasures, And
wotto not when þou must lefe þalm?" Then Alex-
ander sayd to hym : "I do nott all þis at þe say as of
72 myself. Batt god hath sent me thrugh all þe world
for teaxtis⁴ and magnifie hys lawe and distroy all þom
þat behew not in hym."

And some tyme Alexander wente disagyssell visityng
76 hys lorde & enquiring of þair dedes. And on a tyme
he Comes in to a towne of hys awne, And axew two men
of þe same towne biforen a ȝuge platyng, of the which
on said to þe Inge : "Sir, I haue bocht on house of
80 thys man; And, long after, I haue founde in it a
treasur vnder þe erthe, which is nott myne. And I
haue offerd to deliuer it to hym: And he hath refusyd
it; wherefore, Sir, I beseeche the he be compellyd to
84 take it, for also moche as he knoweth it is nott myne;
for I haue no right þerto." Thenne the Inge com-
maund⁵ hys aduersarie parts to answer to þe axme.
And þen he sayd : "sir Inge, that same treasur was
88 never myne; but he hath edyfyed⁶ in þot place that
was before comyn to all þeo that wold haue edyfyed
therin. And þerfore I haue no right to take it."

⁴ MS. and godre alle (fol. 46 b) And to gedyr all.

⁵ MS. to comand : (comand = to exalte).

He offers to grant
them a home.

They ask for
a lasting life.

He says he
cannot give it.

They ask him
why he tells so
much to us
what he cannot
long keep.

He replies that
he is doing God's
will.

He visits a town,
and sees two men
pleading before
a judge.

One says, "I have
found a treasure
in the house
which I bought of
this man; compel
him to take it."

The other replies
that the treasur
was never his.

Both ask the
judge to take it
himself,

but he refuses.

He feels that one
of them has a son,
and the other a
daughter. The judge
says, they must
be married, and
so divide the
treasure.

Alexander is
astonished,
saying, that many
judges would have
done otherwise.

The judge makes
a reply.

at which Alex-
ander marvels
still more.

Alexander comes
to a city where all
the houses are of
equal height, and
he asks where
householder there
is a grasse.

And þen þai both required þe Inge that he wold take
it to hym-self; to qwom he answerd & sayd: "sithen 92
it is so that ye say that [ye] haue no right hereto, se he
hath no right to whom þe heraytage hath longed and
yet bylongeth whar þe tresour was founden, how shuld
I haue any right þerto, that am bot a straunger in that 96
casa, And never afor herd speke þerof! And ye wold
excuse þerof & yewe me þe charge of þe tresour; 100
which is eyfull done." Thenne he askyd of þaim þat
had founde þe tresour, whether they had ony childreyn 104
and þe tone answerd & sayd, he hed a son; and [he]
asked þat other in like wyse, & he sayd, he hed a
doghiter. And þen þe Inge comandyd to make a
margaye bitwene þaim two, And at þai shuld haue þe 108
tresour by þat meane. And when Alexander herd þis
Iugement,¹ he hed gret mervayll therof, and sayd þus
to þe Inge: "I trowe þer is nott in all þe world so
rightwise a Inge as þou art." And the Inge, þat 112
knew hym nott, sayd & asked of hym whether ony
Inge in his cuntrie wold haue done otherwyse: "ye,
certainly," sayd alexander, "in many landes." Thenne
þe Inge, hauyng grete mervayll þerof, asked of hym 116
whether it rayned and þe sunne dyd shyne in the
lander; as he wold haue sayd, that it was mervayll
þat god shuld send ony light or rayne or other geode
thynges to them that do nott right & trew Iugement. 120
And therefore Alexander had gretter mervayll than by-
fore, And said, þer was boþ few suchs people vpon
erth as þai were in þat land.

And as alexander went owt of þat land, he passyd 124
þrough a cite in þe which all þe houses of þat Cyte
were of one hight, & byfore þe dure of every hous was
a grete pittie or grasse; in whiche cite þer was no Ingo,
wherof he had gret mervayll; and asked of þe inhabit- 128

¹ The latter syllable (*menc*) is written in the middle of the
lower margin of the leaf. Fol. 47 begins with he hed.

antis therin wherof such thynges shuld serue. The
which answerd hym & sayd: "First, for þe outragex²
hight of houses, lons & Justis can nott be long a towne
128 omong þe people." And þai sayd, þe Pittes & grases
wer þair awne houses, to þe whiche þat þai shuld
sone go to, and þer dwelle vnto þe day of Iugement.
And as tocchyng³ that þai hed no Ingo, þai sayd, þai
132 made good Justice of þom-selv, wherof þai nede no
Ingo. Thenne Alexander departed from þaim⁴ right
well pleasyd.

And afors hys deþ, he wrote a letter vnto hym
136 moder, desireng her to make no sorow for hym. And
sone after Alexander died & was putt in a cofre of gold,
& buried in alexandria with grete reverence by princez
& oþer grete lordes that keþel⁵ & fullifylid hym testa-
140 ment as he had ordeigned: thenne stert vp one of þe
greatest lordes of þaim that kept⁶ hym, and sayd þus:
"They þat neuer . . .

[The rest of the story is lost.]

¹ So in MS.; read outragewx.

² MS. join them.

* MS. keþeth. * MS. keþeth.

The inhabitants
explain to him
the meaning of
these things.

Alexander writes
to his mother,
die, and is buried
in Alexandria
with great
honour.

NOTES.

In the following notes some attempt is made to elucidate a few passages in the text, especially where additional light is to be obtained from comparing it with the original Latin, or with the other English versions. In some cases phrases are explained, but the reader should, in general, turn to the Glossarial Index for help with respect to the more difficult words. The question of the various texts of the Alexander Romance is more fully treated of in the Preface. It is sufficient to mention here that the Latin text cited below is the "Historia de preliis," as printed (at Strasburg) in 1482. The English alliterative fragment cited as "A." is that edited by myself in 1867 as an Appendix to William of Palerne (E. E. T. S.); whilst that cited as "B." is the text called "Alexander and Dindimus," also edited by me in 1878. These two fragments are allied to very different parts of the present text. A part of A. resembles ll. 23—803^a of our text, whilst B. resembles ll. 4019—4714.

Lines 1—22 are obviously original, and intended as a Prologue.

13. *Bot iſ*, unless. "It were a wonder else, unless they would in many a way (desire to hear wanton works); for, as their wits are within (them), so their will follows (those wits)."

15. *Etwilis*, I will endeavour, the present being used for the futura. *Etwilis* is the first person; and the suffix *-is* at once marks the dialect as Northumbrian; for further remarks on this point, see the Preface.

17. *The bube*, i. e. the Latin text here followed.

18. "All the world over" is a phrase still in use.

21. *And ye will*, if ye will. *Reaxiz*, men, hearers; the story is supposed to be recited or read aloud.

23. Here the Romance begins, and in order to show clearly how the translator has treated his original, the whole of the first chapter of the Latin text is here given, answering to the Primum Passus of the translation, which ends at l. 213. It should be further compared with the corresponding passage of A., viz. ll. 452—573.

"[S]plendidissimi Egipci, scientes mensuram terre undasque maris et celestis ordinem cognoscentes, id est, stellarum cursum, motum etiam firmamenti, tradiderunt etiam uniuerso orbi per altitudinem et per noticiam artium magiscarum. Dicunt enim de Anectanabo rege ipsorum quod fuerit ingeniosus in astrologia et mathematica studitus. Quidam autem dicit dum nunciatum fuisset ei quod Artaxes rex persorum cum valida massæ hostium super eum veniret, non modis militari neque preparavit exercites, sed intravit cubiculum palacii sui; et dependens

concham etiam plena aqua pluviali tenescere in manu virginem etiam, hic per magicanum incantationem denuncat etiam conoscat, et per magicas incantationes intelligebat in ipsa concha classes nascim super eum potentissimas vententes. Erant enim principes in custodiam militis positi Anecta[na]bi a confusione persarum. Uenit quidam exors dicens, "Maxime Anectanab, insurgit in te Artaxerxes rex persarum cum multitudine hostium et gentilium infinita. Sunt enim Parthi, Medi, Perso, Syri, Mesopotamii, Drapes, Phares, Argiri, Caldei, Bachiri, Cossiceni, Hirreni, atque Agisphii, et alii plurimos gentes de orientalibus partibus procedentes." Cum hoc audisset Anectanab, suspirans dixit: "Custodiam quam tibi confididi bene obserua, sed non tamquam sicut princeps militis egisti, sed sicut homo timidis. Uirtus enim non hec valet in multitudine populi sed in fortitudine animorum; et ne scis quod vnu leo multos cervos in fugam vorit?" Et hoc dicens iterum intravit cubiculum suum, et fecit manicas etiam in concha cum aqua plena pluviali, tenesque in manu virginem palme et respiciens in ipsam incepit tota viribus incantare, et videlicet qualiter egypti sternabantur impetu clausum Barbarorum. Statimque intulit habitu, radens sibi caput et barbam, et tulit aurum quantumcumque portare potest, et quae cuncte erant sibi necessaria ad astrolagium et ad artes magicas exercendas, fugit prope pelusium da egyptio. Denique veniens ethiopiam induit lumen vestimenta egyptiis quasi propheta, intravit macedoniam, sedensque manam (sic) grecis (sic) coram omnibus palam videntibus diuinabat. Egyptii vero ut viderunt quia Anectanab non lenocinatur ad cursum, perrexerunt ad Serapem deum illorum maximum, et rogaverunt eum ut vera responsa daret eis de anectanabi rege eorum. Serapis autem respondit: "Anectanab rex vestar alijit de egypto propter Artaxerxes regem persarum, qui vos suo imperio subdagebat. Post modicum vero tempus reveretur ad vos reiungendo a se servitatem et vicitur de inimico vestris subiungendo illos vobis." Et huc responsa recipientes statim fecerunt statim regalem ex lapide nigro in honorem Anectanabi, et scripserunt ad pedes eius responsa ut in posterum memoriis mandaretur. Anectanab autem mactat maledictione incognitus."

We must not omit to notice here that Gower, in his *Confessio Amantis*, bk. vi. (ed. Pauli, iii. 61), gives a long extract from the *Alexander Romance*, which he designates as being

"A great emperour,
Which ever into memorall,
Among the men, how so it wende,
Shall dwelle to the worldes ende."

See also the verse translation of "Kyng Alisander," edited by Weber, and the *Life of Alexander* by Plutarch.

25, 26. Here we have mention of the two lower elements, earth (mudde) and water (see).

27. Here the third element of air is mentioned, beyond which was a "periphery" of fire, not noticed. The "odde house" above the air

refers to what Gower calls orbis or the fifth element, otherwise the firmament; see Conf. Amant, iii. 105, 107. In this orbis are contained the seven planets and the fixed stars. The "courses of the clear stars" in 1.28 refers to the orbits of the planets.

29. For *ayhill tre* read *ayhill thre*. The reference is to the three "peripheries" into which the element of air was subdivided.

"This air in peripheries tire

Dervidel is, of such degree," &c.; Gower, C. A. iii. 93.

Articus and *Asturicus* refer to the two poles of the heavens.

35. A clear reference to the opening words of the Latin text—"Sapietissimi Egipci," &c.

36. "They taught all, that desired to learn it, (some) of that lore." *Lore* is here improperly used, the right word being *lore*. The converse error, of using *lore* in the sense of "teach," is common in provincial English.

41. "When he beheld the heaven, he was wise enough to reckon the destinies of men alive."

44. How Aristotle taught Alexander "the nature of philosophy" is told by Gower in his seventh book. On the "seven arts," see my Notes to P. Plowman, p. 243.

46. The three authors alluded to are doubtless Plato, Pythagoras, and Prician; they are not mentioned in the Latin text, the translation being much amplified.

50. "To pass (i.e. to march) against him."

56. Compare A. 480—"Of rain-water ryght full / Je rink gon it derves." Lat. "cocham plenam aqua pluvialis."

70. *Hare* wind, bear wood, i. e. bare wood, one stripped of leaves, as in winter-time. So also "bare chev" and "bare tuyges," Gawain and the Green Knight, 743, 746; "a forest highe and here," Le Morte Arthur, ed. Furnivall, i. 314.

71. *Axe*, for Anectanab; this shortened form occurs frequently.

81. *Artaxerxes*, Artaxerxes. As in all M.E. poems, the spelling of proper names is very inaccurate. So in 1. 87, the MS. has *penify*.

87. These names may be compared with those in the Latin text (above), and in A. 494—500. Hence *Syre* is Syria; *Syrax* (perhaps suggested by Sicheim in the Bible) answers to none of the Latin names; *Cipidor* no doubt means Cappadocians; *Faire* represents the Lat. *Phares*; *Batory*, the Lat. *Bachiri* (perhaps Bactrians). See note to A. 493.

97. *Kepo to je sareke*, guard the border-land; or, as A. has it, "Keeps well thyne owne koste" (cost).

105. "But only in that case where they (i. e. men) are blended (i. e. compounded) with greatness of will" (i. e. of courage).

107. For *je* (as in MS.) we should certainly read *ju*, thou (voc. case).

110. "Will cause to take to flight, and will terrify, many harts." See note to A. 515.

118. "Without more hindrance."

125. None of the texts help to explain this line.

128. This line curiously resembles that in Chaucer, C. T. 3209—"His astrolabe, longing for his art." See Chaucer's Treatise on the Astrolabe.

129. *Quadruplices*, quadrants. We suggest this word as an improvement upon the corrupt reading *Ix aduentis* of the MS. The alliteration demands a word beginning with *qu*, and as the MS. has the rest of the word, the correctness of the suggestion can hardly be doubted.

130. *Mobil gust*, much of various kinds, many various things. See Morris, Outlines of English Accidence, p. 137, § 213.

145. *Openly dreynes*; Lat. *a palam . . . distinatis*. Frequent similar coincidences of expression leave little doubt as to the fact that the poet's translation was made (mainly) from the "Historia de preliis."

146. "Let him hear, whose desired"; *ære* being in the imperative mood. Phrases of a similar cast are not uncommon in Middle English.

150. *Tere* is a less common form of *tore*, difficult; see *tere*, *tor* in Strainmann, and the Glossary.

161. *Ser Seropis*, the Egyptian god Serapis. See I. 5409.

168. This is an instance of an ambiguous oracle, but the ambiguity only appears in the original Greek, as given in the note to A. 565. It could be read as meaning: "Your fugitive king will again return to Egypt, not as an old, but as a young man, and will destroy and subjugate our enemies," or otherwise, "and will subjugate our enemies, the Persians"—*τοις εχθροῖς τῷσαν νίπειν θύραι*. See II. 184—189 below. It was fulfilled in the latter sense, when Alexander, the son of Anaxeranthes, arrived in Egypt before defeating the Persians; see II. 1121—1136.

174. *Bors*, shall be; just as the A.S. *bōm* is often used with a future sense.

179. "Since it is ordained to be so, and it cannot fail, nor (be) shewn to be in any other way, nor (are) we (likely) to avoid it, (there is nothing for us) but to give them up the girdle; it avails us not (to think) otherwise." Many of the sentences have similar abrupt transitions; it is easier to catch the sense than to define it precisely. The phrase "to give up the girdle" means to submit to the inevitable, to acknowledge oneself to be powerless, and is a translation of a French proverb given in Cotgrave, a. v. *éjective*. In Howell's Familiar Letters, 5th ed. (1678), p. 463, we find: "The other Proverb was *H'a qu'rite as cloustre* (*sic*), he hath given up his girdle, which intimated as much as if he had become bankrupt, or had all his estate forfeited. It being the ancient Law of France, that when any upon sum offence had that penalty of confiscation inflicted upon him, he w'd before the Tribunal of Justice to give up his *Girdle*, implying therby, that the girdle held every thing that belonged to a mans estate, as his budget of money and writings, the keys of his House, with his Sword, Dagger and Gloves, &c."

192. Here again we are referred to "the book"; and accordingly the Lat. text (sign. a, col. 2) has "*ex lapide nigro.*"

199. For "at his fortis," as in MS., read "at his feet," as in A. 570. Lat. "*ad pedes eius;*" same column.

210. *All his aye*, alone by himself; precisely equivalent to the mod. So, *his lase* (short for *his all aye*).

214. Here the Second Pausus begins precisely where the second chapter of the Latin text does, but comprises four chapters of the latter; and, in general, each Pausus contains several such chapters.

227. "Put his hand up to his hair, and beat it downward but a little." This was a form of salutation, much like that practised by the modern soldier. Lat. "*extendensque manus suam salutantem eam;*" a 1, back, col. 1.

228. Lat. "*Aus regum Macademie; diligentes ei dioeces dominae.*"

245. "For there dwelt, in that region that thou before didst speak of, the wisest men," &c.

237. "Whether the child be a male or a female." *Werols*, destined.

274. Lat. "*petulit de sinu suo purificam tabulam cream et eburneum mixtam auro et argento, tunc in se circulos continentem. Primus continet in se intelligentias duodecim. In turcio vero sol et luna parebant. Post haec apparabat cathera obtemperat ex eo proutlibet septem splendidissima astra, horum explorantes et natus hominum, et septem lapides sculptos et duas lapides ad castellum hominum constitutas;*" i. 1, back, col. 1. The "bleslande" was an astrolabe planisphere, with circles (1) of the 12 intelligences, (2) of the "dozen of beasts," i. e. 12 signs of the zodiac, (3) the circle of the sun and moon. Gower expressly calls it an astrolabe; C. A. iii. 64. And see Kyng Aliassander, ed. Weber, I. 287.

282. The seven stars are the seven planets, and the seven stones are the precious stones severally assigned to them; see them enumerated in the note to A. 628.

295. "What shall happen between us, via, between me and Philip?"

299. "Nevertheless, ere any long time, it shall happen as thou saidst."

308. *Or it be fare*, are it be far, are long.

309. *Is anel*, is destined to know thee carnally and afterwards to help thee in all adversities.

317. "But just so between the two, and too much of neither."

318. "With two tough horns, attached to his forehead." These horns characterised the god Ammon. Hence Alexander acquired the surname of Dulkamein, or the two-horned, as being the supposed son of Ammon.

340. *Eres till emplice*, eager to exorcise. Here *eres* stands for *ezorn*, eager, as shown by Mitzner, a. v. *ezorn*, and of Alex. A. 1091. In the word *exorcize*, the symbol 3 stands (as occasionally in other

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MSS.) for the letter *a*. *Ehia euer elke*, conjures continually. The verb *elken* is only known to occur in two other passages, both in Gawayne and the Green Knight, II. 379, 2467—

"Fyrest I eþe þe, hafel, how þat þou haties."

I. e. first I conjure thee (to tell me), noble one, what is thy name. And again—

"Perfore I eþe þe, hafel, to eom to þy naunt."

Dr. Morris translates it by 'ask,' and Mitzner thinks it may be allied to the word *esk*. Both have missed the obvious etymology. The M.E. *e* (when long) often corresponds to A.S. *ēf*, as being a modification of *d*; as in *elke*, possessions, from A.S. *ēfēm*, a derivative of *dym*, to own. So also here, *elken* = A.S. *ēfēn*, to conjure by oath, from *ēf*, oath. This sense explains all three passages.

368. "Then shall I cherish thee with such demeanour as if thou were my child." The translator has quite missed the point. Lat. "to quasi patrem pueri habeo;" a 2, col. 1. In fragment A. 771, this is given correctly.

397. "For it (the child) and Philip her husband were related afar off," i. e. were not sufficiently nearly related.

403. "Even to the value (lit. weight) of a pea."

408. See note to fragment A. 808.

421. "Make his market with her." Doubtless a proverbial phrase.

423. See notes to fragment A. 826, 837.

427. *The bōuse*. Surely the translator must have read his text as having *cursus* (not *corvus*) *sollis*. *Bōuse* would signify limit, orbit. This is verified by I. 442, where we have the very word "course." So also in A. 853. Other versions have *kerēwepa* (Non (see Notices des Manuscrits de la Bibl. du Roi, xlii, 233, Appendix); *sollis* *effigies*, *sollis* *furcas* (id. 270); and *le cher de soleil* (id. 276).

440. *Clefe salti*, shall achieve, or attain to be.

464. "Either meat has mended thee," i. e. food has fattened thee.

477. Read þe ne for þe þe. "No blame shall be to thee from me, nor from any man else."

488. Here the translator again appeals to the Lat. text, which reads: "Anectanabus autem per artem magicanum induit formam draconis, et per medium trichiniam discumbendum transiens fortiter sibilat, ut concutentes omnes pavore ac perturbatione maxima torquerentur;" a 2, book, col. 1. Cf. Gower, C. A. iii. 74; and Alex. A. 881.

501. So also in Gower, C. A. iii. 76; and Alex. A. 999.

525. See the French version of this passage, as given in Alex. A., p. 290.

532. For *douts*, a better reading would be *douts*, i. e. fears.

533. "On account of the pain I go nearly mad, and I suffer such woes that I would rather be dead (lit. it were dearer to me to be dead) than thus remain alive."

580. *Schontid*; Mr. Stevenson prints *schontid*, but the Lat. text

shows that the right reading is *schontid*, i. e. shunted, moved; Lat. "vidi clementia mortui;" a 2, back, col. 2.

581. "And nevertheless, on any account, let him be kept awhile and nourished as particularly as if he were my own."

583. "Yet will noble people make remembrance of him, and record it hereafter, that I had in my time such a divine son."

588. The poet here departs from his original, which says, on the contrary, that Philip's elder son was not to be his heir; Lat. "in filii quem ex altera uxore habui succedat [Alexander] locum;" a 2, back, col. 2.

597. As the Latin text is appealed to, the description of Alexander is here given. "Cona capitis sicut leonis aspera videbatur. Oculi eius sicut stelle micantes soli coloris dispari radiante, vultus niger, alter vero glaucus apparet. Dentes siquidem eius erant acuti, impetus illius feruidus vt leonis."

606. "If as the original shows, he was wall-eyed." Here "wall-eyed" seems to be used in the sense of having eyes of different colours.

642. "He escapes him with great difficulty, unless he can skip away quickly."

668. *Se party* is, is so different from mine.

676. "It shall not annoy thee to the value of an egg, viz. none of his thoughts" (that annoy you).

678. Here begins the Dublin fragment; see p. 23.

684. For stora red merð, as in the Dublin MS., on account of the alliteration. The reader, having both texts before him, can readily supply for himself improvements of this character.

686. "Only follow me." Here *neqt* *bet* is the familiar North of England *nobbut*, i. e. not but, only.

692. "Many winters being done," as in Dublin MS., i. e. many winters ago.

703. Lat. "Vide stellam Herculis qualiter conturbatur. Mercurius vero gaudet. Iouem siquidem video coruscans;" a 3, col. 1.

708. I. e. death at the hands of my own son. Cf. I. 722.

722. Here two leaves are lost in the Ashmole MS., as shown by the Dublin MS., which supplies the missing 122 lines. As we are here dependent upon one MS. only, the corresponding portion of the Latin text is here given (a 3, col. 1, 5c.):

"Alexander dixit, 'Ergo filius tuus sum?' Anectanabus respondit, 'Nonra ego genui te.' Et heo dicens expiravit. Alexander autem filiali pietate motus cleausque corpus eius super lumines suos portauit ipsum in palacium sumum. Cumque viserat illum Olympia dixit Alexander, 'Fili Alexandre, quid es hoc?' Cui ille respondit, 'Corpus Anectanabi est.' Olympia dixit, 'Anectanabus pater tuus fuit.' Respondit ille, 'Quemadmodum stultitia facit tua, ita es.' Et iussi illud sepeliri.

Qualiter quidam princeps de Capadoccia adduxit equum buci-fallum ad Philippum regem Macedonum.

[I]n ipsis desiquis temporibus princeps Capadocie adduxit vasum equum indomitus, magnum corpore et pulchrum nimis, ligatusque ex cassi parte catenis ferreis. Comedebat enim illi equus Bucosaurus homines, propter aspectus horribilitatem, sine a signo quod thanatum caput quod manus habebat vatum, sed quod in fronte eius quedam minime corniculorum procedebant. Cum igitur vidisset Philippus rex ipsius equi pulchritudinem, dixit ministris suis: Confite te cancellos ferreos ut latrones qui mori debent ex lege trucidentur ab eo.

Qualiter relatuem fuit Philippus quod illi post eum regnare debebat qui dictum equum Bucosaurus equitabili et de Alexandro sedente in curva et de verbis habitis cum rege Arridorum.

[I]n ipsis denique diebus responsum habuit rex Philippus per somnum quod post mortem suam illi regnare deberet qui hunc seruos equum equitaret. Alexander itaque cum esset annos duodecim factus fortis, andas, sapiens et discretus. Dicidenter enim plene omnium liberalium artium disciplinas Aristoteli et erastiorum. Quandam vero diu cum petrassaret per locum ubi statuit illi equus indomitus, ut videret inter cancellos ferreos, et ante eum manus et alia membra hominum dispersa incentus, miratus est valde; misit igitur manum suam per cancellos. Equus autem extendens collum suum cepit lambere manus illius, et prostrauit se in terram pedibus complicatis, ergoque caput cepit fortiter aspicere Alexandrum. Intelligens autem Alexander voluntatem equi aperuit cancellos, et ingressuam cepit dorsum equi saunter manu tangere. Statimque incepit illi mansuescere nimis. Et sicut videtur canis coenam domino suo, sic equus coram Alexandre parabat. Desiquis Alexander ascendit ilium et equitanus cepit exire. Cumque ergo vidisset eum Philippus, dixit ei: 'Fili Alexander, omnia responsa deorum impleta sunt in te, quia post mortem meam regna mea tuo imperio gubernaberis.' Cui Alexander ait: 'Pater, si fieri potest, dirige me ut in curva sedeam regali.' Respondit ei Philippus: 'Grauitate hec facio. Tolle tibi centum equites et septaginta milia solidorum aureorum, et vade potenti militia circumfusum.' Et factum est. Exiit igitur Alexander via cum Ephesio philosopho amico et duodecim pueris quos elegerat et ingruo suo docerant, detulissent ornamenti preciosa et solidos. Preceptaque militibus suis ut equis curam impenerent diligenter. Ueniente itaque Alexandro in Peloponensem, occurrit ei Nicolaus, rex eiusdem provincie, cum exercitu suo, ut pugnara cum eo committeret. Et appropinquans dixit ei: 'Quis es tu, dio mihi?' Cui Alexander respondit: 'Ego sum Alexander Philippus Macedonicus.' Nicolaus rex ait: 'Quem me speras esse?' Alexander respondit: 'Tu es rex Arridorum. Non tamen elector cor tuum in desperabo, quia regalem honorem tibi attribui. Solentque alta petere profundum, Parvulus vero usque ad sidera sublimari.'

Compare also Alex. A. 1110—1201.

751*. "Bears a brand on his shoulders like a bull's head, and out of his top there stick up as it were tines of horns." Thus the English version adopts both reasons for the name of Bucephalus (i. e. Bull-head),

where the Latin text merely offers alternative explanations. The reason assigned in the Greek text is: Λευκὸς ἡ τῷ μηρῷ αὐτοῦ ἐκσπάεις εργάζεται (Notices des Manuscrits, xiii. 248). See note to Alex. A. 1114, p. 248.

765*. *At*, from. As to the seven arts, see note to l. 44 above.

769*. *Warrlobat*, fettered. In the Prompt. Parv. we find *warloben*, a fetter-lock. The verb is also found in the form *warruben*, as in P. Flownian, B. iv. 20.

778*. Here a line has probably been lost, as shown by the sudden change of subject. In the preceding line, *lys* refers to Alexander; but here *lys* refers to Bucephalus. In Alex. A. 1164, the words *pe horas it usque* partly fill up the gap.

803*. Here ends all agreement with fragment A. of the romance. Here also begins the imperfect edition of Julius Valerius, as edited by Mai in 1817.

809*. "Neither men nor any excellent armour shall be lacking to thee; and hold on (go forth) with a well-equipped (lit. hale) army, where thou shalt be obeyed." For the form *helden*, see *helden* in Stratmann, A. 820, p. 39.

815*. It is remarkable that the Latin text has *Ephesio*, for the English form *Ephesio* is somewhat nearer the mark; probably our author found in his copy the form *Epikestio*. The person alluded to is certainly Hephaestion of Pella, celebrated in history as Alexander's friend; even in the romance the Greek text has *Hēphestiōs* (Notices des Manuscrits, xiii. 248).

829*. Julius Valerius says that Nicolaus was king of Acernania (ed. Mai, p. 3).

729. *Sic me agnos*; *So meadeus*. These are corruptions of the hybrid phrase *So m'ead'e deus*, so may God aid me, the first word being English, the rest French.

738. *As angry as a wasp* is given in Heywood's Proverbs; see Stkelon, Elynour Rummyng, 230, and Dyce's note.

743. The Ashmole MS. is right here; it means, "as a speck of my spitte is sprinkled on thy face." See l. 745.

748. *Cure*, i. e. cur, housed; Lat. "Tolle quod to decoct habere, catule, et embrocis;" a 3, back, col. 2.

757. *Seiz*, shall see; cf. note to l. 174.

758. "And I will either gain for myself thy kingdom, or reach up the girdle." To reach up the girdle is the same as *give up the girdle*; see note to l. 179. Omit the second me in the Dublin MS.

773. Lat. "Itaque tuba bellicis clangentes veterne hostiliter sunt commoti, et acriter pugnare operantur;" a 4, col. 1.

798. In the Dublin MS. the insertion of *par* before *sod* seems necessary; "they wrested in pieces their wood," i. e. the shafts of their spears. It deserves to be especially noted here, as a proof of our author's political power, that the whole of the fine passage comprised in ll. 777—806 is expanded out of the four words *et acriter pugnare operantur*.

804. *Strund stans*, shining stones. This seems to show that the helmets of chieftains, at any rate in romances, were adorned with gems.

817. The Ashmole MS. is the better here; Lat. "Impensurant siquidem milites Alexandre et equus coronam;" a 4, col. 1.

821. "Inuenit autem Philippum in coniuncto nuptiali sedentem;" ib.

825. This line is hardly correctly translated. Lat. "Primo mes victorie palnum recipi coronatum. Attamen quando matris nymphas celebrabo, sociando can regi alteri in uxorem, te nullatenus innibabo; cum igit nuptias facias, ad quas nullo indicio sum vocatus;" ib.

834. *Lixias*; Lat. "Lixias;" Jellius Valerius has "Lysis," p. 8; but Pustach has "Atlas."

838. *Wardere*, warden, i.e. staff or truncheon; Lat. "bacula."

847. *Sospire*, trips up. Though Strutmann gives but two examples of this word, it is not very scarce. Jamieson cites from Kelly, p. 26, the Scotch proverb—"A horse with four feet may sopper by a time," i.e. sometimes. "I sopper, as a horse dothe that tryppeth; my horse dyd nat stumble, he dyd but sopper a lytell;" Palegrave. And see Dyce's index to Skelton.

872. *At grotē*, to weep. The use of *at* for *to*, as in Scandinavian, is a clear instance of Northern dialect.

879. *Aces* *atid*, becomes one with, reunited to. *Woydis*, leaves.

885. *Littil kyngis*; Lat. "reguli;" a 4, back, col. 1. This accounts for the reference to the original "classis."

890. *Seis* *tell*; imperative plural. Lat. "Postquam enim Philippi filius adolescent, gallina quo amus generatissima consupstatio est sterilitate;" ib. An allusion to the fable of the goose with the golden eggs.

907. *Eremosy* is the usual M.E. form of Armenia; Lat. "Armenia."

911. This line is omitted in the Dublin MS., as shown by the dots. On the other hand, l. 933^o is omitted in the Ashmole MS.

916. Lat. "Panaria (sic) filius Cereunte;" ib.

935. *Hopid*, supposed; see Notes to P. Flourens, p. 371.

946. *Sygnes*, standards; Lat. "signa et vexilla;" a 4, back, col. 2.

949. Lat. "Fili Alexander, vbi est fatum quod a diis acceptisti, vt vicit et non vixit existeres?" (ib.)

959. *Bone*, murderer; Lat. "infectoriem;" ib. Cf. Icel. *beast*, a slayer. So also in l. 3248.

986, 985. Lat. "Uiri Macedones, Traces, Thessalonicenses, et Greci, intusimini Alexandrum;" a 5, col. 1.

1010. *Herv-eosla* is probably a compound word; lit. "army-weeds," i.e. armour. So also, perhaps, *tapp-haris*, hairs of our head, in l. 1009.

1018. "Quia insensu solent mortales recipere in luctuosa sea nimis contentes. Sene autem agunt cuncta consilia titubantes;" ib.

1028. *Caledone*; Lat. "Caledoniam;" a 5, col. 2.

1033. *Nanusey*; read *nously*, as in the Dublin MS.

1042. *Beausa*, beausants; used to translate Lat. *talenta*.

1044. "Alexander vero, recepero a Romanis tributo, et a cunctis

Italiam habitantibus regne ad mare Occidentis, quorum regio vocatur Europa, reliquit eos in pace;" ib.

1053. "In qua pacete rebelles inuenit;" ib.

1057. "Venit ad Pharaonem (sic) insulam ad deum Hamoneum consulendam;" a 5, col. 2. Valerius has "Pharao." In North's Plutarch, ed. 1631, p. 686, it is "the Isle of Pharao, the which at that time was a little above the mouth of the river of Nilus, called Canobin, howbeit it is now layned unto firme land, being forced by mans hand."

1063. The Lat. text (ib.) has simply "corvus," without further description. Read with *gyrois*; it means "a hawk with a huge head, the hottest on earth, (which head) was to look upon like a harrow, covered all over with tines." The allusion is to the immense number of tines on the horns of this very aged hart; they were as numerous as the tines (prongs) of a harrow. The age of a hart was known by the number of tines; see the Book of St. Albans.

1077. "In locum qui dicitur Taphostri;" ib. Valerius calls it Taposiria, which he explains as "tomb of Osiris;" from Gk. *ρωπες*, a tomb. The form *Cyphorezy* seems to have come out of *Taphosiria*, first changed to *Taphosir*, and then misread as *Cyphorez*.

1097. Note that l. 1098 is purposely omitted in the numbering; see footnote 1, p. 56.

1106. "Pest bibitam potionem mortem gustabie amaram. In iunctus enim finies tuos (sic). Noli tamen horam aut tempus inquirere, quia nullatenus tibi resulabo. Dicetur enim titulus a diis orientibus fatus tuum;" a 5, back, col. 1. As to this matter, see II. 5024, 5406, 5413.

1116. *Ascouloge*, Ascalon; not mentioned in the Latin text.

1120. *Alexandri*, as error for *Alexandria*.

1121. *Egypt*, an obvious error for *Egypt*, Egypt. The translator has inserted this line, quite forgetting that Alexander is already supposed to be there.

1125. This black monument is the one already mentioned, in l. 192.

1142. *Sydogne*, Sidon; not in the Lat. text.

1147. "What with one thing, and what with another."

1149. "Erat fortis civitas, tam maris circumdatione, tam edificiorum constructione, tam et ipsius loci fortitudine naturali quod nullatenus ciuitatem poterat cum impetu obtinere;" a 5, back, col. 2.

1154. *Pogadunde*, pepping. To *pogyle* is to bubble (Halliwell), or to purl, ripple (Jamieson). *Hardle* is shown by the alliteration to be an error for *pearl* or *perle* (as in Dublin MS.). The sense, however, is not 'pearl,' but 'ripple' or 'wave'; it is the Scotch *pirl*, a ripple (Jamieson). Thus the sense is—"the pure rippling wave (or bubbling ripple) encompasses it around;" a poetical rendering of *maris circumdatio*.

1171. Lat. "ad postformum Indorum nomine Iadeum;" ib. Josephus mentions this letter, and calls the high priest Jaddus; Antiquities of the Jews, bk. xi. o. 8, §§ 3, 4.

1178. "For the (sake of) any riches, advises him rather," &c.

1191. The right reading is to be got by comparing the MSS., viz. "I shall seche Iewise on the Iewes enuyse or I die." I shall enjouc such punishment on the Jews ere I die. *Iewise* is certainly an error for *Ierises* = *Ierise* or *Ierise*, not an uncommon word for judgment, punishment, used by Chaucer. It is merely the O.F. form of the Lat. *iudicium*. Lat. "Talem faciam vindictam de Iudeis ut discantur quorum precepta debent obseruare;" a 6, back, col. 2.

1193. Here begins the famous episode known as 'the foray of Gadire,' which is sometimes expanded almost into a separate romance. This foray is the subject of the first part of 'The Bulk of the most noble and valyuant Conquerour Alexander the Great,' printed at Edinburgh for the Bannatyne Club in 1834, being a reprint from an earlier edition by Arkenhoff in 1580.¹ It is concerned with the exploits of Meleager and others in trying to obtain cattle for the support of the army at Tyre. In the present romance, this episode terminates at l. 1336. *Gadires* is in the Latin text *Gadili*; and, since Pistorach describes Alexander as making war at this time against the Arabians of Antilibanus, I suppose the place meant is Kedesh in Galilee, which belonged to the Syrians, and is at no great distance from Tyre; see *Kedesh* in Smith's Dict. of the Bible.

1207. The Lat. has "predlamque duxerunt iugum"; a 6, col. 1.

1212. Lat. "Theoscellus dux armamentorum;" ib.

1225. *Aryzot*, not mentioned in the Lat. text till further on (l. 1277), where the Lat. has *Arrizot*.

1229. Lat. "Ganlus vero ipsius ducis armamentorum verticem aspernatus;" ib.

1242. *Boribus*; Lat. *Bitterius*. "Dens igitur huc omnis essent Bitterio cogniti, de ciuitate Gadili exiit cum equibus triginta milibus ad prolium preepsatis. Tanta siquidem erat copia pugnatorum quod ex nimio clamore tunc [read terra] tremere videbatur;" ib.

1270. *Maledit*; so written, but (by the common use of *t* for *c*) it stands for *maledict*, as noted by Stratmann, s.v. *malabren*. It means bewildered; see *Maledict* in Halliwell.

1322. This line, in the Dublin MS., is written in large letters merely because it is the first line on the page. Ll. 1281—1344, with all their graphic details, are expanded out of a few lines of the Lat. text, which merely has the following passage. "Alexander autem relinquens Tyrum venit in Iosephat vii Byantium et totum eius exercitum confudit. Resessus autem Tyrum innenit edificium quod in mari constructum funditus dissipatur. Ealaam enim eam omniibus habitantibus Tyrum, post recessum Alexandri egressum, edificium illud vix illiter expugnat. Quod videntes Macedones iterum turbati sunt;" ib.

1350. *Feciles to rute*; probably *feciles* is for *felles*, vessels (Stratmann). Then *feciles to rute* would mean 'vessels by measure,' which is equivalent to 'goods enough' in the Dublin MS.

1360. *Fealise*, for *feale* *hira*, i. e. tread her (the city) under foot; Lat. "ipsumque pedibus concubacis;" a 6, col. 2. "Fealer, to tread, stamp, or trample on;" Cotgrave.

1366. "Where the building that he built was first reared."

1370. *Ace old*, put for a sold, or one need, a needle; so also a *woylif* in the Dublin MS. The Lat. has: "Construxit itaque in mare ingressum edificium clausum quod erat centum anchorie aligatum. Erat signum tanta exsistitudo quod muris et turribus Tyrorum Alexander eminebat;" ib.

1385—1420. This spirited passage, evidently written with keen enjoyment of the scene, is not in the original.

1421—4. This somewhat varies from the original, which has: "De- scissis itaque anchoris edificium parebat ad latera muri ciuitatis;" ib.

1447. "Alii scilicet, ali manibus adherentes;" ib.

1457. "In quibus quanta mala sustinuerunt Syrii usque boc memoriam;" a 6, col. 2, and a 6, back.

1457. A large portion of the Seventh Passes, down to l. 1687, agrees rather closely with the account in Josephus, Antiq. of the Jews, b. xi. c. 8, which should be compared with the text.

1460. "Had refused him an errand," Ashmole; "had denied him by saying nay," Dublin.

1462. "In all his greatest need, had he not failed that man."

1466. "On as many halidoms as open and shut." The sense of *halidom*, in this case, is a small box for containing relics. Hence the phrase "to swear on the halidom"; Rob. de Brunne, *Handlyng Synne*, 5629. See the glossaries to Layamon and the *Ornulum*.

1469. *Jadeus, Jaddua*; see note to l. 1171.

1504. "Deinde ipsa ira domini concubat;" a 6, back, col. 1. Hence *ir*, not *oyre*, is right.

1513—1572. This splendid passage, abounding in fancy and invention, is not in the Latin text.

1536. "And powdered (sprinkled over) with jewellery, which was purer than (any) other." Cf. Risch, the *Resedes*, i. 46.

1575. *By sun shill*, for some reason. Lat. "peruenit ad locum qui sepolitus nuncupatur, unde templum et ipsa clivis conspectu;" ib. *Sospolis* represents the Gk. *σωρόλας*, a look-out place. Josephus (tr. by Whiston) says: "a place called *Sophia*, which name, translated into Greek, signifies a prospect, for you have thence a prospect both of Jerusalem and of the temple;" Antiq. xi. 8, 5.

1583. "Doctors both of dialectics and of degrees."

1592. Lat. "super caput oī[us]e habentem syndonem annundam et desuper laminationem aream fabricatam, in qua nomes dei tetragrammaton scriptae erat;" ib. Josephus likewise mentions this head-plate. The *tetragrammaton*, or word of four letters, is YHVH, or *Yahweh*, the exact origin of which is still disputed; see Gesenius, Heb. Dict. 9th ed. p. 233.

1605. Lat. "Uicit vicius altissimus Alexander vicit. Uicit vicius altissimus imperator Alexander;" &c.; a 6, back, col. 2.

¹ See an epitome of it in Weber's *Metrica Romane*, vol. i, p. lxiii.

1614. Lat. "Uidentes hec reges Syrie plurimum obstupfacti murmurabant;" ib.

1617. *Parmenou*; Lat. (ib.) "Parmenon;" in Josephus, *Parmeno*.

1620. *Ansell*; read *angell*, i. e. angle, corner. *Agy*, *Asia*.

1621. Lat. "illud siquidem in somno me negligere nullatenus incitabat, sed confidenter transire;" a 6, back, col. 2.

1623*. Not in the Ashmole MS. For *he*, read *I*, twice; for *happyd* read *happys*, 1st pers. pres. indicative. Lat. "Ideoque animaduerto ipsam esse quem per somnum intulor;" ib.

1629. *Lythis*, of, listen to; the reading *lightis* is corrupt. In the Dublin text it would be better to put commas after *d* and *sold*; it means, "and, as the law appointed, he offers," &c.

1635. See Daniel vii, 6; viii, 3—8, 20—22; xi, 3. The text probably meant is no doubt Dan. viii, 21.

1638. "Then we should be bound, all the heap of us, to speed those (otherwise, to pray for thee) for ever."

1641. *Men of Medi*, i. e. the Jews dwelling in Media. Lat. "vt Iudei in Media et Babyloniam constituti suis legibus potirentur;" a 7, col. 1.

1637. Here ends the parallel passage in Josephus.

1691. The Lat. text (ib.) calls him Adromonius.

1710. The words "he thought him so feeble" are in a parenthesis; the "three things" are in the accusative case.

1712. Lat. "Dirixit ei pilani Iudicium et zocham qas fit de virgine que a capite emissa, et cascram auream;" ib. See note to l. 1900.

1720. Part of the story here following agrees tolerably closely with the account in Julius Valerius, ed. Mat. ch. xlii, &c.

1725. *In fing with*; Lat. "vna cum;" a 7, col. 2.

1731. *Parasym* *pe plebours*, provided for thyself pleaders. *Plaunders* is here used as a term of reproach; Jamieson gives *plate*, a quarrel, brawl. Hence it means brawlers; Lat. "instrunculos;" ib.

1738. *Fere*, far, by a long way.

1744. "Therefore it is better to unbend [as in Dublin MS., for see 1374] and desist from thy violence, and feign all with fairness, and rejoice as far as you may." Perhaps for *feyse* (or for *fyses*) we should read *finge*, i. e. receive, accept.

1753. *Sorex* is certainly an error for *schrewe*, i. e. shrew-mouse. "Ane ord-grown schrewe" is a close translation of the Lat. "mus praeliens de scissura;" ib.

1756—8. Not in the original.

1759. Lat. "Egressus enim de terra Cethim et per spacioa loca Pesside traxit, saltus et ludos exercit [read exercens] vt mus in domibus vbi castile vel macropus nra sunt;" ib.

1766. "I shall set an assault (i. e. make an attack) on them."

1767*. "For if thou overshoot thy shot, thou spoilest thine arrows." A hyphen should be inserted between *over* and *shot*, *overshot* (*over-*

shot) being all one word. For the distinction between *shot* (*shot*) and *shote*, to shoot, see Strattmann, s. v. *schot*, *schoten*.

1774. *Fordie*, afford; the simple verb whence M.E. *afordien* (now spelt *afford*) is derived.

1792. *Atell*; for *athell* (the usual spelling). See l. 1831.

1809. "The great stores of gold shall gather up our hearts," i. e. rouse our courage.

1813. This harsh command is made more intelligible by noting that it was meant in retaliation for the threat of Darius to crush Alexander; for, in l. 1789, where the E. version has *pergit se to stife*, the Latin has "vt principem latronum erupfissent;" ib. Cf. l. 1821. Julius Valerius tells the story very well; cf. Mai, pp. 55, 56.

1816. "Alas! what fault lies in us?"

1832—3. The Lat. text is more clearly worded. "Sedentibus illis dixerunt Alexandro, Rex, si vestre placet molestias, imperato vt equites milie nobiscum veniant, quia Dariam in manibus eorum trademus, Quibus Alexander respondit, Letetur animus vester in hoc quod adeste, quia pro traditione vestri regis non dubitare vnuis miles;" a 7, back, col. 1.

1837. *Crest*; i. e. the crest on the seal; see l. 1845.

1846. "If we see with a sooth," i. e. truly; Lat. "si bene volumus inspicere veritatem;" a 7, back, col. 2.

1850. *Per rime*, the rim; not *per resse*, thy realm (as in Dublin MS.), Lat. "cum omnes in rotu fortunae volubili militemus;" ib.

1858. "Therefore a wise man, though he be in prosperity."

1859. *Set*, *sets*. This is a Midland and Southern form, short for *setto*; the right Northern form is *setid*.

1864. "Cum minimus expissione extollatur, et altissimus vase ad puluisum deprimatur;" ib.

1874. "Sed cum dii sint immortales, mortalium habere consolem penitus vilipendunt;" ib. He argues that, if Darius were really godlike, he would not have any transactions with a mortal like himself.

1881. "Nor any praise, except that you happened to overcome a little thief" (Lat. *latrunculum*).

1882. "But if it befal me, that am a child, to be the stronger" (lit. chiefier).

1893. Lat. "et quam nos dixisti habere paupertatem repellers;" b 1, col. 1.

1900. "Per zocham que a capite curua existit, contemplamus quod omnes reges et terrarum principes coram nostra presentia censurabuntur. Per canoram aures, quod caput hominis induit et congruit, nos victores et non victori arbitramur;" ib.

1911. Lat. "Primo et Antiochae atrapibus gaudiam;" ib. J. Valerius calls them *Hystrapes* and *Synther*; p. 61.

1915. *Fro*, from the time that. *For*, i. e. since, is better.

1924. Lat. "vt illo peccittere flagellato indecum purgata et dirigam cum matri sue Olympia derogatus;" b 1, col. 2.

1923. Lat. "sed cum parilia porrilia exerceo;" ib.

1942. "Before our worship departs;" or, "For our worship is gone."

1951. *Be* past, by that time.

1953. Lat. "super fluminis qui Stragma dicitur;" ib. J. Valerius gives no name to the river,

1970. "For very great (lit. well wide) would be thy weal," &c. Read *pi* wide, as in Dublin MS.

1972. *Moyntane*, hold, keep. Perhaps *pi-selfe* is in the dative, and means "for thyself."

1974. See note to l. 1744.

1976. *Nyg*, were it not for; understand *icer*. Note the reading *yg* ne ever in the Dublin MS. Lat. "Cum abeque nostra desolatione terra posset quasi vidua emacupari;" b 1, back, col. 1. Perhaps *riden* merely means "empty, desert," rather than "a widow."

1984. Lat. "heo grana pagaueris qui in mantica destinamus;" ib.

1988. "If thou faillest to count them;" Lat. "quod si facere non valebis;" ib. See *tradicio* in Strutmann.

1991. "For this seed that I send thee shall ever be uncounted;" Lat. "innumerabilis est nostrorum copia pagauerorum;" ib. For *seuise* read *exir*, as in the Dublin MS.

1997. *Tostis* is the right reading, as shown by the alliteration. Lat. "mittens manum in mantica tulit de ipso semine, mittentes illud in os eum capi mandare dicens: Uideo quod homines illius multi sunt, sed sicut hoc semine molles reperuntur;" ib., and col. 2.

2004. *Wold* north, would become, i.e. set out. For in the Dublin MS. is a mistake for words.

2021. "An heat (which is) a trouble thus to *conseruate*," i.e. too great to count; Lat. "maxima copia pugnatorum;" b 1, back, col. 2.

2025. "Shall be subdued, all the pack, unto these peppercorns" (Ashmole); "So subdued by all the pack of these little grains" (Dublin).

2037. Lat. "Amenta princeps militis;" ib.

2051. Lat. "passus fuli sol eclipsim solens tantam sanguinis effusio enim contemplari;" b 2, col. 1.

2060. Lat. "tergauesus de manibus inimicorum vix cum pacis eiusdem;" ib.

2067. *In his heel*, in the palm of his hand; Lat. "in manu;" ib.

2097. "His heart was none the fuller of pride, even by the value of a hair;" ib. "was never, the higher by a hair, his heart full of pride."

2103. *Cecile* is the usual M.E. form of *Sicily*; but the Lat. has *Cilicia*, which is clearly intended. So also in l. 2487. It is due to changing *Sicile* into *Siceli*.

2106. *Famulus*; Lat. text (ib.) *Sminia*, which is not called an island. In fact, the M.E. *ib.* merely means 'province'; see l. 2116, where it is used of Phrygia.

2109. *The tor of Tare*, the tor of Taurus. *Tor* is still used in Devonshire in the sense of hill-top. In passing from Cilicia, Alexander

crossed the Taurus range of mountains. Lat. "Ascendit . . . in montem Thraecum;" b 2, col. 2.

2112. Here the poet must have had a different reading or have used a different text, since the Lat. has only "in qua [ciuitate] sunt nomen milia;" ib. I have no doubt this allusion is due to a passage in Julius Valerius, ed. Mai, p. 69, where, immediately after a mention of the "enimen Taure montis" (see l. 2109), we have an account of Alexander coming to a "Pierian" city, sacred to the muses; "Ibide musae etiam Pierides consecratae videbantur, unaque omnigenum figura viventum Orphei musicas demontaria."

2117. Lat. "ingressus templo solis ibidem victimas immolavit;" ib.

2118. *Flum*, river; Lat. "flumen." *Fys*; the Lat. says *fifteen*.

2120. Lat. "Besti qui laudes Homeri adepti extis. Quidam vero ex circumstantibus nomine Deococistetus respondens estit: Rex Alexander, vberiores laudes do te scribere quoq[ue] fecit Homerus de his qui elutimatum destruxerunt Troianam;" ib. In l. 2123, *And* has the force of "than."

2124. Lat. "Magister, cupio sapientissime esse discipulus magis quam vallis laudes habere;" ib. The translator has quite missed the point; it means, "I would rather be the disciple of a wise man (like Homer) than receive the praise of an inferior man (like you)."

2131. *Abdrea*; Lat. "Abdyron;" ib. *Abdera* is meant; see J. Valerius, ed. Mai, p. 74.

2150, 2151. *Wysty*; Lat. "Breschia;" b 2, back, col. 1. *Guldpol*; Lat. "Caldicopolis."

2152. But the Lat. calls it "flumen semis;" ib. In J. Valerius, ed. Mai, p. 75, it is called lake *Maeotis*.

2165. "Then all the strong steeds stand us in stead not to the value of a straw."

2170. *Luctus*; Lat. "Lutros;" ib. *Locris* is meant; see J. Valerius, p. 77.

2174. *Tergaentes*; Lat. "Tragaeintes;" ib. In J. Valerius, p. 77, it is called *Aragantum*.

2179. *Zecora*; Lat. "Zochora;" b 2, back, col. 2. For *zecora* read *zecore*, as in the Dublin MS.; the Lat. calls her "sacerdos femina virgo."

2210. Insert to *foede*, i.e. to advance, as in Dublin MS.

2215. *Seckas*; Lat. "Zochus;" ib. The allusion is to Zethus, brother of Amphion,

2221—30. Not in the original. Cf. J. Valerius, p. 79.

2234. *Sicistrus*; Lat. "Sisterus;" b 3, col. 1.

2237. *Hissian*; Lat. "Yasinen;" ib.

2252. *Clytomenus*; Lat. "Dithomaeus;" ib. But Clytomenachus in J. Valerius, p. 83, where the story is told at length.

2258. Lat. "Ille qui Thebanas coniuncti cimitatum trea victori conqueretur;" ib. Thebes was rebuilt by Cassandra, B.C. 316.



2285. *Bardelle*, bundles; Lat. "precoes;" b 3, col. 2.

2286. Lat. "Sicci ciuitate vocor;" ib.

2288. *d.*; error for *at*, that. *T'same*, nickname.

2289. *Straxagoras*; Lat. "Straxagomas;" ib. In J. Valerius, "Sia-sagoras"; p. 86.

2290. *Dare* him *is*, esters; referring to Alexander.

2293. "He that ruled the city;" i.e. Strasagoras.

2308. "Non es digna sacerdotio fungi." Alexander ingressus est ad te, et bene vaticinata es ei; mihi autem dixisti quod vniuersum perdeverem principatum;" b 3, back, col. 1.

2312. "Veni Athens; audiens autem que Athenienses dicebant, scripsit," &c.; ib. The English is obscure, but is cleared up by referring to J. Valerius, p. 88, where it appears that the prince (l. 2311) is Strasagoras, who "goes to Athens, and complains of (Alexander) the noble one. And they (the Athenians) said harm would come to him (Alexander) unless he yielded up the city to Strasagoras."

2332. *Afrie*, an error for *Africe*; Lat. "Africe;" ib.

2348. *Echiles*; Lat. (b 3, back, col. 2) "Euseunus" as if *Eschylus* were meant; but J. Valerius (p. 90) correctly has *Echines*.

2352. *Douyseus*, Demosthenes; Lat. "Demosteni;" ib.

2361. *Sexes*, Xerxes; but the Lat. has "Semes;" ib. Cf. J. Valerius, p. 93.

2384. "Culpa enim Straxagonis interseruit; quoniam sicut audiuimus Alexandrum etiam sapientia circumfusa, quod sine culpa Straxagones minime electi essent;" b. 4, col. 1.

2397. *Peyse*, weight; "pensante libras centum quinsquaginta;" ib.

2412. Omit *d.*, which interrupts the sense.

2419. The English is obscure. "Non cogitamus ciuitatem vestram cum exercitu introrsum, sed tantum cum principibus quos habemus. Proposuimus signum vos ab omni suspitione criminis liberare. Uos autem de nobis centaurum cogitatis, prout vestra manifestat conscientia;" b 4, col. 2.

2425. "Sed, vt scitis, mali semper cogitant mala et committunt;" ib. The next line is not in the Latin.

2430. *Gressid*, degraded; "depressoem;" ib.

2431. "Scripianus vobis vt decem philosophes mitterentis;" ib.

2435. "Because yo hold to the counsels of the sage Demosthenes."

2440. *Lecologue*, Lecodemonia. Cf. J. Valerius, p. 111.

2451—2460. Expanded out of a few words; "Ascenderent etiam manus aliquip ad littus mari obuius exercent;" b 4, back, col. 1.

2466. "Et nolite manus extondere ad altissimum que tangere non potestis;" ib.

2469. Lat. "vt gratis do vestro manig' exentis primisquam ignis vos templer compellit posilire;" ib.

2480. Compare note to l. 2466 above.

2487. *Syria*, Sicily; but Cilicia is meant; see note to l. 2163.

2494. "Wherous I threatened him as being a robber (fit only) to

despol small nations." Lat. "Ego autem putabam illum esse latronum qui tanquam preda regiones debiles prolierat;" b 5, col. 1.

2505. "For his fame, notwithstanding all his littleness of stature, is celebrated throughout the world."

2506. Lat. "magnitudo nostra deficit;" ib.

2508. *Leues*, leaves, grants; answering to Lat. "concedere;" ib.

2512. *Oriosthre*; the Lat. has "Macker;" ib. But J. Valerius (p. 115) has *Oxyethrus*.

2512. "Magnificasti Alexandrum, dioces quod ille exaradescit legredi Persiandum quam nos Elladas occupare;" ib. Here *Elladas* clearly stands for *Hellas*, i. e. Hellas or Greece, and such is meant by *Elladas* in l. 2512. "We are to give up Greece, and he is to enter Persia."

2519. "Debet ab illo, non illo a me exemplum colligere?" b 5, col. 2.

2529, 2539. *Itoile*; Lat. "Itali;" ib. *Appelomedos*; Lat. "Appollomastis;" *Pansikis*, for *Parsikis*; Lat. "Parthi."

2533. "A wolf will worry many flocks of sheep." Compare the saying of Anectesabus in l. 109, which gives point to l. 2522 above. In the text, a *wee* is taken as being an inferior reading to *ja* *pe*, i.e. the man, which in that case is Alexander. This clearly gives the most point to the story, and was probably the original form of the narrative; and, if so, the gathering together of the Persians (II. 2327—32) should also refer to the same occasion; cf. l. 889. Still, it must be admitted that, as the story now stands, the right reading must be a *wee*, i. e. a certain man, viz. another of the couriers of Darius. This requires the insertion of marks of quotation after *dresce* (l. 2502), and then l. 2533 should be read—"ja, bot a wolf," quod a *wee* "will were [i. e. worry] many Beckies," &c. The side-note should be altered accordingly. The Lat. text and J. Valerius agree with this latter view.

2540. *Mecion*; Lat. "Oceanus;" b 5, back, col. 1. In Plutarch, the river is the Cydnus, according to the usual account. So also in J. Valerius, p. 117; cf. Kyng Alissander, ed. Weber, p. 145.

2554. *Philip*; called by Plutarch "the Acharnesian."

2559. *Permeo*, Parmenio; see the epitome of the story in the note to J. Valerius, p. 119. The Lat. calls him "Farmerius;" ib. Parmenio was put to death by Alexander, but not on this occasion. In fact, he is alive again in l. 3113. This error is noticed in Kyng Alissander, ed. Weber, p. 146.

2575. *Fysch-hale*, fish-whole, as sound as a fish. Hazlitt's Proverbs, p. 71, has "as sound as a roach" and "as sound as a trout." *Fysch-hale* occurs again in the Chevalier's Assigne, l. 353. And see l. 4222 below, p. 239.

2586. *Adrieos*; Lat. "Adriacum;" b 5, back, col. 2.

2588. *Vsconciol heris*, lost their courage; Lat. "timuerunt;" b 6, col. 1.

2592. *Him to tell*; an error for *thous to see*, to follow them, as in the Dublin MS. Lat. "deinde omnis exercitus sequebatur;" ib.

2593. *Writhis*, better *wrothis*, grows angry; "iratus est;" ib.

2598. *Syphus, ex Niles;* Lat. "in Nilo incorporautur" (*sic!*) ; ib. This is a singular specimen of medieval geography.

2600. *The flower,* i. e., the floral crown of victory.

2631. So also in J. Valerius, note to p. 119; and in Kyng Aly-
sander, ed. Weber, p. 160.

2646. "Nonne cognoscebas me esse Alexandrum adiutorum et
seruum vestrum?" b 6, col. 2.

2650. *Degredi,* subdue; Lat. "superare;" b 6, back, col. 1. But a
line or two should have been added after this line, stating that a new
battle took place, in which Darius was soon worsted.

2673. *Baculum;* Lat. (*sensus*) "Baculum;" ib.

2707. "Sed impossibili est iherem et penderosum assimus ad sidera
sublimari, cum aliis et volatilis carari instrumentis;" c 1, col. 1.
Hence *As = nis.*

2725. *Langus, langis;* Lat. "subridens;" ib.

2733. *Dodly, mortal.* "Siue mortales pununt cum sibi nomen
immortalitatis assumunt;" ib. Hence l. 2734 means—"who have
assumed the name of Lord of Immortality."

2759. *Syphogene;* Lat. "Deplogione" in the gen. case; c. 1, col. 2.
Syene, Syria, Cappadocia, Cappadocia.

2767. Lat. "et nostris militibus tam indumenta quam calicamenta
preparant;" ib.

2773. *Nostanda;* Lat. "Nostodi;" ib.

2795. *He,* i. e. Darius; as the Latin shows; c. 1, back, col. 1.

2810. *Lys,* I lie, abide; *talis,* I look, expect, wait.

2811. "And, as I hope to recover (lat, may recover) of my sickness
that I am now involved in, so am I sorry," &c.

2819. *Rodogone;* Lat. "Roduga;" ib. Her name was Syrigambis.
J. Valerius calls her Rodogone; p. 131.

2828. *Hodie, read home.* "For, as for any noble under heaven, it
were safer for him to give up that which he cannot have than to pursue
(his object) further."

2851. An early example of the "Birnam wood" story. Cf. Kyng
Alysander, ed. Weber, p. 168.

2875. *Eugenicles;* Lat. "Eumenius;" c 2, col. 1.

2882. *Gramous;* Lat. "Gramous;" ib. Evidently the Gramicus,
though the battle there fought belongs to an early period in Alexander's
career.

2884. *Strava;* Lat. "qui Stagia lingua Persica usurpatur;" ib.

2900. Lat. "cursu tam rapido fuit;" &c.; c 2, col. 2.

2906. *What does man, what sort of man, lit. man of what make or
sort;* Lat. (ib.) "quis es tu?" On this curious expression see my note
to P. Plowman, B. xxvii. 298 (p. 419); and cf. Alex. and Dindimus, II.
222, 293. For the story, cf. Kyng Alysander, ed. Weber, p. 171.

2935. *Anapo;* Lat. "Anapolus;" c 2, back, col. 1. In Weber's
edition, he is called Periage; I. 4230. Cf. II. 883—888.

2988. For *to* read *on*, as in D. *On the trode-gate, along the trodies*

road, along the pathway; Lat. "recto tramite incedebat;" c 2, back,
col. 2.

3003. Lat. "Sed antequam exiret, dissolutus est fluvius, et equum
eius absorbut, et ipsa cum difficultate maxima exiliuit;" ib.

3011. "Multitudo monachorum nullam inferat lesionem vesperum
pacificati;" c 3, col. 1. Cf. II. 109, 2533.

3032. *The first,* the former one; see l. 3004.

3050. Lat. "sicut messis in campo;" c 3, col. 2. See *rissons* in
Halliwell.

3078. "Nunc fugitiuns et subiectus factus sum;" ib.

3090. "Si cogitum esset homini miserio quid acciderit sibi debeat
in futuro, illud in presenti cogitat. In puncto enim status diei venit
quod homines vagis ad nubes exaltat fortuna, et sublimis visque ad
tendens demersit in profundum;" c 3, col. 2, and back, col. 1. Per-
haps some lines have been lost in the English version.

3100. Lat. "comes sis victories in Ellada consummavit." *Ellada*
(*E. Elodia*) appears to refer to Hellas, i. e. Greece, as above; see note
to l. 2513.

3113. *Permeas, Parmenio;* see note to l. 2559.

3123. *He put it,* i. e. let him put it.

3148. *Kub,* chest, i. e. tomb. The sense intended is that the amethyst
was so transparent that the body could be as clearly seen as if it had
been tombless. "Et tans lucidas erat amethystus ut etiam a foris intu-
gram corpus hominis appararet;" c 4, col. 1.

3164. *At,* against; Lat. "contra illos qui," &c.; c. 4, col. 2.

3174. Cf. the parallel passage in Valerius, p. 121.

3199. The two traitors are, by Valerius, called Bassus (usually written
Bessus) and Ariobarzanes; p. 122. See l. 3428 below.

3219. *Claes,* read for Carge, i. e. Cyrus (as in the Lat. text).

3242. "Iuro enim tibi per potestissimos deos meos quod veraciter
tibi totum imperium rennouo;" c 5, col. 1.

3248. *Thi base, thy murderers;* "interfectores tuos;" ib. See
l. 962.

3267*. This line is essential to the sense.

3274. "In humilitate fonscam demergatur;" c. 5, col. 2.

3295. "Et quia deprimit exaltare potest; et quem exaltat dominus
potest sternere in profundum;" ib.

3296. For *ore* (*are*) read *is;* "for victory is granted thee by God."

3299. Lat. "aranearum artificio comparatur;" ib.

3301. For the second word read *werk* (as in l. 3299) or *web.* "With
the least wind in the world that touches the work (or web), each (bit
of the) work is destroyed and all comes to nothing." Note is profit,
advantage, &c.

3315. *Roxas, Roxana,* whom Alexander married; but it is doubtful
if she was the daughter of Daries. See Mai's note to J. Valerius, p. 125.

3324. *Mote,* meeting, assembly; "ad regale palacium Darii;" c 5,
back, col. 1.

3235. *Causa*, i. e. *Cyros*; as before. See l. 3219.

3234. "Secundus ex smaragdo;" c 5, back, col. 2.

3234. "Amatis enim reprobant fortitudinem et fumositatem vnius;" ib.

3235. Lat. "ut nequaquam incidat ratiōne impericē in sinistrum;" ib.

3235—7. "Ne prout thopasius ostendit caput eius, hoc est dignitas ipsius ex altitudine rāque ad pulserem deprimirat;" ib.

3236. 3237. These two curious lines are not in the Latin text; but the same statement occurs in Mandeville's Travels, ch. xxvii, p. 270. In the Bestiary by Philip de Tham, ed. Wright, p. 125, we are told that the adamant could be broken by means of the blood of goats, and this is what is meant in l. 3238, where the Lat. has "ne... potest collidi nisi sanguineo fuerit hircino perfusus;" c 6, col. 1.

3238. A *krog* here is a dative case; "the same diligence is for a king," i. e. is needful for a king to have.

3239. *Criol*, created; Lat. "procreatum;" ib.

3242. "Omnes populū Persarum fecit amarissime;" c 6, col. 2.

3243. Lat. "Byflex et Anachætæs;" ib. Cf. note to l. 3190.

3243. "And, unless your crimes had been discovered, I should not have kept my oaths." The story is told at much greater length in Kyng Alixander, ed. Weber, p. 192.

3243. Perhaps a line is lost before this, as the sense is imperfect. "Eodem siquidem tempore quidam senex cui nomen erat Duriculus annuncias Darii imperatoris, qui plurimum a Persis abalutatur, hi ad petitionem totius populi ab Alexandre dux in Perside est constitutus;" c 6, back, col. 1.

3243. *Feyre*, pat for *fyne*, cease; "nolite me colere;" col. 2.

3247. Here ends the first part of the romance; the second part is concerned chiefly with the war against Persia and the description of the wonders of India. See ll. 3472, 3473. Cf. J. Valerius, bk. iii. p. 135. Id. 3464—3479 are not in the Latin text.

3249. "Alexander autem iste nihil optat nisi ut vincenssem mundum debellando sibi subiciat. Prelia enim et contentiones nutritum corpus suum;" ib.

3247. *Heredi*, harried, beaten; "sicut hucusque vieti;" d 1, col. 1.

3251. *Me*, for me. *Dixi*, dix., the Lord forbad it!

3254. *Hot rode*, hot (we are) ready to follow.

3260. Cf. J. Valerius, bk. iii. c. 4.

3247. "Cum tuipe oculos habesset non videbas;" d 1, col. 2.

3250. For the second *fit* read *foli*, i. e. people; "cum mollibus squidebam pugnasti;" ib.

3256. *Dioye*, the French form of *Dionysos*; Lat. "Dionisius Bacchus, qui Liber pater dictus est;" ib. Hence Persus refers to Dionysos or Bacchus; and this explains the context, especially l. 3255, which means "all gods and goddesses are afraid of my name;" Lat. "non solum homines verum etiam Dñi nomini nostro fanentur." This also

explains ministratio, i. e. lowly service, in l. 3554. See J. Valerius, p. 139.

3558. "Ante siquidem quam Xerxes regnaret in Persida, India censum Macedones evagabant. Sed quoniam inutilis erat eorum terra regique disciplos, desiderati sunt illam Indi;" ib. l. 3559, At — that, i. e. know that.

3569. *Vz*; "it pleases us (to regard) them no longer."

3604. *Ovae swg(s)he*, our company; see l. 2619.

3622. "All that, in the times (of fighting), get away unarmed never durst afterwards abide on the field, (each) with his face to his foes."

3633. "Statimque ex calore nimio vorhanter;" d 2, col. 1.

3642. "Itaque per continuas viginti dies pugna duravit;" ib.

3658. "Offer to all his old gods, and thanks them for his honour; as well the Indians as his own men, he buries them all." For gross read *grossa*.

3665. "Quadringeratas columnas areas cum capitellis aureis proparatae;" ib.

3670. Lat. "alli de amaraglis, et alli onichimata quad naturaliter videtur ibi esse. Parietes vero ipsius palatii erant de laminis aureis esoperati," &c.; d 1, coll. 1 and 2.

3676. "Erantque ipsi parietes ornati ex margaritis, vnumibus, carunculis, amaracis, et amatistis;" d 1, col. 2.

3682. 3683. Not in the Latin text; yet the translator alludes to his original here.

3688. "And at a shrine was built over each man."

3707. "Sed in ea similia genera serpentes consistebant;" ib.

3711. Lat. "Talifrida;" ib. Cf. J. Valerius, p. 202.

3725. "Andiunus quod animus tuus sapientia floruit et coescutat, et preterita recolis, presentiaque disponis, habens noticiam futurorum;" d 2, back, col. 1.

3738. "Et sumus numero dicentarum quatuordecim milia semi-narum;" ib.

3746. "Si autem femina fuerit, nostris meribus emulitur;" col. 2.

3751. "Cum autem cum victoria redimis, a nostris vnaminitate adoramus. Itaque si contra nos veniris, viriliter proposimus preliari. Quod si tu nos viceris, nullam laudem penitus consequeris," &c.; ib.

3759. "Quia multa tibi possent aduersa contingere que nullatenus meditaveris;" ib.

3768. "Sed quia conuersationem vestram diligimus, in consilium tribus damus;" &c.; d 3, col. 1.

3771. For the second *et*, we should perhaps read *but*.

3775. Lat. "polleres decem indomites;" ib.

3777. The line is too short; read *moxi says giffa*.

3778. *Conspicu*, pat for *conspicere*, conquer.

3780. Cf. J. Valerius, bk. iii. c. 11, p. 145.

3782. *Batrione*; Lat. "Bactriæ"; i. e. Bactria (ib.). Written x 2

"Bactriænæ" is in the Lat. text given in Cockayne's *Narrationes*, 1861, p. 53, l. 1; which text may also be profitably consulted.

3791. *Ore*; read of, l. o. "by the sun."

3794. Lat. "vbi multitudo serpentum et ferarum erat;" ib.

3800. *Zepkoff*; Lat. *Zephis* (col. 2); or, in Cockayne's Latin text, *Severus*. A similar story is told by Plutarch. See 2 Sam. xxiii. 16.

3807. "An ego salvo nutriri sine illis?" (ib.)

3820. "Habebat enim elephantes mille Alexander, qui aures eius portabant, et quadringentas quadrigas omnes falcatas, et milie ducentas bigas, equites trecenta milia, camelos, mulos, dromedarios, immensam lem multitudinem qui annonam et alia necessaria exercitu deferebant;" ib. It may be observed that the translator, in the latter part, begins to curtail the story, omitting some unimportant details. Cf. Kyng Alisander, ed. Weber, p. 211.

3834. "Et in ipso castro homines apparabant;" d 3, back, col. 1.

3844. "Et cum iam quartam partem fluminis transpassasset, insurgentis ipsius fluminis ypotomam eos continuo desorauerunt;" col. 2. See Kyng Alisander, ed. Weber, p. 214.

3849. "Occurrerant eis leones, pardii, et vni, rinocerontes, tigres, dracones, et eos fortiter impugnabant;" ib.

3852. "Mirantes autem ipsum flumen circa horam videlicetnam invenient staganum mellifum et suave;" ib.

3858. "Quo silva . . . ex premonitis calamis est isacta;" ib. It would thus appear that *ryas* means 'rashes,' with reference to *redia* in ll. 3815, 3832, where the Latin text also has *cavaria*.

3862. "Cumque lava inciperet lucere, subito incepunt in ipsum stagnum scorpiones nire magnitudinis aduenire; deinde dracones et serpentes euperunt ex desertis coloribus festinare, tolisque ipsa terra ex cornu sibilis resonabant;" &c.; ib.

3884. "Then (some) of his soldiers were emboldened." Lat. "milites eius confortati sunt;" d 4, col. 1.

3888. Lat. "vigitu[m] milites et triginta seru[us] a draconibus perierunt;" ib.

3891. "And to him, finally, falls all the praise."

3894. Lat. "habentes dorsa duricosa cocodrilis;" ib.

3898. "Uerum nullus ex eis interfecerunt. Alii intraverunt stagnum;" ib. The English is obscure; but cf. Kyng Alisander, ed. Weber, l. 5380:

"As notholes in her honden

Hy berten grets fire-brenches:

And thorough that fyre, nad goddes mighth

Hy hem sloughen deouernight."

3902. Lat. "venerunt super eos leones alii;" ib.

3906. *Berys*, (properly) bears; but read *borys*, boars; Lat. "porci;" ib.

3907. Lat. "quorum dentes vno cubito longi erant; et illis homines agrestes . . . vna cum porcis super homines similiter onerabant;" col. 2.

3918. "And then he bids them quickly to light, close upon the pool, outside his army everywhere, horrible fires."

3921. *Mere*, mare; "similes equo;" ib.

3926. "Nominabatur autem secundum Indianas linguam, *Ossæthorus*; et antequam de ipsis aqua liberet, fecit impetum super illos;" ib.

Cf. Kyng Alisander, ed. Weber, p. 224, where the same strange animals are called *dentipes*. But the name should certainly have been printed *dentipes*, short for *denti-gymnus*, Lat. *deadly-toothed*. In fact, Cockayne has "dantem tyranos;" p. 56, l. 18. This is the Lat. form of *Ostentotyronous*, the name given to the creature in J. Valerius, p. 167. The E. version has *Akathixox*, evidently founded (partially) on the same name; for which *Ossæthorus* has been substituted by confusion in the Lat. text. It is probable, however, that the form *Ostentotyronous* is also a corruption (as it gives no good sense); and I suspect that the original word was *Ostentotyronis*, i.e. 'with horns like teeth.' The form in the E. version seems to point to this name. In Mandeville's Travels, ed. Halliwell, p. 290, a picture of the animal is given; he is there called *Ostentor*.

3932. Lat. "mores malores talys;" ib.; Cockayne has "mores . . . superpiles similes;" p. 56.

3936. "Ceperunt enim volare vespertilio[n]es vt columbe, quorum dentes erant vi dentes hominum;" ib. J. Valerius (p. 168) has: "Ad haec alites quibus apud nos vocabulum vespertilio est, sed quo illo super columbus magnitudinem." &c.

3939. "And they sharply wounded that which was unarmed," i.e. the unprotected faces of the soldiers.

3943. *Blesset*, killed; in a stronger sense than mod. E. *blissted*. The Lat. has "vulnerantes," from the employment of which word the poet infers that no one was actually killed.

3944. "Venerunt annis magne, colorem rubicundum habentes, pedes vero et nostra signa, neque nocturne eis;" ib. Cockayne has "annis undicibus similes;" p. 56. Hence *vostres* are vultures. *Boubos* (bodies) is an error for *bubkes* (baskets).

3947. *Did* *not* *play* *by*, did no more than played with.

3950. Lat. "venerunt in partibus latimeriaris" (*sic!*); d 4, back, col. 1.

3957. "Et arbore folia vt lana labentes, que gentes ipsae colligebant et ex ea vestimenta faciebant;" ib. An interesting notice of silk. Cf. Mandeville's Travels, ch. xxvi, p. 268; Cockayne's text, p. 53, l. 2.

3957. "Confidolebat igitur Porus in altitudine corporis sui, qua in quinque cubitoribus altitudine videbatur;" d 4, back, col. 2.

3959. "So sharply that he totters with it, and (he) nearly felled him for ever."

3966. "Milites vero Porci altis vocibus vociferauerunt, audiens itaque Porci clamorem quos sum exercebit faciebat, faciem suam versus eos voluit;" ib. Cf. J. Valerius, p. 148.

4010. For *par* read *our*; it refers to the Indians.

4015. Lat. "ceperunt Alexandrum tanquam deum glorificare;" ib.

4019. Here begins the "Fragment B" of the Alexander Romance, edited by me for the E. E. T. S. under the title of Alexander and Dindimus. The Latin original of several passages is printed in the same book, to which the reader is particularly referred. See also the notes to the same, at p. 45. It is needless to repeat here explanations which have been already given. Cf. Mandeville's Travels, ch. xxix.

4026. "As naked as a needle;" a proverbial phrase. See P. Plowman, C. xv. 105, xx. 56; and the Notes to P. Plowman, p. 290.

4044. Insert *is* before *tridornes*. The scribe has obviously omitted it by error.

4050. "Why dost thou hasten from place to place?"

4054. *Rift;* evidently an error for *rieti* = rest, rest. "It would be my desire to rest, but another spirit, and not my spirit, prevents my spirit from so doing." Lat. "Uellem siquidem in pace consistere," &c.; d. 5, col. 2.

4067. Here there is a break in "Fragment B"; see Alex. and Dind., p. 5.

4068. Lat. "vbi erant statue quae Hercules exerat;" ib.

4074. Insert *sunt* after *fillit;* "and fills them with florins, to the number of 1500." The story is that this enormous quantity of gold was required (or at any rate, assigned) merely to fill up the holes which had been made through the statues. This is shown by the parallel passage in J. Valerius, p. 214, which is much more clearly expressed.

4096. "Exist . . . bestia similis ippotauru haken pectus vt cocodrilli, dorsum vt serra, dentes vero ipsius vt gladii acuti videscantur, In accessu uero ipsius tarda erit vt testudo;" d 5, back, col. 1. Cf. Kyng Alius, ed. Weber, p. 236.

4103. *Euros;* Lat. "Thamar." Cf. Kyng Alix, p. 236.

4108. The Latin is clearer. It tells us that the squealing of swine (called *meeling* in l. 4112) was efficacious in frightening the elephants. Hence Alexander directs his men to take swine with them, and beat them till they should squeal. Cf. Kyng Alix, p. 237.

4121. *Pissare;* viand, food; as from Lat. *nives.*

4126. Lat. "habentes corpora pilosa sicut bestie;" d 6, col. 1. Cf. Kyng Alix, p. 239.

4130. Lat. "as in ipsum fluminum dimerserent;" ib. Cockayne has "marini fluminis se immorscerunt morticibus;" p. 58.

4140. Cf. J. Valerius, p. 169.

4158. Lat. "propter autumnale equinoctia haec contingit;" ib.

4162. Lat. "omnia que ventus disperserat collegunt;" ib.

4166. Lat. "cadentique nubes magno vt lana;" d 6, col. 2. Cf. J. Valerius, p. 169.

4168. For *Aud* read *He;* "and, lest it should not cease, he made his men tread it down, like floors, with their feet."

4182. "And, where it approaches the unprotected skin, it harms it for ever."

4188. See the references, in the margin, to the parallel passages in

Alexander and Dindimus. The side-notes, in many places, closely correspond.

4221. See the note to Alex. and Dindimus, p. 47 (l. 221).

4228. "And your learning shall be none the less, even to the value of a look;" i. e. in the least degree.

4233. *He,* i. e. Dindimus. *Him* (l. 4234), Alexander.

4246. The fourth subject should be subject. "For an unwise king cannot rule his subjects, and (make them) to be subjects as subjects should be, but his subjects make him subject to his subjects."

4263. "We decline, amongst us, all that is too much above measure."

4264. "Except that which Nature leaves us."

4293. *The seven,* i. e., the seven deadly sins.

4318. "Which is parted, among all the pack of us, by equal portions." In the Lat. text (Alex. and Dind. p. 15) read "quic communiter omnia supportamus," not *quoniam;* &c. 1, col. 1.

4321. *Justice of aire,* judge on circuit; "justice in eyre" is a common law-phrase.

4326. For *sulis*, in the Lat. text (Alex. and Dindimus, p. 15) read *sulis soli;* the word *sulis* was accidentally omitted.

4376. In the Lat. text (Alex. and Dind. p. 19) for *monster* read *monstrum.*

4387. "The which I suppose, sir, it would be unwholesome for thee to observe." In the Lat. text (Alex. and Dind. p. 20) for *videt* read *videtur.*

4392. *And we, &c.;* "and we deserve no wrath." Cf. the E. version in Alex. and Dind. I. 512.

4397. "Much would have more;" a proverb.

4408. *Or should probably be our;* "may our God give them sorrow!" It is a form of curse.

4410. *His;* a curious error. Read *hir,* her.

4416. In the Lat. text (Alex. and Dind. p. 21), last line but one, read *Prospere.* The letter *p* was unfortunately shifted.

4417. Insert a comma after *satis;* it is in the vocative case.

4446. *Maydes,* may God aid us! "And yet, as may God aid us, for all your toil(?), that mother created you;" [read *you* for *us*].

4449. *Assay;* perhaps an error for *asemly,* seemly. The alliteration demands the letter *s.*

4460. *Serpis,* Serpals. In the Lat. text (Alex. and Dind. p. 23, last line but two) for *soles* read *solens.*

4470. "Ye set (lit. let) as though they might cure all that any man would like (to have cured)." *Leth* is the same as *lethos,* to mitigate, relieve, assuage, comfort, cure. The sh. *leth* occurs in l. 4593.

4473. "Which (gods) have neither sight nor soul, but (are) the work of man?"

4478. For *his son,* for the sake of His Son. This is a curious specimen of anachronism; the Brahmins are here made Christians. In

1. 4486, they are made to denounce ‘maumetry’, i. e. the idolatry supposed to be practised by Mahomedans.

4487. “That thrusts you plump down to the devil, when ye are dead (and gone) hence.”

4492. “But ye pay respect to many others that are no more akin to him than is the flesh of fish to the fair member (of men),” i. e. to a man’s limb.

4494. See note to l. 445 of Alex. and Dindimus, p. 52.

4510, 4511. *Sermons*, a form due to *Cereus*, acc. of *Ceres*; see the Latin. *Hes* is for his, i. e. Ceres (supposed masculine). “For formerly quarters of wheat without number (were owing) to him;” i. e. Ceres first sowed wheat. See notes to Alex. and Dind. p. 54, l. 622.

4517. “And leave not so much as a limb for your bodies to stand on.”

4528. “For joy of his (the peacock’s) pride.”

4531. For *his* read *her*; “is yielded to her as tribute.”

4534. See notes to Alex. and Dind. p. 54, l. 719.

4535. “Nor any sort of metal to make (tools) with, neither *media* nor other metal.”

4589. *Lore* of, lesson from.

4592. “Were they that have pains so wise, who would be so widely praised as lepers?”

4619. “That all might continue in one condition.”

4621. So, &c.; “so the world requires.” A common phrase; see P. Plowman, B. prol. 19; Alex. and Dind. l. 467.

4622. *Ovir will*; an error for *our will*; Lat. “humana voluntas;”

o 2, back, col. 2.

4625. “We do but trample on it.” See l. 4681.

4639. “Or else ye are angry with your good fortune.”

4640. Probably *pures* is an adverb, signifying purely, wholly. If so, omit the comma after *tecteas*.

4642. “From Paris to Rome.” A singular illustration.

4653. “Nor (are) angry with our Lord.” Understand *or*.

4654. *Sermons*, varieties; Lat. “varietates;” o 3, col. 1. For *ses* read *de ses*, he appointed; Lat. “constituit.”

4657. “That man is God’s friend, and (yet) is none the more a god.” Lat. “non Deus, sed Dei amicus appellatur;” ib.

4658. Read *in* before *sug.* “This similitude, that thou appliest to our race in my letter.” Also by “my letter” we must understand “the letter sent to me.”

4664. *All be we*, although we be. At the end of l. 4665, substitute a comma for the full-stop.

4666. “Nevertheless (as ye say) we consider ourselves to be gods by a (recognised) law(?) but it is you, not we, that continually practise the same,” viz. that attempt to be gods.

4682. In the Lat. text (Alex. and Dind. p. 38, last line, p. 39, first line) for *bibberit* read *biberit*.

4685. “The cursed game of avarice would be altogether drowned (i. e. put an end to) by it.”

4714. Here ends Fragment B. of the Romance.

4720. *Aceris*; Lat. “Adzeas;” o 3, back, col. 1. *Asgill*, angle, nook.

4734. For *fode*, read *fysod*; see the footnote. “As I find (in the book).”

4741. Lat. “venit super eos quidam homo agrestis corpore magno et pilosus ut puer et vox illius tanquam porci, et non loquitor sed semper tanquam stridet;” o 3, back, col. 2. The description in the English text is much amplified.

4763. *Liodis*, lindens; hence, trees in general. Cf. J. Valerius, p. 171; also Alex. and Dind. p. 5.

4771. *A bof*, he bade. *A soppill*, an apple.

4791—4802. The Lat. merely has: “Subito personit draconem serpentum et leonum multitudine, qui eos maximus angustia angustiorum. Tandem ab eorum periculis ensaeuntur;” o 4, coll. 1 and 2.

4808. *Boswra*, bottom of the valley. *Boswra*, streams.

4810. *A septem dieis*, a (period of) nine days; Lat. “Completi sunt diebus;” o 4, col. 2. Cf. l. 4814.

4812. Lat. “peruenient ad radicos vallis montis;” ib.

4819. *Gole*, gales, l. o. red; o 1, 5050. Lat. “innocentem planicie maximum, usque terra erat valde rubicunda. Erantque in ipsa planicie arbores infinite quo ultra mensuram cubiti non crescebant, quarum fructus et folia suauissima et vi ficius;” ib.

4830. “Erantque ipsi montes excisi et paries, ita ut nullus posset ascensionem facere ad cæcum;” ib.

4850. Lat. “constituit terminus quo nullus [trans]ire presumebat. Et fecit fieri clipeos magnos ut longum cubitus septem et latens cubitus quartus; et ab exteriori parte in superficie clipei fecit speculum maximum fieri. Faciebat sibi subtulantes linea. Cepit contra basilicum opposito ubi clipeos insedere,” &c.; o 4, back, col. 1. The English version is too much abridged.

4867. The plain is described before; l. 4818.

4875. “Et . . . peruenit ad quemdam montem adamantium in culus ripa aurea cateno dependebant;” o 4, back, col. 2.

4885. “That he and his host honour, and offers to each.”

4908. “Innenerunt homines in lecto auro pallio textilorum ornato;” o 5, col. 1. Lines 4912—4919 are not in the Latin text.

4925. Lat. “enim caput et barba tanquam purissima lana videbatur;” ib.

4936. “And thou shalt hear, perhaps, ere thou go hence.”

4941. For *pi dolens* read *pe dolens*, the dolens; Lat. “Præssquam vnde dilani operariet terram;” ib. And probably *drexel* should be drechsel. The form *dredsel* (*dolens*) occurs in P. Plowman, B. x. 411.

4942. “Does it not please thee to look on the trees that live for evermore?” As to the Trees of the Sun and Moon, cf. J. Valerius,

p. 172; Kyng Aliassander, p. 277. See also Yale's edition of Marco Polo; Mandeville's Travels, p. 298; Cockayne's text, p. 60.

4947. "This word I would desire (to hear), if it be your will; all the world is not dearer to me (than this desire)."

4948. Lat. "vna cum Ptholomeo et Anthioche et Perdica incedebat;" ib.

4949. "Erantriae ipsae arbores alta pedibus centum et lauris erant similes et oliue ex quibus thesa et balsamina largissime effabant;" ib.

4952. The Lat. description of the Phoenix is as follows. "Et avis gorgobat in capite cristam similem parsoni, et fauces cristatas, et circa collum circum aureum fulgentem. Postrema vero parte purpurea erat. Extra canadam vero rosaceis penitus in quibus cœruleus color erat;" e 5, col. 2.

4955. "Suum apsesit de quocunque sciro voluntatis in corde vestro resolutum. Sed palam nolite aliquid narrare;" ib.

5017. "Si cum triumpho Macedoniam remearet;" ib.

5036. *Fur* *writhing*, for fear of making angry, for fear of offending.

5038. Lat. "enconia plurima sibi contulerunt, videlicet, pelles ex pisibus habentes figuram pandi et leonis, et pelle morenarum que per longum septum cibitis tendebantur;" e 5, back, col. 2.

Hence *slopes* (5085) means 'sloughs' or skins.

5088. Lat. "sine calcis constructa;" ib. Cf. J. Valerius, lib. iii. e. 44, p. 177. The name of Cassafuse is doubtless borrowed from Acts viii. 27. Cf. Kyng Aliassander, ed. Weber, p. 305.

5092. Called in the Latin Candalus, Marsiphus, and Carracorinus. In J. Valerius, the eldest son is called Candalus; in Weber, Candaluke.

5113. *Wilt*, by. Before *wold* understand is. "And that is not easily told us by men of this world."

5123. "Dirigo Amonc duo bipedes centum, annis spirelones dentates, cathebas aureas insettas lapidibus preciosis in quibus erant decem dependentes plena aevisa supradictis; et ceneres aureas triginta, uectes hebetos milie quingentos, rinoceros octoginta, pantheras tri milia, pelles pandi et leonis quingentos;" e 6, col. 1. The translator makes the description in l. 5127 refer to the redoubts (i. e. chains) in l. 5128, and translates the whole in a very free way. He seems to have consulted J. Valerius, lib. iii. e. 47, which has: "Habebis erga tibi ex nobis amicitiis argumentum centum latesculos auris grandissimos, Zithyopas impulsa quinque (cf. l. 5132), paitaces sex, phrygiasque sex, praterque huc Hammoni deo nostro coronam smaraglis ac marginatis etiam torneamam pretiosiorum. His et locis refertissimos cuiusque generis margaritarum atque gemmarum ad decem numeros, chamecosque alias loculos octoginta una misi . . . elephantes trecentos quinquaginta," &c.

5151. Lat. "rex Ebraeorum;" ib. But J. Valerius has "a quodam Baboriorum tyranno;" p. 181. See Weber, p. 307.

5158. "It might have pierced any heart."

5163. "By the time that he approached the tent."

5205. "And say to that sire, on thy behalf," &c. *Ov thi behalfe* = in thy name, i. e. in the name of the (protested) Alexander.

5239. "Uidebat etiam vites habentes variarum botros maximos, quos vnum homo portare non potuisse, et nubes forentes maximos fructus ut pepones;" e 6, back, col. 1. Cf. Mandeville's Travels, ch. xxvi, p. 265.

5258. *Pestests*. There is no such word in the Lat. text, nor in J. Valerius, lib. iii. e. 57.

5259. "Respondit regina, bene dicas, Alexander. Piss enim apud Grecos quam apud Indos digna fuisse;" f 1, col. L Hence, in l. 5300, & stands for "than".

5319. "Audiens hoc Alexander stridore dentibus et caput eius resoluente cepit omni parte;" ib.

5323. "Ut quid inter temetipsum inservi et turbari?" (ib.)

5333. *Bebelios Amnis*, the hands of the Bebelioi; cf. l. 5151.

5337. Lat. "Karotheus" (col. 2); but before, Carracorinus; see note to l. 5092.

5377. "It is only needful for thee to grant (assent) to give me what goods I ask for."

5401. "Quis est tu, domine? At ille respondit, Ego sum Thinthiens, regnum mandi tenens et mundum subiugans, qui valueris mandando te supponsi maiestati. Fabrioxeti nomini tuo ciuitatem [i. e. Alexandria], et nomini meo non constraxisti templum;" f 1, back, col. 2. J. Valerius, lib. iii. e. 67, calls this deity Sesosches.

5413. "I have told those ere now;" see l. 1103. Lat. "Si esset homini nota cassa mortis, dobro intollerabilis moveretur;" ib. The E. text is corrupt; in l. 5414, I should of course be *As*. "Were that evidence known to any man, of what (were his) doom, then he would die for sorrow." Serapis, being immortal, could not die at all.

5417. "Ibi fabrikabitur sepulcrum tuum;" ib.

5419. "Prayed that the Lord would well preserve him."

5425. "Ipsi vero serpentes viabant de lacero et pipere qua validis ipsa gigantibus;" ib.

5433. The side-note, by an oversight, is wrong. Alexander's men are not killed by the snakes, but by the beasts having claws three feet wide.

5442. A picture of this griffin is given on the title-page of Halliwell's edition of Mandeville's Travels; see ch. xxvi. of that book, p. 269.

5458. *For thei read their*. "With gold on their heels," i. e. knights of rank, who wore gold spurs.

5467. Lat. "obtulerant ei numeri, scilicet spongias albas et purpureas mire magnitudinis et conchulas maximas, per singulas duos vel tres sextarii continentos. Nemon et tunicas de vitello (sic) maximis confectas, et vermes quos de ipso fluui attrahentes, quorum grossissimo erat maior coxa hominis, et eorum gustus erat dulcis ut piscis . . . et morenas . . . Pendus autem de vnaque morena erat ducentarum quinquaginta librarum;" f 2, coll. 1 and 2.

5475. Here we have the story of the sirens or mermaids.

5482. Lat. "dentes habebant ut canes;" col. 2.

5483. Cf. Mandeville's Travels, ch. xxvi, p. 265.

5487. Lat. "Goss et Magog, Agatan, Magobus, Alegthor, Appelman, Lomith, Iasni, Retho, Bedem, Cemmaro, Cabellen, Camarciant, Cathomi, Amaro, Getimadi, Anafag, Candores, Rinoccephali, Thisbei, Alonis, Acicme, Phisena, Saramei et Soltani;" ib.

5504. Lat. "homines lingua Graeca loquentes;" f 2, back, col. 1.

5512. Lat. "ut ferre colo propinquus esset;" ib.

5520. "Flesh a little way off from them that they could not reach to."

5530. Lat. "cum angustia maxima ad exercitum perirent;" col. 2.

5531. I give the Latin of this remarkable passage. "Post hec ascendit in cor Alexandri ut maris profunda querebat et omnium plenum genera scrutaretur. Statimque iussit vultus ante se venire, et precepit cis ut facerent doliam ex vitro clarissimo et splendidissimo ut posset a foris omnia clarissime conspiciri. Factumque est ita. Deinde insuit enim catenis ferreis reliquarit et a fortissimi militibus teneri. At ille intrare ipsum dolium clausa porta ex pice composita descendit in profundum mari. Uiditque ibi diuersas figurae piscium et diuersos coloris habentes imagines bestiarum terre, et per terram in profundo mari languant bestie pedibus ambulantes et considerante fructus arborum que in profundo mari nascabantur. Ipos autem belis veniebant usque ad eum, postea fugiebant. Uiditque alia mirabilia que nemini voluit enarrare eo quod hominibus incredibilis viseretur. Tenuissim vero manus eius in aqua quod militibus suis prodixit Alexander complectens erat, et traxerunt eum militibus ad superiores;" ib.

5537. "Innumerant animalia quae habebant in capite ossa serrata et acuta ut gladio;" f 2, back, col. 2, and f 3, col. 1.

5556. *Tupis*, tups, rams; Lat. "arietes;" f 3, col. 1.

5524. Lat. "quoniam in eius memoriam nominavit Boeotiam;" col. 2.

5556. *Definity*; Lat. "flumen qui (sic) dicitur Tyrus. Et obseruorum sibi homines illius terra forentes de elephantiis quinque milia et carnos falcatos centum milia;" ib.

5613. *Nobiscanda*; Lat. "Nabexardion;" ib.

5615. Lat. "usque ad dies obtusa sui ibidem per septem menses, in pace mortuus;" ib.

5619. The letter of Alexander to Aristotle is given by J. Valerius, bk. iii, capp. xxiii—xxlii, and contains an account of the wonders which Alexander had seen in his expeditions, many of which have already been narrated in the present version. An Anglo-Saxon version of Alexander's letter was edited by Mr. Cockayne in 1861 in his "Narrativesculptus Anglo Conscripta."

5641. *Sextante*, an error for *satus*; the Lat. text has *satus*.

5644. "Parietis vero ex topasio et per vnuersos gradas erant preclosi lapidis cuinque generis insecti. Erat etiam in summitate ipsius lapidis rubicundus qui tam in nocte quam in die lucebat. Et in ipso

thermo erant imagines vndeque constitute, in quibus erant versus scripti Grecis litteris et Latinis nomina omnia prouinciarum que seruerunt Alexandru;" f 3, back, coll. 1 and 2.

5656. This list of names is not in the Latin text. *Pontiki* is Parthia. Many of the names seem to be inserted at random, and the list includes places scattered over almost every part of Europe and Asia; compare the list of places conquered by King Arthur, as given in the alliterative *Morte Arthur*, p. 2.

5677. The fragment ends here. The rest of the story, as given on pp. 276—278, is abridged from the Latin text, leaf f 3, back, &c.

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P. 280, l. 42. See p. 42, l. 893 of the Poeta.

" , l. 45. See ll. 4019—4066 of the Poeta; and cf. l. 4194.

P. 281, l. 62. See Alexander and Dindimus, p. 3, l. 69.

" , l. 72. See the same, p. 4, l. 88.

" , l. 75. This story is neither in the Romance here printed, nor in Alexander and Dindimus. The same remark applies to the next story, beginning at l. 120.

P. 283, l. 135. See p. 274, l. 5617.

" , l. 140. "One of the greatest lords" may refer to Ptolemy of Egypt; but the story referred to is insufficiently indicated.

GLOSSARIAL INDEX, AND INDEX OF NAMES.

Forms enclosed in marks of parenthesis, as for instance (Abaytes), given under Abates, occur in the Dublin MS. As a rule, words should be looked for under the form in which they occur in the Ashmole MS. Thus oblates in the Dublin MS., l. 2161, should be sought as if spelt oblati, the spelling in the Ashmole MS. in that line. It is then easily found under Abates.

Lines marked with an asterisk, such as 789* (under Abutes), occur only in the Dublin MS. See the starred lines, 723* to 848* on pp. 25 to 33; also a few additional lines so marked further on, which can cause no difficulty.

Besides the abbreviations *a.*, *adj.*, *adv.*, *for substantivæ, adjective, adverb,* &c., the following are used in a special sense:—*a.*, a verb in the infinitive mood; *acc.*, a gerund; *pr. a.*, present tense, 3rd person singular; *pt. a.*, past tense, 3rd person singular; *pr. pl.*, present tense, 3rd person plural; *pt. pl.*, past tense, 3rd person plural. Other persons are denoted by the figures 1 or 2. Note also *imp. a.*, imperative singular, 2nd person; *imp. pl.*, imperative plural, 3rd person; *pp.*, past participle.

A large number of references are given, but they are not exhaustive. All forms of words are recorded, with but few unimportant exceptions.

- A. art.* *a.* 13, 22, 39, 47, &c. So, probably, in l. 131.
- A. adj.* *one*, 57, 1131, 3066.
- A. interj.* *ah!* 242, 964, 3232; (*An.* in Dublin MS.), 964.
- A. pron.* *he*, 4777; (*A.*), 1492.
- A. n. have*, 5158.
- Anide*, *a.* breath, 4009. *Icel. ænid,* *and.* See *Anide*.
- A-baist*, *pp.* abashed, afraid, 2530, 5191; (*Abayseed*), 1492; *Abaisie*, dismayed, 4109; *Abayste*, cast down, 402.
- Abundra* (*Bandara*), *a.* city, 2131. See *Abrandra*.
- A-baste*, *imp. pl.* 2 p. *abase*, 3877. (*Error for Abase*.)
- Abates* (*Debates*, *strangis*), *pr. a.* lessons, 2506; *Abatis* (*Abaytes*), *pr. pl.* fall, sink, 2161.
- A-bayste*, *pp.* afraid, cast down, 402; (*Abayseed*), 1492. See *A-baist*.
- Abbecon*, *a.* country, 5660.
- Abet* (*Habet*), *a.* habit, dress, 2308; *Abite* (*Habite*), garment, dress, 1487, 1531. See *Abie*, *Abylt*.
- A-bide* (*Abyde*), *v.* endure, 2187; *Abidis* (*Abydes*), *pr. a.* awaits, 1576. See *A-bide*.
- Abite* (*Habett*), *a.* habit, dress, 1624. See *Abet*, *Abyt*.
- Able*, *adj.* powerful, 941.
- Abletus*, *for* *Abetus*, *pl.* habits, robes, 1928. See *Abot*.
- A-blyud*, *pp.* with sorrowful looks, *and.* 462. "To look ble, to look stark, having the appearance of disappointment;" *— Jamieson*.
- Abote* (*Abowne*), *msc. above*, 1398; (*Abowne*), 1574; (*Abowne*), to the top, uppermost, 727. *MS. D.* can be read either *as above* or *above*; perhaps the latter is better. See *Above* in Murray's New Dict.

A-beof (*Abbone*), prep. over, 1587.
A-beof, *a* being above, exaltation, 4241.

A-born, *pr. born*, 590.

Above (*Abobe*), *a* above, 1416.

See *Abofe*.

A-bundance, *a*. abundance, 4668.

A-bount, *ode*, about, around, 108,

505, 556, 945; (*About*), all round, 1152; (*About*), everywhere, 1763.

A-bout, prep. around, round, 595, 2209; *About*, 505; (*Abooute*), 782.* See *Pec*.

A-bows (*Bowe*), *pr. a* submit, 2418.

A-brade (*On brade*), *ode* abroad, widely, 774.

A-brade, abroad, east or stream abroad; but prob. *an* error for As brade, as large (see note), 4165.

A-branda (*Bandra*), *a* city, 2148.

See *Abandna*.

(Abrigged); see *Braggis*.

A-bsons, absence, 637.

A-byde, ger. to resist, 3017. See *Abide*.

(Abyt), *a*. habit, dress, 2836. See *Abite*.

A-caste, *pr. agates*, 5273.

A-chilie, Achilles, 2125.

A-cheous (*Achewe*), *pr. a*. achieves,

wins, 1022; (*Achewe*), *pr. a* subj.,

may happen, 822*; A-cheous

(*Acheveth*), *pt. a*. finished his jour-

nay, got away, 1039; A-cheud,

pt. a. achieved, 3730; A-cheued

(*Chefyd*), *pr. a*. achieved, 2712;

Achevyd (*Achewyt*), 1237.

A-corde, *a*. agreement, 620.

A-conde, *v. agree*, 3511; A-cordis

(*Acordes*), *pr. pl. agree*, 1023.

A-count, ger. to account of, 1934;

A-count, ger. to reckon, compute,

3603; A-comte (*Acont*), *ger. to*

count, 1935; A-count, *v. count*,

1987; A-cont, *v. count*, 673.

A-coupe (*Aconyp*), *v. accuse, blame*,

2453; O.F. *couper*, to blame.

Acre, *Laf. Adres*, 1720.

Acre, *Acros*, 5603.

Actis, *pr. acts*, 4239.

Actos, *pl. tunics, leather jackets*,

3413. Orig. a jacket of quilted

eston, worn under the coat of |

mail. O.F. *asqueton*, from Span. *actos*, lit. 'the coats.'

Acostumes, *pl. customary behav-*

iour, customs, 4577.

Adamant, *a*. adamant, diamond,

4876; Adamants, pl. 5384; Adama-

nts, 5273. See *Adamant*.

Adantroyce, 3927. See the note.

Adill, *ger. to earn* (for themselves),

3191. Icel. *éðla*, refl. *éðla-ða*,

to earn for oneself; from *ða*-,

property. See *Adille* in Murray.

Admits (*Admitte*), *inser. pl. 2 p.*

admit, receive, 2558.

Admont, *a*. adamant, diamonds,

3345; (*Admont*), 3372. See *Adamant*.

Adours, *ger. to adore*, 2176, 5118;

(*Adour*), *v. adoe*, 1059; Adoures,

pr. a. does honour to, honours,

5228; (*Adours*), reverences, 2680;

Adoures, *pr. pt. 2 p. adore*, 4468;

Adoured (*Adourem*), *pt. pf.*

1619; Adoured, 1231; (*Adoures*),

imp. a. adore, 3212.

A-dred (*Dred*), *pp. afraid*, 1355;

(*A-dred*), 2483.

Adrie (*Andriake*), prep. *sense* 2580.

Adrofes, *pl. adversaries*, 309.

A-feed, *pp. afraid*, 492.

Affe (*Affye*), *pr. s. 1 p. trust in*,

1723. See *Affrey*.

Affinitie, affinity, kindred, 923; fol-

lowers, 1235.

Affirmed (*Enfirmed*), *pp. declared*,

1897.

Affraid, *pp. afraid*, 4151, 5621;

(*Affrayd*), 3189. See *Affrey*.

Affrike, Afrike, 3745; (*Afriske*),

1047; (*Afriske*), 1050; the South

wind, 4144.

Affyed, *pt. pl. trusted, relied; þam*

affyed, put their trust in

3572. See *Affio*.

Affo, *error for Asio, Asia*, 2332.

(*Dalbin MS. has Asy.*)

Affume; see *Beforene*.

Afray, *v. frightened, affright*, 448; A-

fray (*Affrayd*), *pp. 851*; A-fray,

675; (*Affrayd*), 1795. See *Affray*.

Affright, *pp. affrighted*, 385, 675, 3182;

(*Affur*), *inf. after, afterwards*, 1435;

(*Affur*), 736.* See *Efire*.

(Affur), *prep. after*, 765*; Efter (*Affur*), 976; Efire (*Affur*), 625.

Agyan, *ode*, again, 188, 332, 383;

Agyane, 1306; Agya (*Aryan*), back, 1183, 1785; Agyn, back, 185, 889.

Agyan, against; Agyan-stande, *v.*

resist, 636.

Agyan, *prep. against*, 50, 82,

3545; towards, 4814; (*Ayans*),

against, 1022; (*Ayans*), to meet,

1123; A-gayan, to meet (them),

3964; (*Ayans*), against, 3423;

(*Ayans*), against, towards, 795,

1989; 2882; Agynes, against,

contrary to, 473; (*Ayans*),

against, 1501, 1878, 1973; to-

wards, to meet, 170, 933; Agyan-

(*Ayans*), *prep. against*, 2204,

2748; to meet, 2837.

(Agyan-come), a return, 2890.

(Agyanward); see *Agyward*.

Ago, *pr. ase*, 315, 1002, 1108, 1109,

1474.

Agekany, *Laf. Agatan*, 5488.

Aghis, *a. ave*, 5181.

Aghille, *adj. error for Athille*, 29.

See *Athill*.

(Aghit), *pt. a. ought*, 3370.

Aghysmed (*Aglyssmed*); *pp. terri-*

fied, alarmed, 374. The prefix *a-*

is intensive (*A.S.-d-*). Icel. *glyss-*,

to be downcast, to be dismayed,

Agraythen, *v. to array, deck, set*

out, 3436. Icel. *græfa*, to arrange,

4043; gr. *aggrede*, angared, 1954.

A-gryls, *pr. pl. dash, clash*, 3611.

CE. *gride*, *v. as used by Milton*,

P. L. vi. 329; M. E. *garden*, to

strike.

Agyward (*Agayward*), in return,

1933.

Ai, *inf. ever, always*, 239, 242,

1875, 3529; (*Ay*), 1226, 1401,

1773, 2114, 2250. See *Ay*, *Aye*.

Ailes (*Ayles*), *pr. a. niles*, 849; Ailes (*Ayles*), 2158; incites, 4609;

Ailed, *pt. a. (who) was ill (m.)*, 5606.

Ailano, *ode*, everywhere, 3468.

Aire, *a. air*, 27, 542, 4334; Of the

air (*aire*), (made) of the air,

1487; Aire, *pr. atmosphere*, 29.

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(the town), 1120. See Alyssum-dire.

Algat, *adj.* by all means, i.e. especially, 128.

Alkin : Alikin reynwas (Alikyn realms), realms of every kind, 2363 ; Alikens (Alken), of every kind, 1400.

All, *adj.* all, 68, 76, 82, &c. See Al, All-je, All-ir, Allire.

All, *adv.* wholly, entirely, 121, 532, 875, 1309 ; All him-self, quite by himself, 111, 335 ; All his one, alone by himself, 210, 1377 ; All his one, 407 ; All us, just thus, 2907. See Al.

All, *conj.* although, 933, 2646, 4654 ; notwithstanding that, 2647 ; All if, although, 3876, 5320.

Allane, *adj.* alone, 4840 ; (Alon), 1828.

Allansy, *adj.* only, solely, 3101. Compounded of all and only, i.e. only.

Allas (Alas), *interj.* alas, 1816, 3434.

All-bedene, all at once, 3532. See Bedene.

Alline (Aller), *gen. pl.* of them all, 1255 ; Allins, *gen. pl.* of all, 629 ; Our allies, of us all, 3513. See All.

All-quat, *s.* everything, something of every kind, 4469.

Alls, *adj.* also, 4943. See Als.

All-ir, *part* for Alir, *gen. pl.* of all ; (All-ir), 1855 ; All-ir biest (wildest), highest of all, especially, most particularly, 1765 ; All-ir-mest (All je mōst), most of all, greatest of all, 2357 ; All-ir-reast, first of all, 3039. From A.R. *etiam*, *gen. pl.* of *etiam*, all, with inserted *al*. See All, All-thire.

All-to-godire, *adv.* altogether, 476 ; (All-to-gedir), 1703 ; (All-to-gedir), 715, 1204, 3235 ; (All-to-gedir), 782*.

All-to-hewyn, *pp.* cut all to pieces, 3201.

All-way, *adv.* always, 404 ; over, 4229 ; (All-way), continually, 2429 ; All-ways (Always), 2617.

Almado, Lat. *Amictus*, 5488.

Almonds, *pl.* almonds, 4718.

Almost (Almost), *adv.* almost, 1429. Also, *pl.* alices, 4869.

A-loosed, *pp.* renouned, 2341 ; miswriten A-loose (Lowed), 1360.

O.F. *oliser*, to praise ; from *les*, ab. praise, to the L. *laus*.

Als, *conj.* and *ole*, as, 493, 439, 2353 ; also, 1840, 2677, 5617 ; (Als), as, 693, 2152 ; Als, as, when, 2844 ; as it were, 751*, 752* ; where, that, 768* ; Als (Also), so, 1270 ; as (I hope), 724* ; Als belme, as soon as may be, 2183 ; Als belme (belife), as quickly as possible, immediately, 2671.

Also, also, 31 ; Als-so, also, 5499.

Althire-fairest, fairest of all, 5092. See All-ir.

Althire-finest, finest of all, 3701 ; Althire-fynest, 3368.

Alpine-graythist, reddest of all, but *as error* for Alpine-gretist, greatest of all, 162.

Alvir-heist (All-ir heist), *adj.* the highest (chief) of all, 1855 ; Althire-highest (All je heist), *adv.* chief of all, especially, 2509.

Alvre-mast, *adv.* greatest of all, excessive, 486.

Althire-thickest (All je thickest), *adj.* superl. thickest of all, 1323.

Alt-bretnid, *part* for Al-ir-bretnid, *pt. pl.* utterly broke in pieces, 3906. See Bretna.

Alt-brutenes (brutenes), *adv.* wholly destroys, 1214. Brutenes is an *error* for Brutenes, *pt. s.* of Brutenes, & Brutenes, to dash, break in pieces. See brutenes in Mätzner ; and see Alt-bretnid.

Altogedre, *adv.* altogether, 174 ; Alt-to-gedire (Alt-to-gedre), 903.

Alt-to-mankid, *mispr.* for Alt-mankid — Al-to-mankid, *pt. pl.* maimed to pieces, mangled, 4100. See Munk in Jamieson. Cf. Lat. *vacuum*.

Alt-to-schafird, *pt. s.* (for Al to schafird), utterly shattered in pieces, utterly scattered, 4150.

Alyene, *pl.* aliens, strangers, 3445 ; (Aliens), 982 ; Alyene, *gen. pl.* strangers', 947.

Alysundire (Alexander), Alex undira, 2744. See Alexander.

An, *1 pr. s.* am, 574, 842*, &c.

(Amaced), pp. mazued, 1814.

Analist, *amethyst*, 3145, 3349 ; Anatass, 3341 ; Anatists, *pl.* 5384 ; Anatistis, *pl.* 5273 ; Amytists, 3679.

Amay *je*, *imp. s.* dismay thee, be dismayed, 2816 ; A-maid, *pp.* dismayed, 1814 ; Amyyd, *pp.* 1253, 3885. O.F. *esmayer*, to dismay.

Amazones, the land of the Amazons, 3708, 3722.

Ames, *1 pr. s.* I think, judge, suppose, 3830, 4104 ; Ames, *pr. s.* aims, thinks, 3624 ; addresses, 2563 ; (Ames), directs his way, 1047 ; patches, sets, 2586 ; Ames (Aynes, M.S. aynes), *pr. s.* aims, endeavours, 853 ; Ames, *pr. s.* 2 *p.* supposed (but a false reading), 2349 ; Ames, *pt. s.* intended, 2821 ; *ref.* intended to go, 219 ; Amad (Amyyd), *pt. pl.* purposed, intended, 2395 ; Amad, *pp.* determined, 309 ; reckoned, considered, 3736. F. *caser*.

Ames, *a.* aim, guess, supposition, 2665 ; aim, endeavour, 2462 ; At myne ame (ayne), as I suppose, 2987.

Amend, *per. to amend* (the gift), to add (thereto), 3776 ; Amendid (Mendyd), *pp.* recovered, 2327.

(Amoyes), *pp.* diminished, 2329. A-meued, *pp.* moved, 4556 ; (A-moved), 1253.

Amups (Amlaugh), *s.* an imbecile, weak person, 1705, 2342. Icel. *omblíki*.

Amon, Ammon, 345, 404, 420, 3398 ; Amons, 4212 ; Amon (Amons), 1059 ; (Amoye), 2863 ; Amon (Amons), *gen. Ammon's*, 1072.

Amonton (Amoneh), 1 *yr. s.* admonish, charge, 1413. E. *admonish*.

Amouch, proper name, 2059, 2078 ; Amouch, 2057.

Amoud (Amoyed), *pp.* moved, disturbed, 1796 ; (Amoved), moved, exhorted, bidden, 1493.

Amophil, proper name, 2216.

Amytiste ; see Amatist. An, *one*, 3532 ; a space of, 4814 ; (An), *an*, 800. See Ano.

Anabrus, Anarbasutes, 3438.

Anafrage, *Luf. Anafrag*, 5488.

An-ane (Anone), *adv.* anon, at once, 1377. See Axone.

Ancestris (Annoesters), *pl.* ancestors, 2844.

Ancest, *adj.* old, 3445.

An, *and*, *any*, and (usually expressed by &), 6, 12, 15, &c. ; If, 21, 354, 2164, 2339, 2655 ; than, 540, 2810, 3819, 5300. As is than, is given in Halliwell as is was in the North and East. Hence, in 1, 540, the reading and is to be retained. Cf. Icel. en, en, than. See And in Murray, p. 317, col. 2.

Anda (Aynde), *s.* breath, 749 ; Andas, *pl.* breathings, 4813. See Andze.

Ana, *adj.* one, 40, 189, 307, 586, &c. ; as, 191, 797, 7677 ; alone, 391 ; some one, 465 ; This one, after one pattern, all alike, 4619 ; And other, another, 1240 ; Fine one, thyself alone, 732, 5623 ; Him one, himself alone, 53, 162 ; your one, each one of you, 3176. See All, An.

Ans-herf for Anectanibus, king of Egypt, 40, 71, 79, 95, 168, 191, 210, 219, 242, 250, 508, 552, 598, 597, 670, 701, 717, 1120, 1134.

Anectanabus, king of Egypt, 533, 625 ; Anecanbus, 486 ; Anectan- bus, 1151. See Ance.

Anelogy, *adj.* a single, 169. See Anlegd.

Ansell (Anglo), *put for Angle, nook, corner, region*, 1630. See Angle. Anoly (Only), *adv.* only, merely, 925, 2464, 2729 ; alone, 1020. See Anly.

Anonte (Anone), *pp.* about, concerning, 735 [Anone == Anonte ; and Lenate Anone-t, with added t] ; A-ante (Anone), touching, regarding, 2716. See Eonite.

Anentes, *pr. s.* becomes assimilated, 3302. O.F. *anester*, to bring to naught. See anester in Murray. Anteo, proper name, 2956.

Anes, adj., once, 478, 1191; At anes (Atony), at once, 222. See Anys.

Anes, pr. & unites, 879. (Anes), prep. as regards, 3164. *Pst* for Annes. See Anesa.

Angie (Angro), s. anger, 857, 1908, 2724; (Angri), trouble, sorrow, 2882; Angre, pt. angers, passions, 750; (Angers), miseries, 2160. See Angres.

Angins, (Angers), pr. s. becomes angry, 857.

Angis, s. corner, place, province, region, 3657; Angil, 4720; Anglia (Anglez), pl. angles, corners, 2332; Anglies (Angles), nooks, 1917.

(Angres), pl. sorrows, troubles, 3173. See Angrie.

Angrie (Angri), adj. angrily, 733; Angry (Angerty), 2185; (Angrey), 852.*

Angwisch, s. anguish, pain, 3173; hardship, suffering, 2160, 5618; woe, 3116; Angwische, 1011; Angwischis, pl. sorrows, 3828; annoyances, 5793.

Ankers; see Anchis.

Anlepi, adj., one, 5625. A.R. *despig*. See Anchley.

Anly, adj. only, simply, 4240. See Anley.

(Anone), adj. anon., 2224. See Anane.

Anoper (An ope), another, 822; Anopres, 685; Anudire (An ope), 2237; Andire, 297, 501, 795, &c.

Anoyed (Noyet), pp. annoyed, vexed, 737.

Anoytis, pr. s. anoynt, 413; Answer (Answer), s. answer, 3158; (Answer), 2180. See Answer.

Answeringis, pl. answers, 2180. Answers, pr. s. answers, 254, 290, 322; (Answers), 2183, 2263; Answerd (Answered), pt. pl. answered, 1000.

Antigone (Antigone), Antigonus, 1912.

Antarties, the Antarctic or south pole, 81.

Anters, pl. adventures, 656. See Answer.

Antioch, Antiochus, 5208; Antice,

5186, 5193; Antict, [or Antice], 4965; Anticks, gen. 5197.

Any, any, 84, 134, 261; (Any), 1200; Any more (more), any more, 1011.

Any-gates, ods. in any way, 4216.

Anyly (Only), adv. only, singularly, 3329. See Only.

Anyne, adv. once, 3508; (Onys), 1467, 2654; At anye (anys, onys), at once, 1609, 2326, 2345. See Anys, adv.

Apareld (Aparerd), pp. apparelled, 1497; Aparald (Apparel), 2300; Apparel, s. apparel, 5196.

Apart, apart; or for Aperf, openly, 3575.

Ape, s. ape, 1705, 3542; Apis, pl. 5242.

A-perc, s. appear, 361; Apero, 3215, 3422; be present, 2579; Aperis, pr. s. appears, 451, 1084; (Aperos), 1457; A-perid (Aperd), pt. s. appeared, 2802; (Appenes), 1084, 1620. See below, and see Apperyn.

A-perid, pt. s. appeared (to them), 3056. *Perhaps for Apcised* == harmed.

Aperf, adj. open, evident, obvious, 2833, 4496; manifest, 3726; Aperf, well-known, 261.

Aperf, adj. openly, plainly, 1896, 2296, 5100.

Apetite, s. appetite, 4600.

Apon, prep. upon, 31, 251; (Upon), 778, 300, 1130; on, 273; (Upon), on, 1641; in, 1670, 2247.

Aport, a outward appearance, personal bearing, deportment, 508, 5145.

Apparall (Apperal), ger. to apparel, prepare, 1919.

(Apparement), s. appare, 820.* Appedanere, Lat. Appelina, 5493.

(Apperyn). 2 pr. s. appearest like, 1842. See Aperf.

Appis (Appilla), pt. applies, 4718, 5241.

Apollo, Apollo, 4534; Appole, 5118. See Appolyne.

Appolomedos, 2529. See note.

Appolyne, Apollo, 4467; Appoline (Apolyne), 2254; (Appolyne), 2176; (Appolyne), 2183. See Apollo.

Appose, i.e.g. & p. question, 4968; A-prefe, v. approve, be approved, 598. See Appese.

A-prefe, s. approbation, approval, 618.

A-prese, s. exhibit, prove, make good (in, approve), 5328; A-preved (Preved), pt. pl. acquired (for themselves), 1206; A-proved, pp. gained, attained, 614. See Aprob, Apposes.

Aproach, ger. to approach, 1595; pr. s. infy, 74; Aprochild, pt. s. approached, came, 4102.

A-propid, pp. considered by itself, 4426.

Apronies, pr. s. proves good, 4220.

Apuynance, appartenance, 5628. Aquilon, the wind Aquilo, north wind, 4144.

Arabie (Araby), Arabia, 2034.

Aray, s. erier, manner, 425; (Arays), pl. ranks, 1320.

Aray, pr. s. 2 p. subj. array, 1494; Aray (Arays), pr. s. arrays, 1518; Aray (Araya), pr. pl. 2980.

Arayd, pp. dressed, 1633; (Arayd), arrayed, 1382; Arayed, arrayed, 93; (Arayde), 883.

Araxes, Arcadia (?), 5675.

Archers, s. archer, 3450; Archers (Archers), pl. 1399, 3041; Archers (Archers, for Archers), 2455.

Archos, Hercules, 4509; Arculus, 4068.

Andromachis (Andromachis), proper name, 1691.

Are, s. favour; bin are, with thy favour, 5361. A.S. dr.

Are, adj. ere, before, 246, 1140. A.S. dr.

Araris, pr. s. retreats, draws backward, 4846.

Arast, s. arrest, seizure, 3504.

Arastes (Aristes), proper name, 1277. See Arystas.

(Arastell), Aristote, 766.* See Aristotil.

Aras, pr. s. impers. it terrifies me, I am afraid, 637; Aras, pp. terrified, afraid, 3606, 3873. A.S. erysons to be feared. See Argles.

As, conj. na, 11, 14, 17, 18, 24, &c.; as if, 193, 225, 268, 421, 504, 505, 558, &c.; like, 1063, 1153, 1159, 2796; As . . . as, as . . . as, 2811, 2812.

As, as ret. pres. that, which, 1783. As (Asse), s. as, 2708.

Asale (Assale), ger. to assail, 1296; Assale, 3023; Assale, 1296; (Assalex), pr. s. assails, 2038; (Assale), 1023. See Assale.

A-saillo (A-sawille), a assault, attack, 924. See Assale.

Arly, adj. early, 350, 551.

Arme, s. arm, 494, 503, 505; Armes, pl. 345, 384, 420.

Armed, pp. armed, 49, 83, 1213; (Armyd), 2034, 2102; (Enarmed), 757, 954.

Arme, s. army, 2563.

Armes, pl. arms, 90, 803, 996; (Armes), 764, 908, 1594; Armes, 9, 16, 44; (Armes), 2363; Armes (Armer), coat-armour, herse, ar-ray, special dress, 1624.

Armette, s. (Armet, pl.) armour, 3413; (Armour), 916.

Arremis, (Aremis), adj. aromatic, 1566.

Arromitik, aromatics, 4977.

Arrow, pl. arrows, 2455; (Arrows), 1390; Arrow (Arrows), 2211; (Arrows), 2224.

Arrib, Arrib, 6770; Arribal, gen. Arrib's, 5564.

Arribens, pl. Arribans, 92.

(Art), 2 pr. s. art, 843.* See Ert.

Artaixenes, Artaixerxes, 49, 81, 163.

Artis, s. art, science, 128, 333, 681, 5483; Artis, pl. artis, 44, 376, 522; ways, 4609; (Artes), 766.*

Artemes, Lat. Artemis, 5429.

Arthons, Arctic pole, north pole, 29.

Artoyes, Artois, 5429.

Artykes (Artekes), proper name, 1225. See Artes.

Aristell, Aristotle, 623, 637. See Aristotil.

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A-suld, *s. ass.* little ass, 1228. See below. O. Northumb. *asul*, *asulf*, Matt. xviii. 6; *xxii. 23*.

Asleny (Aslyn), a. little ass, 1705. See above.

A-sante, *s. assault*, attack, 2550; (*Assante*), 924. See Assile.

A-say, a trial, 6370.

Ascalion, Ascalon, 5675. See As-colloyn.

Ascerdis (Ascender), *pr. s. ascends*, climbs up, 1377; (*Ascended*), moments, 767; Ascendi (*Ascended*), *pr. pl.* 1434; (*Ascended*), 1298; (*Ascended*), 1030; Ascendit, *pt. s.* 1030, 1398.

A-schnip, *pp. escaped*, 2887.

Asciulym (*Ascoleyn*), Ascalon, 1116. See Ascalion.

Ascre, *pl. news*, lizards, 4198. M.E. *ascre*, *ascre*; see Mizmer.

Ascrys, *pr. pl.* cry out to, challenge, demand of (them), 5215. Cf. O.F. *crier*; see *cries* in Mizmer.

A-sembla, *pr. s. assembles*, 2219; (*Assemblies*), gathers, 762; (*Assemblies*), 923; Assembles (*Assemblies*), 1470; A-sembid (*Assemblies*), *pt. s. assembled*, encountered, 783; A-sembles (*Assemblies*), *imp. pl. gather together*, 2527. See Assemble.

A-sent, *pr. s. pl.* 1 p. absent, 4262; *A-sent* (*Asent*), *pr. pl.* 1510.

A-servis, *pr. pl.* agree, wait, 4254.

A-seper, *imp. s. sit*, 5182. O.F. *asseter*, from Lat. *assidere*.

Asie (Agy), Asia, 1917, 2114. See Agy.

Asiid, *pp. constructed*, 5087. Lat. *texti constructa*. O.F. *asie*, *pp. of assier*, 'to set, settle'; Cot. See Asiid.

Asikis, *pr. s. asks*, 670; (*Aske*), 1672, 1701; asks for, 3612; requires, 1504; Asiks (*Asken*), *pr. pl. seek*, 727; ask, 888; Asikil (*Askyd*), *pt. pl. asked*, 2254; (*Asked*), 888; Asike, *imp. s. ask them*, 1670, 1685.

Asikis, *pl. askes*, 4189.

Askyng (*Askyns* = *askynys*, *pl. s.*

request, 3173; (*Asking*), enquiry (*a false reading*), 732. (*Aslakes*), *pr. s. ceases*, 857. Lit. 'grows slack.'

Assurance, a. assurance, 5001.

Aspert, *adv. fiercely*, 2039, 9041;

quickly, eagerly, 2672; sharply,

roughly, severely, 1088, 3639;

fiercely, swiftly, 3001.

Assuile (*Assvile*), *ger. to assault*, 1580; Assuill (*Assvile*), to assail, 1162. See Assile.

Assulin, *pr. s. scales up*, 424.

Assembilis, *pr. pl. collect, re-unite*, 4161; (*Assembled*, *pt. s.*), en-

countered, 1387; Assembild on, *pt. pl. gathered against, attacked*, 4134. See Assembil.

Asseny, 4449. Probably a false reading; the alliteration requires a word beginning with *a*, and ours gives no sense. For our enemy read *gæse ænny* (i.e. your enemy).

Asse, Asia, 5652.

Asiid, *pp. made of* a certain size, sized, 5658. See Asiid.

Asikis, *pr. pt. 2 p. beseech*, 4467. See Asike.

Asate, a. estate, dignity, rank, con-

dition, 729, 3353, p. 279, 1, 11.

Astralibus, *pl. astralibus*, 128. (MS. Astralibus.)

Asuris (Assury), 2 *pr. s. trusted*, art secure, 2756; Asurid (*Assuryd*), *pt. s. rof.* assured himself, felt confident, 2568.

A-swage (*Swrage*), *v. be assuaged*, 750.

Asy. See Afle Asie.

Asye, Asia, 3765. See Asie, Asie.

At, *prep. at*, 71, 132, 178, 5364; *of*,

1618; *of*, from, 760², 1670, 2715,

4467; by, 757²; to, suitably with,

4208; *against*, 3164; At hand, 81. See At.

At, *prep. which*, that, 927; who,

1045, 1171; that which, 636; whom, 1059, 1216; that, 10, 56,

65; *conj.* that, 100, 266, 1480.

Most common as a relative pronoun, as in 152, 161, &c. Used like mod. *that*. See pat.

At to (as sign of gerund), 872,

4294.

At, *prep. so that*, 1527.

(Attachyl), *pp. attached*, 2580.

Attamyd, *see Attamed.*

(Attaliby), *pr. s. rof.* advances,

2315; (*Attaliby*), *pt. s. intended*,

1819; (*Attaland*), *pres. pf. de-*

vising; expecting, 3191. See |

At, 3550; read Al, i.e. all.

At fee; see Al-fee.

A-tamed (*Attanyd*), *pp. pierced*,

3042. See Gloss to Piers Plow-

man.

At anes (*At anex*), at once, 784.

Atell, *for Athell*, *adj. noble*, 1088,

1792, 2030. Only in the Dublin

MS. See Athel.

Atenes (*Athens*), Athens, 2343;

Atcyne, 2446; Atcynes (*Athens*),

2391. See Athens.

Atwyne, *pr. s. rof.* taints, reaches,

2315.

At-fle, *v. flee away, pass away*

(from you), be dismissed, 988.

It is better to take *offle* as one

word. A.S. *offla*. See offles in Mätzner.

Atle, *s. earth*, 3770; Athle, 5437.

Atel, *adj. noble*, 242; Athil, 17,

188, 305, 404, 620, 849, 1994.

At145: (*Athel*), 810, 596, 1577,

1597; (*Astell*), 1821; Athil, exalted,

3341; Athil (*Athel*), 701,

930, 1134; Athill (*Athel*), *adj.*

as ab. noble ones, 681, 837, 964;

noble king, 3204; Athlis (*Latels*),

pt. nobles, 1435; (*Athelids*), 1474;

(Athelids), 1445; (*Athels*), 2225.

A.S. *sept*. See Athel.

Atliest, *adj. superl. noblest*, 40,

4571; Atliest, 3737; Athiest, 5104.

(Atliestallest), *adj. noblest*, 1066.

Athenes (*Athens*), Athens, 2419;

(Athennes), 2323; Athens, 2312.

See Atenes.

(Athe); see Aver.

Atire, *Atire* (*Atire*), *adj. either, each*, 3023.

See Aver.

Atired (*Attyred*), *pt. s. attired*,

decked, 1525; (*Atyyred*), *pt. pl.*

2427; A-tired, *pp. 4994*; (At-

tyred), 1628; (*Atired*), 1294,

1633. See Atyne.

(At), *prep. at*, 964.

(At), *conj. so that*, 1527.

(Attachyl), *pp. attached*, 2580.

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2315; (*Attaliby*), *pt. s. intended*,

1819; (*Attaland*), *pres. pf. de-*

vising; expecting, 3191. See |

Edit. Icel. *otla*, to think, intend.

Atter, a. poison, 1320. A.S. *dter*.

Attewand, *pres. pt. poisoning*, i.e.

poisonous, 4198. See above.

(Athel), *wisewife* for Athell, 1

pr. s. direct, 2322. See Attellys.

Attirid (*Attord*), *adj. poisoned*, 2425.

See Atter.

At-wend, *pr. s. leaves, escapes*,

goes away from, 3347. Cf. A.S.

atwenden, to flee away, escape.

At-wynde, *pr. s. subj.* may depart,

1949. A.S. *atwende*.

Atyres, *pr. s. atcide*, 1294; Atyre, *pp. atorned, madd*, 3343. See Atized.

Aufrik, Africa, 5660; Aufrik, 4825.

(For An — Av., see under Av.)

Augard (*Augerd*), *adj. proud*, or

excellent, 2343. This word is the same as *aspart*, proud, in Halliwell, and allied to *overpart*, ex-

cessive, in Stratmann. I suppose the orig. sense to be merely 'extreme'; it stands probably for *of-part*, where *part* is the pp. of *gar*, to make, Cf. Swed. *ofjörd*, pp. of *afjöra*, to settle; Dan. *afjørt*, pp. of *afjøre*, to finish; Norw. *afjørg*. See Augrid.

(Augfuldest), most terrible, 1062.

Augard (*Augerly*), adj. exceedingly,

772. See Augard, Augiry.

Augiry, *adj. extremely, excessively*,

661; (*Augwardly*), 717; (*Augwardly*), 972; (*Augiry*, entirely, wholly, 2987; Augrily (*Augerly*), extremely, 3225; (*Augerly*), penally, 1726; severally, greatly, 1277; fiercely, 1401; Augrily (*Augerly*), extremely, 1342. See above.

August, August, 3789.

Auncestons, pl. ancestors, 4369.

Auncient, adj. ancient, 1002; Aunc-

ant, old, 2391.

Angell, a. angel, 4529, 5255;

(Angel), 1487, 1872, 2893;

Angels (*Angels*), pl. angels, 1556; figures of angels, 4915;

Angl(e)s (Angels), angel, 2863.

Aunkirs (Ankers), pl. anchors, 1372.

(Answer), s. answer, 751. See Answer.

Aunter, s. adventure, 3204; peril, 538; (*Aventur*), mischance, 1109; Aunter, adventure, 5189; Aunter, (pl. Aunters), adventure, case, 620; Austers (*Austers*), pl. adventures, 1278; Auntors, 3470, 5618; (*Auntors*), 3204. See Auters.

Aunders (*Owder*), adj. either, 1180. Auhly, adj. (7) 3234. It seems to mean 'sodly'; cf. Icel. *suðr*, void, desolate.

Autours, author, 4720.

Auster, s. ultim., 1572.

A-vaies, pr. s. informs, 1508; Avaid, pp. informed, made aware, 116; If thou avaid wrothe, if thou art (well) informed, if you take heed, 103. O.F. *avoir*, ouvrir, to set on the road, guide, inform; Godfrey, p. 634.

A-vaile, 2 pr. & subj. prevail (to be), 1880.

A-vaile (*Avale*), imp. s. lower, diminish, 2836. O.F. *ouler*.

A-vanced (*Aunseyd*), pp. advanced, exalted, 2096; Aunacet, pp. advanced, chief, 2381; A-vansid, pp. advanced, exalted, 382; (*Aunacet*), pp. advanced in years, 1002; (*Aunacet*), pp. advanced, honoured, 2200; A-vansmod, pp. advanced, rendered prosperous, 3773; (*Aunseyd*), exalted, 2755.

Aunant, shorted form of Aunemant, courteous, 2387. O.F. *onement*, spelt *aument* in *Coggrave*. See the context; and see Aunant in Hallwell.

(Aunante), imp. s. vaunt, 2713. A-ventour (*Aventur*), a mishap, 2889.

A-verous, adj. avaricious, 4512.

A-vise (*Ayves*), imp. s. consider, 1767; imp. s. 4410; A-visis (*Awyss*), pr. s. reads over, 2066; Avises him, concides with himself, 4000; Illm s-visis, 3624. See Ayvys.

A-vise, s. property, wealth, 4668. O.F. *ouier*.

A-vow (*A-wowe*), s. vow, 2905.

A-voutere, a. adulterer, 4414. A-voutri, a. adultery, 4329.

Awyv, adj. own, 188. See Awen.

Auyrioe, a. avarice, 4327.

Ayses, pr. & perceives, 4925; Aysys, beheld, 3234; (*Viesys*), pr. & notices, takes notice of, 2509; (*Ayses*), pt. & perceived, 7337; Aysyd him, looked, 116. See Ayses.

A-wal, adv. away, 865; Away, 508.

Awt, s. behaved, 868. (Properly pr. s.) A.S. *awt*. See Awght.

Awen, adj. own, 364, 420, 623, 708, 3659; (*Awne*), 373, 3178.

Awen (*Awne*), adj. one, 2569. (A curious spelling; confused with *aw* = own.)

Awgerd, Awgredly, &c.; see Aug- (*Awght*), eight, 764.* See Ajl. (*Awght*), pt. s. behaved, 868. A.S. *awt*, pt. t. of *awt*. See Awe, Ay. Awe, adj. own, 4497; also in 735*, 729*, 777*, 800*, 814.* See Awen.

(Auneters), pl. adventures, 1011. See Aunter.

A-wordres, pr. s. surprises, 4832; refl. is amazed, 4047; Awondird, pp. astonished, 302.

Awyv, adj. own, 79, 168, 210, 219; (*Awne*), 3236. See Awen.

Az, s. nro, 1400.

Ay, adv. ever, 255, 293, 972, 994, &c.; Ay alike, always alike, 536, 2046. See Al, Ay.

(Ayayzen), prep. against, 822.* Aydeus (*for Aide deus*), God aid (me), 729. Adapted from O.F. *aid de deus*.

(Aydom), adj. 2907. See Ayndain.

Aye, adj. continually, 3458. See Ay.

Aykewordly, (*Ankworlly*), adj. indirectly, ambiguous, 2183; Ayndain, adj. 2907. The Dublin MS. has *oyson*. These forms point to a reading *ayndon*, i.e. aiding, assisting, hence favourable, which seems to be the sense required. See the note, Cf. P. oxford, helping; *Dies aidant*, if God help me; *Coggrave*.

Ayre, s. heir, 588. See Aire.

(Ayres), pr. & goes, 322*; (*Ayres*), 2114; (*Ayres hym*), goes, 749; (*Ayres*), esp. pl. go ye, 889. See Aires.

Ayyz (*Azy*), Asia, 1630. See Asia.

Aylaine, prst. either, each, 4500; (*Ailes*), 2043; Aylain, 4391; (*Ailes*), either, 1585.

(Ay-whare), aде. everywhere, 781.*

Ayayne (*Ayayn*), aде. again, back again, 1393, 3240.

Ay, a. awe, terror, danger, 2987; (*Aw*), awe, 1459; Arizaznes ap. fear of Arizaxres, 163.

Ay, s. a. eugh (lit. over), 3370; ought (to be), 4245; (*Aight*, pt. s.), 3370; (*Aught*, pt. s.), it becomes (him), 1839; (*Aught*, pt. s.), it becomes, 1928. A.S. *ah*.

Ajw (*Awe*), pr. pl. 2 p. owe, 2763; pr. s. owns, rules over, 4712. A.S. *ah*.

Ajd, pp. tortured, lit. swed, 3635. See Ajd.

Ajfullnes, adj. superl. awefullest, most terrible, 16.

Ajg (*Awig*), pt. s. inspers, ought (for him to do), 717; owed, 918; Ajg, pp. possessed, 2125; (*Awig*), 2 pt. pl. did possess, 2202; Ajg, pt. s. owned, possessed, 18. A.S. *adde*. See Awght.

Ajg, num. eight, 3452, 3200.

Ajland, ord. eighth, 3830; Ajpent, 4366.

Ajte, s. possession, valuable property, Arane, present, 5134. Lowl. Sc. *ascht*; A.S. *asht*.

Bab, s. babe; The bab with to play — for the babe to play with,

2500; Babbie, pl. babies, 1772.

Babilon, Babylon, 1683; (*Babylone*), 2597; Babiloum, 5627; Babiloun, 5613.

(Babyst), error for Bayet, 2146. See Bayet.

Bao (*Bake*), s. back, 102; Backis, pt. s. 3834.

Bacheler, s. young knight, 4209, 4778; (*Bacheler*, pt. s.), 1594;

Bacheter, pt. bacchior, young |

knights, novices in arms, 155, 974, 1063, 1797, 2088; Bachelare, 4111.

Bachles, pl. bats, 3296. "Bakke, *receptilis*"; Prompt. Parv.

Bacter, Bacteria, 4525.

Badi, pt. s. bade, 2294, 3138, 3155; (Bade), 1567; Badi, 5549; Bad, pt. pl. 2195; (Byde), pt. pl. 2295.

Badiere (*Baldere*), pt. care, 1763. Cf. Sc. *bairns*, a cat; the game called out is also called *bairn* (see Hallwill).

Bade, pt. & abode, 4982; remained, waited, 5559*; pt. pl. waited, abode, 5559.

Bade (*Bole*), s. delay, tarrying, 2908, 2951, 5204.

(Baldi), adj. baldly, 1782. A corrupt reading; see Baldrich.

Baldriche, a. foolish one (?), 1782. It seems to be a vocative case.

Cf. A.S. *bolding*, an effeminate person; *bolding*, a worthless person (Hallwill).

Bages, pl. badges, 4181.

Baggis, pl. bags, 123.

Baines, (Boys), pr. s. bays, barks, 1805.

Bailiffs (*Ballyffs*), pl. bailiffs, 2204.

Baine, imp. pt. abase (yourselves), be dismayed, 4156; Baisse (*Babyfys*), pt. s. humbled, 2146;

Baid (*Basyd*), pp. abashed, cast down, 2567; (*Basyt*), humbled, 2447. See Bayst.

Bassons, pl. basins, 3278.

Bastell (*Bastell*), a. building, fort, tower, 1161, 1306, 1339, 1398, 1422; Bastall, 1333. O.F. *bastelle*, from *bastir*, to build.

Basting, or boasting, 2016.

Baitis, pr. s. 2 p. doest bait, doest provoke, 5355.

Bak, s. back, 928; Bake, 124, 218, 711, 732*, 3054, 3602; Bakis (*Bakker*), pl. backs, 2601.

Bakin, pp. baked, 4433.

Bakward (*Bakeword*), adv. backward, 1408.

Balan, proper name, 1223, 1430, 1442; Balan(s), 1301, 1312.

Balan, s. (perhaps) a kind of hempen

cloth, 4851. Lat. *textus*—‘*subtilares lincee*.’ Cf. O.F. *bolin*, a kind of hempen cloth (*Godefroy*); Bret. *bolin*, *pallin*, a linnen quilt, a winnowing-cloth. See *Bole*. “*Bolin* a piece de toile grossière que l'on étend sur le sol quand on ventre le bœuf.” *Godefroy*. Bald, adj. bold, 157, 289, 761*, 915, 1138, 1283, 1324, 1442; a bold man, 1228. Baldost, adj. superl. boldest, 764. Baldire (Baldher), adv. more boldly, 1825. Baldis, pr. s. encourages, 5447; (*Baldex*), 1018. Cf. A.S. *syldas*. Baldly, adv. boldly, 969. Baldines, s. boldness, 2291. Bale, s. bale, calamity, 396; sorrow, harm, injury, 1146, 1974; ill, evil, 4194, 4620; sorrow, 2053; illness, 5582; misfortune, 2444; evil fate, 3248; Tales, pl. dangers, 5625. Bale, s. fire, blaze, 2221. A.S. *læf*, Bale-fyre, a pyre for burning a man, funeral pile, 562, 2658. See above. Balefull, adj. destructive, 4858. Balefully, adv. sorrowfully, 155. Bale-nakid, adj. bally naked, naked down to the belly, *sexus*, entirely naked, 4125. See *Bollied*-naked in *Halliwel*. Balgh, adj. swelling out, full in shape, 4829. Cf. A.S. *bolgen*; and see examples in *Matzner*, s. v. *bulg*. Ball (Bale), s. ball, 1898, 1929; (*Balle*), 1712. Banners (Bancrys), pl. banners, 3027; (*Baner*), 774. See *Banner*. (Banz), pl. s. bound, tied, 1571, 2903. Band, a. band, 786*; Bands (Bandes, pl.), imprisonment, 3104; Bands, pl., bonds, 5344; (*Bandes*), 369.* Band, s. slayer, 5376; murderer, 968; *lances*, pl. murderers, 3248, 3422. Icel. *baði*. Bances, pl. banners, 781, 4181; (*nemurites Barnes*), 1563. See *Banir*, *Banana*. Banes, pl. boxes, 773*, 2308. Banir, banner, 2088.

Bank, a. bank, 5243; (*Bank*), low hill, 2441. Banned, jd. or cursed, 157. Barante (Barayone), a. barrenness, 894. See *Barany*. Baratour, a. bold fighter, hero, warrior, 2476, 2825, 2951, 3320, 4786; Baratours, pl. fighters, 830*, 1138, 2593, 3502, 3857; Baratours (Baratours), 2159; (*Baratours*), 1799. O.F. *baratour*, from *barat*, confusion, strife. Baratrix, pf. conflicts, 4503. Error for *Baratis*, pf. of *Barat*, confusion, strife. See *Barat*. Barayne (Baren), adj. barren, 1199. Barbare (Barberos), adj. barbarous, barbarian, 291; Barbarine (Barberon), 2418; Barberes, pf. barbarians, 3496, 3611; (*Barbers*), 2488; (*Barbey*), 2650; (*Barbeyn*), 2606; *Barbes* (*Barbes*), 2534. See *Barbry*. Barbis (Barbes), pl. bars of arrows, 2455. Bar-beyn (Barberon), adj. barbarian, 2919; Barbyne (Barbaryn), 3051; Barberone, 3586; Barbyne (*Barbeen*), 2626; Barbrins, gen. pl. *barbrinians*, 3511. See *Barbans*. Barc, a. barc, 4523, 4746; *Barc*, gen. 5436; *Barc*, gen. 610. Barc, pf. a. bars pushed along, 711; (*Barc*), bars, 974; pf. pl. bars, 1408; (*Barc*), carried, 1570. Barc, adj. bare, 1339, 2246, 3842. (*Barc*), a. bar (of justice), 758.* Barely, adv. nearly, 984. Bart, a. strife, debate, hardship, 4620; trouble, 527; (*Bartees*), attacks, 2137. O.F. *barut*, *tured*, confusion. Barg, a. barg, raft, 4206; *Bargin*, 66, 5462; (*Bargin*), 1305, 2457. Barke, a. bark (of a tree), 4975. Barne, a. brim, edge, verge, 4812. Icel. *barri*, *wim*, edge. Barneken, barbican, the outermost defence of a fortified town or castle, 1301. Lowland Sc. *barrikis*. See *Barne*. Barne, a. bairn, child, 396, 517, 585, 597, 1559, 1712, 1927, 3320, 4117;

young man, 811*; Barnes, pl. children, 2717, 4046; (*Barnes*), 1475; (*Barsor*), 1018. (Baron), a. baron, 761*; Barons, pl. 156, 974, 1003, 2159. See *Heom*. Baronage, baronage, assembly of barons, 984. Barotour, Baratour; see *Baratour*. Barayne, adj. barren, 3582. See *Barayn*. (Barre), s. enclosure formed by bars, 783*; (*Barres*), pl. bars, 1081. Barres (Barre), a. barrier, 2903; (*Barres*, pl. barriers, 3681; (*Barres*), 2259). Barris, pr. s. bars; *Barris* (*Barres*) to, bars to, fastens up, 1312; *Barris*, pr. pl. (*Barred*, pf. pl.) bar, fasten, 2133; *Barrel*, pp. 1080. (Barstells), a. kind of hound, 786.* Barslett in hand = housed in a loath. See *Barsley* and *Berselottes* in *Halliwel*. Barz, error for *Bacy*, *Bacchus*, 4505. Bassonet, basinet, helmet, 4002; Basinetts (*Basinettes*), pf. 3457; of, 577. Bassleik, a. baslik, 4837. Bass, the inner bark of a tree, 4281; Als bare as a bast (bastet), as bare as a tree with only its inner bark left, 1339 (cf. l. 4981). (Basyng), a. abomination, attempt to put down, 2016. Short for *Abasyng*. Batoldi (Batold), pp. embattled, 1152. Battail, a. (1) battle, 204, 3643; (*Battail*), 299, 1879, 1891, 2047; (*Battle*), 1808; (2) Battail, battle, war, 650; (3) Battail (*Batell*), battalions, body of troops, 768, 783; Battails, pl. battalions, 93, 3037. See *Batell*. Battail-axes, pl. battle-axes, 4084. Battary, prep. name, 23. Batt, per. to debate, to fight, contend, 4009, 4553. Battie (*Bates*), pl., debate, conflict, 2615. Batt, a. stick, piece of wood, lit. bat, 1340. See *Battis*. Battis, per. to bathe (*Bathyd*, pp.), 2542. Battis, adj. both, 2046. Icel. *baðir*, both. Battill; see *Bataill*, *Battell*. Battis (*Bates*), pl. boats, 1305. Battis, imp. pl. abate, lower, 4155. Battine, Battia, 3872; Battan, 2973; Battis (*Baitry*), 3105. Battis, pl. lumps, large pieces, 4166. Cf. brick-loaf. See *Bate*. Baydwyls (*Bawdwiles*), pl. rich clothes, expensive pieces of cloth, 1514. O.F. *bawdile*, Ital. *baldacchino*, from Ital. *baldazzo*, Bagdad. Baywars, pl. archers; *Baratours baywers*, warrior-archers, 3260. Lit. ‘bowers,’ bow-men. Baywe, a. balm, balsam, 4380, 4869, 4975. Baynard, pres. part. 4908. The sense is clearly ‘*abiding*’ or ‘*dwelling*’; prob. for *beonand*, as if from M.E. *beonan*, to get ready; but used in the sense of the orig. Icel. verb *ba*, to dwell, abide. Baye, a. country, 5868. Bayne, adj. prompt, ready, 323. Icel. *heim*. Bayon, Bayonne, 5668. Bayst, p.t.s. cast down, made abashed, 466. See *Raine*. Be, v. to be, 5, 118, 159, 1476, &c.; ger. 179, 180, 204; *Sall be*, shall be, 178; *Be*, pr. s. subj., 249, 322; may be, 208; whether it be, 257; 2. pr. s. subj., 344*; pr. pl. subj., 106, 2076; imp. s. be thou, 242; *Be* *ja* = if this be, 2429. See *Beo*. Be, prep. by, 58, 206, 240, 443, 617, 2084; by aid of, 714; beside, close to, 3940; with respect to, 4410; through, 3792. See *Be*. Be, conj. by the time that, 3900, 5163.

Be now, by now, by this time, 3825.
Be *jis* (*pat*), by this (that) time,
1313.

Be tyme, betimes, 1746.

Be-bising, *a.* bibbing, drinking, 4506.

Be-blod (Te-blod), *pp.* covered with
blood, 1274.

Be-bricane, the Beericane's, 5333.

Be-bronk, *adj.* Beericanian, 5178, 6214.

Be-bruthe, Bebrisia, 5151.

Be-cause, *conj.* because, 230. See
Because.

Because, *pp.* gone, 166.

Bed, *a.* bed, 381; (*Bede*), 1506;

Beddias, *pl.* beddas, lit.
beddes, 2282, 2294.

Bedie, *v.* bid, 2209; (*Bedie*), pr. *a.*

bida, commands, 3565; *Bedies*,
5462; *Bedis* (*Biddies*), 1473, 1668,

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1492, 3137; (*Bidies*), 2749; *Bedie*,

pr. & effor, 3115; *Bedie* þan þe
bake, offers them his back, takes

to flight, 3054; *Bede*, pr. *v.* *p.*

offer, 4289; *Bedie* (*Byrdies*), pr. *p.*

bid, advise, 2653; *Bed*, 1 *pr.* *a.*

(*Byd* 1 *pr. a.*) *bede*, 2473; *Bede*,

pr. & halde, 811*; *Bed*; *Bed*, *pr. &*

offered, 3557; (*Bedile*), offered,

1664; *Bed hem* (bidden) þe

take, took (taken) to flight, 1344;

Beden, *pp.* bidden, 71.

Bedil, *adj.* sharp, 4096. Evidently

a variant of M.E. *bedil*, biting,

sharp, *Ornamentum*, 10074; *Layamon*,

vol. ii. p. 395; vol. iii. p. 73.

Bedine, *adv.* forthwith, at once,

quickly, 474, 1905, 2100, 2556,

3367, 4056, 4118, 4225; continu-

ally, 4788; All bedene, all at

once, 3743. See All-bedene.

Beding, *a.* bedding, 3529; *Bedinge*,

4778.

Bedis, *pr. & respon*, asks, 4537;

(*Bedes*), prays, 1482; *Bede* (*Bid*),

1 *pr. v.* *pay*, ask, 1683.

Bedis, *pl.* prayers, 4670.

Bedisted, *a.* piece for a bed, 373.

Bedivere, name, 5438.

Bei, *v.* be, 3743; (*Bei*), *pr.* to be,

2092; *Bei*, *pr. & used as future*,

will be, shall be, 174, 1899, 1991; |

Behalde, *v.* to be, 3743; will be, can be,
3378; *Bees* (*Be*), *imp. pl. 2 p.* be
ye, 2604; (*Beys*), 874, 2435; used
for the sing., 1355. And see *Be*.

Bebris, *error* for *Harris* (*as shown*
by the alliteration), *pl.* armies,

hosta, 5673.

Beos, *pl.* ornaments, jewels, chains
(of gold), 1548, 2337, 5274; (*Beys*), 3225. A.S. *beak*. In 1.

5472, þen signifies ornaments of
gold; and as gold is, in poetry,
said to be red, the author has been
led by alliteration to describe the
beos as blood-red.

Beot, *ger.* to kindle, 3918. A.S.

betan.

Beote, *ger.* heat out, forge, 5626.

Beoffal, *v.* happen, 251, 438; (*Be-*

fallo), 1641.

Before, *prep.* before, 1146, 2295,

2303; *Refor*, 272, 1909, 3973; *adv.* before, beforehand, 76, 736*,

798*, 1240; *Be-for* (*Before*), conj.

before, 2290; *Here*-before (*Before*),

one now, 721.

Be-forne, *prep.* before, 361, 3769,

Beforef, 4862; *Beforme* (*Before*),

1321, 1528*; (*Afore*), 2964.

Be-forne, *adv.* before, 2262, 2274;

in front, 1561.

Begin, *pp.* adorned, 4911. A.S.

fe-gin, *pp.* of *fe-gin*, to go round.

Begin, (*Begyn*), *v.* begin, 2272;

(*Began*), *pt. pl.* 2044. See Begyn.

Beglouȝt, *pr. & deceived*, beguiled,

lit. flattered, 417. See glouȝer

in Stratmann.

Begyl, *ger.* to beguile, 415; *Begyld*,

pt. a. 390.

Begyn, *ger.* to begin, 824; *Begynnes* (*Begynner*), *pr. a.* 1026;

Begynnys, *pr. a.* 5451; *pr. pl.*

2044.

Be-hald, *ger.* to behald, 1063; (*Be-*

held), 2270; *Behaldis*, *pr. a.* (*Be-*

held), *pt. a.* looks, 1587; *Behaldes* (*Bihaldys*), behalds, 2058*; *Be-*

heldis, *pr. a.* behalds, 266; *Be-*

held, 2 *pr. pl.* 289; *Behald*, *pt. a.*

42, 223, 264; *Behald* (*Byhalif*),

imp. a. 702, 749; *Behalds*, *imp.*

pt. a. 4996.

Be-hecyd (*Herel*), *pp.* braepred, 1616. A.S. *herics*.

Behind (*Byhynde*), *adv.* behind, 1433; *Be-hynde*, 5437; *Be-hynd* (*Byhynde*), back, 1598.

Be-hoyres, *pr. a.* it behoves, must
needs, 172.

Be-hynde; see Behind.

Be-kend, *pp.* proclaimed, made
known; Was he crome be-kend,
was proclaimed as the crown, i.e.
as the chief, 3472. Or crosse may
be taken as dative; i.e. he was
entrusted with the crown. Be-
kene is properly to commit to,
entrust to.

Bekirs (*Bekers*), *pr. a.* fights, 1297; *Bekirs* (*Bekeryng*), *pr. pl.* skin-
mish, 1394. E. *bicker*.

Be-knew, *pt. a.* acknowledged (to), 671; (*Be-knewe*), made known,
2872.

(*Bed*), *pp.* built, 2256.

(*Bedles*); see Bedle.

Be-le, *a.* belly, 394. See Belly.

Be-lechiste, belly-cheat, belly, 423.

Belme (*Belife*), *adv.* soon, 2209;

Belyne (*Belife*), 1511; *Belife*,

256, 731*; *Als belyne*, as soon as
possible, at once, 800*; (*Als be-*

lyne), 2183; (*Als belyne*), 3181.

See Belene, Belyne.

Bells (*Bells*), *pl.* bells, 1563.

Bely, *a.* belly, 4922. See Belo.

Bely-blind, *lit.* belly-blind, ex-
tremely dark, 5648. See Bale-
mankid.

Belyne, *error* for *Belyne*, *adv.*

quickly, 3761. See Belyne.

Be-lyne, *adv.* quickly, soon, forth-
with, 493, 670, 777, 2791; (*Be-*

lyfe), 936, 1810, 2285; (*Bylne*),

1792; (*Beline*), 1452; *Belyfe*,

199, 382, 621; (*Belyfe*), 1651;

(*Belise*), 309; *Belyf* (*Belyue*),

1425; *Als belyfe*, as soon as
possible, 710, 2404; (*All belyfe*),

very soon, 2604; *Als belyne*, as
quickly as possible, 2209, 5160.

Benes, *pl.* beams of light, 1545;

(*Benny*), sun-beams, 3225;

Benny, 62.

Benes, *pl.* bennies, i.e. projecting

horns (but prob. an *error* for

Banes, house, Lat. *tess*, 6860;
5557. See the note.

Bensis (*Benes*), *pl.* trumpets, 1387,
2616; Benmen (*Beemic*), gen. *pl.*
of trumpets, 3038. A.S. *bēnīc*,
bēnīs, a trumpet.

(*Ben*), 1 *pr. pl.* are, 1992.

MS. D. has banei correctly.
Bene; see Benke.

Bend (*Byndes*), *pr.* to bend, soften,
cause to give way, 2245; Bendis
(*Bendis*), *pr. pl.* bend, 2215;

Bende, *pt. a.* bent down to, 1620;
Bend (*up* *gen.* to wind up or draw
up (their crossbows and bows),
2211.

(*Bene*), *v.* to be, 1465; (*Bene*), *pr. pl.*
are, 1008, 2155; Bene, *pp.* been,
233, 489, 595; (*Ben*), 1004, 1123.

Bene (*Beyne*), *a.* (the value of a)
bean, 2567.

Bener (*Bener*), *adj.* coop, filter,
better, easier, 1715. See Bayns.

Benigne, *benignit*, benignity, goodnes,
4662.

Benke, *a.* bench, seat, 625, 4236;

Benska, *pl.* 5271; Benkes
(*Bench*), 2237.

Bent, *a.* field, plain, grassy field,
800*, 1328, 2035, 2825, 3037,

3126, 3170, 3502, 3557, 5151.

Bent-tid (*Feld*), open field, field of
battle (lit. field of bent-grass),
2736, 3139, 4764.

Benson, a. benison, blessing, 1622,
3208.

Berard, *pres. part.* making a noise,
roaring, 3903. See Ber, a.

Berberna, *pl.* barbarians, 5334; gen.
3572.

Berd, beard, 320; Berda, *pl.* 4117.
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Berdes, *adj.* beardless, 2556.

Bere, *v.* bear, carry, 124; bear (a
child), 439; bear, 825, 1906;
wear, 1715; Beres, 1219; Beris,
bear, 312; thrusts, 788; carries
about, 3351; (Beres), thrusts, 932;

Beres, 2 *pr. pl.* bear, 2120; Beris,
pr. pl. 2 p. Beris-a-peo vs. bring
upon us, accuse us of, 4663; Beris,
pl. a. bore, 751*.

Bere, *a.* noise, din, 489, 496. See *ber* in Mätzner.
 Bere, *a.* bear, 4126; Beres, *pl.* 3849.
 Bered, beard, 122. See Berd.
 Beren (Berne), *a.* man, 3138. See Berin, Berne.
 Beres, *pr.* & resounds (Berd, *pt.* *s.*), 3938. See Bere, *a.* Berand, Berid (Berdyl), *pp.* full of graves, lit. buried, 3139.
 Berlin, a. man, 5240. See Berne.
 Bering, a. bearing, 4319.
 Beritius, *prop.* name, 1242; (Beritus), 1283.
 Berne, *a.* man, hero, 107, 157, 402, 446, 547, 548, 761^a, 872, 999, 4110; (Bern), 787^a, 1328, 1849, 2172; Bernes, *pl.* men, warriors, 66, 488, 747^a, 781, 1146, 1214, 1220, 2517, 3432, 3572; Inns-bands, 3741; (Bernes), 1037; Bernes (Berne), 2314; (Berneas), 984; Bernye, 33, 295, 4195; (Berney), 1307. A.S. fern, *See* Beren, Berin.
 Berno-dure, a. barn-door; As *a.* h., as great as a barn-door, 4859.
 Bernys (Berney), pl. barns, 1763, Beron, baron, 1584; (Barouns), *pl.* 1594. See Baron.
 Berres, *pl.* caskets (?), lit. bearers, things to carry things in (?), 5135. Lat. text, locates of which it is probably a translation.
 Berry, a. berry, 1349, 1357.
 Berry, *ger.* to hide, 4048; *imp.* *ber.* berry, 3208.
 Berry-bebb, *pl.* bunches of berries, 4809. See Bobb.
 Berry-buds, *pl.* bushes bearing berries, 5239.
 Berynes, *a.* sepulchre, tomb, 5417, 5501. See the Troy-Book (E. E. T. S.).
 Berry, *pl.* bears, 3206. (Bert see the note).
 Besan, Byfex, 3428.
 Besandis, pl. besants, i.e. coins of Byzantium, 124; (Besandises), 3104; (Besander), 1042; Besands (Besandises), 1664, 1891; (Besander), 1906.
 Be-sedes (Beseks), *pr. a.* 1 *p.* be-

seach, 1097; Bo-sedich (Beseks), *pr. pl.* 1012. See Beseks.
 Besoke, 1 *pr. s.* 311, beseech, 801^a; (Besekse), 3172; Besokis (Besokse), *pr. a.* beseeches, 1075; Besok (Besokyn), 1 *pr. pl.* beseech, 1947, 2692; *pr. pl.* beseech, 2852. See Beseks.
 Besoy, *adv.* quickly, 1944.
 Besomes (Besomys), *pr. a.* besomes, besita, suits, 2944; Bo-somys, 429.
 Besoxia, *pr. s. ref.* considers, 751, A.S. besida, to look about.
 Beside (Besyde), *prep.* beside, 1158. See Besyde.
 Besom, brush, 320. Du. leene, A.S. lemen.
 Be-sopt, *pf. a.* besought, 303, 515. See Besoks, Besoke.
 Best, *adj.* best, 35, 807^a; Beste, 401, Best, *adj.* best, 160, 289, 373, 439.
 Bestail, *a.* cattle, 1199. O.F. bestaille.
 Beste, *a.* beast, 3920, 5591; Best, 762^a, 4606, 4742, 5133, 5436; Beste, *pl.* beasts, 280, 3193, 3572, 3593, 4118; animals, 5431; creatures, 3723; Bestes, beasts, 2765; Beste (Bestes), 1207, 1532, 1540, 2833.
 (Beste), error for Beste, a. boasting, 2447. See the other MS.
 (Bestound), *for* Be stound, by the time, at that time, 1468.
 Besty, *adj.* busy, 595.
 Be-syde, *prep.* beside, 236, 1144; (Bysyde), against, with respect to, 875; Besyd (Besyde), beside, 2131. See Beside.
 Besyde (Bysyde), *adv.* near, 1624.
 Besyly, *adv.* busily, 2991; (Besely), 2304.
 Beynes, *a.* business, busy employment (about), 4670.
 Bet, *adv.* better, rather, 3494.
 Bet, *go.* beaten, made, 3626; (Betyn), beaten, 2088.
 Be-takene (Betokyns), *pr. a.* betokens, foretells, 3000; Be-takend, *pl.* betokened, 613.
 Beté, *ger.* to beat down, 2246; Boten (Betys), *pp.* beaten, made, 2927. See Botis, Bot.
 Be-tid, *pt. &* be-tidded, beft, hap-

pened, 214, 524; (Betyd), 2366; Be-tid (Betyd), *pp.* happened, come to pass, 3279.
 Be-time (Be-time), *adv.* betimes, in time, 1765, 1778.
 Betis (Betes), *pr. a.* boats, 1223; (Betys), best, 1153. See Beta. Betokyn, *see* Be-takene.
 Bett, *pl. a.* kindled, 4167. A.S. bætan.
 Bett, *pp.* beaten, 1927; beaten (out), 3271. See Beta.
 Better, *adj.* 1102; *adv.* 105, 642.
 Be-twene, *prep.* between, 295, 317, 353, 669; (Bytwene), 797.
 Between, *adv.* between which, 1444; at times, 1249; (Bytwene), between, 1370.
 Betwyx, *prep.* betwixt, 4216.
 Beste (Beste), *a.* beauty. In R. 2739, 2919 it occurs in the unauthorised sense of 'kindness'; but it is probably an error for boete, i.e. bounty, goodness, kindness.
 Bewenes, *error for* Bewenes, *pr. pl.* cover (themselves with no proud clothing), put on (no proud clothing), 4337. See houses in Mätzner, and houses in Halliwell.
 Bewte, *a.* beauty, 224. See Beta.
 Beyond, *adv.* beyond, i.e. on the other side of the stream, 3742.
 Bl, *prep.* by, *thence*, 1538. See Be.
 Bi-cause of, because of, 3273. See Because.
 Bi-chord, *pp.* as *adj.* evil, 4832. See bi-chord, leone in Chaucer.
 Biče, *a.* bitch, 5482.
 Bid, *pr. a.* 1 *p.* pray, 1782; Biddis (Biddes), *pr. a.* prays, asks, 2191.
 Bide, *ger.* to hide, wait, remain, stay, 137; (Byde), *v.* 2172; *ger.* 1689; (Abyde), *v.* 2180, 2195; Bida (Bydes), *pr. a.* waits, 3054; endures, 537.
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 Big, *adj.* strong, 1285; Bigg, big, great, 4742, 5156; (Big), bold, | 1806; Bigge, strong, stout, 5516; Big (Bigg), 215; Big, big, strong, 4085.
 Bigg, *ger.* to build, 2256; Biggia, *pr. pl.* 2 *p.* built, 4589; Bigged, *pp.* built, 5415; (Bigged), 2215; (Bigget), 1365. Icel. hyggja.
 Bigger, *adj.* stronger, 2340; Bigg, *gen.* bigger, 2903.
 Biggest, *adj.* strongest, 2159.
 Bigning, a. building, 4431; Bigning-is (Bigningen), buildings, towns, 2627. See Bign.
 Bily, *adv.* strongly, 1371; stoutly, 1138; largely, 423.
 Bignes, *a.* greyness, 105; arrogance, 1018.
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 Bilds, *pr. a.* be-tisks, 5591; Bildis, *pr. a.* (Beldit), 3521; *pl.* builds, pitches (tents), 2441; Bildis, *pr. pl.* build, hence dwell, 3741; Blidid (Bild), *pl. a.* built, 1365; Bildid, *pt. a.* set up, 2673; Bildid, *pt. pl.* built, pitched, 3930; Bildid, *pl.* built, 5417; Bild, *pp.* 1161.
 Bildid, *pt. pl.* became emboldened, took courage, 3884. (*Off* = some of.) A.S. býðan.
 Billing, a. building, 4431.
 Billing (Bilding), emboldening, encouragement, 1772. See Bildid.
 Bill, *a.* bill, writing, 1827.
 Bills, *pl.* bills, books, 3696.
 Bilyse (Bilyns), *adv.* soon, 2271.
 Bird, *a.* bird, 5214; Birdis, *pl.* women, ladies, 595, 3723, 4259. (Birdie); *see* Bride.
 Bire (Bir), rush, force, 711. Low. Sc. bér, bir, force. Cf. Icel. ber, a favouring wind.
 Birth, *a.* birth, 256, 289; child, 439, 526.
 Bishop, *s.* bishop, 1458, 1473, 1489; (Bishop), 1505, 1570, 1644, 1692; (Bischopp), 1598, 1664.
 Blue (Byse), *adj.* bico, blue colour, 1532. Often described as purple;

see *lis* in Mätzner. O.F. *bise*, Lat. *bisse*, Gk. *skirō*.
Bis, pr. a. *biss*, 224, 2070; (*Bite*, 1935); *Bisand*, pres. pt. biting, sharp, 610, 788, 3137, 5558; *Bitten*, pp. 3034.
Bitterly, adv. keenly, 1301; bitterly, 963.

Blaa, adj. livid, 559. Icel. *blár*, Dan. *blæs*.
Blade, a. blade of a razor, 122; *Bladia*, pl. blades, 5558.
Blak, adj. black, 112, 696, 3920; (*Blake*, 192, 562); (*Blak*, 1127).
Blakend, pp. blackened, 556.
Blamed, 3 pt. pt. (*Blame*, 2 pr. pl.), blamed, 2429.

Blan, pt. a. cased, 381, 1228. A.S. *blāna*, pt. t. *blāne*. See *Ellin*.
Blasand, pres. part. blazing, bright, ardent, 2871; (*Blaxand*, 1563); (*Byssand*, 1524, 2229).

Blase, a. blazé; On blaze, in a blaze, 559; (On a blase), 2231.
Blasand, pres. part. blazing, shining, 5262. See *Blasand*, *Blasyn*, and,
Blasfeme, ger. to blasphemé, 2737.
Blasfeme, s. blasphemy, 4568.
Blason, a. large shield, 4852; *Blasons*, pt. shields of arms, 787.
Blaste (*Blast*), a. blast, noise, 3038; blowing, drawing, 3233; *Blastis*, pl. blasts, 2055, 4162.

Blasnyand (*Blasnyand*), pres. pt. of

blazing, shining, 3225. See *Blasenand*.

Blawis, pr. a. blows, 4380; *Blawen*, pp. 5539; (*Blays*), pp. 1757.

Blaw, adj. blashed, white, 4925, 5482; (*Blawght*, 1559). Lowl. Sq. *blawcht*; cf. A.S. *blacod*, blashed, pp.

Blæ, a. countenance, mien, 466; (*Blæ*, 394). A.S. *blæd*.

Blæst, a. coverlet of linen, 4012.

O.F. *blant*, *blant*, F. *blante*, a rich vestment. Hence E. *Mossat*.

(*Bleed*), pt. appearance, 1548; see *Ble*. But doubtless an error for *ble*, as in M.S. A.

Blennys, ger. to blemish, pollute,

4345; *Blennysch*, to karin, 4289;

Blennyschid, pt. a. blemished,

damaged, spoilt, 4181; *Blennysched* (*Blennyst*), pt. pl. blemished, harmed, torn, 2985; *Blennest*, pt. pl. blemished, (but here) killed, 3913; see note.
Blend, pp. blended, compounded, 105.

Blenkild, pt. pl. glanced, looked,

perused, 5657. E. *blink*.

Blensand, pres. pt. blazing, 604, 4230;

shining, bright, 274. See *Blasand*.

Blensand, pres. part. blazing, 562;

Blensyand (*Byssand*), flashing, 802; *Blensand*, gazing, staring, 4812; *Blensand*, 4080. See *Mussem* in Mätzner; so also the M.E. *Musmes meuns* (?) to shine, (2) to gaze.

Blow, pt. pl. (they) blow, 2616; *Blewe* (*Blow*), 1387.

Blow (*Blow*), a. blue, 1524.

Blid (*Baldit*), error for *Bild*, pp.

emboldened, encouraged, 1891.

See *Bildid*, of which *Blid* is a

shorter form.

Blin, a. cease, 4167. See *Blan*, *Blyn*.

Blinde, ger. to blind, deceive, 5234;

Blind (*Blind*), pt. a. became

dark, 3046.

Blis, a. bliss, 214, 1489; (*Blyses*),

joy, 1834, 2871.

Blisch, a. glance; At a blisch, at a

glance, in a moment, 606, 5435.

See *blasch* in Mätzner; cf. E. 'at

the first blash.'

Blische (*Blisch*), ger. to look, 2023;

Blischis, ger. a. looks, gazes, 5583;

Blisches (*Bllysys*), looks, 1338;

Blischis, looks, 984; *Blisches* (*Blisches*), vp. looks up, 872;

Blischis, pr. pt. looks, 4189;

Blischis, pt. pl. looked, glanced,

5550, 5607. See *blasches* in

Mätzner.

Blidhle, adj. happy, fair, 5415.

Blisid, blessed, 5225.

Blising, a. blessing, 4573.

Blithie, adj. blithe, 517; (*Blith*),

1834.

Blithis, pr. a. gladness, 4624.

Blithly, adv. blithely, 5607.

Blido, a. blood, 640, 991; kindred,

555, 590; (*Blid*), 2053; *Blid*

(*Blode*), 1968; *Blid* (*Blode*), kindred, 2739. See *Blude*.
Blonk, s. horse, 740*, 758*; (*Blonk*), 1222, 2172; *Blonko* (*Blonk*), 767, 958; (*Blonk*), 2574; (*Blonk*), pt. horse, 791, 821*; (*Blonkies*), 1247; *Blonkis* (*Blonkies*), 886, 2057. Orig. a white horse.

Blotjirs (*Brothers*), pr. a. gurgles, rattles, 970. Cf. *blotwend*, bubbling, gurgling, in the Troy-Book, l. 9463; and see *Mother* in *Halliwel*.

Blote (*Blode*), s. blood, 2048; race, 2418. See *Blode*.

Bluckenam, part. pres. glittering, 604. See *Mykra*, to glister, in *Allit. Poems*, ed. Morris.

Blyn, v. census, 2737; *Blymnes*, pr. a. 4160; (*Blynes*), imp. pl. desist, leave off, 4011; (*Blyna*, cease, 5595. See *Blin*, *Blan*.

Blynyd, pt. pl. blimed, 3283.

(*Blwyd*), s. prosperity, 1827. See *Blis*.

Blysis, pr. a. looks, 789*. See *Blisch*.

Blith, adj. blithely, gladly, 3768.

Blithly, adv. gladly, 3789*, 3562.

Bobance, a. arrogance, vanity, pre-
sumption, boasting, 2509; *Bobans*, 4252; (*Bobas*, for *Bobane*), 2016. "Bobane, insolence, surquidies, proud or presumptuous boast-
ing." Cotgrave.

Bobbi, a. bunch, cluster, 4777; *Bobis*, pl. 2832; (*Bobis*), 2851. Lowl. Sc. bob, a bunch. Cf. 'a bob of
gray' = 'Cath. Anglienses'.

Bocephalon, *Bocephalon*, 3613; *Boe-*
filias (*Bocefylon*), 767.

Boðe; see *Boðe*.

Boðe, a. command, message, 554,

2905, 3137. A.S. led.

Boðely, adj. bally, 4289.

Boðwod, a. message, 48, 1458 (Boð-
world), 1482. See *Boðe*.

Boðy, a. body, 1227, 1548; Boði,

224; (*Body*), 879, 894, 1482; *Boðe*, 192; (*Body*), body, body,

person, 2441; *Boðis*, pl. 3805; (*Boðes*), 2476.

Boðo, a. bough, 4982.

Boke, a. book, 597, 625; (*Buk*), 1207.

Borlest, adj. superl. borlest, biggest, 4221. And see Borle.

Borne, pp. hor., 517, 550, 597.

Borne, a. burn, stream, 3831.

Borowid (Borowid), pp. borowed, 1849.

Bos, pr. a. behoves; Bos has, behaves to have, must needs have, 4232; Vs bos (base) have, it behaves us to have, 2503; Bos (Bos), it behaves, 2340; Rose, 1927; is necessary for, 3228; (Bos), it is necessary, 2300. See Bus, Bus.

Bosom, a. bosom, 274.

Bost, gen. to boast, 2737.

Bost, a. boasting, 2447, 3581, 4023.

Bot, conj. but, 33, 101, 146, 147,

159, 161, 2913, 3321; (Bot), 686,

793; unless, 2313, 3437, 4427;

Bot, but, 844, 4225; (Bot), 656,

816; (Bot), 1623; Bot, only, 105,

139, 447, 5054, 5595; Bot if, em-

less, 13, 642, 1786; Bot and, but

if, 3756; Bot out, except the

whole, of, wholly, 5025.

(Bot), pt. a. bot, 2070.

Bote, a. use, advantage, 137; remedy, 160; A.S. bot.

Boite; see Bath.

Both; see Bath.

Bothom, s. bottom, 5582; (Bothom),

1936; (Bothom), 712; Bothom,

bottom (of the valley), 4808.

Botis, pr. a. impure, it profits, 208.

See Bote, s.

Boit, prep. but, except, 2080; (Bot),

1328.

Boukis, pl. ludic (but see the note to i. 3944), 3946.

Boun (Bowne), v. reflex, get himself ready, 2878; Bounce, pr. a. refl. goes, 3030; (Bowne on), ad-

vances, 768; Bounes him (Bowne hym), pr. a. makes him ready, 1606; (Bowne syn on), 3030;

Bound, pt. a. made themselves ready, hence, journeyed, went, 1116. Formed from Boun, pp. and adj. See Bowne.

Bounds, a. orbit, circuit, 427 (see the note); Boundis, boundaries, lands, 3582.

Boune, pp. (properly ready to go),

gone, 218; adj. ready, 323, 334, 3037; (Boune), 870, 999; Boun,

4206, 5540; Boum (Bowne), 2805.

Icel. bónin, pp. of bóna, to make ready.

Bounie, bounty, goodness, 2717.

Bourde, a. jest, 462.

Bourne, a. stream, burn, brook, 3741, 4081, 4304; (Bourne), 2587, 2597; Bournes, pl. burns, water-courses, 3487. See Burne.

Bows (Bow), v. bow, submit, 991; ger. to bend, 3551; Bow, v. pass, go, 2195; Bowes, pr. a. bows down, 423; turns, 3333; pro-

ceeds, 534; Bowis, pr. a. bends, comes, 4778; Bow, pr. a. goes, applies himself, 3633; Bowis (Bowes), pr. a. bows, 1672; (Bowys), bows down, 1692; (Bowes), bows down, is sub-

servient, 2911; Bowis (Bowes), pr. a. directs himself, 2893; stoops, 1598; Bowes parin, enters in, 4209; Bowis (Bownes), pr. a. goes, hastens, 1312, 1553 (but here we might rather read because); Bowis (Bowe), I pr. a. bow, 2777; Bow, pr. pl. bond, turn, 2597; Bow, go, mount, 5245; Bowis (Bowes), pr. pt. yield, submit, 2476; (Bowes), pt. a. bowed to, 1620; Bowlid, pt. pl. bowed, 156; Bow, pr. a. subi. if he return, 256; Bow, pr. pl. submit to, 2606; (Bowd) (Bost), pp. bowed, bent, 1900; Bow, imp. a. bend, 547; Bowis (Bowne), imp. pl. return, 3118; (Bows), depart, 2469; Bowes, return, 4011.

Bowes, pl. bows, 4084; Bowis (Bowe), 1413, 2210.

Bowis, pl. boungis, 4302, 4668,

4596; (Bowes), 2851.

Bowis (Bulec), pl. game of bowls, 1929.

Bowmen, pl. archers, 3600, 5447.

Bowe, adj. ready, 1390. See Bowne.

Bownes, pr. a. refl. prepares him, gets ready, 4545; goes, 1905; (Bowne gain up), make their way up, 699. See Bowne.

Boyland, pres. part. coxing, welling, 4975.

Boyes him vp, pr. a. refl. turns, goes up, 699.

Brod, pt. a. spread, 4912. A.S. bródur. See Braids, Brodin.

Brade, adj. broad, 496, 768, 732*, 782*, 1633, 1717, 3065, 4089;

(Brode), 1540, 1514; Brod, 2118; (Brode), 2133; (Brade), 1408; (Brade), 802, 1297; O brade, abroad, in public, 1800; alobd, 3565; On brad, alobd, 2224. See Brode.

(Brades type), pr. a. opena, 785*;

(Brade), pt. a. drew, 2639. A.S. bræðras, Icel. bræðra. See Bes-

dis.

Broades, a. broadness, breadth, 1374.

Breus, pt. st. steep banks, 4802.

Brugg, a. bragging, 4519.

Brugg, ger. to brag, 4555.

Braggings, a. braying, noise, 3965;

Braggins (Braygryng), brayings, loud sounds, 3037.

Bragmeyns, pt. Brahmans, 4194;

Bragmeyns, gen. pt. 4236, 4448. Bragmeyns, the land of the Brahmans, 4202.

Brade (Bradye), a. instant, moment:

In a brade (brayde), in a short time, at once, 981, 1956, 4850;

At a brade, in a moment, as soon as possible, 1220, 1956, 2231,

3918, 4208, 5539; At a brad, if he return, 256; Bow, pr. pl. submit to, 2606; (Bost) (Bost),

pp. bowed, bent, 1900; Bow, imp. a. bend, 547; Bowis (Bowne), imp. pl. return, 3118; (Bows), depart, 2469; Bowes, return, 4011.

Braides, pr. a. draws, 2639; (Braides), snatches, 2951; leaps, 928; leaps quickly, jumps, 2802; Braide (Braelyn), hairy, 2222; Braids, pr. pl. seize; Braide to, take to, 3884; (Braiden to), seize, 1413; Braids, pt. a. drew, 802. See Braides type, Braydis.

Braids, pr. a. spreads, extends, 1514; (Braide), pr. pl. unfurled, display, 774. See Brae, Braids.

Braik, pt. a. broke, 510; Brake, 2 pt. pl. to brake, 1357.

Bran, a. bran, 4537.

Brand, a. brand, fire-brand, 3128, 4230; sword, 446, 802, 3197,

3248; (Brande), 842, 870;

(Brando), 1426; Brände, sword, 427, 1225; Brändis (Brando), pt. brand, burning logs, 2239; swords, 2674, 3842.

Brant, adj. straight, erect, 8548. Cf. Swed, broad, steep. See Breast.

Bras, a. brass, 55, 276; (Brace), 1387; Brass, 4085.

Brassen, adj. brass, 112.

Brased, pt. a. pricked (?) 1317; but doubtless an error for broched, as is M.S. D.

Brast, pt. a. burst, 510, 1416; Braste, 872.

Braith, a. anger, 1744, 5365; (Breth), 1956; Breth (Breth), violence, fury, 1220. Cf. Icel. bræðr, suden, mord.

Braith, afe, severely, 1214; vigorous, 2211. Icel. bræðr, sudien.

Braunches, pt. branches, 2851, 4782, 5239.

Brayne, a. turn, throes, 527; At a brayd (brade), in a moment, 1380. See Braide.

Braydis, pr. a. rushes, 496; Braydis him vp (Brades up), springs up, 842; Brayd, pt. a. drew, 274. See Braids.

Brayne, braine, 4002; (Brane), 2645; Braynes, pt. 1419.

(Brayne-gan), a. cap, hat, head-piece, 2492; (Brayn-gan), 1718. Brayne-wode, mad in the brain, 4506.

Bre, ger. to frighten; To bre here o hounde, to frightening her in jest, 462; Bre, pr. a. terrifies, 4837.

Breed, pt. a. terrified, 4741. A.S. brēðan, to terrify; from brēða, terror. "Bre, to frightening, North; Halliwell."

Bred, in phr. Bred-full, i.e. brim-full, 409. Swed, brädd, brim; bräddfull, brimful. See Breast.

Bred, pr. pt. heeded, 4199; Bred, pt. pl. heed, 4782; Thyn bred, pp. thinly grown, 320.

Bredo, a. broad, 3856, 4070, 5433; (Bredo), 1502, 2118; O breda, in breadth, 3065, 3833. A.S. brēða.

Bredid, pp. scattered abroad, dispersed, lit. made broad, 2447.

See Brad, Bradis.

Breed, p. s.; see Bre.

Bredie, s. bresdi, 5460. See Bredie.

Brede, s. letter, 1717; 1806, 2749; (Brewe), 1956; (Brevet), 3118. "Bred," a brief, note, short writing; Cotgrave. See Brewe.

Brefo, adj. speedy, quick in action, 5438. Cf. "brief" in hand" in Shak. K. John, iv. 3. 158, which Schmidt explains by "must be speedily despatched." Jamieson gives "brieſt, keen, as in use in Upper Clydesdale."

Brefe, v. describe, 256; briefly state, 4448; ger. to record, 208; Brefo, pr. p. 2 p. appoint, 4503. Icel. brefo, to give a brief account of; from Lat. *describere*. See Brewe.

Bregit (Abergrey), pr. s. shridges, shortens, 5282. Short for Abergrey. Breis, pr. s. frightens, 4357. See Bre.

Breke, I pr. s. disclose my opinion, 2601; Brekis, pr. s. breaks, 787; (Brokys), 1230. Brok, to disclose or open one's mind, occurs in Shakespeare; cf. breaking, disclosure. Antony, v. 1. 14.

Becke, & brekes, breeches, 3842. A.S. *bēcē*, pl. of *bēcē*.

Brem, adj. glorious, bright, 5262; fierce, 610, 7879; 2146, 4001; furious, 3038, 4147, 4839; sharp, 5558. A.S. *bremē*, illustrious; and see Mitzmer.

Bremely, edr. fiercely, 767, 1208, 3880; (Bremly), 2619; Bremely, sternly, 969; severely, 2913; angrily, 1413, 1805; quickly, 1827, 5155; Bremly, extremely, 3960.

Brene, ger. to burn, 608; Brene, pr. s. 1037; Brent, jd. s. burnt, 4762; Brent, pp. burntish, 3626, 4913; Brest (Brent), burntish, 1713. See Brin.

Brenid, adj. caulked, armed with a "birnie" or breastplate, 66. See Brenya.

Brenke, s. brink, bank of a river, 4741; edge of a dike, 629. See Beinkis.

Brent, adj. steep, 4812. See Brant. Brenys, jd. "birnies" coats of mail, 1247, 2980; (Brenys), 2214; (Brymnes), 2622; (used for the sing.) Brenys (Brenys), a cuirass, coat of mail, 915; Brenels (Brenys), coat of mail, 1295. Icel. *brygja*, A.S. *bryre*.

Breyrys (Breyres), jd. bryare, 2985. Brest, breast, 234, 323, 370, 841*; (Briste), 1529; Brestit (Brester), 2162. See Brist.

Breste, s. breast, 4097. (Prob. an error for brate, breast.) See Cowdrife.

Bresten, pr. s. bursts, 5221; Brest, pt. jd. burst, 5221; Brest, pp. broken, 2645. See Bresten.

Brestage (Bratage), s. battlement, parapet, 1416. "Breteske, Brestase, a port, or portal of defence in the rampire or wall of a town;" Cotgrave. "Bretace, a parapet;" Halliwell. See Bratage.

Bretagid (Bratagolt), pp. fortified with wooden towers, 1152. See above.

Bretayn, Britain, 5668. Bretens, pr. s. breaks, batters, 1307; Bretens, cuts in pieces, 3197; Bretenes, beats down, 3612; Bretened (Bretyned), pt. jd. cut to pieces, 3203; Bretind, jd. pt. 3905 (See Alto-); Breten, pr. s. subi, may break in pieces, 3294; Bretend, jd. defeated, 2311; Bretind (Brytynyd), beaten down, destroyed, 2473; Bretened (Brytyneti), pp. killed, 1328. Cf. A.S. *brygianus*, to dispense, distribute; *brygianum*, to dispense, allotted to Icel. *brygja*, to chop. See Bretted.

Bretfull, adj. brimful, 1548; Bretfull, 4864. See Bret.

Brett, s. breach, 970, 1274, 8233, 5583.

Brethand, pr. part. breathing, smelling, 4809. Cf. A.S. *breð*, an odour.

Brethire, jd. brethren, 2512, 5363. Bretted (Brytynd), pp. broken to pieces, 2256; (Brytynd), destroyed, 2607. Icel. *brygja*, to chop, from *brygja*, to break;

Swed. *bryta*, to break. See Bre-

tens. Brest, a. brief, letter, 1181. See Brefo.

Brest, ger. to describe, 1874; Brestes, pr. s. speaks, 984; (Breyvys), utters, 3251; Breyte, pr. s. utters, 462; (Bremes), 1797; Bremo, pr. s. 1 p. mean, indicate, 1829; Breyd, pp. recorded as being, noted, 1172; Brested, pp. described, 35; assigned, 749*; Breymed (Brested), recorded, 764; Breymed, imp. & 2 p. tell, 2285. See Breyde.

Brid, & bird, 411, 503, 4982; Bridis, jd. 252, 4435, 4782; Bridis, 5693; (Brides), 1532.

Brid, s. bride, 5204; (Binde), bride, 854; spouse, 3104; Brides, jd. wives, 4048; Brides, woman, 4123; (Bridy), bride, 759*.

Brig (Brigg), bridge, 2587.

Briggo, ger. to abate, mitigate, lit. abridge, 3803. Short for Abbriggo. (Abbrigfull), error for Breitfull, 1548. See Breitfull.

Billeis, jd. beryls, 5135. Cf. F. *biller*, to shine, which is derived from a sl. *brylls*, a bell (Littré).

Bin, ger. to burn, 3137; v. 3682; (Bryn), 2558. See Brene, Bryn.

Bing, v. bring, 1199; ger. to carry, 1715; (Being), v. 2101; Bringes (Brynges), pr. s. beings, 927; Bringes (Bringes), 1653.

Birkis, jd. barks, shores, 4377. See Brene.

Brist, s. breast, 2871. See Brest.

Brist, s. want, need, 3819. Swed. *brixt*, want, need, failure; A.S. *bryst*, loss, defect. In this line *—* than; the sense is, 'more for the harm of their beasts than their own need.' See *bryst* in Mitzmer.

(Bristes), pr. s. bursts, 872. See Breces.

Bristle, adj. bristly, 4746. A false form; read And had bristles.

(Bratge), a. fortification, parapet, 1301. See Bretage.

(Brettes), pr. s. destroys, 1037. See Bretees.

Brixill, pr. pl. 2 p. reproach, upbraid, blame, 4662. Icel. *brygik*, s. shame, blame; *brygja* to upbraid.

Britt, adj. bright, 276, 427, 559, 604; fair, 605; on a bright one, 5204; (Beight), 1524, 1715; (Beight), 2337.

Brightens (Bryglutyns), pr. s. brightens, renders clear, 3557.

Broches (Broches), pr. s. spars, 2892; Brochis (Broches), 2374; (Broches), pricks, 1317; (Brochen), pr. jd. pierce, 787. F. brocher.

Brock, s. adj. Brock, 1898; (Brode), 1503. See Brade.

Brock, a. child, lit. brood, 1929. (Broko); see Broewe.

Broken (Brokyn), pp. broken, 1223, 1349.

Brolle, s. child, beat, 1928. See Glosse to P. Plowman.

Bront, a. brunt, 783.

Brostent (Te-blestent, jd.), pp. broken, 789. See Bresten.

Brotthe, s. brother, 5355; Brothirs, gvs. 5344.

Browden, pp. braided, woven, twisted, 1524; Browde, 4913. A.S. *brygdes*, pp. of *brygianus*, to braid.

Brown, a. brown, steep bank, 4337. Brownesse (Brokse), s. possess, use, enjoy, 3412. A bad spelling; read brownesse.

Broot, jd. a brought, 974; (Broot), 3118; Broot (Broot), pp. 45, 727, 1222; (Brooty), 3168.

Bruit, a. sudden blow; At a bruit, on a sudden, 3934. See Brest.

Brusche (Brosh), a. conflict, sudden rush, swift movement, 783; (Brosh), 2133.

Bruschis (Brusches), pr. s. hastens, hurries, 1222, 1428; Brusches (Brushys), flings himself, 963.

Brym, s. shore, 5557. A.S. *brymianus*.

Brym, s. river, 4080. A.S. *brym*, wave, surf, sea.

Brym, adj. fierce, 426. See Brene.

Brymly, adj. fierce, 1222, 1333, 3451. See Breemly.

Bryn, ger. to burn, 4856; Brynt, jd. s. burnt, charred, 5648; (Brynt),

pt. pf. burnt, 2474; Brynmand, pres. part. burning, shining, 2639; Brynt, pp. burnished, 276, 2926; Brynd (Brent), burst, 2697. See Brin, Brene.
 (Bryn), s. burn, mark made by a brand, 751*.
 Bryng forth, v. bring forth, 526; Bryngis (Bringes), pr. pt. bring, 1207.
 (Bryssyt), pp. bruised, broken, harmed, 2615; Bryssyd (Bresyd), bruised, hence broken in, much experienced, 1003. See brusen in Mazarer.
 (Bytlynd), pp. broken to pieces, 3224; destroyed, 2697. See breten.
 Baculiferon, Baccephalus, 5582; (Baculiferon), 1316; (Bacillyf), 3178; Baculiferon, 3048; Baculif, 3031.
 Bed, pt. a. insper, it behaved, 3793; Bed, pt. a. subj. would behave, 3274. See Bas.
 Bek, s. book, 17, 35, 192, 203, 881, 916; (Boke), book, i. e. Romance, 1371, 1570.
 Bole, a. bull, 4527; Boles, pl. 3903; Se bulles, sea-bulls, 3846.
 Bolls, s. writing, record, 4448.
 Bullock, a. bullock, 4527.
 Bunden, pp. bound, 3602, 5540; firmly settled, 5581.
 Burde, a. sport, play, 2500.
 Burde, a. board, plank, 1340; (Burde), table, 2962.
 Burde, pt. a. behaved, 510, 1946; (Burde), ought, 776; Burde, pt. a. subj. should prove to be, 4396. Icel. lirja.
 Burdeux, Bourdeaux, 5668.
 Burgalge, a. burgesses, people of the borough, 5221. See burgoe in Cotgrave.
 Burgh, a. city, 1559, 5243; Burgis, pl. borouche, 4341; Burghes (Burges), towns, 1078.
 Burly, adj. burly, great, 4066, 4742; (Borely), 2632. See Borely.
 Burne, s. burn, brook, 3062. See Bourne.
 Burnessid, adj. burnished, 65.
 Burnett (Burnett), brown stuff, 1568, "Brunette," fine black cloth, "

Catgrave, Oraig, a broad cloth; F. tapis.
 Burie, a. town, borough, city, 218, 3746, 5415; Bur, 147; (Burgh), 128, 1037; (Burght), 1380, 2148; Bur(c)s, (Burgh), 2256, 2673; Burges (Burghes), 2337; (Burghes), 1446.
 Burge-walle, (Burgh-walles), pl. town-walls, 2346; Burgh-walles (wall), sing., 1297.
 Bus, pr. a. insper, it behaves, 3354; (Buse), 3358; Buse, 1808. See Bas, Bud. Sherf for Benefis.
 Busche, a. bush, 3920.
 Buschela, pl. buschela, 4241.
 Busifalen, Bucephalus, 749*. See Buzifalen.
 Buske, ger. prepare, 373; v. get ready, derk, 1511; (Buske), v. go, 2125; Buske, pr. a. prepare themselves, 2308; Busky hym, v. prepare himself, 3126; Buskis (Buskes), pr. a. puts, 1566; (Buskes hym), gets ready, 811*; armys himself, 1295; Buskis (Buskes), goes, 1306; Buskis (Buskes), pr. pt. prepare, make ready, 774; (Buskys), pr. pt. reqd. prepare themselves for, get themselves ready for, 2452; Buske, 2 pr. pt. subj. & (ye) come, if (ye) advance, 3752; Busked (Busket), pt. a. prepared, 2676; Buskid, pp. made ready, 3609; (Busked), arrayed, 2214. Icel. Ída-sk, to prepare oneself.
 (Buske), a. bush, stick, 1340; Buske, pt. buskes, 2851.
 Busked, adj. expert, readiest (?), 1247. (But prob. an error for Bucket, pp. arrayed; see Buske). Cf. Low. Sc. buskie, fond of dress.
 But, prep. without, 1678, 2378; (Bout), 1340; Butt, 2389.
 Butlers (Butters), pl. butlers, 2934.
 Buwene (Bowne), ger. to go, lit. get ready, set out, 1511. See Bous.
 Buxsem, adj. obedient, consenting, 323; (Buxme), obedient, 2805; (Buxam), 786*.
 Buges (Bownes), pr. a. turns, lit. bows, bends, 1181. See Bowe.

Buges (Bowne), pl. boughs, 2985. See Bows.
 By, prep. by, 54, 250, 253; near, beside, 482, 681, 705*; (Be), by reason of, for, 921. See Be.
 (Byd), v. offer, 1384.
 (Byde), ger. to dwell, 966; Bydis (Bydes), pr. a. abides, sits, 2963; Bydis (Abydez), pr. pt. wait for, 1116.
 Bydone, adv. forthwith, 2699. See Bedene.
 (Bydone), error for Bedon, pt. pl. bade, advised, 2056.
 (Byforn), prep. before, 770*.
 (Byggyd), pt. a. sat up, 2573; pp. been, 1161.
 (Byheld), pt. a. ave, 780*, 1600.
 By, ger. to buy, 4339.
 (Bylme), n.de. name, 857. See Bolme.
 Bynde, v. bind, 4762, 5516; (Bynd), ger. 2822; Bynd, ger. 3432.
 Bytan, prep. as off, sharp, hitting, 122, 446.
 Caban, a. cabin, tent, 4775; Cabayne, 5173; Cabons, pl. 4177.
 Cabins (Cahlys), pl. cables, ropes, 2509.
 Cacany, Lat. Cathomy, 5489.
 Cache, v. take, assume, 2417; ger. to gain, 4872; Cachis (Cachex), pr. a. goss, marchet, 1049; (Cachex), gathers together, 2134; Cache, cap. a. 2 p. catch; Cache vp jins hert, regn thy courage, 470; Caches (Kachez), imp. pl. take, 2564.
 (Nafe), a. cave, hollow, 2309.
 Caffare, error for Chaffare (as sheens by the alliteration), a. chaffer, traffic, intercourse, 4003.
 Caggis (Cachex), pr. a. draws, fastens, 1521. See numerous examples in Mazarer of coggen, to bind, fasten.
 Caire (Care), ger. to go, 1688, 1832; Caire, ger. to go to cross, 2088; Caire, v. return, 3507; Caire (Carey), v. return, travel back, 3418; Caire, 1 pr. a. go, 2280; come, 1878; Caires (Care), pr. a. goss, walks, 859; Caires, goss, 5173; Caires (Carey), goes, 953;

(Caraz), 1038; Caires, comes, 3064; returns, 2062; Caires, pr. a. ref. goes, 3008; Caires (Caires), pr. pt. go, 887; Caires (Caires), goes, 300; Calred, jd. pl. went, 2402; Calre, sgo. a. turn, return, 3562; Caire (Care), go thou, 1501; Caires (Carey), let them retreat, 3414; Caires, imper. pt. 2 p. go ye, 889. Cf. Icel. keyra, to prick on, urge, drive. See Kaire, Care.

Caitife (Catef), adj. caitiff, vile, 1775.

Caitife, a. caitiff, wretched, 3078; Caitife, 3562. See Caytef.

Caitifesse (Caitifesse), adj. most caitiff, vilest, 1707.

Calabree, Calabria, 5671.

Calcidoynes, pl. calchedonies, 5274.

Cald, adj. cold, 1599, 4928; (Cold), 3169.

Calde, Chaldea, 5669; Caldee, 90. Calipol (Calypose), a. city, 2154. Calistride (Lat. Taliifida), queen of the Amazones, 3711, 5721, 5778.

Calke, a. calculate, 673.

Call, v. call, name, 618; (Calle), call, 1479, 1848; Call, ger. 229; (Calle), ger. to call upon, 2244;

Callis, pr. a. calls, 451, 1077; (Calles), 248; Callis, 5234; Calis, 4856; Callis, 2 pr. a. 1871; Cald,

pt. a. 1 pr. called, 2195; Callid, jd. a. 559; Callid, pt. pl. 2138; Callid (Callyd); pp. called, 1046, 1903; summoned, 5194; Caled (Callyd), called, 823; Cald, pp. called, said to be, 1820; reckoned, 3908.

Calodone (Calydon), Chalcedon, 1028; (Calidon), 1028.

Calodoynes (Calodones), pl. men of Chalcedon, 1032.

Calma, pl. calves, 3892; gen. of calves, 4476.

Cambe, pl. cambs, 5120.

Camels, pl. camels, 2749.

Camlyn, a. camelit, the name of a staff, 4340.

Cameur, Lat. Camare, 5489.

Can, pr. a. 1 p.; Can not fare-on, cannot agree to that, 3597; can bear, endure, 832; know, 260; bear, endure, 832; know, 260.

685 : *Can*, pr. pl. *can*, 248, 250.
See *Kan*.

Candice, *ceros*, *susana*, 5090, 5105,
5117; 5245, 5283, 5281.

Candill, candle, 4230.

Candisticke (*Candestynke*), pl.
candlesticks, 1571.

Candyle, *Candylas*, 5092; *Candole*,
5148, 5159; *Candole*, 5419.

Canony, a country, 5669.

Cap[er]o[pe], a canopy, 5266.

Castelle, a portion, 4514. *Cunile*
in Shakespeare.

Capodose, *Cappadocia*, 742*; *Cape-*
dos (*Capodose*), 2761; *Capidos*,
90, 5662.

Cape, a cope, vault, 1537, 1755,
1871; (*Cope*), 2368.

Capho Rosey (*Chisipho rosey*), a
place-name, 1077. See note.

Captayn, pl. *captains*, 3290.

Capyll, horse, 754*.

Carpatus, prop. name, 5094.

Carsone, prop. name, 5337, 5343,
5364, &c.

Caryne, a carion, 4524. See
Carion.

Carcas, carcass, 4524.

Care, a anxiety, 149, 166, 349, 1104,
3508, 4013; trouble, 5608; sor-
row, 3239.

Care (*Kare*), *vsg*. a. be anxious, care,
2815.

Carfull, adj. mournful, 3869; (*Car-*
full), sorrowful, 1815.

Carles, adj. free from anxiety, 405.

Carre hym, pr. s. betakes himself,
turns, goes, 730*; *Carre*, goes,
768*. See *Caire*.

Carid (*Cared*), pp. cared, 1461.

Carion, a carcass, 5587; *Carions*,
gen. body's, 4357; *Carious*, pl.
carcases, 4455. See *Caryon*,
Caryne.

Carpe, a speech, talk, 3500, 3929,
4056, 5011; relation, 3112; mean-
ing, 1784; story, tale, 3469;

Carpe (*Carpyngh*), a speech, say-
ing, message, 2346; speech, 748;
story, 1405; decision, 1023.

Carpe, v. talk, say, 529; *Carpe*, ger.
8; *Carpis*, 2 pr. s. speaks, 100;

(Carpys), 2911; *Carpis* (*Carpes*),
pr. s. speaks, 860; miswritten

Crabis (*Carpes*), 833, 2490; pr. pl.
speaks, 1604; *Carps*, pr. s. says,
5357; *Carpid*, 1 pl. s. speaks, told,
3058; 2 pl. s. speaks, 234; pl. s.
speaks, 299; *Carped*, pp. 108. Cf.
Ioul, *kyppa*, to boast.

Carpentaris (*Carpentes*), pl. car-
penters, 1117; *Carpentars*, 4205.

Carryg (*Carra*), a carriage, carriage,
barge, 3376; *Carygis*, pl. 63.

"*Cirraine*, the huge ship termed
a carriage"; *Cotgrave*.

Cartes, pl. carts, cart, 3058.

Carte-wise, chariot-wise, 3629.

Cartrios, *Caratros*, 5353. See *Cara-*
ters.

(Carye), *put for Carye*, ger. to go,
cross, 2588. See *Caire*.

Caryn *Jaime*, pr. pl. return, 3110.
See *Caire*.

Caryon, a carcass, body, 4587. See
Carion.

Cas, a. case, 232; event, 940; chance,
222, 405, 710. (*Case*), circumstan-

ces, 2350, 2541; way, means,
1362; luck, 2163; (*Case*), chance,
1104; Case, circumstance, 671, 848, 1464; misfortune, 401; Cases, pl. things, circumstances,
3727.

Casy, *Caspian* Sea, 3705.

Cast, a. throwing, casting, 1302;
Castis (*Castes*), pl. plans, 1784.

See *Kast*.

Cast, ger. to cast, 5155; a. reqd.
endeavour, 4671; *Castis*, pr. s.
casts, 5587; (*Castes*), plans,
1361; (*Kest*), throws, 1537;

Castes, casts, 1997; *Castis*, pr.
pl. cast, 163. See *Kast*, *Kest*.

Castane (*Castanea*), gen. of a chest-
nut; Of castans hewe, of the
colour of a chestnut, 1086; (*Cast-*
ana), gen. sing. of the chestnut,
of chestnut colour, 1537. See
Kastend.

Castell, a. castle, 1152, 2250, 3002,
5283; *Castels*, pl. 4442; *Castells*
(*Castillys*), 3414.

(*Castell-pardie*), castle-yard, 768*.

Castite, error for *Chastite*, a chastity,
4603.

(Castor), prop. name, 766*.

Castouise, covetousness, 4562.

Castols, pl. fragments, 739. *Iocl*,
klof, a piece, bit.

Caves, pl. caves, 4020, 4042; *Cany*,
4354.

Caulis, proper name, 1229, 4907.

Cause, cause, 577, 848, 221; cause,
ple, side (in the dispute), 2993.

Causid (*Causyd*), pr. s. made, 3278.

Causies, off, or off, without a cause
or reason, unreasonably, 3190;

Causole (*Causole*), 1817.

Caymyne (*Caryon*), a. carnion, 3255.
See *Caryone*.

Caytels (*Cayff*), a. wretch, 3278;

Caytives (*Cayffes*), pl. wretches,
1754. See *Cayfe*.

Capt, pt. s. took, 5212. See *Kajt*.

Cecile (*Ceyll*), Sicily, 2103.

Cedres, pl. cedars, 6237.

Collis, pl. colla, 4024.

Cerastis, prop. name, 916.

Certayn, off, certainly, 326; Cer-
tayne, 1101; For certayne, 183.

Certin, a. certify, 250; Certified
(*Certyfyed*), pl. s. informed, 2774.

Certis, off, certainly, 4360.

Cheyle; see *Sale*.

Chache, a. chace, seize hold of (one),
1804; *Chach*, charch, derive, 4227;

Chachelles (*Chakes*), pr. s. bring
together, 1281; *Chache* (*Cache*),
imp. s. receive, 748.

Chaffe, or *Chasse*, 468. It seems to
mean 'great heat' or 'a chafing-
dish', from *F. chasser*, to heat,
chafe. Or *chase* may mean a
jewel case of red gold. See
Chasse.

Chaise, a. chair, 5515; *Chaiare*,
493.

Chalang, v. challenge, claim, 4388;
(*Chalynge*), claim, 1848.

Chalk-quite (*Chalke-white*), white
as chalk, 1584; *Chalke-quyte*,
468; miswritten *Shalk-quyte*
(*Chalke-white*), 1562.

Challid, pp. 746*. Sense un-
known; the sense required is
'tightly bound,' with reference to
the horse's jaw.

Chambre, chamber, 53, 111, 151,
355; (*Chamer*), 944; (*Chambee*),
1762; (*Chawmbe*), 1113, 1181; i.

Chambers (*Chambeis*), pl. cham-
bers, 2979.

Chambray (*Chamerlayn*, *M.S.*
chamerlayn), chamberlain, 1584.

Champs, a. field, meadow, plain,
4719; space in which the gems
were set, 2617.

Chance, a. chance, accident, 144;
(*Chamce*), chance, 2788; *Chanche*
misfortune, 403.

Chancie (*Chances*), pr. s. subj. (if) it
befall, 1882; *Chanciel*, pt. s. hap-
pened, 4801.

Changi, pr. s. changes, 190, 382;
(*Changier*), 1851; *Changi* (*Chang-*
ge), 2 pr. a. changed, 831;

Changiil, pt. s. changed, 377, 466;
(*Changiett*), 1119; *Changand*,
pr. past, changing, 3271, 3687.

Chapo, ger. to escape, 2788; *Chapid*,
1 pl. escaped, passed, 4215.

Chastayne (*Chapelyn*), chaplain,
1681.

Chaplets, pt. chaplets, garlands,
3857.

Charboke, carbuncle, 4900; *Char-*
boles, pl. carbuncles, 5647;

Charbokies, 3677.

Chare, a. chariot, 8228.

Charge, a. amount, lit. weight, 403;

Charge, pl. loads, 5598; *Charges*
(*Charge*), commands, 2660.

Change, 1 pr. a. charge, command,
1918; *Charge* (*Charge*) (*Charge*), pr. s.
changes, engins, 1194; *Chargin*,
pt. pl. loaded, 5632; *Chargin*, pp.
envered, 4719; *Charge*, imp. s.
care for, mourn, 826.

Chariott, a. chariot, 802*; *Chariotis*,
pl. chariots, 3021, 3057.

Charm, a. charm, incantation, 343.

Chasse, s. 5647. One sense of *F.*
chasse is 'a shrine for a reliqu'

(*Cotgrave*): Latin *cupsa*. Here
'as a chasse' may mean 'as big
as a box,' or 'as big (or as red)
as a jewel-case.' See *Chaffe*.

Chastend, pr. pt. correcting (but
here apparently used in the sense
of provoking), 4607. O.F. *chaster*,
to chastise, correct, amend.

Chaster, a. chaster, gable, miter,
115; (*Chaterand*), pr. pt. talk-
ing, 821*.

Chatried, pp. filled, filled quite full (?), 4900. A doubtful word; cf. *châtaigné* in Marte Arcane, 1552.
 Chancie, 4724. Indistinct in the MS. Perhaps we should read *cheesse*, which we might explain as 'hoary,' or 'whitened with age.' Cf. O.F. *chance*, white hair, *chevere*, to turn white, said of the hair; from Lat. *cusus*, hoary.

Chasfe, pr. pl. 1 p. warm, chafe, 4287; *Chawife*, pr. s. chafes, 3519. Chasing (*Chauyng*), a heat, 2545. Chambers, pl. chamberes, 5591. Chancie, s. chance, good fortune, 4388; Open chance, perchance, 5609.

(Changes), pr. s. changes, 1854; *Changest*, pt. pl. changed, i.e. turned and in look, 5609. Chambers (*Chameez*), inspers. pr. s. befalls, happens to, 1036. Chauylk, pl. jaws, 3686, 4984; *Chavilles*, 2637; (*Chassoles*), 740*. A.S. *cnfys*, jaws.

Chawife, see *Chafe*.

Chay, s. (*perhaps*) company, assembly, 3549. Boufquesort gives O.F. *clay*, company, assembly. The sense may thus be: 'an assembly, which all the company consider rich (so says the romance), and as for rankness of wines, it lets no drunkenness hurt them, viz. the men who bear it.' As to the virtues of the amethyst, see the note.

Chelle, s. chill, cold, 4164. See *Chose*.

Chefe, adj. chief, 115, 440, 493; excellent, 343; large, 3677.

Chefe, s. chief, chieftain, 440.

Chefe, adv. chiefly, 363.

Chefe, s. happen, befall, 403; (*Chefyd*), pp. achieved, 2712.

See Gloss. to *Troy-Book*.

Chelyde, adv. especially, 2603.

(Chefyd), adj. chiefest, largest, 1985.

Chiffe, adj. wimp, chiefer, superior, 4801.

Chike, a. cheek, resistance, defence, 4801; *Chikis* (*Chikes*), pt. checks, victories, 5098.

Chikis, pl. cheeks, 3042, 4984; i

(*Chikes*), 2782; (*Choky*), cheeks, face, 1747.

Chile, s. chill, 2545; *Chellis*, pl. 4287. See *Chete*.

Chelous, adj. zealous (?), 5446.

Chere, s. face, countenance, 468, 743, 5392, 5609; appearance, 375; favour, 561; (*Chere*), look, 1810.

Chere, adj. dear, loving, lens bright (?), 5302. A curious use of the word, as if confused with *cherful*. *Clerc* would make better sense.

Cheria, pr. s. cheers, 5447.

Cheriche, n. cherish, 288; Cherisheet (*for Cherisheet*), pt. s. cherished, comforted, 5446;

Cherest, pt. pl. cherished, 594; Cheresshet, *for* Cheroschet (*Cherys*), ss. cherished, made much of, 2662.

Cheshell (*Chessebelle*, pl.), poppy, 1983. — *Hec papaver, cheshell*;? Wright's Vocab. col. 644, l. 15.

Chese, s. choose, 387; (*Chese*), 1775; (*Chese*, ger. 1173; *Chese*, 1 p. s. 1020); *Chese*, pt. s. chose, 493; *Chese him, chese for himself*, 1194; (*Chesey lym*), chooses for himself, 1194; *Chese*, imp. s. choose, 363, 307*, 4388; *Chese* (*Chese*), imp. pl. 1922.

Chese, pt. s. went, chose (to go), 5284. A bodily selected word; merely introduced for the alliteration. See above.

Chesees, pl. seed-pods of a poppy, called *cheses* from the shape, 1983. See *Cheshell*.

Chenlous, adj. chivalrous, brave, 2805; *Chenlaus*, 655.

Chenlury, s. chivalry, 3098; (*Chenvilly*), deeds of chivalry, 2712.

Cheseliere, s. hair, 4724. F. *cerfure*.

Chenes, adj. chiefer, superior, 1882. Chenu, pr. s. achieves to be, 655; *Chenu*, pt. pl. prosper, 2579;

Chedy hyn, pt. s. there happened to him, 753*; *Chenyd* (*Chefyd*), happened, happened successfully, 2788; *Chenu* (*Chefyd*), pt. s. *rely* achieved, accomplished, 3098; i

pt. pl. arrived, attained, 4215.

F. *chevir*, to compass, &c.; Cot-grave.

Chovalry, cavalry, 816; *Chovys*, pt. pl. chains, 1081, 2681, 4877, 5516; (*Choynes*), 1565, 2587.

Chidis, pt. s. chides, 5319.

Chire, s. face, surface, 4719. O.F.

chire is given by Godfrey as a spelling of O.F. *chere*, face. See *Chere*.

Chiffayze, a. chieftain, captain, 3021; *Chifian*, 440, 655; *Chifane*, 1194.

Chifian (*Chefan*), 1036; *Chiftans*, pl. captains, 5446; *Chiftance*, 807*, 824*.

Child, a. child, 594, 697, 825; knight, 825 (MS. D. *where A. has knygt*); With child, 393; *Child*, gen. child's, 824*; *Childer*, pl. children, 1017; *Childin*, 256, 3116, 5576; *Childer*, 723*; young men, 815*; *Childire* (*Childor*), gen. pl. children's, 1773; (*Chelder*), pt. children, 2678.

Childbede, a. childhood, 4215.

Chill (*Chyll*), a. chill, i.e. frost, ice, 2541. See *Chale*.

Choll, s. chesk, jowl, 746*; E. *jowl*; from A.S. *cnfys*, jaw, cheek, whence M.E. *cnfys*, choll.

Choppid, pt. pl. chopped, cut, 3057; pp. hewn, cut, 4736.

Chosely, adj. choiced, 294.

Chosen (*Chosyn*), pp. chosen, 1562, 1985; *Chosyn*, pp. chosen, choice, 802*; *Choseno*, 3785.

Chosent, adj. superl. choicest, 337.

Churles, pl. churles, savages, 4726.

Chykin, s. chicken; Chykin-hird, s. young bird, 4984.

Chymmires, pt. pl. fire-places, 4287.

Chynez, pt. pl. chains, 746*, 788*. See *Choynes*.

(Cipris), cypres, 790.

Cite, city, 467, 1118, 1148; (*Cite*, 1518; *City*), 1510; (*Site*), 1144; Cite (*Citez*), pt. 2104, 2115; (*Sites*), 1894.

Cite-ward: To *ce* cite-ward, i.e. toward the city, 2487.

Cite, a. country, 209. (The *c* is hard, as in *k*.) See *Kithe*.

Citigen (*Citoyenne*), pl. citizens, 3403; (*Citoyna*), 2199.

Clagard, pp. clogged, sticky, 5437. Lowl. Sc. *clag*, to clog.

Clambert, name, 5490.

Clame, per. to claim, 4582.

Clame (*Cham*), pt. s. cleam, 2108.

Clamp (*Clampe*), a. pinch, i.e. torment, 3263.

Clappis (*Cleppis*), pr. s. cleapse, clips, i.e. embraces, 3237; Clappis, 584, 5252.

Clarions, pl. clarions, 2617; Clarons (*Clarions*), 775.

Claike, a. cloth, 4587; Claje, 141; Clakte (*Clath*), clothing, garment, 1086; Clatne, pt. cloths, 236, 4149; garments, 4500; Clathis (*Clather*), clothes, garments, 1498.

Clairis, pr. s. mitter, 412; Clairad, pt. s. mittered, 342; pt. pl. mitted, 555.

Clouse, clause, passage (of the text), 278, 885; story, 1613, 3361; short letter, message, 1734, 1955, 5095.

Clowns (*Clamo*), v. claim, 1848.

Clede, pt. a. clad, 121; Cleid (*Cled*), 2735; Cled, pp. 3628, 4955, 5210.

Cleg, pl. claws, 5432. A.S. clæ.

Clek, s. snatch, clutch, 2163.

Clekis, pr. s. draws, plucks, 282; snatches, 2287; (*Cleek*), seizes, 842. See *Clyght*, Lowl. Sc. *clæk*.

Clene, adj. pure, 3822, 4700; good, 259; clear, 1479; fair, 495; bright, 1578; new, 978.

Clene, adv. cleanly, 65, 1497; wholly, thoroughly, entirely, altogether, 19, 174, 203, 357, 671, 729, 900, 1023, &c.

Clenly, adv. neatly, 1837; wholly, 555, 3904.

Clement, adj. superl. cleanest, purest, brightest, 5289; parent bred, 3775.

Cloppis, Cloppis, 4907.

Cleopatra, Cleopatra, 823, 835.

Cleopat, pr. a. calls, 521; Cleopis, 1597, 2184, 3117; Cleop (*Clepy*), pp. 2884. A.S. *cleopian*.

(Clepy): see *Clappis*.

Clere, adj. clear, bright, 28, 259, 282, 1378, 3361; pure, 1571, 1892;

fine, 1043; fair, 5090; illustrious, 2692.

Cleres, pr. s. becomes clear, becomes

bright, 4374 ; Cleric, *pt. s.* a. grew
clear, 4815.

Clerest, *adj. superl.* finest, 2572.

Clerete (Clarite), a. brightness, 2052;

(Clerete, *error for Clarete or Char-*

teo), radiance, 3147. O.F. clerte.

Clergi, s. learning, skill, 54 ; Clergy

(Clerge), clergy, 1509.

Clerly, *adv.* clearly, 442.

Clerire (Clerar), *adj.* *compl.* clearer,

2541.

Clerke, learned man, scholar, 39,

121, 231, 370, 399, 514, 1353 ;

poet, 2121 ; Clerkis, *pt. s.* 624.

(Clerkes), 1549.

Clothie, *s. clothe*, 4706 ; Cloth, *ger.*

8239 ; Clothie (Cloth), *ger.* 1775 ;

Clothis, *pr. s. clothes*, 140 ; Clothis,

2 *pt. s.* put on clothes, 4670 ;

Clothe (Cloth), *imp. s. clothe*, 2988 ;

Clothid, *pp. clothed*, 4082, 5003 ;

(Clothyd), 1624.

Cletomacne (Clytomanus), Clytoman-

chus, 2252, 2273.

Cleves, *pr. s. cleaves*, sunders, 4002.

Clevys (Cleyfa), *pr. s. cleaves*, sticks,

3377.

Clenche, *pt. clients*, subjects, 3411 ;

attendants, 1549 ; (Clyentes), ser-

vants, 2240.

Cleffe, *s. rock, cliff*, 4825 ; (Clyff),

775, 3008 ; Clefe (Clyff), 3377 ;

Clyffs, *pt. s.* (Clyffe, *s.*), 2843.

Clypys (Clepyss), *s. eclipse*, 2032.

"The clypys of the sun and moyn,"

edipys ; Cath. Angliecum.

Clochere, a. room, apartment, 5289.

(Cloches), *pt. clouds*, 3081.

Close, *ger. to enclose*, 2206 ; Closis,

pr. s. encloses, 5483, 5502 ; Closed,

pt. s. enclosed (himself), 3034 ;

Closid, *pp. enclosed*, 3831 ;

(Cloudy), wrapped up, 2912 ;

(Closed), enclosed, 1378.

Close, *a. enclosure*, fort, 5265.

Closure, *s. enclosure*, chamber, 5250.

See Clochere.

Closetts, *pl. closets*, secret chambers,

153.

Closure, *s. enclosure*, 4890.

(Clothes), *pt. clothe*, 1515. See

Clothe.

Cloud, 5241. The sense is incom-

plete : probably parts of one or two lines are omitted.

Cloude, *s. stone, rock*; or *adj. rocky*,

4863. A.D. *clad*, stone, rock ;

cliffig, rocky. (Or it may be

short for *clouded*, covered with

clouds.)

Cloudis, *pl. clouds*, 555 ; (Cloudes),

2108.

Clozen, *pp. cloven*, 4830, 5432.

Cloyses, *pl. clougies*, ravines, *but used*

in the sense of cliffs, 4863. So in

Morte Arthure, 941.

Cluster (Clostre), *s. cluster, heap*,

1438.

Clustering, *pp. clustered*, 978 ; Cluster,

5249 ; Clustrid, 3668, 3683 ; thickly

set, 2396.

Clyentis, *pt. vassals, retainers*, 3195.

See Clientis.

(Clyfes), *pt. clover* bits, splinters,

799.

(Clyft), *pt. s. snatched*, 2387. Pt.

t. of clof ; see Clofia.

Clym, *ger. to climb, ascend*, 3353,

4399 ; Clyme, *v. i.* 1440.

Clyne (Incline), *v. incline, bend*,

1901.

Clynt, *a. rock, crag, cliff*, 4830. Icel.

klitir, a crag ; Swed. *klint*, top of

a mountain ; Dan. *klint*, a cliff.

Clynderand, *pres. part. forming crags*,

craggy, 4863. See above.

Cocards, *pt. foolish people*, 4472.

Cogard, "a gross gull, perti-

goose, quaint top, saucy droll" ;

Topgrave.

Cocatrices, *pl. cockatrices*, 3361 ;

Cocatrisesse, 4199 ; Cocatryss,

gen. sing. cockatrice's, 3395.

Cocken, *pr. pl. strive, contend, fight*

like cocks, 2042 ; Cock, 1 *pt. pl.*

dispute, 3311 ; Cockid, *pp. con-*

tended, fought, 4013. A word

borrowed from the sport of cock-

fighting. See Cokke.

Coddis, *pl. pillows*, 4916. "A cod,

cerucl, paluiner ; Cath. Angliecum,

Cofyre, coffer, chest, 897* ; Coffis,

pl. 4035 ; (Coffers), 3230.

Cogill-stane, a cobble-stone, round

stone, 3885. O.Du. *kogel*, a globe,

sphere, bullet ; Heaxim.

Cointe, *adj. quaint, curious*, 4275. O.F. *cointe*.

Cokane (Coke), I *pr. s. contend, fight*,

3169. See Cokken.

Cole, *adj. cool*, 2541, 3409.

Cole, *s. cold water*, 5506 ; cold sea,

5534. Merely the above adj. need

not a vb. See two more examples

in Matrener. We still say, "the

end of the evening."

Cole, *s. cool*, 606 ; Colis (Colez), *pl.*

coleas, 2247.

(Colletes), *pl. acolytes*, 1549. "Co-

lytte, acolytes" ; Prompt. Parv.

See Way's note.

Collins, *pr. s. 2 pt. dote gap (?)*

dost gulp (?), 3233. Cf. I. 5320.

O.D. *du isolere*, "to swallow or

to gulp in," Hexham ; Dan. *kulke*, to

gulp.

Colit (Coli), *s. colt*, 2381. See Colis.

Color, *(Colour)*, colour, 3370 ;

(Colour), 1036.

Coltis, *pl. colts*, 3755. See Coll.

Coltris, *pl. 3794*. Prob. an error for

coltris = *coltraria*, i.e. cockatoos.

See Coctatores.

Cobwers, *pl. cobwers, snakes*, 3794.

F. *confonve*, O.F. *confonre*, an

adder ; Lat. *cobras*.

Comande, *pr. s. 1 pt. command*, 3313,

5620 ; Comandis, 5106 ; Comand

(Comand), 2778. See Comendis.

Comandis, *pr. s. commands*, 1117 ;

(Comandes), 1381 ; (Comandes),

2283 ; Comandes, 3148 ; Comande

(Comandes), 1810 ; (Comand,

pt. s.), 1475 ; Comandis (Coman-

des), 2218 ; Comand, *pt. s.* com-

manded, 821* ; (Command),

1177 ; Comanda, 1064 ; Comandid,

pp. commanded, 73 ; Comanda

(Comand), *imp. pt. 1832*.

Comandement (Comandement),

comannedment, 1192.

(Comber), *pr. s. subj. vex*, 1450 ;

Comber, *pt. s. subj. vexed em-*

brace, 1755. E. *comber*.

Comen, *s. coming, arrival*, 54, 456,

1458, 1576, 3188, 3212, 3904,

3932 ; (Commingy), 1040.

Com, *ger. to come*, 1236, 1362,

Com (MS. Com), *s. come, happen*,

292 ; (Come), *v. 982* ; Comes,

pr. *s. comes* 78, 940 ; Come, 4741 ;

Comes (Comex), 1501 ; (Commes),

2273 ; Comys, *pr. s. comes*, suits,

3316 ; Commes, comes, 768* ;

Comes, it is becoming, 5974 ;

Comys, *pr. pl. come*, 946 ; (Comes),

815 ; Comyn (Com), 963 ; Come,

pt. s. come, 144, 503, 506, 882,

5418 ; it became, hefted, 627 ;

Come, *pt. pl. came*, 815, 835, 965 ;

Come, *pr. s. subj. may come*, 1104 ;

Comen, *pr. come*, 1313 ; (Comyn),

2002 ; Come, 573 ; Comyns,

85, 3564 ; Comes (Commen), 1613 ;

Comen, *pr. come, descended* (from),

2650 ; Comes down of, descended

from 3166 ; Comand, *pres. pt. coming*, 63, 176.

Comendil, *pt. s. commanded*, 659 ;

Comend, *pt. pl. pleased*, 4015.

See Comando.

Comendling (Comendying), a. com-

mandation, 2346.

Comensur (Comensours), 2392.

Prob. an error for *commentour*,

i.e. commentator. Godfrey gives

commenteur, a commentator.

Comens, *pl. comers*, men who come,

3418.

Comfort, *a. comfort, pleasure*, 8 ;

Comforth (Comforthe), 859.

Comforthis, *pr. s. comforts*, 4155 ;

Comforthis, *pt. s. comforted*,

strengthened, 3376 ; Comforth

(Comforth), *imp. s. comfort*, 3239.

Comift, *adj. superl. comeliest*, 887.

Comly, *adj. comely*, 1086, 1821, 1822 ; (Comle), 1281.

Comly, *adv. in a comely manner*,

456 ; fittingly, 878.

Comon, *adj. common*, 3895, 5303.

Comonly, *adv. publicly*, 108.

Comparison (Comparison), a. com-

parison, 1721.

Compas, *a. compass, circumference*,

278.

Compas, *v. contrive*, 415 ; Compas,

pr. s. compasses, contrives, 1561 ;

Compass, *pt. s. fashioned, contrived*,

3629 ; constructed, 3219.

Compan, *a. peer, equal*, 3296.

Compan, *s. come*, 281, 1, 89.

Comyn (Commyng), *s. coming*, 933.

Con (Can), 1 *pr.* a. can, 2837; as auxiliary verb, did, 115, 673, 2376; Con please, pleased, 2657.

Conced, a. agreement, 5543. "A conande, condicō, pectus;" Cath. Angl.

Conception, a. conception, 388.

Conscience (Conscience), a. conscience, 2422, 2577.

Condition, condition, stipulation, 2652.

Conjuris, pl. incantations, 58, 342. O.F. *conjuration* (Godefroy).

Conynge, a. knowledge, 4271; (Conyng), 1621.

Conyng, adj. skilful, 2369.

Conquer, a. conquer, 2095; Conquered, pt. pd. 209; Conquird, pp. 10, 174.

Conqueres, conqueress, female conqueror, 5105, 5169; Conquyres, 3454; Conquiere, 3711, 3721; Conquirius, 3778.

Conquerour, a. conqueror, 1501; Conqueror, 815; Conquerrice, 1480.

Conseille (Conseill), a. counsel, 832; thought, purpose, 254; Counsel, council, 1955; Consille, counsel, 6359.

Consille, *pr.* to take counsel, 618; Conseil (Conseillys), *pr.* *pr.* advise, 1509; Consill, 1 *pr.* (*we*) counsel, 3768.

Consygne (Consigne), a. conclusive, 835; Consigne, *pr.* a. *subj.* conclusive, 3744; Consayzed (Consaned), pt. a. concived, contained, 1837; Consayzed, pt. conceived, 349, 578; Consuny, 429; Consayned (Consanod), concived, understood, 2437.

Constryneys (Constraynes), *pr.* a. constraints, 2496; Constrene, *pr.* *pr.* compel, 4562.

Constru (Constrew), *pr.* a. 1 *pr.* infer, 1901; Construed, *pp.* construed, made out, 2437.

Consumed, *pp.* consumed, 894.

Contenance, countenance, 484; demeanour, 2496.

Contrarie, a. contrary, 5011; Contrari (Contrary), 2422; Contrare (Contray), 3263.

Contraries (Contraries) *pr.* a. is con-

trary to, contravenes, 2205; Contrari, 4323.

Contre, a. country, 39; (Contree), 1122; Contries, *pl.* 108; Contres (Contres), 1056.

Conyschance, a. cognisance, 3070; (Conyschance), hedge, 1128; Conyschance (Conyscence), appearance, 2868; Conyschancis, *pl.* tokens, cognisances, badges, emblems of rank, 193.

Cope, a. top, 4890; Coppe, 4788.

Coppis, *pl.* spiders, 3300. Homos E. *col-uvb.* i.e. esp.-uvb.

Couage, a. heart, 2243; couange, 2369; Couage, *pl.* hearts, courageous thoughts, p. 280, l. 35.

Courageous (Courageous), adj. courageous, 1892.

Cordis (Cord), v. consent, agree, 2550; Coidis (Cordes), *pr.* a. accords, agrees, 578; Coidil (Cordyl), *pt.* a. agreed, 2652.

Cordis (Cordes), *pl.* cords, 1521, 2224.

Cordeschiffe, a. kennel, 5249.

Corne, a. corn, 3971; Corne, *pl.* grains, seeds, 1998, 2070; (Cornet), 2023.

Cornonack, a. coronal, circlet, coronet, head-dress, 3451; Coronades, *pl.* 5150.

Cornalls, *pl.* capitals (of pillars), 3665.

Conne, crown, 193; Coron, 1128; (Corone), crown, chief, 2800; Coronne (Corone), 2283; Coronus, *pl.* crowns, 5423.

Corened, *pt.* *pl.* crowned, p. 280, l. 31; Coronand, pp. 5105.

Corenest, adj. superl. most worthy of a crown, chiefest, worthiest, 624; Coronement (Corondest), 1910.

Corporall, adj. bodily, 4560.

Corruption, a. corruption, 3255.

Cors, a. body, 349, 730?, 1775, 2542, 2933; Corpse (Cors), corpse, 3148; Cors, a. body, (living) frame, 3987; Cooses, *pl.* corpses, bodies, 3129, 3933, 4454.

Couer, pp. covered, 125, 3665; (said of millions), 4896; Couyn, 426.

Couens (Cownez), *pl.* crowns, 1043. See Corona.

Couipable, adj. couipable, 3459; (Couipable), mortal, 1878.

Cowalle, Cornwall, 5671.

Corysdi (Corinday), Corinth, 2266.

Coste, a. coast, region, country, provinces, 1610, 3418, 3500; (Cost), 1628; Cost (Coste), region, 1843; side, 2641; Costis, *pl.* coasts, regions, 4407, 5564; (Costes), 1204; Costes (Costez), sides, 1502.

Costious, adj. costly, precious, 3142, 3451, 4180; *pnf.* for Costiousest, most costly, 3330.

Costis, *pl.* ornaments, costly things, 4180.

Costreynes, *pr.* a. constraints, forces, 5053. See Constreynes.

(Cosyn, for Chwyn), chosen, 816.

Cote, cottage, 1804.

Coth (Cotthe), disease, 2315. A.S. cōða.

Cotis, *pl.* coats, 5471.

Couinnes, a. covetousness, 4329.

Couintus, adj. covetous, 4599.

Couintyng (Covetyng), a. coveting, desire, 1016.

Cove, a. hollow, cove, 5427.

Couent, meeting, assembly, 1576. "A couent, couenant;" Cath. Angl.

Couere, *pr.* recover, regain, 520, 5068; *pnf.* 2163; Couens, *pr.* a. ref. covers himself, arms himself, 3034; Couert (for Coneril), *pt.* *pl.* gained their way, attained, 4815; Couert, *pnf.* won, lit. recovered, 3714; Couerd (Couery), *pp.* won, 1038; Couent, covered, 5427. See Couir.

Couertours, *pl.* coverings, tent-coverings, 4177. "Couverre, a covering, apparel, a coverlet;" Cotgrave.

Couet (Conest), v. covet, 1754; Couet (Conest), 1 *pr.* a. 690; Conest, *pr.* a. covets, 3533; (Conest), 2207; Conestis, *pr.* *pl.* desire, 8; Conest, *pr.* *pt.* 2 p. covet, 4442; Couet (Conest), *pt.* a. desired, 2542.

Couir (Couser), *pr.* to recover, gain, get, 1755; Couire, 794; Couir, v. attain, 1362; Couirs (Cousers), *pr.* a. covers, 1902; (Conery), 1

3237; Couird (Concord), *pp.* recovered, 2815. See Couer.

Count, a. computation; At a count (or At a-count), by computation, 3614.

Countid, *pl.* s. 1 *p.* accounted, esteemed, 2501; *pp.* computed, 3358.

Coupe (Cups, Copé), *a.* cup, 2037, 2940; Cupis, *pl.* 3142, 3702.

Couple (Cowpuld), *pr.* to couple, 822; Coupid, *pp.* 6337.

Courses, a. course, 5443; Courses (Courses), *pl.* 2163.

Couste, a. court, 78, 4275; Couste, 213.

Couste, *pt.* s. 1 *p.* knew, 354; (Couth), 682; Coute, *pt.* s. was able, could, 357; Couth, knew, 43; Couth (Kouth), *pt.* s. knew, 2555; (Couth), knew how, 835*; Couths, *pt.* *pl.* knew, 25; Couth, *pt.* *pl.* knew, 169; (Couth), could, 1439.

Cowdrife, adj. sluggish (Lat. *torpe*), 4057. Lovel Sc. *caldrife*, *cauldrife*, cold, slow.

Couyt, adj. curiously arrayed, gaily dressed, 4671; Coynte, strange, 412; Coyant, curious, 5123. See Couine.

Coyndise, a. trick, wile, 5233. Godefroy gives 'roue' as one sense of O.F. *coidise*.

Copres (*vid.* pt.), 3822. Evidently a corrupt reading; probably for cofers, i.e. coffers, boxes, which gives good sense.

Crabbe-fische, crabfishes, 3892.

Crabhis, *pl.* crabs, 5506.

Crablis, *pr.* a. 2 *p.* vexet, 5323; Crablid, *pt.* a. made crabbed, angered, vexed, 4566; Crablid, *pp.* as adj. angry, venomous, 3794.

Craft, a. craft, art, 33, 650; skill, 3380; work, dealing, 4933; Craftis, *pl.* crafts, skillful arts, 125, 414; fests; 9; emphysemis, 4037.

Crafti, adj. skillful, 3665.

Craggit, *pl.* crags, 4025; Cragis (Cragges), 3575.

Crasid, *pp.* broken, rough, 4830. (MIS. *brasid*, wringly). See sea in Maltzer.

Cratōn (Cratōn), *s.* a poor creature (?), 3078; Cf. Lowl. Sc. east, puny, feeble; also, as a sb., a weakling. Godfrey gives O.F. *cratōn*, of which the sense is unknown.
 Crane, *ger.* to crave, 4226; (*Cravēn*), to ask, 887; *Crane*, 2 pr. *pl.* 4442; *Craves*, *pr. s.* craves, desires, 4494. The last line means—*and every limb craves, as [it] pleases it, according to its own desire.*
Creates, *pr.* created, 3390.
 Creature, creature, metal, 3093; (*Creatōre*), creature, 1475, 3281; (*Creatōr*), 1707; *Creatōres*, *pl.* 5534.
 Creature, creature, 959.
Creḍylt, *pp.* eradiled, 1707.
Cropis, *pr. pl.* crop, 4025.
 Crest, *s.* crest (of the hill), 4790; crest, 1837; *Crestis*, *pl.* 3863, 5126.
Crestys, *pl.* panniers, vessels for carrying food, &c., 4687. O.F. *creste*, the same as *cretin*, a sort of pannier; Godfrey.
Creusses, *pl.* crayfishes, 3864.
 “*Exercisse, a crevise, or crayfish;*” Colgrave.
Cressosis, *pl.* cravices, 4199; *Cressēs*, 4025. “*A cressesse, floure, rince;*” Cath. Angl.
Cris (*Cry*), *cry*, proclamation, 981, 1815, 2154; (*Crye*), 1604.
Cris (*Crye*), *v.* cry, proclaim, 2294; *ger.* 1475; *Cris* (*Cry*), *ger.* 2252; *Cris*, *pr. pl.* cry, 2188; *Cried*, *pt. s.* 491; *pr. pl.* called out, 250; *Cried*, *pt. s.* created, 4446, 4519; *pp.* 1707, 3390 (*where D. has Create*). O.F. *crier*, to create (*Requedort*); Span. *cruar*.
Crisopaces, *pl.* chrysoprases, 5274.
Cripe, *adj.* curly, i. e. woolly, 4476.
Cristall, *s.* crystal, 2641, 3221, 5280.
Christan, *s.* Christian, 3338.
Croft, *s.* croft, small field, 3971.
Croke, *pr. pl.* cross, go sideways, turn aside, 4872.
Crokid, *adj.* crooked, 5423.
Crom, *ger.* to cram, push, 4455; (*Cromys*), *pr. s.* crams, thrusts, 2937.

Chronacis (*Chronacis*), *pl.* chronacles, 940.
Crosse; *Ouine* cross, cross ways, diagonally, 4872.
Crossis (*Crossis*), *pr. s.* crosses, 1049; *Crosse* (*Crossy*), *pr. pl.* cross, go across, 2459.
Crown, *s.* crown, 978; (*Crownē*), 817; (*Crone*), 1015; *Croner*, crown of the head, 121, 231, 639.
Crowned (*Crowndy*), *pp.* crowned, 2283.
Cruell, *adj.* cruel, 2650.
Cubete, *s.* cubit: Cubete length, cubit's length, 3998; *Cubetis*, *pl.* 3987, 5635; *Cubet*, *pl.* 3338; *Cubetis* (*Cubetis*), 2118.
Cumber, *ger.* to oppress, lit. to cumber, 4032; (*Cumber*) *for Combre*, v. trouble, vex, 1471.
Cunȝifther, 1 pt. s. comforted, 3508.
Cumly, *adj.* comely, 4917. See *Comly*.
Connymg, *s.* knowledge, 4244. See *Connymg*.
(Castrō), country, 742*; (*Cuntrīe*), 827*. See *Contrye*.
Cupido, Cupid, 4508, 4542.
Cure, *s.* care, anxiety, 3386 (*lyng* is in the old case); *Cures*, *pl.* cares, 4275.
Curre, *s.* cur, dog, 1804; *Cure*, 748.
Curses, *pl.* courses, 28.
Curisid, *pp.* cursed, 4669.
Courses (*Courssor*), course, horse, 2881; *Courses*, *pl.* 3629; *Courses* (*Coursors*), 2621; *Curses*, 3024.
(Curtaſy), *adv.* courteously, 835*; *Curtasy*, courtesy, 5112; (*Curtasy*), 2718, 2743; *Curtasiey*, 9.
Curtass (*Curtasē*), *adj.* superl. most courteous, 2388. Head curtass, as in D.
Curte, *s.* court, 149; (*Corte*), 887, 900, 983.
Curtene, curtain, 860; *Curtyns*, *pl.* 4916; (*Cortyns*), 860; *Curteyne* (*Cartayne*), 1521.
Cusis, *pl.* kises, 5385.
Custome (*Costome*), *s.* custom, 2945.
Cusus (*for Curus*), Cyrus, 3226; *Cusys* (*Susys*), errr for *Cury*, i. e. Cyrus, 3219.

Cuthe (*Couth*), *pt. s.* knew how, could, 1564; *Cuthe*, 1 *pt. pl.* could, 4216; *Cuthe* (*Couth*), *pt. pl.* 1412, 1701.
Cutt (*Cuite*), *ger.* to cut, 2260; *Cutis* (*Cutes*), *pr. s.* 2269; *Cuttis*, 3889; *Cytē*, *s.* 3257, 3351; (*Cytē*), 1362, 2110, 2182; *Cytē*, *pl.* 72.
Dales, *pl.* days, 3462, 5529; *Dais*, 4814; (*Daisies*), 1172; (*Dais*), 1024; *Dais*, *gen. pl.* 4810; On dais, for some days, 1863.
Dale, *s.* dale, valley, 782; *Dales*, *pl.* 1337.
Dalliance, dalliance, pleasure, 1877.
Dam (*Dame*), *gen. dam's*, 1769. See *Dame*.
Dam, *s.* dam of a reservoir, the reservoir itself, 3928.
Damaz; see *Damazke*.
Damazg, *pr. s.* harts, 4274.
Damazing (*Damazgyn*), *s.* injury, 1188.
Damasko, *ce.* damask, 4673; *Damac* (*Damask*), *Damasco*, 1141.
Dame, *s.* dame, lady, 322, 452, 3778, 5253; wife, 2678. See *Dam*.
Damme-horde (*Dame-horde*), *s.* dam-board, slant-edge, 1857.
Dampnes, *pr. s.* condemn, 2661; (*Dampned*), *pp.* condemned, 257*. *Dampnes*, *pl.* damsons, 4738.
Dangell, or *Dangell*, 125. Sense unknown; the reading is probably corrupt.
Dangell (*Dangert*), *pp.* legally bound, bound under penalty, 1176.
Daniell, Daniel, 1655.
Darid, *pp.* dazed (*M. D. has dasyd*), 3044. See *daries* in *Matzner*.
Darias, 882, 895, 902, 1176, 1188, 1777, &c.; *Dari*, 2009; (*Dary*), 1958; *Dary*, 2005, 2066, 2140, 2144; *Dary* (*Dary*), 2007; *Darye* (*Dary*), 2663; *Darye*, 2055, 2058; *Darys* (*Darys*), 2772.
Darkē, *s.* lie hid, 4045. See *William of Palerne*, 17, 1834, 2851, for the phrase “to darkē in a den.”
Daris (*Dartex*), *pl.* darts, 1299, 1396.
Dart-wondid, dart-wounded, wounded with a dart, 225.

Dedely, adj. mortal, 1877; Dedely-like, 4057. See Dede.

Dedelyne (Dyndyne), s. disdain, 8153; anger, 2942; (Dyndyne), disdain, 2424; (Dyndene), 1711. Dedy, adj. mortal, 2133; (Dedlich), 1872. See Dedeley.

Dedy, adv. mortality, 1390. Doe, ger. to die, 4055; (Dey), v. 720; Doe, 1 pr. a. 400; Dead, pt. pl. 3069. See Doe.

Dede, s. dead, part, 5568.

Deere, s. harm, injury, 4235. See Dere.

Defaste, s. default, lack of food, want, 2153, 4596.

Defe, adj. deaf, 4747.

Defence (pl. Defences), s. defence, 1151.

Defend (Defende), ger. to oppose, 2129; Defend, v. defend, 349; Defendia, pr. s. fortibus (w/keep), 4456; (Defender), pr. pt. defend, 1298; Defend (Defender), pr. pl., et. pf. (with of), kept off, 1406; (Defending), pr. pt. defending, 1031.

Defensore, s. defender, 429. Defirred, pp. made to differ, 4223.

Degradyd (Degrad), ger. to overcome (Lat. superare), 2679; De-gradyd (Degradyl), pp. degraded, put down, overcome, 3125.

Degre, a. degree, rank, 485; (Degree), rank, 3407. See below.

Degre, s. step, 3344; Degree (for Degrees), pl. steps, stairs, 1183, 3232, 5251; (Degrees), 3216; To degreece, to the steps, 3446; Degressos (a double plural), steps, 4878, 4887, 5636.

Dede (Dyes), pr. s. dice, 1459; Deid, pt. s. 3448, 2471; Deid, pp. dead, 3476. See Doe, Dede, os.

Delanylyke (Delavy), adv. abundantly, 1351. Cf. E. Irish. Godfrey gives: "desseverement à la maniere d'un grand lavage."

Dede, s. part, portion, 482, 1368, 2475, 4391; (MS. dedle), 521; A few deles, a small portion, 3703; Great dele, great deal, 544; Lik deles, each bit of it, 3493; Neire a dele (Neuer a dele), never a bit,

2913; Never a dele, not at all, 1355. See Deele.

Dede, ger. to deal, to give, to impart, 236, 3475, 4058; (Dede), 1015; Dede, v. deal, 5032; Dede, 2 pr. pf. distribute, 4544; Dede, pr. pf. mark out, divide, apportion, 2902; Delt (Deltyn), 1 jd. pl. dealt, 2031.

Delingis, pl. dealings, 451.

Delite, s. delight, 265; Delitta, pl. pleasures, nuptial joys, 3743.

Delitacable, adj. pleasant, 4303. Delinore, for Delinore, pp. delivered, 3564.

Delume, sisseritres for Delume, s. deluge, 4942. See the note.

Delyte, pr. pt. please, 4381.

Delyuir, ger. to deliver, 5215; Deluyin (Delyver), s. deliver, give; Hence Let deluyre him, let he be delivered to him, 997; Deluyled, pt. s. speedily destroyed, 3030; Delywend, pp. delivered, 548.

Demamnde (Demandel), s. demand, request, 1096; Demaynnes (Demanded), pt. demands, 3411.

Deme, n. judge, estioun, 2122; deere, 1200; ger. to be considered, 5398; Deme, 1 pr. s. deem, consider, 1849; Demes, pr. & represses (Lat. reprimis), 3349; (Demes), condemns, 2661; Me demys, judges for me, 4576; Deme, pr. pt. 2 pr. account, 4546; (Demes), pr. pt. assure, 3069; Demys, pr. pt. tell us, 1231; Deme, pr. pt. subj. 2 pr. decide, 400; Demed, pt. s. 1 pr. decreed, ordered, 2663; pt. a. jadres, 593; Demed, pp. decreed, doomed, 836; (Demyd), doomed, 2164; condemned, 757; appointed, 28, 313; (Deme), imp. & judge, 735*.

Demerayke, s. magie, jugglery, 414. See dissemencys in Matrice.

Demyd, pt. s. dimmed, 661.

Dene, s. a den, 1769; Denes, pl. dens, 4045, 4324.

Deny, Dionysius, but put for Dionysus, i.e. Bacchus, 3056.

Departid, pp. parted, divided, 1941. Depaynt, pp. painted, coloured, 3092; Depaynid, painted, 5305.

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Depo, adj. deep, 225, 265, 336, 700, 1806.

Depo, s. deep, sea, 64; (Dope), 1308. Depoy, adj. deeply, passionately, 919; greatly, 1673; heavily, 1698; (Dopey), deeply, 1186, 1363, 1396.

Depose (Dyppest), adj. superl. deepest, 712.

Depresse, v. cast down; Do me deprose, cause me to be slain, 5030.

(Deproves), pr. s. deprives, 2311; Deprived (Deprifyd), pp. deprived, 2845; Deprynd (Depined), 890; (Deprete), 1469.

Depurid (Depuryd), pp. thoroughly cleansed, 2708.

Dero, adj. dear, 1024, 1545; beloved, 479; precious, costly, 1655, 4438; pleasing, 1638; os. s. dear one, 265. For deo halde, hold dear, 4421.

Dere, adv. dearly, 2122, 5143.

Dere, adj. com. dear, hofer, 540. Dere, s. harm, 4322, 5564. See Deme.

Dere, r. harm, 3351; Deris (Deres), pr. s. injures, 2041. A. S. deris.

Dervely (Derly), adv. dearly, earnestly, 2332; (Derly), heartily, 2339.

Dere-worth, adj. precious, dear, 3194; (Durworth), worthy, noble, 2670.

Derfe, adj. bold, 1958, 2067, 3350; (Derf), 3157; Delfe, presumptuous, 1811; strong, 2140; noble, 2772; steep, huge, 1211; ragged, 3865; severe, 3091, 2424; Uerf, mighty, 2489; (Derf), strong, bold, 2907; (Dorf), firm, bold, 1024. A. S. dweor.

Derfely (Darly), adv. boldly, angrily, 2942; Derfley, boldly, 3006; (Derfley), 2489; Derfley, strongly, 1406.

Derke, s. dark, night, darkness, 4775; (Dirk), 687; (Dirke), 1506.

Derkes (MS. Dreknes), darkness, 561.

Derling, s. favourite, 3442.

Derns, adj. secret, 4045. A. S. derse.

Derrost, adj. superl. dearest, 1960, 2823; most worthy, 4644; most valuable, 5180.

Dewe, s. deis, throne, high seat, 47,

479, 902, 1750, 1841, 2009, 2066, 3085, 4214; (Dewe), 2924.

Dessert, s. dessert, 406.

Desiris, pr. s. desires, 922; (Desir), pt. s. desired, 922; Desirid, pp. 5146.

(Despers), pp. dispersed, 1941. Desperously (Dyspatus), adv. shamefully, 748.

Destained, pf. s. despairs; pam destained, it was destined for them, 4115; Destained, pp. destined, 513, 518; (Destinate), 692, 768*, 836; Destand (Destinate), 809; Destayned (Destanet), fated, 1100.

Destany, destiny, 706. (Destinate); see Destained.

Det (Dett), s. a debt, 1849; Dett (Dette), dues, 2755; Detts (Dett), pl. dues, 857.

Dete (Deteys), pl. s. writing, letter, tale (lit. ditry), 2726.

Death, s. death, 512, 744, 806, 966; (Dode), 2196; (Dodeye), 922; Detha (Deth), 251; (Dode), 720, 1253. See Dede.

Deatly, Lat. Tyrann, 5595.

Deaf[ids], 2 pr. s. divides, 4515.

Devill, s. devil, 4487; Deuchs, pl. devils, 4515, 5578.

Devise (Dener), s. duty, 867; (Denour), 2383. F. devoir.

Devise, ger. to tell, 4919; (Denised), pp. explained, 1905.

Devode, ger. to destroy, to get rid of, 3620; to escape, 2061; Devoid (Vord), s. escape, avoid, 2424; (Devodes), pr. s. escapes, 2061; Devode, pr. pt. 1 pr. cashew, 4327; Devode, 2 pr. are free from, avoid, 4602; Devoydil (Devoyd-ed), pt. s. hid away, 2938; Devoydil, pt. pt. 1 pr. emptied out, got rid of, 4218; Devoided, pp. avoided, put away, 4261; Devoidid, destroyed, 8575; Devoidis, s. exp. pt. 2 pr. lay aside, 4959.

Devour, s. duty, p. 279, l. 20.

Devowrid, pp. devoured, 3875.

Devoydil, pp. divided, scattered, scattered, 2790.

Devyllis, gen. devills, 414; Devylls, pl. devils, 342; fierce animals, monsters, 4090.

Deynes, pr. s. divines, 145; (*Deyner*), consider, 1863.
 Deye, s. device, shape, 559; (*Deyve*), design, will, 820.
 Deynsid, imp. s. think, 4050; Deynsid, pf. s. perceived, 3055; made out, 5099; Deynsid, pp. looked at, considered, 4642; (*Deynsid*), divined, pourtrayed, 280; (*Deyved*), spoken, said, 2511. See below.
 Deynsid (*Deyved*) (lath), s. t. s. made out, read, 2691. (A bad sse of the word; *deyne* is rather to write or inlute.)
 Deve, s. dev., 3801, 4344.
 Dev (Deve), s. due, right, 1176.

Devessis, pl. goddesses, 3556. A curious fern form of F. *dieu*.
 Devis, pr. pt. avail, 4458. (A bad spelling of *devis*; see *Dewe*.) Cf. *Dewt* below.
 (*Devyd*), adj. duly, 7628.

Dewt, error for Dewt (= doste), fear, 2618. Cf. *Dewe* above.
 (Deyd), s. deed, 1071. See *Dede*.
 (Deyde), adj. dead, 3058. See *Dede*.
 Deye (Dene), s. disdain, 1863.
 Dye, s. dell, valley, 4075, 5421.
 A. S. dem.

Dyne (Digne), adj. worthy, 882, 1558.

Dynes, pr. s. impers, it deigns (me), i.e. (1) design, 830; (2) Dynes, pr. s. is it worth; Quat dynes yow, lit. what is it worth your while, why is it worth your while, 4066; Dynes, pr. s. subj. may deigne, 3475; Dyned, pf. s. was thought worthy, 4225; Dyned, pf. s. refl. deigned; Dyned him to daynte, no dignity allowed him, his digny did not allow him, 229.

Dynes, pr. pl. 2 p. are disdainful, are filled with disdain, scorn (at), 4579. Misused for *dedyne* Dialectis (Dialecticus), dialectics, 1583.

Diasende, s. diadem, 3240.
 Diates, pl. diets, feasts, 4438. See *Diete*.

Did, pf. s. did, 414; put, 3440;
 Did, did, acted (as to her), 346;
 Did on, put on, 487; Did, pt. pf. did, 593; put, 3239.

Die, s. die, 3298; ger. 2003; (Dye), 2164; Die (Dye), 1 pr. s. 1191; Dies, pr. s. 5450; (Dyes), 1908; Died, pf. s. died, 1928; Dies (Dyes), top. pf. die, 1033. See *Dye*.
 Diete, s. diet, 4274. See *Diates*.
 Dietes, pr. pt. feed, 4738.
 Differric, pr. pf. 1 p. differ, 4617.
 Digno, adj. worthy, 1720.
 Dignito, s. dignify, 3240; Dignites (Dignitez), honour, 1905.
 Dike (Diche), s. ditch, 3274; (Dyke), 700, 712; Dikis (Dykes), pl. dikes, ditches, 2986. See *Dyke*.
 Dilectacion, s. delight, p. 279, l. 15.
 Dilectacion, p. 280, l. 36.
 Dierdimus, 4235; Dindyn, 4214.
 Dingis (Dynges), ger. s. dashes, strikes, 2041.
 Dint, s. blow, 3997; Dintes, pf. 3993; Dintia (Dyntes), 3991.
 Dire, adj. dear (?), 5349. (A bad spelling; read *dere*).
 Discende, ger. to descend, to fall, 3051; pr. pl. descend, 4770; Discendis, pf. pl. descended, fell, 3654.
 Discheler, adj. having ruffled hair, with loose hair, 2687. (Insert a comma after this word.)
 Discip[le], s. disciple, 2124.
 Disciplyze, s. disciple, 4391.
 Discloaid, pt. pf. opened, 3632.
 Discretion, discretion, 4243.
 (Diseasyd), pp. disturbed, 2542.
 Disease (Disease), disease, 2549.
 Dishonoure (Dishonor), dishonour, 1866.
 Dixire, pr. pl. 2 p. desire, 4243; Dixire (Desire), 1 pr. s. 1678; Dixired (Desired), pf. s. 919.
 Disclosis, pl. desolate places, 4254.
 Dispersion, pr. s. rovines, insults, 746.
 Dispise (Dispys), v. despise, 2501; Dispises, pr. s. 3885; Dispits (Dispyses), 746; (Dispyses), 1709; Dispice, 2 pr. pl. 4222; Dispiced, pf. s. 1709.
 Dispise, s. contempt, scorn, 1711, 2497; (Dispys), 1863.

Dispysore, ger. to despise, rob, 2494.
 Dispysore, v. dispise, p. 279, l. 15.

Desert, s. desert, 236, 3485, 3798; (Deserte), 2585.
 Desires, pl. desires, 4239.
 Despair (Dispare), s. despair, 3269.
 Distordib, pp. disturbed, 5150.
 Distressid (Distrysyd), pp. distressed, 2781.
 Distreyne, v. control, rule, govern, 4244. (See the note.)
 (Distrobles), pr. s. disturb, 3167.
 Distroy, v. destroy, 1454, 1639, 1658; ger. 1292; Distroye, v. 167; (Distroy), ger. 1027; Distroy (Distroye), ger. to destroy, 2216; (Distroyde), pf. s. 1941; (Distroyd), pp. 2088.
 Distreccio[n], s. destruction, 3253; 3733 (for he just read *pe le*).
 Distrewnship, s. distrewnship, p. 280, l. 37.
 Dygre, v. desire, wish for, 3563.
 Dite, pr. s. 1 p. indite, 1841; Ditis (Dites), pr. s. indites, dictates, 2729; Ditis (Ditez), indites, 1909; Dites, commands, 3462; (Diter), indites, 2005.
 Dites, pl. enditings, declarations, 3209; sayings, 4518; Ditis, words, 1823; sayings, 1954; (Dites), writings, 1908; Dities, pl. greetings, 4214; sayings, words, 4893; (Dites), sayings, 2411; (Ditez), 2009; (Dites), letters, 2046. See *Dytes*.
 Dismed, pp. explained, 1905.
 Disinser (Desinor), s. diviner, interpreter of dreams, 1255; wise man, 2203; diviner, sorcerer, 406, 431; Dismous (Denymours), ages, 1545; (Duymours), ages, 2549.
 Dinyse, s. order, 4207.
 Dizans, pf. (put for *Dizans*), sayings, 4307. F. dizen, pres. pt. of dire, C. L 4309, which speaks of *listeng* to them.
 Dites (Dites), pr. s. appoints, 2662; Ditis, reg. prepares himself, 921; Ditis, pf. got ready, 2005; (Dicht), pf. & reg. prepared himself, 922; Dips (Dicht), pf. pf. reg. prepared themselves, 2274; berid, 3130; Digt, pp. digist, destines, 744; clothed, 232, 329, 3447; (Dicht).

prepared, ready, 2013; ordained, 1504; Digt (Dight), pf. arrayed, treated, 3155; handled, treated, 3205.

Do, ger. to do, 98, 726, 1260; v. 1011; Doe, 2 pr. pf. 4675; Do, sing. s. 2 p.; Do on, do put on, 5189; Do ritn, du tell, 5168; Do, imp. pf. do; Do lendis, do go on, 4922; Doe (Days), imp. pf. 2 p. cause, 3422; (To do), i.e. to be done, 735.

(Do), a. s. dead, 2733.
 Dubbed, pf. s. dubbed, i.e. arrayed, 3447.

(Duchel), 1647. Prob. an error for *dockey*, i.e. a duck. Or it may be means for duckery, like E. *darky*, with the same sense.

Duchesse, proper name, 2122.

Duchour, doctor, 232, 432; Ductours, pl. 1545, 1583; teachers, 4558.

Ductryne, doctrins, 4225; Doctrine (Doctryne), 1655.

(Doughty), adj. pl. as sk. doubtful, men, 2627, 3006, 3061, 3120, 3157.

(Dokes), pf. dukes, 1529.

Dole, a. s. portion, part, 726, 3727; Fething-dole, fourth part, 3844; (Dole), part, 2637.

Dole, a. dool, grief, sorrow, trouble, 1877, 2472, 3663. F. demil.

Dolour, a. pain, 3305; Doloure, dolour, 935.

Dom, adj. dumb, 4747.

Dome, s. doom, judgment, sentence, fate, 521, 720, 1085, 2164, 3253,

3457, 5414; condemnation, 2602; trial, 2196; To doms, in accordance with judgment, justly, 4250;

Domes, pl. sentences, decrees, 593; fates, fatal circumstances, 706, 736.

(Dommesan), error for *Domes man*; see *Domes*.

Domesmen, pl. magistrates, 4424; executioners, 3202.

Domestyne, Demosthenes, 2352, 2393, 2436; Domestiane (Domestyn), 2411.

Dompe, v. dive down, descend swiftly, fall, 4487. See *despen* in Mäzner.

Dom, eng. s. don, put on, 3240; Short for do on.

Done, pp. caused, made, done, 346; 1186; put, 3476; destroyed, 3713; (Done), ended, 629.
(Done), oife down, 2084. See Dume, Done, in gñr. Quat donez man, i.e. a man of what makes, what sort of man, 2906, 5167. (See note, p. 304.)

Dones men; þa donez men, those men of that kind, such men, 3202; þe donezmen, 1811. (But prob. in both cases an error for donezmen (as in D.), i.e. judges, great men, nobles.) See Dunes, and see Domesmen.

Dore-nayle, a. door-nail. Done as a dore-nayle, dumb as a door-nail, 4747. Cf. 'deaf as a door-nail,' a proverb.

Dose, pr. s. 2 p. dose, 5167; (Dose), 2 gr. s. or ȝut, shalt do (read dose on me) shalt put us), 2240; Dose, pr. s. dose, 225, 406; (Dose), 728; Dose him (Dose hym), goes, departs, 2678; Dose him, pr. s. goes, gets him (out), 2181; Dose, pr. s. or ȝut, will do, 4250; (Dose (Dose) es, makes one (of his men), 3111; Does him furthe (fury forth), advances, 1024; Dose, pr. p. do, 522; Dose Jane me go in, 902. See Duse.

Doubletela, pl. doublets, 4673.
Douce, fess, adj. sweet one, 830.

Doufe, s. dove, 4533. See Dornis. Doughty, adj. as sb. valiant men, 8205. In D. 2349, it is better to read doath, as in A.

Douland, pres. part. ducking, diving, 4090.

Douse, ads. down, 822, 452, 547; (Douse), 791; (Doun), 853; Doun (Douse), 1183; (Doun), 2088.

Doumes, pl. downs, hills, 3486, 4045.

Dout, s. doubt, 5610; terror, fear, 2015; (Dowte), 1166.

Doute, ger. to fear, 1965; (for Doutes), pr. s. fears, 532; (Dout), 2 gr. p. fear, 1801; Dout, 2 pt. p. feared, 3509.

Douth, a. manhood; oife, collectively, a band of young men, a band, host, army, soldiery, 1647, 2100;

2349, 2627, 2663, 2753, 2775, 3006, 3061, 3130, 3157, 3205, 3251, 3890, 3928, 4113. A.S. dugub, manhood, army; cf. G. Tugend. (Dow), 2015. A false reading; read as done, as in A. Double, adj. double. Be double, by double, twofold, 2322.
Dove, pr. s. 1 p. avail, am able (to do), 4058. A.S. degen.

Dowis, s. doves, 5604. See Dose.

Dowis, pl. doves, 3937. See note.

(Downe), ads. down, 730*, 2057.

(Dowte), a. doubt, 2196.

Doxys (Dukes), pl. dukes, 791.

(Doynges), pl. doings, 1823.

Dogter, s. daughter, 3315, 5253; (Dogther), 223, 2633.

Dogtryl, a. doghlythly, 5500.

Draibland, part. pres. trailing, 233.

M.E. draklen, to dirty. Prompt.

Parv.; So drakle, to dirty; hence prov. E. drakle, to drangle in the mire (Halliwell).

Drafe, pt. s. drove, went quickly,

rushed, 336, 487, 561, 712; came,

2035; (Drafe), 1141; (Dref), 2585;

Drafe (Drofe), went (to meet him),

2905; (Drafe hym), pr. s. went,

got him (out), 2181; (Draf), 1 pt.

pl. drove, dealt (blows), 2091.

Dragon, s. dragon, 378, 451; Dra-

gons, pl. dragons, 3868, 4792;

Dragons, gen. sing. dragon, 359.

Dragon-hame, a. dragon-covering,

487. A.S. hame, a covering.

(Drawe), ger. to draw, 818*; Drawis

(Drawes), pr. s. draws, pulls, 1308;

(Drawys), comes, 2934; Drawis

(Drawes), pr. pl. draw, 706; Drawe,

imp. s. draw, go, 1769; Drawen

(Drawyn), pp. drawn, 3232. See

Drawe.

Drawes (Drawes), pr. s. draws, drags,

1857; Drawen, drawn, hence cov-

ered, 4207; (Drawen), drawn, ac-

quired, tried to get, 2734. See

Drawe, a. drawing, picture, 280;

Drage (Drasghe), draught, 1166;

drawing (of a bow), 1067.

Drechet, pp. vexed, spoilt, 4942;

Drechid, destroyed, 1106. A.S.

drecca, dreccus, to vex.

Dred (Dredie), a. dread, fear, 2140; Dred, 2015.

Dred, 1 pr. s. a. dread, fear, 400; Dredis, pr. s. 532, 629; Dred, pp. afraid, 2489, 2913; Dred, tesp. a. dread thou, 98; Dred, imp. a. fear, 322.

Dredfull, adj. dreadful, 359.

Dredless, adv. without dread, i.e. doubleless, 1472; (Dredless), 1965.

Dredis, pr. s. endures, 531. See dre.

See Drege.

Dreme, a. dream, 474.

Dreme, n. dream, 346; Dremyd, pf. s. rgl. 432.

Drench, a. be drowned, 3274; Drenches, pr. s. drowns, 1598; Drenchis (Drenches), 1557; Drenchyd, pf. s. subj. should drown, 2590;

Drenchyl, pp. drowned, 5506.

(Drenchett), error for Drecchet, pp. destroyed, 1106. See Drecchet.

Drents (Dryntas, pl.), a. drink, potion, 2564.

Drepars (Drepers), pl. murderers, slayers, 3422.

Drepe, ger. to kill, slay, 867, 1777, 3632; Drepe, 1 pr. pp. 4291; pr. pl. 4548; Drepid (Drepdy), pt. s. strew, killed, 1067; Drepid, pt. pl. 5562; Drepid, pp. killed, 3163, 3718, 4134, 4734, 5350; (Drepdy), 744, 961, 1233. A.S. drepon, Icel. drepa.

Drise, adj. dreary, 4804. (But the MS. reading drepe should have been retained; see Drepe, adj.)

Dreoly, adj. drearily, sadly, 276; Dreoly, sorrowfully, 2639.

Drey, adj. dreary, sorrowful, sad, 2472, 2989, 3085.

Dressis (Dressyd, pf. s.), pr. s. directs, sends, 1711; (Dressis), 2 pr. s. subj. appoint, 801*; Drest (Dremyd), 2801. See Drissis, Drysse.

Dremyd, pp. driven, 1647, 3305; (Driven), passed, 1337; (Dryven), gone forward, 687.

Drewe (Drew), pt. s. drew near, 1337; Drewe vp, 336.

Drewe (Dre), a. suffer, endure, 3194. So. dre. See Dreis.

Dreyse, adj. tedious, weary, long,

4441; severe, 2091. See below.

Dreyse, adj. tedious, wearisome, 4804. This is the reading of the MS., and should have been retained; see the footnote. See dre; in Mätzner.

Dreyse, a. annoyancé (lit. tediousness), 5578. See dreys in Mätzner.

Dreyse, pr. pl. drew, 3629, 5554. See Drawe.

Dreyest, adj. superl. chief, greatest, most considerable, 5568. Lit. 'most tedious'; see Drege, adj.

Dreȝ (Drog), s. length, extent, 1112. Spelt dreȝid in the Troy-book, l. 16, 633. See Driȝt.

Driȝs, pr. s. drives, 225; Driffe (Driȝfe), pr. pl. rgl. drive them selves, endeavour 2733. See Drive, Driffe.

Drift, s. drift, 1756.

Drinke, s. drink, 1105.

Drinkles, adj. drinkless, without drink, 3798; Drinkoles, 4672.

Drissis, pr. s. prepare, arrays, dispose, 3182; Drised (Dressyd), pp. dressed, robed, 1935. See Dyse.

Dryse (Dryve), ger. drive, scour, 1198; Drives (Dryves), pr. pl. 1306; Drisand (Dryvand), pr. pt. driving, harrying, 882. See Driffe.

Drift, s. interval, space of time, 4788. See Driȝt, Driȝt.

Driȝt, s. duration, length, interval, 4574, 5062. See Driȝt, Drift.

Drist, s. host; O drist, in a host, 3368. A.S. dricht, drist.

Dristen, s. a lord, the Lord, 809; Dristen, 3457, 5400; Dristen (Drighsten), 1260; (Dryghsten), 1472; Dristen (Drighsten), 2704; (Dryghyst), 3221; Drighsten, 518; Drigten, s. lord, 2050; Drigten, 4546; gods, 4183, 5118; Drigten (Drighsten), ger. Lord's, 1504. A.S. dryste.

Dromondria, pl. dromedaries, 3850, 4792.

Dromonds, pl. swift vessels, 64. Low Lat. dromedaria, from Gk. δρῆμα, a swift ship.

Drunken, pp. drunken, drunk, 2936; Drunkin, 4552.

Drunkenness, s. drunkenness, 3551. Drop, a. drop, 2863, 4941. See the note to l. 4941.

Dropis (Drope), pr. s. drops, lets drop, i.e. discloses, 1363; Droppid, pp. dropped, 3801.

Dromes (Drafs), pl. droves, flocks, 1211; (Drafs), 1238.

Droune, v. be drowned, 3274; Drowned, pt. s. was drowned, 3032; Droune, pr. pl. subj. be drowned, 2590.

Drove, pt. pl. drew, 3024. See Draw, Drawe.

(Drawys), pr. a. droops, falls, 734*. Draw, pt. s. drew, drew nigh, 4773; (Dregh), drew, 1067; (Drogh, error for Drawg), 2933; Drove, pt. pl. drew, 3841; Drawȝ, went, 3738. See Drawe, Drove.

Drawis, pt. friends, 5123. O.F. drew, drew a friend; see Goddefroy, s. v. drew; also Lex Salica, ed. Hessels and Krem, s. v. drucile.

Drye, s. dry land, 5554. Dryfe (Dryve), ger. to drive, 1777;

Dryfe, v. drive, hasten, 2860; Dryfes (Dryfes), pr. s. drives, 1231; Dryfes, pt. pl. 64; (Dryfes), drive, rush, 3292; Dryfys (= Dryfys), pr. pl. they drive, 371. See Driue, Driu.

Dryi, adj. dry, 4033. (Dryschend), pt. s. drowned, 8072. See Drenche.

Drysyng, pr. s. drink, 3816. Drysynge, a. drizzling, few drops, 3801. From A.S. dresse, dræg (Læo).

(Drysse), v. prepare, 2860; Drysse, 1 pr. s. I direct, send, 5123. See Dressis, Drissis.

Dryse (Dryfe), v. drive, go, 2860; Drynes (Drynes), with vp, pr. s. drives, sends, 718; Dryne[s], drives on, 3061.

Duale, v. poison, put to a mortal sleep, 5026. Cf. duale in P. Flownman.

Duchepers (Duccespers), pl. peers (lit. douce-peers), 721. O.F. ducors, the twelve peers (of France).

Ducces, pl. 1655. An obvious error for Duccesa, q. v.

Duelle (Dwelle), ger. to dwell, 830; Dwell (Dwell), s. remain (ed), 2942; Dwells, pt. s. dwells, remains, 2989; Dwel, 1 pr. pl. 4050, 4355; Dwells, 4354; Dwells, pr. pl. dwell, 5554; Dwelid (Dwelyd), pt. s. dwelt, 913, 2848; Dwelid (Dwelyd), pt. pl. 1045; Dwelled, 2795.

Dusses, pt. godesses, 4515, 4558, 5114; swinewives Dusses, 1965. O.F. dieuse, godesse; Esquefort.

Duke, a. duke, leader, general, 1211, 1233, 1442; (Duk), 1879; Dukis, pl. 64, 480; (Dokes), 1141; Dayke, 47.

Duly (Dewly), adv. duly, 895, 896; Dunand (Endorans), during; Durand his lyfe, while his life endures, 1188. See Dure.

Dure, v. endure, last, 540, 4055; Dures, pr. s. 1657; Durid, pt. s. 5510; Dured, pt. s. endured, lasted, lived through, 158.

Dure, s. door, p. 282, l. 122. (Durly), adv. with difficulty, hence (perhaps) mountfully, 976. (Apparently only used for the alliteration); cf. slire, difficult, in Halliwell.)

Durst, 1 pr. s. subj. if I durst, 1673; (Durst), 2 pt. s. durst, 1906.

Dusan, adj. dozen, twelve, 280. Draw him (Dose hym), pr. s. goes, lit. does him, 2210. See Dos.

Dust (Diste), dust, 782. Dusty, adj. 3555. From O.F. diste, dusier, dusier, to fear.

Dutie, adj. afraid, 3555. [MS. Edicwhe.]

Eblane, prep. amongst, 160, 3723 (where it follows its case), 4023, 4086; Eblane, 4315, 5444. Dan, island, prep. among.

E-blante, adv. among, 4973; Eblane, amongst (them), together, also, 3910, 4994. See above.

Ebon, Hebrew, 5072; Eleus, Hebrews, 5661.

Ebony, a. ebony-wood, 3682. Eben-tree, a. ebony-tree, 3081, 5125.

Echedore, pr. pt. 2^o p. coocher, 4603; (MS. Edicwhe.).

Edairs, pl. snakes, adders, 419. Edifyed, pp. built (a house), p. 281, l. 88.

Ee, s. water, stream, 5464. A.S. fu (Eey), a. eye, 2491. See Eye.

Efecte, a. work, 357. Effaym, Ephesus, 5661.

Eft, adv. again, 140, 185, 511, 1359, 2821, 3126, 3150, 3510, 3783; Eft, in return, 2141, 5051.

Eftir, prep. after, 2, 95, 518; for (i.e. sends for), 352; (After), for, 3152, 3183; according to, in the likeness of, 191; Eftir, prep. according to the likeness (of a prince), 3612.

Elment, s. element, 60; Elementa, pl. elements, 542, 580; El(j)ensentia (Elementes), 784.

Eife, s. clif, spirit, 5258.

Dyademe, s. diadem, 3329; (Diadem), 2801.

Dyanas (Dasm, MS. Dianas, for Dianas), gov. Dianas, 2299. (Dyd), pt. pt.; (Dyd) jail, went, 102.

Dye, ger. to die, 1100, 1874, 2155; (Dy), 692; Dyi (Dye), v. 1260; Dye, pr. s. 1 p. die, 290; Dyi (Dye), See Die.

Dyke bottom, bottom of the ditch or dyke, 712. See Dyke.

Dym, adj. dim, 5395. Dymyd (Demmyd), pt. s. grew dim, 782.

Dymly, adv. dimly, faintly, 718. Dyn, s. din, noise, 2618; (Dyne), 265.

Dyndyn, Dindimus, 4544. Dyntis, pl. blows, 451.

(Dyntis), pt. ensilings, words, 2842*. See Dites.

Dyuerse, adj. diverse, 85.

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Eife, s. clif, spirit, 5258.

Eiftre, 360, 614; (Aiftir), 1551. Efissons, edc. again, 408. See below.

Eiftone (Efissons), edc. again, immediately, 2281; Ef[is]t[one], afterward, 1083.

Eig, s. erg., 507, 509; (Eiggo), 883. Eiger, (for Ego), fear, care, 731. Head erg, as in MS. A. The final e is wrong.

Eiggo, s. edge of a hill, backbone of hills, 4876. Wenlock Edgs (Eiggo) is a long ridge; and so elsewhere.

Eigrie, pl. (for Haggis), hedges, 4137.

Eiging (Eigging), s. eggings, instigation, 2409.

Egypt, Egypte, 23, 71, 135, 173, 230, 239; Egypte (Egypt), 1132; Egist (Egip), 1121.

Eigly, adv. sharply, 551, 580; eagerly, 3151; nerously, 3848; (Egerly), 703, 1205.

Eilon, elation, 1729. Elanda, prop. name, put for Hellada, i. e. Greece, 2514 (see note, p. 803); 3100, 3105 (see note, p. 805). In L. 3105, perhaps Elam is meant.

Eld, needle; Aze eid = a nold, i.e. a needle, 1570. MS. D. has noldy.

Eld, a. age, 622, 657, 764, 5122; old age, great age, 184, 4838; Eld, a. age, 646; (Eide), 1001.

Elder (Holder), a.de. rather, 1016. Properly spelt holder; cf. icel. heler, rather.

Eldest, for Heldest, most especially, 1765. See above.

Eldre, adj. cusp, older, 616; (Alder), 1619; (Elder), elder, 1474.

Eldre, a. greater age, 4215.

Eldre, pl. forefathers, 3491; (Elders), ancestors, 2465; (Aldere), 2483; (Alders), elders, 2841; Elders, parents, 838*; Eldris, pl. parents, elders, guardians, 4628.

Eldis, adj. superl. eldest, 3577; (Eldest), eldest, 2006.

Element, s. element, 60; Elementa, pl. elements, 542, 580; El(j)ensentia (Elementes), 784.

Elike, *adz.* alike, 536, 1225, 1258, 1422, 4288; continually, 560; Elike (Elik), 1401; Ay elike, over the same, 1288; Esse elike, continually, 340.

Elike-dele, in like measure, similarly, 4158.

Elike, *adz.* else, 107. See Ellis.

Elkend, *pt. pl.* adored, propitiated, 164. Cf. A.S. *diseon*, to adore, flatter, soothe.

Elenewen, *assn.* clever, 4814; Elenwyn, 446.

Elenynt, *adj.* eleventh, 4139.

Ella, *adz.* else, otherwise, 181, 200, 206, 477, 570, 686; (Ellas), 841, (Ellas), 1814; (Ellys), 1761. See Ella, Ella.

Elyn (Eles), *ell.* 800.

Els, *adz.* else, otherwise, 13, 5426; (Ellys), besides, 1685; Ells, anything else, 4279; Ells, *coz.* except, 4671. See Ellis.

Els-quare, *adz.* elsewhere, 5638.

Els-quist, *adz.* otherwise, 4557.

Emang, *prep.* amongst, 47, 104, 565, 1163, 5489; Emange, 628, 4531; Emange, 4817.

Emmange, *adv.* amongst, in the midst, 4501.

Emell, *prep.* amongst, 4613; (governing its understand), 4258. Dan. *stæfven*, between.

Emperore (Emperour), emperor, 975, 1125, 1516, 1607, 1720, &c.; Emperore (Emperour), 882; Emperour, gen. emperor's, 5196; Emperours, *pl.* 189.

Empire, *a.* rule, empire, 1001, 2983.

Emydis, *prep.* amidst, 4538.

Emynelus, proper name, Eumulus, 2375; Emynslows, 3005.

Enarmed, *pp.* fully armed, 652, 1397, 1787, 2026, 2187, 2019,

2601, 3749, 5152, 5641. (En-

armed), 2685, 2982; (Enarmed), 954.

Enbawmed, *pp.* embalmed, 3319.

En-blanchid, *pp.* whitened, made white, 3690.

Enbroided (Enbroidens), *pp.* em-
brodered, 1569. See Broden.

Enchafis, *pr. s.* inflames, 2545.

Enchant, *s.* make enchantments, 115; Enchantis, *pr. s.* 412.

Enchantments, *pl.* enchantments, 377.

Encheson, *s.* occasion, cause, 4697. O.F. *encheson*, enticement, occa-
sion.

Enclosed, *pt. s.* surrounded, came round, 3812.

Enclynes, *pr. s.* inclines, bows, 3114; (*Inclines*), *pr. pt.* bow down, 1603; ref. bows (himself), 425.

Ende(j)ombe (Combre), *s.* vex, trouble, harass, 2550. See Endembe.

Encounters, *pr. s.* encounters, 3993.

Encresis (Encresses), *pr. s.* in-
creases, grows, 891; Encressis, 2402.

Encumber (Combre), *v.* destroy, overcome, 1881; Encumberid, *pt. s.* *soly*, should trouble, should vex, 1480; Encumberid (Encumbered), *pp.* destroyed, 1817. See Encumber.

Ende, *a.* end, 880; death, 1103; End, (one) end, 173; death, 239^o; Endis (Ende), *pt. ends*, parts, 1733; districts, 3721; Ends, *pl. ends*, limits; Of cleme all jns ends, of all those limits (or boundaries) entirely, 3479.

Endentid, *pp.* indented, engraved, 2671.

(Endered), *for* Hindered, 1 *pt. s.* hindered, opposed, 2497.

Endis, *pt. s.* ends, puts an end to, 1220; Endid (Endyt), *pp.* ended, 1486; Endid, *pt. s.* finished, killed, made an end of, 433.

Endites (Inditez), *pr. s.* indites, 1955; (Inditz, *pt. s.*), 1836; Endited (Indited), *pt. s.* indited, 1822.

Endles, *adj.* endless, 60, 1916.

Endurand; see Durand.

Enduris, *pr. s.* endures, 527; *pr. pl.* 1483; (Indurit), *pt. pl.* 1483; Endured, *pp.* 7.

Ententis (Antentes), *prep.* absent, about, concerning, 3245.

Enesid (Enherid), *pt. s.* inherited, possessed, 1132. See Enherit.

Enfamyshid (Eufamyshyd), *pp.* faunished, 2153.

Enfessid, *pt. s.* encouffed, gave (them) londships, 2793.

Enforce, *2 pr. pt.* enforce, bid, 2804; Enforced (Enfessed), *pp.* strength-
ened, 1155.

Enfourne, *s.* put for Enfourner, informer, teacher, 626. (See the context.)

Enfourmes (Enformes), *pr.* pre-
pares, 2751; Enfesid, *pt. s.* indited, 2418; Enfourned, *pp.* instructed (in), informed (of), 3747; informed, 306; (Enform-
ed), 904, 1897.

Engines, *a.* engine, machinery, 5292; Engynes, *pl.* engines, 1302, 1415; (Engynze), 2218.

Employed, *pp.* esenred, 4668. Lit. caught as with birdlime; see espionnes in Matzer.

Engrenans, *pp.* engraven, 279.

Enhabet, *pt. s.* inhabit, dwell, 245; Enhabet, *pt. pl. 2;* *pp.* 3493.

Enhensis (Enhances), *pr. s.* en-
hances, exalts, 2714; En-hensed, *pt. s.* 1 p. enhanced, raised, 5068; Enhased (Enhensed), *pp.* ad-
vanced, increased, 2515; (In-
hauysed), 3406; Enhanced (En-
hauysed), exalted, 2498.

Enherestis (Inheretes), *pt. s.* 2 p. doct
inherit, 1870. See below.

Enherit, *v. inherit*, 588. See Enserid.

Enlyone, *s.* enjoyn, lay a command, 1121; Ensayne (Enjoyns), *pr. pl.* 2 p. hot, 2644; Enjoyned, *pp.* compounded, put together, 3604; enjouned, 1495.

Enlynypp; error for Limpid, (Eamite), error for Enny, enny, 2681.

Enny, *s.* enny, 819, 2681, 3096; Enny, *pl.* 60, 453, 1916, 4291; Ennye, 205; (Ennye), 1251, 2096.

Ennyt, enny, 1728, 2569.

Enope, *adj.* pl. enough, sufficient,
abundant (this pl. adj. always
follows its substantive), 2135;

(Enope), 1663; Enough, 3331; Enough, 38; (Enow), 1350, 819^o.

Enope, *adv.* enough, sufficiently, 41; (Enope), 1324, 782.

Empire (Empyre), *s.* empire, 2222, 2327; (Empire), 1892.

Enproched (Aprched), *pt. s.* ap-
proached, 2902.

Enquere, (Esquire), *ger.* to ask, 2420; Enquire (Inquire), *imp. s.* ask, 1119; Enquird, *pt. s.* en-
quired, 239.

Ensampl, *s.* example, 3878; parable, 4659; Ensample (Ensample), *example*, 1802; Ensample (En-
sample), *example*, instance, 730; (Sampl), example, 3279.

Enssense, incense, 163.

Entery, *adv.* entirely, wholly, 2790, 3243, 5692; Entery, 2554; Es-
terly (Entirly), 1292; (Entery), 2327, 2465.

Enteris, *pr. s.* interis, buries, 4017; Enterid, *pt. s.* interred, buried, 3232.

Enteris, *pt.* approaches, entries, ways
of approach, 71.

Entornet, interment, 738.

Entre, *ger.* to enter, 2419; *s.* 2514; Entro (Entre), *ger.* 1760; (Enter), *s.* 1359; Enter, 511; Entris, *pr. s.* enters, 381, 4075, 5309, 5421; En-
tre, 450; Entis, 53; (Entress), 1039; Entis him (Entre hym), *pr. s.* enters, 1125; Entird, *pt. s.* entered, 490; Entred, 1433; Es-
terd (Entred), *pp.* 1916; Entird, 206.

Entring, *s.* entering, beginning, 4158.

Entrye (In tor), *adv.* entire, in
detail, 1261.

Envenomed (Envenomyd), *pp.* en-
venomed, 1399.

Environs, *ger.* to surround, 3617; Envirounis, *pr. s.* environs, 5527;

Environs, environs, surroundings,
4632; Envirounis, rounds
through, pervades, 4780.

Envys, *s.* envys, 4256; (Envys), 1729.

Envys, *adv.* once, 1191 (*but a mis-
reading*).

Epocrise, hypocrisy, 4659.

Equinox, *s.* equinox, 4158.

Er, *pr. pt. are*, 1013; (Er), 948, 797*. See Ere.

Erand, *s.* message, 1467, 2770. See Erands.

Ercules, Hercules, 703, 2184, 4538.

Erd, *s.* earth, 551, 580, 3493; country, land, region, 229, 246, 453, 3983; Erd, *s.*, dwelling-place, 3737; land, native land, native country, 2842; Erd, earth, 271; region, land, 1946, 2348, 6258; native country, 135, 295, 4043; (Erth), land, 912, 975; A.S. eard, Erd, *pr. pt. 1 p.* dwell, 4648; Erdil (Erdyl), *pp.* dwell, 2681. Erd-grown (Erth-grown), adj. earth-grown, 1733. Endis (Endes), *pr. s.* buries, 275. See Erded. Erdly (Erthlich), *adj.* earthly, 1612. Ero, *pr. pt. are*, 1, 12, 14, 104, 105, 437, 512, 789; &c. See Er. (Eroles), *pl.* ears, 1121. See Ero. Ero, *pl. ears*, 3041, 4635; Eres, 3161, 4748. Ero (Erell), *s.* earl, 1612; Edlis, *pl.* 155; Eres, 64; (Eroles), 1031, 1166; (Eroles), 907, 1578. Eres, *pr. s.* governs, lit. is the earl of, 4646. A coined word; from the *sh.* above. Ery, *ads.* early, 3444. Ermed, *pp.* armed, 3935. Ermete, *pl.* hemite, 4029. Ermenye, Armenia, 907, 912, 942, 5622; Ermenye, 2360; (Ermeny), 1046. Erne, *adj.* eager, anxious, 340. Put for *fern*; see two other examples in Mätzner, *a. v. corn*. Ernest; On earnest, in earnest, 1359. Ernestly, *ads.* earnestly, 2318. Errand, errands, 5216. See Errand. Erraegnance, arrogance, 4327. Erroneo (Errone), *s.* wrong, 1698. Erryd, *pp.* erred, wandered, 3267. Errst, *adv.* first of all, 1531. Errt, *2 pr. s. art.* 102, 884*, 1738. Ertha, *s.* earth, 158, 1190; country, land, 1046; Erth, earth, 505, 784; land, country, territory, 23, 173, 233, 942, 2560; Erthes, *gen. s.* earth's, 5603. Erryd, pp. buried, laid in the earth, 588. See Erdic. Errid (Ertyd), *pt. s.* urged, 3400. O.F. arter, Span. artor, to compel, from Lat. *adcurare*. See artus in Mätzner.

Erytage (Herytage), *s.* heritage, 3243. Es, *pr. s. is*, 653, 1008, 1713. Eschapsy, *pr. s.* escapes, 2987. Eschilus (Eschulus), Ezechylus, 2348, 2409. Ese (Ease), *s.* ease, 1829; Ease, 3861, 5342. See Ease. Esid, *pp.* eased, rested, 4790. E-soundir, *ads.* sounder, 510; Esondile, 3977; Esondre (In-sonder), 750. See Resundile. Esoe (Eeso), *ads.* peace; At ease, in peace, 1047. See Eso. Est, *est*, east, 20, 445, 4902. Esumide, *ads.* sumader, 338. See Resundile. Eusondile, *s.* sonader, 338. See Resundile. Euse (Easy), *adj.* easy, peaceful, 2477. Eusyngs (Eusyngs), *pl.* easings, cavings, caves, edges of the roofs, 1522. Ese, *pt. pl.* site, 3941. Erdhly, *adv.* easily, 3647. A.S. eas, easy. Ethis, *pr. s.* conjures, 340. See the note. Ethyope, Ethiopia, 140. Ethyops, Ethiopia's, 5132; Ethiops, Ethiopians, 5651. Etill (Athill), *pr. s. 1 p.* direct, 2522; Etills, attempts, intend, 15; Etille (Attilly), 1 *pt. s.*, 1 *pr.* or purpose, aim, intend, 2419; Etill, (Eyll), 2 *pr. s.* attempted, intended, 2229; Etills (Etelles), *pr. s. reg.* attempts, 1157; Etily, *pt. s.* intended, sought, 2521; Etild (Etuled), 2 *pt. pl.* attempted (as regards), 2184; Etild (Etiled), *pp.* designed, proposed, purposed, intended, 3165; Etild (Attily), 1 *pt. s.*, *pp.* attempted, 1819. Icel, offa. Eyn, *pp.* eaten, 774*. Eysell, *adj.* evil, 1759. Eysell, *ads.* evilly, ill, 1066. Ezen, *s.* evening, 697. Ezen, *adj.* straight, smooth, 2598; *as ab.* fellow, antagonist, 2281. See Eyn. Euen, *ads.* exactly, 1557, 4810; even, 731*; (Euen), evenly, 1127; (Euen emon), just immediately,

940; Even-furth, straightway, directly, 53. Even, *ger.* to make equal, 4485; Even, 2 *pr. s. art.* equal, 1870. Even, *adv.* ever, 16, 158. Even-olike, continually, 340, 781*; Even-olike, 972; (Even-olike), always alike, 2046; (Even-olike), ever the same, 1288. See Ellike, Everylyke. (Even-olike), each, every, 1497, 1802; (Even-olike), 999. Even-sons, *ads.* evermore, 205. Everylyke, *adv.* continually, 127*. See Ever-olike. Eufestatus, *prop. name*, 818*. Eufates, Ephates, 2598; Eufaten, 2586, 2770. Eusil, *s.* evil, ham, 1699. Eure, *ads.* ever, 329, 1165; (Euer), 1067. Eure in one (Euer emon), continually, 2184. Eune-lik, *adv.* each, 4497. Eunware, the river 'Thamur,' 4105; Eunware, 4124. Euno, *s.* ivory, 3680; Eunor, 275. Europe, Eumpe, 1046, 2327; Europ, 3765, 4295. Eyll, *adv.* evil, 703. Eyn, *adv.* even, equal, 5132. See Ezen. Eyns, *ads.* exactly, fully, even, just, 18, 140, 542, 551, 646, 1045; (Eyen), alike, 1881; Eyns on (Euen emon), *adv.* even, on, fully throughout (the host), 1730. Eyns, *s.* evening, eve, 350, 3055, 3699; Eyns, gen. *s.* eve, in the evening, 375. Eynsange, evensong; Eynsangetime, the hour of evensong, 4139. Eurn, *s.* Eurn, the east wind, 4144. Excludis (Exclud), *pp.* shut out, 2842. Exdrasice, *pl.* a nation of Gymnosophtis, 4020. Exercys, *ger.* to exercise, practise charms, 340. (Here 3 stands for ex.) Eys (Eyan), *s.* fear, heed, care, 731. A.S. erg. Eys, *s.* eye, 222, 1589; Eyan, *pl.* eyes, 344, 498, 605, 3151, 3940; (Eghen), 688, 1113, 2242; (Eghen, for Eghen), 1782; (Eyn), 3280. See Eey.

Fa, *adv.* few, 106. Fa, *s. f.* few, 54; (Fao), 3421; Fana, 21, 452; (Faw), 2700. See Fane, Faa. Fablo, *s.* fable, 1886. Fae, *s. face*, 600, 965; Face to face, 357. Faculties (Facultez), *pl.* possessions, 1847. Fadere (Fader), father, 2328; (Fader), 491; (Fader), 701, 910, 961; Fadre, 690; (Fader), 741, 1052; (Fader), 824, 874; Fadur, *pl.* fathers; 3 (Faders), 1675. Fadis, *pr. s.* fades, 5309; (Fades), 1097. Fae, *pl. faces*, 2061, 2096; (Foss), 1258, 2364, 2804. See Faz, Faz. Fafe, *pr. pt. 2 p.* flatte, soothie, 4662. See fages in Mätzner. Fallo, *s.* fail, 102, 341; (Falle), 1643; Falles, *pr. s.* falls, 1274, 1325; (Fallen), 1448; (Fallys), is wrong, 2965; Usfalls, (Usfalle), falls us, 1006; Failed, *pt. s.* it failed; Fayled me, it failed me, I failed, 3295; Failed, *pp. s. 2 p.* failedst, 5588; Failis, *pr. s. pl.* fail, are absent from, 4279; fall, 844. Fallo, *s.* falling, erse, 1886. Lead fallo, *s.* as in Dublin MS. Fair, *adj.* fair, 601, 1725, 1847; good, 454; (Fair), 1541, 2116. Fair, *ads.* fairly, well, exactly, 195, 421, 535, 878, 899, 1041; kindly, 1695, 1700; completely, 2230; courteously, 2750; (Fair), kindly, 1897, 2478; (Fair), quickly, 2260. Fairie (Fare), *s.* wife, 2019. Fair, prop. name, 91. Fairore (Feirore), in M.S. feirhare, *s.s.* a greater part, 1238. Fairnes, *s.* courtesy, 1745. Fair, *pl. fares*, 136, 186, 217, 810, 1945, 3382; (Fae), 1034. See Faa, Fae. Fairly, *adv.* truly, certainly, verily, 3874; (Fairlyfully), 3175, 3282; (Fathfully), 2279.

(Fallos), pr. a. folds, bends, 779^a; Fallos, pp. folded, 2401.

Falle, a. befal, happen to, happen, 1109; Fall, 172, 205, 1541, 2722; (Falle), 1297, 3157; Fall (Fale), ger. to fall, 849; Fallis, pr. a. falls, 78, 509, 568; (Fallis), 846; (Faller), 1135; (Fallus hym.), falls before him, 739^a; Fallis, pr. a. betakes him, 4587; befalls, 405; happens (to), 575; Fallis, befalls, 4638; Fallis hym, falls away from him, 2482; Fallis, pr. a. suits, 4457; (Fallos), befits, 975, 1927; Fallis me, suits me, 829; (with to), befits, 864; belongs, is fit for, 1549; (Fallos), belongs, 896; Fallis, pr. pt. fall, 815, 1822, 2035; Fall on, attack, 2132; Fall je, pr. a. subj. if it befalls them, 2275; (Fall los), if thou succeed, 2279; Fall (Falle), pr. a. subj. may befall, may concern, 1192; Fall (Fallis), befall, 2600; Fall (Falle), happen, 1780; Fallin (Fallen), pp. fallen, 1756; (Fallin), 2323; Falline (Falline), 856. And see Faine.

Falme (Fallyn), pp. fallen, (but misused in the sense of 'fallen'), 2087.

Falowise, pr. a. turns pale or yellow, 5308.

Fals, adj. false, 1697; (art) faln, mistaken, 715; (False), false, 2186.

Fals, art. falsely, 298.

Falschede, a. falsehood, 4363.

Fame, a. fame, 5694.

Famen (Faymes), pl. foemen, 2208; Fames, pr. a. foams, 2374; Faman (Fomand), pr. part. foaming, 3203.

Famyd (Famed), pp. famed, 2387.

Famyshet (Famyshyd), pp. famished, 1167; Famyshyt, 4595.

Fand, pt. a. found, 201, 2110, 2300, 3063, 3664, 5364; Fande (Fand), 1053.

Fand (Fond), ger. to try, prove; To fand with my wites, to try my wifes againts, 2336; Fand, (Founds), ger. to go, 1196; Fandis, pr. a. is trying, 681; tries,

exercises, 376; (Founds), goes, advances, 2671, 2594; takes, 2177; Fand (Fond), imp. a. goes. See Fonde, Fand, A.R. *fondent*. See Fonde.

Fang (Fange), a. hold; In fang, in

the embrase, in the hold, in the

protection, 1723. Cf. Iest, *fangy*,

in the grip or held.

Fange, v. take, 2879; Fange (Fonge), v. receive, accept, 3186; (Fang), catch, get, 2168; Fange, ger. to take, 110; Fange (Fange), to receive, 1629; (Fangone), to receive, 1257; Fangis, pr. a. takes, 411, 508, 864; (Fanger), takes, 819^a; Fangis hym, ye a. receives for himself, 767^b; Fangis, pr. a. (Fange, pt. a.), seizes, 2971; (Fonges), takes, 765; (Fonges), collects, 1382; Fanges (Fonges), takes, 877; (Fangones), gathers, 2039; Fangs (Fonges), catches, 2197; Fangis (Fonges), 2 pr. a. catchest, obtainest, 2720; Fangs, pr. pt. i. takes, 4636; pr. pt. catch, take, 2642, 3054; Fangis, 2028; Fang (Fangen), 899; Fangid, pt. a. took, 819; gained, 500; (Fonge), took, 2217; Fangid (Fonge), 2 pt. pd. received, 2478; Fangid (Fenged), pp. taken, 2629; Fang (Fonge), imp. a. take, 2671; Fang (with to), hold to, keep to, 1290; Fang je, imp. a. take to thyself, 805; Fangs vp (Fonges vp), imp. pl. pluck ye sp., 988.

A.S. *fengian*.

Fanous, pl. monsigns of the priests, 1581. " Fanous, fonsa, monsigns," Cath. Anglicum.

Fant, a. infant, 4620; (Faunt), son, 1788; child, 1477.

Fantasy, a. fancy, 5513.

Far, odo. afar, 831^a.

Farend; see Fara, a.

Fardill; a. burthen, 5136. O.F.

fardel.

Fare, a. journey, march, 2250; equipment, 3684; doing acts, manner of action, behaviour, 300, 1590, 2242, 4366; business, welfare, 172, 633, 672; affair, 925; condition, state, 2554; circumstance, 513, 563, 3257.

exercises, 376; (Founds), goes,

advances, 2671, 2594; takes, 2177;

Fand (Fond), imp. a. goes. See Fonde,

Fand, A.R. *fondent*. See Fonde.

Fare, v. fare, prosper, 1788; go,

5202; Paris, pr. a. fares, goes,

847; Fares, 2116; Fars vp gets

up, 545; Farsi (Farsi) with, 2

pr. a. behavest, 2944; Fares, pr. a.

pt. 1 p. go, 3748; Fare, pr. pl. p.

act, 3366; Fars, pp. gone, 216;

past, 3001; departed, 2523;

(Faren), gone, 1004; Farsel,

pres. part. going walking, 5549;

as adj. seeming, 5347; good,

excellent, 2. A.S. *farn*.

Farkis (Farkys), pr. a. goes, 766;

Farkis forth, goes forth, 645. See

ferkes in Matzner, p. 102. See

Farkis.

Fast, adj. fast, constant, firm, 4616;

close, 1369; enduring, 3259.

Fast, odo. fast, 503; steadfastly,

1034; earnestly, searchingly,

2570; close, closely, 433, 672;

had by, 3285; soon, 3575, 5307;

quickly, soon, 380, 891; As fast

as soon as, 3944; Fast, close,

626.

Fast, ger. to fast, 1477; Fastand,

pres. part. fasting, 5622.

Fast, fastened, 747^a.

Faster, adj. comp. faster, 847, 943;

Faster, more quickly, 1805; more,

4689.

(Fastness), a. stability, 3259.

Fattest, adj. mst. fattest, 739^a.

Faucon, falcon, 448.

Faucon, a. falcon, 5257.

Faud, pt. pl. found, 4116.

(Faunys), pr. a. fauns, 785^a.

Fante, a. lack, deficiency, 4587.

Fantis (Fanties), 2 pr. a. lackest,

wantest, 2710; Fante, pr. a.

impers. lacks, 2482; Fasted

(Fastdyd), pp. been in fault, erred,

done wrong, 2659.

Fax, hair, 601. A.S. *fear*.

Fay, adj. dead, 591; (Fey), dying,

792. *Iest feir*. See Fey.

Fayne, pr. pt. fail, 3492; Fayle,

pr. a. subj. may give way, 1572;

(Faylet), pt. a. subj. 1372; Faylin,

pp. proved wanting in, 1462.

Fayn, a. glad, 2539.

Fayne, ger. to gladden, 2; Payne, v.

be glad, rejoice, 1745; Fayne,

pr. a. gladdens, 4581; Fayne,

Fare, v. fare, prosper, 1788; go,

5202; Paris, pr. a. fares, goes,

847; Fares, 2116; Fars vp gets

up, 545; Farsi (Farsi) with, 2

pr. a. behavest, 2944; Fares, pr. a.

pt. 1 p. go, 3748; Fare, pr. pl. p.

act, 3366; Fars, pp. gone, 216;

past, 3001; departed, 2523;

(Faren), gone, 1004; Farsel,

pres. part. going walking, 5549;

as adj. seeming, 5347; good,

excellent, 2. A.S. *farn*.

Farkis (Farkys), pr. a. goes, 766;

Farkis forth, goes forth, 645. See

ferkes in Matzner, p. 102. See

Farkis.

Fashill, adj. weakness, 4280.

Fashill, adj. feeble, weak, 1710, 1275;

mean, poor, 1516; Fashill (Fable),

1013.

Fechie, ger. to fetch, 884; Feches

(Fache), pr. a. fetches, 806.

Fedare, a. feeder, provider, 2661.

Fede, ger. to feed, 1775; Fed, pp.

fed, i, 575, 3592; Fedd, 3435;

(Fed), 2173; Fedde, imp. pt. 1 p.

let us feed, 591.

Fellill, adj. (forfeited) fattened, well-

fed, in good case, 5004. This is

a guess; cf. *"Affilia, fedil"* in

Wright's *Glossaries*, ed. Wölcker,

col. 190. If the word be of French

origin, it may mean 'faithful',

from O.F. *fedil*, Lat. *fidelis*.

Fee, a. reward, 2284; Fees, pl.

offerings, 4465; Fees (Fays), fees,

1847; To fee, i.e. as a tribute,

5139.

Fete, pl. fest, 844, 4168; (Fete),

2852; (Fote, sing.), 1360; Fest,

139.

Fecle (Fecles), pr. for Fecles, pl.

(of the Dublin MS.), fees, deeds,

works, acts, 3105.

Fecles, pr. a. acts; Fecles him forth,

acts beyond him, surpasses him in

feats, 2989. See *felde* — acted,

believed, in Sir Gaywaine and the

Grime Knight, 1282. From *fele*,

sb. See *Fethl*.

Fecles, a. vessel, small vial, 1850.

See *fetes* in Stratmann.

Fecly, adj. well, excellently, 4219;

Feclyte, 3294.

(Fellys), pr. s. enfeoffs, 275.
 (Feghit), a. contest, fight, 910, 2270.
 (Feghyn), pr. pl. fight, 2042.
 (Feghys), pr. s. fastes, 1369. A.S.
fege; see *fege* in Mitzner.
 Fellow (Felow), fellow, comrade, 864.
 See *Felop*.
 (Field), a. field (of battle), 1004.
 Field, pt. s. felt, perceived, 3257.
 See *Fele*.
 Fele, adj. many, numerous, 448; *Fele*,
 808*; 1005, 1037, 1155, 1215, 2001,
 2055, 2071, 3009, 3717. A.S. *fele*.
 Fele (Felys), pr. pl. 2 p. subj. feel,
 2237; (Fele), for *Fele*, pt. s. felt,
 perceived, 3257. See *Field*.
 Fele, a. feeling, perception, hence
 power over oneself, 850.
 Feleschip, company, 4548.
 Felice, adj. comp. more in number,
 2084. See *Fela*.
 Fell, adj. furious, 3180; fell, fierce,
 613, 906, 3881; (Fell), 1220, 2075;
 (Felle), 825, 861, 2197; (Feyle),
 2279; Fell, destructive, 1756;
 5581; terrible, 1627; sharp, cruel,
 bitter, severe, 91, 1795, 3925, 4165.
 Fell, pt. s. fell, 55, 556, 1133; hap-
 pened, 501, 2085, 3063; Him fell,
 it was fitting for him, 4017; Fell
 (Felle), pt. pl. were born, 2081;
 Fell, pt. pl. (which) fell, 567.
 Fell, a. fell, 3011; Fellis
 (Felles), pr. s. falls, 1215; Fellis
 (Felles), pr. pt. they fell, 702; Fellid,
 pt. s. fellid, 5561; Fellid,
 pt. pl. fellid, killed, 1406, 5434;
 Fellyd, 2055; Fellid, pt. pl. over-
 come, 3550; (Felli), imp. s. fell,
 1360.
 Fellis, pl. skins, 5083, 5139; (Fellys),
 2766.
 Fellis, pt. s. falls, 4046; (Fellys),
 1211.
 Fellis (Fellys), pr. s. falls, 3065.
 Fellis, adj. savagely, ferocly, boldly,
 1053, 2971, 5440; (miserabilis
 Fellyd), terribly, 1795; furiously,
 3839; bitterly, 3647; (Fellys),
 ferocly, 906; keenly, 1541.
 Fellous, stern warrior (not in a bad
 sense), 819*.
 Fellous, a. foliage, 4821. "Felloul-
 leave, leaviness, also leaves;" Cot-

grave. See the note; and see
Feylour.

Felowis, pr. pl. follow, 1555.

Felow (Felow), a. companion, equal,
 3282. See *Felaw*.

Felsen (Filston), ger. to aid, assist,
 829; Feylyn, to perform, fulfil,
 5230; Felsen, 2 pr. pl. aid, foster,
 4659. The same word as *fistun*,
 in *Ornulum*, 6170; from A.S.

fistun, to aid.
 (Femand), pr. pt. foaming, gushing,
 1113.

Femony, a. country, 5674.

Fen, a. clay, 4358.

Fendere (Fender), defender, 1839.

Fendil, pt. pl. defended; Fendil
 of, repulsed, 1631.

Fendis, pl. friends, 4802, 5571.

Fendis, pr. s. shifts, makes a shift,
 2306. (Doubtful). The right reading
 is probably *fusis*, i. e. comes
 to an end, corrupted to *fides*
 in Dab. MS. See *Feyne*, *Feyned*.

Fenix, a. phoenix, 4193.)

(Fender), a. defender, 2961.

Fens, a. defence, 4763.

Fenychild (Fenyshyl), sp. finished,
 ended, 2144; Fenynt (Fenyshyt),
 1107; (Fenyshyl), put an end to,
 1765*.

Fer, adj. far, by far, 3022. See *Fere*.

Ferd, pt. s. went, 813*; Ferd (Fared),
 journeyed, 1057; (Faryd), went,

2118; Ferd, 1 pt. pl. fared, 3510;
 went, 1943; 4 pt. pl. went, 4966;

went absent, 5549; (Faled), went,
 stepped, 2049. See *Fare*.

Ferd, a. least, 5577. A.S. *ferid*.

Ferd, adj. fourth, 3344; (Fourte),
 3368.

Ferde, pp. afraidi, 395, 569, 851, 1445;
 Ferde, 846; (Ferd), 2447.

Ferd, a. bear, terror, 136, 2590.

Ferfislich, adj. frightened, terrible, 3035,
 750*.

Ferfischip (D. friendships), terror,
 268.

Fere, a. fellow, comrade, companion,
 3282, 4078; comest, husband, 397;

wife, 434, 497, 2728, 5302, 5359;

Feres, pl. companions, 5149; Ferie,
 637, 643, 2409, 3751, 3967. A.S.

ge/ra.

Fere, adj. far, 136, 217, long hence,
 308*; far, i.e. outer, 4853.
 Fere, adj. far, by far, 1738. See *Fer*.
 Fere, a. fear, dread, 1167, 1276;
 danger, 2155.
 Fere, adj. healthy, 4222. Icel. *feorr*,
 Fere, company; In fere, together,
 4123, 5130.

Fere; see *In-fere*.
 Ferelis, adj. fearless, 4993.

(Ferer), adj. farther, 847.
 Ferid, pp. terrified, 101.

Ferie; see *Fere*, s. (p. 368).
 Feris, pr. s. assembles, provides (for
 himself), 3592. This verb is per-
 haps formed from *ferre*, sb., a
 companion. It answers rather (per-
 haps) to A.S. *ferianum*, to go also,
 to obtain, allied to *fero*, a. 'fere',
 than to A.S. *ferianum*, to convey.
 Both are from *furam*, to go.

Ferkis (Ferkies), pr. s. salves, 926.
 See *Ferkis* in Mitzner, p. 102. See
Farkis.

Festid, pp. wondered, 4761; Ferid,
 astonished, amazed, 4591; Ferlyd
 (Farylid), wondered, 3228.

Ferly, adj. strange, wondrous, 601,
 588; large, 5277. A.S. *ferid*,
 sudden.

Ferly, a. wonderfully, 4922;
 strangely, 513; extremely, very,
 exceedingly, 380, 457, 5189;
 (Ferly), 3036.

Ferly, a. wonder, 395, 501, 925.
 Ferlid; see *Ferlid*.

Ferne, adj. firm, 3259; (Ferne),
 strong, 1057.

Fernes, pl. farms, rents, 4012;
 (Fernes), 1847.

Fernes (Fernesse), a. distance; O
 fernesse (On fernesse), in the dis-
 tance, 1424.

Ferne, adj. far, distant, 210, 1057,
 3090.

Ferne (Fere), adj. far; To ferre, too
 far, by too much, 2085.

Ferre, adj. comp. further, more
 advanced, 633; more, 5460.

Ferre, adj. farther, 3492, 3878, 4396;
 (Ferrer), 1455.

Ferrir, adj. comp. further, 4671;
 Ferri, 208; Ferryse, 98; (Ferre),
 2600.

Fest, a. action, movement, lit. fest,
 37; fest, doing, 4366; (Fetes),
 pl. feasts, 817*.

Feteliskis (Fete-lakes), pt. fellocke,
 2049.

Feter, a. plumage, 5694; Fethirs,
 pl. feathers, 4385.

Fethirname, a. clothing or covering
 of feathers, 3694; Fethire-hanes,
 pl. plumage, 380, 2710. A.S. *feber-*

Fetid, pp. fashioned, made, 4856, 4853. O.F. *fetier*, to arrange (Godefroy); from O.F. *fetir*, sb. See *Fectis*.

Fetoure, a. feature, fashion, make, 2959; *Fetour*, feature, 650. (*Fett*), ger. to fetch, 884.

Fettild, pp. prepared, 626; (*Feteld*), fitted, 2965.

Fevere (*Fener*), a. fever, 2546;

Feyvere, 4272. Written *fevreyre*; the *f* is merely the (*sole*) way of writing the capital letter.

Fewe, adj. fern, 251, 501, 654, 2061.

Fewe, for *Fewist*, adj. superl. fewest, 2758. See *Fewist*.

Fewist; At *je fewist*, at least, 3599.

Fewius, pl. birds, 3590.

Fewire (*Fewirc*), a. rest for a lance, 2621. O.F. *feuere*, *feure*, in Godefroy.

Fey, adj. dying, fated to die, ready to die, 2015, 2055, 2087, 4002*; (*Fyle*), to fulfil, 2669; *Fyllis*, pr. a. fills, 56; fulfils, 547; (*Fille*), fills, 1661.

Fil, adj. filii, 4761; (*Fyl*), 3228.

Filling, a. the being full, 4265.

Fleur, a. thread-work, flagres-work, 3690. F. *fleur*, a. spinning.

Finds (*Fyndes*), pr. a. finds, 1125, 2064.

Finely, adv. well, 5139.

Finsched, pp. finished, 3900.

Fingies, finger, 4674.

Fire, a. fire, 558, 4167; (*Fyre*), 2230;

A fire, on fire, 2470.

Fire (*Fyre*), ger. to set on fire, 2217;

Fire'd (*Fyrdyd*), pp. set on fire, 2478.

Fiment, a. firmament, 3563; Firmament, 30.

Firmest (*Fermes*), pr. a. fastens,

makes firm, 1362.

Firs (*Fers*), adj. fierce, 770, 2961.

See *Fers*.

First, adj. first, 657; (*Frist*), 893,

1429; Firste, 375.

First (*Frist*), adv. first, 1366, 2423;

first of all, 1712.

Fiech, a. fish, 4282; *Fiechis*, pl.

4270, 5083.

Fist, a. fist, hand, 4674; (*Fistes*),

pl. 799.

Fist, a. fist, division, canto, pause,

4018, 4714, 5626; (*Fift*), 3203;

Fiftis, pl. 3473. Cf. A.S. *fistas*, to sing.

Fift (Fight), ger. to fight, 759;

Senyore. See *Foyre*,

furries. See *Furries*,

Fiesseyns, pl. physicians, 4363.

Figis (*Feghtes*), pr. a. 1225, 1301; *Figis* (*Fight*), imp. pl. 2 p. fight ye, 1034.

Fift, a. fight, 1004; fighting, 3495; battle, 418, 3550. For the second *fift* in L. 3550, read *fale*; see the note.

Fishband, pres. part. flapping, 4807. See *Flappid*.

Flaggs, pl. flakes, 4165. Lowl. Sc. *flay*.

Flames, pr. a. burns, flames, 558; Flammand, pr. p. flaming, in-flaming, 1133; Flamband, pres. part. flaming, glowing, 3620.

Flammes, pl. flames, 5374. See *Flawines*.

Flanders, Flanders, 5674.

Flane, pl. arrows, 3839; Flanes, 2219; Flanis, 5448; Flany, 3045. A.S. *fisan*, pl. arrows; *fisan-es* is a double plural. See *Flayne*. Flony.

Flange (*Flonge*), pt. a. flung, 1348. Flappid, pt. pl. flapped, 5440.

(Flasshed), pt. pl. flasshed, rashed suddenly, 1133.

Flat (*Flast*), adv. flat, 1135.

Flax, a. flax, mass of snow, 1756. See *Flinges*.

Flawines, pl. flames, 3871, 4784. See *Flamines*.

Fley, ger. scare away, 5448; n. terrify, 110; Flay, pr. a. apposes, lit. drives or frightens away, 4508. "To day, terrere;" Catt. Anglicum.

(Flayne), pl. arrows, 1767*. See *Flane*.

Flee, a. fleo, 988; Flees (*Fleem*), pr. pl. fleo, go, 3180; Fled, pt. a. fled, 136.

Flees (*Fleys*), a. pl. flies, 3011. Fleeks, pr. & flusters, 505. A.S. *fleian*.

Fleme, a. banish, 390. A.S. *fleman*. Fleische, flesh, 569; (*Fleiche*), 1006.

Fleisch, adj. carnally, 308. Fleote, a. train, hose, 803*. Cf. E. *def.* See *Flete*.

Flete (*Flets*), hall, 821. A.S. *flet*, a. floor, house, a hall.

Flegies, pr. a. flutters, 505. See *Fleeks*, *Fleip*.

Flinges, pr. a. bars, shoots, 3839; *Flo*.

rushes, darts, 3967; (*Flynges*), 1218. See *Flonge*.

Flioch (*Flechett*, a. pl. sub.), pr. a. subj. may bend, may give way, 1572. F. *flecher*.

Flist, v. remove, advance, 4861; Flistis, pr. v. removes, 3784; (*Fliftes*), 2173, 2439. Cf. Flites (*Flyties*), 3184. Cf. Icel. *fjöt*.

Flyand, pres. pf. flying, 380. Flyng, a. flight, 110, 698, 5621; (*Flyt*), 1236; mouseriles Flyng (*Flight*), 2788; sudden blast, 4143; On flynt, to flight, 3905.

Flydr, a. flight, 3944. Fly-loomes (*Flight-lomes*), pl. implements of flight, means of flight, 3710. A.S. *loasa*.

Flude, a. flood, sea, 558, 2460; river, 2119, 3814; water, 56; flood (of tears), 1133; (Fledes), pl. floods, 1350. See *Floida*.

Flude, error for *Fynd* (see note), 1 pr. a. find, 4734.

Flude-gatis (*Floide-gatis*), pl. flood-gates, 1856.

Flikke (*Flikkes*), pl. flocks, 2533. Flunge out, pt. a. rushed out, 831*. See *Flinges*.

(Flony), pl. arrows, 3045. See *Flone*.

Florantis, pl. florins, 3820. (The Latin has qui meritis eius portabat, which seems to have suggested this translation.) The right form is rather *florans*. Mâzimer (a. v. *floris*) gives examples of the pl. *florans* and *florans*. Hence "with his *florans*" means "with his *floris*," i.e. to carry his *floris* or money. See *Florantis*.

Flore, a. flor, 3220; (*Flours*), 1348; Flores, pl. flowers, 4168.

Florontis, pl. (red) with floriness), 3075. Florons, 4074; Flores, 819*. See *Florantis*, and cf. 3820.

Florischt, pp. overgrown, 4717; Floryscht, flowered, adorned, 4379.

Flossher (*Flosshes*), pl. pools, 2049. See *Flosche* in Halliwell; cf. prov. E. *floss* as in 'The Mill on the Floss.'

3592; company, 1210, 1758, 1943, 2001, 2254, 4871; *Flete* (*Flete*), company, 1196, 1581; band of men, 770. *Icel*, *isla*, a fleet, a fleet. See *Fete*.

Fleum, a. river, 2288. See *Flum*.

Flouer, a. flower, 1007; profit, 2603; victory, 500, 819, 3182; flour, 3822; *Flouers* (*Floures*), pl. flowers, 1539.

(*Floures*), pr. pl. flow, 1350. *Floures*, pl. a. few, 508, 508; pt. pl. flow, 3296, 4784, 5574; *Flouren*, pt. pl. fied, 1322.

Floures (*Floures*), pr. a. flows, 2053. *Floures* (*Flodes*), pt. floods, waters, 1155. See *Flode*.

Flum (*Flume*), a. river, 2118; *Flummis*, 3829, 4739; *Flummis* (*Flomes*), pl. rivers, 2595. O.F. *flum*. See *Flum*.

Flynt, flint, rock, 4447. *Fode*, a. food, meat, 2, 1174, 3497, 4695, 4723; *Fode*, pl. food, kinds of food, 4902, 5426.

Fode, a. child, i.e. one who is fed, 270. (Not uncommon.) *Fodeles* (*Foden*), adj. foodless, without food, 2165.

(*Fode*), pl. foss, 810. See *Fax*. *Folk*, a. folk, 3053. See *Folk*.

Folowand, pres. pt. following, 8038*; (*Folowand*), 1248.

Folz, a. earth, the earth, 3, 30, 251, 312, 429, 792, 1135, 2592, 4636; land, 3105; ground, 2087; (*Folde*), 1641; On *feld*, on the battaground, 3623.

Fold-ward, earthward, 3363. *Fole*, a. foal, horse, 133, 808, 1218, 1236, 743*, 753*; *Fole*, pl. 809*; (*Foles*), 2049, 2155. A.S. *fola*. See *Foals*.

Folox, a. fool, 1766*, 1920. *Folowis* (*Folowez*), pr. a. follows, 1860.

(*Folox*), pl. follies, 1765*. *Folix*, a. folly, foolishness, 5365.

Folix, people, 1; *Folix*, 21, 375, 454, 591, 1174, 2084, 5561; written *Folix*, 5311; *Fole*, 3053.

Folowis, a. follow, 649; *Folop* (*Folow*), ger. to follow, 829; *Folowis*, pr. a. follows, 14; *Folo-*

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4569; *Foloweth*, 7554; *Foloxes* (*Folore*), 2250; *Folowis*, follows (perhaps an error for *Flowis*, flow), 1350; *Folpe*, pr. pl. (they) follow, 3829; *Folopes* (*Folowes*), 2080; *Folowis* (*Folowez*), 1783; *Folow* (*Flowes*), pr. pl. follow, go (but an error for flow or flowered, fled), 1697; *Folowid* (*Folound*), pp. followed, 1673; *Folowand*, pres. pt. following, 1758, 2473; *Foloway* (*Folow-* and), 3268.

Foly, a. folly, 738*, 2470, 4641.

Fon (*Fonne*), a. fool, 2341. So in *Chancier*.

Fondis, a. advance, 3422, 4701; *Fonde*, ger. to go, 2210; *Fondis*, pr. a. attempts, endeavour, 4753; *Fondis*, ger. a. goes forward, advances, 2502, 4716; (*Fondes*), 2129; *Fondis*, goes, 5575; (*Fondes*), goes, 2311; (*Fondex*), goes, 1856; *Fonde*, pr. pl. explore, 4871; *Fondand*, prva. pt. going, 5277. A.S. *fandian*. See *Fondis*; *Fondis* (*Foudan*), pp. found, 3144; *Fondyn*, 2171.

Fonden, pp. founded, 4641. Miswritten for *founded*; the pp. *fonden* can only mean 'found.' See above.

Fondere, founder, 4711. *Fone*, adj. few, 3180. Stratiemann suggests that the form should be *foue*; but we also find *foue*; and (= e) is never a final letter.

Fongas, 2 pr. a. receivest, 3108; (*Fonger*), pr. a. takes, 819; *Fonge* pt. pl. took, 3634. A.S. *fna*.

Fondis, pr. a. advances, 2409; (*Fondes*), 2114. See *Fondis*.

Fondit, adj. fond, foolish, 5513. See *Fon*.

Foole, a. foal, horse, 5588; (*Fole*), 2879, 3093; *Fosies* (*Foles*), pl. horses, 3072. See *Foole*.

Foore, prep. on account of, because of, 169, 1164, 1801; as, being, 35; from, 285; in spite of, 4126; as a defence against, to prevent, 747*, 9359.

For, conj. because, 2136, 2478, 2651, 4013; *forsamuch* as, 3550; for, 138, 173; in order that, so that, 141.

For to, to (with *gerund*), 147, 160, 217, 318, &c.

For-bede, imp. a. forbid, 5590. *Forbod*, a. prohibition, 4154.

Force, force, strength, 1006, 1443, 1738, 3989; (*Force*), 859; *Na force*, it is no matter, 471.

Forcett, a. fortress, defence, 4358. See *Fosset*.

Forcon (*Forres*), pr. a. matters, 2001; *Forcon*, pt. a. encl. His forced, it would signify to him, 6371; *Forced* (*Foryd*), pp. compelled, 2459.

Forc, pt. a. forced, 457. See *Fare*; *Forlange*, a. furlong, 2998, 3065, 3907; *Forlang*, pt. pl. 5460. See *Forlange*.

Forf, pp. forfeited, done amiss, 471.

For-fegiles, pr. a. appears lean (?), 4401. Apparently from the verb *fetile* to fettle, prepare, set in order, with the prefix *for*, giving it a sinister sense; hence *for-fegiles*, to disorder, to mar, which is here used in the intransitive sense, 'to seem marred' or 'to seem disordered,' to be out of condition.

For-fighten, pp. exhausted with fighting, 2117; (*For-foughten*), 1271. *Forlings*, pr. a. forgoes, gives up, 188; *For-gat*, pt. a. forgot, 3276.

For-gran (*Fongye*), 1 pr. a. forgive, 2434.

For-gunes, a. forgiveness, 3625. *Forgid*, pp. fabricated, made, 3346; *Forged*, 3703; (*Forget*), 1542, 1590; (*Forgyld*), 2995.

For-helst (*Forsheld*), pp. covered over, 1063. A.S. *fela*.

Forlange, pl. furlongs, 3833. See *Forlange*, *Furlongs*.

Fomastis, adj. superl. furthest, extremest, lit. farthest, 4102.

Fomed, pt. a. made, 1611. *Fome*, in front, 3925.

Fomicacion, somatication, 4485. *Formayours*, pl. foragers, scouts, 2171.

For-quy, why, wherefore, 4584; *Forqu*, 4325.

Forsake, ger. to give up, 2840; *Forsaken*, pp. 824.

Forsen (*Frosyn*), pp. frozen, 2883.

Forslet, a. stronghold, fortalice, 3834. See *Forcoleit*.

For-sothe, adv. of a truth, forsooth, verily, 665, 2808; *Forsotle*, 498; *Forsote*, 1070.

For-sworn (*Forsworne*), pp. forsworn, 1463.

Forth (*Forth*), adv. forth, 827; *Forth*, 371; (*Forth*), 749, 732*. *Forth* (*Forth*), v. afford, 1774. A.S. *forthian*.

Forth, conj. therefore, 3465; *Forf*, 241, 1012, 4279; on that account, 4609; whereabouts, 1767.

Forthling-do, a. fourth part, quarter, 3844. Lit. 'fourthing-deal.'

For-thinks (*For-thynk*), pr. a. *expars*; His for-thinks, it reproves him, 1464.

Forthre, adv. farther, 623; (*Forthre*), 1907, 1989; (*Perfer*), 2314; *Forthre* (*Forthre*), 1693.

Forthire (*Furthes*, error for *Furthere*), a. further, help, assist, 2700; (*Forthir*), ger. to help, 1948.

Fortson (*Forton*), fortune, 1851, 1856.

For-top, forchased, 319. *For-transil* (*For-travell*), pp. worn with travail, 1009.

For-tyred, pp. tired out, 1009.

Forward (*Forwarde*, pl.), a. agreement, 1239.

Forward (*Forthward*), forward, 847. *Forwif* (*Forwif*), prep. before, 1675; before, 861, 2242; in presence of, 15.

Fosterd, pt. a. brought up, 2729; *Fostard*, pp. nourished, 3495.

Forstring, a. forstoring, bringing up, 575.

Fote, foot, 1236; A.foot (*On fote*), a single foot, one foot, 2423; (*Fute*), 3230; (*Foot*), 844; On fote, on foot, 2250; *Fotes*, pl. foot, 4851; miswritten *Fortis*, 199. The curious plural *foots* (—foot), occurs also in Sir Gawain and the Green Knight.

Foteman, a foot-soldier, 3175; Foteman, man, infantry, 3059.

Fote-thike (Fute-thyke), of a foot thick, 2883.

Foule, a. fowl, bird, 4263; Foules, 4271. See Fowell.

Foule, adj. unclean, 3536.

Foule, ods. foully, 746; in an ugly manner, dirily, 4082.

Foules, pr. pl. I p. trample, tread on, 4635; Foules, 4681.

Foulire (for Foule hire), tread her, i. e. the town, 1560. See below.

Foune, pp. found, 159; (Funde), 3229.

Foune, a. bottom, 4130. O.F. *fous* (Burgoy), from Lat. *fusus*. See Allia, Poems, ed. Morris.

Founds, v. go, 5529; advance, 5038; Found, go, 5230; (Founded), go, 2879; Foundis, pr. s. marches, advances, proceeds, 450, 2223; (Founded) departs, 3216; Foundedes (Fondyt, pf. a.), pr. s. goes forward, 1145; Founde, 2 pr. s. adj. mayst go, 4936; Foundedi (Founded, pr. s.), pt. s. went, took, 1256; Founded, pp. gone, 169. See Fondi.

Foudid, pp. founded, built, 5291; (Fondyn, avenging), 1649.

Founding, a. going, advance, 4154.

Foure, nass, four, 633, 2133, 764⁹; On alle four, on all fours, 5277.

Fourme, a. manner, way, 172, 4219; form, shape, 312, 350, 613; (Forme), 967, 1708; disposition, 1276.

Fourmed, pt. s. formed, prepared, 2413; (Formede), made, 1739;

Fourmed, pp. formed, made, 3, 275, 573, 3459, 1616.

(Fourte), ods. fourth, 2368; (Fourth), ods. forth, 887.

Fowell (Foule), a. bird, 2264 (alluding to a common proverb, "as tame as fowl of the day"); Fowlie, pt. birds, 5448, 5589; Fowles, 3146; Fowls, 3944. See Foule.

(Fowly), adj. foully, evilly, greatly, 334.

Foxes, pl. foxes, 3932.

Fogten (Foughten), pt. pl. fought, 2460; (Foghten), 2375; (Foyen), 2020.

Fra, prep. from, 56, 156, 139, 173, 226, 332, &c.; (Fra), 3245; from the time, 2323; Fra ja, from the time when, 2010, 2373; Fra now, from this time, 1094.

Fraig, pp. afraid, 3458. See Frayed.

Fraiget (Fraysed), pr. enquired about, 2019. Icel. *freista*, to make trial of. See Fraysta.

Franchise (Franchises), a. freedom, franchise, 917. See Franchises.

(Frances), pr. s. enquires, asks, 632⁹; 2 pr. s. askest, 2395. See Frayne.

Frantites (Franties), the name of a country, 1057.

Franchise, adj. without flaw, excellent, 4356. Cf. E. *free-stone*.

Franches, a. franchise, freedom, 4617; (Franches), 2486; Franchis, a. benefit, good quality, 4684; Franchises, as pl. liberties, 4012.

Fraward, prep. from the direction of, away from, 1335, 1759; (Frawand), 1289.

Frayed, pp. frightened, 3567; (Frayd), 2036. See Fraid.

Frayne, a. enquire, ask, 3837; Frayn, (Frayne), pr. to ask for enquires, 2655; Fraynes, pr. s. asks, 267, 432, 457; (Frances), 2067; (Frances), 1700; Frayns, 672; Frayned, pt. s. enquired, 2305. A.S. *frignan*, feel, *fraynen*.

(Fraynes), pr. s. tempe, tries, puts to trial, 3366. See Fraist.

Fra, adj. free, 4616; noble, 497.

Frase, a. man, 270, 298, 369, 672, 675, 851, 2186, 2642, 813⁹; Frak, 101; (Frake), 1477, 2609; (Frakes), pt. 1992, 3268. A.S. *fras*.

Frase, adj. eager, 5521. A.S. *fræs*.

Frekild, adj. freckled, spotted, 4988.

Freky, adj. quickly, soon, greatly, 1793. (Ill used.)

Frelottis, pt. fralities, 3268.

Frely, adj. noble, 270; (Frelich), 2728.

Fredy, adj. freely, liberally, 4012, 783⁹; courteous, 1625; well, 429; very, 4082.

(Frend), friend, 814⁹; Frendis, pt. 619.

Frendy, adj. friendly, 1685.

Frenga, pl. fringes, 4338.

Frescha (Fresh), adj. new, 891; (Fresh), fresh, 1329; (Fresh), 1007; Fresch, bright, 5034.

Fresh (Fresh), adj. fresh, 1174, 2766; (Fresh), fresh, 1235; vigorous, 792, where the Dublin MS. has *fers*.

Freshely, etc. eagerly, 3816; Freshely (Freshly), vigorously, 2132; (Freshly), quickly, 925.

Freshely (Freshly), boldly, 1031; Freshly, boldly or quickly, 906.

Fresons, pl. Frisians, i.e. men in cloth of Fries, men roughly clad, 1758. *E. frison*, a Frisian; also a cloth of Friesland (Lüttre).

Freesys, pr. s. freezes, 2896.

Fretis, 2 pr. pl. fret, vex, irritate, 4460; Fretis, pp. devoured, 5589.

Fretti, pp. adorned, decked, covered, 4765; Freti (Frot), 1542. A.S. *fretuian*.

Frotti, pt. ornaments, 4333. A.S. *fretwe*.

Fret (Frit), pp. frightened, 1441.

Frigie, Phrygia, 5674; (Frige), 2116. (Frist), adj. first, 805⁹, 1067; (On) frist, among the first, 2347 (where MS. A. has *on first*).

Fribis, pt. friths, forests, woods, 4131.

Friihmen, pl. woodmen, men of the wood, 5597.

Fro, prep. from, 2691; (Fro), 742⁹, 842, 1055; conj. from the time that, 725⁹. See Fra.

(From), prep. from, 831⁹.

Froses, pt. frozen, 3063.

Froset (Frosh), a. charge, rash, onset, 1215. See the Troy-book.

Frate, a. fruit, 4608; offering, 575.

Fruitis, pt. fruits, 4636; Frutes, 5523; (Frute, a.), 2426.

Frynde (Frend), friend, 864; (Frond), 2944; Frynd (Frend), 2729; Fryndis (Frondes), pt. 3421; Frynde (Frondes), pt. 1258.

Fude (Fode), s. food, 2168. See Fode.

Fufylly, imp. s. fulfli, 3173.

Fulfil, adj. full, 56, 65, 66, 112, 358, &c. In l. 1275, the phr. "full of themselves" seems to mean full

of their troubles, full of anxieties. In l. 2168, we have of the full = fully.

Full, ods. very, 45, 129, 143, 171, 175, 234, &c.; (Full key), very high, 779.

(Full), adj. full, 1550.

Fult, a. plenty, abundance, fulness, 2171.

Fundris (Fonders), pr. & founders, trip up, 846.

Furelange, pt. furlonge, 3856. See Forlange.

(Furdenli), a. furrow's length, fur-long, 2898.

Furrins, pt. furs, 4338. O.F. *fouren*, fur, fur.

Furth, ods. forth, 53, 120, 256, 325; far on, 375; forward, 636, 3822.

Furthe, forth, away, 323, 408, 621; Furth in with eyn, forth into the eyn, far advanced in the evening, 3053.

(Further), imp. pl. assist, 2700.

Fute, a. foot, 545. See Fote.

Fuyll (Ful), adj. full, very, 2197. See Full.

Fyance (France), confidence, 1641.

Fyfe, fire, 633.

Fyfe, fifth, 3345.

Fyfene, fifteen, 1078.

Fyfi, adj. fifty, 3785.

Fygour (Figours), a. figure, 2867; appearance, 512; Figure, 613.

Fyld (Feld), a. field, 1943.

(Fyll), 1 pr. pl. adj. may fill, 2158⁹.

Fynd, ger.; To fynd, to be found, 3799; Fynd, 1 pr. s. I fynd, 24, 272, 300, 308, 643; Fyndis (Fyndes), pr. s. finds, 821, 1315, 1656; (Fyndes), 962, 1678.

(Fyndes hym), pr. s. finds himself, finds out his true value, comes to himself, 3366.

Fyne, adj. fine, 1542, 1590; good, 814⁹; fine, clear, transparent, 4853.

Fyne, adj. finely, 2766.

Fynly, adj. finely, 3229.

Fyses, pr. s. finishes, ends, dice, 4002⁹; ends, 740⁹, 5626; Fyne, imp. s. cease, 1920; (Fynd), pt. s. ended, died, 3100; Fyne,

imp. & cease, leave off trying, 2720.

Fyneach, ger. to finish, to put an end to, 3976 (it means—it suits him better to finish the fight himself); Fynay (Fynyshit), pt. & finished, ended, died, 803; (Fynyshit), pp. accomplished, 127*; Fyryst (Fynyshrit), finished, 687.

Fynest, adj. superl. finest, 3368; Fynyer, finger, 1089; Fynys, pl. 673.

(Fyre), fire, 750*; Fyris, pl. 3859; see Hale-fyre.

Fyrnmaest, firmament, 567; Fyr, adj. fierce, 418. See Fers.

Fysche-hole (Fysch-hole), adj. as sound as a fish, 2575. Cf. "As sound as a trout," and "as sound as a roach"; see the note, p. 363.

Fysche, pl. fishes, 3947.

Fyzke, a. physio, 4280.

Fyt, a. fit, canto, 740*. See Fit.

Fyne (Fyfe), sun, fire, 1126, 1372, 3175.

Fyj, a. fight, 450.

Gaa, ger. to go, 5515; (Go), depart, 1826; to move about, 5226; Ga, ger. to go, 966; (Go), 2575; Ga, v. proceed, 636; Ga (Go), a. go, 1717; Ga (Gay), pr. & p. I go, 1671; Ga, 2 pr. & go, 459; Ga, imp. & 5406; Ga (Goss), pr. & r.vd. goes, 3016; Gaus him (Goss), goes, 1451; Gaus him vp, goes up, 320.

Gadire (Gadere), name of a place, 1200, 1243, 1335.

Gafe, pt. pd. gave, 1070; (Gafe), 742; Gaffe, uttered, 5167.

Gai, adj. gay, 3797.

Gaiest, adj. superl. gayest, 5124.

Gailis (Galys), pt. galley, 2474. See Galys.

Gais; see Gaa.

Gais, an error (probably) for Girt, pp. struck, 3645. Cf. throng-girt in Chancer.

Galawis (Galouse), pl. gallows, 1813; Galaya, pt. galley, 2456; Gales, 65. See Galis.

Gale, a. gale, a kind of plant, 4094.

"Gayle, mirfus;" Cath. Anglium, q. v.

Gales (Gale), pr. & a. speaks, 2257; (Gale), pp. announced (lit. sung, said), 728*; Icel. gale.

Galt, a. bear-pig, 4743. See Galte in Cath. Anglicum.

Gamarod, some, 5491.

Gamen (Gammel), a. sport, amusement, 2280, 2604; Gammen (Gammen), 2272; (Gamer), pl. 2259; (Gammer), 1737.

Gamen, n. play, sport, 4570; Gan, pt. pl. did, 201.

Gane, pp. gone, 5553; dead, 4008; Gane many winter, many years ago, 692, 3566.

Gang, ger. to go, 5535; Gange, 1257; v. 5047.

Gangem, Gangra, 4189; Gangan, 4715.

Gapand, prs. part, gaping, 3870.

Gardens, pl. garnissons, 3409.

Garetis, pl. watch-towers (lit. garrets), 5691; Garetis (Garrates), 1417.

Garisont, pl. stores, treasures, 4450, 5631; (Garrison), 1809, O.F. garnison. See Garisons.

Garland, a. garland of victory, 818; Garlands, pl. 4599.

Garmet, a. garment, 1588.

Gamsd, Granada, 5067.

Gamyset, pp. garnished, 4451; Garmest (Garmested), adorned, 1533.

Garnes (Garisons), pl. rewards, 1662; Garsons, tributes, same, 1674. See Garisons.

Garyson, a. pl. (Garyson, sing.), garisons, 2015. See Garisons.

Gax; see Gase, Gaa.

Gax (Gaza), Gaza, 1451, 1453.

Gascouyn, Gascony, 5067.

Gaso, pr. & goes, 631; Gas him, goes, 332, 1183; Gase (Goso), 1285; (Goyeo), 3216; Ga (Goya), 1648; Gase, imp. pl. go ye, 8522.

Gast, a. spirit, 4065; Iffe, 728*; Gat, 1 pd. a. bagat, 724*; Gatz, pt. &, 1190; Gata, pt. pl. goe, 3553.

Gate, a. way, road, passage, 3339, 4625, 812*; Gate vps. ascent, thoroughly, 33.

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Gist, a. story, 4022.

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Gett, a. child, one who is begotten, 391, 435, 473, 577.

Gene, ger. to give, 5377; Genes (Gyfex), pr. 1662; Geuy (Gyfey), 1074; Geuyin (Geven), pt. pl. gave, 2327; Geuyin (Gyfey), pp. given, 1883; Geuyin pp. pp. given up, 813. See Gefe.

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Gide, pr. a. guides, 5387; Gidid, pp. guided, 4245.

Gife, conj. if, 565.

Gife, v. to give (but an error for Gifa, grise), 4184.

Gifts, pt. gifts, 3777; (Gyfes), 3128; (Gyfes), 1660, 2627.

Gilden, adj. golden, 3667, 4985; Gildin, 5601.

Gille, s. guile, treachery, 2574.

Gillid, pt. s. beguiled, 417.

Gill-stremes, pl. cascades, 3231.

(Wrosgy) gille stormez is the Dublin MS.) Icel. gil, a ravine.

Gilt, a. guile, fault, offence, 2384, 2434, 3225; (Gilt), 3213.

Gilt, adj. gilt, gilded, 1873; (Gilt), 720^a.

Gilt (Giltid), pt. s. offended, 2430;

Giltid, pp. annoyed, 472.

Giltin, adj. gilded, 3456, 4451.

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Ging, a. gang, following, host, compasay, 3481, 4715; (Genge), 3015;

(Gyn), 1213, 2036; Gingie, 3618, 5456; (Geng), 2674; Gingis (Gyng), pl. followers, retinues, 1648; companies (of you), 2435.

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Gingore, ginger, 5425.

Gindil, gindle, 181; (Gindyl), 758. See the note to l. 179, p. 288.

Girdle, pr. s. strikes, pierces, 1219; (Girdles), 1213; Gindel (Grydles),

throws, flings, 2278; Gindis ent (Gydes ent), burns out, 3159;

Gindis, pt. s. beat, 2474; strike, 796; Gindis, strike, spring, leap, 3845; Gindis (Gydlyn), throw, 2227; Gindis (Girdes), pr. s. strike, 1417; Gindis vp (Girdes vp), rush up, climb up, 1435; Gindid, pt. s. burst, rushed, 3231;

Gind, s. pp. beaten, 1805; Gind (Girde), struck, 2787; Girdand, pr. part, dashing, rushing, 1243. See garden in Matzner, p. 332.

Girdis, pr. s. ref. surrounds himself, 2038. The Dublin MS. has

girdes in, strikes in, attacks.

Ginge, s. June, 3337.

Gilane, s. clamour, loud talking, 5504. Irsl. ghean, noise.

Glace (Glace), s. ice, 3002.

Glad, adj. glad, 1257; Gladie (Glad), adj. glad, rejoicing, 3244.

Glaide, rejoice, 4379; Gladis, pr. s. gladdens, cheers, encourages, 485, 3929; (Gladdes), 966; (Glad), 1 pr. s. mab. may please, 724^a.

Gladden, a. gladdens, a kind of flag or iris, esp. the striking iris (*Iris latifolia*), 4094.

Gladen, a. a lucky moment, 131.

"A gladen he waytis," he watches for a lucky moment. This is clearly the sense. The Icel. gláðr means (1) glad, (2) bright, sail of sky or weather. Hence Icel. gláðan, to brighten up, said of the weather, from which verb the word here used is derived. Similarly, we have pr. E. (Northumbrian) gladdens explained as (1) a glade (E. D. S. Glass, 1) or (2) a void space free from encumbrances (E. D. S. Glass, 17), i.e. a clear space, with reference to space instead of time.

Gladdes (Gladdes), a. gladness, 1971.

Glas, a. glass, 4463, 5536. (Glasynand); see Glyssynand.

Glanir, a. glaver, chattering, noise of tongues, 5504. See Matzner.

Gledis, pl. burning coals, glowing or live coals, 226, 3827, 3898; (Gledes), 2474; Gledes, 2975. A.S. gled.

Glene, s. gleam, 2044, 4817.

Glenit, pt. s. glistened, shone, 4817.

Glesenyd, pt. s. glistened, 3797; Glesenland, pr. pt. 603.

Gleirand, pr. pt. glittering, 3346.

Glett, a. mud, slime, 4516; clay, 4490. See Matzner.

Glide, v. pass, come, 358; Glidis, pr. s. glides, flows, 3233; (Glydes), glides, 1310; Gildis (Gild, pt. s.), pr. s. glides, 2451; Gild, pp. glided, 2857; Gildand (Gyländ), pr. pt. gliding, 1079.

Glitered, pt. s. glistered, 4957; Gilitrand, pr. part, 5797; Gilitrand, 5536.

Glide, a. way, path, track, road, 1334. A.S. gildid.

Glorand, pr. pt. staring, gazing fixedly, glaring, 4562, 4728; gleaming, 3627. Icel. góra, to stare, glare like a cat's eyes.

Glori, a. glory, 1790; (Glory), 1963; Glorie (Glory), 1883, 1971.

Gloscoſet (Gloriest), adj. superl. most glorious, 1611.

Glorius, adj. glorious, 2776.

Glotony, a. glotony, 3355.

Gloze (Glofe), a. glove, 1284;

Glozes, pl. gloves, 2767; see Nethire.

Gloomes, pr. s. becomes gloomy, is overcast, 4142. Cf. E. glam,

(Glowys), pr. s. gloze, 3368.

Gloritis, pl. glutinous, 8. In P. Plowman's Crede, O.F. gleut;

Rouquetfort.

Glyffe, ger. to dazzle, glare, look bright, 4592. Cf. Low. Sc. glif,

a glimpse.

Glyssynand (Glyssynad), pr. part. glistenning, glittering, 6015.

Gnashies, pr. s. gnashes, 5221.

(Go), 1 pr. s. go, 2280. See Gaz.

Gobet, a. gobbet, morwl, 4516; (Gobett), piece, 1810.

Goblets, pl. goblets, 3701; Gobletis, 5131; Gobletis (Goblettes), 2935; Gobletis (Goblettes), 2948.

Goblyn, a. goblin, 5491.

Gode (God), a. God, 329, 1073, 2905; Godis (Goddes), god, Gov's, 876; Godis (Godes), 1591; Godis, pl. god, 307, 5410; Geddie, 271, 5324.

(Gods), adj. good, 804^a; Goddesses, pl. goddesses, 1874.

Godheda, s. godhood, 5622.

Godlik, a. goodness, virtue, 4688.

Godness (Godnes), a. goodness, 3270.

Gods (Godes), pl. gods, wealth, 3291.

Gogg, Gog, 5487.

Golamand, pr. pt. blowing; hence, rainy, tempestuous, 4796. Cf. Icel. pola, guis, a fair breeze, gol, a breeze; E. gale.

Gold, a. gold, 276, 436, 607; gold (spur), 5458 (see the note); (Goldes), pl. gold coins, 1847.

Golden, adj. golden, 201; (Gold), 1533; Golde, 1.

Gols, a. red, gules, a red colour (see the note), 4819.

Gome, a. man, 391, 417, 435, 516, 742, 814, 966, 1467, 1691, 2252,

2384, 3276; (Grome), 1190, 1236; Gomes, pl. men, 1417, 2054, 3387,

3552; (living) men, 3585; statines of men, 5276; (Gomes), 1657, 1739, 231; Gomes, pl. gen. of men, 4272.

Gome, pr. s. go, 3456.

Gorg, a. threat, 3627; Gorg, neck, 4985.

Gored, pr. s. goes, 5050.

Goste, a. spirit, soul, 4484. See Gast.

Gostid, spiritual, endowed with spirits, 1874.

Gota, pt. streams, 4796. A gote is properly a mill-stream; cf. "gotes of mills, where the stream passes out;" E. D. S. Glos, B. 17.

Gouerne (Gouene), v. govern, rule, 3387 (where the Ashdale MR. has gouere); (Gouene), 1793.

Gouernour (Gouernour), a. governor, 1623, 1956; (Gouernour), 822; Gouernour, pl. rulers, 3552.

Goules, gules, red, 4189, 5060; of a red colour, 3368.

(Goye), pr. s. goes, 2111.

Grace, a. favour, grace, 307, 358, 594; success, glory, 2534; Gracis, pl. prayers, lit. thanks, 3294.

(Gracox), gracious, 798^a.

Gracious, adj. beautiful, 3667; (Graciosa), gracious, 1748, 1844; (Graciosa), favouring, 1964.

Graciousest, adj. superl. most handsome, 4902.

Gradif (Gradit), pp. degraded, 2430.

Grafis, pl. graves, 4461.

Gratife, v. prepare (myself) to go, direct (myself), 3522; Gratife (Gratife), pr. s. prepares, 3016;

Gratifies him, arms himself, 911; 3159; Gratif, pr. pt. 2 p. appoint, 4459; Gratif (Gratife), pt. pl. prepared, 1933; Grathid (Grathid), pp. arrayed, 1844; Gratif, imp. pt. yield, prepare, 1904. Icel. grida. See Grather.

Gratily (Grathily), adv. readily, worthily, 766; Grathily, readily, 201. Icel. grætr.

Grainist (Grætest), adj. superl. best prepared, brace, richest, 1865. Icel. grætr.

Grammere, grammar, 631.

Granate, *s.* garnet, 3344, 3368.

Grane, *s.* green, 1219; Granyes (Granes), *pr. s.* 717; (Gronys), 3252.

(Grano), *s.* groan, 726^a; Granat (Granat), *pr. to* granat, to ransom, 3103; (Granate), *s.* grants, 1671, 1676; Grantis, *pr. s.* grants, 362^b; Grant (Grantat), *pr. s.* sold, grant, allow, 3125; 2 *pr. pl.* grant, 1825; Grantat, *pp.* granted, 5317. See Grantat.

Granot (Granatum), the river Granatus, 3002, 3016, 3062, 3133; (Gratian), 2982.

Grapa, *s.* grape, 2436; (Grapa), 1347; Grapis, 3067, 4724, 5239.

(Grasp), *s.* grass, 2436.

Grathet (en), *pr. s.* puts on, dons, 792^c; (Grathes hym), gets ready, 812^d; Grathin (Grathen), *pr. s.* get ready, 2456; Grated, *pp.* prepared, ready, 131; Graped (Grated), arrayed, 1588; (Grathyd), made, 3387; (Gratheth), armed, 1213. See Grathet.

Greatest, *adj.* superl. greatest, 5131.

Grave, *s.* engine, 201; *pr. to* bury, 1330; Grane, *for* Granes, *pr. s.* buries, 3639; Grasen, *pp.* buried, 3319, 5417; engraved, graven, 436, 1591, 3348; Grasen (Grafen), engraved, 3145.

Grasys, *pl.* graves (*s.* Grave), 2101; Grases (Grafys), 3130.

Grant, *s.* *pr. s.* 1 *p.* grant, 516, 1684, 804^e; Grantis (Grantzes), *pr. s.* 2225; Grantat (*for* Granted), *pp.* granted, 3226. See Grant.

Grant, *adj.* great, 1737, 5688; Grant mercy, many thanks, gramecy, 370, 458.

Grant, *s.* permission, 590. (Grant), *s.* grant, grace, 2387. (Corrupt).

Gray, gray, 1330, 2044. Grayd, *adj.* excellently, 3689. Cf. Scot. grid, made ready, short for graythid; also grayd for graythid in lines 3339, 3848.

Grayze, *s.* grain, small portion, 5622; (Grase), grain, seed, 2426; Graynes (Granes), *pl.* seeds, 1984, 2071; granules (?), 3375; grains,

spots, 4289; Grayne (Granes), seeds, 2024.

Grayne, *s.* arm (of the sea), branch (of the sea), 2451. Icel. græn. See Grain in Jamieson.

Grayze, meaning uncertain, 2767; perhaps it means (skins) dyed in grain. (Grayze means a greave, but this hardly helps us.) In fact, we find graye used in the sense of 'stuff dyed in grain' in the Babees Book, p. 178—'wherur he were saten, sandel, vellewet, scaut, or graye.' Or it may actually mean 'tanned leather'; for Hexham gives a Middle Du. verb grane, to tan leather, and grainer, a tanner; whilst Jamieson gives grainer, the knife used by tanners and skinners for stripping the hair from the skins.

Graythe (Grath), *s.* prepare, get ready, 2873; Grayth, 5533; Graythe (Gruth), *pr. s.* *p.* direct, 1384; Graythil (Grathes), *pr. s.* gets ready, 5133; Graythes (Grathes), prepares, 2129; Graythis (Grathes), *him, pr. s. req.* prepares himself, 1453; Graythid, *pl. s.* prepared, 3480; Graythid, *pp.* prepared, 4778; Graythid, formed, constituted, 1674; Graythid (Graythyd), adorned, set, 2295; prepared, 2767; shortened to Grayd, prepared, 3328, 3348; Grayte, *imp.* *s.* 2 *p.* get ready, 5037. Icel. grœks. See Grathet.

Graytho, *s.* machine, gear, contrivance, 5518. From the verb.

Graythist, *in comp.* Albre-graythist, i.e. most excellent (or benevolent) of all, 162. See Grathet.

Grayyn, *pp.* engraven, 423. See Grane.

Gre, *s.* degree, hence victory, 3296 (for one read *s.* in this line); (Gre), 3125; prize, 818. See Gre.

Greece, Greeks, 852, 994, 1435, 1657, &c.; written Grace, 1753.

Grecia, *s.* stairs, 335, 3050; Grecia, 332. Grecs = grecs (*s.* of grec, a step). Grecia = gree-s-e-s, a double plural.

Green (Ureken), *gen. pl.* of the Greeks, 9216.

Greedy, *adv.* greedily, eagerly, 1435. Gre, *s.* victory, superiority, 3518, 3651, 3756, 5456; (Gre), 994, 1883, 2278, 576. O. Fr. gre, from Lat. *greduus*. See Gre.

Gref, *s.* grief, 1283; harm, 4157; Gref (Grefe), grief, trouble, 2435.

(Greffully), *adv.* extremely, 973. Put for grief-fully, i.e. grievously.

Grige (Gri), *s.* grike, cricket, 1753. Greek, the Greek language, 5009.

Grekia, Greeks, 5504, 5639.

Grekis (Grekis), *pl.* Greeks, 986, 1179, 1279, &c.

Greme, *s.* anger, 4157. Icel. greui, (Greml), *adj.* terrible, 725^f.

Grese, *adj.* green, 5333.

Grese, *s.* grass, herbs, 838.

Greto, *s.* a kind of stone, 1330. Properly 'gravel' (A.S. *grœd*); but see examples in Mätzner, *s.v.* *greto*, of its use for sepulchral purposes.

Greto, *adj.* great, 26, 85, 258, 852, 1802^g; great, with child, 459; (Greto), 1873; great (one), 1347; Greto (Grete), 1254; (Greto), 1352.

Greto, *gen. to weep*, 372, 6042; *s.* 3159; Greto, *pr. s.* 3320; (Greto), 1283; (Gretoes), 973; Grete, *pr. pl.* *p.* weep, 4370; Grete, *pr. pl.* 155. A.S. *grœfum*.

(Gretheth), *adj.* superl. most excellent, 1591. (But read greffeth, as in the Ashmole MS.)

Greis, *pr. s.* greets, 79, 535; (Greto), 1489; *pr. pl.* 1603; Greto (Greto), 1 *p.* saluted, 1623.

Grely, *adj.* greatly, 472; (Grethyl), 2745.

Greter, *adj.* comp. greater, 5300; Greter, 1334; (Grether), 1267.

Grethes, *adj.* superl. greatest, 271; (Gretheth, ureghly), 1591; (Grethes), 1904, 1911; Grethen, 307.

Grethys, *pl.* great (*s.* men), 3651.

Greyting, *s.* weeping, 3238.

Grewe, *pr. pl.* pain, 2012.

Grewe, *pl.* greaves, 3898.

Grewe, *pl.* groves, 4044; Greweys, 4584, 4958; Greues (Graves), 2857.

Grenously, *adv.* grievously, 973, 2787; Grenously, 726.

Greyn, *pr. s.* greives, 472; Greud (Greedy), *pt.* a greived, harmed, 2544; Greud, *pp.* greived, vexed, troubled, 874; Greuyd (Greveyde), 1342; (Greved), 1467; Grens (Greves), *imp. pl.* grieve, 2484.

Grew, *pt. s.* 1 *p.* grew, became, 3280.

Grew, Greek, 4710, 5012.

Grew, *s.* (for Gre), degrees, bit, 2270. (The Dublin MS. has dide.) It can hardly be the GK. *pt.*

Grewis, *pl.* groves, 4720. See Greves.

Gridis, *pl.* enteries, 544. Such seems to be the sense; but the preservation of this O.E. form *gridis* is remarkable, as the usual O.F. form is always *gride*; only Italian has the form *grido*, a cry, shriek, outcry. The Span. has *grito*, but *gridos* occurs in O. Spanish. See Diez, *s. v.* *gridere*.

Griffone, *pl.* griffins, 5419, 5518.

Grindland, *pr. pt.* grinding, 4552.

Gripis, *pr. pl.* vultures, 5439; Gripis gripis of our gones, vultures whoe upon us men, 5453.

Grippis, *pl.* pangs, 544.

Grisly, *adj.* grisly, horrible, 4728; *adv.* frightfully, 3870.

Gro, *s.* shuddering, horror, 3238. (But perhaps read grose, *adv.* in Dublin MS.) Cf. Dan. *grø*, horror.

Groshed, *pp.* beguinded, 1467.

Grove, *s.* cave, 3294. Grove is the regular word for 'mine' among the Derbyshire miners; E. D. S. Gloss, B. 10.

(Grome), *s.* man, 2101.

Groud, *a.* gromed, land, 3077, 4705; origin, 5410; (Ground), ground, 2787, 2857; Grounde, ground, 188; (Ground), land, 1753; (Ground), ground, 1215. See Ground.

Grounde, *pr. pp.* base (*upon*), rely (*upon*), 4490. See Grod.

(Groone), *s.* grossing, 3238.

Groned, *pt. s.* groened, grunted, 4743.

Grouselings, *ads.* in a groveling posture, bending forward, 5276.
Ground, *a.* real reason, source, 476; ground, earth, 162, 1964; Ground (Grund), ground, 2278.
Grouwis, *pr. & s.* grow, 3638; *pr. pl.* (or *s.*), grow, 2426; Grown, *pt. s.* grew, 4978; Grown, *pp.* grown, 5622; nature, 1347; Growand, press part, growing, 5238.
Grub (Grub), *a.* grub, 1753.
Grune, *pp.* ground, pounded, 338.
Short for grunes.
Grym, *adj.* grim, terrible, threatening, 26, 65, 5455; large, 1079; (Grymme), 1085; Grym (Grem), *adj.* bitter, sad, 3238.

Grym, *pr. pt.* 1 *p.* grow angry, or rather adj. angry [are being understood], 4653. The M. E. verb is gromen.
Grymly, *adv.* terribly, 603; fiercely, 796.
Gryn, *adj.* (for Grym), grin, 5491.
Grype (Gripe), *a.* bunch of grapes, cluster, lit. handful, 1347. So the O.P. grape means 'a cluster,' not a single grape.
Gryzly, *adj.* terrible, 5397; horrible, 4743; (Gryzlyche), terrible, 2288.
Gryzly, *ads.* horribly, grisly, severely, 3645; (Gryzly), terribly, 796.
Gud, *adj.* good, 459; (Gude), 1974; (God), 731; precious, 1662; Gude, 390, 3128; sufficient, 3085 (in which line read *as for you*).
Gud (Gude), *adv.* well; And jaun gud pinke, if it seem well to them, 2948.
Gude (Godes), *a.* property, 1778. See Godes.
Godes (Godes), *pl.* goods, wealth, property, possessions, 1852; (Godes), 1865; Gude (Gudes), *pl.* goods, wealth, 2738; Gudes (Gudes), possessions, 2683. See Gods.
Gody, *adv.* fairly, well, 485, 516.
Gudmans (Godman), master, lord, 2407; sir, 436; Gudmans, gen. & hero's, 3433.

Gudnes, *a.* goodness, mercy, 1747, 3103; (Goodness), 1676.
Guda, *pl.* goods, property, 5377. See Godes.
Gum, *pt. s.* began, did, 394. See Gas.
Gunes (Gunner), *pl.* guns, engines for casting stones, 2227.
Gunda, *pt.* gounds, 3701.
Guitars, *pl.* guitars, 4736; Guitars (Guttere), small streams, 3231.
Gy (Gye), *ger.* to rule, direct, 3387.
Gyane, Guineen, 5667.
Gyld, *pt.* guided, governed, 197.
Gyes (Gydes), *pr. & s.* guides, 1642.
Gyfes, *imp. pl.* give, 1984.
Gyleffre, *a.* cloves, 5426.
(Gyn), *a.* device, 812, 1213, 2038. But in all three places it is obviously an error for gyng, a trap. See Ging.
(Gynge), *a.* gang, company, 2129. See Ging.
(Gyndland), *prsa.* pt. bursting, 3231.
Gye, manner, fashion, 631.

Hare, *a.* hair, 5476.
Habet, *s.* habet, dres, 3513.
Habitacle, *s.* habitation, 4334.
(Habte), 2 *pr. & subj.* mayst strengthen, lit. make able, 1768.
Hado (*error for Hano* as in Dublin MS.), have, get, obtain, 2839.
Hafe, *pr. & 1 p.* have, 461; (Hane), *pr. pl.* 1, 1064; Hafe, 1 *pt. s.* had, 584; 2 *pt. s.* hafet, 5327; Had (Hade), 2 *pt. s.* subj. had, 1739; Hade, *pt. s.* 592; Had, 71, 190; Hadd, 346, 3204; Had (Hadow), *pt. p.* had, i.e. made way, 803; Hodd, had, 571; (Haddyn), 1447.
Hale, interj. hail!, 228, 225, 4029, 4532; (Hale), 1066.
Halle-stante, *pl.* hallstones, 2047.
(Haille), *a.* health; Esill haille, ill success, 1759.
Halise, *pr. s.* greets, salutes, 4929. Icel. halisa. See Haylaid.
Haire (Haer), *adj.* hoary, bare, 776. Icel. haer, hoary, white. The reference is to the hoary appearance of old bare trees in winter. The epithet 'hoary' better spelt hars [for haire and heer properly

mean 'hair'). is the stock epithet of trees and forests in alliterative poetry, so that the sense is certain. Cf. 'hore okez' in Gawain and the Green Knight, 743. Jamieson gives examples of 'ane hore wode,' a hoary wood, from Wyntows, viii, 26, 228, and 'ane hore wode' from Douglas's Virgil; but wrongly supposes the etymology to be from A.S. hore, hair. It is from A.S. Adr, hoary. See also Hare (below), and note to 1, 70.

Hald, *v. hold,* keep, 1093; perform, 366; (Held), hold, keep, observe, 1075; Hold, *ger.* to hold, 5549; to keep, 1596; Halden (Hald), *v.* to hold it, 2295; Hold, *pr. s.* 1 *p.* hold, account, 1102; hold (it as right), recommend, 5048; consider, 4579; (Hald), esteem, 1832; Halds, *pr. s.* holds, 917; esteem, 3722; beholds (lit. holds), 1527; (Haldes), 948; Haldis (Haldes), *pr. s.* holds, 917; Haldis (Haldes), *on* (Haldes on), proceeds, 829; (Haldes), holds, 769; Hold, *pr. pt.* I *p.* keep, 4267; (Halden), *pr. pt.* hold (their way), go, 1123; Halden, *pp.* kept (so), 5523; seized, 2808; held back, 4759; bound, 5341; behalden, bound, 1679; hold, 441; Halden (Haldyn), *pp.* esteemed, 2889; (Halden), held *as*, 1913; (Haldyn), *pp.* considered, known, named, 2540; esteemed, 2150.
Hald, *s.* hold, grip, 1440.
Halidt (Heldit), *pp.* inclined, given way, 2141. Icel. halla, to incline, swerve, lean over; Dan. halde, to tilt over.
Hale, *adj.* whole, 441, 5126; sound, 103; complete, 632; solid, 4072; safe and sound, 820; whole, unburst, 4437; sound, good, 8109. Icel. hell.
Hale, *v.* uplift (lit. hale, drag), 724; draw quickly, come, 2817; *pr. pl.* hale, drag, 5524; Hale, *pr. s.* rushes, 3623; (Hales), bales, bams, 851; Hale (Hale), *pr. pl.* hale, drag, 2224.

Hand-ball (Hand-balle), *s.* ball to play with, 1895.

Handle, *ger.* to handle, 2480.

Hand-quale, a short space of time, 5524; Hand-quyle, 632; (*Handwhile*), 3260, 3290. So in *P. Plowman*.

Hand-tame, *adj.* hand-tame, so tame as to come to the hand, 504.

Hand-work, a handiwork, 4346.

Hangið (Hanged), *pp.* hanged, 2557.

Hant, *ger.* to assemble, come together (*lit.* to haunt, frequent a place), 4729; Hantis, 2 *pr. pl.* practise; to self haunts, practise the same, endeavour after that very thing, 4667; Hand, *pr. pt.* 2 *pr.* practise, 4484. O.F. *hante*, to frequent, practise.

Happe, *s.* fortune, 4346; *Hap* (*Happe*), good fortune, 3272; Happis, *pl.* hapes; Upon happenis, perhaps, haply, 4297.

Happend (*Happyzed*), *pp.* chanced, 2364.

Hard, *adj.* hard, stiff, 2381; severe, 512, 527.

Hard, *adv.* handily, severely, 3287, 728*; handily, 839.

Hard, *adv.* difficultly, 2004.

Hardere, *adj.* comp. harder, 3894.

(Hardly), *adv.* boldly, 777*; Hardy, *adv.* hard, 84; bold, strong, 2876. In 1.84 we should rather read *hard for to relay*.

Hardynes, hardness, 615, 658.

Hare, *a.* hair, 237, 854; *Haris*, hairs, 320; (*Hores*), 1009.

Hare, *adj.* hoary, gray-headed, 4996; hoary, hoar, bare, 70. See the note to 1.70, and remarks on Hair (above).

Harest, *adj.* *superl.* most hoary, whitest, 1062.

Harioty, a evil-doing, wickedness, lechery, 4484, 4555.

Harme, *s.* harm, 285, 638, 2220; *Harmes*, *pl.* injuries, crimes, wicked deeds, 3437.

Harme, *imp. pt.* 2 *pr. d.* harm, do execution, 3873.

(Harme), *for Armez*, arms (of the body), 3287, 772*.

Harnex, *s.* harness, armour, 3791.

Harnex (Harnes), *super. s.* let him harness, 985; *Harnes*, *pp.* armed, 3785. See above.

(Harpespane), 1902; see Herespán, Harow, a. harrow, 4267; (*Harrow*), 1063; *Haro*, *pl.* 5573; Harowis, 3207.

Has, *pr. s.* 2 *pr. has*, 348, 460, 463; *Hase*, 3712; *Hase*, *pr. s.* *has*, 2380; *Has*, 81; *Hase*, *pr. pt.* 2 *pr. have*, 2301; *Hae*, *pr. pt.* *have*, 10, 471. See *Hafe*, *Hase*.

(Hastokst), *adj.* *superl.* 1854. Certainly a corrupt reading; see the Ashmole MS. As it stands, it is a bad spelling of *hastokst* = *hastokst*, superl. of hasty, quick, rash.

Hast, *s.* haste, 2817; In haste, 379; Hastely, *adv.* hastily, soon, speedily, 3784; Hastily (*Hasty*), 1457.

Hast, *pr. pt.* *ref.* hastas, 1116; Hast (*Hastyd*), *pt. s.* 3014.

Hat, *pl. s.* was called, or *pr. s.* is called, 4903; *Hatt*, *pr. pt.* are called, 2199; (*Haten*), *pp.* named, 836*. See *Hattee*.

Hate, *adv.* hat, 4680.

Hate, *s.* hate, hatred, 921, 1970. (*Hate*), *error for Heded*, behaved, 2582.

(Hatellayke), *pat* for *Hathellsyke*, i.e. nobleness, 2506. See *Hathill*. But it is a false reading; read *lytthilk*.

Hately, *adv.* hotly, 2910.

Hathill, *adj.* noble, 447, 741; *Hathille* (*Athell*), noble, good, brave, 3164; *Hatill* (*Atelles*), *adj.* 1945. The spelling *athell* is the correct one; from A.S. *æs*le, noble. See below.

Hathill, *s.* noble one, noble person, priser, lord, 84, 285, 1102, 2120, 4518; (*Athell*), 734, 777; *Hathill* (*Ashyll*), prince, 3272; *Hathill*, *pl.* nobles, warriors, 584; (*Hatell*), 1002; (*Atelles*), 2086; (*Hatell*), 1920. See above. In 1.747 it is misspelt *Hathill*.

Hately (*Hottely*), *adv.* severely, 2544; Hately, passionately, 264. See *Ater* in Stratmann. See *Hatter*.

Hatis (*Hatex*), *pr. pt.* hate, 2732. (*Hatess*), *s.* hotness, rage, 2835.

Hatt (*Hat*), *s.* hat, 1714, 1855; (*Hate*), 1900; *Hattis* (*Hatess*), *pl.* hats, 2981.

Hatten, *pp.* called, named, 40, 914, 1913, 2307, 2319, 2540, 4720, 5095; (*Haten*), 2104, 2297. A.S. *haten*. See *Hat*.

Haster, *adj.* crost, 709; savage, 430. See *heter* and *hated* in Stratmann; and see *Hativity*.

Hasterly (*Heterly*), *adv.* fiercely, 803. See above.

Hatfir, *s.* clothing, 4118. See *Ladre* in Stratmann.

Hase, *ger.* to have, possess, 747, 919, 1669; *Hane*, *s.* 355, 575; *Hane*, *pr. s.* 258, 585; *Have*, 98; *Hanes*, 2 *pr. a.* hastas, 1728, 3101; *Hanya*, 428; *Hanya* (*Hase*), *pr. s.* *has*, 1807; *Hase*, 2 *pr. pt.* *have*, 784*; *Hane*, *pr. pt.* 273; *Hane*, *pr. s.* *subj.* if he *has*, 4537; 2 *pr. s.* *subj.* 470, 951; *Hane*, *imp. s.* 97, 731, 2240. See *Hafe*.

(Haven), *s.* haven, 1160.

Hansen-lest, *adj.* neediest, least possessed of wealth, 1864. A false superlative form of the adj. *hansenles* = A.S. *hafendus*, poor. Shropshire ovens, shifflers.

Hauke, *pr. s.* hawk, 4271.

Hauktis, 1 *pr. pt.* practise, 4329; enjoy, 3745; track to their home, pursue to their home, 4122;

Hauktis, *pr. pt.* practise, use, show, 4021; *Haumidt*, *pt.* practised, used, 16, 4414.

Hasten, *adv.* haughty, 4255. F. *Austria*.

Hantes, *s.* haughtiness, 2835. O.F. *Auntes*, haughtiness; see Cotgrave.

Hawse, *s.* hawk, the value of a hawk, a whit, 2097.

Haylaid (*Haylaid*), *pt. s.* 1 *wor-* shipped, 1622. See *Haleis*.

Haythen, *adj.* heathen, 5673.

He, *adj. high*, 70, 4963; On he, upwards, 2265.

He, *prox. he*, 19, 41, 42, &c. (He); see *Hepe*.

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He, he (where the Dublin MS. wrongly has *he Es*, formerly), 3291. He, for yo, ye, 4487.

(Hed), *pt. s.* had, 612, 2976; 750*, 765*, 776*.

Hede, *s.* head, 438, 445, 494, 2562; chief, 2647; king, 148; (*Hed*), 702; (*Hedes*), 2283; On head, *adv.* headlong, 962; To head, with respect to its head, 1375;

Hedis, *pl.* heads, 3433; (*Heddes*), 2881.

Hede, *s.* head, 3094.

Hedid, *pp.* behaved, 2522, 2439; (*Hedit*), 2088; Hedid, 2577.

Hedire, *adv.* hitherto, 5733; (*Hyder*), 2914; (*Heder*), 1923.

Hedireward (*Hyderward*), *adv.* hitherward, 740.

Hedis (*Hedes*), *pr. s.* takes heed, observes, looks, 3236; pays attention, 678; (*Hedys*), heads, observes, 2627; (*Hedes*), 1527; Hedis, *imp. s.* pay heed, 3879; (*Hedes*), take heed, 3094.

Hekous, *adj.* hideous, dreadful, 3226, 4862.

Hedously, *adv.* hideously, 5565; (*Hydisly*), 1150.

Heede, *pl.* heads, 5476.

Heere, *a.* army, 4800, 5162; host, number, collection, 5126. A.S. *hera*.

Heere (*for Wode*, as in the Dublin MS.), 776. See *Haire*.

Heff, *ger.* to have, raise, exalt, 2708.

Heggis, *pl.* hedges, sticks, 5463.

(Hegh), *adj.* high, tall, 744*; (On *hegh*), on high, 1589; Hagh, high, 445.

(Hight), *pt. s.* height, was called, 914.

Heught, *s.* height; On heught, on high, 678.

Held, *ger.* incline, bow down, 729; (*Holdes*), *pr. s.* inclines, bows down, 726; sinks, 933*; Holdis, *pr. s.* 650, 983; Heldish, *pt. s.* inclined, 227; (*heldit*), *pt. pl.* 983.

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See note to 1. 227. A.S. *hildan*, *hildon*.

(Heldes), pr. s. *helds* (for beholds), 1589; *Held*, pt. s. *held*, had *held*, 1345; *Held*, pt. pl. *held* in, pressed in, 3912; (*Heldyn*), kept, 1616; *Held*, 2 pt. pl. (*Held*, 2 yr. pl.), kept, 2436; *Held*, 1 pt. s. *sehl*, should (not) have kept, 3437; (*Held* on), esp. a. *held* on, continuous advance, 810^a.

(Heldest), adj. most: (All the heldest), most of all, 2502; (*Allpar heldest*), 1855. See *Heldine*. (*Heldest*), eldest, 2319.

Heldine, adj. coop. sooner, 2714; (*Helder*), sooner, rather, 1016, 1630^b; 1805, 2097, 2589. See *Elder*. Icel. *heldir*.

Heldyl, pp. inclined (?), 829^a. See *Held*; but the reading is probably corrupt. Perhaps read *held*, i.e. held. But we should rather read—*Held rayd v p a rode hoste*, and *rode hym ayneyn*.

Hole, a. health, safety, 3512, 4573, 5386; (*Heale*), 741; (*Heyle*), 2500, 2655; (*Heyll*), 2552; *Hole* (heyle), recovery, 2576; health, 2906 (in which line I should be omitted, as in Dublin MS.).

Hole, s. be healed, 2317. *Hole*, ger. to cover, 4118. *Holes*, pt. plur. 5458; *Helli* (*Heles*), 1758.

Holle, hell, 5571; *Hell*, 562. *Hollid*, pp. poured, 3813. Icel. *kefta*.

Holme, helmet, 1715, 3802, 3811; *Helmes*, pt. 804, 5498.

Holpe, v. help, 404; *Holp*, ger. 309, 1256, 1814, 2229; *Holp*, pr. s. *subj*, help, 1472; *Holpid*, pt. pl. helped, 5625; *Holp*, imp. s. help, 250.

Holpe (*Holp*), s. help, 1636; *Holp* (*Holpe*), 1946.

Holper (*Holpar*), s. helper, assistant, 2647.

Hommed, pt. (sing. *Hem*) hems, 1538.

Homp, adj. made of hemp, 2224. (*Hom-wifis*), themselves, 2268.

Hon (*Honne*), s. hen, 893.

Hend (*Hand*), pl. hands, 1440; (*Hendes*), 774^a.

Hend, adj. courteous, gentle, 569; (*Hende*), 2876; *Hende*, 5029, 5400; *Hend*, adj. as ab. gentle one, lady, 264, 291, 4737, 5162. A.S. *gēndra*.

Hende, adv. courteously, 212. *Hendlake* (*Hydlake*), a. courtesy, 2715.

Hendly, adv. gently, 494; excellently, 883; tamely, 780^a.

Hent, v. catch, 520; (*Hynt*), seize (for himself), get, 816; *Hentis*, pr. s. seizes, grasps, 790; (*Hentes*), 1402; (*Hentes*), 956; (*Hentes*, 3890); *Hent*, pr. pt. p. catch, take, 4271; *Hent* (*Hynt*), pt. s. caught, 2544; *Hent* (*Hentes*, pr. s.), seized, 1066; *Hent*, pt. pl. draw, 3838; *Hent*, pp. taken, caught, 4783; *Hent*, imp. a. take, receive, 747.

Hope, a. heap, crowd, number, people, company, 1679, 1780, 1946, 2086; *Hopis*, pl. heaps, 552; (*Hepes*), 1418; (*Hopya*), 2247; On *hopis*, into heaps, 1308.

(*Her*), adj. here, 740^a; (*Hor-asfir*), hereafter, 714.

Horsad, a. herald, 1594, 4729; *Horsadis* (*Harraldis*), 883; (*Harhaldis*), 2715.

Herberd, pt. pl. harboured, sheltered, 3390.

Herbis, pl. herbs, 336, 408; (*Erbes*), 2832; *Herbya*, 4379.

Herde (*Piace*), a. home, place, 3227. For *Ende*.

Herre, adj. here, 365, 830; (*Her*), 951, 1864.

Herre, ger. to hear, 67, 982, 1164; *Herre*, s. 212, 416; *Herre*, 1 pr. s. hear, 2498; *Herre*, pr. s. 2315, 5503; *Herre*, pr. s. *subj*, he may hear, 146; (*Herre*), esp. s. hear, 740; *Herre*, let him hear, 145; *Heal*, pt. a. heard, 51, 707, 669; (*Harde*), 2368; *Herl*, pt. pl. heard, 1615; (*Harde*), 1322; *Herd*, pp. heard, 1432; Head of your happiness, heard (by your gods) concerning your fortune (Lat. *et considerasti te di tuus*), 4554. See *Heris*.

Here, a. army, host, 5457; (*Heir*), 1256; (*Her*), 2798; (*Heyre*), 820; (*Hera*), 810^a; *Here*, pl. armies, hosts, 4729. A.S. *herc*.

Here (*Hoere*), chief, lord, 3160; *Heris* (*Herex*), pl. 1920. Icel. *hera*.

Here man, better *Here-man*, lord, master, 4938. Compounded of *here*, lord, and *man*. So Icel. *herremoste*, lord, knight, lordly man. See above.

Here, a. hair, 4532. The Lat. text has—quae to velut metuum eructant et tormentant. The Eng. seems to mean—pull you by the hair. Or read *here*, i.e. *hair*.

Hered, pp. praised, adored, 1637; (*Heret*), praised, 1616. A.S. *heris*. See *Herid*.

Her-effer (*Her-afer*), adj. hereafter, 1111, 2221; *Here-efire*, 583. *Here-efward*, hereafter, 732.

Here-foro, conj. therefore, for this reason, 4565.

Here-wadis (*Hore-wades*), pl. armour, lit. battle-gearments, 1010. *Herid*, pp. praised, 2200. See *Hered*.

Herre, pr. s. heroes, greatly harms, 4484; *Herre*, pt. s. harmed, ravaged, worried, 4800; *Herre*, pp. harmed, despoiled, killed, 5457; *Herid*, vexed, 3517; defeated, 3751. A.S. *Acrysa*. See *Her*.

Heris, pr. s. *hears*, 925, 5244; (*Herys*), 952, 2667; *Heris*, imp. pt. 2 p. hear, 2502. See *Here*.

Heris (*Herex*), pl. lords, 1920. See *Here*.

Herken, ger. to listen to, 6; to hear, 2304; s. listen, 212; *Herken*, imp. s. 2 p. hearken thou, 740.

Hernepan, s. cap, head-piece, 1713, 2429; (*Herne-payn*), 1895; (*Hernepanne*), 1902; *Hernepanne*, helmet, 1771. Lit. 'brain-pane.'

Herne, pl. brains, 239, 2545. O. Icel. *herm*.

(*Heron*, upon it), 832. *Herre* (*Her*), adj. higher, superior, 2364.

(*Hersound*), pr. s. glorifies, 1600; *Hersid*, extolled, 2200; *Hersund*

(*Hersund*), extolled, 2468; (*Her-sound*), s. 101^a. Cf. Icel. *herrir*, a. led, chief.

Hort, heart, 2, 225; courage, 470, 658; *Hort* (*Hortes*), pl. hearts, courage, 988, 1809, 2054, 2161.

Hort, s. hart, 1082, 1089; *Hertia*, pl. 110.

Hertia, pr. s. heartens, encourages, 5576.

Herly, adj. heartily, 1559, 2576, 728^a.

Her (*Hery*), go to harry, 2509; (*Hery*), 3164. See *Heris*.

Herys, pr. s. *hears*, 3188. See *Heris*. *Her*, pr. his, 1232; (*Hys*), 3212.

Heisl, pl. hazel-trees, 5241. Icel. *heist*. (The line is obscure.)

Heit, a. promise, 256; *Heite* (*Host*), command, 2141; *Heites* (*Hoste*), pl. promises, 1075; *Heitis*, pl. (*Heste*, s.), commands, 2309; *Heitis* (*Hostes*), bletsis, commands, 3122.

Hote, a. heat, 3791; (*Hat*), 1518; *Heth*, pt. heat, 3805; heat, burnings, 3633.

Hete, x. promise, 1075, 2686; 1 pr. s. 2869, 3173; *Hotes* (*Highten*), pr. pt. promise, 2984. A.S. *hitna*. Icel. *heita*.

Heterly, adj. vehemently, 669, 678; (*Hettely*), keenly, greedily, 2855; (*Hetterly*), adj. extremely, 1659; *Hetterly* (*Hettely*), adj. earnestly, 1075; (*Hettely*), sharply, fiercely, 2910; *Hettiny*, 3912; extremely, 4169. See *Beitre*, *Hathly*.

Hethen, adj. hence, 4487, 4565, 4650, 4936. Icel. *hetta*.

Hethenward, hence, 734.

Hething (*Hethyng*), s. scorn, 1714; *Hethyng* (*Hethung*), 1863. Icel. *herting*.

Hetir, adj. cruel, 520; *Hetir*, bold, fierce, 615. A.S. *heto*, full of hate. See *Hatter*.

Head, a. head, 2457, 3920, 5322; (*Head*), 751^a, 774^a, 812; chief, 1433.

(*Headel*), for *Headeled*, pp. beheaded, 2377.

Heuen, a. heaven, 56, 84.

Heues, pr. s. lifts, 1580; (*Hefys*), 2 c 2

raises, 3290 ; Hewed (Hefvd), pp. raised, 2827 ; levied, raised, 2608 ; Heues (Hefes), imp. pl. hit, 3094. See Heuya.

Heavy, adj., heavy, 1010, 5572 ; (Heavy), stupid, dull, 2708.

Heyud, & head, 496. See Heued.

Heydman (MS. Heydsman), chief man, 441.

Heyva, heaven, 42, 250, 553, 568 ; (Heven), 718 ; Heyvna (Hevens), pl. heavens, 1528.

Heyva (vp.), pr. & v. heaves, lifts, raises up, 677 ; Heyvd, pt. & v. heaved, i.e. raised, 2014. See Heusa.

Hewe, v. Hew, cat, 3433 ; Hewis (Hewes), pr. & v. hew, 1224 ; Hewis, pr. pl. hew, 803 ; Hewen, pp. hewn, cut, 1127, 5598 ; (Hewys), 3384 ; (Heven), 3159 ; Hewyn, 5463 ; Hewis, imp. pl. 2 p. hew, 5576.

Hewe, s. linc, 467 ; Hew, 5609 ; Hewes, pp. 1086, 2087 ; Hewis, 2864, 5125 ; Hewys, 605.

Hewid, pp. hewed, coloured, 3945, 4966.

(Hey), adj. high, 279, 2939.

(Heyde), & prosperity, 3272. See Hele.

(Heyre), heir, 838*.

Heuge, adj. higher, 2097.

Hege, adj. high, great, 3731 ; (Hye), 883, 3288 ; (Hie), 3291. On hege, absurd, 4929 ; To hege (To hygh), too high, 2714.

Hege (Hoge), adj. londly, 948. Hepe, ger. to enhance, further (lit. exalt), 2806.

Hepe (Hyen), pr. & pt. reg. hasten, 2826, 3214.

Hid, pt. & hid, 146. Hida, a skin, 4457 ; Hidis, pl. 4118, 4207.

Hikerto, adj. hitherto, 4903.

Hidsons, adj. hideous, 5536.

Hie, v. honour, exalt, 329.

Hied, pt. pl. (Hyes, pr. pt.), hastened, 2981.

Hiest, highest, most, 1765.

Hiepe, adj. high, great, 829.

(Hight), pp. named, considered, 2300.

Hight, s. height, p. 282, l. 122.

Hild, pt. & concealed, 146 ; pp. covered (only), 3450 ; covered, 5241 ; Hildil, pt. for Hild, covered, 1010 (where the Dublin MS. has held), leek, lyly.

Hilding, adj., coarse, rather, more, 4657. See note ; and see Heildare.

Hilda, pr. & loans : Hildis him vp, leans up, raises himself a little, 3259 ; Hildis (Heldes), pt. & falls, 3201 ; Hilde, pr. & yours, 3811 ; Hildit (Heldit), pt. & 1 p. bowed down to, 1622. A.S. Hylde.

Hill (Hille), hill, 1093 ; Hilles, pl. 4137 ; Hillis, 1211, 4862 ; (Hilles), 776.

Hilla ! ricer, hellos ! 1066.

Him, dat. & acc. to him, him, 48, 50, &c. ; for himself, 113. Ped for jam, them, 409.

Himself (Hym-self), pron. him, 2834 ; Him-selv'e, himself, 500 ; Him-self, 83 ; Him-selvse, himself, 46, 1129 ; Him-selvyn, 411.

Hindre, 1 pr. & oppose, 2497.

Hinge, v. hang, to hang : Hinge mon, most, hang, 4562 ; ger. to hang, 5519 ; Hinge, pr. & hangs, 27 ; Hingand, pres. part. hanging, 3200, 4877.

Hirdie (Hider), pl. herds, keepers of the flocks, 1224.

Hire, gives her (said of a fortification), 1308 ; her, 222, 236 ; dat. for her, 305.

Hire, pron. poss. her, 224, 264. Hire-selfe, herself, 266, 347.

His, his, 45, 47, 49, &c. &c.

Hismon (Hisman), name, 2337.

Hisia, pr. & hises, 4757.

Hit, v. hit, attains, 445 ; hit, 1065 ; Hittis, pr. & hits, 839 ; pt. & hit, put, 512 ; (Hitte), hit, 839.

Hit (It), gen. it, 1574.

Hittery, adj. vehemently, 5322. See Heterly.

Hige, adj. high, great, 61, 596, 721 ; (Hye), noble, 1526 ; high, 812 ; (Hegh), 1092, 1123. On hige, on high, 678.

Hige, ger. to exalt, 1679 ; Higes, 4701.

Hige, v. hasten, 5187 ; Higes, pr. & 2 p. hastened, 4660 ; Higes him

(Hyes hym), pr. & hastens, 777 ; Hige, pr. & l. 1 p. reg. hie, hasten, go, 4850.

Higely, adj. highly, 5316 ; (Heyly), 2900.

Higely, adj. highly, 538.

Higere, adj. comp. higher, 810 ; (Hyer), 1068 ; (Hagher), 1375.

Higere (Hyer), adj. comp. higher, 794 ; Highare (Hyer), 3295.

Hig, s. height, 3288, 5481 ; (Height), 100 ; Higte, 3289 ; On hit, on high, 57, 1518 ; Higt (Hert, twywy), a. height, majesty, 2705 ; Higest, pt. heights, glories, 3584.

Hig, s. hope ; Without hig, without hope, hopelessly, 5513. Or it may mean—without expectation, unexpectedly. A.S. lyht, hope, expectation.

Hig, 1 pr. s. am called, 5167 ; am named, 5401 ; Higt (Hight), 1 pr. s. am called, 2286 ; (Hight), 1 pt. pt. was called, 2187 ; Higt, pt. s. was called, 2170 ; Higt, pt. pp. called, 2926.

Hige, pr. & 1 p. promises, 5404 ; Higt, 1 pt. s. promised, 5436 ; Higt (Hight), pt. s. 2651 ; Higt (Hight), pt. pl. promised, 2196 ; Higt (Hight), pp. 2655.

Hiquid, pt. s. ornamented, decked (for himself), 1541 (MS. D. has hegmet, setc. put) ; Hiquid, pp. ornamented, decked, 4540, 5426 ; decked, prepared, set in order, 4929. See Allit. Poems ed. Morris, 1290. Cf. Higdy in Gloss. Sir Gawayne.

(Honour), s. mockery, derision, 1714. A.S. hōcar.

Hodder, s. 5241. The line is plainly imperfect. See the note, which gives the original Latin.

Hoge, adj. large, 490, 568, 524, 3226, 4749, 5389 ; (Hoge), 744*, 821, 1062, 1541, 2827.

Hoge, a. hog, 4728 ; Hegge, pt. 5342.

Hogdry, adj. earnestly, attentively, 269 ; (Hagely), extremely, 3226.

Hogres, adj. huger, greater, 3047. (Hoghes), pt. houghs, hams, 3151.

Hokis, pl. hooks, 5519. (Hole), a. hole, 777 ; Holes, pl. holes, hiding-places, 3214 ; Holis, pl. holes, caves, 4045, 4122.

Holode, adj. hollow, 4072 ; Holope, 3802 ; Holpe, 3486 ; Holewe (Holys, for Holys), 1900.

Holtis, pl. holts, woods, 4137 ; (Holtes), 776.

Home, s. home, 27.

Homes, Homer, 2121. (Homes), adj. seemly, splendid, 1426.

Honest, pp. brought to shame, destroyed, 3791. From the stem (honestus) of the pres. part. of O.F. hōnest, to disgrace. See Hunys-chist.

Honge, pp. hung, 779. Hongir, a. hunger, 4608.

Honeyed (Honoured), pp. honoured, 3160.

Honour, s. honour, 2125, 2248 ; Honouris, pr. s. (Honours), 2117 ; Honoured, pp. honoured, 395. Honoured (Honored), pp. as adj. 2008.

Honnable (Honorable), adj. honourable, 1840 ; Honourable, 223, 310.

Honsoure, s. honour, 1059 ; Honours, pr. s. 1073 ; Honour, pt. s. (Honours, pr. s.), 2117 ; Honoured, pp. honoured, 395. Honoured (Honored), pp. as adj. 2008.

Honnurable (Honorable), adj. honourable, 1840 ; Honourable, 223, 310.

Hony, s. honey, 3855. Hoo, 2 pr. pt. desist ; Be ȝe hoo, by the time that ye desist, 4437 ; imp. a. stop, cease, 2835.

Hope, 1 pr. s. suppose, 3548, 3749 ; Hopes (Hopy), 2 pr. s. expect, 1765 ; Hopic, pr. s. expects, 3288 ; hopes, 1640 ; Hopid (Hopyd), pt. s. expected, 679 ; (Hoppyd), 1635* ; Hopid, pt. pl. (Hopen, pr. pt.), supposed, 596, 3256 ; Hope, imp. pf. imagine, 2648.

Hope, a. hope, 1859. Hope, a. single, sheltered spot, 3290. See Grein's note on A.S. hōp.

Horing, a. hope, 4518. Horred, pp. as adj. having horns, 4267, 4366.

Hornes, pl. horns, 312, 752*.

Horn, a. horse, 777; (*Horn*), 744*;
Horns, pl. horses, 2156, 2399,
5632; *Hors* (*Horse*), pl. 883;
Horsis (*Horse*), pl. 1256; *Hors*,
gen. pl. *horse*, 2852; A.S. *hors*,
pl. *hors*.
(*Horse-beezer*), horseflesh, 2161.
Hoste, a. host, army, 2036, 829*;
(*Hose*), 1793; *Hostis*, pl. hosts,
armies, army, 3098, 3704; (*Hos*-
ter), 1694.
Hot, adj. hot, severe, 702.
Hotte, s. contempt, derision, 1714;
miswriter for *Hoccor* — *Hoccor*,
A.S. *hōcor*, Chaucer has *hōker*.
The Dublin MS. has *hōcor*.
Hosen (*Hosen*), pp. lifted, heaved,
1654. See *Houny*.
Hous, s. pl. dwells, remains, 4902;
(*Hewen*), pr. pl. await, 2530;
Housy, pr. pl. (*Hoved*, pt. pl.),
tarry, cover, 2212; *Hosande*
(*Hofand*), adv. port, hovering,
tarrying, 3269; *Houe* (*Hofe*),
sup. s. tarry, wait, 734, 2890.
cf. E. *cover*.
Houndbreth, name, hundred, 5370.
Hour, s. hour, 572, 3830.
Hous, house, 4903.
Housing, a. shelter, covering, 4355.
Houny, pp. raised (lit. beaved),
exalted, 2708. See *Honen*.
How, how, 7, 117; Howe, how,
4345; How jet, how (is it) that,
459.
How, iester, he I used as st. a shout,
coterie, whoop, 4732.
Howis, pl. hills, 3482. Icel. *hengr*.
(*Hownre-selv*), ourselves, 1855.
Hoys, pl. houghs, hocks, hams,
5150. A.S. *hōd*.
Huge, adj. huge, great, 821, 1062,
1150; (*Hoge*), 1282, 2876.
Hugir (*Hoger*), adj. comp. huger,
1368.
Hum (wreathly for *Him*), him, 1717.
Hunde, hound, 321, 494.
Hundrethe, name, adv. hundred, 94;
(*Hundred*), 1043; Hundreth, 66,
1316, 1425, 1562; Hundret, 5127.
Hunger, a. hunger, 1168.
Hungry, Hungary, 2673.
Hunychist, error for Hunychist
(*Honyshyd*), pt. a. shamed, dis-

graced, *hene*, killed, 3004. O.F.
honor, *honor*. See *Honest*.
(*Hup*), up, 3049.
Hunkis, pr. a. crouches down,
nestles, 504. See *Glossary* to
Allit. Poems, ed. Morris.
Hurle (in *Ashmole MS.*, *wreathly* for
perle, which is in *Dublin MS.*),
sound, rash noise (of the sea),
1154. See *Horling*.
Hurled (Hurlett), pt. pl. hurled,
2224.
Horling, a. roaring, 4794. F. *hurler*,
to howl, yell; Cotgrave.
Horte, a. hurt, 285.
Hurtis (Hurtes), pr. a. hurts, 1224.
Hurtles, adj. unharmed, safe, un-
wounded (lit. hurt-less), 102.
Hus (*for Us*), dat. for us, 3518.
Hydis, pr. a. hides, 564; *Hydis*
(*Hyden*), pr. pl. 3214; *Hyddyn*,
pl. pl. hid, 3165.
(*Hye*, ger. to hasten, 2806; (*Hys*),
pr. a. hies, 362; (*Hyd*), pt. pl.
hastened, 1205; *Hy*, imp. a. 2 p.
hie thee, 734.
(*Hye*), adj. high, 700, 1421, 1636;
illustrious, 841*.
(*Hyest*), highest, 726.
Hym, pres. him, 682, 725*.
Hym-selfe, himself, 1058.
Hynd (*Hend*), adj. courteous, 2744;
(*Hynde*), obedient, 820. See
Hond.
Hyndelake, a. courtesy, 615; (*Hynd-
lake*), 2718. See *Hendlake*.
Hyndly (*Hendly*), adv. courteously,
3201; *Hyndly*, 2920.
Hyne, adj. hence, 4456; (*Hyne*),
739*. Du. *heen*.
Hyne (*Hynes*), pl. men, servants,
2220. E. *hand*.
(*Hyneward*), hence, 734. See *Hyne*.
(*Hynget*), pp. hung, 773.
(*Hynten*), pr. pl. seize, 780. See
Hent.
Hyre, pers. pres. her, 412.
Hynes, pl. corners, lurking-places,
3214. A.S. *hyrne*.
(*Hys*), his, 679, 680, 695, 696.
Hyue, a. hive, 3855.
I, pres. I, 15, 21, 24, 76, &c.
Jacobs, Jacob's, 4823.

Iapo, s. jest, *Aene* pleasant offering,
4526; *Iapin*, pf. tricks, arts, 43,
359; pranks, 4411.
Iapid, pt. a. seduced, 4415.
Iasper, jasper, 4444.
Iaudis, some, 1488; (*Iaudes*), 1652;
Iaudis (*Jawdes*), 1171; *Iaudis*,
1462.
Iayll, s. jail, 4321.
(*Iche*), esch, 1647.
Ieante, pl. giants, 4722.
Iemmes, pl. gems; but clearly mis-
written for gemmes, i.e. resinous
gums, 4974. See the note.
Ientill-man (*Gontilman*), gentle-
man, 2249, 2400.
Iennilly, adv. excellently (*Lat. miri-
fici operi*), 3340.
Ierusalem, 1171, 1454, 1470, 1488,
1652.
Iessender, a. coat of mail, 4961;
Iesserner (*Iessernante*), pl.
coats of mail, 2450. See *Jasuar*
in Cotgrave.
Iettand, pres. pt. making a great
show, 4444.
Iettis, pl. proud gestures, 4676.
Iettone, a. bragger, 4415; Iettir,
flamster, 4504.
Lewis (*Jewes*), pl. Jews, 1191, 1587,
1601, 1620, 1652; *Lewes*, 1171.
(*Lewres*), an error for Lewise, judg-
ment, doom, 1191. O.F. *juzse*.
*The right reading is—I shall seche
Leweise on the lewes’ enioynes or
1 dye*.
Lewry, *Judens*, 1546.
If, conj. if; But if, unless, 13; If,
though, 251, 258.
Ile (*The*), s. isle, 2106, 2116; dis-
trict, 1057; Ile (*Yles*, pl.), dis-
trict, 1039; Iles, 3736, 5503;
Iles, pl. islands, 3536, 3683; Iles
(*Yles*), pl. regions, provinces,
2800. See *Yles*.
Iik, adj. each, 1384, 3603; (*Ilik*),
281, 777; (*Icke*), 1379; same,
505, 418; Ilik same, 861, 2927.
Iika, each, every, 521, 999; (*Iike*),
1180; (*Iole*), 3412; Iika (*Iike*),
each man, 1258; Ika e, every,
432. For ikka.
Ikane, each one, every one, 1593,
5430; (*Ika one*), 2765; (*Ihone*),

2548, 3154; (*Ikoen*), 2115; *Ikkan*,
3635.
Il, adv. ill, unpropitiously, 2308.
Ille, a. ill, 4216; (*Ille*), 1699;
(*Illy*), pl. evils, 3267*.
Imagis, pl. images, idols, 4068,
4459. See *Yimage*.
Impid, pp. set; Impid in, set with,
marked with, 5649.
Impis, pl. shoots, 4819. See the
note.
In, prep. in, 23, 24, &c.; (*Into*), in,
1532.
In with — in-with, prep. within,
3300.
In-blaid with, prep. together with,
in mesley with, 2786. See
Eblaid.
Inchantment, enchantment, 337.
Incheson, a. occasion, cause, reason,
343.
Inclosid (*Enclocty*), pp. enclosed,
1837.
Indynos, pr. s. incloses, bows, 5207.
Inditics, pr. s. indites, 4041.
Indityngs (*Dityng*), pl. inditinge,
1801.
(In-fare), adv. together, 2366; In-
fare, 1259, 1276, 3602, 3933, 4273,
5484.
In-fare, for In-fare, adv. together,
5597. See above.
Infirmite, a. infirmity, sickness,
5581; *Infirmitis* (*for Infirmities*),
pl. infirmities, 4278.
Infurmed, pp. infurmed, 3341;
(*Infurmed*), 1915; Infurmede
(*Infurmed*), 1551.
Ingland, England, 5663.
Inhabet, pr. pf. inhabit, dwell, 4020.
Inhabeting, a. habitation, dwelling,
3736.
In-hansee (*Enhauises*), pr. a. han-
ances, i.e. advances, promoted,
3220.
Inioynes, pr. a. commands, orders,
instructs, 3040; (*Inioneyd*), pp.
enjoined, 2400.
In-myddis, prep. in the midst of,
amid, 1583.
Innes, pl. a sing. inn, dwelling,
residence, 2220.
Inowe (*Enowe*), adj. pl. enough,
2291. See *Enowe*.

In-parkis, pr. a. encloses, 5499; Inparkis, prep. 4702.
Inpossible, adj. impossible, 2707.
(Insw), seen in, 1925.
In-sounde (In-sonde), sounder, 798.
Instrumente (Instrumentos), pl. instruments, 1564; Instruments, 145.

In-till, prep. into, 4764.
Into, prep. into, 151, 153; to, 724; in, 797^a; (Wto), unto, 1503.
Loglour, & juggler, 4526; logloure, 410.

Logia, pl. judges, 1545.

Logia, pr. a. jogs, i.e. stirs up, 1507.

Lolle, a. agreeableness, Delight, 2557; pleasant season, 4202; honour, revels in honour of, 4458; Lolyte, happiness, 3108; Lolle (Lolyte), mirth, 1469.

Loly, adj. beautiful, 4823, 5261.

Lolye, adj. jolly, joyously, 705.

Lopone, a short coat or doublet worn under the armour, 4961; Lopone, pl. 3042, 4722; (Lompson), 2450.

"Japon" a short cossack; Cot-grave, Dimin. of O.F. gipe, later Juppe, a frock, &c.

Lophaphat (Lophaphat), the vale of Jehoshaphat, 1197, 1284.

Lounmai (Lornays), pr. a. journeys, travels, 2249.

Lousmy (Lomay), journey, 1197.

Lous, a. juice, 239. See luse.

Lowell, jewel, 2400.

Lovkyn, pr. p. sleep, lie torpēd, 4202. A term applied to hawks;

^a &c. fischer, to roost, or perch;

Cotgrave. See lounmai in Gloss. to P. Floumen.

Loys, a. joy, 486, 704, 1469; Loye (Loy), 1914; jest, 2188; O Loy, of joy, i.e. joyful to behold, excellent, 3042.

Loys, pr. pl. 2 p. (for Loy), (ye) joint build together, 4458.

Loyses, pr. a. gladness, 4578; rejoices, 1659; (Loya), 2128; Loy, 456; Loy, pr. pl. 1 p. delight in, possess, enjoy, 4035; loyed, pp. rejoiced, gladdened, full of joy, 242, 2453, 4947, 5426; Loyd (Loymod, error for Loyed), 2255.

(Lo) fully, joyfully, 705.

Loyle, adj. joyless, 1284, 2249. Lovly, adj. joyful, joygiving, delightful, 3340. (Bar prob. an error for Loy = jolly, good.)

Loynes (Lionnes), pr. a. enjoins, 1197; Loynes him, pr. a. marches, approaches, 1284, 1454; loyed, pp. constructed, 5261; framed, 4504; constructed, joined together (Lat. constructi), 3340; composed, put together, 3464; (joined), joined, 2450.

Loynly (Lonyly), odr. together, 1470.

Loystounes, pl. joints, limbs, 4792.

Lro, a. anger, rage, 733, 737, 806, 1504, 2185, 2424; Irec, 4504. In l. 1504 the Dublin MS. has ayre.

Ireland, 5663.

Iren, a. iron, 3628, 3826, 4085, 5516, 5519; Irys (Irene), 3376.

Is, pr. a. & c. 4, 67, &c.; Is, 1 p. pl. (we) are, 4312; pr. pd. are, 178, 5361; (Er), 2478.

(Is), for His, his, 697, 903, 2052.

Isoody, Isidore, 3638.

It, pres. it, 13, 36, 56, &c.; Itself, 277.

Italie, Italy, 5653; (Ytalle), 2528;

Italo, 5110; Italies (Ytale), 1039.

Ithis, pl. waves, 63. A.S. yf. See Ythes.

Iuhiter, Jupiter, 705, 3108. See Jupiter.

Iugemes (Iuges), pl. judges, 3402.

Ingil (Iaged), pr. judged, 2654.

Innes, a. July, 3537; July, 4202;

Iuli, 3782.

Inno, Juno, 4504.

Iupiter, Jupiter, 4411, 4415.

Iurdan, Jordan, 4823.

Iuse, a. juice, 410. See Ious.

Justice, a. justice, judge, 4321;

Iustis (Justice), pl. justices, 1601,

3402; (Iustes), 1546.

Iusting, a. jousting, 3042.

Ioule, a. leechery (?), 4411. The alliteration shows it is not Iusse, as in Stevenson's edition. It is perhaps for F. jeu senf; but it is difficult to guess at the true etymology.

Inwels, pl. jewels, 4035, 4444.

I-wis, odr. certainly, truly, clearly,

verily, 11, 203, 3202, 3580, 4033; (Iwys), 2205; (I-wise), 2018; I-wises, 3118, 3436; I-wys, 348.

Kair me (Caire me), a. turn myself, go, 828; Kaires, pr. a. returns, 5419; (Caires), turns, 1056;

Kairis, pl. go, 153. See Caire.

Kall (Calle), s. call, 983.

Kan, pr. a. I p. can, 100, 577. See Can.

(Karyn), pr. pl. red. go, 2722; (Karys), karp. pl. go, 2770. See Kaire.

(Kast), a. contrivance, 2184; Kastis (Castyng), pl. cases, throwings, 1392. See Cast.

Kast, a. contrive, 415; Kast out, cast aside, 184; Kastis (Castis), pr. a. overthrows, 2281; (Kyst, pt. a.), intends, 1688; Kast, pr. pl. throw, hur, 1385; Kast vester, pp. overthrown, 138; Kast (Castyn), east, 2247; Kast (Kest), thrown down, 1421. See Cast.

Kastand (= Kastanid), pp. or adj. made like the chestnut, i.e. of a chestnut colour (Castans in the Dublin MS.), 1537. See Castana.

Kay, a. key, 5289. See Keya.

(Keyres), pr. a. return, 3035; refl. goes, 2037; Keyres hym, goes, 2880. See Kaire.

Kast (Kacht, in MS. Kastit), pt. a. seized, caught hold of, 2030. See Cast.

(Keates), pr. a. takes (leave), 1623.

(Ked) excellent, 1229. See Kid.

Kellis, pl. cauls, hair-nets, 4600. "Kelle, reticulam"; Prompt. Parv.

Kell-wyse; Open kelliwyse, in the manner of a caul, 3300. See above.

Kempa, a. soldier, hero, warrior, 5429; (Kemp), 2216. A.S. compo.

Ken, (I) a. inform, 2353; teach, 4705; (Kenne), show, teach, 1192; Ken, ger. teach, 1982, 3278; make known, 2023; Ken, pr. pl. disclose, manifest, 4554; Kend, pt. a. told, instructed, 5543; showed, 3407; showed, gave, 5383; Kend,

pp. informed, taught, 650. See below.

Ken (2), ger. to know, 620; v. know how, 4078; Ken, 1 p. a. know, 577, 8458; 2718; perceive, 278; Kennes, pr. a. knows, 3291; Ken, 1 p. pl. knew, 4678; Kend, 1 p. a. recognised, 3281; pt. a. knew, 690, 3548; discerned, 2849; Kend, pt. pl. knew, 2023; 2 p. a. knew, 4939; Kend, pp. known, discerned, 3148.

Kendy, adjs. kindly, greatly, 2244. Better read kendy, as in the Dablin MS.

Kene, adj. keen, 427, 8971; shield, 1604, 1815, 2345; sharp, 1804, 2818; eager, 1892; brave, bold, 20, 176, 748; acts quickly, 743.

Kenely, adjs. sharply, 629; carefully, 1361; strictly, 821*; quickly, 1353; surely, 4151; eagerly, 412; kindly, 2154; bravely, boldly, 58, 384, 1084; (Kenely), adjs. keenly, greatly, 2394.

Keneere, adj. comp. keener, 544;

Kenir, holder, 3583.

(Kengor), gen. a. king's, 1040.

Keparo, a. keeper, governor, 5177.

Kepo, a. keep, protect, 285, 405; be kept (after lat.), 581; Kepo, ger. to keep, i.e. for men to keep, 5172; to keep, 1292; to observe, 1192; to guard, 72, 1480; to lead, care for, 2096; to look, pay heed, 821*; Kepo, pr. a. p. care for, heed, 3557; care, 2417; Kepis, pr. a. preserves, 3356;

Kepo, pr. pt. a. head, observe, 4386; Kepis (Kepyo), 2 p. care, heed, 1452; (Kepo), pr. pl. defend, 1395; Kepid, pt. a. governed, kept, held, ruled, 5089; pt. pl. kept, 5041; Kepis (Kepyd), pp. kept, 3413;

Kepo, imp. a. keep thou, 27; Kepis, pos. imp. pl. 2 p. take heed to yourself, 2564.

Keru[us], pr. a. cuts, 1056; Keru and, pres. pt. cutting, 68, 3024; bliting, bitter, 3818. A.S. cor-
sus.

Kest, a. cast up, reckon, 673; pt. a. cast, 2062, 3147; imagined, 5233;

cast, contrived, took up with, 921; *refl.* cast himself, flung himself, 794; *Kest* *vp.* *s.* cast up, lifted up, 484; *pt. pt.* cast, 1604, 2154; devised, 3190; *Kest* in *feintre*, laid their lances in rest, 2021. *Keyas (Kees)*, *pl.* keys, 2147. See *Kay*.

Kid, *pp.* renowned, famous, 514, 4095; *(Kyd)*, 959, 2151, 2207, 2761, 3114; proved, 1824; *Kidd*, renowned, illustrious, 3274, 5418. Lit. 'made known.' See below; and see *Ked*, *Kyd*.

Kid, *pt. s.* showed, *(Kyd)*, 1 *pt. s.* showed, 2743; *Kids* him, made himself known, 212. *A.S. cyfes*. *Kid*, *a. kid*, 4524; *Kids*, *gen. pt.* of kids, 4476.

Kiddest, *adj.* *esperi*, most famous, most renowned, 33, 1634, 5105; *(Kyddest)*, 2367; *Kiddist*, 3709; *Kidest* (*Kyddest*), 1885.

Killid (*Kyllid*), pp. killed, 2577. *Kind*, a nature, 4264, 4386; (*Kend*), character, 3386.

Kindiles, pl. young ones, broods, 4139. See *Ryddys* in *Prompt.* *Parr.*; and see *Kynsild*.

Kindille (*Kyndyll*), *a. kindile*, be set on fire, 2724; *Kindill* (*Kyndile*), *pr. s. subj.* be kindled, 1979; *Kinallis*, *pr. s.* kindles, 3859; is kindled, 149; *Kinallis* (*Kyndilles*), *pr. pt.* are kindled, 1730. *Kindling* (*Kyndyllyng*), *s.* kindling, ardour, 3229.

Kindly (*Kendly*), *adv.* by nature, naturally, 3281.

King, *a. king*, 50, 184, 456; *Kinge* (*Kynges*), *gen. pt.* king, 3414. *Kingis*, error for *Kimes*; Of many kyngis werkes, of works of many a kind, 4550.

Kindil, error for *Kasild* (*Dublin MS.* has *knellid*), *pt. clanged, resounded*, 775. "Knylynghe of a belle, *thistleblow*;" *Prompt. Parv.*

Kirk, church, 1549; temple, 4542. *Kirnells* (*Kernels*), *pl.* battlements, 1421. *O.F. creud*.

Kirnels, *pl.* kernels, 2070. *Kirnil*, *a. kirne*, 4556; *Kirtills*, *pl.* 4540.

Kissas, *pr. s.* kisses, 284; *Kist* (*Kyssit*), *pl. s.* 878. *Kist*, a coffin, 3148; chest, coffer, 1043; *Kithas*, *pl.* coverings; used in the sing. sense, cover, covering, 4357; (*Kystes*), 1043.

Kitha, a country, 184, 3962; (*Kyth*), 1871; *Kith*, 144, 2011, 8562; (*Kyth*), 2769; *Kithas*, pl. countries, 4697; *Kithes* (*Kythes*), 889; *Kithis* (*Kythes*), 1204; (*Kithes*), 2011. A.S. *cjōsce*, native land. See *Cithe*.

Kithe, *v.* make known, proclaim, 3469; *Kith*, tell, 5168; *Kithas*, *pr. s.* tell, 5011. A.S. *cjōse*.

Kithil, a kindred, 5507. (Prob. an error for *kitte*). See *Kitha*.

Kith-ward; In-to our kith-ward, towards our country, into our country, 4032.

Knafe (*Knaffe*), knave, male, 835;

Kraf, man-child, 3744; (*Kraff*), knave, wretch, 3078; *Knafe*, boy, 592; (*Knaffe*), boy, 2501.

Know, *v.* know, 100; (carnally), 398; *ger.* 1455; *Knave*, 673; *Knaw*, 1 *pr. s.* 1878; *Knave*, 183; *Knawis*, *pr. a. 2 pr.* known, 875, 2523; (*Knawy*), 869; *Knawes*, 1962; *Knawis* (*Knawy*), *pr. a. known*, 848; *Knaw*, 2 *pr. pl.* 627; (*Knaw*), 2205; *Knaw*, 2 *pr. a. subj.* mayest know, 2014; *Knawen*, *pp. known*, 204; *Knawyn*, 2534; renowned, 33; (*Knawy*), known, 719. See *Knaw*.

Knawlage, *s.* knowledge, 3727.

Knawlage, *pr. s. 1 p.* acknowledgement, 3063.

Kneis (*Kneys*), *pl.* knees, 983; (*Knees*), 1603; *Kneys*, 75; *Knes*, 1822; *Knee*, 4014; (*Knes*), 815.

Knelis, *pr. s.* kneels, 4183; *Knele*, *pr. pl.* 2941; *Kneland*, *pr. s. port.* kneeling, 1529.

Know, *pt. s. knew*, 28, 63; *Knewe*, 211. See *Knaw*.

Know, *pt. s.* made known, 2872. A wrong sense; due to miswriting *be known* for *be-knew*, as in the Dublin MS.

Knillid; see *Kinbill*.

Knight (*Knytz*), *s.* knight, 1617, 1229;

Knights (*Knyghtes*), *pl.* 261, 1002, &c. See *Knyt*.

Knightede (*Knyghtheude*), knight-hood, 1824; (*Knyghthod*), 2306.

See *Knyt-hedes*.

Knityl (*Knyghtyl*), *adj.* knight-like, bold, 2448.

Knok, *v.* knock, 639; *Knochis* (*Knokes*), *pr. s.* 1599.

Knopis, *pl.* knobs, buttons, 4917.

Knotis, *pl.* knots, 4917.

Know (*Knaw*), *v.* to know, 1104. See *Knaw*.

Knife, *pl.* knives, daggers, 3024, 5964.

Knitt, *pr. pl.* knit, 3900.

Knyst, *a. knight*, 100; (*Knyght*), 729, 835; *Knytis*, *pl.* knights, men, 117. See *Knig*.

Knyt-hedes, knight-hood, 659; (*Knythode*).

Knytlyl, *adj.* knightly, 484.

Kokel, *adj.* shaky, unsteadfast, 2588. Cf. *apple*, to be shaky, Halliwell; crocky, unsteady; id.

Jamison cites cockle-headed from Sir W. Scott's Rob Roy: "he's crack-brained and cockle-headed about his nipperty-tittery poetry nonsense?" See Rob Roy, ch. xxi.

Koynes, *pl.* adornments, quaint ornaments, 4917. See *Cointe*.

Kott, *pp. shown*, 719; renowned, famous, 52, 742*, 767*, 1987. See *Kid*.

Kyn, *s. kin*, kindred, 3316.

Kyn, *a. kind*, nature, 28, 3880, 3911, 5432; race, 3268; (*Kend*), nature, race, lineage, 2800; (*Kynde*), nature, 3147; *Kynde*, nature, 578, 2894; race, 696; manner, 650; *Kyndis*, pl. natures, 5428.

Kynd, *for Kyndiled*, pp. kindled, 2247. The Dublin MS. has *kyndlett*.

Kyndilled, *pt. a. came forth*, was born, 669. See *Kinbill*.

"Kysed, or kyndelyd, in forthe-beyngunge of yonge beestys, *Felatis*;" *Prompt. Parv.*

Kynill, *ger. to kindle*, 3132; *Kindiles*, *pl. a. kindiles*, excites,

166; (*Kyndels*), *pr. s.* takes fire, is kindled, 2871; *Kyndeld* (*Kyndelt*), *pp. kindled*, 2231; (*Kyndelt*), 2247.

Kyndiale, *s. kindness*, 2718.

Kyndly, *adj.* kindly, 4946.

Kyndmen, *pl.* well-disposed men, hence, bold men, 2459. Dublin MS. has few men.

Kyndnes, *s. natural inclination*, 4700; kindness, 1982.

Kyng, *a. king*, 29, 73, 78, 97. &c.; (*Kyne*), 193, 202, 215; *Kyng*, *gen. king's*, 618, 627; *Kyngis*, *gen. king's* 5181; (*Kynges*), 223; *Kyngis*, *pl. kings*, 388; (*Kenges*), 885.

Kyngdom, *s. kingdom*, 138; (*Kyne*); *Scone kynde gamez*, games of some kind, 2259.

Kynes, *pr. s. kises*, 455, 495, 5250; *Kys*, *esp. s. kise*, 5252.

Kytte (*Kyt*), *v.* manifest, show, 2433; show, 399; *Kytis*, *pr. s.* makes known, declares, 5367; *Kyt* (*Kythen*), *pr. pl.* show, manifest, 1021.

Kythe, *s. country*, 219; (*Kyth*), 827*, 843*; *Kytis* (*Kyth*), region, 1049; *Kytis*, *pl.* countries, lands, 136, 4376; (*Kythes*), 1777, 1990; (*Kythen*), 2817.

Lahounds, *pt. pl.* laboured, toiled, 4814.

Lacedomonia, 2440; (*Lacido*).

Lacedomye (*Lacidon*), 2471; (*Lacydon*), 2448.

Lache, *v. take*, 3861; *Lache*, *v. grasp* at, 4347; (*Lache*), seizes hold of, 1439; *Lache*, *ger. to take*, 2149; *Laches*, *pr. v. takes*, 2828; wins, 1056; (*Lachys*), 2976; (*Lought*), *pt. a. seized*, 1055; *Laches*, *imp. pl. catch ye*, 1925; *Laches* (*Lachys*), *imp. pl. catch*, gain, 2904.

Lachynghe, *v.* taking, capture, 1835.

Lackis, *pr. a. fails*, is deficient, 4811.

Laddis (*Ladd*), *pl. lads*, low fellows, 1734; (*Laddes*), camp-followers, 2591, 772*.

Ladisman, a. leader, guide, 4967; (Lodesman), 2341. From A.S. *læd*, a leading.

Lady, & lady, 225, 302, 370, 517; Lode, 3351; Lad, gen. Lady's, 379; Ladys, pl. ladies, 156; Ladis, 213, 395, 3739; (Lades), 1602, 3116; Ladis (Lady's), gen. a lady's, 2415.

Ladyship, a. ladyship, 3715.

Laffyn, pf. pl. left, 886; Luft, pp. left, 824; (Leff), 1331.

Laghe, adj. low, short of stature, 3985.

Laghines, a. lowness (7), humidity (5), 3233. Probably corrupt; the line gives no sense; see the Ashmole MS. *Lengh* = low, occurs in Barbour, xi. 19 (MS. E.).

Laghlyn; see *Lant*. Lain, pf. s. laid, 494; (Lade), 293; Laido, pp. 382.

Lake, a. game, sport, jest, play, 644, 4367, 5358; sin, vice, lit. game, 4685; Lakis (Lakes), pl. games, 1761. Icel. *leikr*. See Layke.

Lake, v. sport, 5480; (Layke), ger. to amuse, disport (thyself with), 1770.

Laisigre (Langer), adj. comp. longer, 2195.

Lair, a. earth, clay, soil, loam, 4445, 5088. Icel. *leir*. See Halliwell, and see note to l. 5088.

Laitte, v. (Lates, esp. pl.), seek, find out, 2341; ger. to seek, 152, Icel. left, See Layte.

Laitte, adj. hateful, harmful, 5496; ugly, 4748; noxious, 4793; hideous, 2865.

Lake, fault, defect, blame, 1816.

Lamprays, pl. lampreys, 5085, 5473.

Lance (Launce), a. lance, 1223; Lances (Launces), pl. 1309; (Lances), 788.

Land, a. land, country, people, 109, 118, 168; Lande (Lanz), 757, 1750; Landia, pl. 10, 73, 210, 217; (Landes), 900.

Landice, Landicis, 2762.

Lang (Lange), ois. long, 1145; Lange, 222, 461, 645.

Lang, v. belong, 1682; Langis,

pr. a. longs, 285; Lange, pr. a. subj. may remain, remains, 3715; If yo langis, if it belongs to these, if thou doest long, 3558; Lange, imp. a. long, 5405. (In l. 3715 the reading *langis* would be better, as that is the spelling usual with that sense; see *langen* and *langen* in Stratmann).

Langage, language, 240.

Lang on, prep. along of, dependent on, 4606.

Lango, ois. long, 602; (Lang), 757, 920, 1325; (Lang), 1319.

Lango, a.; see Lang.

Langing, a. longing, 6.

Langer, adj. longer, 3511, 3560; (Langer), 1411; Langer, 801; Langire (Langer), 734; (Langre), afe. longer, 811; Na langire. (No longer), no longer, 1344.

Languor, a. languor, pining sickness, 3810; (Languor), 2807; ill fortune, 3289; Languor, pining, 7.

Langwyses, pl. languishings, attacks of weakness, 2810. Lante, pp. lent, 4548.

Lanterna, pl. lanterns, 3308.

Lape, a. lap, 507.

Lappid, pf. s. folded, 4558.

Lare, a. lire, doctrine, teaching, learning, 36, 287, 633, 644, 1674, 4228; language, 4652; story, 523. See Lore.

Large, adj. large, 602.

Largely (Largly), adv. bounteously, 1351.

Largeness, largeness, extent, 68; grace, 3404.

Lascis (Lasses), pr. s. lashes, draws swiftly, 1325; darts, 563; Lasc (Lache), pr. pl. strike, 1392; Lasciad, pf. pl. lashed, drew, 891. See lead in Jamieson.

Lasse, a. girl, 3746.

Last, adj. last, 502; latest, i.e. very recent, 2785. At yo last, at last, 1097.

Last, error for Last (as in the Dublin MS.), least, 2818.

Lastia, pr. a. lasts, lives, 380; (Lastia), 1678; (Lastet), 1220; Lassie (Lasties), pr. s. lasts (where

I should be omitted), as it is in the

Dublin MS.), 2805; Lastid, pf. a. listed, 3645; (Lasty), 2047.

(Lat), a. bar (lit. lathe), 770*; (Lates), pf. 756*; A.S. ferro.

Lat, a. let, permit, allow, 255; (Latte), 1674; (Lat), ger. to let, 1677; Latte, pr. s. lets, 3351; Latte (Lottes), 2665; Lat tlyp (Letter, lyphit), consider lightly of it, think little of it, 2557; Lat, 2 pr. pf. act, go on, 4470; Latte, pr. pf. lot, i.e. suppose (themselves to be), 11; Lat, imp. a 2 p. lot, permit, 288, 2711; Lat thou (Lat), pos. let them, 724; Lat (Lat), lot, 2888; Lat, let, 581; (Lat), 865, 1014; Lat, lots, 355; Lat one (Lat he), let (it) alone, let (it) be, 2688; Lat, god grant, 261; Lat, let him, 297; Latte, imp. pf. let, hid, 2579.

Latte adj. late, 1736, 5051; On late, lately, 3549, 4394; Open late (On late), lately, 2331.

Latte, adj. lately, 2705, 3434, 4221.

Latte, & lightning, 563. See *lute* in *Glossa to the Troy-Book*. Icel. *laiphr*.

Latte, & aspect, manner, 491; voice, song, 4584; Latte, pl. gestures, port, 152, 4743, 5184; outward habits, 4684; behaviour (of the onlookers), 2998. Icel. *lati*.

Laten, Latin, Et. of the Latines, 5652.

Lathely, adj. loathly, hideous, 491. See Laythely.

Lathely (Lothly), adj. loathingly, 2931.

Lathire, adj. cowy, leather, mor leath, 1258.

Lathis, imp. pl. boathie, abhor, 5115. (Latiss), pr. s. invites, 1828. A.S. *laðian*.

Lating, pres. part. laughing, mery, 4367; Latis, pr. s. 2725, 3760.

Lati, a. law, 4306; custom, 4402; Of a lye, by a law, with good reason, 4636; Latis, pl. laws, 4007, 4222; observances, 4412.

Lati, pf. s. took, 77; Lati hene, took issue, 331; Lati his leue, 5323; Lati (Laghyn), pf. pl. drew, 3195; Lati, pp. scimed, conquered, taken, 4394; Lati (Laght), caught, 2807; derived, 2022; (Laughten), taken, 2028.

Later, laughter, 26; Lati, 5003; (Laughter), 2197.

(Laughtyn), pf. pl. drew, 801. See Lache, Lap.

Launce, a. lance, 1325. See Lance. Launde, a. plain, open space, lawn, 4818.

Law, ois. low, 2289; (Lawe), 2362; Lawe, lowly, humbly, 195, 495, 1012, 1620.

Lawe, ois. low, 1868; On laws low down, below, 192, 728; (In law), 3261, 3553. See Low.

Lawe, a. law, 1548, 1582, 1682, 3402; (Lawe), pl. laws, 2996.

Lawe, a. mountains, hill, 4812, 4887, 5485, 5514; (Low), 1090.

Lawene, pp. brought low, humiliated, 3293.

(Lawer), adj. comp. lower, 2714; Lawere, 5406.

Lawes, pr. a. laws, bellows, 4744.

Lawest, adj. superl. lowest, worse, 2092.

Lawid, pf. a. glowed, 226. Icel. *laip*.

Lawy, adj. lowly, humbly, 3172.

Lawnes (Lowneys), a. lowness, littleness, 2706.

Lay, a. faith, religious belief, 3425.

Lay, pf. s. lay, 3230. See also Lies.

Layd, pf. s. laid, stretched, 778*; pp. laid, 507.

Layke, a. play, 385. See Laiks.

Layte, pf. lays, 6.

Layte, seek, 372. See Laitte.

Laythely (Lothly), adj. loathly, dreadful, 3230. See Laythely.

Laythly, adv. with loathing, 1709, 3935.

Lazied, pres. part. laughing, mery, 4367; Lazies, pr. s. 2725, 3760.

Lazi, a. law, 4306; custom, 4402; Of a lye, by a law, with good reason, 4636; Lazies, pl. laws, 4007, 4222; observances, 4412.

Lati, pf. s. took, 77; Lati hene, took issue, 331; Lati his leue, 5323; Lati (Laghyn), pf. pl. drew, 3195; Lati, pp. scimed, conquered, taken, 4394; Lati (Laght), caught, 2807; derived, 2022; (Laughten), taken, 2028.

Later, laughter, 26; Lati, 5003; (Laughter), 2197.

Lebany, Lebanon, 4972.
Lebards, pl. leopards, 3273, 5849.
Leche, s. leech, physician, 2573.
(Leches), pr. & heale, 1321; Lechid,
pr. healed, cured, 2814.
Lefdine (Leddery), pl. ladders,
1432.

Lede, s. man, 98, 226, 240, 458, 664,
757, 834, 858, 1090, 1292, &c.;
(Led), 2241; no *la lede* works;
of the works of no man, of no
human contrivance, 4833; Ledia,
pl. men, 7, 77, 141, 199, 4347;
(Ledes), 2067, 2253, 2413, 2762,
3171; *Lele*, *pe lede* for *Ledes*, men,
42, 1892. In 1, 461, we may take
lede = woman, but it would be
better to read *lody*. In 1, 3212,
ledene = man (but in the Dublin MS.
it is a verb). In 1, 4494, the repetition
of *lede* is due to some corruption;
perhaps the second *lede*
should be *lond*, i.e. country. In
1, 4590, date the commas before
and after *lede*.

Lede, s. nation, people, country,
240, 1503, 3100, 3750, 4494 (where
it may be an error for *land*); 844*.

Lede, s. lead (metal), 4464.
Lede, s. language, 5607. *Sheet for
leden*.

Lede, ger. to lead, 2878, 816*; v.,
939; (Lede), guide, 3210; Ledia,
ger. s. leads, 1645, 3887; (Ledes),
877, 1202, 2079; Ledes, conducts,
2875; Lede, ger. pt. bring, 5635;
Led, (Lede), pl. s. led, 627; carried,
2976; Lede (Ledy), pf.
pf. led, 1124; pp. taken, 621; Lediis
(Ledes), imp. pf. lead, 1923.

Lederly; see *Lethosity*.

Lee, s. lea, field, 3561.

Lee, s. shelter, escape, 2060. See
Janission. Cr an error for *lyfe*, as
in the Dublin MS.

Lee, s. delight, 5615. "Lee," joy,
pleasure, delight"; Halliwell.

Legge; see *Legn*.

Leewe, pr. s. I p. leave, 4328.

Lefe, (Lefe), s. live, 1607; Lef,

(Lefe), 1609. See also *Lens*.

Lefo, n. to leave; house Lefys, pr. s.
leaves, 339; Lefo, pr. s. left, 398;
remained, 800; Lefo, tap. s. leave

off, 5055; Lefo, pp. left, 814, 1293,
2253; (Lefo), 728.

Lefo, s. leave, 1826, 2079; (Lefo),
1816.

Lefo, s. leaf page, 4041; leaf (of a
book), 1656; (Lefo), 1262.

Lefo, s. believe, 387.

Lefo, adj. dear, 653; (Leynes), 893.

Lefo (Lose), mte. left gladly, 1082.

Lefo, ger. to live, 3810; (Lose), s.
live, 1605, 1607, 1609; (Lefys),

pr. s. 829; Lefo (Leyne), pr. pl.

live, dwell, 3397.

Lefyng, living, mode of life, 4248;

Lefyng, 4639.

Leguance (Lewgance), allegiance,
2791.

Lego, adj. liego, 1607, 1948;
(Leygo), 3067; (Leygo), 987.

Lego, s. liego, lord, 5624; Leggis
(Leygo), pl. leggos, subjects, 3386.

Lego, s. leg, 5473; Leggis, pf. 4748,
4839; (Leygo), 772*.

Legoman (Lego man), liege man,
3172; Lego men (Legomen), pl.

Leko, look; Of a leko, to the extent
of the value of a leok, 4228. See
the note.

Lekyn; see Lycken.

Lelo, adj. lead, trine, 3116; loyal,
1948; trusty, 2818.

Lelo, advt. truly, 5020.

Lelies (Lelyst), adj. most loyal, 2877.

Lely, advt. lealily, faithfully, 880,
1682; loyalty, 4306.

Leme, a. light, ray, flame, 226, 4174,
4374. A. S. *leona*.

Lemes, pr. s. glows, 5004; Lemed,
pr. s. 4910; Lemed, pt. s. flashed,
shone, 3332 (omit the first as in
this line); Lemand, pres. part.

glowing, shining, 535, 6398.

Lemotia, pl. limits, bounds, 5028.

Lemotz, pp. limited, fixed, 4283.

Lemanns, pl. lermanns, 7.

Lende, s. go, journey, march, 2192,
2888, 3290, 4869; ascend, 221; Lende, go, 3498; Lend, ger. to
go, cross, 2501; Lendis, pr. s.

comes goes, 395, 855; (Lendes),

arrive, 1692; Lendes, 1482; ad-

vances, 2149; Lendis, pr. s. ref.

goes, 2410; Lendis him vp, goes

up, 573; Lendis, pr. pl. go, 3656;
Lendis jaime, come, 3849; Lendis
(Lenden) jaime, pr. pl. land them-
selves, arrive, 3195; Lendis, pt. s.
arrived, 379; Lend, imp. s. 2 p.
go thou, 1380; Lendis, imp. pl.
go, advance, 4992. See Lenf.

(Lendis), pl. loids, 965.

Lene, pr. s. leans forward, 1708;
Lened, pt. s. leaned, 262; (Lenyt),
1708; Lene, imp. s. 3 p. let him
lean, incline, 5629.

Lenes (Lenny), pr. s. lends, grants,
3163.

Leng, ger. to tarry, 5544; Lenge, v.
live, linger, 1104; remain, abide,
sojourn, stay, dwell, 273, 372,
2192; (Lengs), 1682; Lenge,
pr. & dwells, 1482; tarries, 1029;
(Lenges), 1082; (Lengs), 2128;
remains, 1293, 3555; Le (n)ges
(Lenges), pr. s. abides, 2442;
Lenges, tarries, 418; remains,
3740; Lengys (Lengos), con-
tinues, remains, 1144; Lengis
(Lengos), pr. pl. are found, 2769;
Lengid, pt. s. dwelt, 5538; (Leng-
ged), 1283; pp. tarried, stayed,
481; Leng (Leng), pr. s. aby-
linger, 2162.

Lengho (Lenth), s. length, 800; A
lengthe, in length, 3987; Lengho
(for Lengthe), length, 5086. See
Lengthe.

Lensche, v. lengthen, p. 281, l. 65.

Lent, pt. pl. 1 p. went, his arrived,
1942; Lent, pt. pl. came, 3902; Lent,
pp. arrived, 5079; Is lent, is put,

5237 (perhaps from inf. less);
Lent ware (wer), had remained,
3068.

Lenthoe, s. length, 4750; Lenth, 68,
3908. See Lengthe.

Lenzie, pl. lynxes, 3573.

Length, s. length, 3299. See Lenthe.

Leon, s. lion, 109; Leone, pl. lions,
3849, 3902.

Leopardes, pl. leopards, 5084, 5140,
5438; Leopard, 4793.

Lepis (Lepys), pl. leaps, dances,
1761; (Lepys), 791*.

Lepros, adj. leprosus, 4593.

Leve, v. learn, 36, 4582 (see note to
this line); ger. 621; Leros, pr. s.

learns, 629; Leros, pr. s. teaches,
4551; Lerid, pt. pf. taught, 36;
Lerid, pr. s. learned, instructed,
653; Lerid, learned, 3732; (Lerid),
learnt, 765*. Properly
'to teach'; but frequently mis-
used.

Lero, s. face, 379. A. S. Mér.

Lero, pl. lessons, 3759. See Laro.

Lee, adj. loss, 1065, 4228.

Lee, adj. comp. less, 472.

Lee (for Lest), lost, 732. The
Dublin MS. has lost.

Lecards, pl. lizards (probably croco-
diles), 3573.

(Leso); see Leson.

Lensis (Leyssas), Lysisas, 834;
(Lyses), 866.

Lessing, a. lessing, lying, 4362;
legend, fiction, 4. The use of
this word in 1, 4 is very remark-
able, as it usually has a bad sense.
Lesis (Lesso), pr. s. abides, 2306.

(Lesso), adj. less, 1596.

Lesson, pr. s. 2 p. subj. lesson, take
away, 6368.

Lest, adj. least, 3301, 3643, 3908;
Lesto, 5127.

(Lest), adj. least, 2546.

Lest, evg. least, 2141, 4167; (Lest),
1372, 1981.

Lesten, ger. to listen, 523; At listen,
to listen to, 4309; Listen, ger. 8;

Listen, v. listen to, 3467; Listen,
v. hearken to, 4942.

(Let), ger. to let, 750; Letis, pr. s.
ref. behaves, accounts himself,
1726; Lete, pt. s. let, 750, 1828;
made, 491; behaved, 612; Lete,
pt. pf. let, 5; Let, pp. permitted,
2192; Lete, imp. s. cease, let go,
5332; Let, 3 p. let, 1497; Letis
(Letto), vapor, pl. 2 p. let ye,
588; Letis (Let), let, 1800. A. S.
letan.

Let (Let), v. hinder, let, 1781;

Letis (Lettes), pr. s. hinders,
2807, 4065, 4847; Let, 2 pr. pf.
4418; (Let), pt. pf. delayed, 801.

Letore, a. bed (lit. litter), couch,
4910.

Letis, v. listen to, 4470. A bad
spelling of *lithe*; see Litho, Lythe.

Cf. the Lat. text—"facias ut ex
audient preces tuas."

Leth., a. alleviation, healing, cure,
4520; See *Lith* in Glos. to
Havelock.

Lethire, adj. evil, wretched, 3548;
(Lether), cowardly, 2445; wicked,
2362; Lethir, vile, 3732; Lejär
(Lether), wicked, 840. A.S. *ligr*.

Lethiry, adj. shamefully, 2791;
(Ledertry), badly, ill, 2376; Leth-
iry (Letherly), wickedly, 1465.
See *Lithirly*.

Lett., a. hindrance, 118.

Letter, a. letters, reading, 624, 644;
Letter (Letter), letter, 1463, 1719,
1806; Letters, pl. letters, 201
(Letters), 1170, 1868, 1995, 2010;
Letters, 5100; Letters, 5439.

Lettreure (Lettre), a. story, 2170.

Lettrid, oft. lettered, learned, 199;
Lettrid (Lettred), 2241.

Lewe, a. leave, 1193; Lewes, 4988; leave
off, 1744; (Lefe), 2149, 3080;

Lewe (Leven), ger. 1258; Lewe
(Lefe), 1 pr. a. leave, 2959;

Lewe, pr. & 1047, 4349; 4264 (no
which line see the note); Lewes
(Leufs), 2486; he (God) grants,
2568; (Lewe), 1283; Lewys
(Luffy), 2887; Lewes, pr. pl. leave,
885; remain behind, 3750;

Lewe (Leffe), leave, 2302.

Lewe, a. leave, 351, 766, 899, 1012,
2028; Be yours (you) leave, by
your leave, 1680, 1681, 3465;
departure, 1693.

Lewe (Lefe), c. live, 2814, 3171;

Lewe, ger. 933; Lewes, pr. a. lives,
1722, 4284; (Leue), 880; Length,
p. 281, l. 66; (Loun), p. 320;

Lewand, pres. part. living; Lewand
of lyne, living in life, living alive
(botanical), 2877.

Lewe, ger. to believe in, 5502; Lewe,
1 pr. a. believe, 1781, 3588, 3715;

Leweys (Lewe), 2 pr. a. 1760;

Leweys, 2 pr. pl. believe, expect,
4432; (Lewe), 2 pr. a. subj. mayest
believe, 1986; (Leweys), pr. pl.
subj. may believe, 2868 (mensus
for the singular); Lewed, 1 pr. a.
believed (myself), 3282; Lewed,
1 pt. a. expected, 3874.

Lene, adj. dear, 4, 287, 578, 697,
4882; Lene (Leys), adj. or ab.
sir, lit. dear one, 2688.

Lenefall, adj. lawful, permissible,
1674.

Lenell, a. level, 3261.

Lenely, afe, dearly, with welcome,
4949. See *Lene*, adj.

Lesser, afe, rather, 1463.

Leones, pl. leaves (of a book), 5075;
leaves, 3857, 5000. See *Lefe*, and
Leuya.

Lesis, adj. rather, 4947.

Lesis, a. liver, 4606.

Leisure, ger. to deliver, 3718; Leised,
pp. delivered, 5544.

Leuyng, a. living, manner of living,
4222.

Leuys, pr. a. leaves, 77, 135; Leuysd,
pt. a. left, 148.

Leuys, pr. pl. leaves, 3666, 4145. See
Leues.

Leuys, pr. pl. live, 4542; Lexyand,
pres. pt. 5287. See *Lene*.

Lewis, pr. a. becomes warm, 4374.

Leuge. See *Lege*.

Legs, pr. & 1 p. lie, tell falsely, 314.

Legt, s. 4980. Evidently a misspelling;
and probably an error for
legt—length, a spelling which
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Mede, *a.* meed, reward, 1092, 3191, 4534, 5226; ransom, 3120; *Wirschip to mede, honour for your reward*, 3423; Medis, *pl.* (Mede, *a.*), rewards, 2428.

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Mede, *Media*, 38, 4843, 5105; (Medy), 2528, 3107; Medi, 1681.

Medill, *adj.* middle, 315.

Medilmost, *adj.* superl. middlemost, 5023.

Medis, *pl.* Medes, 3644, 3969, 5312, 5632.

Medy, Media, 2583, 3616.

Mecmes (Mensy *pt.*), 2 *pr. s.* be-monest, lamentest, 2741. A.S. *mefnum*.

Meere, *a.* mere, 3921; Meiris (*Merry*), *pl.* 2363.

Meere, *a.* boundary, 5058; limit allotted period, 5024.

Meere, *a.* mere, lake, 4093.

Meeve, *ger.* to move, 5292.

Magire (Meger), *adj.* *as a.* meagre-nesse, famine, 1164.

Meko, *adj.* meek, humble, 1747.

Meko, *ger.* to humble (*himself*), 1746; Meko (Mekyn), *imp. a.* humble, render meek, 2838.

Mekoly, *adv.* weekly, 816, 1947, 2098.

Mekoly (for Mekilly), *adv.* largely, 3621. (Or an error for *medely*, meedly).

Mekill, *adj.* great, 396, 927, 3313; great, 437; Mekil, great, 69; (Mykyl), great, 1947; Mekil quas, many things of various kinds, 130 (see the note), 5468.

Mekill, *s. much* (see the note), 4327.

Mekill, *adv.* much, 208, 464, 513, 659; (Mykyl), 897.

Mekilla, *error for Mekill*, *adj.* much, 4310.

Mekily (Mekely), *adv.* meekly, 1689.

Mekenes (Mekenes), *a.* meekness, 3286.

Meli, *ger.* to speak, tell, 147, 5120; Melis (Melles), *pr. a.* 2 *p.* speaks, 2911; Melis (Mellys), *pr.* speaks, 2078, 2933; Melid, *pp.* spoken, told, 5113. A.S. *swian*.

Mellinger, 1195, 1201, 1217, 1237, &c.

Mell (Melle), *ger.* to meddle, 735; to contend, fight with, 1743; (Mell), intercessor, 1989; Mellis, *pr. s. cohabit*, 5430. O.F. *meñer*.

Mellis, *pr. a.* tells, speaks, 4310; (Mellys), 2 *pr. s.* tollet, 729. (Bodily speech; read *media, medys*; but see further examples *s.v.* *Mede*).

Mellis, *pl.* mallets, 4100.

(Melyn), *mell*, 3082; Mellis, *pr. s.* 2899.

Membrie, *s. member* (of the body, limb, 4493; Membris, *pl.* 4328, 4496).

Memory, a. remembrance, 1118.

Men, *pl.* men, people, 49, 88, 90, 147, &c.

Membris (for Membria), *pl.* limbs, members, 3806, 4513, 4544; (Membrys), 2552; (Membris), 771*.

Mendid, *pp.* mended, improved, made more fit, 464.

Mens, *ger.* to mean, signify, 473, 3389; to signify, to say, 4944; Mens, *pr. s. 1 p.* mean, 2740; Mens [*as*], 315.

Mens, *adj.* mean, poor; Al be þe metre bett menne — although the metre be but mean, 3464.

Mens quyle (Meyne quyle), mean while, 905; (Meynne tyme), 1163.

Mene, *a.* mean, moderate state, the golden mean, 4591.

Menes (Meyner), *adj.* comp. meane, lesser, 1267.

Menes (Menne), *pr. pl.* ref., bemoan themselves, lament, 2154; Meny, *pl.* ref., complained, bemoaned themselves, 3489. A.S. *menan*.

Mensem, *adj.* superl. meanest, 3332. (This sense is inappropriate; prob. an error for *meist* — fittest; or for *meanest* — chiefest.)

Menseyne (Meynay), a. household, 3120; (Meyns) multitude, 1586; Menepe (Meynep), followers, army, 2629; company, 1597. O.F. *menes*.

(Meng), 1 *pr. a.* call to mind, 2505. See P. *Flower*.

Menska, *s. honour, respect*, 1237, 1746, 4492 (see the note), 5226; *miswifven Menske*, 1746.

Menska, *s. honour*, 5342; Menskil, *pp.* 4591.

Menskfull, *adj.* honourable, 2933. (Menskfully), *adv.* honorably, 737*.

Mony, *a.* company, 5420; (Mony), 2219; train, 823*. See *Monyne*.

Monyne, *pr. s. messa*, 253; (Mony), *pr. pl.* tell, relate, 1615; Menyd, *pt. s. meant*, 2292.

Merche, *a.* marches, borders, 4324. See *Marchia*.

Mercure, Mercury, 4535.

Mercy, mercy, 816.

Mere, *a.* mere, lake, 3853.

Merey, *adv.* merrily, pleasantly, 4769.

Meri, *adj.* merry, 1179; (Merty), 2235.

Meriot, *adj.* superl. merriest, joy-fallest, 2438.

Moris (Marc), *pl.* marches, frontiers, boundaries, 1200. See *Mores*.

Merke, *s. mark*, 4631; note, 2113; boundary, 1108; (*Merke*), 684. Merke, darkness, 374. Merke, reach, attain, 5404; Merkid, *pt. pl. marked*, *e. cut down deeply, penetrated*, 3674; Merkid, *pp. marked*, 318, 3223; (*Merkyd*), 2636; (*Merkyd*), made, 1130.

Merote, *s. merit*, desert, 5233. Meris, *pl. boundaries*, 211. Put for Meris, which see.

Merry, *pp. merrid, harmed*, 325. Mervalled *Jam* (*Amervald Jaime*), *et. pl. were astonished*, 1615; Mervalled *Jam* (*Mervaletd*), 897; Mervayled (*Mervayuled*), *pp. astonished*, 3218.

Mervall, *s. a marvel*, 549; (*Mervell*), 1245; Mervall, 1061; Mervall, 318; (*Mervell*), 1164; (*Mervayle*), 7719; Mervale, 565, 1814; Mervall, 3232. Mervalvous (*Mervalous*), *adj. marvellous*, 2864.

Mery, *adj. misery*, 2740; pleasing, bright, 2854. Meryly, *adv. merrily*, 3862. Mesopotamie (*Mesopotamian*), Mesopotamia, 2528; Mesopotamie, 2529; Mesopotamye, 5664; Mesopotamy, 88. Messagione, Macedon, 455, 481, 2014; (*Mission*), 913; Messandon, 143; Messedoms, 1255; (*Masydon*), 685; (*Masidone*), 1989, 2002, 2126; (*Masydon*), 762, 1625, 1785, 2033; Messedoyne, 211, 306, 1572; Messidoyne, 228.

Messedoms (*Messidons*), *pl. Messedoms*, 234, 1341; Messedoms (*Masydons*), 1223, 1265, 1279, 1434; Messedoms, 2040; Messedoyne (*Massidons*), 1179. Message, *a. message*, 1257, 3419. Messenger (*Messenger*), *a. messenger*, 1630; Messenger, *error for Messagers, plural (see the Dublin MS.)*, messenger, 2403.

Messengere (*Messenger*), *a. messenger*, 2911; (*Messengere*), 2235; (*Messenger*), 1851; Messangies (*Messangere*), *pl. messengers*, 897, 905, 1814.

Messelyne, *s. needin*, a kind of brass, 4583. A.B. needling. Metise (*Mister*), need, 1774. See mister in Cath. Angliorum.

Measure, *a. measure*, 25, 1374; Out of measure, beyond measure, 3056.

Mete, *ger. to meet* (*i. e. to meet and pass each other*), 1524; to meet, 774, 1512; Mete, *to meet*, 325; Metis, *pr. s. meets*, 455, 770, 1061; (*Mete*), 926, 1210; Metis on, meets with, 4531; Metis (*Metyl*), 1 pr. 1948; Metis, *pr. pl.* 796, 3598; Mett, *pt. s. met*, 1429; 1 pt. *pl.* 3510; *pt. pl. found (for him)*, 5469; Mete, 2 *pr. s. subj.* 1881.

Mete, *ger. to measure*, 1250; Metis, *pr. s. measures* (*this way*), goes, proceeds, 143, 455, 4803; Meten, *pp. measured out, completed*, 3858; fulfilled, come, 544, 5058; (*Metyl*), measured, 1108; gone, 1209.

Mete, *s. meat*, 4435; meat food, 464 (see the note); food, 748*; Metis, *pt. food*, 4607. Metelles (*Metelesco*), *adj. as a want of provisions*, 1164. Better read metelot, *sh. — A.B. metelast*. Meth, *s. moderation*, 816, 1981; hence, Methe, pity, 147; mercy, 4324. A.B. mofe. See Meche.

Metire, *s. metre*, 3464.

Metis, *pr. s. ryf. dreams*, 422. A.B. metira.

Mett, *s. dimension*, 25.

(Metyl), *pr. pl. mett*, 770, 796.

Metyl, *pp. measured, fulfilled, fully come*, 374. See Mete, *s.*

Meve, *s. move*, 1589; Movis (*Mefis*), *pr. s. moves, comes*, 1951; Movis him (*Mefos*), moves, 2033; Mene, *pr. pl. 2 p. move*, 2382; Menet (*Mefod*), *pt. s. 1 p. moved*, 2331; Mewyd (*Mevyed*), *pt. s. 3200*; Menand, *pres. pt. moving*, 2816, 3893.

Mew (*Mefo*), *imper. s. 2 p. move, remove*, 1785. See above.

Meyhe, *error for Meynde or Meyns*, 2 troop, host, army, 3604, 3619, 5425. See Menehye.

(Maynyd), *pt. pl. bemoaned*, 1265. See Mene.

Mephe (*Meynhe*), *a. company, band*, 1269; (*Meyne*), 2084. See Mencyhe.

Mis (*My*), *pres. my*, 2150, 2289.

Miebare, *s. traitant, petty thief*, 3541.

Miche, *adj. much*, 5602; (*Much*), great, 2369.

(Michefe), *s. misery*, 1774.

Middle-erth, middle earth, the world, 5525.

(Might), *s. might*, 816, 1981.

Mikille, *adj. great*, 5530.

Mild, *adj. as s. mild one*, 5097, 5118.

Milk-quitte, *adj. white as milk*, 1579, 3776, 4538, 5168.

Milt, *written as o contraction for thousand*, 2685, 3071, 3738.

Minnow, Minverys, 4530.

Minister (*Myster*), *a. servant*, 2911; Ministris, *pl. servants*, 1557.

Ministre, *s. govern*, 1738.

Ministracion, *s. service*, 3554.

Miracle, wonder, 5602.

Mirk, *adj. dark*, 2042, 3851, 4077; (*Merk*), 3056; Mirk, 4803.

Mirre, *s. myrrh*, 4809, 4975, 5468.

Mirth, *s. pleasure*, 1853, 4378; Mirths, *posts*, 4367.

Mirths, *s. make misery*, 5342.

Mischife (*Mischofe*), *mischief, mishap*, 1163.

Miseric, *s. servitude*; *si miseric*, servitude to thee, 3550; misery, 1774.

Misaying, *s. want, lack*, 4595.

Miste (*Mysyd*), *pt. pl. missed*, 1343.

Mistris, *pr. s. Vs. misritis, there is needful for us*, 4281. See Misrite.

Mitre (*Myster*), *s. mitre*, 1541.

Mist, *s. power, control*, 3306; might, 307; Mires, *pl. powers*, 115; Mipis (*Mighter*), *pt. pl. powers*, 1657; strength, 1226; feats of strength, 1403.

Mioneth, month, 4533; Mionethis, *pl. months* (*error for Moneth, s. month*), 6629.

Montayne (*Mountane*), mountain, 1085, 2669; Montayne, *pt. 3862*, 5097.

Monte, mountain, 5058; Montis, *pl. 6117 (see l. 5097)*. See Monte.

1491, 5492; (*Mightfull*), 2040, 2059; (*Mightfull*), 3424; Mizifull (*Mightfull*), *adj. mighty*, 1201; (*Mightfull*), 1420.

Mizif, (*Mighty*), *adj. mighty*, 1089; Mizif, *adj. superl. mightiest*, 3722; (*Mightiest*), 1241.

(Mfo), *more in number*, 2084.

Mocian, i.e. Ocean, 2540. See note.

Mode, *s. mood*, 3546.

Mold, *adj. see Mod*.

Modis, *a. mother*, 551; (*Modis*), 2002; (*Modis*), 827, 855, 2017; Modir (*Modis*), 2033; Modira, 609; Modira, *per. mother's*, 559.

Modis, *mother's son*, i.e. every man, 4326, 4402; Modis-son (*Modison*), 1379, 1429, 2038, 2592; Modisons, *pl. mothers' sons*, 2432.

Mody, *adj. brave, bold*, 1195, 2078, 3327; Modi, 2028, 1114; Modis, 215, 704, 3539; proud, 704.

Mogile, *s. heap of corn*, 4344. E. more.

Mold, *s. earth, ground*, 550, 1130, 3120, 3141, 3267; To mold being bury, 3310.

Molle, *s. labour, mold*, 628; labour, trouble, 4446.

Mon, *pr. s. 1 p. most*, 691, 707; *pr. s. mass*, 1502, 3352; will, 2258; Mon, *2 pr. pl. most*, 4565. Icel. mass.

Monead, *pr. pt. bemoaning, sorrowful*, 1114.

Mone, *s. moon*, 281, 3862, 4077.

Mone-tree, moon-tree, 5010.

Monestia, *pr. s. admonishes, charges, warns, bids*, 2392; (*Monyshit*), *pt. s.*, 1739; Monest (*Monyshit*), *pt. s. admonished*, 3127; Monest (*Monyshyt*), 1173; (*Monyshyd*), 2322.

Moneth, month, 4533; Monethis, *pl. months* (*error for Moneth, s. month*), 6629.

Montayne (*Mountane*), mountain, 1085, 2669; Montayne, *pt. 3862*, 5097.

Monte, mountain, 5058; Montis, *pl. months* (*error for Moneth, s. month*), 6629.

Mazy, adj. many, 2126, 3776; (Many), adj. great, 927, 955, 1249. Mazy, adv. more, 322, 786*. Morewane, s. morning, 4762. See More. More, s. morning, morrow, 350, 430, 564, 1114, 1353, &c. Morne-quile (Morne-while), s. morning-season, but prob. an error for Mene quile, mean season, 2771. Morsels (Morsells), pl. morsels, pieces, 1268. Morsure, a. biling, 4088. Morth (Morte), death, murder, 1279. Moazdry, a. indolence, idle dreaming, 4486. "Muardis, a muse, dump, stupid, dreamy; a pause, delay, lingering;" Cotgrave. Mose, e. muse, 333. See above, and see Muses. Most, odd, most, 808*. Mot (Most), musl, 1773; Mote, pr. pf. 2 p. may, 1834. Mote, a. building, castle, 3832, 4333; palace, 3218, 3334, 5602. "Motte, a clod, little hill, a fit seat for a fort or strong house; (hence) also, such a fort or house (of earth);" Cotgrave. E. mose. Mote, ger. to discuss, dispute, 5120. E. most.

Move (Meso), s. move, 1889; Mone (Meso), 1967; Mous, pr. s. moves, 5420; Mous, (Moses), 1201; Movis, pr. pl. (Mofyd, pt. pl.), move, 2408 (read messengers, pl.); (Moved), pt. s. 2032; Moved (Anmoved), pp. moved to anger, 1217; Moves, imp. pf. 2 p. move, go, 5048.

Mount, s. mountain, 4898; Mountle, pl. 5063. See Monte. Mountane, s. mountain, 4787; Mountey[n]s (Montaneus), 1967. Mournes (Murnes), pr. s. mours, 1136, 2029; pr. pf. 1285, 1341. Mourning (Munying), s. mourning, 1853.

Mouth, s. mouth, 321, 495; Mouth, 245, 304; Mouthis, pl. 4429. (Mouthed), pt. s. tte, 748*. Mopt (Mot), pr. s. subj. may, 1605, 1607, 1608; Mott (Mygt), pt. s. might, could, 3412.

(Moch), adj. great, 927, 955, 1249. Mould, perhaps for Mult; plur. moulde — \ddot{m} melt, thy toll, 4535. Cf. M. E. wadure, fer or toll for grinding corn. But the Lat. text has swells, which the translator perhaps misread or misunderstood. Cotgrave has the F. spelling moudre, which he explains by "moultre grist." The proper sense of mould is mould or earth; see below.

Mulde, s. mould, earth, 25. Mulus (Malex), pl. mulles, 2453. Multitude, s. 69, 104, 227. Munster, 1173. The simplest correction is to read minister, i.e. servant. The sense is—He (Alexander) admonished him (Judas) as being his (Judas') servant. The Ashmole MS. has—He (Alexander) admonished him (Judas) as being his (Judas') master; which comes to precisely the same thing.

(Murmard), pres. pt. mourning, 1114. Muscles, pl. mousels, 5469.

Moses, pr. s. 2 p. thinkst, 3551; Muse, 2 pr. pl. meditate, 268; Mused (Mysyd), 1. pt. s. mused, 1629.

Mouses (Myses), pl. mouses, 2113. Musike, music, 2238; (Musik), 2118.

(Must), pr. s. must, 707, 1502, 1927. Mustoar, pl. dialls, clocks, 130. From O.F. mouster, to show; lit. "showers, pointers;" cf. F. montre, orig. the hand of a watch or clock; Ital. mostra, "a watch or a dial of the sun;" Florio.

My, my, 250, 270; (Myne), 1724.

Myday, s. mid-day, 564, 4769.

Mydieset, adj. superl. os s. midst, 5396.

Mydiss, s. midst, 3501.

Mydiss' le way (in myd way), midway, in the midst of his journey, 1061.

Myd-fild (Myd-feld), mid-field, 955.

Mydill (Medyl), adj. middle, 1108.

Mydnijt, s. midnight, 4077.

Myd-on-wnidene, the middle of the period succeeding 'unders,' 3853.

Mydnamere, Midsummer; Mydsomere even, Midsummer eve, 3698.

Myld, adj. mild, gracious, 234; ns. ns. mild ones, 235. See Mild.

Myle, s. mile, 1209; I may a myle knowe, I can tell a mile off, 3286; Mylis, pl. 2403.

Mylk-quyte (Milke-whitte), adj. milk-white, 1498. See Milke-quite.

Myllestane, a. millstone, 5525.

Myn, ger. to mention, relate, 565; (Mene), 2782; (Meyn), to take heed of, notice, relate, record, 1690; Myn, v. remember, record, 583; 1 pr. s. call to mind, speak of, 2506; Mynnys, pr. s. 2 p. mentioned; Mynes, pr. s. reminds, 4613; (Monya), remembers, 2256; Myna, pr. s. intends (to go), 4787; (Mynes) (Monya), pr. ref. I remember, 1625; Me mynes, I remember, 271 (where the Dublin MS. has me of mynes, i.e. people relate of him); Mynes (Meyns), pr. pl. tell, record, 1249; Mynnes, pr. remembered, 1094; Mynes, imp. pl. remember ye, 3474.

Myn, adj. a. mid, 738; remembrance, 1094, 1118; mention, 583; Myn, attention, 239; memory, 437, 1884; remembrance, 205; recalling (of facts), 1245; in gret mynd, in a. great mind, 1254; Out of mynde, beyond memory, hence countless, 3018; (For to mynd), as I can remember, 3018. Myndics, adj. mindless, stupefied, 5399.

Myne, past pres. mine, my, 354, 498, 582, 668, 684; Myn, 1883, 1912; Myne, i.e. my (rules), 2519.

Myness (Myynn), pr. pl. mine, pente, dig, 3141.

Mynesch, v. diminish, be diminished, 2622.

Mynistris (Ministers), pl. ministers, servants, 1267.

Mynstre (Mynster), minister, temple, 2174, 4353; Mynstre, 1564. Mynnis, pr. s. points, 1089; (Myn-

yd), pt. s. pointed, 1089. A.S. myndan.

Mynrour, s. mirror, 3285.

Myrys (Mires), pl. marshes, bogs, lit. mires, 2896.

Mys, pl. mice, 3192; Myse, 1762. Mysches, a. mischance, misfortune, 339, 3646; Myscheffe (Mischieff), trouble, 2782.

Myscyle, myself, 183, 258, 537; (My-selue), 1976; (My-seluen), 291.

(Myses), 2 pr. s. missest, art in the wrong, 2649; Mysid, pt. pl. missed, 149.

Myster (Mister), need, necessity, 1462. See Master.

Mysters, pr. s. e. is needful, 5117. See Master.

Myste, s. mite, 4426.

Myster, mite, 1589.

Mystl, 1. pt. s. might, 68, 415, &c.; (Might), 1. pt. s. 1629.

Mystles, pl. powers, 615.

Mystly, adj. mighty, 315.

Na, adj. no, 51, 52, 160, 180, 182; &c.; Na mare, no more, 829; Na ma, 820; Nalanger, no longer, 830; Na nothre, for Nan otherwise, nothing else, 364, 1683; Na way, no way, 341.

Nahicanda, Nahicardon, 5614.

Nahir, a. projecting point of a hill, near, 5494. Cf. Nas Sour, near Grassmere.

Nacion, nation, 923; Nacions, pl. 449.

Nad, pt. a. had (he) not, 1462.

Nalfe, ger. to use, enjoy, 4341. Icel. segla, to use, enjoy. See Naytes.

Nakens, imp. pl. 2 p. make bare, 4959. See sakis in Stratmann.

Nakid, adj. naked, 4043; Naked, 4026; Nakid, stripped (bare), 4756; adj. as s. naked part of the body, 4182.

Nakin, no kind; Nakin metall, no metal, 4583. See the note.

Name, name, 79, 619, 993; To name, as a name, 2734; Names (Names), pl. 1591.

Namely, adv. in particular, especi-

ally, 582; 4791; precisely, 233; (Nemely), especially, 2011. Namely, *ods*, (*verre* for Manely — mainly or mainly), 1033. Name, *ods*, none, no one, 45, 52, 74; (not) any, 3935; no, 989; (None), not at all, 1148. Names: For *je* names, for the nonce, occasion, 3592, 4729, 5276, 5522; (For *je* honest), 3021; For *je* names (names), 1945. Nany; A nany, *for An any, erroneously written for Any*, any, 4919. (The right reading clearly is — Or any [curious] clause, &c.) Naples, 5672.

Nappill; A nappill, an apple, 4777. Narave (Arrow); arrow; A narave — an arrows, 1066. Narowly, *ods*, with difficulty, 1370. Nase, *a*, nose, 4519; Nase, 4634. Na-ping (Nothing), nothing, 735. Nabu, name (cf. Boile in the Lat. text), 5494. See note to 1. 5497. Natur, nature, 4027; (Nature), *a*, natural power, 3579.

Name, navy, fleet, 67, 76; (Navy), ships of war, 1169; ship, 3376. Name, *pr. pl.* have not, 1876. Nameours, *ods*, men of Navare, 5672. (Nameus); *je* name — *pin awne*, thine own, 1356.

Nayr, *ods*, say, 2598, 470, 1016, 5405; (Nay), *as*, a refusal, 1460.

Naylif (Naylf), *ods*, named, 3376.

Nayted (Nataly), *ods*, quickly, 2896; (Nataly), 828*. The lit. sense is “useful”; Icel. *næyt*, good, fit for use.

Naytos (Nates), *pr. s.* employs, 2518; employs himself, sets about, beginning, 2968; Nayto, 2 *pr. pl.* use, 4605; Naytos (Naytes), *osp. pl.* use, employ, 2468. Icel. *segtu*. See Naito.

No, *ods*, not, 710; nor, 46, 52, 74, 86. No, *ods*, nearly, 539. Well we, very nearly.

Nebb, face, 807, 3940, 4519. Necessary, necessary, 125.

Necke (Nekke), *s.* neck, 3251. Neddris, *s.* under, snake, 4757, 5526; Neddris, *pl.* 3865, 4090, 4200, 5422, 5565.

Nede, *ods*, needs, of necessity, 3274; (Nedes), 2309.

Nede, *s.* need, peril, 2518; Nedis, *pl.* necessities, 3419. Nedill, *s.* needle, 4026.

Nedis, *pr. pl.* are needful, 125; Nedid, *pr. pl.* were necessary, 3823.

Nedis (Nedes), *pr. pl.* compel, urge, 1819.

Neg, *in phr.* A neg — an eg, i.e. an egg, to the value of an egg, 676.

(Negr), *ods*, nigh, nearly, 1370, 2153.

Neghia, *pr. s.* approaches, 4791; Neghes, 3901.

Nekard (Neker), mean person, niggard, 1743.

Neka, *s.* neck, 3236; Nek (Nekke), 2777; (Nek), 807; Nekis (Nekky), *pl.* necks, 2339; (Nokes), 1812.

(Nekyd), *pp.* denied, 1460. Cf. Icel. *nesta*, to deny. See Nyk.

(Nemomyss), *isp. pl.* name, 2468. Nemellus, *pl.* chameles (?), 3671.

Nemyl (Nemyl), *ods*, nimble, quick, 1065. From Icel. *nema*, to take, A.S. *niman*.

Nend; Ilka mend for Ilkan end, each end, 5649; A nende, an end, 4860.

Nenorad; A nerad — an erand, an errand, a message, 1460.

(Nene), *odj.* near, 1161.

Nero, *ods*, near, closely, 1370; nearly, 400, 486, 1908, 2153, 3995.

Nero, *for Ne* were, were not, 2404. It means that the messengers had only gone a few miles before they alighted.

(Neschard), *ods*, nigh, nearly, 3055. Nero, *ods*, more nearly, 560.

Nest, *s.* nest, 566.

Nestild, *sd. s.* nestled, 566.

Nete, *pl.* nest cattle, 1227. Nethe, lower; To the netheward, downward, 5048.

Nethigloves, *s.* nether-glove, i.e. shoe-boot, 4959; Nethigloves (Lat. *caldescentes*), 2767.

Nettild (Nettilt), pp. settled, 737.

Nesen, ger. to tell, 4881; (Neyvn), to name, 2365; Neyvn, ger. to

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Obrede (Of brede), in breadth, of breadth, 2898.

Ocident, a. west, 1045.

Ocean, a. ocean, 5503; Oceans, 2328.

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Olimpades (Olimphades), 1840, 2008. See Olympades.

Olie, v. Oil, to triumph over, scorn, contemn, 1861. From A.S. oil, seom, contumely, only used in the pl. *swid* elice, which occurs twice; see Wulfstan's Sermons, ed. Napier, p. 164, l. 19, and Alföldi's Homilies, II. 16, l. 15. Olifot, afe, afe, 4889; O-loft (On-lofe), 358.

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Oper-comyn, pp. overcome, 10, 174.
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Oper-quelynys, pr. s. overwhelms, rolls over (said of the sea), 560.
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Parray, *a.* nobles, nobility, assembly of nobles, 4028. O.F. parroy, with the same sense as O.F. parage, rank, quality; see Roquemort.

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Pavement, (*Pavement*), pavement, 1517.

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Pawche, *s.* paunch, belly, 4536; Pawches, *pl.* 4435.

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Pees (Pesse), pear, 1041.

Pees (Pesse), the value of a pea, 2370.

Pegge (ve), *ger.* to stuff ourselves, 4278. Cf. mod. E. slang to peg away, i.e. to eat heartily; prov. E. *peck*, to eat.

Pelars, *s.* pillar, 4707, 5055; Pelars, *pl.* 5098.

Pellions, *pl.* pelicans, 5129.

Pellid, *pt. & best*, 117. See Pelle, to beat, in *Glos* to P. Plowman.

Pelloure (Peloutz), *a.* far, rich far, 2768; Pelour, 3393, 4036. See *pelour* in Jamieson.

Pelousine (Pelonous), *adj.* pelous, 3949. See Pelous.

Perle, *s.* pearl, 4036; Worth a perle, to the value of a pearl, 4331.

Perles, 3677; (*Perlic*), *pl.* 1653. (Perle), *a.* pearl, i.e. rush of water, used poetically for stream, wave, 1154. "Perl, to eddy, as a stream;" Halliwell.

Perlous, off. perlous, 5431. See Perlous.

Permeon, Parmeno, 1617, 2559, 3113; Permo (Permeos), Par-meno, 2581.

Perpetual, *adj.* perpetual, 3312.

Perill (Perier), *pl.* pearls, 1542. See Perill.

Perrou, error for Perer (as in the Dublin MS.), purer, 1536.

Perry (Perre), a precious stone, 1536. See *perry* in *Glos* to P. Plowman.

Peter-corns, pl. pepper-corns, 2095.

Pepill (Peple), *a.* people, 2223, 3208; nation, 3412; Peple, 1389. See Pupil.

Peniz, *s.* pepper, 5425; (Peper), 2026, 2074; (Piper), 2023.

Per es, off. peres, 4227.

Perfals, off. perfous, 520.

Perce, *s.* pierce, 3374; Percid, *pp.* 264; (Pensyd), 3378.

Perchement, *s.* parchment, 5142.

Perçynes (Peryens), gen. pl., Persian, 2885.

Perre, *a.* peer, equal, 347, 3009, 4905; peer, noble, 2026, 2054, 3113.

Peris, *pl.* peers, 72, 4295; Peris (Pers), peers, companions, 3033.

Peru, *s.* spear, 3379; Perid, *pt.* appeared, 5445. Short for *spear*.

Perse (Pair), for Pers, equal, 1723.

Perell, *s.* pearl, 2520.

Perell (Perle), pearl, 1888.

Peres, *2 pr. &* comparest thyself, thinkest thyself equal, 1842; Per, *pr. pt.* (ye) are like, 4703. See Per, *s.*

Peril, off. perfected, finished, 194.

Perill (Peril), pearl, 1783.

Perill (Perle), pearl, 1562.

Perisch (Perische), *ger.* to perish, 1165; Perische, *2 pr. pt.* perish, 3809; Perischit, *pp.* (for Perischit), perished, slain, 4170.

Perlaus (for Perlausos), *adj.* perlivous, 3949. See Perlous.

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Perri, *s.* pierce, 3374.

Perri-corns, pl. pepper-corns, 2095.

Pepill (Peple), *a.* people, 2223, 3208; nation, 3412; Peple, 1389. See Pupil.

Pers, Persia, 3240, 3309, 3616, 5109.

Pers, *s.* pl. peers, nobles, 3064, 3781,

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5166; (*Pers.*), 2267, 2759. See *Pers.*

Persayne, *s.* perceive, understand, 142; *Persayned*, *pd. s.* perceiv'd, 3298.

Perso, *ger.* to pierce, 4071; *v.* 3897;

Perso, 5557; *Perso*, *pp.* 3675.

Persoe, *Persia*, 170, 187, 207, 4843;

(*Pers.*), 2705; *Perso*, 175.

Persore, *pl.* *Persians*, 1638, 2099,

3481, 3806, 3968, 5312; *Pers-* *seyne*, 87.

Persore, *pl.* *Persians*, 3644.

Pershed, *pp.* pierced, 2657.

Persid, *pp.* pierced, 5158.

Persie (*Pers.*), *Persia*, 901.

Persor, *a.* person, outward appearance, 1704; person, 1552; figure, 8209.

Personele, *adj.* personal, 5142;

Personele, 618.

Persopole (*Persipoll.*), *Persopolis*, 2111.

Perry, *Persia*, 50, 74, 117, &c.;

(*Pers.*), 1716, 1869; (*Pers.*), 3161;

Perry la grant (*Perry le grand*, great Perry, 1737; *Perrye* (*Perry*), 1658, 1911.

Perry (*Perry*), Persian, 2665;

Peryna (*Persens*), *pl.* 2026, 2083;

(*Persens*), 2904; *Peryna*, Persian, 3185.

Peryn, *pr. pf.* pierce, 5560; *Peryd*, *pf.* 2617.

(*Pert.*), *adv.* openly, 2917; *So pert.*, *so openly*, quite publicly, 2295.

Pertyns, *ge.* *a.* pertains, 4309; *Pertyns* (*Pertynys*), *pr.* *pl.* 1772.

Perty, *adv.* openly, 255.

(*Perty*), *erres* for *Pouerty*, i.e. distress, 2156. See the *Ashmole MS.*

Petyk, for *Puryak*, a. porwinkle (flower), 4541.

"*Pertyss*, *Angr* *peryyan*," Wright's *Vocab.*

col. 692, l. 23.

Pet, *a.* peace, 3312, 3779, 3902,

4042; (*Pess.*), 3112; *Pess.* (*Pess.*), 2841, 3420; *Pesse* (*Pes.*), 2665.

Pesan, *a.* gorged, 4960. It occurs, spelt *peyne*, in the *allit. Morris Arthorne*; and, though left unexplained in the Glossary, is rightly explained in Halliwell's *Dictionary*.

ary (with a reference to that very passage) as "a gorget of mail or plate attached to the helmet." See also *peyne* in *Jamieson*.

Peso, *a.* pea; Charge of a pea, value of a pea, 408.

Pesid, *pt.* calmed, grew calm, 4159; *Pesad*, *pp.* pacified, appeased, 5379; *Peso*, *imp. a.* pacify, 5562.

Pete, *a.* pity, 5041; (*Pite*), 2240, 3235; (*Pite*), suffering, 1169.

(*Pete*), *adj.* little, lit. petty, 2925; *P. petit*.

Petmyle, *s.* piteously, miserably, 3620.

Philip, 397, 418, 434, 450, &c.; (*Philipp*), 891, 917; (*Philipp*), 884, 906; (*Philipp*), 2570; *Philips*, gen., 1788.

Philosophour, *s.* philosopher, 4219; *Philosopher* (*philosof*), 814*; *Philosophyre*, 434; *Philosophours*, pl. 2386.

Picard, *Picardy*, 5557.

Pickil, *pp.* pitched, 4298.

Pierc, *pr. eton*, 4566, 5270.

Pik, *a.* pitch, 4172, 5346.

Pike, *a.* peake, 4818.

Piktagares, *Pythagoras*, 46.

Pilage (*Pelage*), *s.* pillage, plunder, booty, 3179.

Pilar, *pl.* pillars, 5068, 5275.

Pigle (*Pople*), people, 1561. See *Pepill*.

Pirres, *pl.* long straight shoots or twigs, 4981. Northern E. pris., a. pin (*Halliwell*); A.S. *præs*, gloss to *flæta*, in Wright's *Vocab.* col. 103, l. 37. *Icel. præjan*, a knitting-pin. See *pærn* in *Jamieson*.

Piromancie, *a.* pyromancy, divination by means of fire, 4612.

Pire, *a.* precious stones, 4036;

jewellery, 3954; Of pire, adorned with precious stones, 4149. See *Perry*.

Pira, *pl.* peers, 5614. See *Pere*, *Pere*.

Pistilli, *a.* epistles, 1791, 3160, 3084; (*Pistell*), 1836, 1909, 1930; (*Pistyll*), 2026, 2065; *Pistilli* (*Pistell*), *pl.* letters, 3420; *Pistilli* (*Pistell*), 1801.

ary (with a reference to that very passage) as "a gorget of mail or plate attached to the helmet." See also *peyne* in *Jamieson*.

Pite, *a.* pity, sorrow for the dead, 3321; sorrow, 1286; (*Pite*), pity, 754; (*Pity*), misery, 2166.

Pist, *pt.* *a.* set up, erected (*fitt*, pitched), 4707, 5061; (*Pith*), pitched, 2180; (*Piss*), 2175; *Pist*, *pt.* *a.* subj. should pitch, 4584; *Pit*, *pp.* set, 3666; *set*, stuck, 5268; established, settled, 4320; brought, put, 3441; ornamented, 194; *Pig* (*Fight*), reared, 3135.

(*Pit*, *full*), *adj.* pitched full, filled, 2284.

Place, *a.* place, 194, 334, 355, 365; (*Place*), house, 362; *Place*, a house or residence; " Halliwell.

Plaid, *pp.* 164 bot plaid, did no more than plaid, merely played, 3947.

Planet (*Planett*), *a.* planet, 682; *Planettis*, *pl.* *Planetis*, 4172.

Plangi, *pt.* *pl.* plangid, 4130. See *Plunge*.

Plair, *adj.* flat, 4138. Cotgrave has *planier*, *flat*, as well as *plair*. *Plank*, *a.* plank, 3740.

Plant, *pp.* planted, set, 3146, 5656; (*Plantyd*), 1654.

Plants, *pl.* plants, trees, 4295.

Plate, *s.* (*gold*) plate, 3763; (*Platte*), plate, 1590; *Platis*, *pl.* plates (*of gold*), 4894; plates, 3659; *Platis* (*Plates*), armour-plates, plate-armour, 2214; *Platis* (*Plater*), plates, plate-armour, 1247, 2450; *Plates*, 911, 917; (*Plates*), 1378; (*Playholes*), 1213.

Plates, *Plates*, 2297.

Plate-robes, *pl.* robes made of plates of gold, 5269.

Plate-workis, *pl.* works of plate, plated work, 3223.

Plato, *Plato*, 46.

Ply, *ger.* to play, 1772, 5053; to play, to see the (Corinilian) games, 2267; *Playe* (*Play*), *v.* *Play*, 1929; With to play (for the child) to play with, 1712; *Playd*, *pt.* a. amused herself, 4416.

Play, *s.* game, amusement, 2284, 8228*.

Playn, *adj.* level, flat, 4138, 4375, 4818; (*Playne*), plain, revealed, 1099; (*Plane*), clear, free, unin-

peded, 3417; *Playn*, plain, whole, 5402.

Playn, *a.* plain, 2160, 2655; *Playnes*, *pl.* 1198, 1210, 4225.

Playnely (*Playny*), *adv.* evidently, plainly, 1654, 1898; *Playny*, 3764; (*Playny*), 1791.

Playntes, *pr. a.* complaints, 2312 (the Dublin MS. has *playnetty*, corruptly); *Playn* (*Playny*), *pl.* *pl.* complained, 1698; *Playndre*, to plane; " Cotgrave.

Playntis, *pl.* complaints, 1791. *P.* *plainte*.

Plide (*Plate*), *s.* plead, debate, 2861; *Plide* (*Pledyn*), *2 pr.* *pl.* plead, declare, 1893.

Plegg, *&* *pledge*, 1783, 3514.

Plonic, *a.* plenty, 1852, 1888, 2167; (*Plony*), *pr. a.* laments, 729*. See *Playnely*.

Ploughing, *a.* pleasure, 3382; *Pleasant*, 3162.

Plesse, *ger.* to please; The word with *plese* to please, to please the world with, 4598; (*Please*), 1180; *v.* 2275; *Ples*, *pr. a.* *plese*, 2386; *Plesca*, 4368; *Please*, *for* *Plesis*, *pr. a.* *pleases*, i.e. it pleases us (to regard them) no longer, 3569; *Ples*, *2 pr.* *pr. a.* *pleasest*, 2719; *Pleso*, *pr. a.* *subj.* may please, 355; *Pless*, *pp.* 593.

Plotoun, *s.* fighting-men, lit. *pleaders*, 1731. " *Plot*, suts, controversies;" Cotgrave.

Playng, *pres. pp.* *pleading*, *p.* 281, l. 18.

Playnes, *pr. a.* *laments for*, 4052; complain, *pleads*, 5369; *refl. laments*, 399; *Playnes* (*Playne*), *pr. a.* *complaints*, 1147; (*Playnes*), *laments*, 972; *Playnis*, *pr. a.* *refl. laments*, 1169; *Playnys* (*Playns*), *laments*, 1286; *Playn*, *pr. a.* *I lament*, 4370; *Playne* (*Playny*), 2156; *Pleynd*, *pl.* *a.* lamented, 4204.

Playnya, *pr. a.* *laments*, 1296. See *Playna*.

Plied, *pp.* (*with ouir*), overlaid, 5269. " *Plier*, to fold, plain, *ply*, bend, bow;" Cotgrave.

(*Plight*), *s.* peril, 1783. See *Plift*.

Plié, *s.* plighted, and state, 2636; state, condition, 635; way, manner, 4042; (*Plié*), condition, 1165. A word of French origin, and quite distinct from the word below. See Supplement to my Etymological Dictionary, *s. v.* *Flight* (3); and see *Plyte*.
Plié, *s.* danger, 4682, 4951. A.S. *pliht*. See *Flight*.

Plukis, *imp.* *pl.* *p.* *pluck*, 5445.

Plunge, *s.* pool, place to plunge into, 5546.

Plyes, *pr.* *s.* spreads, lit. folds, 1517. See *Plied*.

Plytic, plighted, condition, state, 305. See *Plié*.

Ponmid, *pt.* *pt.* secured, 5546.

Poissi, *s.* poesy, poetry, 4612. (*Bitter* poise or poesie.)

Polidopennosa, Peloponnesus, 825*, 2375; Polidopennous, 1677.

Poliisch, *s.* polish, 4427; Polischit, *pp.* 5129; Polischid (Polysyph), polished, 3223.

Poli (Polle), poll, head, person, 1497; Polis, *pl.* heads, men, 3069.

Polis, *pl.* poles, 3028. (*The Ashmole MS.* has *poles*.)

Pond, *s.* pound, 5470; Pond, *pl.* 5474; Pond (Pond), *pl.* 2397.

Poppil (Pogil), *s.* people, 2854, 2930.

Pogalando (Pogaland), *adj.* rushing, foaming, bubbling, 1154. "Poppe to bubble up, North;" Hallidie, "Poppe, to bubble up, pur, ripple;" Jamieson.

Pore, *adj.* poor, 1661, 4021.

Porfure (Purple), *s.* purple, 1824.

Porris, *pr.* *pl.* thrust, push, 5560. "To porre in; vide thrust, and stife;" Barret's Alvearie (1580), § 579.

Porris, Porris, 3162, 3183, 3540, 3575, 3588, 3606, 3636, 3654, 3661, 3781, &c.

Port, *s.* port, bearing, appearance, 4953.

Porte, harbour, 2453.

Portingale, Portugal, 5658.

Posseid, *s.* posseis, 2841. O.F. *posseder*.

Posterne, postern, small back gate, 132; Posterne, *pl.* 2453.

Postis, *pl.* pillars, 3664, 5278, 5628.

Poudire, *s.* powder, dust, 1865, 2334, 3082, 4178, 5206; (*Poudre*), 2658; (*Powder*), 2998.

Pouerte, poverty, distress, 2156, 4062, 4317; Pouerte (*Pouerte*), 1852, 1893.

Pouret, *pt.* *pl.* poured; Pouret out, poured out, i.e. burst out, 3427.

Pouwers (*Power*), *s.* might, army, 2056. See *Power*.

Powarfull, *adj.* powerful, 3242.

Powere, *s.* power, 117, 5402; host, 207; army, 3933; (*Power*), 2023, 2296; an army, help, 3183. See *Pouwers*.

Poynt, *s.* point, 682, 3897; circumstance, 3605; Poynte, circumstance, 3605.

In poynt at the point, 32; Poynts, *pl.* points, 32; minuti points, 255; Puynetz, *pl.* points, 308*.

Practis, *pr.* practitioners, men of experience, 1582; (*Practif* men), 1582.

Pray, *per.* to pray, 1477; Pray, *pr.* *a.* 1 *p.* pray, 826; Prai, 5582; Prayes, *pr.* *a.* 2 *p.* prayest, 2803, 4847; Prays (*Praye*), 1105; Prays, *pr.* *s.* beseeches, 5141; Pray, *pr.* *pl.* 1 *p.* pray, beseech, 4243; Prays, *pr.* *pl.* 1041; (*Prayd*), *pt.* *pl.* 1041; Prayd, *pp.* prayed, asked, 3183.

Pray, *s.* Pray, 1335; Prai (*Pray*), 1306.

Prayns (*Prayers*), *pl.* prayers, 1483.

Prayse, *pr.* *s.* 1 *p.* praise, 661; Prayse, esteem, 328; Prayses, *pr.* *pl.* peise, 3751; (*Prayze*), 1750; Prayse (*Prase*), 1622; Prayed, *pt.* *s.* praised, approved of, 3440; Praised, *pt.* *pl.* (*Prasen*, *pr.* *pl.*) praised, 2384; Prayed, 898; Prayed, *pp.* praised, lauded, 2665; (*Prased*), 955; Praydi, 5225.

Precep (*Procept*), precept, instruction, 2982.

Praciess, the name of a country, 5080.

Precious, precious, 820*.

Preciosset, *adj.* *espcl.* precious, 4821.

Predestayed, *pp.* predestined, foreordained, 2745; (*Predestinate*), 4062; Predestend, 305.

Predicessour (*Predecessor*), predecessor, i.e. chief, 1723; Preſt, *pr.* *s.* 1 *p.* prove, find out, 4640.

Prekars (*Prakers*), *pl.* prickers, riders, 1234.

Preke, *ger.* to spur, to ride, 3483; *s.* 652; Preke, *on.* ride upon, 2897;

Prakis, *pr.* *s.* prickis, rider, spur, 5445; (*Prakys*), 938, 1335; (*Prakys*), 2169; (*Prakys forth*), *pr.* *s.* ride on, 823*; Prakis (*Prickyn*), *pr.* *s.* spur, ride hard, 2982; Prakand, *pres.* part, prick-ing, riding, 1578.

Praktane, Priscian, 46.

Prilate, a prelate, 1529; Prilatia (*Prelates*), *pl.* prelates, 1499, 1554; (*Prelates*), 1669.

Prematis, *pl.* primates, 1582.

Prensis, *pt.* 1250. Probably a scribal error for *berrys* (cf. *berries* in the Dublin MS.), i.e. men. The sense is obvious.

Pres, a throng, press of battle, 3968; Press, throng, 3972; (*Press*), 2357; Presso (*Press*), heat of battle, 1049; Pres (*Press*), a pressure, 3382.

Present, *pr.* *s.* 1 *p.* present, 5138; *pr.* *pl.* 2 4529; Presentes, *pr.* *s.* 5145; Present, *pr.* *s.* deliver, 1791; Presentis (*present*), *pr.* *s.* make presents, 1041.

Presentis (*Presentis*), 5466; Presentis (*Presentis*), 1716, 1772; Presentis (*Presentes*), 1869.

Prise, *ger.* to attack, 3483; *s.* to overtake, 5109; Presis (*Pres*), *pr.* *s.* presse, hastens, 954; Presen, *pr.* *s.* press, throng, 151, 3638; (*Presen*), 2229; (*Presen*), 2453; Presis (*Press*), press forward, 1589.

Present, *s.* presence, 367, 982; Put jam in to present, came to court, 3328.

Present, *s.* present signature, 3162. Cf. "know all men by these presents."

(Present), *adj.* present, 982.

Prestidile, error for Presidency (*Presydience*), a presidency, authority, 2414. (But the text is corrupt.)

Presons, *pl.* prisoners, 4703. See prisoun in Glouc. to P. Plowman.

Prest, priest, 328; Prestis (*Priest*), *pl.* 1499; (*Prestes*), 1529, 1582; (*Priests*), 1554.

Prestly, *adv.* quickly, promptly, soon, 1198, 2277, 2853; (*Prestly*), 1919, 2027; fully, 1387; (*Prestly*), 2581. O.F. prest, F. prét.

Pronaly, ad. privily, secretly, 132, 220, 355, 361.

Proutate, a privacy, silence; in proutate, privately, silently, 4997; Proutates, *pl.* secrets, 255; Proutates, *privates*, marks of friendship, special kind-nesses, 5384.

Proute, *adj.* privy, confidential, 3588; secret, 3749; under, 4880; (*Provay*), private, 944; (*Provay*), private, small, 821*.

Prout, *s.* prove, experience, 4249; Proutes, *pr.* *s.* lit. proves, hence gains experience, 4630; Proutis, *pt.* *s.* proved, experienced, 45; Prouty, gained, 4339; Prout (*Proutis*), *pp.* proved, 1004.

Prize, *s.* renown, glory, 826.

Prickis (*Prickers*), *pr.* *s.* prickis, 2628.

Prid (Pride), *1 pr.* *pl.* pride, 2745.

Pride, pride, 724, 936, 1639.

Prik, a point, high point or reach of wisdom, 45; Prike, a time, age (the point of time), 4630.

Prikid, you inscribed, marked, lit. prickled, 5074.

Prime, *s.* prime of day, orig. 9 A.M., 4836.

Primme (*Primum*), name, 1911.

Prince, *a.* prince, 914; Prince, *gen.* prince's, 4760; Prince, *pl.* 151, 480; Prince, 51.

Princess, princess, 5099.

Principale, principality, 2311; Principale (*Principalite*), 1737; chief place, 648.

Print, *s.* impression, imprint (on the seal), 1931.

Print, *s.* remove, 5059; Print, price, value, 4242; Print, prize, 1860, 2284.

Pries (Pris), *a.* peines, fame, 2508. (Perhaps an error for pers., Persia.)
Prises, *pr.* & quenches, takes away, 4682; Prises, *pt. a.* (Prise, *pr. a.*); deprived, 2381; Prised, *pp. de-*prived of, 2657; (Deprised), do-prived, 2292.
Proces, a full account, 4259. "Pro-*ce*, story, relation;" Halliwell.
Procassion, a procession, 1552, 1561.
Proches (Prokes), *pr. a.* makes extravagant demands, arraigned to himself, 1928. "Procklyn, or styly naky," Procer, procile;" Prompt. Parv.
Proddesi, *adj. superl.* predest, 3651.
Prode, *adv.* proud, 4375.
Profe, *v. prove*, 367.
Prof'e, *s. excellence, benefit, profit, 4309.* Apparently the same word as M.E. *profe*. "Prof'e, item quid profe," Prompt. Parv. O.F. *profre*.
Protector, *pt. protis*, p. 280, 1, 37.
Profet (Profeti), *pt. a.* profited, 2370.
Profus, *pr. a.* offers, 4052; Prof-*ferne* (Profur), 2 *pr. pl.* offer, 2202.
Progeny, progeny, race, 4021.
Proiecte, *s. design*, 3331.
Prolouge, *s. prologue, announcement*, 5068; (Prolong), preamble, 2730.
Premised, *error for pronounced* (*pt. a.*), or pronouned (pres. *pt.*), 3825.
(Pronouned), *pres. pt.* pronouned, uttering, 3325.
Properties, *pl.* properties, peculiarities, 4257.
Prophecy, *s. prophecy*, 1029; Pro-*phays* (Prophecies), p. 1654.
Propheid (Prophected), *pp.* prop-hected, 1866.
Prophet, prophet, 261, 328; uritis Prophete, 142.
Prophetesse, prophetess, 4412; Prophets (Prophetti), 2300.
Proprie, *adj.* correct, certain, 367. See Proprie.
Proportion, proportion, 658; Pro-*pacion*, *pl.* 5142.
Propre (Propre), *adj.* proper, correct, 2885. See Proprie.
Proprest, *adj. superl.* most ornamental, 3331.

Properly (P're)uely), *adv.* entirely, 1326; (Properly), wholly, 3283.
Prose, *s. prose story*, 2062, 2397, 3328, 5641.
Prosperity, Prosperine, 4412, 4416.
Pro(s)perite, prosperity, 1860.
Prosef (Proseude), *adj.* prosed, 944, 1000, 1162; Proude, 652, &c.; rich, splendid, 480, 2027; noble, 1669; (Prosude), 729*; Proudes, *pl.* proud ones, 5168.
Proudly, *adv.* splendidly, 652; Prosidely, honourably, 4017.
Proue, *ger.* prove, shew, 261, 334; test, 4071; Proued, *pt. a.* em-ployed, 647; (Proved), proved, 2072; Proued, *pt. a.* described, spoke of, 4867; (Prov'd, *pt. pl.*) were usual, were easily found, 5082; Proued, *pp.* proved, 1789; approved, 914, 808*.
Prouende, *s. foresight, prudence, 3990;* providence, 4062; Prouidence, *or dat.* thy foresight, 2707.
Prouince, province, 187, 825*. See Prouynes.
(Pround), 729*; see Proud.
Prounis (Prowes), *s. prowess, excel-les*, 2745.
Prouynes, province, territory, 72, 1737, 1941, 5123; *pl.* provinces, 444. See Prouince.
Proure (Proues), *pr. pt.* prove, 2000.
Proude, *adj.* prosed, 3481. See Proud.
Prowis, *s. prowess, valour*, 444, 614, 3993, 4539; (Prowes), 936.
Pruddest (Prudentest), *adj. superl.* proudest, 2302.
Pruto, name of a country, 5657.
Prynce, prince, 99.
Prynt, a mark, seal, 3162.
Pryse, praise, fame, 614. See Prise.
Pull, *full*, *to pull*, 938; Pullis him, *pr. a.* draws himself, 2074.
Pinnoch (Ponysh), *ger.* to punish, 2733.
Papill, people, 87; (Populo), 1497, 1658, 1939, 2295; Popule, 142, 175.
Par, *adj.* pure, 2300; complete, excellent, 3990; clear, 1154;

simple, small, 3496; mere, 1802; single, 5108; very, 2009.
Par, *adv.* very, 3942.
(Paro), *adj.* poor, 1661.
Pured, *pp.* purified, 4465; (Puryd), purified, cleansed, well prepared, 2768.
Puryde, *adv.* completely, 187; entirely, 3283; totally, 1639; clean, 1658; (Puryde), entirely, 3243; Purly, 4062.
Purfir, *s. porphyry*, 5275.
Purfire, *s. paste away, clears away,* 4682.
Purid, *pt. pl.* grew calm, grew clear, cleared away, 4185.
Purpose (Purposse), *s. intention, 1787.*
Purpose, *pr. pt. 2 p.* intend, 682.
Purpor (Purpur), *adj.* purple, 1532; Purporys, 4376.
Purpure, a. purple colour, 4986; Purple, 1588.
Purse, a. purse, bag, 1661, 2023.
Putrasyour, portrait-painter, 5141.
Parvy, *v. provide*, p. 278, I, 11; Purvaid, *pp.* provided, equipped, 175; Purvaid, *pp.* purveyed, provided (for thyself), 1731; Pursoid, provided, foreseen, 5107.
Put, *s. put*, 982; put, place (with to — into), 2861; (Puttes), *pr. a.* 777*; Put, *pp. pt. a.* put up, 227; Put, *pt. pl.* put, placed, 816; Putt, *pt. pp. pt. put* (themselves) for-ward, 2968; (Putten), set (them-selves), 1483; Put (Putt), *pp.* 1930.
Putfull, *adj.* put full, filled (but read pit-full), 2284.
Pylar, *pl.* pillars, 5054.
Pyache, *ger.* (prob. error for Pyche), i. e. pitch, place, set, 5064.
Pynd, *pr. a.* impounds, pens up, imprisons, 5487.
Pyne, *s. torture, pain*, 2723, 3506; trouble, 1206.
Pyne, *v. torture*, 1789; Pyned, *pt. a.* sold, would put to pain, would trouble, 3333; Pyraund, *pres. pt.* causing pain, vexatious, 4172.
Pyned, *pt.* tormented, vexed, 4702.
A far better reading would be pynned, i.e. pinned, penned.

Pytic, *s. sed fato*, 729*.

Qua, *prox. infer.* who, 630; (Who), 1092; Qua *as*, whose, whatever, 146, 1439; (Who *as*), 1527, 1718, 1780; As qua, *as* one who, 4559; As qua mi, *as* who should say, as he would say, 2340.
Quadrantis, *pl.* quadrants, 129. (MS. In quadrates: see the note.)
Qualite, *s. quality, dignity, 4660;* kind, 1556; rank, 3508; sort of character, 1703.
Quam, *dat. whom*, 443; (Whom), 1637; (Whome), 1634.
Quantic, a. size, 1706.
Quappled (Wappyd), *pt. pl.* strok violently, 2226. E. whip to hit; M.E. quappel to throb, as in Chancer.
Quare, *adv.* where, 104, 363, 373; *conj.* (Quar), whether, 2370.
Quare-of, whereof, 4248, 4830, 5462; (Where-of), 1566.
Quare-on, *adv.* whereon, whereupon, upon what, 268, 269.
Quare-purge (Whar-pow'r), whereby, 2514.
Quare-with, where-with, 5434.
Quarrels (Quards), *pl.* bolts (for the cross bow), 2229; Quarols, 1414.
Quarto, *adv.* wherein, to what pur-*pose*, 4060; (Where-to) where-*fore*, 2242.
Quare (Whore), *prox. whose*, 1192; Quare, *prox. rel.* gen. whose, under whose rule, 4192.
Quan-sun-enre (Who-somener), *prox.* whosoever, 3362.
Quat, *prox. what*, 171, 251, 255, 295, &c.; why, wherefore, 2519, 3492, 5355; (What), how, 2323; Quat, reasons why; For any quat, on any account, 581; Quat so (Quat so), whatever, 1640; All quat, all what, i.e. all sorts of things, 3046; Mekill quat, much of various sorts, 3777. And see Mekill.
Quat enire (What ever), whatever, 680.
Quatkyng, what kind of, of what kind, 305, 312, 5097.
Quayntyn, *adj.* quaint, curious, 129.

Quayntid him, *pr. a.* made himself acquainted, 213.

Quodire, *adv.* wherever, 3499; Quoder, *adv.* whither, in what direction, 166.

Quolo, *a.* wheel, 3303; Quoles, *pl.* 3294. See Qwolo.

Quellis (Whelles), *pr. a.* kills, 1307.

Quen, *adv.* when, 149, 159, 194, &c.; (Wisen), 745; Quene, 3209.

Quene, queen, 362, 669, 822; (Whence), 212, 338, 844, 1851.

Question, *a.* question, 1110.

Quetus, *v. tell.* 4322; Queth, *1 pr. a.* as *as*, shall tell, 1110.

Quethine, *adv.* whence, 4192, 5216.

Quethine, *conj.* whether (interrogatively), 2161, 3803; Quieje, 3810; whether (introducing a new clause), 5666; (Wheter), al-

though, 2020; Queer *pt.* nevertheless, however, 581.

Quethles (Whires), *pr. pl.* whizz, fly whizzing, 1414. See quethler in Jamieson, and quethled in Barbour.

Qui (Why), why, 1620, 2645.

Quise, *adv.* alive, 4469.

Quyldy (Whisky), *adv.* quickly, 1414.

Quile, *a.* space of time, while, 331, 243, 3861; jar-quile, at that time, 167.

Quilk, *error for* Quill, while, whilst, 4629.

Quilke (Whilke), *genit.* which, 519, 679, 1447; (*which*), 3431; what, 1888; Quilt (Whilke), *which*, 996.

Quills, *conj.* and *adv.* whilst, 5355; (*Whils*), 1678; (*Whil*), 3416; (*Whille*), 1687; (*Whilse*), 989; Quills, 19.

Quirre (Whires), *pr. pl.* whir, i. o. go forth with a buzzing noise, 1556; Quirys (Whires), *whir,* hurl, 2226.

Quiry (Enquier), *pr. a.* asks, enquires about, 1703.

Quirland, *pres. part.* whirling, 5294.

Quite, *adv.* white, 4534, 5603; (*White*), *a.* white robes, 1568.

Quod, *pr. a.* said, 97, 183, 242, 270, &c.

Quy (Whi), why, 2945. See Qui.

Quyche (Which), *pres. what,* how great, 1807.

Quyle, *a.* while, time, 546, 581; (*While*), 1223, 1861. See Quile.

Quyte, *adv.* white, 129; (*White*), 1562; (*Whitte*), 1498. See Quite.

Quyate, *a.* await, 1109. Past for

Wente, as in Dest. of Troy, 13245.

Quyat, *what*, 740, 1272; Quyati, 849.

Quyati, *pr. a.* (*probably*) becomes quiet, is lulled again, 560. See quide, quolt, to lull, in Jamieson, ed. 1880.

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"Cartred, a cart-rut;" Halliwell. See Balkis.

Bamys, name of a country, 5670. (Ban), *pt. a.* ran, 724*.

Bancour (Bankour), *a.* rancour, anger, 2701.

Bange, *pt. pl.* rang, 5157.

Banke, *adj.* luxuriant, well-grown, 3060.

Bankost, *adj. superl.* thickest, 1819.

Bassone (Bassone), *pl.* rich gifts, lit. ransoms, 1645.

Bapis (Bapes), *pl.* ropes, 1520; (Rapes), 747*.

Barryfey, *name*, 5496.

Bashis (Bashen), *pr. pt.* hurry along, 1239. Cf. E. rush.

Base, *pt. a.* rose, 392, 453, 1216, 1566, 2354, 3817, 5055; (Rose), 1354, 2354.

Bare (Rose), race, hurry, 1513. A.S. rife.

Bastlyng, *a.* tumult, 943. (Bastlyng vp), pp. raised up, levied, 829*.

Bayn (Bayyan), raisin, grape, 1352. Baythe (Bather), *adv.* rather, 1178. (Bayest) (MS. rafest), most quickly, 726.

Batland, *pres. part.* rattling, screeching, 4531.

Batton, *pt. rats*, 1762.

Baucete (Bauest), *pp.* decked, attired, 1509. Lit. re-vested.

Bauth (Bath), *adv.* quickly, soon, 2824. See Rather.

Bavyst, *pp.* ravished, torn away, 4424.

Bavyn, raven; Nijt ravyn, night-raven, i. e. owl, 4531.

Baw (Bawe), row, rank; On a raw — in a row, 1600; Be rawe (*pl.* Rawes), in a row, along a row or line, 1320; Rawis (Rawes), *pl.* lines, 2843; rows, lines (of the letter), 2701.

Baxsis, *pr. a.* stretches out, 4330. See Glosa. To P. Plowman.

Bay, *a.* king, 5426. O. F. ret.

Bayme, *pt. a.* spread over, over-run, rule oppressively, plunder, 4563; v. 177; (Rame), 2488; Baymed (Baymet), *pp.* 1940, 2378;

(Bayned), pp. taken away from, 2510. Halliwell has "ruin, to rob, plunder; *Lose*," also ruin, to rule oppressively. But the true sense is not certain.

Bayne, *s.* plunder, 4563. The line seems to mean—"For plunder and robbery, to rob men of their goods." But raynse should not occur twice.

Bayn, *s.* rain, 4176.

Bay[n]bowe (Hayne-bowe), rainbow, 2466.

Baynes, *pr. s.* rains, 565.

Baynes, fine cloth (or linen) of Rheims, 4339; (Reynes), 1550.

Baynes, *pr. s.* rouses, lit. raises, 5174.

Baynethly, *adv.* excellently, 1538. Prob. a false reading. Cf. *ges-Rede*.

Bazi, *pt. s.* reached, arrived, 5510; delivered, 5542; laid hold of, 5284; departed, got away, 3852; (Raght), caught, 2016, 2073;

(Raught), went on, 1048. (Reals), realm, 758, 759*, 826*. Rebell, *adj.* rebellious, 3504; (Rebelles), 1054.

Rebell, rebellion, 2428.

Beche, *s.* reach, 2466; Beches, error for Beche, per. 5520; Beche vp (vppe), *s.* give over, 758 (see the note); Beches, *pr. s.* gives, hands over, 1653; Bechis, *gives*, 1665; reaches out (to), 1956; Beches (Beches), offers, 1506; Beche vp, *pr. pl.* reach up, 817; Bechen, reach, 817; Bechin (Bechy), reach, hand over, 1791; Beches (Bechen) vp, *pr. pl.* hand up, deliver up, 558; Bechid (Raught), *pt. pl.* reached, 2405.

Beches (Bechen), *gr.* to relate, 1354; Beched, *pp.* related, 521. A.S. recon.

Beches, *s.* riches, treasure, 3951. Beckend, *pp.* reckoned, 5501.

Becondis, *pr. s.* records, informs, tells, 214; (Becondis), 709, 1044; (Becondes), 2060.

Beconom, *pt. s.* won, gained, 19; Recomoyre (Recomer), *rec.* s. recover, win for (myself), 754.

Beold, *adj.* afraid, full of dread, 1040,

2510. Swed. *ridd*, Dan. *red*. See Raddest.

Rede, *s.* advise, 2837; ger. to read, 630; *1 pr. s.* counsel, advise, 2166, 2464, 2601, 3115; read, 1646; Redis, *pr. s.* 2 p. tellest, 244; (Redes), *pr. s.* reads, 1182, 1296; Redis (Redes), counsels, 1178; Redis 1 pr. pl. read, 1077; Redes (Redyn), *pr. pl.* 1932; Redid, *pt. a.* 1 p. I read, 3858; Redid, *pt. pl.* read, 2471; Redid (Redyn, *pr. pl.*), advised, 2872; Redi, read, 2344; Redid, *pp.* read, 3588; Redis (Redde), 2843; Red, 1950; Redis, *imp. s.* advise, 5194. A.S. *redan*.

Rede, *s.* counsel, 1640. See above.

Rede, *adj.* red, 20, 425, 1655, 1779, 4176; Redde, 3951.

Rede, *adj.* ready, 3534. See Redy.

Rede, red; Rede-ryse, red-rushes, reads, 3858; Redis, *pl.* 3815, 3832, 4206.

Redell, *s.* curtain, 4230. O.F. *ridele*, F. *rideau*.

Reden (Redes), *pp.* ridden through, 1440; Hedyn (Rydyn), ridden, 1203.

(Redes), *adj.* without counsel, at a loss, 1040.

Redy, *adj.* ready, 1382, 5358.

Redy (Redic), *adj.* red, reddish, 3369.

Redde, *adj.* red, 5510.

Redis, *pl.* reads, 5461. See Rede.

Refete, *pr. pl.* 2 p. feed, refresh (yourselves), 4587. Formed from

I. *refectus*.

Refit, *pr. s.* carries off, 5153; Refid, *pp.* refit, 5178. See Roff.

Refreshid, *pp.* refreshed, 3808.

Refreyne, *pr. pl.* 2 p. subj. refrain, 4638.

Roff, *pt. a.* (weil vp), tore up, 409; Roff, *pp.* taken away (from), 2510, 4010. See Refis.

(Refise), *s.* refuse, 1887. A false reading; see Aslin, MS.

Regions, *s.* region, 922; Regions, *pl.* 19, 1048, 1054.

Regions (Remes), *pl.* *s.* realm, 1949. See Regne.

Regne, kingdom, 1140, 3000, 3164; (Bealme), 2653.

Regne, *ger.* to reign, 518, 826; (Heyne), *v.* 1502; Regnyd, *pt. s.* 19.

Rehears, *s.* rehearse, relate, describe, 21; consider, 329.

Reheatis, *pr. s.* cheers, encourages (them), 3499; review, recalls (his courage), 5320. "Reheatis, Reheatis, Reheatis, encouraging, reprendes des forces;" Roquenfort.

Rejoyed, *pp.* rejoiced, glad, 3960, 5227; (Rejosed), 3407.

Rejoyed, *pp.* rejoiced, 3112.

Rekanilus, *pl.* chains, 5128. See Rekenhus.

Reke, smoke, incense, 1566.

Reken, *ger.* to reckon, recount, tell, 150, 1205, 1448; to calculate, count, 41, 2269; Reken (Rekyn), *ger.* to reckon, 771; Rekona, *pr. s.* relates, 1280; Reken, *1 pt. s.* related, 4124; Rekind, *pt. s.* pronounced, uttered, 4931. See Rakyn.

Rekenhus, *pl.* chains, 5542. A.S. *recon*; *s.* reckon, 2943; Re-

nyst, passionate, fond, 387. "Re-

nak, furious; Izel, recknor." Hence prov. E. reckes-creek, lit. chain-

creek (Halliwell). See Rekanilus.

Rekilk, *a.* odour, perfume, 4977. A.S. *refeo*.

Rekilk, *pr. s.* smokes, reeks, 566. See above.

Rekinly (Bakenly), *adv.* hastily, 2154; (Bakenly), quickly, soon, 2222; (Rekynally), 794*. A.S. *recon*.

Rekyn, *ger.* to count, 84; (Iken), *v.* recount, 1404; Rekyns (Bekeins), *pr. s.* utters, 2354. E. reckon.

Rekyn, *s.* control, take heed to, 21. A.S. *recon*, to rock.

Releckeis (Relekkex), *pl.* relics, 1572. Remembra (Remevys), *pr. s.* re-

members, 2844; Relics, 4233; Remembra, 2958; Remembraid, 1055.

Remmant, *pt. a.* 22. Removis (Remefis), *v.* remove, with-
draw, 1975; Remowis, *pr. s.* re-
moves, 4859; Removis (Remevys),

2538; Remowis (Remevys), 2031; Removis, *ref.* 2031; Removed, *pt. pl.* 1626;

Removed, *pt. pl.* received, 2428; Removed, *pt. pl.* received,

mowed, *pt. s.* removed, 1048, 1450; Remewid, 3704.

Remys, *pl.* realms, 86.

Ren (Ryne), *v.* rum, 3383. Renay, *s.* refuse, 3234. O.F. *renier*.

Lat. *renegere*.

Renewid, *adj.* (prod. for Remewid), renowned, 2812. The Dahlia MS. has reverent, i.e. reverend, noble.

Renge, the same as Renke, man, 460.

Ringis (Ringes), *pr. s.* rings, 1835. (Renishit), *pp.* as adj. passionate, 839*. See Beyret.

Renke, man, 330, 339, 817, 932, 1203, 1216, 2166; Renkis, *pl.* men, warriors, 21, 177; (Renkes), 2378; (Renker), 958. A.S. *rise*.

(Renko), *s.* rank, 1850.

Rent, payment, tribute; To rent, in payment, in tributa, 4531.

Rent, *pp.* rent, broken, 775*.

Reynsch, *adj.* furious, 2943; Re-

nyst, passionate, fond, 387. "Re-

nak, furious; North." Halliwell. Benyashly, *adv.* vehemently, vigor-
ously, 4231. See above.

Repaire, *pr. pl.* 2 p. return, 3751.

Reportand, *pr. pt.* reporting, relat-
ing, or sending back, 2414.

Reprende, *pr. pp.* reproving, rebuk-
ing, 2421.

Reprende, *pr. pl.* 2 p. reprove, blame,
4662; (Repredos), *pp.* rebuked,
1789.

Request, *pr. pp.* requested, demanded
(by), 3442.

Required, *pp.* asked, 2268.

Ren, *v.* rear, build, 4581; (Renre),
2258; Renid, *pt. a.* reared, 5510;
pp. 4068; Herdy, reared, 81; (Beryld), reared, 1373.

Renid, *a.* voice, noise, 439; Reryd,
387; (Bende), noise, 2200. A.S.
gerend.

Res (Heye), *s.* race, hurry, 2979.
See Rose.

Resaylo (Resane), *v.* receive, 826;
Resaynes, *pr. s.* received, 2329;
pr. *pl.* 3210; Resaynd, *pt. a.*
received, took, 3478; Resaynd, *pp.* received,
1182; (Resand), *pt. pl.* 1626;

Resand, *pt. pl.* received, 2428; Resand, *pt. pl.* received,

1124; Resayne (Resne), *imp. s.* 3115; Resaynes, *esp. pl.* 3115; Resayned (Resned), *pp. received,* 1646.

Rosche, *s. rush*, 4126, 4726.

Roschowe, *per. to rescue*, *adj.* 5162; (Rosew), 2813. See Roskow.

Rose (*Rose*), *s. hurry*, 1996. A.S. *ros*. See *Ros*.

Rosild, *pp. reticulated, covered with network*, 4126. O.F. *resid*, *F. réseau*, from Low Lat. *reticulum*, network. The sense is 'an' covered with network as a rush,' which probably means no more than 'furrowed like a rush,' or rough, without any very close resemblance to actual network. Otherwise, if the reading be corrupt, the easiest correction is to read *regid*, or rather *ri/eld*, i.e. ravelled, wrinkled.

Roskow, *ger. to rescne*, 5202. See Roschowe.

Rosen, *reseen*, 1670; *causo*, 244; *talk*, 3624; *sentence*, 287; Rosen, *pl. accounts*, 1280.

(Hosynnyys); see Elsonis.

Roste, *s. rest*; *rest* (At *rist*), at rest, set, spoken of the sun, 686.

Roya, *pp. risen*, 82, 351.

Rothere, *pl. the castle*, 1239. See *herre* in Stratmann. A.S. *hrifor*, *hrifor*; pl. *hriforu*.

Roturik, *rhetoric*, 4360.

Rouere, *s. river*, 5585; (Reuer), 2694; Revers, *pl.* 4822.

Rouerence, *s. reverence, respect*, 197, 1123, 1382, 1646, 3463.

Rouerence, *pr. s. does reverence to*, 1600; Rouerent, *pt. pl.* 2344.

(Rouerently), *sce. reverently*, 817.

Roueschil (Reuest, *pp.*), *pr. s. rof;* dressed himself, 1590.

Rouest; see Elsonse.

Roufuly, *adv. saffly*, 3083.

Rouire, *s. river*, 5279; Reuir, 3852.

Routh, *pity*, 2244; Routhie (*Beth*), sorrow, grief, 1280, 2813.

Rovell, *ger. to spend in revelling*, 3463.

Roviles (Bevyles), *pr. s. reviles*, 739.

Row (*Bowe*), *s. rue, repeat*, 1975;

Rewis, *pr. s. 3137*; (Rewys), *pr. s. refl. repeats*, 871; Rewid, *pl. pp. repeated*, 3524; Rewis, *imp. pl. have pity*, 3314.

Rewilly, *adv. unlawfully, sadly*, 2843.

Rewill, *s. rule*, 4422; (Rewle), *rule, ritual*, 1500; Rewle, 2904.

Rewle, *ger. to guide*, 5642; to order, 3609; (Rewle), *v. rule*, 789*; Rewelle, *1 pr. pl. rule*, 4392.

Rewme, *s. kingdom, realm*, 49, 80, 82, 185, 197; (Reime), 813, 3241; (Reine), 1740; *Rewmys (Realmes)*, *pl. kingdoms*, 2363.

Rewthe, *s. pity, sad sight*, 4010. See Routh.

Reyne, *s. rein*, 2973.

Rejt, *adv. rightly*, 1740.

Rejt (*perhaps*), *adv. right, upright*, 2944. For the spelling, see above.

Rial, *adv. royally, grandly*, 4369.

Riall, *adv. royal*, 244, 941, 3514.

Rially, *adv. royalty*, 1530, 1572; (Rialy), 3210.

Rialme, *s. realm, dominion*, 20.

Rials, *pl. men of the royal rank or kin*, 3443.

Riale, *s. royal power*, 3334; *royalty, royal state*, 22, 5122; (Rialite), *royalty, pride*, 2428.

Ribane; see Rabies.

(Ribbed), *pl. ribs*, 775.

Richest, *adj. superl. richest*, 4822.

Richas (Riches), *s. riches*, 1178.

Riche, *adj. rich*, especially, 197, 351, 871, 992, &c.; (Riche), 1530.

Riches, *s. wealth*, 20, 1663.

Riches, *pr. s. refl. prepares himself*, 5056. See *Gloss*, to Gawayne and the Green Knight.

Richest, *adj. richest*, 1572.

Ridaus (Rydens), *pl. riders, knights*, 1054.

Ridding (Hildyng), *a clearing, racing (a town)*, 2244.

Riddeon (Raddour), *s. harsheas*, 2329. See Raddour.

Ride, *ger. to ride*, 82, 999; (Ride), *ger. to ride over*, 1731; *v. 1502*; Ridis (Ryder), *pr. s. rides*, 243, 2062; (Rides), 1319, 1450; Rides (Ryde), *1 pr. pl. ride*, 1850; Rido (Ryden), *1 pr. pl. subj.* 2166; Ride (Ryden), *MS. dyden*, *pr. pl.*

ride, 1803; (Ridys), *pr. pl. ride*, 796.

Rife, *adj. abundant*, 1643.

Rift, *error for Riste or Roste, ger. to rest*, 4054. See note.

Rige (Bigge), *s. hawk*, 2738; (Rige), 784*; (Rigges), *pl.* 775*.

(Rigit), *adv. right*, 784*.

(Right), *adv. just*, 793*.

(Rightes hym), *pr. s. sits upright*, 839*.

Rime (Rome), *s. rim*, 1850.

Ringe, *a ring, border*, 1850; (Rynges), *pl. ring-mail, lit. rings*, 2992.

Rishes (Reches), *s. riches, treasure*, 3115.

Rise (Byses), *2 pr. s. risest*, 1494; Risis (Ryses), *pr. s. rises*, 2347.

Risone (Hosynnyys), *s. pl. heads of oats*, 3030. — Risone, the head of the oat: Chauc. 'A plume, or bell, or bunch of oats, and such other corn as does not grow in an ear.' Kemett, MS. Lansd. 1033."

— Halliwell. Cf. Prov. Swed. *resona*, an ear of corn, especially of oats, a spike of corn (Riotz).

Rist, *v. rest, leave off*, 22; Ristes, *pr. s. 5651*; Ristes, 4929.

Rined (Ryle), *adj. abundant, full of abundance*, 1740, 1779. Icel. *hrap*, to fall, fall in rain.

Rose, Roxana, 3315, 3449, 3463.

Rose, *s. rose*, 4543.

Rote, *I. pr. pt. praise*, 4519; Rotis, *pp. celebrated*, 5122. Icel. *hris*, Rotis, *a root*, 4424; Rotis, *pl.* 403, 3941.

Rotilling, *s. disturbance*, 943. Cf. E. *ratte*, which is often provisionally pronounced *rotte*.

Rote, *pt. s. rived, pierced*, 1216.

Roune, *whisper, secret*, 244.

Rounsy, *righteousness*, 4424; Rightwyses (Rightwysses), 3283.

Robbes (Ruhies), *pl. robches*, 1663.

Robhy, *a robbery*, 4563.

Rochs *a rock*, 5196; Rochis, 4864; Roches, 4578.

(Rode), *rode*, 829*.

(Roddy), *adv. rudely, boldly*, 784*.

Rodogunes, mother of Darius, 3314; Rodogunes (Rodogres), 2819; (Rodogoras), 2824.

Rofe, *pt. s. tote, hurt*, 638.

Rogh, *adj. rough*, 4864; Roghs, 4126, 5133.

(Roke), *s. rock*, 4849; Rokkis, *pl. 4864*.

(Rolland), *pres. pt. rolling, galloping*, 794*.

Romanos, *s. the original Romance*, 488, 4133; (Romays), 2900; Romanos (Romany), 1977.

Romayn, Roumania (?), 5670.

Roms, Rome, 2328, 4649.

Romsy, *pr. s. roar, cries*, 612. Cf. A.S. *hrisan*, noise, cry. (Bitter spell remedy).

Ronde, *adj. round*, 1502.

(Rongen), *pt. pl. rang*, 775.

(Ronne), *adj. rank, abundant*, 1762.

Ronkenes, *s. rankness*, 3359.

Ronnes, *pl. (Rounse, s.) horses*, 2887. M.E. *rouse*, *rouse* in Chancery.

Roosne, *imp. pl. roam, stretch out*, 2466. See *roam in my Bytn*.

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(Roune), *imp. pl. rove, roam (after)*, 2466.

Ropand, *pres. part. rushing down, falling swiftly*, 4176. Icel. *hrap*, to fall, fall in rain.

Rose, a, rose, 4543.

Rote, 1 pr. pt. praise, 4519; Rotis, *pp. celebrated*, 5122. Icel. *hris*, Rotis, *pl. 403, 3941*.

Rotilling, *s. disturbance*, 943. Cf. E. *ratte*, which is often provisionally pronounced *rotte*.

Rote, *pt. s. rived, pierced*, 1216.

Roune, whisper, secret, 244.

Rounsy, charger, 817. See Ronsees.

Route, *s. company, ent.* 2378; through, 1319; (Rowte), route, host, 258, 1239.

Row (Rawe), *adj. rough*, 2993.

Rowne, *s. room*, 4920; place, 330.

Rowne, *adj. roomy, large*, 1762. A.S. *rafa*.

(Rowney), *pt. s. made room for (but road removed)*, 1048.

Rovete, *s. voice*, 488. Icel. *raust*, Dan. *rost*.

Rughe, *adj. rough*, 4726, 4877.

Rughore, *adj. rough*, 3815.

Ruschil (Rubes), *pr. s.*, *pl. s. harled*, 1820.

Russe, Russia, 5670.
 Ryde, adj. rough, turbulent, 5565.
 Rue, adj. rough, 3852; wild, 1762.
 Ryhass; see Rabies.
 Ryde, ger. to ride, 915, 2813, 762*;
 Rydes, pr. a. ridas, 1284; Rydis
 (Ryden), pr. pt. 1239; Rydyn,
 pr. pl. ridi (or pt. pl.), rode, 1256.
 Ryfe, adj. rife, plain, evident, 1352.
 Ryfenes, rifeness, plenteousness,
 abundance, 1887.
 Ryft, s. rift, clef, 1756.
 Ryflying', a. reading, 747*.
 Rymed, pt. a. stretched, 4981.
 Ryng, ger. to run, 1352; Rynnes,
 pr. a. 1323, 1513; (Rynnye),
 2900; (Rynnye), pr. pt. 2979;
 Rynand, pres. part. running,
 3757.
 Ryng, ring, 425, 436.
 Rynges, pr. & rings, 775.
 Rynoceros, rhinoceros, 4133; Ryno-
 eros, 5133.
 Ryre, adj. ripe, 1347.
 Ryse (Rise), v. rise, 2438; Rysis,
 pr. a. 330, 392; (Rise), 282;
 Ryses, 2871; Rysse (or Risis),
 557; (Ryses), (Rysys), 2870.
 Ryse, a. rashes, 3854. See note.
 Ryst (Rist), rest, 2516; To ryst,
 at rest, 374.
 Ryttie, pp. torn, 775*. Icel. rifa,
 to scratch, cut (hence also to tear,
 as G. reissen); cognate with A.S.
 rifian.

Sa, n. de. so, thus, 146, 259, 268, 269,
 459, etc.; (So), 840.
 Sa mu aydes (So madeus), so may
 God aid me, 729. For So m'aide
 Deus, so may God aid me.
 Saards, Sardis, 3666.
 Sable (Sahyl), adj. sable, black,
 1125.
 Sable, a. sable, black colour, 3545.
 Sackell (Sachell), a. wise man, phi-
 losopher (?), 716. Used ironi-
 cally; it seems to be formed from
 O.F. sake, wise (laqueur), Low
 Lat. sapientia, wise.
 Sacrificio, a. sacrifice, 3098 (where read
 sacrificie); Sacrifice, pr. a. sacri-
 fices, 1083; (Sacrified), pt. a. 1083.
 Sacrifi, a. sacrifice, 4461; (Sacri-

fice), 1486; miswritten Sacrifi,
 2182.
 Sacring, a. sacrilege, 4561.
 Sad, adj. scuttled, 2895; Sadd, adj.
 full, complete, 3883; Sadd sowne,
 close rank, lit. close (or fall)
 number, 5559; Sadil (Sad), adj.
 close, firm, resolute, 2014; sad,
 5052. A.S. sed.
 Sadil, pl. sadiles, 5453. See Sadyl.
 Sadly, adv. seriously, 347; fixedly,
 1829; forcibl., 4146; firmly,
 securely, 2564; with determina-
 tion, 1129; Sadil, sadly, 5584.
 Sadnes (Sadness), a. staliness, sa-
 berness, steadfastness, 1017.
 Sadyl, saddle, 730*, 735*, 839*.
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 Safe, adj. safe, 1677; Safe vouch
 (Sane woch), 2 p. pr. pl. adj.
 vouchsafe, 2355; and see Vouchid.
 Saffred, pp. coloured with saffron,
 4600.
 Safies (Saphires), pl. sapphires, 1535;
 Safers, 4880.
 Sage, adj. wise, 1649, 4704.
 Sagey, adj. wisely, 3393.
 Saghi, pt. a. saw, 770.
 Saghe, a. saw, saying, 4927.
 Sagittarius, the name of a place,
 1070.
 Sal, v. say, tell of, 5551; Sais (Says),
 pr. a. 2 p. sayest, 739; Sais, pr. a.
 says, 80, 192; out (Says), 881, 1371;
 Sais, pr. pt. say, 1732; Said, pt. a.
 said, 4941; Said, 96, 228; (Sayde),
 1355; Said (Saylyn), pr. pt. 1815;
 Sai, imp. a. 2 p. say, 5193; Sais
 (Says), imp. pt. 2 p. say yo, 890.
 Saile (Sayle), ger. to sail, 1026;
 Sailland, pres. pt. sailing, 61.
 Sailors, pl. sailors, 4359.
 Salid, pt. pt. assailed, 5559. *Short
 for Asailid.*
 Salise, adv. surely, 2313.
 Sake, a. sake, 5, 1813, 2022; guilt,
 3213. A.S. sora.

Salomon, Solomon, 1649.
 Salory, Lat. Solant, 5501.
 Sale, a. hall, chamber, room, 48, 222,
 352, 487, 502, 1183, 1830, 2063,
 2929, 3074, 3229, 3685, 4432,
 5839; Sales, pl. halls, tents, 4016.
 A.S. sel, (Grec).

Sale (Sale), a. soul, 1640.
 Sall, 1 pr. a. must, am to, 3194; Sall,
 pr. a. 2 p. shal, 688, 774; Sall,
 pr. a. shall, 177, 184, 251, 403,
 519; Sal, 388; Sal (Shal), pl.
 1358.
 Salmary, a. baggage, collection of
 instruments, &c., 126. Low Lat.
 salmaria, the same as signaria,
 baggage.
 Salt, adj. salt, 154.
 Saluc, a. unguent, 4976; Salues,
 salves, 4343; Salys, 3132.
 Salus, a. heal, 3132; Salues, pr. a.
 salves, heals, 4683.
 Salus, a. salutation, 4547.
 Salutis, pl. salutations, greetings,
 3088; (Salutes), 1914; (Salutes),
 1490; Salutes, pl. greetings, 2759,
 2802.
 Sam, adj. same, 288, 741*.
 Sam, a. in, pr. In same, i.e. together
 (though here used as a more ex-
 pressive), 2616. — They gaderyd
 hem samas; — Rich. Coir de
 Lion, ed. Weber, 4386.
 Sames, adj. together, 182, 175,
 2351, 3671; (Samenes), 1550;
 In same, 5295. See Samme.
 Samme, adj. together, 5098. See
 Samon.
 Sammon (Sammo), 1 pr. a. collect,
 assemble, 3168; Sammes (Sam-
 mon), pr. a. gather, 1520; (Sam-
 mon), pr. pt. collect, assemble,
 2351; Samos, pt. a. assembled,
 1028; Samyd, 51; Sammed, pp.
 assembled, 2514; Samed (Sam-
 med), collected, 1732; Samed
 (Samuyd), pp. assembled, gathered,
 2828; Sammed, pp. filled,
 gathered full, 5270. A.S. san-
 mena.
 Sampill, a. sample, example, proof,
 5300; see Emissari.
 Sampson, 1202, 1221, 1254, 1288.
 Sand, s. land, 4299.
 Sande, a. message, 5780; Sand (Sand),
 embassy, 2224; Sandis (Sandex),
 pl. messages, 890.
 Sande, 1 pr. a. send, 3163.
 Sandiman, a. messenger, 4234;
 (Sandeman), 2265, 2364; San-
 dimen, pl. messengers, 2399.
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5100; (Sandeman), 1850; (Sand-
 eman), 1790; (Sandesmen),
 ambassadors, 1170.
 Sang, song, 203, 1645.
 Sand, a. sand, 5555.
 Sang, pt. pl. sang, 3698.
 Sanya (read Sanya), pr. pl. save,
 preserve, 1749.
 Sapiente, wisdom, 253, 1022; Sap-
 ient, 3725; knowledge, 622; Sa-
 pient (Sapiens), wisdom, 2374;
 (Sapiens), 2526; Sapientia, pl.
 wise acts, 4449.
 Sarazens (Saracantes), pl. Saracens,
 1510.
 Sar, a. sore, harm, 3771; Saris, pl.
 3132, 4343.
 Sar, adj. sore, severe, 797.
 Sar, adj. sorely, 385, 531, 856,
 1464; (Sore), 2332, 2698.
 (Sarkenny). 2401. Perhaps an error
 for sorely, as in A.; or miswritten
 for certes.
 Saroparis (Satrapes), pl. satrapes,
 1913.
 Sar, adj. sorry, miserable, 665,
 1735, 4417; poor, 4037.
 Sat, pt. a. sat, 482; Satis, 3336.
 Satrapes (Satrapes), pl. satrapes,
 2768; Satrapes, 2694; Satra-
 pae (Satrapes), 1367.
 Satifild, pt. settled, 4429.
 Sasaygur, pl. savages, 3914.
 Sasard, axing, except, 4037; San-
 and hot, except, 2707.
 Sandid (Sandwelt), pp. stuffed, set,
 1535. E. seeder, to solder, lit. to
 make firm; Lat. soldare.
 Sandours (Sandours), pl. soldiers,
 1921, 2105; (Sandours), 2828;
 (Sowions), 763. See Sandours.
 Sane (Safe), a. save, heal, 2558,
 3087; Sane, pt. a. saved, 5580.
 See Sandyl.
 San, prep. save, except, 3842.
 Sandy, adj. safe, 3771. See
 note.
 (Sangueours), pl. soldiers, 2172. See
 Sandours. Cf. prov. E. soldier.
 Sane, soul, 742, 754, 3089, 3474;
 (Sawle), 1786, 2628; Sauls, pl.
 4429.
 Sancour, a. smell, sense of smell,
 4634.

Sauoir, *a.* knowledge, 4429, 4474. Cf. *P. saevi*.

Sante, *a.* assault, 1388, 2221, 2380; 3360; (*Sawto*), 1156, 1431, 1452, 1766, 2135; (*Sawl*), 1686. Saured (*Saud*), *pt. a.* *1 p.* saved, 2023; (*Saffed*), *pp.* preserved, 2668. See *Sauve*.

Sauve, *ger.* to save, 4404; *2 pr. pf.* 4580; (*Sawla*), *1 pr. pl.* 4268.

Sauve, *pt. a.* saw, 266; (*Saw*), *pt. pl.* 1616.

Sauve, *a.* speech, saying, 1845; (*Saw*), 803; (*Saw*), *pl. words*, 5115; sayings, 51, 92, 200, 222.

(Sawes), 1656; *Sauve*, 2867; (*Sawes*), projectiles, 2797.

Sawis, *pl. saws*, 5357. See *Sao*.

Sawound, *pt. a.* savoured, tasted, 4821.

Say, *a.* silk, 4600.

Say, *v.* *say*, tell, 51, 165, 1097; *ger.* 240, 253, 294; *Say, sv. 1 p.* *say*, address, 2735; *Sayes, pr. a.* *says*, 5002; (*Says*), 1207; *Sayn, pr. pt. tell*, 2112; *Sayd, pt. a.* *1 p. said*, 447; *2 p. a.* *said*, 246; *pt. a.* 167, 268; *pp. told*, 262; *Say, imp. v. tell*, 288.

Saynes, *pt. notes*, 4270. *F. seine*, *L. aquena*.

Saynis, *pl. saints*, 4. *Saint-war* (*Sanctuary*), sanctuary, 1567. O.F. *maistreise*.

Sayre, *a.* saying, saw, 4220; sentence, 5192; answer, 751; (*Sage*), 3249; *Sayre, pl. sayings*, words, 4478; (*Sawes*), 1790, 2322, 2774; (*Sawer*), 1818; (*Sawys*), *pt. sayings*, 2256.

Sayre, *a.* saw, 4094. See *Sawle*.

Saje, *pt. a.* *1 p. saw*, 475; (*Save*), 1623; *pt. a.* 61, 222, 419, &c.; (*Sawgh*), 2073; (*Saw*), 1433, 2112; (*See*), 2301; (*So*), 1795; *Saze, pt. pl. saw*, 1383, 4003; (*Sagen*), 2854. See *Se*.

Sapill (*Saghtill*), *imp. a.* make peace, he reconciled, 865. A.S. *asidian*.

Scales, *pl. scales*, 3826.

Scauld, *adj.* soiled, furnished with scales, scaly, 3865.

Scamandra, *Scamander*, 2119. Scatik, *a.* harm, 3015.

Scene, *a.* intense, 4976. Sceptome (*Sceptour*), *a.* sceptre, 3161.

Scerne, *ger.* to score, 3465.

Schade, *a.* shade, 3800.

Schaf, *shaft*, spear, 780; shaft of a spear, 1402; Schafis, rays, 4816; (*Shaftes*), shafts, 789.

Schafis, *pl. chaps*, jaws, 4797. *Fut* *for* Chafis. Icel. *hjörð*, jaw.

Schakis, *pr. a.* shaks, 561.

Schalk, man, 469; Schalki (*Shalky*), *pl. men*, 929; (*Shalkies*), 2154.

Schame (*Shame*), *a.* shame, 1800; disgrace, 748.

Schamed, *pp.* ashamed, 469.

Schap, *a.* shape, hyle, 4301; destiny, 180; Schapp, shape, 4781.

Schapid, *pt. a.* escaped, 3034. *For* Aschapid.

Schape, *pr. a.* shapes, forms, 4026; Schape, *pr. a.* subl., incline, work towards, 3571; Schapen, *pp.* decreed, 178.

Schand, *pp.* out, i.e. formed, 4675. From the verb *werk* *skalere*, of which the *pt. a.* *skalere* occurs in Sir Degrevant, 1630. See Halliwell.

Scharpe, *adj.* sharp, 602. Scharpid, *pp.* sharpened, 3580.

Scharply (*Sharply*), *adv.* sharply, 1299, 1391.

Schashill (*Schatell*), *adj.* harmful, dangerous, powerful to injure, 2992. See *Sceptel* in gloss. to Allit. Poems. Goth. *shabila*.

Schatiard, *pt. a.* shattered, 4150. See Alto-schatiard.

Schamadry (*Chesaldry*), baseness, 3371. **Skenefoler*, an idle vagabond; Halliwell.

Schamyn, *pp.* shaven, 231.

Schaw, *a.* shaw, wood, 4730, 4731; Schwais, *pl.* groves, thickets, 4382.

Schawe, *ger.* to shave, 601; Schwaid, *pp.* 4350.

Schield, *ger.* to shield, protect; To schield with our schap, to protect our forms with, 4301.

Schell, *a.* shell, 3695; Schellis, *pl.* 5409.

Schel is, *pl.* shellings, shelters, 4042. Cf. Icel. *skjell*.

Schemerand, *pr. pt.* glistering, shimmering, 483, 5592. See Schondirrand.

Sched (Shend), *a.* disgrace, 3371; Schenda (*Shendo*), *ger.* to destroy, 870.

Schedne, *adj.* beautiful, 5592; splendid, 483, 780; *adj.* as ab. bright one, fair maid, 4759.

Scheering (*Sheryng*), *a.* shearing, cutting, 2624.

Scheete (*pl. Scheeter*), shouth, 802.

Scheute, *a.* shive, splinter of a broken spear, 1402. Better Schiuie; but see below.

Schoumerand (*Sheuerand*), *pr.* pt. shivering, splintering, 789.

Schevrys (*Sheue*), *pr. pt.* shaks, 776. Cf. chevere, to quiver, shive, in the Morte Arthur and Truybok.

Schow, *a.* cloud, sky, 4865. Cf. Icel. *sky*, a cloud; Halliwell gives *sky* — sky, from MS. Cot. Vesp. D. 7.

Schowre, *ger.* to show, 15; (*Showe*), 2029; *vv.* 215, 684; Schewis, *pr. a.* shows, 286; (*Schowes*), beholds, 2629; Schewys, shews, 608; (*Schowen*), 2019; Schewid, *pt. pl.* showed, 4049; Schewid, *pp.* shewed, 474; Schewid (*Schewed*), 1896.

Schewers, *a.* mirror, 4554.

Schidlis (*Sleider*), *pl.* splinters, fragments, 789. A.S. *sleide*.

Schidli (*Sleidli*), shield, 780; (*Sleidi*), 1402; Schidli, *pt. shields*, 3797, 5560.

Schilde, *pr. a.* *asper*, shield, defend, forld, 3521.

Schilli (*Schilly*), *adj.* shrilly, loudly, 929. **Schilly, Sowors;* Cath. Anglienn.

Schilling (*Schelyng*), *pt.* shillings, 3174.

Schind, *a.* disgrace, 5335. See Schend.

Schipsis, *pl.* ships, 65, 113; (*Schippen*), 1367; Schoppis (*Shappes*), 1159.

Schire, *adj.* bright, 483, 5018; sheer, mere, 4301. Icel. *skirr*.

Schirkind, *pt. pl.* cleared, rendered

bright, brightened, 4816. Cf. Icel. *skirr*, to brighten, cleanse.

Scho, *she*, 241, 257, 268, 352.

Schogs, *pr. s.* red shives, shakes, trembles, 1018. See *Shey* in Halliwell.

Schoke, *pt. a.* shook, 5918.

Schomme (*in MS. for Schoume*), *pt.* showers, 1259.

Schondirrand, *pr. pt.* error for Schemerand (*Sheuerand* is D.), shimmering, gleaming, 780. See Schemerand.

Schondirrand (*Schondert*), *pt.* skin, 2048. *Formed as if from a verb*

Schondieren, or Schandieren, frequentative of Schondene, Schenden, to disgrace; see Schend, Schont.

Schont, *a.* just, disgrace, 469. *Put for schond;* see schond in Strazmann.

Schontid; see Schontis, Schount.

Schort, *adj.* short, 630.

Schote (*Shote*), *a.* shot, i.e. stone shot from engines, 2624.

Schote (*Shote*), *ger.* to shoot, 1064; Schotes (*Shoton*), *pr. pt.* 1391; Schot (*Shoton*), *pt.* shot, 1239.

Schoumt, *pt.* avoided, 180. E. *shout*.

Schoumis, *pt.* shower, hence sorrowful, weep, 529. See also Schomes, Schonte, a shout, 4730.

Schontis (*Shotes*), *pr. pt.* shout, 929; Schontid, *pt. pt.* shouted, clamoured, 589 (but here we should rather read schontid, i.e. removed, shrank, lit. skanted). See the note, and see Schont.

Schowid, *pt.* shoved, used force, 4759.

Schrawe, *a.* mischievous creature, 4854; Schrawis, *pl.* ill-disposed lads, 628.

Schrifis, *pr. pt.* shriek, 3866; (*Scrikes*), 929.

Schrise, *a.* shrine, 5592. See Schryne.

Schroude, *vestment, robe*, 483; covering, 4301. A.S. *scrēd*.

Schryne, *a.* shrine, 4675. See Schrine.

Schundering (*Schedryng*), *a.* crashing, clashing, lit. shuddering, 2624.

Schmidle, a. shoulder, 5240; Schmidle (Schulde), 1090.
Schurys, pl. sheds, 4049. Icel. skirr, a shed.
Schnit (Shrynn), pr. pl. shoot, 1413.
Schnyns, pr. a. shines, 3862; (Shynes), 705.
Schorres, pl. scars, scours, rough rocks, 4865. Icel. sker.
Sekonfot, pr. s. discomfited, 4802.
Scott (Shotten), pr. pl. shot, dashed, leapt, hurried, 2454.
Seoghe, a. wood, shaw, 3915. Icel. sker.

Seolaid, pt. s. studied, 645. Chancor has seofye, Procl.
Seole, school, 621, 641, 645; Seolis, pl. 4363, 4610.
Seolere, scholar, 641.
Seopid, pt. pl. escaped, 3915. *Paf* for Seapid.

Scopulah, a. look-out place, 1575.
See the note.
Seom, a. score (twenty), 1372, 4200; ix score, one hundred and eighty, 3177.
Scorpions, pl. scorpions, 3865, 4520.

Sercoris, pr. a. (for Schoris), grows short, wanes, 3298.
Sournes (Shownes), pl. showers, 2048.
Scriptour (Scriptare), writing, 2119;
Scriptume (Scriptur), text, 1575.

Sentis, pr. pl. project, 4865. Icel. skita.
Se, a. see, 250, 344; (Se), 688; Se, ger., 356; to look upon, 1528; So, (Se), 1 pr. a. 1598; 2 pr. pl. 1802; So, pr. pt. 1 p. subj. see, 1846; (Se), pr. a. saw, 1590; So, imp. a. 1914; (Se), 702.

Se, a. see, 83.
Seche, adj. such, 1191, 1819.
Seche, ger. to seek, 438; Seches (Sokes), seeks, goes, 1055. See below.

Sechis, pr. pl. come, 4976. A better reading would be as *seid* out of wells, like streams out of wells.
Seide is a Southern form of side, a stream, torrent.

Sechus (Sicnus), Zethus, 2215.
Second, adj. second, 2303, 3660; Secunde, 3356.

Seda, a. seed, 586, 1991, 4258; race, 4338; Seda, pl. 3725, 4404.
Seder, a. cedar; Seder-tables, tables of cedar, 3290. See Sedrise.

Sedill, adj. (probably) chaste, modest, gentle, 3237. Formed from A.S. *sida*, good manners, lit. custom; cf. *seofull*, modest (*Ornumnum*); Icel. *sittur*, well-bred; Dan. *sædlig*, modest; G. *sittsam*, modest. The suffix is A.S. -el, as in *wezel*.

Sedrise, pl. cedars, 4773. See Seder.

See, a. sea, 26, 61, 411; Seas, pl. 4406.

See, n. see, make out, 5605; ger. to attend, 7547; See (Seas), 2 pr. a. seest, 3279; See (Seas), a. sees, 943; perceives, 5360. See, pr. pt. 3208; (Seen), 1253; See, pt. a. saw, 657, 733*; Seas, imp. pl. 2 p. beheld, 3878.

See-bule, a. sea-bull, 4098; (read Sea-bullis), 4197; See-bules, pl. sea-bulls, sea-cows, 3846.

Seole (Seale), a. seal, 2344; (Seale), 1914.

Seolis, pl. seals (sea-animals), 5471; Seolas, 3846.

Seorties, pt. varieties, 4654. See the note; and see Sere, adj.

Seot, pt. a. (For we read he, see note), set, appointed, 4654; pp. set, situated, 6338.

Seote (Seote), a. seat (supply in, as in the Dublin MS.), 2929.

Sego, siego, 1029, 1144, 1156, 3020; camp, 2142; Sego (Seige), siego, 1282, 1356.

Sego, a. seat, chair, 236, 252, 536, 548, 1872, 2124; throne, 3235, 3388, 5182, 5630, 5648; Sego (Seige), seat, throne, 3284; Sego, pl. thrones, 3456; seats (Lat. *sedile*), 2337.

(Segot), pp. called, 2334. From segno, to say; but the right form is *seid*. The reading is probably corrupt.

Segge, a. man, 111; (Sege), 1316; (Seghe), 2236; Segg (Segye), 2526; (Segh), 1626, 1631; Seg (Sege), 1580; Seg, 2251, 2330; (Segge), 2296; Segges (Segges),

s. pl. warries, men, 1137, 2020, 3165; (Segges), 1329; (Seges), 797, 1795, 2190; (Seges), 2103; Segges (Segres), 2291; Segs, 34, 86; (Seges), 1787, 2043; (Seges), 2137; Segge, gen. pl. of men; Of segge work, of the work of men's hands, 4473.

(Seggen), pr. pl. say, 1070; (Segen), pt. a. saw, 3291.

Segrid, pr. genitived, 4296.

Seis (Sities), pr. a. sis, 980.

Seising, a. seizing, conquest, 4296.

Seke, a. seek, 908, 5322; find, 1864; go, 3081; advance, 1735; Seche, seek, attack, 2029; Seke (Sech), seek to go, sim, 5295; (Sekyn), go, 3081; (Seko), ger. to seek, 1968; Seko (Seche), 1 pr. a. seek, seek to fight, advance, 2748; Seko (Seket), pr. a. goes, 224; (Seky), goes, 2189; Soko, 2 pr. a. seekless, 1759; Sealand, goes, pt. seeking, 154.

Sole, adj. sick, ill, 856, 2003, 2017, 2548, a. sick.

Sekeman, a. sick man, 5605.

Sekire, adj. certain, 5370; true, very, 4479; (Sekir), trusty, 2646; certain, sure, 2840, 2891; (Sekyr), good, sterling, genuine, 1042;

Sekir (Sylker), good, 763; trusty, 1202.

Sekire (Sekerly), adj. assuredly, 2748.

Sekirly, adj. for a certainty, 303; securely, 2401; (Sekirly), certainly, 1634.

Sekenes, a. sickness, 2308; Sekenes, 4440.

Sekouth, adj. strange, great, 3598; valiant, 3043, A.S. *seidis*, strange.

Sekouthie, a. wonder, marvel, 3663, 5533; Sekouthis (Sekouthier), pl. wonders, 2112.

Sekouthely, adj. wonderfully, 3076; strangely, 5291; (Sekouthely), wonderfully, 1022; Sekouthly, wonderfully, exceedingly, 5584; (Sekouthly), wonderfully, 2822.

Sekouthout (Sekouthout), adj. superl. wonderfully, famousest, 1244.

Sekidum, usu. seldom, 4220.

Sole (Sealle), a. seal, 1845, 1931, 2802; (Seale), 1717.

Sole, a. happiness, bliss, good luck, 249, 1855, 4547; (Cyle), prosperity, 1862, A.S. *sele*.

Sole (Syle), ger. to coil, roof, cover, 1519.
Sole, perhaps an error for Solse, i.e. soil, 2760. Or from A.S. *solse*, a house, dwelling; hence, habitation, land. (Probably corrupt.)

Solse, a. cellar, apartment, 2291. *But clearly an error for Solse, a summer-chamber. (Error of e for o in common.)*

Solse, adj. same, very, 288, 498, 3388, 4825; (Solse), 3229; (Selues), 754.

Solse, self; yours, self, yourself, you yourself, 275; Solse, himself, 435.

Solid, pp. sealed, 5100; (Sellett), 1170.

Sell (Self), pres. self, 2624.

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Selly, adj. strange, marvellous, 326, 570, 1580; (Sellich), 1732; strange, i.e. great, 5575; vast, 2089; Selle, adj. strange, wonderful, great, 4884; vast, 89.

Selly, adj. strangely, extremely, 3567.

Selly, a. marvel, 2551; Sells, pl. wonders, 5551.

(Selle), adj. very, 1998, 741*. *Semand*, pres. part. seeming, 1252. See Semme.

Semblance, a. appearance, demeanour, 5192; Semblance, 4098.

Sembland, a. appearance, face, aspect, 4141; (Sembland), 1627, 841*.

Semble, a. assembly, army, 2978; encounter, meeting, 797; Semle (Semble), assembly, 1573.

Samble (Assemble), a. assemble, 1921; Semble, ger. to assemble, meet in battle, 759; Semblise, pr. a. attacks, 1323; (Semblise), assemble, 2698; Semble, pr. a. assemble, 1292; Semble (Assemble), pr. pl. assemble, 2351; Sembled, pr. a. (Sembles, pr. a.) assembled, 2489; Sembled, pt. pl. assembled, 617; Sembild (Sembyld), pp. assembled, 1244, 2536;

Sembild (Sembild), pp. assembled, 2270.
 Sembiling (Semblying), *s. assembling*, 769.
 Seme, *n.* beseem, suit, 979; Semes, pr. *a.* beseems, 747, 5209; (Semos), 2000; it seems, 1349, 3196; Semys, seems, 1534; it beseems, 716; Semed, pt. *a.* seemed, 635, 1156; (*Semyd*), seemed, 1423; beseemed, 2779; Semed (Somyd), seemed likely, 2005; seemed, 1375; seemed (its reach), 2198; Semyd, seemed, 70, 1528.
 Seme, *pr.* error for Seme, to see, 682; the Dublin MS. has *st.*
 Semely, adj. comely, 238; seemly, 1281; seemly person, 2003; fair one, 5264; (*Semlych*), 2179; (Semelych), 2017, 3043.
 Semely, *adj.* fitly, 281; fittingly, 198; comely, 424.
 Semple (Sembale), *s. assemble*, 2796; Sembale (Assemble), *pr.* to assemble, 2803.
 Semplacra (Smylacr), *s.* image, 2997; Semplacris, pl. images, effigies, 5637.
 Sen, conj. since, 179, 465, 1105, 1850, 2950, 3438, 3544, 4238; (*Seth*), 891; (*Syon*), 1864.
 Send, *v.* send, 1833; Sendo, *pr.* 1868; (*Send*), 1254; Sendis, *pr.* *a.* sends, 352, 1716; (*Sendes*), 1711; (*Sende*), 1170; Send, *pr.* *pt.* 1042; Sent, 2 *pt.* *a.* sentest, 2022; Send, *pr.* *a.* sent, 4234; Sent, 670; (*Send*), 1463; Sente, *pt.* *pl.* *sent*, 3774; Sent (*Send*), 1490.
 Sendale, fine linen, 1519.
 Sene (See), *pr.* to see, 1061; *pp.* seen, 62, 1551.
 Senour, *a.* senior, lord (*inf. a false reading*), 2760. See below.
 Senours, pl. elders, princes, 2487; Séneours (Senours), *pl.* seigneurs, lords, 1614. See Senoure.
 Senuscalls (Senuscalleis), *pl.* seneschals, 3400; Seneschalls (Seneschal), 2753.
 Senoure, *a.* prince, 2073; Senieur (Senour), lord, 2634; Seignoure (Senour), *s.* ruler, lord, 3198;

Senours (Senours), *pl.* lords, 1337. See Senoure.
 Senourie (Senory), *s.* dominion, 1913, 1976.
 Sens, *a.* incense, 4184.
 Sensitif, *adj.* sensitive, 4381.
 Sensors (Censors), *pl.* censors, 1565.
 Sent, *s.* feeling, perception, 4615.
 Sent, *s.* assent, 617. For Asent.
 Senton, *a.* cinchure, girdle, 4963.
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 Senurie (Senours), *s.* lordship, 2778.
 Senyour, *a.* lord, 5600.
 (Sene), *ger.* to sink, fall, 716. (Such is the sense required; it is evidently misspelt for *seye* = *sep.*) See Sepes, and cf. the reading of Ashmole MS.
 Septer, sceptre, 502; (*Septour*), 980; Septes (*Septour*), 1128; Septour, 158, 2324, 3325.
 Sepulture, *s.* sepulchre, 3143.
 Seraphim, pl. Seraphim, 4915.
 Seraphis (*Serapys*), Serapis, 1084; (*Seraphys*), 1101.
 Ser, sir, lord, 151, 513, 637, 771, 869, 1239; (*Sir*), 625, 1005; (*Sire*), 765; Socia, *pl.* size, 182; (*Sires*), lords, 2491.
 Serche, *pr.* to search, 3132.
 Sericle, *a.* circle, 3726, 4373; Serilis, *pl.* 277.
 Seru, *adj.* various, separate, divers, 86, 277, 570, 1085, 1535, 1567, 1694, 1889, 2010, 2104, 2112, 2765, 3707, 4453, 4461, 4915; various, many, 2763.
 Serolepy, *adj.* separate, 4521; various, sundry, 4440, 5125; Serolypy, different, 695; Serolepis, *adj.* *pl.* various, 4893.
 Sereson, Ceres, 4510, 4536.
 Seriancis (Sergeantes), *pl.* sergeants, officers, 2475; Seriant (Sergeanter), sergeants, 3403.
 Serke, *s.* shirt, sack, 4963; Serkis, *pl.* 4339, 4672.
 Serop (Syrop), syron, drink, 2578; (*Syrop*), 2558; Serop (*Syruppe*), 2568.
 Seropis, Serapis, 4460.
 Serpentes, *pl.* serpents, 3707, 3883, 4197.

Serres, Seres, *i.e.* Chinese, 3106, 3258.
 Sertan, *s.* certain amount, 5121.
 Sertan, *adj.* certain, 3358.
 Sertis, *adj.* certainly, 4371.
 Sertuse, *s.* service, 2778, 3529; (*Serrago*), 918; Serrage (Serryce), servitude 1937.
 Serrand, *s.* servant, 2779; (*Sirrand*), 1962; (*Sirant*), 1721; Serrandis (*Serrandes*), *pl.* servants, 2753.
 Serrand, *error* for Serrus (as is the Dublin MS.), service, 2624.
 Seme, *v.* obey, 2410; serre, suit, 1364; Senyd, *pt.* *s.* served, was of service, 2374; Served, *pp.* served, 1885, 5282.
 Seme, *pr.* *pl.* I *pp.* deserve, 4389; Served, *pp.* earned, 3426. Short for Deserve.
 Seraus, *s.* service, 918.
 Seramente, *s.* servitude, 4349.
 Socia (*Socys*), *s.* (1) size, 1776; Socia, *pr.* *s.* socies, lays hold of, 5283; (*Soces*), takes, 1452; (*Soces*, *sizes*), 2115; Sooid, *pt.* *s.* put, placed, 5457; Sooid, seized, 1142; Sooid, *pt.* *s.* seized, took, 4119; Sooid, *pp.* taken, 2386, 5403; (*Soyd*), 1358; Sooid, 2380; Soces, *ger.* (2) to seize, i.e. to give possession (*of*), 5220; (*Socys*, *ger.* to put in possession, 2566, 2633; Sooid, *pt.* *s.* put in (*thy*) possession, 2578; Sooid, *pt.* *s.* put (*him*) in possession (*of*), 4210; Sooid, *pp.* seized, put into possession, delivered over, 5313; Sooid, seized, possessed, put in possession, 3151; Sooid, seized, possessed, 3558; Sooid (*Soyd*), *pp.* seized, taking possession, 1449.
 Ses (Seses), 2 *pr.* *a.* cozen, 2736; Ses, *pr.* *s.* cozen, 546, 4377; stops, 4683; Sooid (*Soyd*), *pt.* *pl.* cozen, 2045; Ses, *esp.* *pl.* cozen, 182.
 Seson, season, 881; (Seasun), 2826.
 Sesond (Sound), *pp.* seasoned, prepared, 2292.
 Sesse (Syes), *pr.* *s.* sees, 2532.
 Scyng, *s.* seizing, scisme, 3490.

Set (Sett), *v.* set, 2795; Sett, *v.* 1765; ger. to set, to be set, 1865; to set, 1158; (*Set*), 2290; Sett, 1 *pr.* a. 1802; Settin, *pr.* *s.* 2 p. buildest, 5403; Sett, *pt.* *s.* sets, 3049; (Settes), 1431, 1452; Setis (Settes), sets, dashes, 1221; Set, sets, 1859; Settin (Settes), pitches, 1143; Settie (*Settes*) upon, begins, 2135; Settes, overt, *pr.* *s.* thrusts out, 541²; Set, *pt.* *s.* 1 *pt.* Set agayns, attacked, 2082; Sett, *pt.* *s.* established, 4365; ordered, 4351; Set, *pt.* *s.* set, 1159; (Sett, appointed, 759; Sett, *pp.* set, placed, 281, 605, 1921; appointed, 179, 443, 522, 5412; established, 1649; rendered, 3911; Set, sealed, 238, 502, 536; set against, opposed to, 1316; Settis (Settes), *imp.* *pl.* 2 *pt.* set, 2142.
 Sets, *s.* ant, 238, 482, 979, 2962, 3322; throne (Lat. *solium*), 2676; set, habitation, dwelling, 1749. And see Sette.
 Sete, *adj.* suitable, fit, 249; (homely) short, 546; Sete quile (Sete quyle), suitable time, 2536. From A.S. *swim*, to sit M.E. sites, to suit. See site in Stratmann.
 Seten (*Setlyn*), 1 *pr.* *s.* sit, 1850.
 Seteqwyl (Sete-while), *s.* fitting while, convenient while, i.e. a short time, 3081. See Sets, *adj.*
 Setsen, *adv.* afterwards, 232, 424, 495, 631, 2325.
 Setsen (*Syne*), conj. since, 2222.
 Setsen, *s.* set time, 5553.
 Sets, *s.* setting, 2045.
 Sette, *s.* seat, habitation, 4952. (*Error for Sets*). See Sets.
 Sets, *a.* set (*either company or these set or put*), 3294.
 Setynge, *s.* setting, 5508.
 Senn, *num.* seven; *s.* he seven " = the seven deadly sins, 4223; (*Senn*), 1961. See Seven.
 Seven (*Senvy*), *adj.* seventh, 2342. (*Senvy*), seventeenth, 795.
 Senvy, *s.* seven, 44; (*Senvy*), 1228, 1677. See Seven.
 Senvynt (*Senant*), *adj.* seventh, 2157; (*Sauento*), 3388.
 Senvynte, *nam.* seventh, 634.

Souyntene (Sousentene), seventeen, 2105.

Soynd, *pr. a.* was separated, 579.

Soww, *ger. to follow*, 2105, 3534;

v. n. pursue, go on, 2105; make

suit, sue, 5161; imitate, 2515;

Soww, *pr. a.* follows, 5507; Soww,

3691; (Soww), 2502; (Soynd),

pp. followed, been used to, 795*

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Soww, *v. a.* sow together, 1925 (the Dublin MS. has Insw); Sowws,

pr. a. sows up, 423.

Sowws, *pl.* puttages, 4275. See *Sew* in Halliwell.

Sox, six, 5470.

Soxes, Xerxes, 2361, 3558; (Soxes), 3136; (Sorxes), 3097; Soxie,

5600; (Soxes), 2483; (Sorxes), 2994.

Sox, *ord. a.* 2345, 2384.

Soxtene, sixteen, 3821.

Soxti (Sexty), sixty, 1042; (Sexty), 806.

Soydis (Seps), *pr. a.* goes, 1573.

(Soynd), *pp.* seized; Soynd to hym, seized for himself, 3187. See *Seso*.

Seps, *pr. a.* sink, falls, 4833; passes, goes, 2182; Seps, *pr. pl.* sink, fall, drop, 2043, 2057, 3641;

Seps, 4844; Seps, pass, go, 1481;

Seps, *pr. pt.* (*witd to*), approach, advance to (the city), 1388. A.S.

siges, to cause to sink, confused with sign, to sink, fall. Note also Seps, to go, Seps, arrived, in

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Seps, 2, *inf. a.* shalt see, 5022; *pr. a.* sees, 3053; Seps, heads, 3291; perceives, 5567; Seps, heads,

4478; *inf. v.* sees, be used with the sense of seems, 4704.

Sect, *a.* sight, 5537.

Shafla (Shaftis), *pl.* shafts, rays, 1544.

Shalikis (Salkez), *pl.* men, 1391; (Shalker), 3267*.

(Shall), *pr. a.* shall, 8096.

(Shamely), *ad.* shamefully, 739*.

Shapoli (Echaphun, 1 *pr. pl.*, 1 *pl.* pl. escaped, 1944.

Shapis, *pr. a.* forms, shapes, 113; Shap, 2 *pr. pl.* intend, 2143;

Shapen (Shapyn), *pp.* ordained,

2269; (Shapyn), ordained, 3267*;

Shapid (Shapyd), *pp.* decreed,

809. (Sharp), adj. sharp, 267.

Sharpid (Sharped), *pp.* sharpened,

1890.

Shany, *pr. a.* shaves, 121.

Shaw, *ger. to shave*, 321; Shawis,

pr. pl. shave (themselves), 3429.

(She), *she*, 948.

Sheet, 1767*. See Over-sheet and Sheet.

(Shield), *pr. a.* subj. shield, 1472.

Shemerand, *pres. part.* shimmering,

1544.

(Shendes), 2 *pr. a.* spoilest, 1767*;

(Shendit), *pp.* spoilt, destroyed,

2298.

(Sherdship), a disgrace, 3267*.

Sheche (Sheith), *a.* sheath, 2639.

Sheve, *v. show*, 1827; *ger.* 1666;

Shevis (Showys), *pr. a.* shews,

928; Showid, *pr. id.* 1704.

Shildis (Shildex), *pl.* shields, 787.

(Shillynges), *pl.* shillings, 807*.

Shippe (Shippes), *pl.* ships, 2454.

Shire, *adj.* bright, sheer, clear, pure,

113, 1544, 2454, 4675; (Shire),

807*, 2048.

Sho, *pres. she*, 3928; (Sho), 733*;

Shoo, 5145.

(Shote), *a.* shot; Shoto over-sheet,

overshot thy shot, 1767*. End

over-shot.

(Shot), *ger. shoot, cast*, 807*;

(Shotyn), *pt. pl.* shot, 3041;

(Shot), *pp.* 1544.

Shout, *ger. to escape*, 2143. E.

shout.

Showte, *a.* shout, 1322.

Showte, *a.* mischievous person, 1706.

Shudlins (Shudlers), *pl.* shoulderers,

812; (Shudlers), 731*; (Shudlers),

775*.

Sibbe, *adj.* skin, 4192. See Syb.

Sibbre, *adj.* comp. nearer of kin,

586.

Siche, *adj. such*, 83, 1889; Sich,

1076.

Sichim (Sychim), Sichem, 1759.

Sichemures, *pl.* sycamores, 4978.

Sicistrus (Sicistrens or Sicisters), proper name, 2234.

Side, *a.* side, direction, 1221, 1520,

5021; Side, *pl.* sides, 773, 1424,

2215, 4672; parts, regions, borders,

1221, 2115; Of þa sidis, in these

quarters, 3887. See Syde.

Side (Syde), adj. long, 1925.

Sidlings, *adv.* sideways, 2057.

Sighinges, *pl.* sighs, 5052.

Sighis, *pr. a.* sighs, 5584.

Signe, *pl.* wonders, 4935. See

Synnes.

Sike, *adj. such*, 126, 3407; (Sike),

868, 1015; Sike, such (men), 946;

such (things), 4272; (Suke), 2580;

(Slyke), 2047.

Sike, *v. sigh, lament*, 2313.

Silk, *pr. a.* tarse, goes, 111, 161,

355; Sylax (Sylex), goes, 2921;

comes, 1087; Silk, *pr. pl.* sub-

side, drop, fall, 3043; Silk, go,

161. See Silk in the Truy-book;

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Silk, *a.* silk, 4016; (Sylke), 2401.

Silkin, *adj.* silken, 2035; Silkyn,

236; Silken (Sylkyn), 1520.

Silksore, *a.* canopy, 4915. And see

Sylver.

Silver, silver, 276, 1571, 1588, 1889;

Silvye, 129.

Silvury (Sylver), adj. of silver,

silver, 1565.

Similitude, *a.* parable, 2735; like-

ness, similitude, 1627, 2024, 4229.

Simpill, *adj. simple*, 4664; ignorant,

4404. See Sympill.

Simplices, *a.* simplicity, 4040, 4051.

Sinagoges (sing. Sinagoge), pl. syna-

gogues, 1481. See Synagogue.

Sindil, *pp.* burnt, 2236. Cf. A.S.

sinder, cinder.

Siphagone (Pryphagoyne), place-

name, 2759.

Sipris, *a.* cypress-wood, 5290; Sipris,

4433; Sipresses, *pl.* cypresses,

4973. See Sypris.

Sipris, Cyprus, 4600.

Siraphis, Serapis, 200; Sirapis,

5409; Siraphis, 161.

Sire, *a.* sire, master, lord, 303, 311,

1131; sire, 363, 517; father, 1786;

(Syre), father, lord, sire, 1125,

Sisistrum (Sicistrens or Sicisters), proper name, 2234.

Sis, *a.* side, direction, 1221, 1520,

5021; Sis, *pl.* sides, 3436; (Syres), 1185;

Sires (Sirs), 2286. See Syre.

Sire sole, fatherland, soil of thy

sire, 502L.

Sireland (Sury), Syrian land, Syria,

1614.

Sirie (Sury), Syria, 1187.

Siriens (Suriens), *pl.* Syrians, 1696;

(Suriens), 1447.

Sise, *a.* size, 26.

Sit (Sitt), *v. sit*, 1855. See Sitt.

Sitte, *a.* time, 4234. A.S. sit.

Sithe, *a.* seythe, 2971.

Sithen, *adj.* since, 282, 1, 92.

Sithid, *adj.* seized, armed with

scythes, 3594, 3821.

Sithin, *adv.* afterwards, then, 5385;

(Syne), 1537.

Sities (Sitoles), City-less, without a

city or home, 2926.

Sitt, *v. sit*, 622; (Sitte), dwell, 1677;

Sittis (Sittos), 2 *pr.* a. sittest, 1872;

Sittis, *pr. a.* sit, 161; 1 *pr. a.* sit,

1724; Sitt, *pr. pl.* sit, remain, be

left, 3807. See Sit.

Sigs (Sighes), *pr. a.* sighs, 3076.

Sigh, *a.* sight, 1232, 2031, 2270;

giance, look, 4850; (Sight), 267,

1551.

Slayis, *pr. a.* escapes, 642; Skapil

(Scapit), *pt. a.* escaped, 2992.

Scarlet, *adj.* scarlet, 467.

Scar, *adj.* scarce, short, 5040. (For

free read for.)

Schedelos (Schadelos), *adj.* un-

harmed, 2292.

Schedely, *adv.* with difficulty, with

injury, 642.

Schall, *adj.* harmful, 4802. Cf.

Goth, schallen, harmful.

Schaatland, *pres. pt.* pushing, darting

violently, 4200. Halliwell gives

seas, to push violently; cf. Icel.

Schaf, *v. shear*, 112. See Jamieson.

Schare, *a.* scare, fright, 4731.

Scharrid, *pt. a.* scared away, 4802.

Skeyws, *pl.* skies, 361.

Sleife, *v. change*, die (lit. shift),

3040; Shifflis, *pr. a.* shifts,

changes, 4622. See Skyflis.

Skillfall, *adj.* skiffal, 645.

Skiff (Skely), *v.* reason, 1575.
 Skinner, *pl.* skins, hides, 4114.
 Skire (Skyre), *adj.* sheer, bright, 1824. See Shore, Skyre.
 Skirmand, *pres. part.* screaming, 5157.
 Skirts (Skirtæ), *pl.* skirts, 1533.
 Skity, *adv.* suddenly, swiftly, 5040. Cf. M.E. *sket*, swift.
 Skidrière, *adj.* slender, 4923.
 Skorfe (Scourge), *a.* scourge, 1924.
 Skorne, *a.* scorn, 641.
 Skowis, *pl.* woods, lit. shaws, 5157.
 Icel. *skogr*.

Skrike, *v.* screech, shriek, 4731; Skrikes, *pl.* 5157.
 Skylfie, *pr. v.* changes, 467. See Skife.
 Skynnes, *pl.* skins, 5084. See Skinnes.
 Skyp, *pr. v.* *solv.* skip aside, leap aside, 642.
 Skye, *adj.* height, sheer, 467; (*sky*), *pare*, 2119. See Shore, Skire.
 Slaa, *ger.* to slay, 5412; *v.* 4403, 5330; *Sla, ger.* 2066; *Sla (Slaye)*, 1765; *Slaa, pr. v.* slays, 3628, 4641; *Sla, 2 pr. v.* 4647; *Slaa (Sla)*, 3198; *Slayn, pp. slain*, 722, 1829, 2057; *Slayn (Slayne)*, 1254; *Slayne*, 691, 2089; *Slayne, pp.* wholly slain, 1449; *Slane*, 4735, 4844, 5575.
 Share (Slær), slayer, murderer, 967.
 Slade (Slode, Slayde), *pr. v.* slid, passed quickly, 2870, 2962; (*Slade*), 2962.
 Shakis (Asakes), *pr. v.* ceases, 857; Shakid, *pt. v.* slackened, ceased, 3050.
 Same; see Slaa.
 Sanyn, *a.* (a pilgrim's) mantle, 1925. See Shawne in Halliwell.
 Sawth, *a.* sloth, 4293.
 (Slayde), *pt. v.* slid, 2962; see Slade.
 Sayn, Shayne; *see* Slaa.
 Slaptere, *a.* slaughter, 3049; Slapte (*Slapthir*), death, 708; Slaptr, *a.* deadly effect, lit. slaughter, 4855. (*The glance of the basilisk caused death.*)
 Sleekly, *adv.* sily, cautiously, 5174.

Slees, *pr. pl.* 2 *p. slay*, 4461. See Slaa.
 (Sloghty), *adv.* quickly, 2057. Cf. Icel. *slfr*, smooth; *slft*, smoothly. (Slengers), *pl.* slingers, 2219.
 Slope, *a.* sleep, 351, 375, 419, 1084, 1512; *Slop*, 344.
 Sleep, 1 *pt. a.* slept, was asleep, 475; Slepin, *pt. a.* slept, was sleeping, 4849.
 Sletis, *pr. a.* hastens, 280. Cf. A.S. *sletan*, to hunt.
 (Slew), *pt. pl.* slew, 2043.
 Slepy (Shylghly, *slc.*), *adj.* silly, 2962. See Sleyt.
 Sleg, *a.* slight, cunning contrivance, 4857; (*Slegh*), 2634; Sleg (*Slegh*), slight, skill, 1022; strategem, 1584; *Slet (Sleghes, pl.)*, skill, 2374; (*Slyght*), trick, 2566; Sleptic, *pt.* sleights, arts, 38, 334; (*Sleghex*), strategems, 1445.
 Slide, *pp.* slidden, gone away, 4456. See Slade.
 Slike, *adj.* such, 11, 38, 62, 399, 539, &c.; like, 1229; (*Slyke*), 1752; (*Slike*), 1742; (*Sliche*), 1516; *Slik*, such, 67, 68, &c.; (*Slyke*), 1641; (*Surhe*), 2387; All alike, just such, 3084.
 Sling (*Slengers*), *pl.* slings, 2219.
 Slip, *v.* slip away, pass away, come to naught, 179.
 Slire, wrongly for Skire, sheer, pure, 2119. The Dublin MS. has skyr. See Skine.
 Slisy, *adv.* silly, silently, 2870.
 Slowfull, *adj.* slothful, p. 279, l. 16.
 Slowmand, *pres. part.* lumbering, 5174. *"Slowa, to lumber, *Forshire*;"* Halliwell.
 Slope (*Sloght*), *pt. v.* slew, 1431; Slope, *pr. v.* slay, 3904, 4113, 5667; (*Sloght*), 3421; (*Slew*), slaughtered, 1139; (*Sloghten*), 3213; Slops, *pt. pl. 1 p. solv.* (*if we*) were to stay, 3551.
 Slughe, *a.* sluggish, outer skin, 4456; Slugs, *pl.* sluggish skins, 5085. See the note.
 (Sloghty), *adv.* quickly, 2870.
 (Slyke), *such-like, such*, 2219. See Sleyt.

Slymond, *pres. pt. as adj.* slimy, claylike, 4456.
 Small, *a.* small, in small, in small bits, 1309.
 Smalliro, *adj.* comp. smaller, 1334.
 Smaragdone, *a.* emerald, smaragdus, 3556; [*Smaraðane*], 3342; Smaragdans, pl. emeralds, 3678; Smaragdæna, 5242; Smaragdine, 5272; Smaragdyns, 3670, 5643.
 Smert, *adj.* rough, 1309.
 Smert, *adv.* smartly, promptly, 5515.
 Smeten, *pp.* beaten, 3675; hence, stock, decked, 5272; (*Smynt*), smitten, 1509. See Smynt.
 Smeth, *adj.* smooth, 3311, 3670, 3678.
 Smeth, *adv.* smooth, 3311, 3670, 3678.
 Smeth, *v.* smith, forge, 5515.
 Smithis, *pl.* smiths, 5515.
 Smyles (Smylys), *pr. a.* smilles, 2461; (*Smylys*), 2729.
 (Smynt), *a.* smite, 843; Smyntis (*Smynt*), *pr. a.* smittes, 1222; Smyntes, *pp.* Et smitten, hammed out, made, 3342; (*are*) smitten, 3082; Smynten, smitten, beaten, 5242. See Smeten.
 Smythis, *pl.* smiths, 5242.
 Smokis, *pl.* smokes, 3794.
 Smope, *a.* (probably) winter-pasture, patch of grass, 1560. Cf. Icel. *smop*, 'scanty grass for sheep to nibble at in snow-covered fields'; Vigfasson. Hence, in this passage, it must mean a patch of grass for winter-pasture.
 Snapiro (Snappers), *pr. a.* stumbles, 847. See note, p. 294.
 Snart, *adj.* severe, 3633. See Gloss. to Gawayne and the Green Knight. Cf. Lowl. Sc. *snorre*, severe.
 Snatire, *pr. a.* staggers, stumbles, 3995. See Snapiro.
 Snaw, *a.* snow, 4925, 5482; Snawe, 4165; *Snaw (Snow)*, 1569, 1756.
 Snayles, *pr. small*, 4055.
 Snaypid, *pt. a.* disconcerted, marr'd, 3995; nipp'd, caught suddenly, checked, severely wounded, 3633. North. E. *snayp*, to check, chide.
 Smote, *adv.* quickly, swiftly, 3995. A.S. *seot*, quick.
 Snowie, *a.* snout, trunk, 3633.
 Snypbrand (Snappard), *pres. part.* dazzling, 1560. See Jamieson.
 Smyth, *adj.* (probably) smooth, 4095. The lit. sense is 'cut', from Icel. *smifa*, to cut. Cf. prov. E. *seed*, smooth; Sc. *seed*, to cut, prune.
 Smytis, *pr. a.* issues, creeps (*out*), 4095. Cf. Icel. *smyrf*, a small, So. *mf.* so, 14, 69, 140; And so, i.e., and so forth, and the like, 2551, 4184; And so, and the like, 3821. (A curious phrase).
 Sobhand, *pres. part.* sobbing, 3249.
 Sobire, *adj.* sober, 4256.
 Sobirly, *adj.* soberly, 4643; directly, 5340; calmly, 2356.
 Sobrite, soberly, 4040.
 Socore (Socour), *a.* successor, 250, 1463, 2252.
 Socors (Succours), *pr. a.* succours, aids, 2534.
 Sodenly, *adv.* suddenly, 1052, 3391; Sodenly, *adv.*, 2802; (Sodenly), 1626; (Sodenly), 1829.
 Sofre, *v.* suffer, 2435.
 Soft, *adv.* softly, 2405.
 Softe, *adj.* soft, 2000; Soft (Softe), 2024; (*Softe*), 2071.
 Sofly, *adv.* at ease, 482; gently, 548; in an under tone, 2952; Sofly (Sofly), gently, 698. (Soght), errr for Softe, i.e. true, 1806. See the Ashmole MS.
 Soet (Sugott), *a.* subject, 2682. (*Sofft* = *soft*).
 Soile, *a.* soft, country, 1749, 3728; ground, 3284; Soile (Soyle), 3161.
 Solas (Solace), solace, comfort, 1493.
 Solast, *pt. a.* solaced, comforted, 2072.
 Solayne, *adj.* solitary, single, 3805. Hence E. *solien*.
 Solempnité, solemnity, pomp, 1645.
 Solers, *pl.* upper-rooms, 3684. See Soler in Halliwell.
 Solip, *n.* pollute, 4292. "Sulper, polliere;" Strathmann.
 Some, some, 568; (*Some*), 774*; a certain, 755*; Some tyme, once, 1132.
 (Some), *adj.* same, 2063.
 Somere, *a.* summer, 3259; (*Somer*), 2825.
 Somere-hall, summer-hall, 5264; (*Somer-hall*), 2922.

Somir-bathis, *pl.* summer-baths, 4343.
 Somme, *a. sum.*, number, 83; (*Some*), 1889; host, 1026; (*Some*), number, 2063, 2189; *Some*, *a. sum.*, number, 62; host, 924; (*Some*), host, 1144; (*Some*), *a. sum.*, quantity (*but an error for fone*), 3180. (*Some*), 1 *pr. s.* (*the same as* *Same*), collect, 3168.
 (Somedd), *pl. s.* gathered, 2212. See *Sammen*.
 Son, *a. son.* 572, 584, 618, 627; (*Sone*), 686; (*Sonn*), 697; (*Son*), 863; *Sones*, *pl. sons*, 4403; (*Son*), 5091; Biche sons, sons of a bitch, or red Biche sons, bitch-sows, 5482.
 Son, *a. sun.* 34, 281, 427, 543, 556; sun-rise, 2303; (*Son*), 1723; (*Sons*), 1518; *Sonne*, 442, 736, 1842; *Son*, gen. *sun's*, 62; Vindre son, under the sun, 4309; With vp sun, with sun up, with sunrise, 4067. Cf. *sundene*.
 Son*d*, *adj.* sound, safe, 5245.
 Sonde, *a. sound* health, soundness, security, 5616. See above, and see *snde* in *Stratzmann*.
 Sonders, *pr. s.* breaks asunder, 3057; *Sondres*, breaks up, 4577; *Sondre*, *pr. pl.* I. *plough*, lit. smoulder, sever, 4262; *Sondred* (*Sondred*), *pl. s.* broke asunder, 4150.
 Sondrie; In-sondrie, asunder, 4150.
 Sons, *ad. son.* 59, 116, 222, 266, 362, 400; *Son*, 739; *Sons*, *as. son.* as, 394.
 Sonere, *adv.* comp. sooner, 4295.
 Son-sett, *a. sun-set*, 3050.
 Son-tree, *a. sun-tree*, 5008, 5018.
 Soo, *adv. so.* 4772; thus, 179, 3911; so, i. e. the like, 3821 (*c. line* 2551, 4184). See *So*.
 Sope, *a. sup.* small quantity, 3805. See *Sope* in *Halliwel*.
 Soper, *a. supper*, 2923.
 Sophistri, *a. sophistry*, 4364.
 Sopp, *a. company*, body, troupe, 2351. See *Sopp* in *Halliwel*. Cf. *Icel. sopp*, a ball.
 (Sorates), name, 916.
 Sorely, *adv.* surely, 165, 688.
 Soremens, *for Serement*, oath, 1464.

Sorope, sorrow, 249, 522; (*Sorow*), 2051; trouble, 2157; *Sorowes* (*Sorow*), a pitiful creature, 1753; Soropys (*Sorowy*), *pl.* sorrows, 1447; Sorops (*Sorowes*), *pl.* sorry fellows, 1755.
 Sorope v. lament: Fand hire sorope, found her lamenting, 586; Soropes, *ge. s.* grieves, 4051; (*Sorowes*), 705; Sorowis (*Sarows*), 1288; Sorowis, *pr. s.* grows dark, lit. grows sad, 4141; Soropos, imp. *pl.* sorrow ye, 182.
 Sorory, sorcery, 38; (*Soroy*), 5291.
 Sorte, *a. sort*, quality; in sorte (of sorte), according to their rank, 1555.
 Sotellest, *adj.* superl. sublest, 34; Sotellest, most skilful, 2373; Sotellest (*Sotellest*), most delicate, most chose, 2923.
 Sotelite, subtily, skill, 258.
 Sothe, *adj.* true, 327, 1806; (*Soth*), 722.
 Sothe, *a. trath*, 165, 261, 463, 5412; (*Sothe*), 722; (*Soghit*), 2280; For soth, of a trath, 99.
 Sothely, *adv.* verily, truly, 688; (*Sothly*), 691, 1649; Sochly, 5008.
 Sott, *a. set*, fool, 1776, 4704; (*Sot*), 1862; Sottes, *pl.* foolish men, 2232; Sottis, fools, 4417; (*Sottis*), foolish ones, hence, innocents, children, 1602.
 Sott, *ger.* to besot, stultify: To set with the peggs, to besot the people with, 4364.
 Sourayne, a sovereign, king, lord, 154; (*Souren*), 1818; (*Sourend*), 1512; Souerane, 2774; (*Soueren*), 801²; Souerayne (*Soueren*), gen. lord's, 1813; (*Soueren*), 2914.
 Souerayne (*Soueren*), *adj.* supreme, 1724; Souerayne, 4210.
 Soueraynest (*Souerenest*), *adj.* superl. chiefest, 1913; Souerayne (*Soueren*), most supreme, 3097.
 Souewynste (*Sourente*), a leadership, dominion, 1859.
 Souewyndy (*Sourendy*), *adj.* chiefly, 1988.
 (*Soueren*), error for Soueren, sovereign, lord, 2774.

Soukand, *pers. port.* sucking, 4197.
 Soume, *a. number*, 1202; company, 1244; host, 1242; Soume (*Some*), sum, 1787; (*Some*), 763; Soumme (*Some*), 1968. See *Soume*, *Soumme*.
 Sounde (*Sunde*), *adj.* sound, un-wounded, 2232.
 Sounde, *adv.* safely, 5532.
 Sounderlyt, *pt. & broke asunder*, 3067.
 Soundire; In soundire (sonder), asunder, 1416.
 Sounerly, *adv.* savourly, 4581. (*Error for Sounerly*.)
 Sospe, *v. sup.* 2915.
 Sosre, *adv.* bitterly (lit. sourly), 2313. See I. 5348; and see *Sore*.
 Soute, *a. under part (?)*: In soute, beneath (?), 4880. Such seems to be the sense of this doubtful word. Cf. soute in *Latre*, where it is explained that it represents Lat. *radix*.
 Sowe, *v. refl.* gall, vex, grieve; in the plur. Sowe sold him sowe—bitterly shall it vex him, 2313, 5348. See *Sow* in *Jamieson*.
 Sowme, *a. sum.* number, 2552, 3914, 4286, 4792; sum (of men), host, 2756; (*Some*), sum, number, 3019; (*Some*), 2020, 2082; Sowmes (*Somes*, *pl.*), sum of men, army, 2620; Sowmes, *pl.* quantities, 4433.
 Sowme (*Some*), *a. number*, 1986.
 Sowping, *v. amping*, 4139.
 Soyle, *sol.* 1252; (*Sole*), 1724.
 Soynd (*Soned*), *pt. & excused*, 1464. See *soys* in Supplement to my Etym. Dict.
 Sotte (*Sote*), *a. suit*, livery, 1580; (*Sot*), 1550; In soyte, in his suit (of robes), or among his suite (of men), 3356; Of a soyte, in a suit, alike, 3684.
 Sotj, *pt. & s.* sought, went get, 2962; went, 3049; (*Soght*), went, 1137, 1694; Soij him (*Soght*), *on*, *pt. s.* advanced, 3207; Sotj, *pt. pl.* sought, 163; Sotj, *pp.* arrived, 3003.
 Spac, *a. space* (lit. span), 4162. See *Spene* in *Glos* to *Gawayne*.
 Spare, spear, 651, 1218, 1226, 1518; (*Spes*), 798; Spari (*Spares*), *pl.* 786; (*Spres*), 790. (*Sperto*), *a. spirit*, 2178.
 Spared, *pt. s.* spared, pierced with a spear, 3649.

Speris, pr. s. shoots, 5545; shoots up, 5494; pr. pl. shoot, 1466.
Speroldis, jd. pl. dispersed, scattered, 4162. See *Sperol* in Halliwell.
Spetous, adj. spiteful, contemptuous, 4567; *Spetous* (*Spitoues*), angry, fierce terrible, destructive, 2458.
Spices, pl. spices, 4724, 5427.
Spill, ger. to kill, 3120; (*Spyll*), 2663; *Spillis* (*Syllies*), pr. s. kills, 1318; *Spilles*, pr. pl. spilt, shed, 3060; *Spill*, die, 3738; *Spille*, subj. pr. a. 1 p. kill, 5346; *Spill* (*Syllion*), jd. pl. spilt, scattered, 1419; *Spilt*, pp. overthrown, 4162.
Spire, ger. to ask, inquire, 2178; *Spire*, jd. s. asked, 3640; *Spire*, 237. A.S. *spyrne*.
Spiris (*Spirces*), pr. s. spires, 1226.
Spise, despise, 3533; *Spises* (*Dyspyses*), pr. a. 2 p. despisest, 2746; *Spised*, pr. s. despised, 4567.
Spitel, pr. s. despised, 2346. *Short for Despise*.
Spittis (*Spittes*), pr. s. spits, 745.
Spitting (*Spittyn*), s. spitting, 743.
Splene, s. spleens, 5054.
Spoules, pr. s. divests, unclothes, 4962; *Spoules*, pr. pl. 2 p. de-spoil, rob, 4419.
Spankin (*Spankyn*), pp. spoken, 745; *Spanken*, 245, 236.
Spon[ges], jd. sponges, 5467.
Sporne, s. spurn, contemn, 3533.
Spouse, s. wife, 2677, 3515, 5217.
Sporde, s. spread, 1884; (*Spredes*), pr. s. 1514.
Sprongis (*Sprungos*), pr. a. springs, 391.
Sprent, pp. sprinkled, 743. Pp. of M.E. *sprengan*.
(Sprenten), pr. pl. fly out, fly forward, 786. *Sprentes*, profligate; Stratmann.
Sprite, s. spirit, 3318, 4779, 5000, 5320; (*Spirit*), 971. See *Spirre*.
Spring, s. spring, 1884; *Springis*, pr. s. springs, 1318; arises, 2044; rises, 1505; *Springo*, pr. pl. grow up, 4769; *Spring*, jd. s. spread abroad, 6111; arises, 2044; *Spronge*, pp.; Of sprongen, spring from, 4213.

Sprite, s. spirit, mind, 5054; *Sprites*, spirits, 58, 5392.
Sprots (*Sprotes*), pl. splinters, 790. Icel. *sproti*, twig, stick, rod.
Sprygaldis (*Springaledis*), jd. catapults, engines for shooting heavy missiles, 1419. Miswritten for *springaldis*. See *springal* in Halliwell.
Spurnes, pr. s. thrusis, 786; *Spurned*, jd. pl. kicked, 3898.
Spynnes, pr. s. refl. goes swiftly, 3033. Cf. "to go at a spinning pace."
Spyre (*Spyrys*), pr. pl. despise, 2331. *Short for Despyses*.
Spirte (*Spite*), spite, 745. *Short for Despise*.
Stable, a. stable, 7556*, 758*.
Stable (*Stabyl*), adj. stable, 3259.
Stable (*Stabell*), ger. to make stable, to build up firmly, 1367; v. fix, 1091; *Stablis*, pr. s. settles, 4631.
Stad, pp. placed, 465; beset, 499. Icel. *steðar*, placed.
(Stades with), pr. s. ponders, resolves, settles within himself, 2980. Cf. Icel. *steðja*, to fix, appoint, resolve; pp. *steðir*. But probably a false reading.
Staffe, s. round or rung of a ladder, 1438; *Staffe* (*Staffe*), staff of a ring, 1444.
Staffull, adj. quite full, 1543, 4897.
Stagis, jd. floors, stories of a building, 5265; rows of windows above one another, 4897.
Stair (*Stare*), s. stair, i.e. ladder, 1438.
Stair, adj. steep, sheer, 4828. A Yorkshireman told me that the ascent of Ingleborough from the West was 'a steer clim'. And so it is. See *stafre* in Gloss, to Allit. Poems.
Stairis, pr. s. ascends, 4834.
(Stakos), pr. s. staggers, 845. See below.
Stakhs, pr. s. staggers, 845. Icel. *stakra*, to stagger.
Stallid, jd. pl. pieced, 196; *Stall*, pp. pl. let us install, place, 589.
Stalls, pl. stalls, choir-seats, 4543. (Still common.)
Stalworthe, adj. stalwart, strong, 3017; *Stalward*, 3937.
Stalworthly, adv. stalwartly, valiantly, 1149; (*Stalwarily*), 2625; *Stasis* (*Stades*), jd. places, 1495; *Stade* (*Stades*), jd. stead, 2185.
Stamping (*Stampyng*), s. stamping, 781.
Stampis, pr. a. stamps, pounds, 469. *Stand-dede* for *Stan-dede*; stone-dead, dead as a stone, 4845.
Stand-quile, s. instant; prob. an error for *Stand-while*—*Stand-while*, the period of an hour, short-time, 4186.
Stand, s. stand, 636, 1018; *Stand*, 1322; *Stand* (*Standes*), pr. s. stands, 631; *Stand* (*Standes*), pr. s. subj. stands, lasts, 2556; *Standis* (*Standes*), pr. pl. stand, 2165; *Standan*, pp. stood, 5545; *Stand*, i.e.g. a. 2 p. stand, be, 5186.
Stand, stone, 192, 263, 1127, 1136; *Standes*, pl. stones, 1000, 1415, 2227; *Standys*, 284, 566; *Standes*, stones, gems, 483, 604, 1534, 2334; (*Standes*), gems, 1074, 1662. *Standcast*, a. stonecast, stone's throw, 3614.
Stand, adj. built with stones, 4352.
Stand, a. pool; Vp for stand upon the pool, beside the pool, 3918.
Staplis, pl. staples, 1081.
Starid, jd. s. stared, 263; *Starred*, jd. pl. glistered, 3795; *Starand*, pp. res. shining, cleansing, 804, 1534, 2880, 3615, 5286, 5396. See *Prompt. Pav.*, *See Sternid*.
Stato, s. state, kind, 5646.
Statour, statore, 667; *Statoure* (*Statute*), 1702.
Statute s. statute, 5641. Lat. *status*. *Statues*, jd. rounds, steps of a ladder, 2481.
Stankis, a. stank, tank, reservoir, pool, 3854, 3923.
Stayrand, yes. part. climbing, mounting, hence, advancing, 3923. "Store, to go up and down as it were over steps and stairs; *Deoon*"; Halliwell. And see *Staire*.

Step, 4845. Perhaps *To step*—in a steep direction downwards, i.e. headlong. See *Steps*.
Steps (*stepys*), pr. s. steps, 2481; *Stepis* (*Steppys*), for which M.S. wrongly *Spittyn*, pr. pl. step, climb, 1437.
Stere (*Stire*), s. stir, 2809; *Sterie*, pr. s. stirs, moves, 5075;

animales, encourages, 5046; (Steryn), pr. pl. ref. bestir themselves, 2625; Storid, pt. pl. ref. bestirred themselves, 2625; Sterid, pp. stirred, excited, 4256; Stern, ger. to manage, control, 5363; Sternes, pl. stirrups, 3615. See Sternop.

Sternid, pres. part. shining, gleaming, 5385. See Starid.

Stering, s. stirring, 781.

(Stern), adj. stern, strong, 1151. See Sterny.

Sterns, a. star, 678, 683, 703; Sternes, pl. 127, 282, 604, &c.; Sterns, 1993; (Sternaz), 3224. Icel. sjerna.

Sternes, pl. the stars (but prob. an error for stours, i. e. battles), 3495. See above.

(Sternly), adv. stonily, 840*. (Stomps), pl. stirrups, 840*; (Steprops), 732*.

Sterres, pf. stars, 4372. See Sterns.

Stertes, pr. a. stars, springs, 778;

Start, pr. a. started, p. 283, 1

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Sterny, adj. stern, fierce, 611, 4256;

(Sternz), 1386.

Steuen, a. voice, 252, 1131; (Stevyn), 2254; Steyn, 611, 1831; noise, 1382; (Stenen), noise, 1251.

Stegid, pt. pf. mounted, 2194.

Steikking (Stykking), a. stabbing, 2623.

Sties (Styes), pl. ladders, 1437. See See.

Stiff, adj. harsh, strong, 611, 1349,

2139; valiant, 4758; (Sylfe),

stern, 2298; stubborn, 1321;

Stiff, (Sylfe), adj. unyielding,

1015; (Sylf), strong, 2589, 3374.

Stigges, pr. a. starts, feels abashed,

3304. Cf. Icel. skjaga, to shun;

used reflexively, to become shy, to start.

(Sighbilly), pr. a. appoints assigns,

756*. Pat for Sighbillys; see

staffe in Gloss, to Sir Gawayn,

and see Sighill.

Sike (Stike), a. stick, bit, piece,

fragment, 1311.

Sike (Stike), v. stick fast, 1458.

Sikill, adj. piercing (?), 4186.

Sile, a. style, title, 2633; (Style), 2754 (where supply in, is in the Dublin MS.).

Still, adj. still, 2633.

Still (Silly), adj. silently, 2032.

Silly (Silly), adv. stillly, silently, 1159.

Stings, pr. a. vexes, 667.

Stinkand, pres. part. stinking, 4838.

Stinke, a. stink, 4840.

Stint, pp. stayed, stopped, 4186. See Styne.

Stire (Stere), v. stir, 1691; Stirs (Stires), pr. a. ref. moves, 1327.

Stish, adj. stiff, strong, 1069, 5461;

Stitho, severe, 2050; stout, 1327;

great, loud, 1251; strong, well-

defended, 4352.

Stithest, adj. superl. strongest, 5255.

Stithli (Stifly), adv. severely, 2429.

Stige, pt. a. stoned, 3467.

Stig, pp. set (lit. disposed), 4897;

set, stuck, 5385; (Sight), set,

1543; (Sight), with in, dis-

posed, ordered, hence written,

2693. A.S. stihian, to dispose.

See below.

Stighled, pt. pf. set firmly, 195. Pat

for Stighted. See above.

Stigill, ger. to ceder, govern, 589;

Stigill, pr. a. imper. may (He)

dispose of, 3467; Stiphild, pp. set,

placed, 5396; made, 2365; (Stig-
let), established, 2298.

Stode, pt. a. stood, 1136; (Stodyn),

pt. pf. 2271.

Study (Study), a. take thought, 2480;

Stude, 2 pr. pl. study, gaze inten-

tely, 683.

Stude, study, thought, 263.

Stulen, pp. stock, fastened, 1061,

2201. Pp. of stocks.

Stolis (Stolez), pl. stoles, 1581.

Stollen, pp. stolen, 465.

Stomako, a. stomach, 4436.

Stomling (Stombyng), a. stumbling,

2623.

Stonaid, pt. pf. astonished, dismayed,

2539; Stonaid, astonished, 611;

(Stoned), pt. pf. were astonished,

2539.

Stonde, a. hour, 2431; time, 1468;

short time, 655, 3179; (Stounds),

short time, 2625; (Stound), moment, 1327.

Stounds (Stounds), pt. pains, 2409. "Stound, to ache, to smart with pain, North;" Halliwell.

Stonen (Sonon), adj. stone, made of stone, 1574.

(Stones), pt. gems, 1889.

(Stomades), pr. a. stands, 681.

Stopps, pr. a. stops, walls up, 5496;

stops up, 4073; (Stoppy), stops, 970.

Storbs, pr. a. disturb, troubles, 667; Storbet, pp. disturbed, troubled, 2605. Storf for Disturbis, Disturbet.

Store, adj. strong, great, large, huge, 1367, 1534, 2165, 3937; (Store), 745*; (Store), 1741, 2050, 3017; Store ben, for Store-baned, i. e. strong of bone (the Dublin MS. has Store-baned), 1702. Icel. skor.

Store, a. story, 3854, 4828.

Store, 1 pr. pf. (wo) store up, 4352.

Story, a. story, tale, 2050.

Stott, a. ox, 4754; Stottis, pl. oxen, 4357. See Halliwell.

Stounds, a. short time, 2626, 5189; moment, 252, 453; Stoned, 2408, 5063; Stonade (Stound), 1311; Stonads, pt. times, occasions, 3622. A.S. stod.

Stourbed (Stumbott), pp. disturbed, troubled, 104. See Stoeris, Strob-lid.

Stoure, a. agitation, 5045; conflict,

battle, tumult at battle, 452, 499, 1251, 1332, 1415, 2050, 2832;

Stoure (Stoure), shock of battle, 1015; Stoure, troop, host, batta-

lion, army, 785, 3017, 3501, 3977;

Stour, host, 3223; army, 3297, 5075; Stoures, pl. battles, 5046;

Stoures, pl. armies, 5482. O.F. esclor.

Stoure, a. post (to support the tester above), 5646 (where for wall read was); (Stoure), the round of a ladder; "Stour, the round of a ladder;" Halliwell. Icel. stover,

a pole, post.

Stouts, adj. stout, strong, 195, 234;

(Stoutz), bold, 2429.

Stowdill, pres. part. sprinkling (it); but the reading Stowdill, i. e. sprinkled, is for better; 1534. See Strenkild.

Stroksis (Straight), pr. a. stretches, 1953; Stroks, pr. pf. extend, 5063.

Streme, a. stream, 1432, 2533, 1995, 2032; Stromes, pl. streams, 1056;

(Stremex), 1049; Stremys, 75.

Stremed, pt. pf. gleamed, 5286;

Stremand, *pres. part.* streaming, flashing; *AI* stremand, continually, flashing, 3797.

Strenkild, *pp.* sprinkled, thickly covered, 2676; Strongkyllid, 3234. See Strenkle in Halliwell.

Streñth, strength, 662, 1702; Streñthe (Strenth), 1741, 1983, 2139, 2194; Streñthe (Strenthes), strength, 2468; (Strenth, *pl.*), 1013, 1824; Streñthe, castle, stronghold, fort, 5265; (Strenth), 1361; Streñth, 1511; Streñthis, *pl.* forces, powers, 3269, 3716; (Strenthines), 1279; Streñthis, facts, 4952.

Strenkild, *pr. s.* strengthened, 499. (Stranys), *pr. s.* strains, stretches out, 722*. See Strane, Strayne.

Stride (Stretes), *pl.* streets, 1475, 1495, 1514.

Strayne (Strene), *s.* strain, exert, 2809; Strayned (Streynd), *pp.* constrained, compelled, 3121. See Halliwell.

Strect, *adj.* straight; Strect *en*, straight upon, near, 1574.

Strect, *adv.* straight, 453, 3066; (Strecht), 1321, 1905; Strect, straightway, 4758; (Strect *vp.*), 792*.

Strect him (Straight hym), *pr. s.* directed himself, went goes, 2206.

Stregis, *pr. s.* marches, 2632.

Strids, *pr. s.* strides, 778; (Striden), *pr. s.* 778.

Strike, *ger.* to strike, 843; Strikis, *pr. s.* strikes, 452, 804; clashes, 785; (Strikes), strikes, 1121; hits, 1029; (Strikes), *pr. s.* strike, 804; clash, 785; Striken (Stryken), *pp.* stricken, i.e. advanced in years, 1001.

Strids, *pl.* sons, children, 5104. A.S. *strygd*, progeny. Stripping, *s.* stripping, unaoing, 781.

Stride, *pt. pl.* strode, went, 2194. Strenkild, *pp.* troubled (lit. disturbed), 3818*; (Stourbed), 2855. See Stourbed.

Strowid, *pp.* strews, 4543. Stroyes, *pr. s.* destroys, 4840;

Stroyed (Stroyde), *pp.* wasted, 1917.

Strubled (Stroblet), *pp.* troubled, 856. Cf. Storbie.

Struma, *prop. name of a river*, 1963, 1995, 2032, 2064, 8206.

Strufe, *1 pr. pl. subj.* strive, 4356. See Stryne.

Strykis, *pr. pl.* strike; go swiftly; Strykis *vp.* dart aloft, 1415; (Strykyn), *pp.* stricken, set, 3224; advanced, gone, 8218*.

Stryne, *ger.* to strive, contend, 3758, 4006.

Strynys, *pl.* strivings, conflicts, 4251.

Stude, *pt. s.* stood, 4754; (Stode), stood, i.e. was, 2408; Stude, *pt. pl.* stood, 275.

Studis (Stodes), *pr. s.* studies, considers, 2960.

(Stuffe), *a.* stuff, gear, 2980*.

Stuffe, *2 pr. pl.* stuff full, 4436.

Stuffis, *pl.* great pieces, 4436. "Stuff, Imcheon, great pieces of bread, cheese, or other eatable; *Eaten*." —Halliwell.

Stumbils (Stomblies), *pr. s.* stumblies, 845.

Stundis, *pp.* disturbed, troubled, 513, 1341. See Stourbed.

Sturte, *s.* impetuously, swift attack, 3758.

Sturten, *adj.* impetuous, 3758; quarrelsome, 4257.

Stuydes, *pr. s.* is astounded, is amazed, 2960. Cf. "stou'd, astounded;" Halliwell.

Sye, *s. path*, 4834; Styre, *pl.* 5063. (Styff), *adj.* strong, 1327; severe, 2050; (Styf), strong, great, 745*, 1251; Styfe, strong, 1063, 2165.

Stynnis, *pr. s.* stops, ceases, 5046; (Styntyd), *pr. s.* hasted, 828*. See Sint.

Styfke, *adj.* brave, stout, bold, 3605. A.S. *stifas*.

Subbot (Sobot), *s.* subject, 1727; Subiectis, *pl.* subjects, 4245. (The fourth subjectis should be subiect; see the note to 1, 4246, p. 31.)

Successours, *s.* successor, 4286. Seebe, *encl.*, 711; (Seeb), 720.

Sodanly (Sodomly), suddenly, 3198.

Seed, *pt. pl.* followed, 3594. Suffice, *pr. s. subj.* may suffice, 3126. Sufficant, *s.* sufficient, 4306.

Suffice (Suffre), *v.* suffer, endure, 1011; Suffre, allow (*me*), put up with (*me*), 3485; Suffre (Suffre), *per.* to endure, hold out, 2628*; Suffre, *pr. s. suffra*, undergoes, 512, 520; (Suffred), 1146; (Suffers), 2002; Suffre, *2 pr. s.* suffreces, permittest (to live), 4298; Suffr (Suffre), *pr. s. subj.* undergo, 1558; Suffre (Suffre), *2 pr. s. subj.* suffer, 1774; Suffred, *pt. s.* suffered, 5554; Suffred (Suffred), *pt. pl.* suffered, 1629; Suffrifer, *pres. part.* suffering, tempeste, 4266; Suffred (Suffred), *pp.* 2160; (Suffred), permitted, 892.

Suget (Soget), *s.* subject, 863, 918; Suggets, *pl.* subjects, men under control, 4664.

Siget (Soget), *adj.* subject, 908. Suld, *1 pt. s.* shold, 273, 654; *pt. s.* 100, 118, 119, 8c.; Sulde (Suld), 1515; Suld, *pt. pl.* 141, 618, 908; Sulde (Suldy), shold do, 1626.

Sullege, *adj.* scold, 4302; *Pet for Sullege*.

Sun, some, 2, 6, 8, 11, 12; *do.* to some 4; (Some), 1320; (Som), 1413; Sunne (Somme), 1626.

Sunquat (Somquatt), somewhat, 679.

Sun-quale, *adv.* formerly, 3136; Sun-quyle (Some-while), somewhat, 204.

Sun time; In sun (*nom*) time, at one time, 2361.

(Sun), sun, 1870.

Sundres; Be sundres, separately, severally, 3509.

Supertwayne, superfluosity, 4277.

Supose, *v.* suppose, 577; Supose, *pr. s. 1 pt. suppose*, 586; (*Supose*), 892, 1640; Supose, 1806; Supposes, *2 pr. s.* dost suppose, 812*; Supposse (*Suppose*), expectest, 1776; (*Suppose*), 1 pr. *pt.* 1855; Suposid, *pt. s. 1 pt.* formed my opinion, 2078; Suposid (*Supposed*), *pt. s. 2078*; Supposand, *part pres.* supposing, 204.

Supowell, *s.* support, extraneous aid, 4300; See Supowife in Halliwell.

Suppe, *pr. s. subj.* 1 *pr. sup.* drink, 3805.

Supplied, *pt. pl.* supplicated, 163. Supposet, *2 pr. s.* supposet, 842*. See Supose.

Surprise (Surprise), *v.* surprise, take by surprise, 2330.

Surcote, *s.* surcoat, 4339. Sure, *adj.* sure, 2010.

Sure, *adv.* bitterly (lit. sourly), 5348. See Sown.

(Sured), *pp.* promised, 2633. Surely, *adv.* surely, 475, 1833; (Surely), 1986.

Surement, *s.* assurance, 2748. Surfote, a surfeit, 4439; Surst, surfeiting, gluttony, 4277, 4293.

Surgens, *pl.* surgeries, 3132. Sermones, *pr. s.* surpise, 4449; Surmoundis (Surmoundy), *pt. s.* overcame, 2361.

Surples, *pl.* surplices, 1550.

Surquid, *s.* pride, arrogance, presumption, 4223; Surquity, 4254, 4561; (Surquidy), 2736; (Surquidy), 2205.

Sury, Syria, 5666; Surry, 2760; (Sury) (Sury), 3143.

Sustenance (*error for Substance*, as in the Dublin MS.), 3291.

Sustene, *v.* sustain, 3805; Sustenes, *pr. s.* sustains, 2834; Sustaynes, *pr. s.* sustain, 1749.

Sustinance, *s.* sustenance, 4263. Susys, Sus, 2247, 2866, 3073; Susys, 3512; (Susys), 3207; Susse, 3109.

Sute, *s.* sult, set, same kind, 2929. Sute (Sotle); With a sult, truly, 1846.

Suthe (Sothly), *adv.* truly, 1962. Suya, *adv. ss.* 346. See Sa.

Swear, a swallow, throat, 4507. Swaines, *pl.* swans, 4276.

Swappis (*Swappis*), *pr. s.* strikes, smites, 957; (*Swappis*), 1232; (*Swappis*), *pr. pt. east*, 1929.

Sware, *v.* answer, 5067; Swaris, *pr. s.* answers, 2183, 2523; Swares, 674; Swaris (*Swares*), 2273; (Swarez), 1621; (Answers), 2799; Swaris, *pr. s.* 2 p.

answerest, 5331; Swere, pr. p.^{l.} answer, 2656; Swere, pr. s. subj. may answer, should answer, 750; Sward, pt. pf. answered, 4193; Sward, 2062.

Swere, a. answer, 1184, 4999, 5019, 5049²; (Sware), pt. pf. swore, declared, 2069.

Swerti, adj. swarthy, 3962.

Swafe (Swaffe), a. blow, 806. Cf. E. *swap*. See Gloss. to Allit. Poems.

Swelling, a. squalling, 4112. Here *swe* = *swu*.

Swelle, ger. to swell, fill up, 4276; Swella (Swelloc), pr. a. swells, 2701.

Swella, pr. a. burns up, consumes (said of fire), 4181. A.S. *sudan*, Head smita.

Sweme, a. heat, glow, fury, 760. See *Glos* to Allit. Poems.

Swethid, pp. rendered faint, 3790. See *Glos* to Allit. Poems.

Swemyle, pr. pf. feel dizzy or faint (with sorrow), 156. Cf. prov. E. *swoon*; to swoon; Icel. *snuða*, to be giddy.

Swepe, signification (lit. sweep), 248.

Swend (Swerde), sword, 957, 1282; Swerde, 1325, 1402; Swerdis, p. swords, 3193; (Swedes), 801; (Swedes), 1299.

Swere, ger. to swear, 1186; Swere, 1 pt. a. swear, 754; call to witness, 3424; Swerow, pr. pf. swear, swear oaths, 2194.

Swete, adj. sweet, 362; good, 5925. Swete, sweet one, darling, 2820. Swete, a. sweet, great heat, 3790; blood, life, 3088. Cf. A.S. *sust*, sweat, blood.

Swete, pr. a. 1 pt. sweat, 5925. Swettis, adj. comp. sweater, 8855.

Sweyn, a. dream, 248, 325, 533, 417, 1154. A.S. *swefn*.

Swey, pr. pf. sway, force, 2970; (Swyed), pt. pf. swayed, fell, 2057.

Swepand, pers. part, resounding, 5619. A.S. *swipian*.

Swere, a. esquire, personage (used with reference to Bacchus), 4507;

Swies, pl. esquires, 156, 4108; Swane (Swynes), 1184. Swiftly, adv. quickly, 1184, 1851; (Swifly), 2069.

Swike, a. deceptive, 4999. A.S. *sacum*.

Swike, adj. such, 584.

Swine, a. throat, gullet, 4507. A.8. *scirra*. See *Swyne*.

Swollen, pp. swollen, 3790.

(Swone), a. swooned, 734².

Swouned, pt. pf. swooned, 156.

Swope, a. sound, soothsaying, noise, 5019. A.S. *swojan*, verb; Swoping, a. soothsaying, 4386. See above.

Swyfnes, swiftness, hastiness, 1017.

Swym, a. swim, 5505; Swymme, ger. 5341.

Swyne, pl. swins, 4108. See note.

Swyng, a. swing, 1232.

Swygis (Swynges), pr. a. swings, 987; (Swynges), 806.

Swyne (Swyne), a. neck, 779. See *Sweire*.

Swyth, adv. quickly, 248, 508, 1410, 1453, 2059, 3128, 4108; soon, 1303, 2310; (Swyth), greatly, 1265; Swythe, adv. greatly, 1261; soon, 1393; immediately, 1117; (Swithe), quickly, 761, 1717; (Swith), speedily, soon, 998, 1618; strongly, mightily, 806; (Swyth), quickly, 706; Swyth (Swythe), 1519.

(Swythly), adv. quickly, 1184.

Syb, adj. near skin; Sib men, kinsmen, 617; Syb, skin, 397. See *Sibhe*.

Sychn, prep. near, 82.

Sycil, (Sycill), Sicily, 2487. See *Syphil*.

Syde, a. side, part, 1052, 1200, 1338, 2978; quarter, 86; coast, 1142; Syd (Sydes), 2822; Syde, a. pl. sides, 348. See *Side*.

Syloyna (Sylyona), Sidon, 1142.

Sygo, ger. to sink, fall, 716. A.S. *sgian*.

Syges, a. pl. signs, 32, 250, 570; (Signes), ensigns, banners, 246. See *Signes*.

Sygnifyls, pr. a. signifies, 443; Signified, pf. a. signified, 515. (Syke), such, 1958.

Sylis, pr. a. goes, 698; Sylez, pr. jd.

syth, 1555; (Syland), pr. pf. dropping, 738²; going, 638. See *Sila*, "Sile, to sink, drop, flow;" Hallowell. See Gloss. to Allit. Poems.

Sylcres (Silores), pl. ceilings, canopies, 1519. See *Siloure*.

Sylus, error for Nyhus, the Nile, 2598. See the note.

Symderies, pl. similitudes, images, figures, 4469; Symderoles, statues, 3686.

Sympill, adj. simple, innocent, humble, 3083; Sympill, weak, 3550. See *Simplill*.

Syn, conj. since, seeing that, 1874; (Sen), 1619.

Synagog, synagogue, temple, 1058; Synagog (Synagoge), 2182. See *Synagoges*.

Synagyn, pl. monsters (?), alluding to the griffins, 5402. The true meaning is quite uncertain.

Synches (Lat. Thrinchines), 5401.

Syne, adv. since, from 1008; after that, afterwards, 900, 1119, 1337, 1633, 2578; next, 4886, 806²; afterwards, continually, 4217.

Synfull, adj. sinful, 3633.

Synge, v. sing, burn, 5206. Synnare, pl. sinners, 4417.

Synned, pt. a. 2 p. thou sinnedst, 875.

Synny, pl. sins, 4403. Syrius, a. cypress (wood), 3684. See *Spiris*.

Syrphis, Serapis, 167, 183; Syraphis (Seraphys), 1097.

Syre, sire, lord, 1219; sir, 214; father, 703; Syre, son, sing. sire's, father's, 754; Syre, pl. chiefs, 790; lords, 4432. See *Sire*.

Syria, Syria, 89. See *Surrie*.

Syros, a. country, 5669.

Syzed, pt. a. lit. assized, hence constituted, 4654. See note, p. 312.

Sywell, Sicily, 5696. See *Sicile*.

Syte, a. grief, 182; sorrow, pain, 546. Cf. Icel. *ad*, grief; *syto*, to weal.

Sytie-bladis, pl. scythe-blades, 3029.

Sythen (MS. cythen), ods. afterwards, 411.

Taken (Tolen), a. taken; To taken, as a token, by way of indication, 2109; Taken, pl. tokens, signs, 283, 5698; peculiarities, 4448.

Takyn, a. taking, capture, 2125; (Takyn), taking, 1344; Takynge, 1835.

Sythis, pf. time; Off sythis (Off sythes), offences, 1263.

Syti, ger. to sit, 627; to sit down, 2315; to dwell, 4024; Sytis, pr. a. sits, 47, 479, 977; (Sytis), 302; Sytis, pr. a. imper., it befits, 3359, 5119; Sytt (Sytis), pr. a. *subj.* imper., befits, become, 862; Syttand, pres. pf. sitting, 548. See *Sitt*.

Tax; *ta* = *tax* = *ta* as, that one, the one, 3978. See *Taxe*.

Tax, a. tax, 3365. (The Dublin MS. has feet.)

Tabernacle, a. shrine, 2688 (see the note); tabernacle, 5593, 5645.

Table, table, 833, 1820; tablet, 274; Tablis (Tablis), pl. tables, 833; tablets, 639; (Tablis), tablets, 1568.

Tabris (Taburus), pl. tabers, 1385.

Tachis, pr. a. fixes, sets, 5065; Taches, pr. pf. phone, 2622;

Tachil, pp. attached, fastened, 319; Tachil, pp. fixed, fastened, set, 5573; set, 470; (Tachyng), pres. pf. plowing, 222. Cf. Prov. E. *tach*, a slight blow; to attack, to fasten to (Hallowell); and see *Glos* to Troy-book.

Tafeta (Taffala), taffety, a. sort of thin silk, 1515.

Tallis, pl. tails, 5458.

Talte, a. joy, exultation, 1208; play, game, lit. joy, 3979. Icel. *tafi*, joy, play.

Take, ger. to take, 1197, 2149; v. 360, 1812; Takis, pr. a. takes, 55, 353, 410; (Takes), 713, 740, 1829; captures, 2148; gives, 3154; (Takes), takes, 1142, 1181; Takis (Takys), gives, 2749; delivers, 2026; (Takox vpp.), pr. pf. take up, pl. plight, 760; Taken (Tolcoen), 1 pt. pf. took, received, 2091; Take (Takes), imp. pf. seize, 1922.

Taken (Tolen), a. taken; To taken, as a token, by way of indication, 2109; Taken, pl. tokens, signs, 283, 5698; peculiarities, 4448.

Takyn, a. taking, capture, 2125; (Takyn), taking, 1344; Takynge, 1835.

Tald, 1 pt. a. told (of), 3829; yd. a. 200, 353, 2123; pl. ptl. 905; pp. 190, 272, 603.

Tale, a. tale, reckoning, number, 3022, 4879, 5127; account, 659; tale, story, 1448, 1886, 5175; tale (or perhaps account), 888; Be tale, in number, by tale, 2213; Tales, pl. tales, 190; accounts, 283.

Talent, for Talentes (Talentes), pl. talents, 1666; talents, large sum of money, 3164.

Talkis, pl. x. tales, says, 267, 660; (Talkes), 752; (Talkys), 1997.

Talligh, pp. tallowed, 4208.

Talots, pl. talons, 5154.

Tamed (Tamyd), pr. pl. pierced, lit. broached, 2622. *Short for Atamed.*

Tane, pp. taken, 2582, 3491; oppressed, 3825; gone, 1289; taken, 463.

Tane, adj. the one (in *þhr. þe tane*), 556, 4062. See Tane.

Tanȝid, pp. stung, 3637, 3895, 4798. Cf. prov. E. *fenging-wæder* (lit. stingring adder), the large dragonfly.

Tarbyn, *Lod. Thirbi*, 5500.

Tare (Tare), mount Taurus, 2109.

Tartegis (Targettes), pl. shields, 2622.

Tarsay (Tartary), short for Tartary, made of Tartary stuff, 1547. See below.

Tars, a. silk of Tartary, 1515, 4673. Also called Tartary.

Tartary, 5656.

Tartaryns, pl. Tartans, 5484.

Tary, v. delay, 1448; Taryed, pt. a. subj. would delay, 1261.

Tas, pr. a. takes, 4866; (Takys), 1644, 2970; (Talkes), 1669; Tas, imp. pt. go, take you, 3719. See Take.

Tasse, Tharsus (?), 5676.

Tastic, pr. a. tastes, 1997; (Tastes), 3074.

Taunde, a. tawney-colour, dark dye, 4335. For tawne (with exclamation d); cf. O.F. tane, tasse, tawny.

Thebes, pl. (Thebites), Thebans, 2427.

Tebet (Tebe). Thebes, 2108; Telis (Tebet), gen. of Thebes, 2228.

Tech, v. teach, tell, 165; Teches, pr. a. 1171.

Tech, adj. touchy, quarrelsome, ready to quarrel (hence, formidable), 663. See Techy, Techy in Halliwell.

Techis, pl. habits, 4390; (Teches), 787; Teches, 4640; faults, crimes, 4561; Land-teches, habits of our country, 4248. M.E. tech.

Teching, a. teaching, 37.

Teldid (Tyldet), pp. built, 1159; (Teld), 2174. From *tell*, sb. below.

Teldis, pl. tents, 552. A.S. told.

Tell, x. tell, 248, 524; (Telle), 1112; Tell, ger. to tell, 67, 283, 515; to count, 1988; (Telle), 1164; (Telle), 1 yr. a. I tell, 1955; Tellis, 2 pr. a. tallest, 243, 366, 729; Tellis, pr. a. tells, 17, 35, 203, 278, 432, 437; informs us, 144; (Tellis), 1613; (Telles), 885; (Tallys), 659; Tellis, pr. pt. tell, 902; Tellis, 1483; Tell, 266; Tellis, imp. a. 5412; Tell, 463; Tellis, imp. a. 896.

Telle, v. till, cultivate, 454.

Telbowe, Phœnix, 4964, 5165, 5171, 5195, 5199.

(Tembred), pp. built, lit. timbered, 2110.

Temes, pl. instructions, rules of action, lit. themes, 2519.

Temperoure, a. temper, due order, 543.

Tempire, v. temper, refresh, 3465.

Temple, x. temple, 1478, 1499; (Tempyll), 1060; Tempis, pl. temples, 522.

Ten, ten, 649.

Tend, pp. as adj. kindled, flaming, 4172. See fender in Stritzmann.

Tende, ger. to attend, to wait upon, 4534.

Tendire, adj. tender, gentle, careful, 3317.

Tene, a. shame, vexation, 3637, 5821; affliction, 3519; distress, 2315; sorrow, grief, 150; sorrow, loss, 3000; harm, 1978, 4405; enmity, 2427; anger, 853.

Tene, ger. to damage, 2228; Tened

(Tenyd), pf. a. harmed, vexed, 1212; Tened (Tenyd), pt. pf. were angry, 2193; Tene, imp. & refl. be angry, vex thyself, 2509.

Tenefull, adj. sorrowful, miserable, sad, 3149; harmful, 3907.

Tenesia (Tynkyll), pr. pl. play, resound (lit. tinkle), 1385.

Tenour, a. tenor, meaning, 4239; contents, 3566.

Tent, tent, 1829; Tentis (Tentes), pl. tents, 1148, 2130, 2464; Tentis, pl. tents, for tent, sing., 475.

Tent, a. notice, heed, 3317; attention, 4261.

Tent, imp. a. 2 p. take thou heed, pay attention, 3729.

Terand, a. tyrant, 4405; Terant, 5321; Terand, pl. tyrants, kings, 5484; (Terandres), rulers, 1294.

Tere, adj. tiresome, tedious, difficult, 159, 1404; see tere in Stritzmann. To tere too tedious, 4767, 4918. (Tere), v. tire, 1404; Terid, pp. tired, 1009.

Teres, pl. tears, i.e. drops, 4974; tears, 733^o; Terys, 3238.

Tergarosse, name of a place, 2174.

Ternes, a. term of life, term, while, 448, 1678, 5049; Termes, pl. boundaries, 4038; (Termes), x. bounds, boundary, 2315.

Tenny, a. terminata, end, 3079;

Termen (Termes), ger. to put at end to, 1336; Termens (Ternys), pr. pt. put an end to, 1304; Termes ynd, pt. pf. finished, ended, put an end to, 3640; Ternyd (Terny), pp. ended, 2784; (Ternyd), ended, 2901.

Terne, a. tare, pool, 3860.

Termen, pr. pl. tare; Termen, of, turn off, strip off, 4114.

Terandy, a. tyranny, 4251.

Tessell, Tessellly, 5076.

Tessalyone (Thessalon), Thessalonia, 266.

Testre, a. tester, head-frame of a bed, 4914.

Tetichis, pl. habits, 4413. See Techis.

Tetho, pt. teeth, 609, 4097, 4114.

Tethist (Thethist), adj. eager, brave (?) 2198; (Tithist), 2784. See Tithist.

Tetragramaton, word of four letters, 1592. See the note, p. 297.

Tewiil, pp. tawed, tawed, 5139.

Texalls, for To exalte, p. 281, l. 73.

Text, original text, story, tale, 214, 515, 916, 1522; (Text), 741^o, 1044; Texies (Texte), pf. the (Latin) text, 1231.

Tego (Tig), pf. a. drew, went, 2174. See below.

Teg, pt. a. approached, 525, 649. See tector in Stritzmann.

teg, pres. pt. those, 12, 51, 73, 92, 1027, 1224; (joi), 2232; they, 904^o; (joi), 1255, 2472.

teg, pres. those, 1667.

teg, pres. those, 13, 33, 105, 149, &c.; (joi), those, 2104.

tei, error for *ter* (as in the Dublin MS.), their, 2374; *so also in* 5458.

pain, pres. those, 925, 1117; themselves, 816, 982; due to them, 181, 202; jaile, 1180; (jaime), 1210.

Palm-selfe, pron. themselves, 3489; (Palm-seluen), 1275; (Palm-selfe), by themselves, 628.

(Pair), there, 1145.

Pair, past, pres. their, 3, 7, 14, 33, &c.; (pair), 759, 3201.

Pair, pres. pt. them, 11, 61, 106, 201, 203, &c.; (paim), dat. for themselves, 759.

Pam-selfe, themselves, 660.

Pam, ope, ope there, 48, 75, 120, 352, &c.

Thankis, pr. a. thanks, 371; (Thankes), 2567; Thankid, pt. a. 1686.

Par, pres. their, 150, 152, 154, 206, &c.

Par, ope, there, 140, 237, &c.; where, 211, 3792; (pair), where, 1366.

par as, there where, 730^o.

par-agayne (par-agayne), there beside, 1264.

pare, ope, there, 201, 221, 222, 246, &c.

Thare, pr. a. need; be there, it is needful for thee, thou needest, 5377. See Thare.

pare, their, 2. See par.

pare as (Thare as), whereas, 2430.

pare-lore (parlore), ope, for it, 922; (parlore), on that account, 876.

pare-with (Par-with), therewith, 1890.

(Parfome), adj. beforehand, 2456.

par-in, therin, 503, 1078, 1222.

(Parfume), pl. extrals, 773; A.S. *feorw*; 18c. durars, pl.

Tharne, *error* for Thurne (Tharny), D.), pf. s. needed, wanted, 2859.

These the Ashmole MS. has his thorred, there needed for him; the Dublin MS. has he thermyed, he needed. See below.

Parson, pr. s. lacks, 2709; Tharned, pf. s. lost, 3071, 3889. See *parson* in *Strammaris*.

par-of, thereof, 875.

par-on, theress, 832, 1129.

Par-out, out of it, 511; (par-out), 345.

Par-quele; see Quile.

Par-to, adv. thereto, also, moreover, 760, 1872, 2371.

Pas (Peso), pva. thone, 1278; jase, 1823, 3536; (base), 1441.

Pat, that, 15, 17, 18, &c.; who, 5, 12, &c.; in order that, 221, &c.; With pat, therupon, 111.

Po, pva. thone, thyself, 80, 98, 292, 3513; det. 223, 254; The, 1871; *je poet* for *ja thou*, ecce, nos, 107.

po ... be, the ... the, 247.

Thibes, Thibes, 2371; Thibbo (Tebbo), 2274; Thiben (Teben), 2190; Thibey (Tebey), 2292; Thibes (Tebes), gen. of Thibes, 2103.

Thibles (Tebes), pt. Thibans, 2333.

Thidea, a. nation, country, region, 1710, 1803, 2829, 3882, 3955,

4419, 4737, 4806; tribe, nation, people, mass of men, 1246, 2357,

3747, 3824; Thedia, pt. nations, people, 2424; Thedes, 5016. A.S. *þieda*.

(Thies), pt. thighs, 779.

(Thess), pl. thess, 633, 1087, 1604; this, 268.

Thiefe, a. thief, 1821, 2494, 3543; (Tief), 1881; Thiefe, pl. thieves, wretches, 4520; Thiefo (Thieffos), thieves, 3199. See *Theneus*.

Thieffis, pt. thefts, 4652.

Then, then, 95, 143, 267; than, 130, 1104, 787.

pens, afe, thence, 4870.

Theoscellus (Teoscellus), 1212; (Theoscellus), 1220.

per, ther, 45, 85, 378, 800; pens, 517; (Tharo), 1125; Bot per above, except in the case where, 105.

per, their, 5, 14, 149, 197.

per-effe, in like manner, 3879.

per-frs, therforen, 4638.

perfo (Porto), thereto, 1033.

(Poe), these, 897, 984.

Thesir, adj. dark, gloomy, 4173, 4804. A.S. *þesir*.

Thesres, pl. darknesses (?), 4627. The same is hopeless; for it is clear that this line should follow 4624 immediately, and that the line which should succeed this is lost.

Thethen, adj. therence, 5481; (pine), 1068, 1076; pettin, 5563.

Thewe, pl. theives, 1789; Thenuys (Thefex), 1734. See *Thefe*.

Thewis, pl. customs, 5747, 4226; qualities, 3990; (Thowys), manners, 2744; (Thowez), conduct, 2932; Thewis, manners, habits, 4577; Thowys, 4700. A.S. *þewis*.

Pi, pva. thy, 80, 102, 254.

Thickest (Thichest), thickest, 1323.

Pik (Thik), adj. thickly, 707.

Thilk, adj. thick, solid, 4073; numerous, 69; fat, 5433;

(Thylke), heavy, clumsy, 2709; (Thike), 1219; Thik, thick, hard, 529.

Thikfeld, adj. thickly together, 1407.

Thikest, densest, 1427.

Thikire, adj. comf. denser, 4176.

ping, pva. thine, 256, 470, 688.

ping, afe, thence, 1036, 3848, 4075. See *Thethen*.

Ping, a. thing, 2; Thing (Thyn).

1685; (Ping), quantity, 1375; (Thynge), 2022; Pingis, pl. things, 215, 412, 726; (Pinges), 1567; (Thynge), 1710; Any things, in any respect, at all, 2275.

Thingis, for Thinkis, pr. s. thinks, 672.

Pinkie, pr. s. impers. it seems, 363; Thinkis, 1101; Thinkis, 1351;

1580; Thinkis, it seems, 925, 1461, 1846, 2024, 2205; Me thinkis, methinks, it seems to me, 325, 867; Me link, methinks, it seems to me, 3229; Thinkis, pr. s. adj. impers. may seem, 81, 3229; may seem, 1638.

Thinkis, pr. s. intends to go, 1121; (Pinkis), thinks, 1640.

Pir, pva. demes, pf. these, 167; fire, 262, 347, 462, 669, 752, 3129,

3548, 4046, 5502; (Pees), 1737; fire, these, 25; (Pir), 797.

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Pis, pva. this, 59, 119, 229; pis[es], 261; pf. these, 190, 2002,

2514; (Pee), 869.

pi-selio, thyself, 328, 356, 730, 5372; (Pi-selium), 732, 850, 1843.

Po, pva. N. these, they, 3136, 3676; (Pov), 1172, 1635; P. (Poe), 1056; (Poe), 1954; (Poe), 1445.

po, afe, when, 10, 277.

po, conj. though, 1739, 1880; (written OI), 723, 862; as though, 5229; (Pof), 3168; Poës, 254,

471, 1858, 4396; (Pof), 3244.

Thole, per, to suffer, endure, 1015, 1178; s. to? Tholia, 1 pr. s. suffer, 539; Tholes, pr. s. remains, taries, 3255; polid, pf. suffered, 3876; Tholid, (she) suffered, endured, 529; Tholid, pf. pf. suffered, 2029. A.S. *þolian*.

Thoneis, thunder, 554. Read *therere-thraesis*, i.e. thunder-claps.

(Poo), pl. thoes, 2842*.

Thornes, pl. thores, 3815.

Thorpis (Thorpus), pl. villages, 1803.

pos, pl. thoes, 5639.

pon, pva. thou, 97, 98, 100, 107, &c.

thousand, thousand, 1042, 1427, 2084; (Thousands), 1832; (Thousands), 1246, 2163; Thousandis, pl. 1326.

(Pow), error for you, you, 1845.

page, conj. though, 511.

pol, pf. s. thought, 240; (Thought), 1710; pf. pl. 3215.

post, ing. pf. s. seemed; his post it seemed to him, 70, 419, 1346.

Post (Thought), s. thought, 1461;

Thesig, pf. thoughts, 676, 4314; anxieties, 574.

Thra, adj. bold, 2218, 3824; severe, 564; (Tra), strong, 1631; (Thro), eager, keen, 1246; Thra (Three), strong, 3071; pma, stiff, rigid (as a corpse), 4452. Icel. *þra*.

Thra (Thro), s. struggle, victory, 2282; (Tro), 2259; lordship, 6016.

Icel. *þra*, a struggle.

Thrall, a. thrall, slave, 4529.

Thrally, adj. eagry, 371; hardly, desperately, 2030. See *Thra*.

Thrang, pf. s. pressed, 1427.

Thrange, thrang, 1323.

Thrasit, pf. s. thrust, 2039.

Thrasis, pl. claps (of thunder), 554. See *Thones*.

Thrat, pf. s. threatened, 529.

Prathly, adj. (one for prey), severely, 107, 253. M.S. D. *þrathly*.

Thraw, moment, 1536; Thraw (Thraw), 1326; On a thraws, at a time, 1476; Thre dals out a thraw (in a thraw), fully three days at a time, 2046. A.S. *þrād*, *þrād*.

Thraw, ger. to throw, hurl, 2218; Thrawyn, ger. to throw, to wind (oppress), 4522.

Thre, num. three, 277, 436, 1476, 2046, 2050, 2259.

(Thred), adj. third, 1485.

Thropis, pr. s. assets, 4233; contents, 3125; Thropid, pf. pf. strive, 3642; Throp, pr. pf.

(Thropyd), pf. pf. dispute, 2046. A.S. *þropian*.

Thropid (Thropyll), pp. congregated, assembled, 1476. Cf. broden, brades, to press; see gloss to Allit. Poems.

Throsches, pr. s. thrashes, beats, 1326.

Throt (Thrait), 1 pf. s. threatened, 2494; (Throt), pf. s. exhorted, 1631; pp. threatened, oppressed, 707.

Throt, s. threat, 2742.

Throtti, adj. thirty, 3642; (Throt), 1246; Throtte, 3603, 3843; Be throtty, to the number of thirty, 3610.

Throsten, pp. as adj. well-thriven,

experienced, 2259, 3007; excellent, 2237; well-grown, 5137, 5433; grown up, hence, strong, mighty, 1526; (*Thifron*), experienced, 1407; (*Thryfyn*), overgrown, 2709.

Thraw, pt. a. reached, 2298.

Threyest, adj. superl. strongest (?), 2371. Reading uncertain; perhaps for *thrust*; see *Thra*.

Thrid, adj. third, 261, 3343; (*Theyd*), 2282.

Thril, s. hole, 4673.

Thrilla, pr. a. thrills, pierces, 224.

Thringen, pr. a.; *Thringes* to, press forward, join in the contest, 2282; *Thringis*, pr. pt. rush, throng, 3843; *Thringes* (Through), press, crowd, 1436. A.S. *þringan*.

Thrise (*Thrisse*), s.ole, thrice, 2279.

Thrust, s. thrust, 4683.

Thristis, inspers, pr. a. thirsts; *Him* *thristis*, he is thirsty, 3848;

Christis, 2 pr. pt. thirst, 4443.

Christis, pr. a. thrusts, 1326;

Christis (*Thrast*, pt. a.), pr. pt. thrust, 1407; *Christis*, pt. pt. thrust through, pierces, 564;

(*Christ*), pt. thrust, 752*.

(*Christyf*), error for *Thirst* in or

Thurst in, thrust in, i.e. hid it away, 2293.

(*Thro*), adj. strong, 2337. See *Thra*.

(*Thro*); see *Thra*.

Thrum (*Thrumne*), a. company, troop,

3007; On a thrum, in a heap, i.e.

successively, 3642. A.S. *þrywana*,

a troop.

Throt, pt. throats, 1812.

Throtild, pt. throttled, choked, 4818.

Throw, s. short time, moment, 3843.

See *Thraw*.

Thryfandly, adv. thrivingly, prosperously, i.e. for her good, 5747.

(*Thryme*), adj. an error for *Thry-*

sen, 1526. See *Threnos*.

Thryngis, pr. pt. 2 p. thrust, 4419.

See *Thringis*.

Thun, pres. thou, 1987; pu (pon), 2940.

Thungle, pt. coffee, 4452. A.S.

þunka.

Through-out, adv. in all, continually,

4737. See *purge-out*.

Thurt, pt. a. needed; *Him thurt*, it needed him — he needed, 1461. See *Thare*, and *jurf* in *Stratmann*, *purge*, prep. through, 140, 147, 225, 444, 487, 500; (*Parow*), 1427, 1636, 1960; *Though* (*Parow*), 863; *Purge* (*Parow*), 1729; throughout, 271.

Purge-out, prep. throughout, 3229; (*Parow*), right through, 2640; (*Out-jonwe*), adv. continually, 3800.

Pus, ole, thus, 25, 135, 178, &c. *Pus-gate*, adv. in this way, thus, 616, 1263, 4030; (*Pus-gates*), 2257.

Thyn, adj. this, 320.

Thygis, pt. things, 436.

Thynkes, 2 pr. & thinkest, 1988.

Thys, this, 811*.

Tid, adj. (for *Tidy*), excellent, 1060.

See *Tidest*.

Tide (*Tyle*), s. happen, 2145, 2200,

3729, 4945; *Tide* (*Tyles*), pr. a.

happens, 2288; *Tide* (*Tyle*),

pr. a. as far, will happen, 1988;

Tide, or, pt. betide, await, 4549;

Tid (*Tyle*), pt. a. betided, hap-

pended, 1193. See *Tyde*.

Tidest, adj. superl. oldest, 2267.

Tield (*Teld*), v. build, 2258. (The

line is corrupt) for *tild* read

Tebet, i.e. Thebes; see the note, p. 301.)

Tiffid, pp. cut out, carved, lit. pre-

pared, 4465. O.E. *tiffer*.

Tight, pt. a. west, 2304. See

Tig.

Tigine, pt. tigers, 3850; *Tigris*, 2573.

Tigre (*Tygre*), the *Tigris*, 2510. See

Tygre.

Tid, s. building, 1543, 4551; (*Teld*),

1296, 1304, 1375; palace, 3000;

(*Tylde*), 1159; (*Tid*), fort, 1366.

A.S. *told*.

Tid, v. pitch, set, 3800; *Tibid*,

pr. a. builds, 5523; *Tildid* (*Tyde*),

pt. a. covered, defended, 1151;

Tild (*Teld*), pt. a. built, 2258

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pp. built, raised (up), 5645;

exshined, built canopies (over),

4462; built, 3088; (*Tyldit*), 2110;

tegħid, drew towards, approached,

1060; *Tipl*, pt. pl. *regd*, prepared,

set about, 2333. A.S. *tidien*, to

draw. See *Gloss*, to *Allit. Poems*.

Tist, pp. set, pitched, 4140; built,

2110. See above.

Tilt, pp. set, pitched, 4140; built,

2110. See above.

Till, prep. to, 340, 463, 1828, 3814,

4875, 5398; (*Tol*), 2511; *Tille*,

1072, 5431; unto, 2809.

Till, conj. until, 564, 4875; *Tille*,

640.

Tilli, pt. pl. entred, 5472.

Tilia, pr. a. tilia, upsets, 1203;

Tilt, pt. pl. overturned, 1418.

Time, s. time, 1460, 2011; (*Tyme*),

1109; *Times*, pl. 2259. See

Tyme.

Tind, pr. a. kindles, sets on fire,

4179. Cf. A.S. *antid*.

Tint (*Tynt*), pt. I. p. lost, 2683;

Tint, pp. lost, 2901; (*Tynt*),

2784. See *Tyn*.

Tirantes, pt. tyrants, 3640.

Tire, Tyre, 1446, 2367, 5675; (*Tyre*),

1344, 1356. See *Tyre*.

Tire (*Tyre*), v. nitre, address, 1632;

Tire, pt. pl. prepare (the attire),

2298; *Tired*, pt. nitred, 3633;

(*Tyret*), 1547. See *Tyria*.

Tirement, a. adornment, 4918.

Tite, out, quickly, 219, 3719; *Titte*,

5165. See *Tye*.

Titlandis, pt. lidings, 5175. Icel.

5184; See *Tylandis*.

(*Tidliest*), adj. superl. (put for *Tidiest*), most famous, 2371. See

Tidiest. Cf. Icel. *klær*, famous,

skilled.

Tilda, pp. named, inscribed with

names, 5640.

Till, s. title of a letter, hence, letter,

5565, 4229; inscription, 5071;

title, claim, 896; text, 1044;

Title, 1592.

Tily (*Tidly*), adv. quickly, soon,

888, 1283, 1812, 4882; *Tidely*,

267, 1525, 1632, 2098, 738*;

(*Tidely*), 2213; *Tidly* (*Tye*),

quickly, 1575.

Tittise, adv. more quickly, sooner,

2519.

Titis, pr. a. pulls, 853; *Titt*, pt. pl.

pulled, dragged, 5454; (*Til*), in

pt. *Tit* to, pulled to, fastened up,

2193. Low. Sc. *fyte* to snatch,

pull, *Jamieson*.

Tittle, pt. a. horse, 3640. See *Tides* in

Stratmann.

Toly, s. scarlet dye, scarlet colour,

4335. See *Tay* in *Halliwell*.

Tombe, s. tomb, 5593; *Tombis*, pl.

4451.

Tombie, pt. pl. *tomble*, 552.

To-morre, to-morrow, 1493.

Tonacles, pl. tunicles, 1547.

Toname, s. nickname, 228, 8.

Tone; *je tone* = jet one, that one, i.e. the one, p. 282, l. 101.
Tone, a. tone; Out of tone, beyond measure, 1843.

Tongue, a. tongue, language, 150,

2226; (*Tong*), 1604, 2075;

(*Tongue*), 2880; Tongue, pt.

tongues, languages, 21, 4031,

4428, 5671.

Tonk a. tan, tub, 5585.

Toore, adj. strong, 5500. Cf. Icel.

tor, *þor*, difficult. See Turfare.

Top (Top), s. 3365; (*Toppe*),

1803; Top, 2110; Topp, 4070;

(*Top*), top of his head, 752*;

Top-horn, hair of the top of our heads, 1009.

Topas, topaz, R343, 3369; Topsæter,

pt. topazes, 5644.

To-paschis (To-paschis), pr. a. is

dashed, becomes broken, 2058.

To-pligt, pp. pledged to (one being understood), i.e. we are never

pledged to it, dedicated to it, vis.

to vice, 4350.

To-pansyt, pp. severely punished,

4330.

Topoures (Tapers), pt. tapers, 1568.

Tor (Towre), a. tor, hill-tor, 2109;

Tores, pt. tor, tower-shaped

hill-tops, 4863. Still in use in

Devon.

To-rased, pp. torn up, 2088.

Torch, a. torch, 2970; Torchis

(*Torchis*), pt. torches, 1563.

Toretis (Torettes), pt. turrets, 1418.

Toeffoe, a. handship, misery, 3739;

difficulty, peri, 4101; Torfer

(*Torfer*), trouble, 1261; Torfer

(*Torfer*), hardship, 1193. Cf. Icel.

torfer. The prefix *tor-* answers

to Goth. *tau*, Gk. *dee*.

Torkan (Torkye), pr. a. turns (himself) (towards), turns (towards),

2967. Here with = turns, in

the direction of what is said. See my article on *turnes* in N. and Q.

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To-sealed, pt. a. scattered, dispersed utterly, 4150. Skold, to disperse;

Jamieson.

To-spryngis, pr. pt. fly to pieces,

are shivered, 750; (*To-sprongen*),

pt. pt. flew to pieces, 700.

(*Tote*), v. peep, 694. See *Tute*,

Toton.

(To-teigh), pt. a. approached, 1060.

See *Tigz*.

To-terid, pt. a. tree asunder, 4148.

Tooth, a. tooth, 2067.

Tothed, pp. surmounted with teeth,

5482.

Tethir, adj. second, 3342; *je tethlire*,

that other, the other, 300, 607,

879, 1368, 2978; *je tofir* = jet

oþir, the second, the next, 3006.

(*Toton*), pt. pt. stick out, 752*. See

Tote, *Tute*.

Toucher, pr. touches, 386, 3301;

Touchis, pr. pt. touch, refer to,

888; Touchis, pt. a. touched

(upon it), 5190; Touched (Touchyd), pt. a. touched, 2967; Touch- and (Touchand), pr. part. touching, 1824; Touchis, pp. touched, i.e. attached, 2589 (*bundrændischið*). See *Glos*, Allit. Poems.

Toun, town, 216, 1163, 1446, 1525;

(*Towne*), 1282, 1385; Town, 2111,

2159; Townes, pt. towns, 4024.

Tou[n]les (Tounies), adj. townless,

without a town, 2288.

Toure, a. tower, 1283, 1303, 3603;

deunge, 3149; (*Toure*), 1159;

(*Toure*), 1446; Touris, pt. towers,

562; (*Toure*, a.), 2228; (*Tours*),

1376; Toures (*Towre*), 1151,

1418, 2267.

Tournament, a. torment, 3515; strug-

gle (lit. torment), 4251; (*Tur-*ment), trouble, 1448.

Toward, prep. towards, 843, 1089.

(Town), town, 8157; Town, gen.

town's, 2125; A town, in the

town, at home, p. 283, l. 127.

To-wriste, pr. pt. wrist or twist in

pieces, 798; (*To-wristed*), pt. pt.

twisted to pieces, 798.

(*Towre*), a. tower, 1296. See *Tour*,

Toylis, pt. implements, lit. tools,

286. See *Tole*, *Tole*.

Tope, adj. tough, 1812.

Tracca (Traces), pt. Thracians, 986.

Trainmæs, pt. instruments, 127.

Bad spelling for *trammes*; see

Tram.

Traistis, pr. a. 2 p. trustest, 5026;

Traist (Traisten), 2 pt. pt. trust to,

5026; Traisted (Traistis), pp.

trusted, 3270.

Traitors, pl. traitors, 3192.

Tram (Trame), engine, machine,

1373; Tramays (written *tramys*), instruments, 236. And see

Tramme, Trammes. See the

article on *tram* in my Elym. Dict.

Tramette, pr. pt. 1 p. send about,

send from one place to another,

4330.

Trappour, a. trappings, 4179.

Trased, pt. a. traced, pourtrayed,

4914.

(Traspod), error for *Trespat*, pp.

trespassed, 2385. (The Ashmole MS. has *trespat*).

Trassill (Travell), a. labour, trouble,

2683.

Trasmal, pt. a. travelled, was in

labor, 525; Trasmild, pp. dis-

tressed, 543.

Trasmale, tribute, 888, 896, 1044.

(Trichay), a. treachery, 3192.

Tridi, pp. well-tried, 3022; select,

approved, choice, 1060, 2128,

3533, 5101, 5640, 5644; picked,

515*.

Tricat, adj. esker, choicest, 4970;

(Tricat), 2198, 2367.

Trimbis, pr. a. trembles, 5308;

Trimbald, pr. perf. trembling,

4914. See *Trymbil*.

Trimes, pr. a. gross, proceſſed, 5171,

5193, 5231. Dan. *trise*, to step;

tris, a step.

Trispast, pp. trespassed, 2385.

Trissis, pt. tresses, plaits of hair,

3459.

Tristly, adj. trustfully, confidently,

1632.

Tro; see *Tara*.

Trod-gate (*Troyde-gate*), track,

beaten path, 2588.

Trot, Troy, 2123. See *Troy*.

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Trombling, error for troubling,

(*Trublyng* in the Dublin MS.),

troubling, 3009.

Trompes (Tromp), pt. trumpets,

775; Tromp, 2222.

Trone, throne, 161, 971, 1190, 1234,

2776, 3406; Trones, pt. thrones

(one of the nine orders of angels),

4914.

(Tresour), great wonder, marvel,

2024.

Trest, pr. pt. trust, hope, expect,

1344; (Tristed), pt. pt. hoped,

1344.

Tretis, pr. a. treats with, entreats,

5330.

Trotis (Trotes), treatise, history,

2109; (Trotes), 2109; Tretios

(Trotes), pt. treatises, 1568.

Trely (Trewly), adj. truly, 2024,

2309.

Tremble, a. truth, 515, 722.

Tremle, adj. true, 272, 3174; Trewe

(Trew), 286.

Trewly, adv. truly, 2292.

Treynd, pt. a. proceeded, 684. See

Trines, Trines.

Tribochetes (Tribogates, for Treleges, as in MS.), pt. engines for

casting stones, 1236. O.F. *tribu-*

cheft (Rouenfort).

Tribute, tribute, 888, 896, 1044.

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Trot him, pr. a. trots, 2610; (Trot), 2988; Trottes, pr. pl. trot, 1208.

Trotme, a. tribute, 3491, 3509, 5101, 5658; (Trusme), 884, 905, 1904, 2957; (Trowage), 2525; Trosag (Trusge), a. tax, 1678; O.F. troupe (Roquenfort).

Troublid, pp. troubled, 643; (Turblett), 1843.

Troompis, pl. trumpets, 3965.

Trouthe (Truth), a. truth, faith, 1356; Trouthis (Trewithes), pl. troths, pledges, 760.

Trouthles, adj. false, 4462.

Trove, a. believe, trow, 141, 464; ger. 3663; Trove, pr. a. 1 p. believe, trust, 730; Trow (Trove), 1886, 2600; Trow, pr. pl. 2 p. trust in, 4548; Trowe, 2 pr. a. say, may believe, 1896; Trowal, pl. a. believed, 4833; (Trowyd), 2298; Trowid, st. pl. trusted, expected, 3121; Trowde, 1148; Trowe, imp. a. believe, 5372.

Trouwthe (Truthes), pl. treuths, 3192.

Troy, Troy, 3029, 5605; (Trostett), pp. troubled, 1341.

Truches, pr. a. 2 p. failest, 1988; A.S. trucces.

Truflis (Trufles), pl. trifles, 1894.

Trumpis, pl. trumpets, 3637, 3610; (Trumpettes), 1386.

Trusses, pr. a. packs (it), 123; Trussis (Trusseye), pr. a. reft sets out (lit. packs up), 1143. See Truse in GL to P. Plowmen.

Tryi, ger. to choose, select, 663. See Tried, O.F. tries.

Trymblid, pt. a. trembled, 569; (Tremblid), 1252. See Trimbles.

Turati, adj. twenty, 3190.

Tule, adj. tough, 318.

Tuke, pr. a. 1 p. took, received, 2683; took (myself), put (myself), 3515; Tuke, pr. a. took, 286, 1044, 1446; (Toke), 2075; took, i. e. went upon (it), took to (it), 2901; Tuke, pt. pl. took up, plighted, 760.

Tuke vp, pr. pl. blow, 3610; (Tuk-

lyn vp), 773. Properly to beat a drum; here used of the blowing of trumpets. *Tuck of drums*, beat of drum; Jamieson, "Tuck of trumpet, blast of a trumpet," Glos. to Troy-book.

Tukkid; see Tuklid.

(Tule); see Tula.

Tulke, s. man, soldier, knight, 752, 1212, 2258, 2274, 2670; Tulk, 5372; (Tulke), 2590, 3174; Tulkis, pl. men, 8149, 8439, 8566, 8999, 4785; (Tulkes), 2075; (Tulker), 1504, 2367, 2085. Icel. tulkir, Tulkid, for Tulkid, pt. pl. beat, 2427. "Tuck to beat"; Jamieson. In MSS. we often find *kk* written more like *ll*, the double letter being denoted only by doubling the down-stroke. Hence we may correctly *tukked* to *tukked* in the Gloss. to Allit. Poems, which is incorrect. See Tuke vp.

Tunne, tun, large quantity, 1807. Tunps, pl. names, tups, 5561.

Turidle, pr. a. becomes cloudy, is obscured, 4160; Turbled, pp. troubled, disturbed, 3637; Turbid, 4063.

Tursetis (Torsetis), pl. turrets (but read Tursetis), 1151.

(Turit), for Thurt, q. v.

Turke, Turkey, 5655.

Turmentis, pl. tormentes, 4549.

Turmay, pt. pl. tourney, i.e. fight, 5429.

Turne, a. turn, bout, 2276, 5429; Turnes (Turnays), exploits, 1404.

Turze, v. turn back, 1631; return, 2607; depart, 5606; Turnes, pr. a. turns, 1071, 1854; (Turnes), 1332; turns, goes, 1336; Turnys, 31, 383; Turnes him, pr. a. turns, 752; Turne, 2 pr. & sing. return, 1786; pr. a. sing. 401; Turned, pt. a. went, 2304; (Turned), 694; (Turnyd hym), 752; Turned, pp. 218; (Turnyd), 1289; Turne, cap. a. turn, return, 1768, 1978.

Turned, pt. pl. turned, 5567. "Turn, to bat as a ram does"; Halliwell.

Tuscan, Tuscaney, 5655.

Tuskis, pt. tuskis, 610, 4114.

Tute, ger. to peep, gaze; Tute in,

to gaze upon, observe, look, peer, 127, 694; Tutan, prs. part, looking, peering, 4776. A.S. *tutan*.

Tuthe (Tathe), tooth, 1977.

Tws, two, 317, 319, 348, 353, &c.; Twas, 284, 545.

Twelfs, twelve, 1079; (Twelf), 815^a.

Twelmouth, a. year, 5429.

Twenti, nunc. twenty, 3886.

Twiggle (Twygges), pl. twigges, 1895.

Twinele, adj. twofold, 5013. Cf. Ansepi.

Twygges (Dab. MS. Wiggis), pl. twig, 1714. See Twigges.

Twynnes (Twynys), pr. a. parts, 2550; (Twynnes), pr. pl. 760; Twyned, pp. pt. paried, 760.

Twynes, nunc. twice, 1605, 3988, 5637.

Tydis, pr. a. tapers, betides, 106; Tyd, pp. a. betided, happened, 478. See Tide.

Tyre, Tigris, 2597, 2785. See Tigre.

Tymbes (Tombres), crest of the helmet (lit. timber, the crests being originally made of wood), 1230.

Tyme, a. time, 23, 204, 214, 272, 525, &c.; Tym, 478; Tymes, pl. times, seasons, 283; Be tyme, betimes, 2830; soon enough, 3728; In tymes, at times, now and then, 4122. See Time.

Tyn, a. sin, 4453.

Tynd, pt. pl.; Tynd to, shut to, closed, 2193. A.S. *tysan*.

Tyndis, pl. tenth, tines, 3907, 5133, 5567, 5573; times, horns, prongs, 3925, 5529; (Tyndes), 1063.

Tyne, adj. tiny, 507.

(Tykyll), pr. pt. tinkle, i.e. resound, 1384.

Tynt (Tynt), pp. lost, 203. See Tin.

(Typys), pr. a. tips over, 1303; (Typys), pt. tipped over, upset, 1418. See Glos. to Allit. Poems.

Tyre, Tyre, 1141, 1193, 1208, 1289, 1294, 1336. See Tin.

Tyris, pr. a. stitres, 5195; Tyris, pp. decked, 5644. See Tire.

Tyte, adv. quickly; As tyte as, as soon as, 693. See Tite.

Tythandis (Tithanddes), pl. tidings, 2304. See Tithandis.

Vacant, adj. vacant, 4774; free (from), 5116; Vacand, vacant, 4656.

Vale (Walo), a. vale, valley, 1235, 1289, 1313.

Vaille, a. defeat (?), 3990. Cf. F. *avaler*, to put down, Cotgrave. Or it may even mean 'valley.'

Vaille, avail, 5545; Valles, pr. a. availis, 103; Valles (Valys), pr. pl. avail, 3122.

Vailles (Wales), pl. veils, 2300.

Vale, a. valley, 4164, 5432; Valos, pl. 4121.

Valor, a. valor, 2493.

Vanite, a. empty space, 4774; (Vanyte), vanity, 2731; Vanyte, 1730, 1784.

Vant, imp. a. 2 p. vant, 2713.

Varian, goes, part, varying, various, 4637; Variant, 4336, 5651.

Variaunce, a. variety, 4632.

Vassate (Vassat), a. vassal, boast, 1380.

Vaward, a. vaward, vanguard, 3617, 4842.

Vayne, adj. vain, 589; (Wayn), 1784; (Wayn), 1113.

Vayne-glor (Vane-glor), a. vain glory, 2731; (Vayne-glory), 1730; Vayne glorie (Vane-glory), 3265.

Ve, for Wo, we, 4328.

Velbie, pt. webs, woven cloth, 4335.

Velvay, willowy, wickered, 4550.

Velans, adj. villainous, horrible, 4164. It may be *viles*; Jamieson has *viles* and the Glos. to the Troy-book has *viles*. But these examples are not at all decisive. Cf. F. *viles*.

Venous, a. venom, poison, 4797.

Vessone, pr. a. venomous, poisons, 4842.

Veneust, pp. vanquished, 5122, 5948; (Venekost), 950; Venemant, 3875.

Vengase, vengeance, 1484.

Venge, v. avenge, 186, 950; ger. 5326; Vengid (Vengyd), 2696; (Venged), 269.

Venna, Venus, 4410, 4414, 4512.

Venyon, a. venison, 4121.
 Verdine, a. verdure, 4979.
 Vermone, a. vermillion, 3045. See Vermilion.
 Vermyn, a. vermillion colour, 4336.
 Vermyn, a. vermyn, 3948, 5422; Vermyn, gen. pl. of the vermyn, of the monstrous creatures, 4797.
 Verraly (Verral), adj. truly, verily, 2955.
 Veray, adj. true, 5527; Verra, 389.
 Veru, virtus, 103; strength, 5527; valour, 5324; Vertous, pl. virtues, 4410; Virtus (Vertues), good qualities, 2558.
 Vessel, a. vessel, often used in plural sense of vessels, plate, 4351; Vesse, sale, 3700; Vessel, 116; Vessel (Vessall), vessels, 2945.
 Vestoure (Vesture), vesture, garment, 1539.
 Viamon, a. food, viands, 4121. *Perf* for Viamon — Viamond.
 Victore (Victory), a. victory, 2026.
 Victor, victor, 350; Victorie, 186; (Victor), 1484; Victor, 389, 1880.
 Vilie, adj. vile, 186; harmful, 4164; cowardly, 3617.
 Violet (Violet), adj. violet, 1539.
 Violett, a. violet hue, 4336.
 Virgyn, pl. virgins, 4665.
 Virre, & glass, 4351. F. *verre*.
 Vise, ger. to look, 1539, 3946; To vise on, to look upon, in appearance, 3945; Vise, *pe*, pl. 2 p. look out for, seek out, 4686; Vised, *pp.* seen, 5051.
 Vision, a. vision, 1508.
 Visit (Viset), ger. to visit, 2033; (Visitt), 2004; Visitis (Viseted), *pr. pt.* visit, 1964.
 Vitalis (Vitalis), victual, 2171.
 Vitalis, *pp.* with, 1536.
 Vimbe, prep. around, 2209; (Vimbe), 3325; Vimby (Vimbe), round about, 1154; (Vimby), 772.
 Vimbe, *adj.* around, 2782, 3250.
 Vimblegild, *pp.* gilded round, 4890. (Vimbelappes), *pr. s.* surround, 2473. See Vimlapis.
 Vimbo-thornid, *pp.* encompassed, surrounded, 4806; Vimbo-thorned (printed Vimby-thorned), 3857. Sense clear; spelling doubtful.

(Vimbrayd), *s.* reproach, 1800. See Vimbrayd, Vimbride.
 Vim-br-clappa, *pr. s.* surrounds, embracos, 4171; Vim-clappa, *pr. pl.* invest, beset, surround, 2473; Vim-by-clappa, *pp.* surrounded, 3451.
 Vimfaldis, *pp.* encompassed, 4717. (Vimhode), *imp.* a. look about you, 731.
 Vimlapis (Vimbelappes), *pr. s.* surrounds, 2134; Vimlapped (Vimlapel), *pp.* encompassed, 920. See Vimlapis.
 Vim-loke, 2 *pr. pl.* surround, 4872. (Here loks — mod. E. look).
 Vimquile, *adj.* formerly, 23, 1132, 3524, 4511; sometime, 3079; sometimes, 4744, 4745.
 Vimse, *imp. s.* 2 p. look them around, betwixk (thysself), 3728.
 Vim-shly, *adj.* without shility, foolishly, weakly, 2308.
 Vim-behalde (*for* Vim-behalde), *imp.* a. look about you, 731.
 (Vimconde), *w.* unbend, unstring (your bow), 1744; (*Vimenden*), 1974. See Vimhynd.
 Vim-blythe, *adj.* sorrowful, joyless, 152; Vimblith, 48.
 Vim-brayd, *pr. s.* 2 *p.* upbraidest, 2738. *Error for Vimbrayd;* see Gloss to Troy-book; and see Vimbrayd, Vimbride.
 Vimbynd, *vng* undred, (thysself), 1744; Vimbynd, 1974.
 Vimcarchid, *pt. pp.* in plur. Vimcarchid herte, let loose their hearts, i.e. lost their courage, 2588. See the note, p. 303.
 Vim-callyd (Vim-callyd), *pp.* uncalled, 832.
 (Vimchances), mischance, 822.
 Vimclene, *adj. or s.* unclear substance, poison, 1106.
 Vimclenes, a. uncleanness, 4218.
 Vimclote, *pt. unclote*, 5050.
 Vimclote, *adj.* unclote, 3443.
 Vimesayd, *adj.* misriden, ill uncoursed, not tried in the course, 3775.
 Vim-concupid, *pp.* uncorupted, 4334.
 Vim-de, *adj.* undead, alive, 158.
 Vimdede, *adj.* undead, alive, 158.

Vimedlynes, *s.* immortality, 2734; Vimedlynes, 3545, 4058.
 Vinedof (Vinedowef), *pp.* not trodden down, undefeated, 2630. See Foules.
 Vnder, *prep. under*, 922, 1156; Vnder, 34. See Vndir.
 Vndere-putt, *pp.* subjugated, 5402. See Vndire-putt.
 Vnafid, *pt. s.* unfolded, 521. See Vndo.
 Vndir (Vnder), *prep. under*, 1845; Vndire, 247, 1622, 1799. See Vader.
 Vndire-putt (Vnder-putt), *pp.* subjected, 2025. See Vndere-putt.
 Vndirelling (Vnderlinges), *a. subject*, 1861.
 Vndire-take (Vndertake), *pr. s. 1 p.* undertake, 1356; Vndire-take (Vnderuke), *pt. s.* understood, 2967.
 Vndirfangid (Vnderfangid), *pt. s.* understand, 910; Vndirfangs, *pp.* (*Vnderfangs*, *pr. s.*), received, 2733; Vndir-fung (*Vnderfangs*, *pr. s.*), *pt. s.* received, 1700.
 Vndistandings, *pl.* intelligences (an astrological term), 273. See the note to l. 274, p. 289.
 Vndistandis, *pr. pt.* understand, 252; Vndistandise (Vnderstandinge), *pt. pp.* understood, 1794.
 Vndistreyneyd (Vndistreynd), *pp.* without being commanded, uncompelled, 2779.
 Vndistributed (Vndisturbleti), *pp.* undisturbed, unrestrained, 3418.
 Vndo, *s.* declare, disclose, 1112; Vndone, *pp.* undone, 1472. See Vndid.
 Vndome, *s.* the third hour, at first 9 a.m. (but afterwards later), 3853. Here *sagd-oure-vndome* — middle of the period just after sunrise, i.e. (as I suppose), the middle of the period from 9 to 12, or about half past 10.
 Vn-east, *pp.* disturbed, not eased, 5054.
 Vne-slayne (Vnslayne), *pp.* unslain, not slain, 2475.
 Vneth, *adv.* scarcely, 2050. See below.
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Vnlykly, adj. unlikely, 5552.
 Vnmete, adj. unmeasured, immense, very long, 143.
 Vn-seately, adj. unsitting, unseemly, 321.
 Vneth, adj. scarcely, 4185, 4801; (Vneth), 1774; Vnethes (Vneth), with difficulty, 2788. See Vneth.
 Vnethes, adj. scarcely, 4078. See above.
 Vnmemorable (Vnmemorable), adj. innumerable, 2365.
 (Vnnomynys), pp. unnumbered, 1992.
 Vnpossible, adj. impossible, 4249.
 Vn-prophetic, adj. unprofitable, 3660.
 Vnpronednes, a. unprovedness, inexperience, 1019.
 Vnpossible, adj. impossible, 635. See Vnpossible.
 Vnproned, pp. without reproof or reproach, 3002; (Vnrepreffyt), 3092.
 Vnride (Vnrode), adj. cruel, harsh, 871; Vnrid (Vnrode), 739; Vnyrd, rough, wanton, 469. See *Uride* in Halliwell.
 Vnridly, adj. ferocly, 638; Vnrydly, 566.
 Vn-samen, adj. not together, far apart, 605.
 Vnshet, pp. unharmed, 2143.
 Vnsele, a. misfortune, evil fortune, ill luck, 1106, 4471. See Sole.
 Vn-seemly, adj. unseemly, 862; adj. 39.
 Vnseene, adj. unseen, i.e. unique, extraordinary, 1026; unequalled, 2536.
 Vnseenid, pp. untake, 5334.
 Vnseenid; In vnsene, out of season, at an unseasonable time, 4439.
 Vnseeny, pp. not killed, 2668; Vnseeny, 2053, 2232.
 Vnseenynd, pp. (unseen), pp. unnumbered, 1991. Lit. "unseen."
 Vnseen, adj. insecure, 2186.
 Vntakid, adj. uncounted, countless, 2671.
 Vnthalnes, adj. against (your) will; At jost vnhallnes, against your will, 4698.
 Vn-to, unto, 173, 623, 706, &c.

Vnwearly, adj. unawares, heedlessly, 5329.
 Vnweared, pp. unweared, or uninjured, 3622.
 Vn-witandly, adj. unknown, secretly, 184.
 Vnwondid (Vnwundet), pp. unwounded, 1235.
 Vnworthely (Vnworthy), adj. unworthy, 563.
 Vn-wyn, a. sorrow, woe, lit. un-joy, joylessness, 551. See *awysne* in Stratmann's p. 665, col. 1.
 Vn-parkid, pr. pt. unfastened, 3209; Vnparked, unbarred, 2147.
 Voice, a. voice, 1000, 1479; (Voyce), 1508; Voice, 2958.
 Voids, a. get rid of, 4112; (Voyde), ger. to avoid, 1484; to give up, 1784; Voidis, pr. a. gets rid of, 4169; leaves, 3655; (Woydes), departs, 1118; Voids, pr. pt. rendes vsoil; Voidsoun be leysa, bring down the leaves off the trees, 4145; Voidid, pp. deprived, 3980; got rid of, 3948; (Woydet), removed, 1338; Voldid, departed, 4650.
 Volutte, a. fowle, birds, 4637.
 Vouclid safe, veschedest, 303.
 Vowtrice, a. adultrice, 4532. *Short for Auvtrizere.*
 Vowtries, pl. vultres, 3845. See note to L 3844, p. 306. The usual O.F. form is *vulfor* = Lat. *acc. vultures*; mod. F. *voutrier*. But here we have a form *volute* = Lat. nom. *vultus*; cf. Spas. *ladrón*, Port. *ladrão*, a vulture.
 Voyces, voices, 718. See Voice.
 (Voyde), a. avold, 2424; Voydis (Woydes), pr. a. 2 p. dost empty, 2945; Voids, pr. a. removes, 122. See Voice.
 Vpp, up, 80, 82, &c.; Vpp, 760; (Vppe), 738, 977; Vp set, set up, 198; With vp son, with sun-rise, 4057.
 Vp, adj. open, 2142; (Vppe), 785*. Vp-braydes, a. reproach, 1800. See Vo-braydes, Vimberyd.
 Vp-liftis (Vpp lyfes), pr. a. splits, 805.
 Vryse, a. urine, 3826.

Vs, us, 22, 82, &c.; dat. for us, 1674.
 Vse, a. use, custom, usage, 2950.
 Vse, u. use, 1674; Vseyd, pf. a. used, was accustomed, 3544; Vsed, used, 645; (Vsed), pt. pl. were accustomed, 738*; Vseyd, pp. used, 4334; customary, 4023.
 (Utterly), adj. utterly, 1472.
 Vulturins, a. the west-wind, 4145. Such seems to be the required sense; but the true sense is "a south-east by one-third south wind;" Lewis and Short.
 (Vye), a. fine appearance, 1539. See Vice.
 Vyne, a. vine, 1346; Vynes, pl. vines, 4899.
 Vyssage (Visage), a. visage, face, 2918; (Vysage), 3362.
 Vyse, per. to look, 2929; to behold, 3700; Vyss, pr. a. pays heed to, considers necessary, 126. *Short for Arysse*; see Advis in Cotgrave.
 Vyssit, ger. to visit, 573; (Visitit), 859.
 Wa, a. woe, sorrow, calamity, 528, 539, 1103, 1168; pain, 2721; (Weo), 2812; misery, 3075; (Weo), 3153; Was, woe, misery, 3435; illness, 5606; Wa, inferno, 4564; Was is me, woe is me, 1465; Was (Weo), as adj. sorry, 2959; Was, pl. miseries, 4592.
 Wasche-men, watchmen, 5164.
 Waschis, pl. watchmen, seminels, 5215.
 Wacken (Wakyn), ger. waken, arouse, 2276.
 Walkis, pr. a. wades, goes away, 4141. Perhaps put for rods, i.e. fodes.
 Wace, pl. woes, miseries, 4592. See Wa.
 Wact (Woest), adj. superl. most wretched, most sorrowful, 2004. See Wa.
 (Wafe), imp. a. send, 2866. See Wafe.
 Wage, a. hire, reward, wages, 3426.
 Wagged (Wagged), pf. a. wagged, nodded, 968.
 Waghe (Wagh), a. wall, hence, a bank of drifted snow, 1757. A.E. sed, a. wall. See Waves.
 Wai, a. way, 4847; (Way), road, 1324; Waies, pl. ways, 3852; Wais, 2330; ways, wise, 2013. See Way.
 Walk, adj. weak, 3917; (Walkie), 3587; (Walko), 1271, 2077.
 Walkaway, idem, woe! 4564.
 Walks, a. walk, lead, look, 3254; Walkis, pr. a. watches, 4776; looks, lof; (Waste), looks, 256; Walkis, pr. pl. look, 4129; Wanle, 3630; (Waylays), look, 2369; Waitid, pf. a. 1 p. looked, considered, 5621; Waitend, perh. port looking, 3835; Walk, issp. a. 2 p. see, take heed, 4439. See Waylis.
 Wakens, pr. a. awakes, arises, 2222; (Wakend, pf. a.), 2223; Wakyns, pr. a. awakes, comes to himself, 3249; (Wakens), pr. a. remains awake or alive, 725*; Wakand, pr. pf. waking, whilst awake, 356.
 Wald, pf. a. 2 p. wouldest, 311, 354; 1031; (Wald), 690; Wald, jd. a. would, 159; required, 128, 485; (Wald), desired, 1667; Wald it, i.e. would it please, 2684; Wald, pf. pl. would, 1, 13, 36; would like to, 3164.
 Wald-egid, adj. wall-eyed, 608. Icel. *waldeykr*. See Wawil-egid.
 Walkis, pl. woods, wolds, 3792, 3739.
 Wale, adj. excellent, choice, good, valuable, famous, 75, 294, 809*; 827, 841, 949, 1189, 1287, 1378; 2018, 2261, 2287, 2311, 2783; 2932, 3256, 3415, 3515, 3561; 3720, 4153, 4304; chosen, sp. pointed, 4772; respected, 2742; Wale, quite, good time, short period, 4597; (Wale), valuable, 2150.
 Wale, v. choose, 1667; ger. to choose, 4655; imp. a. 1014, 806*. Guth. *walja*.
 Wale; see Valles.
 Walki, a. walk over, overrun, 519;

Walkis, esp. pl. walk about, 541.
Walkie, a. walk, march, 3799.
Walk, error for Was, was, 5646.
Wall, a. wall, 1369; 1405; Wallis, pf. walls, 1376; (Wallie, a.), 1153; 1384; (Wallies), 1161, 1359; 1420; (Wallies), 1030.
Walkit, pf. pl. would, 5335. See Walk.

(Wallies); see Wawes.
Wallid, pp. walled, 1149.
Walowand, pp. part, wallowing, whirling, 4064. A.S. walwianus, to turn about.

Walows, pr. s. fades, grows dull, 4627. Better *scales*; see *waf-*
acs, *sefenes* in Stratmann.

Walt (Wekl), pf. s. wielded, 838.
Wambe, a. womb, 550; 579; Wame, 386; 531; 588; Wamb, pl. belles, 3813; (Wambos), 2168*; Wames, 4276. A.S. wāmōd.

Wan, 1. pf. s. got, begot (lit. won) 587; came, 2458; Wan, pf. s. 2 p. didst win, 949; Wan, pf. s. won, 616; 811; conquered, 3471; Wan, pf. s. got; Wan up, got up, climbed up, 1384; Wan off, stripped off, 2245; arrived, came, 5213; Wan to wax, attained his full growth, 3986.

Wand, wand, 57.
Wande (Wosend), v. hesitate, 2723;

Wand (Waned), pf. pl. finished, 1411. A.S. wosendas. (The spelling *waned* is bad.)

Wandreth, a. peril, 628. Icel. *vars-*
ost.

Wano, v. decrease, 4772.
Wance, pl. dwelling, abode, quarters, 134; 3748; (Wano, a.), rooms, 3222. Cf. A.S. *wansian*, to dwell.

Wannas, pr. s. lit. makes pale, causes to fade, dims, 4627; grows pale, 4142.

(Want), v. lack, be lacking, 809*;
Wantis, pr. a. fails, 4586; 5480; lacks, needs, 3497; (Wantes), lacks, 996; is lacking, 2168; Wantis (Vantes), it is lacking (to us), 1854; (Wantes), falls, 1325; (Wantyd), pf. pl. lacked, 3150.

Wanton, adj. wanton, irregular, 12.
Wapen, pl. weapons, 3884; (Wapens), 1400; (Wayppynnes), 958; Weapons, pl. weapons, 65; 4558. A.S. wæpnes, sing. and pl. (neuter sb.).
Wapened (Wapenned), adj. armed, 1250.

Wapp, a. stroke, blow, 5318; At a wapp, in a moment, at once, on a sudden, 3040; At a wap, 4142.

Ward, a. guard, 5614; troop, 3040; keeping, 5314. Ward, a. charge, 77; keeping, 5172; patronage, 4500; protection, 4500.

Wardian, warden, 75.

Warde, ger. to keep, guard, 5374.
Wardire (Wardred), club, truncheon, warden, 838.

Ware, pf. pl. were, 3; 72, 84, 199; Ware, pf. s. subj. were, would be, 13, 150; 225; might be, seems to be, 101, 391.

Ware, adj. aware, 59; 75, 119; wary, skilful, 202; (War), aware, 1580; 3212.

Ware je, esp. a. beware, take heed to thyself, 2830.

Warsiach, a. he cured, recover, 5606; ger. to heal, cleanse, 4217. O.F. *varsir*, *varsir*, F. *guérir*. See Warysche.

Warko (Werck), a.ache, pain, 2311.
Warkapo, pl. warlocks, sorcerers, 4425; evil beasts, monsters, 3795. E. warlock. See Warlow.

Warkoked, pp. fettered, 769*. The same as *unlocked*; see Warrök in G., to P. Flotman.

(Warlow), a. deceiver, 1706. See Warlike.

Warne (Werne), pr. s. 1 p. warn, 2014; Warned, pf. s. 1 p. refused, 1468; Warned, pp. refused, 1467; told by way of warning, 4231.

Warres, a. wariness, caution, 3354; foreknowledge, 3256.

Warnyng, a. warning, 571.
(Warpyl), pf. pl. twisted, 798.

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Warysene, a. gift, reward, 3431. See surion in Halliwell.

Was, pf. s. was, 17; 37, 39, &c.; Wase (Was), 1366; Was, pf. pl. were, 73, 2022.

Waspe, wasp, 738; Waspis, pl. 3011.

Was, adj. waste, unproductive, 3561.

Was, a. waste, desert, 3487; 3906; 5565; Wasis, pl. waste places, 3792, 4044.

Wasit, ger. to waste, destroy, 5382; Wasit, 1 pr. pf. (Wastyd, I. pf. pl.), 2330; Wasit, pp. wasted, 1941; defeated, 4008; (Wastyd), destroyed, 1311, 2141.

Wasturste, a. waster, destroyer, 5310.
Wata, pr. s. 1 p. know, wot, 3436; 4153; 2 p. knewest, 107; 2 pr. pf. know, 3090; (Wathyb), 2379.

(Wates), pr. s. waits, looks, gazes, 781*; 1129; 1527; (Watyb), pr. pf. gaze, 700. See Waite.

Wathe, a. danger, peril, 119; 5586; (Wathe), 1103; Wathe, evil, harm, 1411; 3523; harm (Lat. text: *impicatio*, want of skill), 3355. Icel. *væti*; see Stratmann.

Wath, adj. (error for Wal, i.e. choice), 2150. The Dublin MS. has Wal.

Watir (Water), a. water, stream, 1303; 2152; Watir, 59; 1290; Waters, 112; 2539; Water, 5470; Watirs, 5737; Watir, 4299; Waters, pl. rivers, 1079; Water (Wators), 1967.

Watirles, adj. watery, dry, 3487. (Waneschyd), pp. put away, 822. See Wayse.

Waves, pl. walls, 5644; (Waller), 3222; Watris (Waller), 1523. See Waghe.

Wawil-edged (Wangle-edged), adj. wall-edged, 1706. See Wald-ed.

Wavis (Wawes), pl. waves, 1153; Wavys, 25; (Wawes), 3167*. See Wape.

Wax, v. grow, increase, 4772; ger. 3986.

Wax, a. wax, 113.

Way, a. way, 132, 428, 1310; Ways, pl. ways, tracks, 4105; Way (Ways, pl.), way, wise, 1643.

Wayfe, a. remove, put away, 297; (Wayfe), ger. to send, 1868; Wayfe (Wafe), 1 pr. a. allow, grant, waive, 723; (Wayfe), gr. a. sends, despatched, 1716; Wayfid, ff. put away, 822; Wayfe, esp. pl. quit, leave, 2469. See Wayne.

Wayki (Wakens), pr. a. becomes weak, 1005.

Wayne, error for Wayns, a. give, deliver, 3426. See Wayne.

Waynes (Wayner), pl. waives; Waynes to waste, for wains to pass each other, 1324.

Waynest (Vanyahl), pf. s. ref. vanished, 1113.

Waynes (Waynes), pl. veins, 1730.

Wayryngc, a. little villain, 1705. From A.S. *wærig*, Icel. *værig*, a felon. Cf. warrieng, a butcher-bird, Chancer, C. T. (D. 1408).

The suffix is the A.S. *-weig*, as in *rid-weig*, a little rope.

(Waystes), pr. a. wastes away, 3204.

Waytis, pr. s. looks, 265; perceives, 3636; (Wates), looks, 1583.

Waytes, looks, gazes, 700; 945; waits for, looks for, 131; Wayted, pf. pl. looked out, found, 194; Waytis, pp. looked, 4233. See Waite.

Wayne (Wafe), ger. to send, deliver, 2481; (Wayfe), 1175; Waynes, pr. s. 1 p. give up, 5134; Waynes, pr. a. despatches, sends, 4991; (Wayfe), sends, 2316; Waynes, pr. puts aside, waives, 4656.

Wayned, pp. transmitted, 4221; sent, 2695; (Wayfed), conveyed, 1728; *Nef Wayne*; see Wayne. Med. E. *wærige*. See waives in Stratmann.

Waynes, pr. s. loans (?), 945. But D. has Wayes vp a window, i.e. lifts up a window, opens a window. See above. The reading out was due to thinking of *wanges*, i.e. looks, in the latter part of the line.

Waves (Wawes), pl. waves, 1869.
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We, pr. we, 178, 180, &c.

We, s. man, 541; 3080, 4655; (Wye), 1858, 2302, 2382. See We, Wye.

Webbis, cloth, fabrics, woven cloths, 4911, 5295; (Webbys), 1547;

Webbis, cobwebs, rather than webs of cloth, 4807; Webis (Webbes), fabrics, 1577; (Webbes), 1523.

Wed, s. wed, 297; Wedd, gd. s. wedded, 3454; 1 pt. s. 587; Wed him (Weddit hym), pp. wedded, 822.

Wede, s. weed, 413.

Wede, s. garment, 120; (Wedes, pl.), stuff, lit. garment, 2229; (Wede), dress, armour, 809*

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(Wedes), 1505, 1530, 2768; robes, 1559; Wedes, pl. weeds, garments, 2886; Here-wedde (-wedes), garments of iron, coats of mail, 1010.

Wede, pr. s. 1 p. go mad, 539; Wedis (Wodes), pr. s. goes mad, 1926; A.S. wodan.

Wedding (Weddyng), s. wedding, 827.

Wedire, s. weather, 4142; Wedire, pl. weathers, tempests, 557; Wedres, storms, 4796.

Wedow, widow (*Duld. MS.* allude for a widow), 1977; Wedow, 5089; Wedos, pl. widow, 1558.

Wee, s. man, 134, 314, 383, 477, 2321, 3317, &c.; (Wye), 725, 1628; (Wye), 855; (Wight), 1993; Wee, pl. men, 3264, 4193, 5374; (Wise), 1030; (Wyes), 1250, 2212. See We, Wye.

Welcom, pp. s. adj. welcome, 3211; Welcom, 2302.

Weld, s. role over, obtain, 3423; Welds (Weld), ger. to wield, to govern, 2954; Welden, to wield, 651; Weldes, 2 pr. s. wieldest, rulest, 4932; (Weldes), pr. s. welds, possess, 3247; (Weldy), jd. s. ruled, 8274.

Wele, s. well, 30, 44, 171, &c.

Wele, s. weal, 4621; (Wele), 1858.

Well, pf. pl. walked, 4190.

Wellten, s. sky, 247, 1566, 3038; (Wellyn), 714; Welyn, 554.

Well ne, well nigh, very nearly, 539. See Wele.

Wells (Wele), s.ds. very, 1970.

Welland, prs. pert, welling, boiling, 4080.

Wellis, pl. springs, streams, 4385;

springs, 4376.

(Welt), an error for Wilt — Willid, pp. gone astray, 2984. See Willid.

Welth, s. wealth, 3237, 3582; happiness, pleasure, 2276; success, 937; Welthe, prosperity, 3272;

Welthe, s. pl. os sing, prosperity, 3290; Welthys, pl. riches, 4467.

Welhid, pf. pl. rolled, 820; (Weltyn), pp. pl. 822.

Wemen, pl. women, 528, 3755.

Wemles, adj. stainless, 4949; unburnt, untouched, 4066.

Wenchies (Wenchies), pl. wenches, maidens, 1558.

Wende, r. go. turn, 863; ger. to go, 910; (Wend), v. go, 1632;

(Wynd), ger. depart, 2249; Wendis, pr. s. wende, goes, 120, 371, 406; comes, 511; departs from life, dies, 433; (Wendes), goes, 976; Wendis (Wendyn), pp. pl. go, 1924. See Went.

Wene, s. a. weening, supposition, 3516; also s. v. I suppose, 3516. See below.

Wene, ger. to suppose, 390; (Wene), v. 3119. Wenes, 2 pr. s. weement, supposed, 3548; (Wenes), dost expect, 1736; Wenys (Wenes), pr. s. weeme, expects, 844, 930;

Wend, pt. s. thought, supposed, 2644; (Wende), 2546; (Wenyd), 933; Wend, pf. pl. thought, supposed, 3631; expected, 3431;

Wenand, prs. part, expecting, 3587, 4300; Wene, imp. s. suppose, 3275; Wenys, imp. pl. ween, think, 1928.

Wengis, pl. wings, 413.

Went him, jd. s. went, 749; Went, went, 37, 428; pt. pf. pl. 1410;

(Wenden), 901; Went, pp. gone, 159. See Went.

(Wepe), ger. to weep, 872; Wepe,

wepe, 272; (Wepe), 965, 1287, 727; Wepead, prs. part, weeping, 2999.

(Wer), were, 764. See Were.

(Werayour), s. warrior, soldier, 2648. See Werour.

Werblid (Werblet, pt. pl.), pp. blown, lit. warbled, 2222.

Werd, a. world, 18, 24, 37, 40, 247, 519, 3471; earth, 4142; plain, 4186; (World), word, 995, 1051; (Ward), 2613; (Worl), 2255;

Werde, word, 189, 389, 441, 1963, 4305, 5289; Of þe werde, in the world, 3597; þe hill wende, the little world, the microcosm, or world within a man, 4494; in i. 3391, the farmer word = world, but the latter is an error for work — work; see i. 3299. See Words.

Werd, a. fate, 3247; Wernes, pl. destinies, fates, 237, 270, 549;

Werde, 283; (Wordes), 1020; (Werdes), 702, 2260. See Wind, Wer.

Worly (Worly), adj. worldly, 3262.

Wero, 2 pt. s. subj. were, mightest be, 3687; pt. s. subj. 142, 193, 239, 421, &c. See Wer.

Were, s. war, 651, 5585, 5598; conflict, 2260; (Were), 808*; Weris, pl. wars, 4400, 4502; Were, 2365; Of were, in war, 2373.

Were, ger. to wear, 2959, 5123.

Were yo (read Were yo), imp. s. defend thyself, 2830.

Were (Wery), s. worry, 2533. See Wery.

Weres, pr. s. were, 3536.

Werid (Warryd), pp. accused, 3212. See Weres in Stratmann.

Weril (Weril), s. weird, fate, 689. See Werid.

Weris, 2 pr. s. wearost, 2308; Werid, pt. s. wore, 3635. See Werid.

Weris (Weris), pl. men, 1300. A.S. were.

Werke, s. work, deed, 1428, 3199; doing, 2856; (Work), work, 1290; fortification, 1298; Werk, work, 1071; Werks, pl. works, deeds, 12, 38, 3271; (Werkes), 727*.

Werke, s. pain, 539. The name word as the above.

Werkin, pr. s. pains, 531.

Werld, a. world, 3254; (Werlede), 1502.

(Werld), error for Werd, a. fate, 3247. See Werd.

Werpin, pr. pl. warp, twist, 708; (Warbyn), cast, 1300; Werpe vp. cast up, hence rise up, 557; Werpid, pt. s. uttered, 202; (Warpyp), spoke, 709; Warped (Warpyp), cast, flung, set, 1225; Werpid (Wappyd, wrasse for Warpyp), pt. s. threw, flung, 1428; Werpid, pp. uttered, 243; Werpin (Warpe), imp. pl. 2 p. throws, 2142.

Worsey (Werre), ger. to war upon fight against, 2689; Werres (Werrey), pr. s. war, carries on war, 3495; Werris (Werrey), war, makes war, 3165; Werris, pt. s. warred, carried on war, 3730. O.F. ureveir (Urgury).

Worrouer, a. warrior, destroyer by war, 5319; Werour (Weroury), warrior, 2211; Werroures, pl. warriors, 2643; Werroures (Werroures), 1014; (Werroures), 1728;

Werriours (Werrour), pl. warriors, 2396; (Werriours), 2325; Werryoures, warriors, 3568; Werroures, who they make war (upon us), 4294; Werryoures, pl. gen. of warriors, 4007.

Werre (Wer), war, 2202; Werres (Werres), pl. 1928.

Werrid (Werid), 2 pt. pl. were, 2290. See Werid.

Wers, adj. comp. worse, 3199.

Wers, adj. worst, 532, 4656.

Westillare (Westiller), wrestler, 2287.

Wery, adj. weary, 1271, 3488, 3917.

(Wery), ger. to worry, 759*. See Were.

Weryl (Werel), 2 pt. s. were, 3330.

Wessid (Wessh), pt. pl. s. washed, 2543.

Wessell (Vessel), s. plate, 2928.

West, adj. west, 1733.

Wete, v. wit, know, 241, 304, 680,

5015; ger. to know, 714, 1718; to wit, 1728; *Wetis*, pr. pl. 2 p. know ye, 5516; know, 294; *Wete*, pr. s. subj. may know, may wit, 2783; *Wete*, esp. s. know, 1970; *Wete*, imp. pl. know, 4607; *Wetis* (*Wetis*), 1938; *Wete*, s. error for *Wene* (as in D.), suppose, 3119.

Wethir, adj. *Wethir* halfo, left side, wrong side, evil direction (Lat. *in sinistrum*), 3355. A.S. *wether*. Cf. *Wethersianus* in Jamieson.

Wethers, pl. *wethers*, 4476.

Weylir, adj. truly, 4222; (*Witterly*), certainly, 2856; *Weterly*, certainly, surely, 394; (*Witterly*), 1423.

Weis, pr. s. waits, watches, 241. See *Waite*.

Wex, pr. s. 1 p. grew, 5621; pr. s. 615, 629; (*Wex*), became, 1189.

Weyde, v. choose, 759*. See *Wale*.

Wext, s. weight, 5473.

(*What*), what, 682, 683; (*Whatis*), 1147; What of what with, 528; interj. what? 728*.

When, then, 42, 119, &c. (*Whene*), s. queen, 738*.

(*Where*), where, 683.

Wheshire, conj. whether, 249.

Which, who, 828*; (*Whil*), whilst, 2172; (*Whiles*), 1220.

(*Whistely*), adv. silently, 1851.

Whit, for *With*, with, 3013; (*Whit*), 1613.

Who, who? 834*; (*Wyne*), whence, 834*.

Whynin (*Within*), within, 1290.

Whi-encif, s. *whichcif*, 378.

Wicker, s. small door, 5545.

Wickily, adv. wickedly, 2425.

(*Wikkely*), 1728.

Wickidnes, s. wickedness, evil, 3277, 4425.

Wide, adj. wide, 37; (*Wyde*), 1970; *Wid* open (*wide hopyn*), adj. wide open, 1526.

Wife, wife, 297. See *Wyfe*. (*Wight*), adj. nimble, 765*.

(*Wighthly*), adv. actively, 1405, 1428.

Wild, ger. to rule, 3477; (*Wold*), ger. to rule, govern, 994, 2653; rule over, 3066; to wield, possess, 1668, 1736; *Wild* (*Wilde*), to possess, 939; (*Wylde*), 2949; *Wild*, v. wield, possess, 301; *Wild* (*Wilde*), v. rule, possess, 3227; *Wild* (*Wylde him*), possess for himself, 1667; *Wilda*, pr. pl. possess, 4481; *Wildid* (*Weldit*), pd. s. governed, 2303.

Wild, adj. wild, 378, 557, 1250; (*Wilde*), 1153; (*Wylde*), 1540.

Wild, for *Will*, s. will, desire, 4622. Lat. text.—*wieldas*.

Wilkare (*Weldar*), a. governor, ruler, 3465. See *Wilkire*.

Wild-bedd, adj. wild-headed, 12.

Wilkine (*Wekler*), wielder, ruler, 1608. See *Wilkire*.

Wildernes, s. wilderness, 3487, 4044.

Wile, s. wile, guile, 416, 5233; *Wiles*, pr. 4365; (*Wiles*), 1764; (*Willes*), stratagem, 1363.

Willy (*Willy*), adv. with guile, carefully, 1764.

Will, s. a. wish, desire, 14, 386, 1718, 4604; will, 325; intention, 304; power, disposal, 4503; power to dispose of, 3123; (*Will*), will, wish, desire, 680, 2013; (*Wyll*), 1973; *Will*, will, resolution, 106; (*Willies*), pd. desires, 1890; At will, 939; To will at his will, 301.

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Will (*Willie*), adj. at a loss, 1272. So in *Barboer*, Icel. *viffr*. See *Willid*.

Will (*Willy*), adj. willing, ready, disposed, 2689.

Willid, pd. pl. strayed, 4182; *Willid*, pp. lost, bewildered, astray, 2984. Cf. Icel. *viffr*, astray; see *Will*, adj.

(*Willnet*), pt. s. desired, 680; *Will*, n., imp. & inquire of, ask, 5036. A.S. *wilnen*.

Wilingyng, a. desire, 1876.

Wilson, adj. wild, waste, desolate (*lit. wildsome*), 4075, 5665.

Windle (*Wende*), 1 pr. s. *wend*, go, 827. See *Wend*.

Wing (*Wynge*), wing; portion, district, 1051; *Wingis*, pl. wings, 5523.

Wintre (*Wynter*), s. winter, 2895;

Wintir (*Wynter*), 2162; *Wintir*, pl. years, 4441; *Wintre*, year, 3556; *Winter* (*Wynter*), 692; *Wintris*, gen. winter, 3559.

Wintre, s. fate, 443; *Wirdi*, 2260; *Wirdia*, pl. *wirdis*, destinies, fate, 41, 178, 4950; *Wirdes*, 2307, 2379. See *Werd*, *Ward*.

Wirkis, v. work, do, 237; ger. to do, 2013; to act, 160; (*Werke*), to do, 2949; (*Wirkis*), to act, 3359;

Wirkis, pr. pl. 2 p. work, 3092; *Wirkis* (*Wirkyl*), pr. pl. work, 1412.

Wirling (*Wyrlyng*), s. dwarf, 1706;

Wirlings (*Wyrlyngs*), dwarfs, 1733. So *wirf*, *worlf*, a dwarfish person; Jamieson.

Wirschip, s. honour, 11, 616, 662, 5586; (*Worschip*), 723, 811, 1949, 2251; *Wirschips*, pl. honours, 3712.

Wirschap (*Worshippys*, pr. pl.), pp. worshipped, honoured, 1961.

Wirschipfull, adj. worshipful, worthy, 243.

Wirstill (*Wrastill*), v. wrestle, 2276.

Wist, imp. & make known, declare, explain, 4497; (*Wisse*), pr. s. instructs, guides, 739; *Wissid* (*Wist*), pp. made known, 689. A.S. *wismon*.

Wisdom (*Wisdom*), wisdom, 898. (*Wiseley*), adv. wisely, 765*.

Wist, pt. s. knew, 171, 297, 1189, 3090, 762*; pt. s. 159, 1448, 5465.

Wit, a. wisdom, 662; (*Witte*), 1858. See *Witt*.

Wite, a. blame; read Na wite, no blame, 477. A.S. wite.

Wite, v. blame, 676. See above.

Wite, ger. to depart, 3277; *Wite*, n. send, make to depart, 5032. A.S. *westan*, to depart. See *Witt*.

Witerwande, for *Witherwande*, adj. adverse; pa. *witherwande*, those who are openly adverse, 4257.

With, prep. with, 49, 64, 82, 83, 85; by, 2079, 2397, 2562, 3493, 3578, 4783, 5589; against, 8166, 8677; To save with our lyuys, to preserve our lives with, 4559; With pat, thereson, 330, 3054; provided that, 343.

With-draw, 1 pr. s. retreat, 2015; *With-drawe*, pt. pl. retreated, drew back, 4542.

With-in, adv. within, 14, 1030; prep. 206, 211, 348; *With-in*, prep. 251.

Without, prep. outside, 3919; (*With-out*), 815*; *Without*, without, 148.

With-out, adv. outside, 1306; (*With-out*), without, 1032.

Withouten, prep. without, 118; (*With-outyn*), 1100, 2196; besides, 3600; *Withouten*, prep. without, outside, 133, 385; (*With-out*), 698; (*With-out*), beyond, 1209.

Withouten (*Withoutc*), adv. outside, 1389.

With-sit (*Withsithe*, ger.), s. oppose, 2410.

With-stands, v. oppose, resist, 5624; (*Withstands*), ger. 1738; *With-stand* (*With-stands*), ger. 2077; *With-stand* (*With-stands*), pp. 2077.

With-standis (*Withstandyn*), pr. s. *with-stand*, 1138; *With-stand*, 1443; *With-stande* (*Withstandyn*), pt. pl. *with-standod*, 1405; (*With-stands*), 1059; (*Withstande*), 1443; *With-stande* (*With-stands*), pt. pl. 1031.

Wittis, pr. s. departs, 5318. See *Witt*.

Wittles, adj. witless, unwise, 107.

Wittnes, pr. s. witness, shows, 916; (*Wittnes*), 1439, 2900; *Wittines*, witnessess, 488; (*Wittnes*), 1592.

Witrey, adv. verily, 422. See *Witter*.

Witt, *a.* wisdom, 3092; *wit,* knowledge, 45, 259, 898; *mind,* 482; *fancy,* 5531; *Witt* (*Witte*), *wit, knowledge*, 2689; *reason,* 1410; *Wittin, p.t.* *wits, senses*, 2336, 2420; *dispositions, 14;* *Man wittis, man's wits,* 5552; *Wittes, pl. understandings,* 1890. See *Wit.*
Witter, *adj.* knowing, 629. *Icel.* *sitr.* See *wittier* in Strathmann. (*Wittily,*) *adv.* wisely, 2245.
Wigt (*Wight*), *adj.* strong, active, vigorous, 1014, 1738, 2206.
Wights (*Wighties*), *pl.* *wights, men, 3212.*
Wightly, *adv.* nimbly, 651, 3040; vigorously, 2245; quickly, 120, 3774; (*Wighty*); quickly, 1030; bravely, 1258.
Wittie, *pr.p.t.* *disgust,* 4277; *Wlated,* *pp.* disgusted, nauseated, more than satisfied, 5634.
Wlken, *adj.* proud, 5089. A.S. *wlcan.*
Wed, *a.* wood, forest, 70, 2084, 3795; *Wedd,* 3906; (*Wode*), 776; *Weddis, pl.* woods, 4116, 4382, 4721, 5242.
Wode (*Wod*), *a.* wood (of a spear-shaft), 798.
Wode, *adj.* mad, 758, 1410, 5346; angry, 5167; (*Wod*), raging, 1165. A.S. *wld.*
(Wode), *adv.* madly, 1189.
Woden, *madness, fury, 4400.*
Wodwoos, *pl.* (*though the force is sleep*), satyrs, fauns, 1540. "Wiedenesse, usurous, assoufesse, Silvanus, satyrus;" Prompt. Parv.
Wold (*Wald*), *pt. a.* *wold,* 751.
Wolfe, *wolf,* 2535; *Wolfs,* *pl.* 5242.
Woll, *a.* wool, 4166; *Wolle,* 3957.
Woman, *woman,* 348, 428.
Womb, *a.* womb, 755. See *Wame.*
Wom, *pp.* *wom,* 454; reached, arrived, 4156, 5523; *got, passed,* 4196; (*Wonne*), 942; *Wonn* (*Wonne*), 818; *Wom* (*Wonne, array*), *pp.* *wom,* 1238.
Wom, *v.* live, dwell, 4044 (see note); *ger.* *to dwell,* 4310; *Woms,* *pr. s.* *dwells, i.* remains, 5565; *Wonus,* *pr. s.* *dwells,* 3082; *Wonanz,*

pres. perf. dwelling, 5475. And see *Wont.*
Wond, *adj.* 5428. *Reed wood,* *i.e.* mad, furious, highly excited. See *Wode.*
Wonde (*Wound*), *ger.* *to wound,* 2212; *Wondid,* *pt. s.* *wounded,* 3339; *Wondid* (*Woundit*), *pp.* wounded, 333; (*Woundyt*), 3131; (*Woundit*), 1277.
Wonden (*Woundit*, *i.e.* wounded), *pp.* *wound, involved in,* 2811 (*where we should insert of before my in the Ashmole text*); *Wondyn,* *pp.* *wound, wreathed; applied to a wreathed snow-drift,* 1737.
Wonder, *wonder;* *as adj. strange,* 811, 841.
Wonder, *adv.* wonderfully, 629.
Wondid, *pp.* wounded, 3150. (*But an error for wondit, pt. pl. wanted, lackes.*)
Wonding, *a.* *wounding,* 4795.
Wondire, *a.* *wonder,* 13, 549; (*Wondre*), 852, 1159, 1616; *Wondre,* 3017; *Wonder,* 514.
Wondifull, *adj.* wonderful, 416.
Wondirly (*Wondirly*'), *adv.* wonderfully, 1300; (*Wondirly*), 933; *Wondirly,* 698.
Wondirs (*Wonderys*); *Mo wondirs,* it is wonderful to me, 3119; *Vs wondirs,* it is wonderful to us, 4033; *Wondird* (*Wondiry*), *pp.* amazed, 2904.
Wom, *adj.* wan, pale, white, 1757.
Wont, *pt. a.* *dwell,* 124; *Wont,* *pt. pl.* *dwellt,* 4721; *Wont,* *pp.* *wont,* 725.
Wonynge-stede, *a.* *dwelling-place,* 2734. Cf. Du. *woesthuis,* a dwelling-place.
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Wraiste, *adj.* perverse, variable, 4622.
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(Wroth), adj. wrath, angry, 1189.

Wrothe, s. wrath, 2977.

(Wrothed), pt. s. became angry, 2593.

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(Wykkyd), mfe. severally, 1214.

(Wylde), s. dominion, 1098. Lit. wedding.

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Wyn, a. win, conquer, 510; win (to), reach, attain, 4697; (Wynne), win, 1629, 2302; (Wynne), get, go, 1440; Wyn, win, conquer, 449; Wy (Wynne), ger. to win, 1882; to make their way, 1148, 1156; Wynn (Wyn), to win, 2248; Wynnes, pr. a. goes, advances, 1428; (Wynnes), wins, conquer, 1037, 2278; Wynnya, pr. s. wins, 648; conquers, 5611; Wynnes, pr. a. comes, 5530; Wynnes him vp, pr. a. snatches up, 828; Wynnes, pr. pt. got; Wynnes away, get away, get off, 2622; Wynnes (pw vp), imp. pt. get up, rise up, 541.

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Wyndes, adj. breathless, 1271.

Wyn dor (Wyn dor), window, 345; (Wyn dor), 769*.

Wynes (Wynne), a. wine, 1350; Wynnes, pl. wines, 3350, 4303, 4486.

Wynes, pl. vines, 3667.

Wygis (Wengus), pl. wings, 1768, 2709.

Wylly, adj. quickly, readily, 5545. Hay gives 'wylly, quickly'; but I suspect it rather means 'easily', i.e. quickly, but without

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Wynlode, pl. wistles, years, 634, 646, 719, 920; (Wynwre), 1065; Wyn- dir (Wynntir), 1677.

Wynlode, a. city, 2150.

Wyrkys, 2 pr. pl. work, 2425.

Wyses, adj. wise, 11, 41, 629; (Wise), 725; Wyse man, sage's, 2124.

Wyses, a. wise, manner, way, 13, 230, 2363; guise, 2363; je same wyse, in the same way, 3352.

Wyses, adj. superl. wisest, 24; Wiseset, 247.

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Wysid (Wysett), pp. sent off, directed (to go), 3064. A.S. wisan.

Wyside (Wysey), pr. s. shows, 2988; (Wysyng), a. inscription, 3256.

Wysid, pr. s. knew, 509.

Wysid (Wista), adj. (perhaps) desolate, deserted, 1757. See wyster in Sir Gawain and the Green Knight, 1789, where it is an adj., not a sb. Cf. M.E. west.

(Wyth), prep. with, 1202.

Wynes (Wifis), pl. wires, 1558.

Ydille; In ydille, in vain, 3975.

Ydolatri, idolatry, 4459; Ydolatri, pl. 4261.

Ydrol, pl. hydras, water-snakes, 4089.

(Ye), ye, 326.

Yeldis (geldies), pr. a. gives up (to), 2951.

Yenen, pp. given, 1713.

(Yf), conj. if, 951, 1097, 2164; (Yf), 1860. See If.

(Yhe), ye, 682, 683, 1034. See yo.

Yies (Yie), pl. isles, 1027; (Yies), 1038. See Ille.

Ymagis, image, likeness, 191, 1126, 3363; Ymagis (Ymagis), pl. images, 1564.

Ynde, India, 3160, 3183, 3484, 4102; (India), 1523, 2797; Ynde, 5063.

Yndia, Indian, 5012.

Yndis, pl. Indians, 3630; Yndes, 3617.

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(Yoke), a. yoke, 818*.

Yone, pres. that man, 1634.

(Yon), do! pt. you, 1018.

(Yon), your, 987; (Yowr), 1825.

(Yren), iron, 745*, 756*, 1081. See Iron.

Yse, a. ice, 2883.

(Ysyd), pp. iced, frozen, 2883.

Yssann, name of an island, 2106.

Ytalle (Itale), Italy, 1027.

Ythes, pl. waters, waves, 1039. See Ittha.

Ynde (Inde), India, 2719.

ya, adv. yes, 354, 541, 880, 1822, 1834, 2142, 3353. See ya.

zacora, o saza, Zacora, 2179.

yalde (yold), pt. s. yielded, surrendered, 1140; (Yold), 2147.

yellow, adj. yellow, 607.

yape, adj. vigorous, strong, 3304; (yape), keen, bold, 2201. A.S. geasp.

yarely, adj. readily, 2406; eagerly, boldly, quickly, 80, 114, 2105, 2902, 4864; (yarely), vigorously, 1383; yapeli, 761.

yast, adj. superl. most active, most eager, 818*.

yarde, adj. readily, 607; quickly, early, 1107. A.S. georo.

yarde, adj. yore, long ago, 1008.

yarely, adj. promptly, 1035; (yarle), speedily, 1140; (yarly), quickly, readily, 818*, 1382.

yaris, pr. a. refl. prepares himself, 4866; pr. yo. yo., esp. a. prepare thyself, 80, 2009.

yarlid, pt. a. prepared, 114; yarlid to (yarke) to), shut to, fastened, 2449; yarlid, pp. prepared, 4894. A.S. georneas.

yarmand, prs. part, yelling, bellowing, 4745. See prase in Halliwell, p. 351. Cf. Icel. jarste, a. blasting, crying; W. gwarste, to shout.

(gate), a. gate, 787*; patis, pl. gates, 496, 5202, 3705, 4892*; (gates), 768, 1080, 762*.

ye, pr. yo., ye, 21, 212, 268, &c.; (Ye), 1802; (Yhe), 1801, 1806, 1893.

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yedre, adj. vehement, 5042. Cf.

icel, ges, Norweg. *gied*, mood, mind, humour; whence Norweg. *gieded*, bold. See *Allit. Poems*, *ges*, *pros*, *ye*, 2120, 4433. See *ye*, *ges* (*Yevex*), *imp*, *pl*. 2 *ye*, give *ye*, 1035.

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gime, *ger*, to take care of, 4505; *gimed*, 1 *pt. s.* governed, 3304; *gimyd*, *pt. s.* kept, had charge of, 1233. A.S. *giman*.

Zephall, Zephyr, 3860.

geset, *ger*, *part*, screaming, chattering, 4745. A.S. *geseron*, to chatter, sound, creak. See *gerre*.

gerde, *s.* rod of office, sceptre, 813; yard (measure), 4750; sceptre, wand or emblem of office, 1035; *wend*, wand, 114.

ger, *s.* year, 288; *pl.* years, 633, 649; *peris*, *pl.* years, 654; (*geser*), 1008; (*Theres*), 1107; *jerih*, 316; *gyrs*, 251.

gerly (*gerly*), *adj.* yearly, 2406.

gerne, *adv.* earnestly, 457; bitterly, 667; greatly, 1265; (*garne*), eagerly, 1315, 1700. A.S. *georne*.

gerne, (*garne*), *pr. s.* & 1 *pr.* year, desire, 3124.

gerre, *s.* outcry, loud lament, 5042. See *strand*.

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geten, *pp.* gotten, obtained, attained, 1107.

gettis, *pr. s.* flows, gushes, 3233; *gett*, *pt.* *pl.* burst (out), lit. poured (out), 5042; *geten*, *pp.* molten, cast, 607, 4894. A.S. *gisten*.

genyn (*gesen*), *pp.* given, 2107; (*gesa*, yes, 724^a. See *pa*.

ghedled, *pr. s.* yields, gives up, 726^a; gives, 751.

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gonge, *adj.* young, 186, 594; *jong* (*Yong*), 761, 794.

gonger, *adj.* comg younger, 1014; *gongiro* (*Yongor*), 1474; *young* (*Yongor*), 1612.

gope; see *pope*.

gokinges, *pl.* *solblings*, sons, 5042. A.S. *gicmon*, to sub; prov. E. *yon*.

gosen, *s.* giant, 4745. A.S. *esfen*.

goure (*Your*), *prov. year*, 1650, 1866, 2161; *your*, 21, 168, &c.

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