A Comprehensive Collation of the Hengwrt and Ellesmere Manuscripts of The Canterbury Tales: General Prologue

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Introduction

What follows is an interim report of a computer-assisted comprehensive textual collation between the Hengwrt Manuscript and the Ellesmere Manuscript of The Canterbury Tales by Geoffrey Chaucer. Since there have been found no Chaucer's autographs, we have no choice but to reconstruct his language through the extant manuscripts of his works or through the editions based on one of these manuscripts or on the combination of these. There are eighty four extant manuscripts containing (part of) The Canterbury Tales. Of these manuscripts, the Hengwrt Manuscript is the oldest and therefore regarded as closest to Chaucer's original, and the Ellesmere Manuscript is the edited and revised version of the Hengwrt, which was completed about a decade after by the same scribe. Jimura, Nakao and Matsuo (1995) undertook a comparison of Blake's (1980) and Robinson's (1957) editions. The former edition is a faithful reconstruction of the Hengwrt Manuscript and the latter is primarily based on the Ellesmere Manuscript. For an exhaustive and descriptive concordance to Blake's edition, see Blake, Burnley, Nakao and Matsuo (1994). Our report this time is a sequel to Jimura, Nakao and Matsuo (1995), but here the objects of our comparison are not editions but manuscripts themselves. The Hengwrt Chaucer Digital Facsimile (ed. Estelle Stubbs, 2000) is one of the marvelous contributions of The Canterbury Tales Project (general director, Norman Blake) to the text criticism of Chaucer. The textual collation between the Hengwrt and Ellesmere Manuscripts is available on the CDROM,

through which we can detect similarities and differences in a variety of linguistic items between the two. But those data are not retrievable in a dictionary format as we (1995) did, where we can identify every single variation line by line very easily and thus easily keep it in our memory. The CDROM version of Stubbs (2000) will, we hope, be complemented by our comparative collation text.

Our basic method in this study is to compare the two manuscripts line by line, and then to compare them word by word within pairs of "the same lines." Here, by word we mean every element regarded as composing a manuscript line including caesura, etc. In order to perform this kind of comparison, it is first necessary for us to make pairs of corresponding lines, taking one from the Hengwrt Manuscript and the other from the Ellesmere. In this study we have fortunately obtained permission to use the machine readable text compiled by Stubbs (2000), in which lines are made to correspond. These electronic texts are faithfully reconstructed from the two Manuscripts, covering those differences ranging from lexis/syntax, through illuminations/caesuras/letters with flourishes, to punctuations, which Blake and Robinson (1993) describes in great detail. To supplement these electronic data, we also used P. G. Ruggiers ed. (1979) The Canterbury Tales: A Facsimile and Transcription of the Hengwrt Manuscript, with Variants from the Ellesmere Manuscript and Ralph Hanna III intro. (1989), The Ellesmere Manuscript of Chaucer's Canterbury Tales: A Working Facsimile.

In "Lines with Different Word Forms" of the present report, we have listed all pairs of lines which contain one or more differences, e.g. word with different spellings including upper/lower case differences, different locations of caesura, different punctuations, different syntactic positions, etc. The list is created by a text collation program (txtcmpm.exe) developed by our member, Matsuo. In producing the interim list, (1) we added folio references like "15v," (2) if a line is missing in one manuscript, we indicated it by <missing>. For each pair, the upper line shows the Hengwrt Manuscript and the lower line the Ellesmere. We have printed the complete line in the Hengwrt

Manuscript, but only the word forms and other elements of the Ellesmere Manuscript which show differences. We have treated some of the compound words in a rather special way. When there appears a compound word with no space such as "nothyng" in one manuscript, and the corresponding compound words is spelled as two words with a space in-between in the other manuscript such as "no thyng," we have treated the latter, i. e. "no thyng" as one compound word corresponding to "nothyng." The symbol (#) indicates that we did not find the corresponding word (illumination, word, caesura, punctuation, etc.) in one of the manuscripts. We also followed Stubbs (2000) in other conventions. Unnecessary spaces in the manuscripts due to unknown reasons are shown by { }, and damages by {xx}. The braces { } also indicate Latin words, but they indicate the size of an ornamental capital when a numeral is appended. Brackets [] indicate emendation. A pair of question marks indicate dubious letters.

For the printing of this type of text collation a special set of fonts is necessary. First the fonts should be of fixed width. The normal proportional fonts would not have allowed us to place a corresponding pair of word forms exactly at the same position in the printed lines or on the screen. Secondly, it should contain non-standard letters used in the manuscript such as \mathfrak{G} , \mathfrak{D} , \mathfrak{T} and so on. We borrowed most of these from Stubbs (2000)'s font set, "chtrcup.ttf," for the use of which special thanks are due to her. Of course we later transformed them into fixed width.

Although the present list is only the initial stage of our study, it comprises the basic material for a further quantitative and qualitative study of the differences in spelling, lexis, syntax, punctuation, etc. between the two Manuscripts. This is part of the international project for compiling Chaucer's collation-concordances under the agreement of Sheffield University (Norman F. Blake, the late Professor David Burnley, Dr. Estelle Stubbs) and Hiroshima University (Yoshiyuki Nakao, Akiyuki Jimura, and Masatsugu Matsuo). In this report we publish the first part of our result: part of our study/results with respect to General Prologue. The collation to other tales will be

published in future.

A few samples will be shown about what can be retrieved from the collation text. We can find that there is a difference between the Hengwrt Manuscript and the Ellesmere as to how to represent compounds in spelling. The Hengrwt favors the 'ther fore' type, but the Ellesmere the 'therfore' without a space in between. Examples are as follows (the left word from the Hengwrt and the right from the Ellesmere): 'som tyme—somtyme' (GP 85), 'ther fore—therfore' (GP 189, 231, 446, 714, 809), 'ther to—therto' (GP 538, 757), 'v pon—vpon' (GP 457, 543, 666, 619, 702), 'wel come-welcome' (GP 762), 'with outen-withouten' (GP 463), 'with seye-withseye' (GP 805). The reverse examples are limited to the following two: 'bretful—bret ful' (GP 687) and 'gattothed—gat tothed' (GP 470). The contrast in use between the double letters (vowels) and the single is also found: the Hengwrt favors the former, and the Ellesmere the latter. 'Anoon—anon' (GP 426, 808, 819, 858), 'astoored—astored' (GP 611), 'baar—bar' (GP 560), 'been—ben' (GP 141), 'beerd—berd' (GP 408, 554, 590), 'blaade—blade' (GP 620), 'cleene—clene' (GP 369), 'coote—cote' (GP 330), 'deepe—depe' (GP 129), 'estaatly—estatly' (GP 283), 'freendes—frendes' (GP 301), 'greene—grene' (GP 103, 116, 159, 609), 'haade—hade' (GP 556, 619), 'haare—hare' (GP 191), 'hee—he' (GP 215, 437, 566), 'heeris—heris' (GP 557), 'keene—kene' (GP 104), 'keepe—kepe' (GP 130, 595), 'laate-late' (GP 77), 'leene—lene' (GP 593, 613), 'loord—lord' (GP 603), 'maade—made' (GP 33, 389, 429), 'noote—note' (GP 235), 'nowwheer—nowwher' (362), 'oolde—olde (GP 175), 'paale—pale'(GP 205), 'purchaas—purchas' (GP 258), 'roote—rote' (GP 236, 329), 'seeken—seken' (GP 13, 512), 'seemed—semed' (GP 39, 315, 324), 'seene—sene' (GP 134), 'slee—sle' (GP 661), 'soong—song' (GP 710, 711), 'soothe—sothe' (GP 285), 'spaare—spare' (GP 192), 'steepe-stepe' (GP 201), 'threedbare-thredbare' (GP 262), 'weepe-wepe' (GP 230), 'weere—were' (GP 40, 41, 59, 68, 81, 148, 259, 365, 368, 377, 409, 422, 488, 523, 524, 546, 559, 584, 593, 607, 630, 722, 737), 'weeren—weren' (GP 28, 579), 'withhoolde—withholde' (GP 513), 'woolde—wolde' (GP 278), 'yseene—ysene'

(GP 594). The reverse examples are scarce: 'bar—baar' (GP 108), 'bokeler—bokeleer' (GP, 668), 'cas—caas' (GP 797), 'comper—compeer' (GP 670), 'here—heere' (GP 800), 'holy—hooly' (GP 17, 178, 739), 'mede—meede' (GP 770), 'pas—paas' (825) 'semely—semeely' (GP 123), 'solas—solaas' (GP 798), 'wel—weel' (GP 87, 369).

As we said earlier, we have already made a textual comparison of edited texts of major works of Chaucer In future, our comparison will be more expanded, and applied to both the editions and the Manuscripts, which will enable us to exhaustively see the similarities and differences between the edited texts and the manuscripts they are based on. We hope that this study will contribute to the text criticism of Chaucer and thus to a better reconstruction of his own language and text.

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We hope that this list of textual comparison will be of help to all those who are concerned with medieval English language and literature, as well as specialists in the language of Chaucer. Finally we would like to express our appreciation to Department of English Language and Linguistics and The *Canterbury Tales* Project, Sheffield University, De Montfort University (Dr. Peter Robinson), and Graduate School of Letters, Graduate School of Education, and the Institute for Peace Science, Hiroshima University.

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Lines with Different Word Forms

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HG: 2r GP 0 {H} ere bygynneth the Book of the tales of Caunt bury
EL:GP 0
           <missing>
HG:2r GP 1 (6W) han that Aueryll wt his shoures soote
EL:1r GP 1 {6W} Han
                        Aprill with hise
HG:2r GP 2 The droghte of March / hath pced to the roote
EL:1r GP 2
                                       perced
HG:2r GP 3 And bathed euery veyne # in swich lycour
EL:1r GP 3
                                              licour
HG:2r GP 4 Of which v tu # engendred is the flour
EL:1r GP 4
HG:2r GP 5 Whan zephirus eek<sup>7</sup> # w<sup>t</sup> his sweete breeth
EL:1r GP 5
                Zephirus eek /
                                               breeth
HG:2r GP 6 Inspired hath # in euery holt7 and heeth
EL:1r GP 6
                                              heeth
HG:2r GP 9 And sm?a?le foweles / maken melodye
EL:1r GP 9
               smale
HG:2r GP 10 That sl?epen? al the nyght7 # with open Iye
EL:1r GP 10
                                 nygħt /
                 slepen
HG:2r GP 11 So priketh hem nature / in hir corages
EL:1r GP 11
HG:2r GP 12 Than?ne? ?longen? folk # to goon on pilgrymages
EL:1r GP 12 Thanne longen folk /
                                                 pilg mages
HG:2r GP 13 And Palmere?s? # for to seeken straunge strondes
EL:1r GP 13 Palmes
                          /
                                    seken
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HG:2r GP 14 To ferne halwes / kouthe in sondry londes
EL:1r GP 14
                             kowthe
HG:2r GP 15 And specially / from every shyres ende
EL:1r GP 15
                           fram
                                      shires
HG:2r GP 16 Of Engelond # to Caunterbury they wende
EL:1r GP 16
HG:2r GP 17 The holy blisful martir for to seke
EL:1r GP 17
               hooly
HG:2r GP 18 That hem hath holpen # whan pt they weere seeke
EL:1r GP 18
                                               were
HG:2r GP 19 Bifel pt # in that sesou on a day
EL:1r GP 19 {2B} ifil that /
HG:2r GP 20 In Southwerk # at the Tabard / as I lay
EL:1r GP 20
              Southwerk /
                                         #
HG:2r GP 21 Redy # to weenden / on my pilgrymage
EL:1r GP 21
                /
                     wenden #
HG:2r GP 22 To ?Ca?unterbury / with ful deuout corage
EL:1r GP 22
              Caunt bury
HG:2r GP 23 At nyght # was come # in to that hostelrye
EL:1r GP 23
              nyght / were
HG:2r GP 24 Wel .xxix.
                               in a compaignye
EL:1r GP 24
             nyne and twenty
HG:2r GP 25 Of sondry folk # by auenture yfalle
EL:1r GP 25
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HG:2r GP 26 In felaweshipe / and pilgrymes weere they alle EL:1r GP 26 felaweship pilgimes were HG:2r GP 27 ?T?hat toward Caunterbury wolden ryde Caunt bury EL:1r GP 27 That HG:2r GP 28 The chambres and the stables / weeren wyde EL:1r GP 28 # weren HG:2r GP 29 And wel we weeren esed / at the beste EL:1r GP 29 # atte weren HG:2r GP 30 And shortly # whan the sonne was to reste EL:1r GP 30 Sonne HG:2r GP 31 So hadde I spoken # with hem euerichoon EL:1r GP 31 $/ \mathbf{w}^{t}$ euerichon HG:2r GP 32 That I was # of hir felaweshipe ano n EL:1r GP 32 felaweship anon HG: 2v GP 33 And maade forward / erly for to ryse EL:1r GP 33 made HG:2v GP 34 To take oure wey / ther as . I. yow deuyse EL:1r GP 34 Ι HG:2v GP 35 ¶ But nathelees / while . I. haue tyme and space EL:1r GP 35 # {2B}ut whil I 7 HG:2v GP 36 Er that I ferther / in this tale pace EL:1r GP 36 that7

/ it acordaunt

HG:2v GP 37 Me thynketh # it7 acordant to resou

EL:1r GP 37

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HG:2v GP 39 Of eech of hem / so as it seemed me
EL:1r GP 39
               ech
                                       semed
HG: 2v GP 40 And whiche they weere / and of what degree
EL:1r GP 40
                             were
HG:2v GP 41 And eek<sup>7</sup> in what array / þ<sup>t</sup>
                                           they weere Inne
EL:1r GP 41
                                      that
                                                 were
HG:2v GP 42 And at a knyght<sup>7</sup> thanne wol I first bigynne
EL:1r GP 42
                     knyght7 than
HG:2v GP 43 ¶ A
                   knyght ther was / and that a worthy man
EL:1r GP 43 # {3A} knyght
HG: 2v GP 44 That fro the tyme / pt
                                      he first bigan
EL:1r GP 44
HG:2v GP 45 To ryden out # he loued chiualrye
EL:1r GP 45
               riden out /
                                      chiualrie
HG: 2v GP 46 Trouthe and hono / fredom and curteisye
EL:1r GP 46
                         honour
                                              curteisie
HG: 2v GP 48 And ther to # hadde he ryden / no man ferre
EL:1r GP 48
                                    riden
HG:2v GP 49 As wel in cristendom / as # hethenesse
EL:1v GP 49
                                        in Hethenesse
HG: 2v GP 50 And euere # honured / for his worthynesse
EL:1v GP 50
                       / honoured #
HG:2v GP 53 Abouen alle nacions / in Pruce
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EL:1v GP 53

HG:2v GP 54 In lectow / hadde he reysed / and in Ruce EL:1v GP 54 Lettow #

HG:2v GP 55 No cristen man so ofte / of his degree EL:1v GP 55 #

HG:2v GP 56 In Gernade # at the seege eek hadde he be EL:1v GP 56 /

HG:2v GP 57 At Algizir / and ryden in Belmarye EL:1v GP 57 Of Algezir /. riden

HG:2v GP 58 At lyeys was he / and at Satalye EL:1v GP 58 Lyeys

HG:2v GP 59 Whan they weere wonne / and in the grete See EL:1v GP 59 were **7**

HG:2v GP 60 At many a noble ariuee / hadde he bee EL:1v GP 60 Armee be

HG:2v GP 61 \P At mortal batailles / hadde he been fiftene EL:1v GP 61 #

HG:2v GP 62 And foghten for oure feyth / at Tramyssene EL:1v GP 62 foughten feith #

HG:2v GP 63 In lystes thryes / and ay slayn his foo EL:1v GP 63 Lystes thries

HG:2v GP 64 \P This ilke worthy knyght⁷ hadde been also EL:1v GP 64 # knyght⁷

HG:2v GP 66 Agayn # another hethen in Turkye EL:1v GP 66 /

HG: 2v GP 67 And ever moore / he hadde a souereyn prys EL:1v GP 67 eu emoore HG: 2v GP 68 And thogh pt he weere worthy / he was wys EL:1v GP 68 though # were HG:2v GP 69 And of his poort7. as meke / as is a mayde EL:1v GP 69 meeke # port7 HG:2v GP 70 Ne neuere yet⁷ # no vileynye he sayde EL:1v GP 70 He yet / ne HG:2v GP 71 In al his lyf7 # vn to no manere wight EL:1v GP 71 lyf / maner wight7 HG:2v GP 72 He was a verray pfit⁷ gentil knyght⁷ EL:1v GP 72 parfit knygfit HG:3r GP 73 # But for to tellen yow / of his array EL:1v GP 73 ¶ HG:3r GP 74 Hise hors weere goode / but he ne was nat gay EL:1v GP 74 His weren

HG:3r GP 75 Of Fustian / he wered a gypou EL:1v GP 75 gypou

HG:3r GP 76 Al bismotered / with his haubergeoù EL:1v GP 76 # habergeoù

HG:3r GP 77 For he was laate / comen from his viage EL:1v GP 77 late ycome

HG:3r GP 79 \P With hym / ther was his sone a yong Squyer EL:1v GP 79 # {3W}ith # Squier

HG:3r GP 80 A louere / and a lusty Bachiler EL:1v GP 80 louyer Bacheler

HG:3r GP 81 With lokkes crulle / as they weere leyd in presse EL:1v GP 81 Wt were presse

HG:3r GP 82 Of .xx. yeer / he was # of age I gesse EL:1v GP 82 twenty # of age / he was

HG:3r GP 84 And wonderly delyuere / and of gre?et? strengthe EL:1v GP 84 greet

HG:3r GP 85 And he hadde been som tyme / in chi?uachy?e EL:1v GP 85 somtyme chyuachie

HG:3r GP 86 In Flaundres / in Artoys / and Picardye EL:1v GP 86 # Pycardie

HG:3r GP 87 And born hym wel / as in so litel space EL:1v GP 87 weel of

HG:3r GP 88 In hope / to stonden / in his lady grace EL:1v GP 88 #

HG:3r GP 89 ¶ Embrouded was he / as it weere a meede EL:1v GP 89 # were

HG:3r GP 90 Al ful of fresshe floures / white and reede EL:1v GP 90 fresshe whyte

HG:3r GP 93 Short was his gowne / with sleues / longe $\bf 7$ wyde EL:1v GP 93 $\bf w^t$ #

HG:3r GP 94 Wel koude he sitte on hors / and faire ryde EL:1v GP 94 #

HG:3r GP 95 He koude songes wel make / and # EL:1v GP 95 wel HG:3r GP 96 Iuste and eek daunce / and wel portreye and write EL:1v GP 96 7 weel purtreye 7 HG:3r GP 97 So hoote he loued / that by nyghtertale EL:2r GP 97 louede HG:3r GP 98 He slepte namoore / than dooth a nyghtyngale # EL:2r GP 98 nyghtyngale HG:3r GP 99 Curteys he was / lowely / and seruysable EL:2r GP 99 Curteis HG:3r GP 100 And carf # biforn his fader / at the table EL:2r GP 100 HG:3r GP 101 ¶ A hadde / and seruantz namo yeman he EL:2r GP 101 # {3A} hadde he HG:3r GP 102 At that tyme / for hym liste ryde so EL:2r GP 102 ride HG:3r GP 103 And he was clad / in coote and hood of greene EL:2r GP 103 cote 7 grene HG:3r GP 104 A sheef of Pecok arwes / bright7 and keene EL:2r GP 104 pecok bright kene HG:3r GP 106 Wel koude he # dresse his takel yemanly EL:2r GP 106 HG:3r GP 107 His arwes drowped noght7 with fetheres lowe

drouped

EL:2r GP 107 Hise

HG:3r GP 108 And in his hand / he bar a myghty bowe EL:2r GP 108 baar mygħty

HG:3r GP 110 Of wodecraft⁷ / koude he wel al the vsage EL:2r GP 110 wodecraft wel koude he

HG:3r GP 111 Vp on his arm / he bar a gay bracer EL:2r GP 111 baar

HG:3r GP 112 And by his syde / a swerd # and a Bokeler EL:2r GP 112 / bokeler

HG:3v GP 114 Harneysed wel / and sharp / as poynt of spere EL:2r GP 114 Harneised # point

HG:3v GP 115 A xp ofre on his brest of siluer sheene EL:2r GP 115 Cristophere

HG:3v GP 116 An horn he bar / the bawdryk was of greene EL:2r GP 116 bawdryk grene

HG:3v GP 118 \P Ther was also / a Nonne a Prioresse EL:2r GP 118 # {3T}her

HG:3v GP 119 That of hir smylyng⁷ # was ful symple and coy EL:2r GP 119 smylyng / **7**

HG:3v GP 120 Hir gretteste ooth / was but by Seint Loy EL:2r GP 120 Hir seint

HG:3v GP 121 And she was clepyd / madame Eglentyne EL:2r GP 121 cleped

HG:3v GP 122 Ful wel she soong / the seruyce dyuyne EL:2r GP 122 weel soong # seruice

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HG:3v GP 123 Entuned in hir nose / ful semely
EL:2r GP 123
                                        semeelv
HG:3v GP 124 And frenssh # she spak / ful faire and fetisly
EL:2r GP 124
HG:3v GP 125 After the scole / of Stratford at the Bowe
EL:2r GP 125
                       Scole
                                  Stratford atte
HG:3v GP 126 For frenssh of Parys / was to hire vnknowe
                                            hir
EL:2r GP 126
HG:3v GP 127 At mete / wel ytaught was she with alle
EL:2r GP 127
                           ytaught7
HG:3v GP 128 She leet no morsel / from hir lyppes falle
EL:2r GP 128
                 leet
                                             lippes
HG:3v GP 129 Ne wette hir fyngres / in hir sauce deepe
EL:2r GP 129
                                                  depe
HG:3v GP 130 Wel koude she carye a morsel / and wel keepe
EL:2r GP 130
                           carie
                                                     kepe
HG:3v GP 131 That no drope / # fille vp on hir brist7
                                       vpon hir brist
EL:2r GP 131
                              ne
HG:3v GP 132 In curteisye / was set # muchel hir list<sup>7</sup> #
                                                    list /
EL:2r GP 132
                curteisie #
                                     ful
HG:3v GP 133 Hir ouer lyppe / wyped she so cleene
EL:2r GP 133
                                            clene
                       lippe
HG:3v GP 134 That in hir coppe / ther was no ferthyng<sup>7</sup> seene
EL:2r GP 134
                                              ferthyng sene
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HG:3v GP 135 Of grece / whan she dronken hadde hir draghte
EL:2r GP 135
                                                    draughte
HG:3v GP 136 Ful semely / after hir mete she raghte
EL:2r GP 136
                                              raughte
HG:3v GP 137 And sikerly / she was of greet desport
EL:2r GP 137
                                       greet
HG:3v GP 139 And peyned hire / to countrefete chiere
EL:2r GP 139
                        hir #
                                               cheere
HG:3v GP 140 Of Court and # been establish of manere
EL:2r GP 140
                           to
HG:3v GP 141 And to been holden / digne of revence
EL:2r GP 141
                    ben
                                           reuerence
HG:3v GP 142 But for to speken / of hir conscience
EL:2r GP 142
                               #
                                    hir
HG:3v GP 143 She was so charitable / and so pitous
EL:2r GP 143
                                   #
HG:3v GP 144 She wolde [wepe] / if p<sup>t</sup>
                                        she sawe a Mous
EL:2r GP 144
                       wepe
                                   that
                                            saugh
HG:3v GP 145 Caught in a trappe / if it weere deed / or bledde
EL:2v GP 145 Kaught
                                                    #
                                        were
HG:3v GP 146 Of smale houndes / hadde she / pt she fedde
EL:2v GP 146
HG:3v GP 147 With rosted fless / or mylk # and wastel breed
                                     Milk \
EL:2v GP 147
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HG:3v GP 148 But soore wepte she / if oon of hem weere deed
EL:2v GP 148
                                        any
                                                   were
HG:3v GP 149 Or if men smoot<sup>7</sup> it / with a yerde smerte
EL:2v GP 149
                        smoot it7 #
HG:3v GP 150 And al was conscience / and tendre herte
EL:2v GP 150
                                    #
HG:3v GP 151 Ful semely / hir wympel pynched was
EL:2v GP 151
                 semy1y
                               wympu1
HG:3v GP 152 Hir nose tretez / hir eyen / greye as glas
EL:2v GP 152
                                          #
                       tretys
HG:4r GP 153 Hir mouth ful smal / and ther to / softe and reed
EL:2v GP 153
                                                        7
HG:4r GP 154 But sikerly / she hadde a fair forheed
EL:2v GP 154
                                              forheed
HG:4r GP 155 It was almoost<sup>7</sup> # a spanne brood I trowe
EL:2v GP 155
HG:4r GP 158 Of smal Coral / aboute hir arm she bar
                                     hir Arm
EL:2v GP 158
                      coral
HG:4r GP 159 A peyre of bedes / gauded al with greene
EL:2v GP 159
               peire
                                                 grene
HG:4r GP 160 And ther on # heeng a brooch of gold ful sheene
EL:2v GP 160
                          / heng<sup>7</sup>
HG:4r GP 161 On which / #
                              was first writen / a crowned .A.
EL:2v GP 161
                         ther
                                        write #
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HG:4r GP 162 And after / amor vincit omnia . EL:2v GP 162 {Amor} {vincit} {omnia} \sim

HG:4r GP 163 ¶ Another Nonne / with hire hadde she EL:2v GP 163 # {1A} nother wt hir

HG:4r GP 164 That was hire Chapeleyne / and preestes thre EL:2v GP 164 hir #

HG:4r GP 165 \P A Monk ther was / a fair for the maystrye EL:2v GP 165 # {3A} maistrie

HG:4r GP 166 An outrydere / that 7 louede venerye EL:2v GP 166 outrider 7 that venerie

HG:4r GP 169 And whanne he rood / men myghte his brydel heere EL:2v GP 169 whan

HG:4r GP 170 Gyngle # in a whistlynge wynd / as cleere EL:2v GP 170 Gynglen / # als

HG:4r GP 171 And eek as loude / as dooth the Chapel belle EL:2v GP 171 eek [Þe]

HG:4r GP 172 There as this lord / is kepere of the Selle EL:2v GP 172 Ther was keper Celle

HG:4r GP 173 The rule of Seint Maure / or of Seint Beneyt⁷ EL:2v GP 173 reule Beneit⁷

HG:4r GP 174 By cause pt it was oold / and som deel streytz EL:2v GP 174 that old del streitz

HG:4r GP 175 This ilke Monk / leet oolde thynges pace EL:2v GP 175 olde

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HG:4r GP 177 He yaf noght of that text<sup>7</sup> a pulled hen
EL:2v GP 177
                     nat
                                    text
HG:4r GP 178 That seith / b<sup>t</sup>
                                hunterys been none holy men
EL:2v GP 178
                           that hunters beth nat hooly
HG:4r GP 179 Ne pt a Monk<sup>7</sup>. # whan he is recchelees
EL:2v GP 179
                that
                        Monk
HG:4r GP 181 This is to seyn / a Monk / out of his Cloystre
EL:2v GP 181
HG:4r GP 182 But thilke text # heeld he nat worth an Oystre
EL:2v GP 182
                         text /
HG:4r GP 183 And I seyde / his opynyon was good
EL:2v GP 183
                                opinion
HG:4r GP 184 What sholde he studie / and make hym seluen wood
EL:2v GP 184
HG:4r GP 185 Vp on a book<sup>7</sup> # in Cloystre alwey to poure
EL:2v GP 185
                      book /
HG:4r GP 186 Or swynke with his handes / and laboure
EL:2v GP 186 swynken w<sup>t</sup>
HG:4r GP 187 As Austyn bit7. # how shal the world be serued
EL:2v GP 187
                        bit
HG:4r GP 188 Lat Austyn # haue his # swynk7. to hym reserued
                                     owene swynk<sup>7</sup>
                                                        redued
EL:2v GP 188
HG:4r GP 189 Ther fore / he was a prykasour aryght?
EL:2v GP 189 Therfore
                                   prikasour aright<sup>7</sup>
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HG:4r GP 190 Grehoundes he hadde / as swift as fowel in flyght
EL:2v GP 190
                                                              flight7
HG:4r GP 191 Of prikyng<sup>7</sup> # and of huntyng<sup>7</sup> for the haare
EL:2v GP 191
                 p<sup>i</sup> kyng
                                                       hare
HG:4r GP 192 Was al his lust7. for no cost wolde he spaare
EL:2v GP 192
                          lust7
                                                         spare
HG:4v GP 193 I saugh his sleues / p<sup>r</sup> filed
                                                at the hond
EL:3r GP 193
                                     ypurfiled
                seigh
                                                       hond
HG:4v GP 194 With grys / and that the fyneste of a long of
EL:3r GP 194
                                                        lond
HG:4v GP 195 And for to festne his hood / vnder his chyn
EL:3r GP 195
HG:4v GP 196 He hadde / of gold / wroght
                                               a ful curious pyn
EL:3r GP 196
                        #
                                     ywroght7
HG:4v GP 198 His heed was balled / that shoon as any glas
                                      Ьt
EL:3r GP 198
HG:4v GP 199 And eek his face / as he hadde been enoynt7 #
EL:3r GP 199
                                      it
                                                     enoynt /
HG:4v GP 200 He was a lord ful fat<sup>7</sup> # and in good poynt<sup>7</sup>
EL:3r GP 200
                                 fat /
HG:4v GP 201 Hise eyen steepe / and rollynge in his heed
EL:3r GP 201
                         stepe
HG:4v GP 202 That stemed / as a fourneys of a leed
EL:3r GP 202
                                   forneys
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HG:4v GP 203 Hise bootes souple / his hors / in greet estaat7 EL:3r GP 203 His HG: 4v GP 204 Now certeynly / he was a fair p lat7 c teinly EL:3r GP 204 prelaat7 HG:4v GP 205 He was nat paale / as is a forpyned goost⁷ # EL:3r GP 205 pale # nas goost / HG:4v GP 206 A fat swan / loued he / best of any roost7 EL:3r GP 206 HG:4v GP 207 His palfrey / was as broun as # any berye EL:3r GP 207 is a HG:4v GP 208 ¶ A frere ther was / a wantowne and a merye EL:3r GP 208 # {3A} Frere 7 HG:4v GP 211 So muche of daliaunce / and fair langage EL:3r GP 211 muchel HG: 4v GP 212 He hadde maked / ful many a mariage EL:3r GP 212 maad HG:4v GP 213 Of yonge wommen / at his owene cost7 EL:3r GP 213 wo men HG:4v GP 215 Ful wel biloued / and famylier was hee EL:3r GP 215 And famulier he HG:4v GP 216 With Frankeleyns / ouer al in his contree EL:3r GP 216 frankeleyns euer

women #

toun

HG: 4v GP 217 And eek with worthy wommen / of the town

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EL:3r GP 217

HG:4v GP 218 For he hadde / power of confessioun EL:3r GP 218 #

HG:4v GP 219 As seyde hym self / moore than a curaat⁷ EL:3r GP 219 Curat⁷

HG:4v GP 220 For of his ordre / he was licenciaat⁷ EL:3r GP 220 licenciat⁷

HG:4v GP 222 And plesant, was his absoluciou EL:3r GP 222 plesaunt Absoluciou Absoluciou

 $HG:4v\ GP\ 225\ For\ vn\ to\ a\ poure\ ordre\ /\ for\ to\ yeue$ $EL:3r\ GP\ 225\$ yiue

HG:4v GP 227 For if he yaf⁷ # he dorste make auaunt⁷ EL:3r GP 227 yaf /

HG:4v GP 228 He wiste / p^t a man was repentaunt⁷ EL:3r GP 228 that

HG:4v GP 230 He may nat weepe / # thogh \rlap/ b^t he soore smerte EL:3r GP 230 wepe al # hym

HG:4v GP 231 Ther fore / in stede of wepynge / and preyeres EL:3r GP 231 Therfore # #

HG:5r GP 233 \P His typet was ay farsed ful of knyues EL:3r GP 233 #

HG:5r GP 234 And pynnes / for to yeuen faire wyues EL:3r GP 234 yonge

HG:5r GP 235 And certeynly / he hadde a murye noote EL:3r GP 235 certeinly note

HG:5r GP 236 Wel koude he synge / and pleyen on a roote EL:3r GP 236 rote

HG:5r GP 237 Of yeddynges / he bar outrely the prys EL:3r GP 237 baar pris

HG:5r GP 238 His nekke # whit was / as the flour delys EL:3r GP 238 / whit⁷

HG:5r GP 239 Ther to # he stroong was / as a Champioun EL:3r GP 239 / strong # Champiow

HG:5r GP 240 He knew the tauernes wel in euery # town EL:3r GP 240 Tauernes al the toun

HG:5r GP 241 And euery hostiler / and Tappestere EL:3v GP 241 euerich Hostiler

HG:5r GP 242 Bet / than a lazer / or a beggestere EL:3v GP 242 # lazar ##

HG:5r GP 243 For vn to swich a worthy man / as he EL:3v GP 243 #

HG:5r GP 244 Acorded nat / as by his facultee EL:3v GP 244 nat⁷ #

HG:5r GP 245 To haue / with syke lazers aqueyntaunce EL:3v GP 245 # sike lazars Aqueyntau ce

HG:5r GP 246 It is nat honeste / it may noght auaunce EL:3v GP 246 nat auau ce

HG:5r GP 248 But al with riche / and sellerys of vitaille EL:3v GP 248 $\,$ w^t selleres HG:5r GP 249 And ouer al / ther as $\,$ Pfit sholde aryse

arise

HG:5r GP 250 Curteys he was / and lowely of seruyse EL:3v GP 250 Curteis

EL:3v GP 249

HG:5r GP 251 Ther was no man / nowheer / so v tuous EL:3v GP 251 nas nowher #

HG:5r GP 252 He was # the beste beggere / of his hous EL:3v GP 252 / begger # in

HG:5r GP 253 And yaf a 2 teyn ferme / for the graunt EL:3v GP 253 missing>

HG:5r GP 254 Noon of his bretheren / cam ther in his haunt⁷ EL:3v GP 254 <missing>

HG:5r GP 255 For thogh a wydwe / hadde noght⁷ a sho EL:3v GP 255 thogħ nogħt⁷

HG:5r GP 256 So plesant was his {In} {principio} EL:3v GP 256 plesaunt {pincipio}

HG:5r GP 257 Yet wolde he haue # a ferthyng er he wente EL:3v GP 257 /

HG:5r GP 258 His purchaas / was wel bettre than his rente EL:3v GP 258 purchas

HG:5r GP 259 And rage he koude / as it weere right a whelp EL:3v GP 259 were right

HG:5r GP 260 In louedayes / # koude he muchel help EL:3v GP 260 ther HG:5r GP 261 For there / he was nat lyk a Cloystrer

HG:5r GP 262 With a threedbare cope / as is a poure scoler EL:3v GP 262 thredbare

lyk

HG:5r GP 263 But he was 1yk # a maister / or a Pope EL:3v GP 263 / pope

ther #

EL:3v GP 261

 ${\rm HG:5r~GP~265~And~rounded~as~a~belle~/out~of~the~presse~EL:3v~GP~265~That}$

HG:5r GP 266 Somwhat he lypsed / for his wantownesse EL:3v GP 266 lipsed

HG:5r GP 267 To make his englyssh / sweete vp on his tonge EL:3v GP 267 englissħ

HG:5r GP 268 And in his harpyng⁷ whan P^t he hadde songe EL:3v GP 268 harpyng⁷.

HG:5r GP 269 Hise eyen twynkled / in his heed aryght⁷ EL:3v GP 269 # arygħt⁷

HG:5r GP 270 As doon the sterres / in the frosty nyght⁷ EL:3v GP 270 nygħt⁷

HG:5r GP 272 \P A Marchant was ther / with a forked bero EL:3v GP 272 # {3A} W^t

HG:5v GP 273 In Motlee / and hye on hors he sat⁷ EL:3v GP 273 horse

HG:5v GP 274 Vp on his heed / a Flaundryssh Beu e hat EL:3v GP 274 # HG:5v GP 276 Hise resons / he spak # ful solempnely EL:3v GP 276 # HG:5v GP 277 Sownyng alwey / thencrees of his wynnyng EL:3v GP 277 Sownynge HG:5v GP 278 He woolde / the see weere kept⁷ for any thyng⁷ EL:3v GP 278 wolde # were HG:5v GP 279 Bitwixen Myddelburgh / and Orewelle EL:3v GP 279 Bitwixe Middelburgh # HG:5v GP 280 Wel koude he / in eschaunge / sheeldes selle EL:3v GP 280 # HG:5v GP 282 Ther wiste no wight. # that he was in dette EL:3v GP 282 wight⁷ / b^t HG:5v GP 283 So estaatly # was he / of his gou? naunce EL:3v GP 283 estatly / # gouernaunce HG:5v GP 284 With his bargaynes / and wt his cheuysaunce EL:3v GP 284 cheuyssaunce HG:5v GP 285 For soothe / he was a worthy man with alle EL:3v GP 285 sothe HG:5v GP 287 ¶ A Clerc⁷ ther was / of Oxenford also EL:3v GP 287 # {3A} Clerk Oxenford Oxenford HG:5v GP 288 That vn to logyk7. hadde longe ygo EL:3v GP 288 logyk⁷/

HG:5v GP 289 As leene was his hors / as is a rake EL:3v GP 289 And HG:5v GP 290 And he was noght right fat7 I vndertake EL:3v GP 290 right fat nas nat HG:5v GP 292 Ful threedbaare / was his ou este Courtepy EL:4r GP 292 thredbare ouereste courtepy HG:5v GP 293 For he hadde / geten hym yet7 no benefice EL:4r GP 293 # yet HG:5v GP 296 Twenty bookes / clad / in blak / or reed EL:4r GP 296 # blak⁷ # HG:5v GP 297 Of Aristotle / and his Philosophye EL:4r GP 297 Philophie HG:5v GP 298 Than robes riche / or Fithele / or gay Sautrye EL:4r GP 298 fithele Sautrie HG:5v GP 300 Yet hadde he / but litel gold in Cofre

EL:4r GP 300 cofre

HG:5v GP 301 But al that he myghte / of his frendes hente EL:4r GP 301 Ьt myghte freendes

HG:5v GP 302 On bookes / and on lernynge / he it spente EL:4r GP 302 #

HG:5v GP 304 Of hem / that yaf hym / wher with to scoleye Ьt \mathbf{w}^{t} EL:4r GP 304

HG:5v GP 305 Of studye / took he moost cure and moost heede EL:4r GP 305 studie #

HG:5v GP 306 Noght oo word # spak7 he / moore than was neede EL:4r GP 306 Noght o / spak # HG:5v GP 307 And that was spoke / in forme / and reuerence # EL:4r GP 307 seyd HG:5v GP 308 And short7 and quyk7 and ful of heigh sentence EL:4r GP 308 HG:5v GP 310 And gladly wolde he lerne / and gladly teche # EL:4r GP 310 HG:5v GP 311 ¶ A Sergeaunt of # lawe / waar / and wys EL:4r GP 311 # {3A} Sergeant war # the HG:5v GP 312 That often / hadde been at the Parvys EL:4r GP 312 HG:6r GP 313 Ther was also / ful ryche of excellence riche EL:4r GP 313 HG:6r GP 314 Discreet he was / and of greet revenue EL:4r GP 314 reuerence HG:6r GP 315 He seemed swich / hise wordes weeren so wyse EL:4r GP 315 semed weren wise HG:6r GP 318 For his science / and for his heigh renow EL:4r GP 318 heigh renou HG:6r GP 321 Al was fee symple / to hym / in effect⁷ EL:4r GP 321 # HG:6r GP 323 Nowher so bisy a man as he / ther nas EL:4r GP 323 Nowher7

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HG:6r GP 324 And yet he seemed / bisyer than he was
EL:4r GP 324
                                   bisier
                          semed
HG:6r GP 325 In Pmes / hadde he caas / and doomes alle
EL:4r GP 325
                       #
                                        #
HG:6r GP 326 That from # tyme # of kyng William / weere falle
EL:4r GP 326
                                           william # were yfalle
                        the
                                  /
HG:6r GP 327 Ther to / he koude endite / and make a thyng<sup>7</sup>
EL:4r GP 327
                                         #
HG:6r GP 328 Ther koude no wight # pynchen at his writyng
EL:4r GP 328
                            wight<sup>7</sup> /
HG:6r GP 329 And euery statut. # koude he pleyn by roote
EL:4r GP 329
                        statut<sup>7</sup> /
                                                       rote
HG:6r GP 330 He rood but hoomly / in a medlee coote
EL:4r GP 330
                                                 cote
HG:6r GP 331 Girt with a ceynt of sylk7. with barres smale
EL:4r GP 331
                                    silk<sup>7</sup> w<sup>t</sup>
                          ceint
HG:6r GP 332 Of his array / telle I no lenger tale
EL:4r GP 332
HG:6r GP 333 ¶ A
                     Frankeleyn / was in his compaigny
EL:4r GP 333 # {3A}
                                               compaignye
HG:6r GP 335 Of his complexcion / he was sangwyn
EL:4r GP 335
                     complexiou
HG:6r GP 336 Wel loued he by the morwe / a sop in wyn
EL:4r GP 336
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HG:6r GP 337 To lyuen in delyty was euere his wone EL:4r GP 337 delity

HG:6r GP 339 That heeld opynyo \overline{D} / P^t pleyn delit EL:4v GP 339 opinio \overline{U} that

HG:6r GP 340 Was verray / felicitee parfit⁷ EL:4v GP 340 #

HG:6r GP 341 An housholdere / and that a greet was hee EL:4v GP 341 housholder he

HG:6r GP 342 Seint Iulyan he was / in his contree EL:4v GP 342 Seint Iulian was he #

HG:6r GP 343 His breed / his ale / was alweys after oon EL:4v GP 343 # Ale #

HG:6r GP 344 A bettre envyned man / was neuere noon EL:4v GP 344 neuere noon

HG:6r GP 345 With outen bake mete / was neuere his hous EL:4v GP 345 oute neu?e

HG:6r GP 346 Of fressħ fissħ / and flessħ / and that so plentevous EL:4v GP 346 fissħ # # plenteuous

HG:6r GP 348 Of alle deyntees / P^t men koude bithynke EL:4v GP 348 that thynke

HG:6r GP 349 After / the sondry sesons / of the yeer EL:4v GP 349 After #

HG:6r GP 350 So chaunged he / his mete / and his Soper EL:4v GP 350 # soper

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HG:6r GP 351 Ful many a fat partrych / hadde he in Muwe
EL:4v GP 351
                             partrich
HG:6r GP 352 And many a breem / and many a luce in Stuwe
EL:4v GP 352
                         Breem
                                             Luce
HG:6v GP 353 Wo was his Cook7 / but if his Sauce weere
                                #
EL:4v GP 353
                                             sauce were
HG:6v GP 354 Poynaunt # and sharp / and redy al his geere
EL:4v GP 354 Poynaunt /
HG:6v GP 355 Hys table dormaunt in his halle alway
EL:4v GP 355 His
                        dormant7
HG:6v GP 357 At sessions / ther was he / lord and sire
EL:4v GP 357
                 sessiou s
HG:6v GP 358 Ful ofte tyme / he was knyght of the Shire
EL:4v GP 358
                                      knygħt
                                                     shire
HG:6v GP 359 An Anlaas / and a Gipser / al of sylk<sup>7</sup>
EL:4v GP 359
                                 gipser #
                                                 silk<sup>7</sup>
HG:6v GP 360 Heeng<sup>7</sup> at his girdel / whit as morne mylk<sup>7</sup> #
                                                     Milk /
EL:4v GP 360 Heeng
HG:6v GP 361 A Shirreue hadde he been / and Countour
                                        #
EL:4v GP 361
                shirreue
HG:6v GP 362 Was nowheer / swich a worthy vauasour
EL:4v GP 362
                  nowher
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HG:6v GP 363 ¶ An

EL:4v GP 363 # {3A}N haberdassher #

haberdasshere / and a Carpenter

HG:6v GP 365 And they weere clothed alle / in oo lyu ee EL:4v GP 365 # were HG:6v GP 366 Of a solempne / and a greet frat nytee EL:4v GP 366 fraternitee HG:6v GP 367 Ful fressh and newe / hir geere apyked was EL:4v GP 367 apiked HG:6v GP 368 Hir knyues # weere chaped / noght with bras EL:4v GP 368 / were # HG:6v GP 369 But al with siluer / wroght ful cleene and wel \mathbf{w}^{t} EL:4v GP 369 # wroght clene wee1 HG:6v GP 370 Hir girdles / and hir pouches / euerydel EL:4v GP 370 Hir # # euerydeel HG:6v GP 371 Wel seemed eech of hem / a fair Burgeys EL:4v GP 371 semed ech burgeys HG:6v GP 373 Euerych / for the wisdom / pt he kan EL:4v GP 373 Euerich # HG:6v GP 374 Was shaply / for to been an Alderman EL:4v GP 374 HG:6v GP 375 For catel / hadde they ynogh / and rente EL:4v GP 375 # # HG:6v GP 376 And eek hir wyues / wolde it wel assente EL:4v GP 376 HG:6v GP 377 And ellis certeyn / they weere to blame EL:4v GP 377 elles were they

HG:6v GP 378 It is ful fair / to been yclepyd madame EL:4v GP 378 vcleped HG:6v GP 380 And haue a Mantel / realliche ybore EL:4v GP 380 # roialliche HG:6v GP 381 ¶ A Cook they hadde with hem / for the nones EL:4v GP 381 # {3A} \mathbf{w}^{t} # HG:6v GP 382 To boille the chiknes / with the Marybones EL:4v GP 382 # w^t HG:6v GP 383 And poudre marchaunt, tart, and / Galyngale EL:4v GP 383 Marchant # galyngale HG:6v GP 384 Wel koude he knowe / a draghte of london ale EL:4v GP 384 draughte Londou Ale HG:6v GP 385 He koude rooste / and seethe / and broille / 7 EL:4v GP 385 # sethe boille # and HG:6v GP 387 But greet harm was it / as it thoughte me EL:5r GP 387 it7# HG:6v GP 388 That on his Shyne / a Mormal hadde he EL:5r GP 388 shyne mormal HG:6v GP 389 For Blankmanger / that maade he with the beste EL:5r GP 389 blankmanger⁷ # made HG:6v GP 390 ¶ A Shipman was ther / wonyng fer by weste EL:5r GP 390 # {3A} wonynge HG:6v GP 391 For aught I woot # he was of Dertemouthe EL:5r GP 391 augħt woot /

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HG:7r GP 394 A daggere # hangynge on a laas / hadde he
EL:5r GP 394
               dagger /
                                             #
HG:7r GP 395 Aboute his nekke / vnder his arm adown
EL:5r GP 395
                                           Arm adoun
HG:7r GP 396 The hoote Somer / hadde maad his hewe al brown
EL:5r GP 396
                        somer
                                                       broun
HG:7r GP 397 And certeynly / he was a good felawe
EL:5r GP 397
                 certeinly
HG:7r GP 398 Ful many a draghte of wyn / hadde he drawe
EL:5r GP 398
                        draughte
                                           had
HG:7r GP 399 Fro Burdeuxward / whil pt
                                          the Chapman sleep
EL:5r GP 399
                                     that
HG:7r GP 401 If pt he faught, and hadde the hyer hond
EL:5r GP 401
                      faught7
HG:7r GP 402 By watre # he sente hem hoom / to euery long !
EL:5r GP 402
                water /
                                           #
HG:7r GP 403 But of his craft # to rekene wel his tydes
EL:5r GP 403
                        craft /
HG:7r GP 404 His stremys / and his daungers hym bisydes
EL:5r GP 404
                 stremes
                                                 bisides
HG:7r GP 405 His [herberwe] # and his moone / his lodmenage
EL:5r GP 405
                 herberwe
                                                   Lodemenage
HG:7r GP 406 Ther was noon swich / from hull to Cartage
EL:5r GP 406
                                        Hull
                  nas
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HG:7r GP 407 Hardy he was / and wys # to vndertake
EL:5r GP 407
HG:7r GP 408 With many a tempest, # hadde his beerd been shake
EL:5r GP 408
                           tempest /
                                                 berd
HG:7r GP 409 He knew alle the hauenes / as they weere
EL:5r GP 409
                                Hauenes
                                                   were
HG:7r GP 410 Fro Gootland / to the cape of Fynysteere
EL:5r GP 410
                  Gootlond<sup>®</sup>
                                     Cape
                                              Fynystere
HG:7r GP 411 And euery cryke / in Britaigne / and in Spaigne
                                               #
EL:5r GP 411
                                                        Spayne
HG:7r GP 412 His barge / yclepyd was the Mawdelayne
EL:5r GP 412
                          ycleped
                  Barge
                                            Maudelayne
HG:7r GP 413 ¶ With
                        vs / ther was / a Doctour of Phisyk<sup>7</sup>
EL:5r GP 413 # {3W} ith
                           #
                                                        Phisik
HG:7r GP 414 In al this world / ne was ther noon hym lyk<sup>7</sup> #
EL:5r GP 414
                                                         lik /
HG:7r GP 415 To speken of Phisyk<sup>7</sup> # and of Surgerye
EL:5r GP 415
                 speke
                           phisik /
HG:7r GP 416 For he was grounded / in Astronomye
EL:5r GP 416
                                   #
HG:7r GP 419 Wel koude he fortunen / the ascendent
EL:5r GP 419
                                     #
                                            Ascendent<sup>7</sup>
HG:7r GP 421 He knew the cause / of euery
                                               maladye
EL:5r GP 421
                                      euerich
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HG:7r GP 422 Weere it of hoot / or coold / or moyste / or drye

EL:5r GP 422 Were it hoot⁷ #

HG:7r GP 423 And where it engendred / and of what humour

EL:5r GP 423 they humo^r

HG:7r GP 424 He was a verray / pfit practisour EL:5r GP 424 # parfit praktisour

DE-OF OF 121 # partite prancisoar

HG:7r GP 426 Anoon he yaf / the sike man his boote

EL:5r GP 426 Anon

HG:7r GP 427 ¶ Ful redy hadde he / hise Apothecaryes

EL:5r GP 427 #

Apothecaries

HG:7r GP 428 To senden hym / his drogges / and his letuaryes

EL:5r GP 428 sende # # letuaries

HG:7r GP 429 For eech of hem / maade oother for to wynne

EL:5r GP 429 ech

made

HG:7r GP 430 Hir frendshipe / was noght newe to bigynne

EL:5r GP 430

nas nat

HG:7r GP 431 Wel knew he / the oolde Esculapyus

EL:5r GP 431

olde Esculapius

HG:7r GP 432 And Discorides / and eek7 Rufus

EL:5r GP 432 Deyscorides

eek Risus

HG:7v GP 433 Olde ypocras / Haly / and Galyen

EL:5r GP 433

haly

HG:7v GP 434 Serapion / Razis / and Avycen

EL:5r GP 434 Serapion #

Auycen

HG:7v GP 435 Auerroys / Damascien / and Constantyn

EL:5v GP 435 Auerrois

HG:7v GP 436 Bernard / and Gatesden / and Gilbertyn

EL:5v GP 436 Bernard

HG:7v GP 437 Of his diete / me{ } surable was hee

EL:5v GP 437 mesurable

he

HG:7v GP 438 For it was / of no supfluytee

EL:5v GP 438

supfluitee

HG:7v GP 439 But of greet norissynge / and digestible

EL:5v GP 439 norissyng⁷ #

HG:7v GP 440 His studye / was but litel on the Bible

EL:5v GP 440 studie #

HG:7v GP 441 In sangwyn and in Pers / he clad was al

EL:5v GP 441

pers

HG:7v GP 444 He kepte / pt he wan in pestilence

EL:5v GP 444 that

HG:7v GP 445 For gold in Phisyk7. is a Cordial

EL:5v GP 445

Phisik⁷

cordial

HG:7v GP 446 Ther fore / he loued gold in special

EL:5v GP 446 Therfore # louede

HG:7v GP 447 ¶ A good wyf was ther / of bisyde Bathe

EL:5v GP 447 # {3A}

wif

biside

HG:7v GP 448 But she was somdel deef⁷ and that was scathe

EL:5v GP 448

deef **7** b^t

HG:7v GP 449 Of clooth makynge / she hadde swich an haunt⁷ EL:5v GP 449 makyng⁷ # HG:7v GP 450 She passed hem / of Ipres / and of Gaunt⁷ EL:5v GP 450 # vores # HG:7v GP 451 In al the parysshe / wyf ne was ther noon EL:5v GP 451 parisshe wif HG:7v GP 452 That to the offrynge / bifore hire sholde goon EL:5v GP 452 hir HG:7v GP 453 And if ther dide / certeyn / so wrooth was shee EL:5v GP 453 # she HG:7v GP 455 Hir Courchiefes / ful fyne weere of grownd EL:5v GP 455 cou? chiefs ground HG:7v GP 456 I dorste swere / they weyeden . ten pownd EL:5v GP 456 # pound HG:7v GP 457 That on a Sonday / weeren vp on hir heed EL:5v GP 457 sonday weren vpon heed HG:7v GP 458 Hir hosen weeren / of fyn Scarlet reed EL:5v GP 458 weren reed HG:7v GP 459 Ful streyte yteyd / and shoes / ful moyste 7 newe EL:5v GP 459 # streite HG:7v GP 461 She was a worthy wo man / al hir lyue EL:5v GP 461 # HG:7v GP 463 With outen oother compaignye / in yowthe

youthe

EL:5v GP 463 Withouten

HG:7v GP 464 But ther of / nedeth noght7 to speke as nowthe EL:5v GP 464 nat HG:7v GP 467 At Rome she hadde been / and at Boloyne EL:5v GP 467 # Boloigne HG:7v GP 468 In Galyce at Seint Iame / and at Coloyne EL:5v GP 468 Galice Coloigne HG:7v GP 470 Gattothed was she / soothly for to seye EL:5v GP 470 Gat tothed HG:7v GP 471 Vp on an Amblere / esily she sat7 Ambler? EL:5v GP 471 sat HG:8r GP 473 As brood # as is / a Bokeler / or a Targe EL:5v GP 473 / # bokeler # HG:8r GP 474 A foot mantel / aboute hir hypes large EL:5v GP 474 hipes HG:8r GP 475 And on hir feet a peyre of spores sharpe EL:5v GP 475 paire HG:8r GP 476 In felaweshipe / wel koude she laughe . {xx} and carpe 7 EL:5v GP 476 felaweship # HG:8r GP 477 Of remedies of loue / she knew p . {xx} chaunce # EL:5v GP 477 HG:8r GP 478 For she koude of that art7 the olde daunce

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Art

good man / was ther / of Religioun

EL:5v GP 478

HG:8r GP 479 ¶ A

EL:5v GP 479 # {3A}

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HG:8r GP 480 And was # a poure pson / of a toun
EL:5v GP 480
                                psou #
HG:8r GP 481 But riche he was / of holy thoght and werk<sup>7</sup>
EL:5v GP 481
                                    hooly thoght 7
HG:8r GP 482 He was also / a lerned man a Clerk<sup>7</sup>
EL:5v GP 482
HG:8r GP 483 That Cristes gospel / trewely wolde pche
EL:6r GP 483
                  cristes
                                                   preche
HG:8r GP 484 His parisshens / deuoutly wolde he teche
EL:6r GP 484 Hise parisshens
HG:8r GP 486 And in adversitee / ful pacient
                    Adursitee #
EL:6r GP 486
HG:8r GP 487 And swich # he was proeued / ofte sythes
EL:6r GP 487
                                 preued #
                                                 sithes
HG:8r GP 488 Ful looth weere hym / to cursen for his tythes
EL:6r GP 488
                                                   hise tithes
                        were
HG:8r GP 489 But rather wolde he yeuen / out of doute
EL:6r GP 489
HG:8r GP 490 Vn to his poure parisshens aboute
EL:6r GP 490
                              parisshens
HG:8r GP 491 Of his offrynge / and eek7 of his substaunce
EL:6r GP 491
                    offryng<sup>7</sup> #
                                    eek
HG:8r GP 492 He koude # in litel thyng / haue suffisaunce
EL:6r GP 492
                                  thyng<sup>7</sup> #
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HG:8r GP 493 Wyd was his parisshe / and houses fer a sonder
EL:6r GP 493
                         parisshe
HG:8r GP 494 But he ne lafte noght7 for reyn ne thonder
EL:6r GP 494
                       lefte natz
HG:8r GP 495 In siknesse / nor in meschief7 # to visite
EL:6r GP 495
                         #
                                  meschief /
HG:8r GP 496 The ferreste in his parisshe / muche and lyte
EL:6r GP 496
                                          #
                                                      lite
HG:8r GP 497 Vp on his feet and in his hond a staf
EL:6r GP 497
                                        hand
                                               staf
HG:8r GP 498 This noble ensample / to his sheep he yaf7
EL:6r GP 498
                                          sheep
                                                    yaf
HG:8r GP 499 That first he wroghte / and afterward #
                                                         he taughte
EL:6r GP 499
                  firste
                                                    that
HG:8r GP 502 That if gold ruste / what sholde Iren do
EL:6r GP 502
                                       shal
HG:8r GP 503 For if a preest be foul / in whom we truste
EL:6r GP 503
                                       on
HG:8r GP 506 A shiten Shepherde / and a clene sheep~
EL:6r GP 506
                      shepherde
HG:8r GP 507 Wel oghte a preest # ensample for to yiue
EL:6r GP 507
                         preest /
                                                   yeue
HG:8r GP 508 By his clennesse / how pt his sheep sholde lyue
EL:6r GP 508
                                           sheep
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HG:8r GP 509 He sette noght<sup>7</sup>. his benefice to hyre
EL:6r GP 509
                      nat
HG:8r GP 510 And leet his sheep / encombred in the Myre
EL:6r GP 510
                           sheep
HG:8r GP 511 And ran to Londou / vn to Seint Poules
EL:6r GP 511
                         londou
                                         seint
HG:8r GP 512 To seeken hym / a Chauntrye for soules
                            #
EL:6r GP 512
                seken
                                chauntrie
HG:8v GP 513 Or with a breetherede / to been withhoolde
EL:6r GP 513
                                               withholde
                        bretherhed
HG:8v GP 514 But dwelte
                           at hoom / and kepte wel his foolde
EL:6r GP 514
                 dwelleth
                                         kepeth
                                                         folde
HG:8v GP 515 So bt
                      the wolf<sup>7</sup> # ne maade it noght<sup>7</sup> myscarye
EL:6r GP 515
                that
                          wolf /
                                     made
                                               nat
                                                      myscarie
HG:8v GP 516 He was a Sheepherde / { } and noght a Mercenarye
EL:6r GP 516
                       Shepherde
                                    #
                                                      Mercenarie
HG:8v GP 517 And thogh he hooly weere { } / and vertuous
EL:6r GP 517
                  though
                                  were #
                                                    ₹ tuous
HG:8v GP 518 He was noght7 to synful men despitous
EL:6r GP 518
                     nat7
HG:8v GP 519 Ne of his speche / daungerous / ne digne
EL:6r GP 519
HG:8v GP 520 But in his techyng discreet and benygne
EL:6r GP 520
                                  discreet
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HG:8v GP 521 To drawen folk to heuene / wt fairnesse
EL:6r GP 521
                        folk
                                         # bv
HG:8v GP 523 But it weere / any psone
                                          obstynaat<sup>7</sup>
EL:6r GP 523
                     were
                                  persone obstinat7
HG:8v GP 524 What so he weere / of heigh / or lowe estaat<sup>7</sup>
EL:6r GP 524
                                           #
                         were
                                                 lough estat
HG:8v GP 525 Hym wolde he snybben / sharply for the nonys
EL:6r GP 525
HG:8v GP 526 A bettre preest # I trowe # ther nowher noon ys
EL:6r GP 526
                       preest /
                                          / þ<sup>t</sup>
HG:8v GP 527 He wayted / after no pomp / and reuerence
EL:6r GP 527
                 waiteth
                                     pompe #
HG:8v GP 528 Ne maked hym / a spyced conscience
EL:6r GP 528
                           #
                                spiced
HG:8v GP 529 But Cristes loore / and hise Apostles twelue
EL:6r GP 529
                  cristes
HG:8v GP 531 ¶ With
                        hym ther was a Plowman / was his broother
EL:6v GP 531 # {3W} ith
                                                #
                                                           brother
HG:8v GP 532 That hadde ylad of donge / ful many a Foother
EL:6v GP 532
                                  dong7 #
                                                      fother
HG:8v GP 533 A trewe swynkere / and a good was he
EL:6v GP 533
                      swynker<sup>2</sup>
HG:8v GP 534 Lyuynge in pees / and pfit
                                            charitee
EL:6v GP 534
                                     parfit
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HG:8v GP 535 God loued he best⁷ # with al his hoole herte
EL:6v GP 535 best /

HG:8v GP 536 At alle tymes / thogh hym gamed / or smerte EL:6v GP 536 he #

HG:8v GP 537 And thanne his Neighebore / right as hym selue EL:6v GP 537 neighebore right

HG:8v GP 538 He wolde thresshe / and ther to / dyke and delue EL:6v GP 538 thresshe therto #

HG:8v GP 539 For Cristes sake / for every poure wight7 EL:6v GP 539 cristes wight

HG:8v GP 540 With outen hyre / if it laye in his myght7 EL:6v GP 540 W^t hire lay myght7

HG:8v GP 541 His tythes # payde he / ful faire and wel EL:6v GP 541 Hise tithes / #

HG:8v GP 543 In a Tabard he rood / vp on a Mere EL:6v GP 543 Tabard vpon

HG:8v GP 544 Ther was also / a Reue / and a Millere EL:6v GP 544 {3T}her #

HG:8v GP 545 A Somonour / and a Pardoner also EL:6v GP 545 Somnour

HG:8v GP 546 A Maunciple / and my self⁷ ther weere namo EL:6v GP 546 self were

HG:8v GP 547 ¶ The Millere / was a stout carl / for the nones EL:6v GP 547 # Miller # #

HG:8v GP 548 Ful byg⁷ he was / of brawen / and eek of bones EL:6v GP 548 byg brawn

HG:8v GP 549 That proeued wel / for ouer al ther he cam EL:6v GP 549 proued ou?al

HG:8v GP 551 He was short shuldred / brood / a thikke knarre EL:6v GP 551 sholdred

HG:8v GP 552 Ther was no dore / that he noolde heue of harre EL:6v GP 552 bt ne wolde

HG:9r GP 553 Or breke it at a rennynge / with his heed EL:6v GP 553 it rennyng #

HG:9r GP 554 His beerd / as any sowe / or fox / was reed EL:6v GP 554 berd #

HG:9r GP 555 And ther to brood / as thogh it weere a spaade EL:6v GP 555 though were spade

HG:9r GP 556 Vp on the cop # right of his nose he haade EL:6v GP 556 / right hade

HG:9r GP 557 A werte / and ther on stood / a tuft⁷ of heerys EL:6v GP 557 # toft herys

HG:9r GP 558 Reede / as the bristles / of a sowes eerys EL:6v GP 558 Reed brustles erys

HG:9r GP 559 Hise nosethirles / blake weere and wyde EL:6v GP 559 were

HG:9r GP 560 A swerd and a bokeler / baar he by his syde EL:6v GP 560 bar

HG:9r GP 561 His mouth as greet was / as a greet fourneys EL:6v GP 561 forneys

HG:9r GP 562 He was a Ianglere / # a Golyardeys EL:6v GP 562 Iangler and goliardeys

HG:9r GP 563 And that was moost of synne and harlotryes EL:6v GP 563 harlotries

HG:9r GP 564 Wel koude he stelen corn / and tollen thryes EL:6v GP 564 thries

HG:9r GP 566 A whit coote / and a blew hood wered hee EL:6v GP 566 cote he

HG:9r GP 567 A Baggepipe / wel koude he / blowe and sowne EL:6v GP 567 baggepipe #

HG:9r GP 569 \P A gentil Maunciple / was ther / of a Temple EL:6v GP 569 # {3A} # temple

HG:9r GP 570 Of which / Achatours # myghte take exemple EL:6v GP 570 # /

HG:9r GP 571 For to been wyse / in byynge of vitaille EL:6v GP 571 be wise

HG:9r GP 572 For wheither p^t he payde / or took by taille EL:6v GP 572 that

HG:9r GP 573 Algate / he wayted so / in his achaat⁷ EL:6v GP 573 Achaat⁷

HG:9r GP 575 \P Now is nat that of god / a ful greet grace EL:6v GP 575 # # fair

HG:9r GP 576 That swich a lewed mannes wit⁷ shal pace EL:6v GP 576 wit

HG:9r GP 577 The wysdom / of an heep / of lerned men EL:6v GP 577 wisdom #

HG:9r GP 578 Of Maistres hadde he # mo / than thryes ten EL:6v GP 578 maistres / # thries

HG:9r GP 579 That weeren / of lawe / expert⁷ and curious EL:7r GP 579 weren #

HG:9r GP 580 Of whiche / ther weere a dozeyne / in that hous EL:7r GP 580 Per weren duszeyne #

HG:9r GP 581 Worthy / to been Stywardes / of rente / and long EL:7r GP 581 # #

HG:9r GP 583 To make hym lyue / by his **P**pre good EL:7r GP 583 maken

HG:9r GP 584 In honour dettelees / but if he weere wood EL:7r GP 584 hono^r were

HG:9r GP 585 Or lyue as scarsly / as hym lyst desire EL:7r GP 585

HG:9r GP 586 And able / for to helpen / al a Shire EL:7r GP 586 # shire

HG:9r GP 588 And yet this Maunciple / sette hir aller cappe EL:7r GP 588 manciple

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Reue / was # a sclendre coleryk<sup>7</sup> man
HG:9r GP 589 ¶ The
EL:7r GP 589 # {3T}he
                            #
                                                colerik
HG:9r GP 590 His beerd was shaue / as neigh as euer he kan
EL:7r GP 590
                                                 erS
                 berd
                                       nv
HG:9r GP 591 His heer was by his eerys / ful rownd yshorn
EL:7r GP 591
                                               round
                                  ervs
HG:9r GP 592 His top was dokked / lyk7 a preest byforn
EL:7r GP 592
                                    lyk
                                                   biforn
HG:9v GP 593 Ful longe weere hise legges / and ful leene
EL:7r GP 593
                       were his
                                                     lene
HG:9v GP 594 Ylik a staf7. # ther / was no calf yseene
EL:7r GP 594 Ylyk
                    staf
                           /
                                   #
HG:9v GP 595 Wel koude he keepe / a Gerner # and a Bynne
EL:7r GP 595
                           kepe #
                                     gerner /
HG:9v GP 596 Ther was noon Auditour / koude on hym wynne
EL:7r GP 596
                                              of
HG:9v GP 597 Wel wiste he / by the droghte # and by the reyn
EL:7r GP 597
HG:9v GP 599 His lordes sheep / his neet / his dayerye
EL:7r GP 599
                                      neet<sup>7</sup> #
HG:9v GP 601 Was hoolly / in this Reues god nynge #
EL:7r GP 601
                                         gouernyng /
HG:9v GP 602 And by his couenant, yaf the rekenynge
EL:7r GP 602
                         couenant7
                                            rekenyng<sup>7</sup>
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HG:9v GP 603 Syn that his loord / was twenty yeer of age EL:7r GP 603 lord

HG:9v GP 604 Ther koude no man / brynge hym in arrerage EL:7r GP 604 Arrerage

HG:9v GP 605 Ther nas Baillyf⁷. # hierde / nor oother hyne EL:7r GP 605 baillif ne

HG:9v GP 606 That he ne knew / his sleyghte / and his couyne EL:7r GP 606 # # sleighte #

 $HG:9v\ GP\ 607$ They weere adrad of hym / as of the deeth $EL:7r\ GP\ 607$ were

HG:9v GP 609 With greene trees / shadwed was his place EL:7r GP 609 grene

HG:9v GP 610 He koude bettre / than his lord purchace EL:7r GP 610 #

HG:9v GP 611 Ful riche / he was astoored pryuely EL:7r GP 611 # astored

HG:9v GP 613 To yeue / and leene hym / of his owene good EL:7r GP 613 # lene

HG:9v GP 614 And haue a thank. # and yet a coote and hood EL:7r GP 614 thank / gowne

HG:9v GP 615 In youthe / he lerned hadde / a good Mister EL:7r GP 615 # hadde lerned # myster

HG:9v GP 616 He was a wel good wrighte / a Carpenter EL:7r GP 616 wrighte #

HG:9v GP 617 This Reue sat⁷ vp on a wel good Stot⁷ EL:7r GP 617 ful stot⁷

HG:9v GP 618 That was a Pomely gray / and highte Scotz EL:7r GP 618 al pomely grey highte

HG:9v GP 619 A long Surcote of Pers / vp on he haade EL:7r GP 619 surcote pers vpon hade

HG:9v GP 620 And by his syde / he baar a rusty blaade EL:7r GP 620 blade

HG:9v GP 621 Of Northfolk was this Reue / of which I telle EL:7r GP 621 Northfolk

HG:9v GP 622 Bisyde a town / men clepyn Baldeswelle EL:7r GP 622 Biside toun clepen

HG:9v GP 623 Tukked he was / as is a Frere aboute EL:7r GP 623 frere

 $HG:9v\ GP\ 624$ And euere he rood / the hyndreste of oure route $EL:7r\ GP\ 624$ eu eu e

HG:9v GP 625 \P A Somonour was ther with vs / in that place EL:7r GP 625 # {2A} \qquad w^t \qquad #

HG:9v GP 627 For Sawceflewm he was / with eyen narwe EL:7v GP 627 saucefleem #

HG:9v GP 628 And hoot he was / and lecherous as a Sparwe EL:7v GP 628 As sparwe

HG:9v GP 629 With scaled browes blake / and pyled berof EL:7v GP 629 # piled

HG:9v GP 630 Of his visage / children weere aferd EL:7v GP 630 were

HG:9v GP 631 Ther nas quyk⁷ siluer / lytarge / ne Brymstoon EL:7v GP 631 quyk siluer⁷ # brymstoon

HG:9v GP 632 Borace / Ceruce / ne Oille of Tartre noon EL:7v GP 632 Boras oille

HG:10r GP 633 Ne oynement, that wolde clense and byte EL:7v GP 633 oynement

HG:10r GP 636 Wel loued he garlek oynons # and eek lekes EL:7v GP 636 garleek /

HG:10r GP 637 And for to drynke strong wyn / reed as blood EL:7v GP 637 drynken

HG:10r GP 638 Thanne wolde he speke / and crye as he were wood EL:7v GP 638 crie

HG:10r GP 638/1 <missing>

EL:7v GP 638/1 And whan p^t he / wel dronken hadde the wyn

HG:10r GP 638/2 <missing>

EL:7v GP 638/2 Thanne wolde he speke no word but latyn

HG:10r GP 639 A fewe t² mes hadde he / two / or thre EL:7v GP 639 #

HG:10r GP 640 That he hadde lerned / out of som decree EL:7v GP 640 had

HG:10r GP 642 EL:7v GP 642	And eek ye knowe wel / how p ^t a Iay knowen
HG:10r GP 643 EL:7v GP 643	Kan clepen watte # as wel as kan the Pope / pope
HG:10r GP 644 EL:7v GP 644	But who so koude / in oother thyng hym grope thyng ⁷
HG:10r GP 645 EL:7v GP 645	Thanne hadde he spent ⁷ al his philosophie Philosophie
HG:10r GP 646 EL:7v GP 646	Ay # {Questio} {quid} {iuris} / wolde he crye / {questio} crie
HG:10r GP 647 EL:7v GP 647	¶ He was # a gentil harlot and a kynde # /
HG:10r GP 649 EL:7v GP 649	He wolde suffre / for a quart of wyn quart
HG:10r GP 651 EL:7v GP 651	A twelf monthe / and excusen hym at the fulle excuse atte
HG:10r GP 652 EL:7v GP 652	Ful pryuely / a fynch eek koude he pulle p ⁱ uely
HG:10r GP 654 EL:7v GP 654	He wolde techen hym / to haue noon awe Awe
HG:10r GP 655 EL:7v GP 655	In swich caas / of the Ercedeknes curs Ercedekenes
HG:10r GP 656 EL:7v GP 656	But if a mannes soule / were in his purs But ⁷

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HG:10r GP 658
                 Purs # is the Ercedeknes helle / seyde he
EL:7v GP 658
                                Ercedekenes
HG:10r GP 659
                 ¶ But wel I woot / he lyed right in dede
EL:7v GP 659
                 #
                                             right
                 For curs wol sle / right as assoillyng<sup>7</sup> sauyth
HG:10r GP 661
EL:7v GP 661
                               slee
                                      right
                                                            sauith
HG:10r GP 663
                 ¶ In daunger hadde he / at his owene gyse
EL:7v GP 663
                 #
                                                        gise
HG:10r GP 664
                 The yonge gerles / of the diocise
EL:7v GP 664
                           girles
HG:10r GP 666
                 A gerland / hadde he set<sup>7</sup> vp on his heed
EL:7v GP 666
                   gerland
                                       set vpon
HG:10r GP 667
                 As greet, # as it were / for an Ale stake
EL:7v GP 667
                    greet
HG:10r GP 668
                 A bokeler / hadde he maad hym of a cake
EL:7v GP 668
                   bokeleer
                                                       Cake
HG:10r GP 669
                 ¶ With
                           hym ther rood / a gentil Pardoner
EL:7v GP 669
                 # {3W} ith
                                     was
                 Of Rouncyual / his freend / and his comper
HG:10r GP 670
EL:7v GP 670
                    Rounciuale
                                             #
                                                        compeer
HG:10r GP 671
                 That streight was comen / fro the Court of Rome
EL:7v GP 671
                                                    cort
HG:10r GP 672
                Ful loude he soong<sup>7</sup> com hyder loue to me
EL:7v GP 672
                                          hider
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This Somono<sup>r</sup> # baar to hym / a styf burdoun
HG:10v GP 673
                                             #
EL:8r GP 673
                              / bar
                                                  stif
HG:10v GP 674
                 Was new e trompe / of half so greet a soun
EL:8r GP 674
                     neuere
HG:10v GP 675
                 ¶ This Pdoner
                                  / hadde heer / as yelow as wex
EL:8r GP 675
                        Pardoner #
HG:10v GP 676
                 But smothe it heeng<sup>7</sup> as dooth a stryke of flex
EL:8r GP 676
                                                   strike
                 By ounces / henge his lokkes pt he hadde
HG:10v GP 677
EL:8r GP 677
                                    hise
HG:10v GP 678
                 And ther with / he his shuldres ouerspradde
EL:8r GP 678
                                                    ou spradde
                                     hise
HG:10v GP 681
                 For it was trussed # vp / in his walet<sup>7</sup>
                                          #
EL:8r GP 681
HG: 10v GP 682
                 Hym thoughte / he rood # al of the newe Iet7
EL:8r GP 682
HG:10v GP 684
                 Swiche glarynge eyen / hadde he as an hare
EL:8r GP 684
HG:10v GP 685
                 A vernycle / hadde he sowed / vp on his cappe
EL:8r GP 685
                            #
HG:10v GP 687
                 Bretful of pardou / comen from Rome al hoot #
EL:8r GP 687
                 Bret ful
                                                            hoot /
HG:10v GP 688
                 A voys he hadde / as smal / as hath a Goot<sup>7</sup> #
EL:8r GP 688
                                                         goot /
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HG:10v GP 689 EL:8r GP 689	No berd hadde he / ne neuere sholde haue neu?e
HG:10v GP 690 EL:8r GP 690	As smothe it was / as it were late yshaue shaue
HG:10v GP 691 EL:8r GP 691	I trowe # he were a geldyng or a Mare / geldyng mare
HG:10v GP 692 EL:8r GP 692	But of his craft ⁷ . fro Berwyk # in to Ware craft ⁷ /
HG:10v GP 694 EL:8r GP 694	For in his Male / he hadde a pilwe beer male
HG:10v GP 695 EL:8r GP 695	Which p^t he seyde / was oure lady veyl #
HG:10v GP 696 EL:8r GP 696	He seyde he hadde / a gobet of the seyl gobet ⁷
HG:10v GP 697 EL:8r GP 697	That Seint Peter hadde / whan Þ ^t he wente seint
HG:10v GP 698 EL:8r GP 698	Vp on the See / til Iħu Crist hym hente see Ihu crist
HG:10v GP 699 EL:8r GP 699	He hadde a cros of latow / ful of stones croys latou
HG:10v GP 701 EL:8r GP 701	But with thise relykes / whan bt he foond wt relikes fond
HG:10v GP 702 EL:8r GP 702	A poure pson / dwellyng vp on lond psow dwellynge vpon lond

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HG:10v GP 704
                 Than pt the psow gat<sup>7</sup> # in Monthes tweye
EL:8r GP 704
                              pson gat /
                 He made the pson / and the peple his apes
HG:10v GP 706
EL:8r GP 706
                              psow #
                                                          Apes
HG:10v GP 707
                 But trewely / to tellen at the laste
EL:8r GP 707
                                           atte
HG:10v GP 708
                 He was in chirche / a noble Ecclesiaste
EL:8r GP 708
                                               ecclesiaste
                 Wel koude he / rede # a lesson / and a Storie
HG:10v GP 709
EL:8r GP 709
                                           lessou # or
                                                            storie
HG:10v GP 710
                 But alderbest<sup>7</sup> # he soong an Offertorie
EL:8r GP 710
                     alderbest /
                                       song
                 For wel he wiste / whan bt soong was songe
HG:10v GP 711
EL:8r GP 711
                                              song
HG:10v GP 712
                 He moste pche / and wel affyle his tonge
EL:8r GP 712
                                            affile
HG:11r GP 714
                 Ther fore he soong<sup>7</sup> the muryerly and loude
EL:8r GP 714
                 Therfore
                                           murierly
                               song<sup>7</sup>
HG:11r GP 715
                 Now
                           haue I toold yow / soothly in a clause
EL:8r GP 715
                 # {4N} Ow
                                             # shortly
HG:11r GP 716
                 Thestaat / tharray / the nombre / and eek the cause
EL:8r GP 716
                                                     # 7
                 Thestaat<sup>7</sup> #
HG:11r GP 718
                 In Southwerk<sup>7</sup>. # at this gentil hostelrye
EL:8r GP 718
                    Southwerk
                                 / as
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HG:11r GP 719 EL:8r GP 719	That highte the tabard / faste by the belle Tabard
HG:11r GP 721 EL:8v GP 721	How bt we baren vs / that ilke nyght7 that # nyght7
HG:11r GP 722 EL:8v GP 722	Whan we weere / in that hostelrye alyght7 were hostelrie alygħt7
HG:11r GP 724 EL:8v GP 724	And al the remenant of our pilgrymage remenaunt pilg mage
HG:11r GP 725 EL:8v GP 725	¶ But first I pray yow / of youre curteisye # first ⁷
HG:11r GP 726 EL:8v GP 726	That ye narette it / noght my vileynye # nat
HG:11r GP 727 EL:8v GP 727	Though Þ ^t I pleynly speke / in this matere Thogh # mateere
HG:11r GP 728 EL:8v GP 728	To telle yow / hir wordes / and hir cheere #
HG:11r GP 729 EL:8v GP 729	Ne thogh I speke / hir wordes &prely #
HG:11r GP 732 EL:8v GP 732	He moot reherce / as neigh as eue he kan
HG:11r GP 734 EL:8v GP 734	Al speke he / neuer so rudeliche and large or
HG:11r GP 736 EL:8v GP 736	Or feyne thyng ⁷ or fynde wordes newe thyng ⁷ .

HG:11r GP 737 He may noght spare / al thogh he weere his brother EL:8v GP 737 nat were He moot as wel / seye o word / as another HG:11r GP 738 EL:8v GP 738 # HG:11r GP 739 Crist spak hym self⁷ # ful brode in holy writ # EL:8v GP 739 self / Crist⁷ hooly HG:11r GP 741 Ek Plato seith / who so kan hym rede EL:8v GP 741 Eek HG:11r GP 742 The wordes / mote be cosyn / to the dede # EL:8v GP 742 moote HG:11r GP 743 ¶ Also I pray yow / to foryeue it me EL:8v GP 743 # . prey HG:11r GP 744 Al haue I nat set folk / in hir degree EL:8v GP 744 HG:11r GP 745 Here in this tale / as pt they sholde stonde EL:8v GP 745 Heere HG:11r GP 747 ¶ Greet cheere / made oure hoost vs euerichon EL:8v GP 747 chiere # HG:11r GP 748 And to the souper / sette he vs anon EL:8v GP 748 soper HG:11r GP 749 He serued vs / with vitaille / at the beste EL:8v GP 749 # HG:11v GP 754 A fairer burgeys / was ther noon in Chepe EL:8v GP 754 Burgeys

HG:11v GP 755 EL:8v GP 755	Boold of his speche / and wys / and wel ytaught7 # ytaught7
HG:11v GP 756 EL:8v GP 756	And of manhode / hym lakked right naught7 manhod right naught7
HG:11v GP 757 EL:8v GP 757	Eke ther to / he was right a murye man Eek therto myrie
HG:11v GP 758 EL:8v GP 758	And after souper / pleyen he bigan soper
HG:11v GP 759 EL:8v GP 759	And spak of murthe / amonges othere thynges myrthe
HG:11v GP 760 EL:8v GP 760	Whan p^t we # hadde maad oure rekenynges that /
HG:11v GP 761 EL:8v GP 761	And seyde thus / now lordes trewely lordynges
HG:11v GP 762 EL:8v GP 762	Ye been to me / right wel come hertely right welcome
HG:11v GP 763 EL:8v GP 763	For by my trouthe / if \mathfrak{b}^t I shall nat lye that
HG:11v GP 764 EL:8v GP 764	I seigh noght this yeer / so murye a compaignye saugh nat myrie corpaignye
HG:11v GP 765 EL:8v GP 765	Atones in this herberwe / as is now #
HG:11v GP 767 EL:8v GP 767	And of a myrthe / I am right now bithoght ⁷ right bythoght ⁷

HG:11v GP 768 To doon yow ese / and it shal coste noght? EL:8v GP 768 noght7 HG:11v GP 769 ¶ Ye goon to Caunt bury / god yow spede EL:9r GP 769 Caunterbury speede HG:11v GP 770 The blisful Martir / quyte yow youre mede EL:9r GP 770 martir quite meede HG:11v GP 773 For trewely / confort / ne murthe is noon EL:9r GP 773 confort⁷ # myrthe HG:11v GP 774 To ryde by the weye / domb as # stoon EL:9r GP 774 ride # doumb the HG:11v GP 775 And ther fore / wol I maken yow desport7 EL:9r GP 775 therfore disport⁷ HG:11v GP 780 Tomorwe / whan ye ryden by the weye EL:9r GP 780 riden HG:11v GP 781 Now by my fader soule / pt is deed EL:9r GP 781 # that deed HG:11v GP 782 But # ye be murye / I wol yeue yow myn heed EL:9r GP 782 if myrie heed HG:11v GP 783 # Hoold vp youre hondes / with outen moore speche EL:9r GP 783 1 hond # w^touten HG:11v GP 784 \P Oure conseil / was nat longe for to seche EL:9r GP 784 # HG:11v GP 785 Vs thoughte / it was nat worth / to make it wys EL:9r GP 785 noght

HG:11v GP 786 EL:9r GP 786	And graunted hym / with outen moore avys wit auys
HG:11v GP 787 EL:9r GP 787	And bade hym seye / his voirdit as hym leste bad #
HG:11v GP 789 EL:9r GP 789	But taketh it noght # I pray yow in desdeyn taak nought / prey
HG:11v GP 792 EL:9r GP 792	In this viage / shal tellen tales tweye telle
HG:12r GP 793 EL:9r GP 793	To Caunterburyward / I mene it so Caunterburyward
HG:12r GP 795 EL:9r GP 795	Of auentures / p^t whilom have bifalle that han
HG:12r GP 796 EL:9r GP 796	And which of yow / p^t bereth hym best of alle that
HG:12r GP 797 EL:9r GP 797	That is to seyn / that telleth in this cas caas
HG:12r GP 798 EL:9r GP 798	Tales of best sentence / and moost solas solaas
HG:12r GP 799 EL:9r GP 799	Shal haue a Souper / at oure aller cost ⁷ soper ⁷ #
HG:12r GP 800 EL:9r GP 800	Here in this place / sittynge by this post ⁷ Heere
HG:12r GP 801 EL:9r GP 801	Whan that we come agayn / fro Caunt bury # Caunterbury

HG:12r GP 803 EL:9r GP 803	I wol my self ⁷ # goodly wit yow ryde self / with
HG:12r GP 804 EL:9r GP 804	Right at myn owene cost ⁷ and be your gyde Right youre
HG:12r GP 805 EL:9r GP 805	And who so wole / my Iuggement with seye withseye
HG:12r GP 806 EL:9r GP 806	Shal paye / al that we spende by the weye spenden
HG:12r GP 807 EL:9r GP 807	And if ye vouche sauf / þ ^t it be so sauf # that
HG:12r GP 808 EL:9r GP 808	Tel me anoon / with outen wordes mo anon
HG:12r GP 809 EL:9r GP 809	And I wol erly / shape me ther fore therfore
HG:12r GP 810 EL:9r GP 810	¶ This thyng was graunted / and oure othes swore #
HG:12r GP 812 EL:9r GP 812	That he wolde vouche sauf / for to do so sauf ⁷ #
HG:12r GP 813 EL:9r GP 813	And that # he wolde been / oure god nour he / # gouernour
HG:12r GP 814 EL:9r GP 814	And of oure tales / Iuge and reportour Reportour
HG:12r GP 815 EL:9r GP 815	And sette a souper / at a certeyn prys soper # pris

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HG:12r GP 816
                And we # wol ruled been / at his deuys
EL:9r GP 816
                              reuled
                                          #
HG:12r GP 817
                # In heigh and logh / and thus by oon assent?
EL:9v GP 817
                9
                     heigh
                                lough
HG:12r GP 819
                And ther vp on / the wyn was fet anoon
EL:9v GP 819
                                                   anon
HG:12r GP 820
                We dronken / and to reste wente echow
EL:9v GP 820
                ¶ A morwe / whan b^t day # bigan # to sprynge
HG:12r GP 822
EL:9v GP 822
                # Amorwe
                                         / gan
                                                 for
HG:12r GP 824
                And gadred vs / togydres ##
                                                   in a flok<sup>7</sup>
EL:9v GP 824
                    gadrede
                                # togidre / alle
HG:12r GP 825
                And forth we ryden / a litel moore than pas
EL:9v GP 825
                              riden
                                                          paas
HG:12r GP 828
                And seyde / lordes
                                       / herkneth if yow leste
EL:9v GP 828
                           # lordynges
HG:12r GP 829
                ¶ Ye woot youre forward / and it yow recorde
EL:9v GP 829
                                 foreward
HG:12r GP 830
                If euensong / and morwesong<sup>7</sup> acorde
EL:9v GP 830
                                   morwesong accorde
HG:12r GP 832
                As euere mote I drynke # wyn / or Ale
EL:9v GP 832
                                              #
HG:12v GP 833
                Who so be # rebel / to my Iuggement<sup>7</sup>
EL:9v GP 833
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HG:12v GP 834 EL:9v GP 834	Shal paye / for al / that by the wey is spent # bt spent7
HG:12v GP 835 EL:9v GP 835	Now draweth cut ⁷ er Þ ^t we ferrer twynne draweth
HG:12v GP 836 EL:9v GP 836	He $\#$ which $ ensuremath{\beta^t}$ hath the shorteste / shall bigynne / $\#$
HG:12v GP 837 EL:9v GP 837	¶ Sire knyght quod he / my mayster and my lord # knyght lord
HG:12v GP 838 EL:9v GP 838	Now draweth cut ⁷ # for that is myn accord ⁶
HG:12v GP 840 EL:9v GP 840	And ye sire Clerc7. # lat be youre shamefastnesse sir clerk /
HG:12v GP 841 EL:9v GP 841	Ne studieth noght ⁷ # ley hond to / euery man noght / #
HG:12v GP 842 EL:9v GP 842	¶ Anoon to drawen / euery wight bigan # Anon wight
HG:12v GP 843 EL:9v GP 843	And shortly / for to tellen / as it was #
HG:12v GP 845 EL:9v GP 845	The sothe is this / the Cut fil to the knyght ⁷ cut knyght ⁷
HG:12v GP 846 EL:9v GP 846	Of which # ful blithe and glad was every wight7 / wygħt7
HG:12v GP 847 EL:9v GP 847	And telle he moste his tale / as was resoun A resour
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HG:12v GP 848 By forward / and by composicion EL:9v GP 848 foreward composiciou And whan this goode man / saugh p^t it was so HG:12v GP 850 EL:9v GP 850 An As he / pt wys was / and obedient? HG:12v GP 851 EL:9v GP 851 # that HG:12v GP 852 To kepe his forward / by his free assent? EL:9v GP 852 foreward HG:12v GP 854 What wel come be the Cut⁷ # in goddes name EL:9v GP 854 What7 cut / a HG:12v GP 856 And with that word / we ryden forth oure weye EL:9v GP 856 \mathbf{w}^{t} HG:12v GP 857 And he bigan / with right a murye cheere EL:9v GP 857 rigħt myrie HG:12v GP 858 His tale anoon / and seyde as ye heere EL:9v GP 858 anon in this manere #

The Canterbury Tales (General Prologue) の Hengwrt 写本と Ellesmere 写本のテクスト校合研究

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本研究の目的は、ジェフリー・チョーサーの『カンタベリー物語』の84写本のうち最も重要であると考えられる Hengwrt 写本(以下 Hg)と Ellesmere 写本(以下 El)のテクスト校合を行うことである。

Hg 写本は、最も古い写本であり、その分チョーサーのオリジナルに最も近いと考えられている。一方、El 写本は写字生の編集が周到に施され、その分最も完成に近いもので、従来多くの刊本のベースにされてきた。Hg 写本は一部欠落部があるが、El 写本は写字生の関与故にオリジナルから逸脱しているのではないかという疑問が残る。本テクスト校合研究は、いわば対極的な2つの写本の相互補完的な情報を通して、チョーサーの英語の実相をより網羅的に、より客観的に把握することを可能にしてくれるものである。

平成5年度科学研究費補助金一般研究(c)において、チョーサーの『カンタベリー物語』について、El 写本に主として依拠した Robinson版 (1957) とHg 写本の忠実な転写である Blake版 (1980)を比較し、その差異を網羅的に明らかにした。その成果は Jimura, Nakao and Matsuo (1995) に集約した。一方、Blake版のコンコーダンスは Blake, Burnley, Matsuo and Nakao (1994)などにおいてすでに公刊している。今回のテクスト校合研究は、1995年の研究の延長上に位置づけることができるが、あくまでも刊本ではなくて写本そのものの比較研究であることに特徴がある。

2000年に発行された The Hengwrt Chaucer Digital Facsimile (Estelle Stubbs 編)の CDROM 版は、チョーサーの textual criticism に対する多大な貢献をしている。ただし、両写本が左右に対照して併置されているだけで、本研究のように行単位での単語・語句の異同を網羅的に列挙したデータになっていない。その意味で、この広島大学とシェフィールド大学との共同研究の成果は、Stubbs の研究を補完するものである。本研究では、Stubbs に倣い写本に出来る限り忠実なフォントを用い、写本を再現することに努めた。この研究は、チョーサーの言語の語彙・統語・韻律の研究に不可欠な基礎的データを提供し、彼の textual criticism に貢献することである。