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This is an interim report of the research project to make a computer-assisted comprehensive textual comparison among the Hengwrt (Hg) and Ellesmere (El) Manuscripts of *The Canterbury Tales* by Geoffrey Chaucer and their two edited texts, Blake (1980) which is faithfully reconstructed from Hg, and Benson (1987) which is based on El. This research is expected to contribute a great deal to the text criticism of Chaucer. Since Linne Mooney (2006) identified the candidate scribe of the Hg and El, Adam Pinkhurst, the description and discovery of the linguistic features of these two manuscripts have caught much more attention of Chaucerian and medieval scholars. In the research we will explore systematic similarities and differences in the two manuscripts and two edited texts by means of statistical methods. Our comparative concordance, we hope, will be able to offer data of the first class importance in this international scholarly tendency.

We began our work, first preparing concordances for *The Canterbury Tales*. The first was an exhaustive concordance to Blake's edition in Blake, Burnley, Nakao and Matsuo (1994), followed by a rhyme concordance to Blake's edition, Blake, Burnley, Nakao and Matsuo (1995). After this, we launched the collation project. The first result was Jimura, Nakao and Matsuo (1995), which undertook a comprehensive textual 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. Then, Jimura, Nakao, Matsuo, Blake, and Stubbs (2002) proceeded to compare manuscripts and published the collation concordance between the Hengwrt and Ellesmere manuscripts with regard to 'General Prologue'. On the basis of this collation of the manuscripts and the previous concordances and collations of the editions, Nakao, Jimura and Matsuo (2006), published as a grant-in-aid report, faithfully collated both the Hengwrt-Ellesmere manuscripts and their related editions, Blake and Benson (1987), with regard to the Miller's Tale and the Reeve's Tale. Nakao, Jimura and Matsuo (2004) made clear the idea of multi-text collation concordance. Thus we have developed our scope of research from concordancing to the collation of manuscripts and their related editions. The present report is a comprehensive collation of the four texts, Hg, El, Blake and Benson as regards "The General Prologue" to *The Canterbury Tales*. This is a sequel to Nakao, Jimura and Matsuo (2006) which dealt with the Miller's Tale and the Reeve's Tale. A comprehensive collation of the same four texts for the Cook's, Wife of Bath's, Friar's and Summoner's Tales have been published as Nakao, Jimura and Matsuo

(2008).

We also made an interim report of our project, "A Project for a Comprehensive Collation of the Two Manuscripts (Hengwrt and the Ellesmere) and Two Editions (Blake [1980] and Benson [1987] of *The Canterbury Tales*," in Session 34: "NEW WORK IN TEXTUAL SCHOLARSHIP" on the 19th July, in the 16th International Congress of New Chaucer Society held at Swansea University, United Kingdom, from the 17th to the 22nd July 2008. Our presentation, especially our advanced objective and experimental methods of textual comparison, have attracted the attention of outstanding scholars both at home and abroad.

Our basic method in this study is to compare the two manuscripts and two editions line by line, and then to compare them word by word within a set of "the same lines." Here, "by word" we mean every element regarded as composing a manuscript or text line including caesura, period, etc. In order to perform this kind of comparison, it is first necessary for us to match corresponding lines. We have set up the Hengwrt Manuscript as a key text with which the other Ellesmere Manuscript and Blake (1980) and Benson are collated. In this study we have fortunately obtained permission to use the machine readable text compiled by Stubbs (2000), in which lines of the manuscripts 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 sets of corresponding 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 manuscripts interim list, (1) we added folio references like "15v," (2) if a line is missing in one manuscript, we indicated it by <missing>. For the set of corresponding lines, the first line shows the Hengwrt Manuscript and the lower lines show the Ellesmere, Blake's edition, and Benson's edition, in this order. We have printed the complete line in the Hengwrt Manuscript, but only the word forms and other elements of the Ellesmere Manuscript and the two editions 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 texts 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 indicates dubious letters.

We have described and explained our basic method in various publications. See Jimura, Nakao, and Matsuo (1995), Jimura, Nakao, and Matsuo (1999), Jimura, Nakao, and Matsuo (2002b), Nakao, Jimura, and Matsuo (2004).

But it may be of help to the reader to show as part of our method some conventions adopted for the transcription of the manuscripts. Besides thorns and yoghs, the following table shows selected examples of ornamental letters we employed for the transcription of the Hg and El manuscripts. Here we wish to express our gratitude to Dr. Estelle Stubbs who kindly permitted us to use her original fonts of ornamental letters.

Some Examples of Ornamental Letters Employed'

name	fonts	sample	manuscript
d-tail	ð	gerlandð	
h-bar	h̄	fless̄h	
p-bar	p̄	pilous	
p-loop	p̄	pables	

superscript a	a	g <sup>a</sup> ce	
superscript i	i	p <sup>i</sup> uete	
superscript r	r	hono <sup>r</sup> ed	
superscript t	t	w <sup>t</sup>	
punctus elevatus	˙	˙	
high flourish	ᵹ	Hir <sup>ᵹ</sup>	
low flourish	ᵸ	Palamo <sup>ᵸ</sup>	
high hook	ᵿ	Eu <sup>ᵿ</sup> e	
macron	—	Londou <sup>—</sup>	
mid tail	7	herberwyng <sup>7</sup>	

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\*HG:2r GP 0000 {H}ere bygynneth the Book<sup>7</sup> of the tales of Caunt<sup>2</sup>bury  
 \*EL:GP 0000 <missing>  
 \*BL:GP 0000 Here bygynneth the book of the tales of Caunterbury .  
 \*BN:GP 0000 Here bygynneth the Book of the Tales of Caunterbury .

HG:2r GP 0001 {6W}han that Auery<sup>ñ</sup> w<sup>t</sup> his shoures soote  
 EL:1r GP 0001 {6W}Han Aprif<sup>ñ</sup> with hise  
 BL:GP 0001 Whan Aueryll with  
 BN:GP 0001 Whan Aprill with

HG:2r GP 0002 The droghte of March<sup>ñ</sup> / hath pced to the roote #  
 EL:1r GP 0002 perced  
 BL:GP 0002 March # perced  
 BN:GP 0002 March # perced

HG:2r GP 0003 And bathed euery veyne # in swich lycour  
 EL:1r GP 0003 / licour  
 BL:GP 0003  
 BN:GP 0003 every licour

HG:2r GP 0004 Of which v<sup>2</sup>tu # engendred is the flour #  
 EL:1r GP 0004 /  
 BL:GP 0004 vertu ;  
 BN:GP 0004 vertu ;

HG:2r GP 0005 Whan zephirus eek<sup>7</sup> # w<sup>t</sup> his sweete breeth  
 EL:1r GP 0005 Zephirus eek / breeth  
 BL:GP 0005 Zephirus eek with  
 BN:GP 0005 Zephirus eek with

HG:2r GP 0006 Inspired hath # in euery holt<sup>7</sup> and heeth  
 EL:1r GP 0006 / heeth<sup>ñ</sup>  
 BL:GP 0006 holt  
 BN:GP 0006 every holt

HG:2r GP 0007 The tendre croppes / and the yonge sonne  
 EL:1r GP 0007  
 BL:GP 0007  
 BN:GP 0007

HG:2r GP 0008 Hath in the Ram / his half cours yronne #  
 EL:1r GP 0008  
 BL:GP 0008 ram # half-cours ,  
 BN:GP 0008 # ,

HG:2r GP 0009 And sm<sup>2</sup>a<sup>1</sup>le foweles / maken melodye #  
 EL:1r GP 0009 smale  
 BL:GP 0009 smale #  
 BN:GP 0009 smale #

HG:2r GP 0010 # That sl<sup>2</sup>epen<sup>2</sup> al the nyght<sup>7</sup> # with open Iye #  
 EL:1r GP 0010 slepen nyg<sup>ñ</sup>t / eye  
 BL:GP 0010 ( slepen nyght iye )  
 BN:GP 0010 slepen nyght ye

HG:2r GP 0011 # So priketh hem nature / in hir corages # #  
 EL:1r GP 0011 #  
 BL:GP 0011 #  
 BN:GP 0011 ( # ) ,

HG:2r GP 0012 Than<sup>2</sup>ne<sup>2</sup> ?longen<sup>2</sup> folk<sup>7</sup> # to goon on pilgrymages #  
 EL:1r GP 0012 Thanne longen folk / pilg<sup>1</sup>images  
 BL:GP 0012 Thanne longen folk  
 BN:GP 0012 Thanne longen folk pilgrimages ,

HG:2r GP 0013 And Palmere<sup>2</sup>s<sup>2</sup> # for to seeken straunge strondes #  
 EL:1r GP 0013 Palm<sup>2</sup>es / seken  
 BL:GP 0013 palmeres  
 BN:GP 0013 palmeres seken

HG:2r GP 0014 To ferne halwes / kouthe in sondry londes #  
EL:1r GP 0014 kowthe  
BL:GP 0014 #  
BN:GP 0014 , kowthe ;

HG:2r GP 0015 And specially / from euery shyres ende  
EL:1r GP 0015 fram shires  
BL:GP 0015 #  
BN:GP 0015 # every shires

HG:2r GP 0016 Of Engelond<sup>d</sup> # to Caunterbury they wende #  
EL:1r GP 0016 /  
BL:GP 0016 Engelond  
BN:GP 0016 Engelond ,

HG:2r GP 0017 The holy blisful martir for to seke #  
EL:1r GP 0017 hooly  
BL:GP 0017  
BN:GP 0017 hooly ,

HG:2r GP 0018 That hem hath holpen # whan þ<sup>t</sup> they weere seeke #  
EL:1r GP 0018 / were  
BL:GP 0018 that  
BN:GP 0018 that were .

HG:2r GP 0019 Bifel þ<sup>t</sup> # in that sesou<sup>n</sup> on a day #  
EL:1r GP 0019 {2B}ifil that / seson  
BL:GP 0019 that sesoun  
BN:GP 0019 Bifil that seson ,

HG:2r GP 0020 In Southwerk<sup>7</sup> # at the Tabard<sup>d</sup> / as I lay  
EL:1r GP 0020 Southwerk / #  
BL:GP 0020 Southwerk Tabard as I lay #  
BN:GP 0020 Southwerk Tabard as I lay #

HG:2r GP 0021 Redy # to weenden / on my pilgrymage  
EL:1r GP 0021 / wenden #  
BL:GP 0021 #  
BN:GP 0021 wenden #

HG:2r GP 0022 To ?Ca?unterbury / with ful deuout corage #  
EL:1r GP 0022 Caunt<sup>7</sup>bury  
BL:GP 0022 Caunterbury #  
BN:GP 0022 Caunterbury # devout ,

HG:2r GP 0023 At nyght # was come # in to that hostelrye  
EL:1r GP 0023 nyght / were /  
BL:GP 0023 into  
BN:GP 0023 into

HG:2r GP 0024 Wel .xxix. in a campaignye  
EL:1r GP 0024 nyne and twenty  
BL:GP 0024 xxix  
BN:GP 0024 nyne and twenty

HG:2r GP 0025 Of sondry folk # by auenture yfalle  
EL:1r GP 0025 /  
BL:GP 0025 ,  
BN:GP 0025 , aventure

HG:2r GP 0026 In felaweshipe / and pilgrymes weere they alle #  
EL:1r GP 0026 felaweship<sup>n</sup> pilg<sup>l</sup>mes were  
BL:GP 0026 . And  
BN:GP 0026 , pilgrimes were ,

HG:2r GP 0027 ?T?hat toward Caunterbury wolden ryde #  
EL:1r GP 0027 That Caunt<sup>7</sup>bury  
BL:GP 0027 That .  
BN:GP 0027 That .

HG:2r GP 0028 The chambres and the stables / weeren wyde #  
EL:1r GP 0028 # weren  
BL:GP 0028 #  
BN:GP 0028 # weren ,

HG:2r GP 0029 And wel we weeren esed / at the beste #  
EL:1r GP 0029 weren # atte  
BL:GP 0029 #  
BN:GP 0029 weren # atte .

HG:2r GP 0030 And shortly # whan the sonne was to reste #  
EL:1r GP 0030 / Sonne  
BL:GP 0030 ,  
BN:GP 0030 ,

HG:2r GP 0031 So hadde I spoken # with hem euerichoon  
EL:1r GP 0031 / w<sup>t</sup> euerichon  
BL:GP 0031  
BN:GP 0031 everichon

HG:2r GP 0032 That I was # of hir felaweshipe a non #  
EL:1r GP 0032 / felaweship<sup>u</sup> anon #  
BL:GP 0032 anon .  
BN:GP 0032 anon ,

HG:2v GP 0033 And maade forward / erly for to ryse #  
EL:1r GP 0033 made  
BL:GP 0033 #  
BN:GP 0033 made # ,

HG:2v GP 0034 To take oure wey / ther as .I. yow deuysse #  
EL:1r GP 0034 I  
BL:GP 0034 # I  
BN:GP 0034 # I deuysse .

HG:2v GP 0035 ¶ But nathelees / while .I. haue tyme and space #  
EL:1r GP 0035 # {2B}ut whil I 7  
BL:GP 0035 # # I  
BN:GP 0035 # , whil I have ,

HG:2v GP 0036 Er that I ferther / in this tale pace #  
EL:1r GP 0036 that7  
BL:GP 0036 # ,  
BN:GP 0036 # ,

HG:2v GP 0037 Me thynketh # it<sup>7</sup> acordant to resou<sup>u</sup>  
EL:1r GP 0037 / it acordaunt  
BL:GP 0037 it resoun  
BN:GP 0037 it acordaunt resoun

HG:2v GP 0038 To telle yow / al the condiciou<sup>u</sup>  
EL:1r GP 0038  
BL:GP 0038 # condicioun  
BN:GP 0038 # condicioun

HG:2v GP 0039 Of eech of hem / so as it seemed me #  
EL:1r GP 0039 ech semed  
BL:GP 0039 # ,  
BN:GP 0039 ech , semed ,

HG:2v GP 0040 And whiche they weere / and of what degree #  
EL:1r GP 0040 were  
BL:GP 0040 #  
BN:GP 0040 weren , ,

HG:2v GP 0041 And eek<sup>7</sup> in what array / þ<sup>t</sup> they weere Inne #  
EL:1r GP 0041 that were  
BL:GP 0041 eek # that inne .  
BN:GP 0041 eek # that were inne ;

HG:2v GP 0042 And at a knyght<sup>7</sup> thanne wol I first bigynne #  
EL:1r GP 0042 knyght<sup>7</sup> than  
BL:GP 0042 knyght  
BN:GP 0042 knyght than .

HG:2v GP 0043 ¶ A knyght ther was / and that a worthy man #  
EL:1r GP 0043 # {3A} knyght  
BL:GP 0043 # ,  
BN:GP 0043 # KNYGHT ,

HG:2v GP 0044 That fro the tyme / þ<sup>t</sup> he first bigan  
EL:1r GP 0044 that  
BL:GP 0044 # that  
BN:GP 0044 # that

HG:2v GP 0045 To ryden out<sup>7</sup> # he loued chiuualrye #  
EL:1r GP 0045 riden out / chiuualrie  
BL:GP 0045 out  
BN:GP 0045 riden out , loved chivalrie ,

HG:2v GP 0046 Trouthe and hono<sup>r</sup> / fredom and curteisye #  
EL:1r GP 0046 honour curteisie  
BL:GP 0046 honour ,  
BN:GP 0046 honour , curteisie .

HG:2v GP 0047 Ful worthy was he / in his lordes werre #  
EL:1r GP 0047 #  
BL:GP 0047 #  
BN:GP 0047 # ,

HG:2v GP 0048 And ther to # hadde he ryden / no man ferre #  
EL:1r GP 0048 / riden  
BL:GP 0048 therto ,  
BN:GP 0048 therto riden ,

HG:2v GP 0049 As wel in cristendom / as # hethenesse #  
EL:1v GP 0049 in Hethenesse  
BL:GP 0049 # -  
BN:GP 0049 # in ,

HG:2v GP 0050 And euere # honoured / for his worthynesse #  
EL:1v GP 0050 / honoured #  
BL:GP 0050 #  
BN:GP 0050 evere honoured # ;

HG:2v GP 0051 ¶ At Alisaundre he was / whan it was wonne #  
EL:1v GP 0051 # #  
BL:GP 0051 # #  
BN:GP 0051 # #

HG:2v GP 0052 Ful ofte tyme / he hadde the bord bigonne  
EL:1v GP 0052 #  
BL:GP 0052 #  
BN:GP 0052 #

HG:2v GP 0053 Abouen alle nacions / in Pruce #  
EL:1v GP 0053 #  
BL:GP 0053 #  
BN:GP 0053 Aboven # ;

HG:2v GP 0054 In lectow / hadde he reysed / and in Ruce #  
EL:1v GP 0054 Lettow # #  
BL:GP 0054 Lectow # #  
BN:GP 0054 Lettow # #

HG:2v GP 0055 No cristen man so ofte / of his degree #  
EL:1v GP 0055 #  
BL:GP 0055 #  
BN:GP 0055 Cristen #

HG:2v GP 0056 In Gernade # at the seege eek hadde he be  
EL:1v GP 0056 /  
BL:GP 0056  
BN:GP 0056

HG:2v GP 0057 At Algizir / and ryden in Belmarye #  
EL:1v GP 0057 Of Algezir /. riden  
BL:GP 0057 #  
BN:GP 0057 Of Algezir , riden

HG:2v GP 0058 At lyeys was he / and at Satalye #  
EL:1v GP 0058 Lyeys  
BL:GP 0058 Lyeys #  
BN:GP 0058 Lyeys #

HG:2v GP 0059 Whan they weere wonne / and in the grete See  
EL:1v GP 0059 were 7  
BL:GP 0059 . And Grete  
BN:GP 0059 were , Grete

HG:2v GP 0060 At many a noble ariuee / hadde he bee #  
EL:1v GP 0060 Armee be  
BL:GP 0060 #  
BN:GP 0060 armee # be

HG:2v GP 0061 ¶ At mortal batailles / hadde he been fiftene #  
EL:1v GP 0061 #  
BL:GP 0061 #  
BN:GP 0061 #

HG:2v GP 0062 And foghten for oure feyth / at Tramysse  
EL:1v GP 0062 foughten feith #  
BL:GP 0062 #  
BN:GP 0062 foughten feith #

HG:2v GP 0063 In lystes thryes / and ay slayn his foo #  
EL:1v GP 0063 Lystes thries  
BL:GP 0063 #  
BN:GP 0063 thries ,

HG:2v GP 0064 ¶ This ilke worthy knyght7 hadde been also  
EL:1v GP 0064 # knyght7  
BL:GP 0064 # knyght  
BN:GP 0064 # knyght

HG:2v GP 0065 Som tyme / with the lord of Palatye  
EL:1v GP 0065  
BL:GP 0065 Somtyme #  
BN:GP 0065 Somtyme #

HG:2v GP 0066 Agayn # another hethen in Turkye #  
EL:1v GP 0066 /  
BL:GP 0066 -  
BN:GP 0066 -

HG:2v GP 0067 And eu<sup>7</sup>e moore / he hadde a souereyn prys #  
EL:1v GP 0067 eu<sup>7</sup>emoore  
BL:GP 0067 eueremoore #  
BN:GP 0067 everemoore # sovereyn

HG:2v GP 0068 And thogh þ<sup>t</sup> he weere worthy / he was wys #  
EL:1v GP 0068 though<sup>n</sup> were #  
BL:GP 0068 that ,  
BN:GP 0068 though that were ,

HG:2v GP 0069 And of his poort7. as meke / as is a mayde #  
EL:1v GP 0069 port7 meeke #  
BL:GP 0069 poort #  
BN:GP 0069 port meeke #

HG:2v GP 0070 Ne neuere yet7 # no vileynye he sayde  
EL:1v GP 0070 He yet / ne  
BL:GP 0070 yet  
BN:GP 0070 He nevere yet ne

HG:2v GP 0071 In al his lyf7 # vn to no manere wight #  
EL:1v GP 0071 lyf / maner wight7  
BL:GP 0071 lyf vnto  
BN:GP 0071 lyf unto maner

HG:2v GP 0072 He was a verray # pfit7 # gentil knyght7 #  
EL:1v GP 0072 parfit knyght  
BL:GP 0072 , parfit , knyght  
BN:GP 0072 , parfit knyght

HG:3r GP 0073 # But for to tellen yow / of his array #  
EL:1v GP 0073 ¶  
BL:GP 0073 #  
BN:GP 0073 #

HG:3r GP 0074 Hise hors weere goode / but he ne was nat gay #  
EL:1v GP 0074 His weren #  
BL:GP 0074  
BN:GP 0074 His were , #

HG:3r GP 0075 Of Fustian / he wered a gypou<sup>m</sup>  
EL:1v GP 0075 gypou<sup>D</sup>  
BL:GP 0075 fustian # gypoun  
BN:GP 0075 fustian # gypon

HG:3r GP 0076 Al bismotered / with his haubergeo<sup>D</sup> #  
EL:1v GP 0076 # habergeo<sup>D</sup>  
BL:GP 0076 # haubergeon ,  
BN:GP 0076 # habergeon ,

HG:3r GP 0077 For he was laate / comen from his viage #  
EL:1v GP 0077 late ycome  
BL:GP 0077 #  
BN:GP 0077 late # ycome

HG:3r GP 0078 And wente / for to doon his pilgrymage #  
EL:1v GP 0078  
BL:GP 0078 #  
BN:GP 0078 #

HG:3r GP 0079 ¶ With hym / ther was his sone # a yong<sup>7</sup> Squyer #  
EL:1v GP 0079 # {3W}ith # Squier  
BL:GP 0079 # , yong squyer ,  
BN:GP 0079 # # , yong SQUIER ,

HG:3r GP 0080 A louere / and a lusty Bachiler #  
EL:1v GP 0080 louyer<sup>7</sup> Bacheler  
BL:GP 0080 # bachiler  
BN:GP 0080 lovyere # bacheler ,

HG:3r GP 0081 With lokkes crulle / as they weere leyd in p<sup>7</sup>sse #  
EL:1v GP 0081 w<sup>t</sup> were presse  
BL:GP 0081 # presse .  
BN:GP 0081 # were presse .

HG:3r GP 0082 Of .xx. yeer / he was of age # # # # I gesse #  
EL:1v GP 0082 twenty # # # / he was  
BL:GP 0082 xx #  
BN:GP 0082 twenty # # # he was ,

HG:3r GP 0083 Of his stature / he was of euene lengthe #  
EL:1v GP 0083  
BL:GP 0083 #  
BN:GP 0083 # evene ,

HG:3r GP 0084 And wonderly delyuere / and of gre?et? strengthe #  
EL:1v GP 0084 # greet  
BL:GP 0084 # greet  
BN:GP 0084 delyvere , greet .

HG:3r GP 0085 And he hadde been som tyme / in chi?uachy?e  
EL:1v GP 0085 somtyme chyuachie  
BL:GP 0085 somtyme # chiuachye  
BN:GP 0085 somtyme # chyvachie

HG:3r GP 0086 In Flaundres / in Artoys / and Picardye #  
EL:1v GP 0086 # Pycardie  
BL:GP 0086 , #  
BN:GP 0086 , , Pycardie ,

HG:3r GP 0087 And born hym wel / as in so litel space #  
EL:1v GP 0087 weel of  
BL:GP 0087 , ,  
BN:GP 0087 weel , of ,

HG:3r GP 0088 In hope / to stonden / in his lady grace #  
EL:1v GP 0088 #  
BL:GP 0088 #  
BN:GP 0088 #

HG:3r GP 0089 ¶ Embrouded was he / as it weere a meede  
EL:1v GP 0089 # were  
BL:GP 0089 # #  
BN:GP 0089 # , were

HG:3r GP 0090 Al ful of fresshe floures / white and reede #  
EL:1v GP 0090 fresshe whyte  
BL:GP 0090 #  
BN:GP 0090 , whyte

HG:3r GP 0091 Syngynge he was / or floytynge # al the day #  
EL:1v GP 0091 #  
BL:GP 0091 #  
BN:GP 0091 , , ;

HG:3r GP 0092 He was as fressh / as is the Monthe of May #  
EL:1v GP 0092 #  
BL:GP 0092 fressh # monthe  
BN:GP 0092 fressh # month

HG:3r GP 0093 Short was his gowne / with sleues / longe 7 wyde #  
EL:1v GP 0093 # w<sup>t</sup> #  
BL:GP 0093 # # and  
BN:GP 0093 , sleues # and

HG:3r GP 0094 Wel koude he sitte on hors / and faire ryde #  
EL:1v GP 0094 #  
BL:GP 0094 #  
BN:GP 0094 #

HG:3r GP 0095 He koude songes wel make / and # endite #  
EL:1v GP 0095 # wel  
BL:GP 0095 # #  
BN:GP 0095 # # wel

HG:3r GP 0096 Iuste and eek daunce / and wel portreye and write #  
EL:1v GP 0096 7 # weel purtreye 7  
BL:GP 0096 #  
BN:GP 0096 Juste , weel purtreye

HG:3r GP 0097 So hoote he loued / that by nyghtertale  
EL:2r GP 0097 louede  
BL:GP 0097 #  
BN:GP 0097 louede #

HG:3r GP 0098 He slepte namoore / than dooth a nyghtyngale #  
 EL:2r GP 0098 # nyghtyngale  
 BL:GP 0098 #  
 BN:GP 0098 sleep #

HG:3r GP 0099 Curteys he was / lowely / and seruysable #  
 EL:2r GP 0099 Curteis  
 BL:GP 0099 #  
 BN:GP 0099 Curteis , , servysable ,

HG:3r GP 0100 And carf # biforn his fader / at the table #  
 EL:2r GP 0100 / #  
 BL:GP 0100 #  
 BN:GP 0100 #

HG:3r GP 0101 ¶ A yeman he hadde # / and seruantz namo  
 EL:2r GP 0101 # {3A} # he  
 BL:GP 0101 # #  
 BN:GP 0101 # YEMAN # he # servantz

HG:3r GP 0102 At that tyme / for hym liste ryde so #  
 EL:2r GP 0102 ride  
 BL:GP 0102 ;  
 BN:GP 0102 ; ride ;

HG:3r GP 0103 And he was clad / in coote and hood of greene #  
 EL:2r GP 0103 # cote 7 grene  
 BL:GP 0103 #  
 BN:GP 0103 # cote grene

HG:3r GP 0104 A sheef of Pecok arwes / bright and keene #  
 EL:2r GP 0104 pecok arwes bright kene  
 BL:GP 0104 pecok-arwes # bright  
 BN:GP 0104 pecok arwes , bright kene ,

HG:3r GP 0105 Vnder his belt he bar ful thriftily #  
 EL:2r GP 0105  
 BL:GP 0105 belt  
 BN:GP 0105 Under belt

HG:3r GP 0106 # Wel koude he # dresse his takel yemanly #  
 EL:2r GP 0106 /  
 BL:GP 0106 ;  
 BN:GP 0106 ( ;

HG:3r GP 0107 His arwes drouped nocht with fetheres lowe # #  
 EL:2r GP 0107 Hise drouped  
 BL:GP 0107 nocht  
 BN:GP 0107 drouped nocht ) ,

HG:3r GP 0108 And in his hand / he bar a myghty bowe #  
 EL:2r GP 0108 baar myghty  
 BL:GP 0108 #  
 BN:GP 0108 # baar

HG:3r GP 0109 A not heed hadde he / with a broun visage #  
 EL:2r GP 0109  
 BL:GP 0109 not-heed #  
 BN:GP 0109 ,

HG:3r GP 0110 Of wodecraft / # koude he wel al the vsage #  
 EL:2r GP 0110 wodecraft wel #  
 BL:GP 0110 wodecraft #  
 BN:GP 0110 wodecraft # wel # usage

HG:3r GP 0111 Vp on his arm / he bar a gay bracer #  
 EL:2r GP 0111 baar  
 BL:GP 0111 Vpon #  
 BN:GP 0111 Upon # baar ,



HG:3r GP 0112 And by his syde / a swerd # and a Bokeler #  
 EL:2r GP 0112 / bokeler  
 BL:GP 0112 # bokeler  
 BN:GP 0112 # bokeler ,

HG:3v GP 0113 And on that oother syde / a gay daggere  
 EL:2r GP 0113  
 BL:GP 0113 #  
 BN:GP 0113 #

HG:3v GP 0114 Harneysed wel / and sharp / as poynt<sup>7</sup> of spere #  
 EL:2r GP 0114 Harneysed # # point  
 BL:GP 0114 # sharp # poynt ;  
 BN:GP 0114 Harneysed # sharp # point ;

HG:3v GP 0115 A xp<sup>o</sup>fre on his brest<sup>7</sup> of siluer sheene #  
 EL:2r GP 0115 Cristophere  
 BL:GP 0115 cristofre brest ;  
 BN:GP 0115 Cristopher brest silver .

HG:3v GP 0116 An horn he bar / the bawdryk<sup>7</sup> was of greene #  
 EL:2r GP 0116 bawdryk grene  
 BL:GP 0116 , bawdryk ;  
 BN:GP 0116 , bawdryk grene ;

HG:3v GP 0117 A Forster was he / soothly # as I gesse #  
 EL:2r GP 0117  
 BL:GP 0117 forster # he .  
 BN:GP 0117 forster , , .

HG:3v GP 0118 ¶ Ther was also / a Nonne # a Prioeresse #  
 EL:2r GP 0118 # {3T}her  
 BL:GP 0118 # # nonne , prioeresse ,  
 BN:GP 0118 # # , PRIORESSE ,

HG:3v GP 0119 That of hir smylyng<sup>7</sup> # was ful symple and coy #  
 EL:2r GP 0119 smylyng / 7  
 BL:GP 0119 smylyng ;  
 BN:GP 0119 smylyng ;

HG:3v GP 0120 Hir grettteste ooth / was but by Seint Loy #  
 EL:2r GP 0120 Hi<sup>r</sup> seint  
 BL:GP 0120 # seint .  
 BN:GP 0120 Hire # Sainte ;

HG:3v GP 0121 And she was clepyd / madame Eglentyne #  
 EL:2r GP 0121 cleped  
 BL:GP 0121 #  
 BN:GP 0121 cleped # .

HG:3v GP 0122 Ful wel she soong / the seruyce dyuyne #  
 EL:2r GP 0122 weel soong<sup>7</sup> # service  
 BL:GP 0122 #  
 BN:GP 0122 weel # service dyvyne ,

HG:3v GP 0123 Entuned in hir nose / ful semely #  
 EL:2r GP 0123 semeely  
 BL:GP 0123 #  
 BN:GP 0123 # ;

HG:3v GP 0124 And frenssh # she spak / ful faire and fetisly #  
 EL:2r GP 0124 /  
 BL:GP 0124 Frenssh #  
 BN:GP 0124 Frenssh # ,

HG:3v GP 0125 After the scole / of Stratford at the Bowe  
 EL:2r GP 0125 Scole of Stratford<sup>o</sup> atte Bowe #  
 BL:GP 0125 # Stratford-at-the-Bowe #  
 BN:GP 0125 # Stratford atte Bowe ,



HG:3v GP 0140 Of Court<sup>7</sup> # and # been estatlich of manere #  
 EL:2r GP 0140 to  
 BL:GP 0140 court  
 BN:GP 0140 court , to

HG:3v GP 0141 And to been holden / digne of reu<sup>2</sup>ence #  
 EL:2r GP 0141 ben # reuerence  
 BL:GP 0141 # reuerence .  
 BN:GP 0141 ben # reverence .

HG:3v GP 0142 But for to speken / of hir conscience #  
 EL:2r GP 0142 # hir<sup>2</sup>  
 BL:GP 0142 #  
 BN:GP 0142 # hire ;

HG:3v GP 0143 She was so charitable / and so pitous  
 EL:2r GP 0143 #  
 BL:GP 0143 #  
 BN:GP 0143 #

HG:3v GP 0144 She wolde [wepe] / if þ<sup>t</sup> she sawe a Mous  
 EL:2r GP 0144 wepe that saugh  
 BL:GP 0144 wepe # that mous  
 BN:GP 0144 wepe , that saugh mous

HG:3v GP 0145 Caught in a trappe / if it weere deed / or bledde #  
 EL:2v GP 0145 Kaught were #  
 BL:GP 0145 , #  
 BN:GP 0145 Kaught , were #

HG:3v GP 0146 Of smale houndes / hadde she / þ<sup>t</sup> she fedde  
 EL:2v GP 0146 #  
 BL:GP 0146 # # that  
 BN:GP 0146 # # that

HG:3v GP 0147 With rosted fless<sup>h</sup> / or mylk<sup>7</sup> # and wastel breed #  
 EL:2v GP 0147 Milk /  
 BL:GP 0147 fless<sup>h</sup> # mylk wastel-breed .  
 BN:GP 0147 fless<sup>h</sup> , milk wastel-breed .

HG:3v GP 0148 But soore wepte she / if oon of hem weere deed #  
 EL:2v GP 0148 any were  
 BL:GP 0148 #  
 BN:GP 0148 # were ,

HG:3v GP 0149 Or if men smoot<sup>7</sup> it / with a yerde smerte #  
 EL:2v GP 0149 smoot it<sup>7</sup> #  
 BL:GP 0149 smoot #  
 BN:GP 0149 smoot # ;

HG:3v GP 0150 And al was conscience / and tendre herte #  
 EL:2v GP 0150 #  
 BL:GP 0150 #  
 BN:GP 0150 #

HG:3v GP 0151 Ful semely / hir wympel pynched was #  
 EL:2v GP 0151 semely wympul  
 BL:GP 0151 #  
 BN:GP 0151 semely # wympul ;

HG:3v GP 0152 Hir nose tretetz / hir eyen / greye as glas #  
 EL:2v GP 0152 tretys #  
 BL:GP 0152 , #  
 BN:GP 0152 tretys , #

HG:4r GP 0153 Hir mouth ful smal / and ther to / softe and reed #  
 EL:2v GP 0153 # 7  
 BL:GP 0153 # therto #  
 BN:GP 0153 , therto #

HG:4r GP 0154 But sikerly / she hadde a fair forheed #  
EL:2v GP 0154 forheed #  
BL:GP 0154 # ;  
BN:GP 0154 # ;

HG:4r GP 0155 It was almost # a spanne brood # I trowe #  
EL:2v GP 0155  
BL:GP 0155 almost , ;  
BN:GP 0155 almost , ;

HG:4r GP 0156 For # hardily / she was nat vndergrowe #  
EL:2v GP 0156  
BL:GP 0156 # .  
BN:GP 0156 , , undergrowe .

HG:4r GP 0157 Ful fetys was hir cloke / as I was war #  
EL:2v GP 0157  
BL:GP 0157 # .  
BN:GP 0157 , .

HG:4r GP 0158 Of smal Coral / aboute hir arm she bar  
EL:2v GP 0158 coral hir Arm  
BL:GP 0158 coral #  
BN:GP 0158 coral # hire

HG:4r GP 0159 A peyre of bedes / gauded al with greene #  
EL:2v GP 0159 peire grene  
BL:GP 0159 # ;  
BN:GP 0159 peire , grene ,

HG:4r GP 0160 And ther on # heeng<sup>7</sup> a brooch of gold ful sheene #  
EL:2v GP 0160 / heng<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0160 theron heeng  
BN:GP 0160 theron heng ,

HG:4r GP 0161 On which / # was first writen / a crowned .A. #  
EL:2v GP 0161 ther write #  
BL:GP 0161 # # A  
BN:GP 0161 # ther write # A ,

HG:4r GP 0162 And after / amor vincit<sup>7</sup> omnia .  
EL:2v GP 0162 {Amor} {vincit} {omnia} ~  
BL:GP 0162 # Amor vincit  
BN:GP 0162 # Amor vincit

HG:4r GP 0163 ¶ Another Nonne / with hire hadde she #  
EL:2v GP 0163 # {IA}nother w<sup>t</sup> hir  
BL:GP 0163 # nonne # ,  
BN:GP 0163 # NONNE # ,

HG:4r GP 0164 That was hire Chapeleyne / and preestes thre #  
EL:2v GP 0164 hir #  
BL:GP 0164 chapeleyne , .  
BN:GP 0164 hir chapeleyne , .

HG:4r GP 0165 ¶ A Monk ther was / a fair for the maystrye #  
EL:2v GP 0165 # {3A} maistrie  
BL:GP 0165 # monk ,  
BN:GP 0165 # MONK , maistrie ,

HG:4r GP 0166 An outrydere / that<sup>7</sup> louede venerye #  
EL:2v GP 0166 outrider<sup>7</sup> that venerie  
BL:GP 0166 # that ,  
BN:GP 0166 outridere , that lovede venerie ,

HG:4r GP 0167 A manly man / to been an Abbot able #  
EL:2v GP 0167  
BL:GP 0167 # abbot .  
BN:GP 0167 , abbot .

HG:4r GP 0168 Ful many a deyntee hors / hadde he in stable #  
 EL:2v GP 0168 #  
 BL:GP 0168 #  
 BN:GP 0168 #

HG:4r GP 0169 And whanne he rood / men myghte his brydel heere #  
 EL:2v GP 0169 whan  
 BL:GP 0169 #  
 BN:GP 0169 whan #

HG:4r GP 0170 Gyngle # in a whistlynge wynd / as cleere #  
 EL:2v GP 0170 Gynglen / # als  
 BL:GP 0170 #  
 BN:GP 0170 Gynglen # als

HG:4r GP 0171 And eek<sup>7</sup> as loude / as dooth the Chapel belle #  
 EL:2v GP 0171 eek [pe] #  
 BL:GP 0171 eek # chapel-belle #  
 BN:GP 0171 eek # chapel belle

HG:4r GP 0172 There as this lord / is keper<sup>e</sup> of the Selle #  
 EL:2v GP 0172 Ther was keper<sup>e</sup> Celle  
 BL:GP 0172 # selle #  
 BN:GP 0172 Ther # was celle .

HG:4r GP 0173 The rule of Seint Maure / or of Seint Beneyt<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:2v GP 0173 reule # Beneyt<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0173 seint # seint Beneyt  
 BN:GP 0173 reule # Beneyt -

HG:4r GP 0174 By cause þ<sup>t</sup> it was oold / and som deel streyt<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:2v GP 0174 that old som del streit<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0174 that # somdeel streyt #  
 BN:GP 0174 that old # somdel streit

HG:4r GP 0175 This ilke Monk / leet oolde thynges pace #  
 EL:2v GP 0175 olde  
 BL:GP 0175 monk #  
 BN:GP 0175 # olde #

HG:4r GP 0176 And heeld / after the newe world the space #  
 EL:2v GP 0176 #  
 BL:GP 0176 #  
 BN:GP 0176 #

HG:4r GP 0177 He yaf noght of that text<sup>7</sup> a pulled hen #  
 EL:2v GP 0177 nat text  
 BL:GP 0177 nat text  
 BN:GP 0177 nat text #

HG:4r GP 0178 That seith / þ<sup>t</sup> hunters been none holy men #  
 EL:2v GP 0178 that hunters beth nat hooly  
 BL:GP 0178 # that  
 BN:GP 0178 # that hunters ben nat hooly #

HG:4r GP 0179 Ne þ<sup>t</sup> a Monk<sup>7</sup> # whan he is recchelees #  
 EL:2v GP 0179 that Monk /  
 BL:GP 0179 that monk  
 BN:GP 0179 that monk #

HG:4r GP 0180 Is likned / til a fissh / þ<sup>t</sup> is waterlees #  
 EL:2v GP 0180 #  
 BL:GP 0180 # fissh # that #  
 BN:GP 0180 # fissh # that -

HG:4r GP 0181 This is to seyn / a Monk / out of his Cloystre #  
 EL:2v GP 0181 #  
 BL:GP 0181 # monk # cloystre ;  
 BN:GP 0181 # monk # cloystre .

HG:4r GP 0182 But thilke text<sup>7</sup> # heeld he nat worth an Oystre #  
EL:2v GP 0182 text /  
BL:GP 0182 text oystre .  
BN:GP 0182 text oystre ;

HG:4r GP 0183 And I seyde / his opynon was good #  
EL:2v GP 0183 opinio<sup>u</sup>  
BL:GP 0183 #  
BN:GP 0183 # opinion .

HG:4r GP 0184 What sholde he studie / and make hym seluen wood #  
EL:2v GP 0184 #  
BL:GP 0184 # hymseluen  
BN:GP 0184 # hymselven ,

HG:4r GP 0185 Vp on a book<sup>7</sup> # in Cloystre alwey to poure #  
EL:2v GP 0185 book /  
BL:GP 0185 Vpon book cloystre  
BN:GP 0185 Upon book cloystre ,

HG:4r GP 0186 Or swynke with his handes / and laboure #  
EL:2v GP 0186 swynken w<sup>t</sup> #  
BL:GP 0186 #  
BN:GP 0186 swynken ,

HG:4r GP 0187 As Austyn bit<sup>7</sup>. # how shal the world be serued #  
EL:2v GP 0187 bit /  
BL:GP 0187 bit ? How ?  
BN:GP 0187 bit ? How served ?

HG:4r GP 0188 Lat Austyn # haue his # swynk<sup>7</sup>. to hym reserued #  
EL:2v GP 0188 / owene swynk<sup>7</sup> re<sup>u</sup>ed  
BL:GP 0188 swynk  
BN:GP 0188 have swynk reserved !

HG:4r GP 0189 Ther fore / he was a prykasour aryght<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:2v GP 0189 Therefore prikasour aright<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0189 Therefore # aryght .  
BN:GP 0189 Therefore # prikasour aright :

HG:4r GP 0190 Grehoundes he hadde / as swift<sup>7</sup> as fowel in flyght<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:2v GP 0190 # swift flight<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0190 # swift flyght .  
BN:GP 0190 # swift flight ;

HG:4r GP 0191 Of prikyng<sup>7</sup> # and of huntyng<sup>7</sup> for the haare  
EL:2v GP 0191 p<sup>i</sup>kyng / hare  
BL:GP 0191 prikyng huntyng  
BN:GP 0191 prikyng huntyng hare

HG:4r GP 0192 Was al his lust<sup>7</sup>. # for no cost wolde he spaare #  
EL:2v GP 0192 lust<sup>7</sup> spare  
BL:GP 0192 lust ,  
BN:GP 0192 lust , spare .

HG:4v GP 0193 I saugh his sleues / p<sup>r</sup>filed at the hond<sup>o</sup>  
EL:3r GP 0193 seigh ypurfiled hond  
BL:GP 0193 # purfiled hond  
BN:GP 0193 seigh sleues # purfiled hond

HG:4v GP 0194 With grys / and that the fyneste of a lond<sup>o</sup> #  
EL:3r GP 0194 # lond .  
BL:GP 0194 # lond .  
BN:GP 0194 , lond ;

HG:4v GP 0195 And for to festne his hood / vnder his chyn #  
EL:3r GP 0195 #  
BL:GP 0195 #  
BN:GP 0195 # under ,

HG:4v GP 0196 He hadde / of gold / wroght a ful curious pyn #  
EL:3r GP 0196 # # ywroght # ;  
BL:GP 0196 # # # ;  
BN:GP 0196 # # ywroght # ;

HG:4v GP 0197 A loue knotte / in the gretter ende ther was #  
EL:3r GP 0197 # # # #  
BL:GP 0197 loue-knotte # .  
BN:GP 0197 love-knotte # .

HG:4v GP 0198 His heed was balled / that shoon as any glas #  
EL:3r GP 0198 # # # #  
BL:GP 0198 # # # #  
BN:GP 0198 # # # #

HG:4v GP 0199 And eek his face / as he hadde been enoynt #  
EL:3r GP 0199 # it enoynt / #  
BL:GP 0199 # # enoynt . #  
BN:GP 0199 # # enoynt . #

HG:4v GP 0200 He was a lord ful fat # and in good poynt #  
EL:3r GP 0200 # fat / # #  
BL:GP 0200 # fat # poynt ; #  
BN:GP 0200 # fat # poynt ; #

HG:4v GP 0201 Hise eyen steepe / and rolynge in his heed #  
EL:3r GP 0201 # stepe # #  
BL:GP 0201 # # # #  
BN:GP 0201 His stepe # # # #

HG:4v GP 0202 That stemed / as a fourneys of a leed #  
EL:3r GP 0202 # # # #  
BL:GP 0202 # # # #  
BN:GP 0202 # # forneys # # ; #

HG:4v GP 0203 Hise bootes souple / his hors / in greet estaat #  
EL:3r GP 0203 His # # # #  
BL:GP 0203 # # # # # # # #  
BN:GP 0203 His # # # # # # # #

HG:4v GP 0204 Now certeynly / he was a fair p<sup>re</sup>lat #  
EL:3r GP 0204 c<sup>er</sup>teinly # prelaat # #  
BL:GP 0204 # # prelat . # #  
BN:GP 0204 certeinly # prelaat ; # #

HG:4v GP 0205 He was nat paale / as is a forpyned goost #  
EL:3r GP 0205 nas pale # # goost / # #  
BL:GP 0205 # # # # goost # #  
BN:GP 0205 pale # # # # goost # #

HG:4v GP 0206 A fat swan / loued he / best of any roost #  
EL:3r GP 0206 # # # # # # # #  
BL:GP 0206 # # # # roost # #  
BN:GP 0206 # loved # # roost # #

HG:4v GP 0207 His palfrey / was as broun as # any berye #  
EL:3r GP 0207 # # # # is a # #  
BL:GP 0207 # # # # # # # #  
BN:GP 0207 # # # # is a # #

HG:4v GP 0208 ¶ A frere ther was / a wantowne and a merye #  
EL:3r GP 0208 # {3A} Frere # # # # # # # #  
BL:GP 0208 # # # # # # # #  
BN:GP 0208 # FRERE # # # # # # # #

HG:4v GP 0209 A lymytour / a ful solempne man #  
EL:3r GP 0209 # # # # # # # #  
BL:GP 0209 # # # # # # # #  
BN:GP 0209 # # # # # # # #

HG:4v GP 0210 In alle the ordres foure / is noon þ<sup>t</sup> kan  
 EL:3r GP 0210  
 BL:GP 0210 # that  
 BN:GP 0210 # that

HG:4v GP 0211 So mucche of daliaunce / and fair langage #  
 EL:3r GP 0211 muchel  
 BL:GP 0211 #  
 BN:GP 0211 muchel #

HG:4v GP 0212 He hadde maked / ful many a mariage  
 EL:3r GP 0212 maad  
 BL:GP 0212 #  
 BN:GP 0212 maad #

HG:4v GP 0213 Of yonge wommen / at his owene cost<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:3r GP 0213 wo<sup>-</sup>men  
 BL:GP 0213 # cost .  
 BN:GP 0213 # cost .

HG:4v GP 0214 Vn to his ordre / he was a noble post<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:3r GP 0214  
 BL:GP 0214 Vnto # post .  
 BN:GP 0214 Unto # post .

HG:4v GP 0215 Ful wel biloued / and famylier was hee  
 EL:3r GP 0215 And # famulier he  
 BL:GP 0215 #  
 BN:GP 0215 biloued # famulier he

HG:4v GP 0216 With Frankeleyns / ouer al in his contree #  
 EL:3r GP 0216 frankeleyns euer al  
 BL:GP 0216 frankeleyns # oueral  
 BN:GP 0216 frankeleyns # over al ,

HG:4v GP 0217 And eek<sup>7</sup> with worthy wommen / of the town #  
 EL:3r GP 0217 # wo<sup>-</sup>men # toun  
 BL:GP 0217 eek #  
 BN:GP 0217 eek # toun ;

HG:4v GP 0218 For he hadde / power of confessioun #  
 EL:3r GP 0218 #  
 BL:GP 0218 #  
 BN:GP 0218 #

HG:4v GP 0219 As seyde hym self / moore than a curaat<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:3r GP 0219 Curat<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0219 hymself , curaat  
 BN:GP 0219 hymself , curat ,

HG:4v GP 0220 For of his ordre / he was licenciaat<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:3r GP 0220 licenciaat<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0220 # licenciaat .  
 BN:GP 0220 # licenciaat .

HG:4v GP 0221 Ful swetely / herde he confessiou<sup>-</sup> #  
 EL:3r GP 0221  
 BL:GP 0221 # confessioun  
 BN:GP 0221 # confessioun ,

HG:4v GP 0222 And plesant<sup>7</sup>. was his absoluciou<sup>-</sup> #  
 EL:3r GP 0222 plesaunt<sup>7</sup> Absoluciou<sup>-</sup>  
 BL:GP 0222 plesant absolucioun .  
 BN:GP 0222 plesaunt absolucioun :

HG:4v GP 0223 He was an esy man / to yeue penaunce #  
 EL:3r GP 0223  
 BL:GP 0223 #  
 BN:GP 0223 # yeve ,



HG:4v GP 0224 Ther as he wiste / to haue a good pitaunce #  
EL:3r GP 0224 #  
BL:GP 0224 # have  
BN:GP 0224 #

HG:4v GP 0225 For vn to a poure ordre / for to yeue  
EL:3r GP 0225 yieue  
BL:GP 0225 vnto #  
BN:GP 0225 unto povre # yive

HG:4v GP 0226 Is signe / that a man / is wel yshryue #  
EL:3r GP 0226 p<sup>t</sup> #  
BL:GP 0226 # #  
BN:GP 0226 # # yshryue ;

HG:4v GP 0227 For if he yaf<sup>7</sup> # he dorste make auaunt<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:3r GP 0227 yaf /  
BL:GP 0227 yaf , auaunt  
BN:GP 0227 yaf , auaunt ,

HG:4v GP 0228 He wiste / p<sup>t</sup> a man was repentaunt<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:3r GP 0228 that  
BL:GP 0228 # that repentaunt ,  
BN:GP 0228 # that repentaunt ;

HG:4v GP 0229 For many a man / so hard is of his herte #  
EL:3r GP 0229 #  
BL:GP 0229 #  
BN:GP 0229 #

HG:4v GP 0230 He may nat weepe / thogh p<sup>t</sup> he soore smerte #  
EL:3r GP 0230 wepe al thogh # hym  
BL:GP 0230 # that  
BN:GP 0230 wepe , althogh # hym

HG:4v GP 0231 Ther fore / in stede of wepynge / and preyeres  
EL:3r GP 0231 Therefore #  
BL:GP 0231 Therefore #  
BN:GP 0231 Therefore #

HG:4v GP 0232 Men moote yeue siluer / to the poure freres #  
EL:3r GP 0232 #  
BL:GP 0232 #  
BN:GP 0232 yeve silver # povre

HG:5r GP 0233 ¶ His typet<sup>7</sup> was ay farsed ful of knyues  
EL:3r GP 0233 #  
BL:GP 0233 # typet  
BN:GP 0233 # typet knyves

HG:5r GP 0234 And pynnes / for to yeuen faire wyues #  
EL:3r GP 0234 yonge  
BL:GP 0234 #  
BN:GP 0234 , yeven wyves .

HG:5r GP 0235 And certeynly / he hadde a murye noote #  
EL:3r GP 0235 certainly note  
BL:GP 0235 #  
BN:GP 0235 certainly # note ;

HG:5r GP 0236 Wel koude he synge / and pleyen on a roote #  
EL:3r GP 0236 rote  
BL:GP 0236 #  
BN:GP 0236 # rote ;

HG:5r GP 0237 Of yeddynges / he bar outrely the prys #  
EL:3r GP 0237 baar pris  
BL:GP 0237 #  
BN:GP 0237 # baar pris .

HG:5r GP 0238 His nekke # whit was / as the flour delys #  
EL:3r GP 0238 / whit<sup>7</sup> # flour-de-lys .  
BL:GP 0238 # flour-de-lys ;  
BN:GP 0238 #

HG:5r GP 0239 Ther to # he stroong<sup>7</sup> was / as a Champioun #  
EL:3r GP 0239 / strong<sup>7</sup> # Champiou<sup>u</sup>  
BL:GP 0239 Therto stroong # champioun .  
BN:GP 0239 Therto strong # champioun .

HG:5r GP 0240 He knew the tauernes wel in euey # town  
EL:3r GP 0240 Tauernes al the toun  
BL:GP 0240  
BN:GP 0240 tavernes every toun

HG:5r GP 0241 And euey hostiler / and Tappestere  
EL:3v GP 0241 euerich Hostiler #  
BL:GP 0241 # tappestere  
BN:GP 0241 everich # tappestere

HG:5r GP 0242 Bet / than a lazer / or a beggestere #  
EL:3v GP 0242 # lazar<sup>7</sup> #  
BL:GP 0242 # #  
BN:GP 0242 # lazar #

HG:5r GP 0243 For vn to swich a worthy man / as he  
EL:3v GP 0243 #  
BL:GP 0243 vnto #  
BN:GP 0243 unto #

HG:5r GP 0244 Acorded nat / as by his facultee #  
EL:3v GP 0244 nat<sup>7</sup> #  
BL:GP 0244 #  
BN:GP 0244 ,

HG:5r GP 0245 To haue / with syke lazars aqueyntaunce #  
EL:3v GP 0245 # sike lazars Aqueyntau<sup>u</sup>ce  
BL:GP 0245 #  
BN:GP 0245 have # sike lazars

HG:5r GP 0246 It is nat honeste / it may noght auau<sup>u</sup>nce #  
EL:3v GP 0246 nat auau<sup>u</sup>ce  
BL:GP 0246  
BN:GP 0246 honest ; nat auau<sup>u</sup>nce ,

HG:5r GP 0247 For to deelen / with no swich poraille #  
EL:3v GP 0247 #  
BL:GP 0247 #  
BN:GP 0247 #

HG:5r GP 0248 But al with riche / and sellerys of vitaille #  
EL:3v GP 0248 w<sup>t</sup> selleres  
BL:GP 0248 #  
BN:GP 0248 # selleres

HG:5r GP 0249 And ouer al / ther as pfit sholde aryse #  
EL:3v GP 0249 # profit arise  
BL:GP 0249 oueral # profit arise .  
BN:GP 0249 over al , profit arise ,

HG:5r GP 0250 Curteys he was / and lowely of seruyse #  
EL:3v GP 0250 Curteis #  
BL:GP 0250 #  
BN:GP 0250 Curteis # seruyse ;

HG:5r GP 0251 Ther was no man / nowheer / so v<sup>u</sup>tuous #  
EL:3v GP 0251 nas nowher #  
BL:GP 0251 # # vertuou<sup>u</sup>s .  
BN:GP 0251 nas # nowher # vertuou<sup>u</sup>s .

HG:5r GP 0252 He was # the beste beggere / of his hous #  
 EL:3v GP 0252 / begger # in  
 BL:GP 0252 # in ;  
 BN:GP 0252 # in ;

HG:5r GP 0253 And yaf c<sup>?</sup>teyn ferme / for the graunt #  
 EL:3v GP 0253 <missing>  
 BL:GP 0253 certeyn # graunt ;  
 BN:GP 0252a [And] [yaf] [a] [certeyn] [ferme] # [for] [the] [graunt] [;]

HG:5r GP 0254 Noon of his bretheren / cam ther in his haunt #  
 EL:3v GP 0254 <missing>  
 BL:GP 0254 # haunt  
 BN:GP 0252b [Noon] [of] [his] [bretheren] # [cam] [ther] [in] [his] [haunt] [;]

HG:5r GP 0255 For thogh a wydwe / hadde noght a sho #  
 EL:3v GP 0255 thogh noght  
 BL:GP 0255 # noght ,  
 BN:GP 0253 # noght ,

HG:5r GP 0256 So plesant was his # {In} {principio} # #  
 EL:3v GP 0256 plesant (p<sup>i</sup>ncipio)  
 BL:GP 0256 plesant In principio  
 BN:GP 0254 plesant ~ In principio , ~

HG:5r GP 0257 Yet wolde he haue # a ferthyng # er he wente #  
 EL:3v GP 0257 /  
 BL:GP 0257 ferthyng .  
 BN:GP 0255 have ferthyng , .

HG:5r GP 0258 His purchaas / was wel better than his rente #  
 EL:3v GP 0258 purchas  
 BL:GP 0258 # .  
 BN:GP 0256 purchas # .

HG:5r GP 0259 And rage he koude / as it weere right a whelp #  
 EL:3v GP 0259 were right  
 BL:GP 0259 # whelp .  
 BN:GP 0257 , were whelp .

HG:5r GP 0260 In louedayes / # koude he muchel help #  
 EL:3v GP 0260 ther  
 BL:GP 0260 # help ,  
 BN:GP 0258 love-dayes # ther help ,

HG:5r GP 0261 For there / he was nat lyk a Cloystrer  
 EL:3v GP 0261 ther # lyk  
 BL:GP 0261 # lyk cloystrer  
 BN:GP 0259 ther # lyk cloysterer

HG:5r GP 0262 With a thredbare cope / as is a poure scoler #  
 EL:3v GP 0262 thredbare  
 BL:GP 0262 # ;  
 BN:GP 0260 thredbare , povre ,

HG:5r GP 0263 But he was lyk # a maister / or a Pope #  
 EL:3v GP 0263 / pope  
 BL:GP 0263 # pope .  
 BN:GP 0261 # pope .

HG:5r GP 0264 Of double worstede / was his semycope #  
 EL:3v GP 0264  
 BL:GP 0264 #  
 BN:GP 0262 # ,

HG:5r GP 0265 And rounded as a belle / out of the presse #  
 EL:3v GP 0265 That  
 BL:GP 0265 # .  
 BN:GP 0263 That # .

HG:5r GP 0266 Somwhat he lypsed / for his wantownesse #  
 EL:3v GP 0266 lipped  
 BL:GP 0266 #  
 BN:GP 0264 lipped ,

HG:5r GP 0267 To make his englyssh / sweete vp on his tonge #  
 EL:3v GP 0267 englyssh  
 BL:GP 0267 Englyssh # vpon ;  
 BN:GP 0265 Englyssh # upon ;

HG:5r GP 0268 And in his harpyng<sup>7</sup> # whan þ<sup>t</sup> he hadde songe #  
 EL:3v GP 0268 harpyng<sup>7</sup>.  
 BL:GP 0268 harpyng that  
 BN:GP 0266 harpyng , that

HG:5r GP 0269 Hise eyen twynkled / in his heed aryght<sup>7</sup>  
 EL:3v GP 0269 # aryght<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0269 # aryght  
 BN:GP 0267 His # aryght

HG:5r GP 0270 As doon the sterres / in the frosty nyght<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:3v GP 0270 # nyght<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0270 # nyght .  
 BN:GP 0268 # nyght .

HG:5r GP 0271 This worthy lymytour / was cleped huberd<sup>d</sup> #  
 EL:3v GP 0271 #  
 BL:GP 0271 # Huberd .  
 BN:GP 0269 # Huberd .

HG:5r GP 0272 ¶ A Marchant was ther / with a forked berd<sup>d</sup> #  
 EL:3v GP 0272 # {3A} # w<sup>t</sup>  
 BL:GP 0272 # marchant # berd  
 BN:GP 0270 # MERCHANT # berd ,

HG:5v GP 0273 In Motlee / and hye on hors he sat<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:3v GP 0273 # horse  
 BL:GP 0273 motlee , sat .  
 BN:GP 0271 mottelee , horse sat ;

HG:5v GP 0274 Vp on his heed / a Flaundryssh Beu<sup>e</sup> hat<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:3v GP 0274 #  
 BL:GP 0274 Vpon # Flaundryssh beuere-hat ,  
 BN:GP 0272 Upon # Flaundryssh bever hat ,

HG:5v GP 0275 His bootes clasped / faire and fetisly #  
 EL:3v GP 0275 #  
 BL:GP 0275 #  
 BN:GP 0273 #

HG:5v GP 0276 Hise resons / he spak # ful solempnely #  
 EL:3v GP 0276 # /  
 BL:GP 0276 #  
 BN:GP 0274 His #

HG:5v GP 0277 Sownyng<sup>7</sup> alwey / thencrees of his wynnyng<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:3v GP 0277 Sownyng #  
 BL:GP 0277 Sownyng # th'encrees wynnyng .  
 BN:GP 0275 Sownyng # th'encrees wynnyng .

HG:5v GP 0278 He wolde / the see weere kept<sup>7</sup> for any thyng<sup>7</sup>  
 EL:3v GP 0278 wolde # were  
 BL:GP 0278 # kept thyng  
 BN:GP 0276 wolde # were kept thyng

HG:5v GP 0279 Bitwixen Myddelburgh / and Orewelle #  
 EL:3v GP 0279 Bitwixe Middelburgh #  
 BL:GP 0279 Myddelburgh #  
 BN:GP 0277 Bitwixe Middelburgh #

HG:5v GP 0280 Wel koude he / in eschaunge / sheeldes selle #  
 EL:3v GP 0280 # # #  
 BL:GP 0280 # # #  
 BN:GP 0278 # # #

HG:5v GP 0281 This worthy man / ful wel his wit bisette #  
 EL:3v GP 0281 # # #  
 BL:GP 0281 # # #  
 BN:GP 0279 # # #

HG:5v GP 0282 Ther wiste no wight<sup>7</sup>. # that he was in dette #  
 EL:3v GP 0282 wight<sup>7</sup> / p<sup>t</sup>  
 BL:GP 0282 wight<sup>7</sup>  
 BN:GP 0280 wight<sup>7</sup>

HG:5v GP 0283 # So estaatly # was he / of his gou<sup>7</sup>naunce #  
 EL:3v GP 0283 estaatly / # gouernaunce  
 BL:GP 0283 ( # gouernaunce )  
 BN:GP 0281 estaatly # gouernaunce

HG:5v GP 0284 With his bargaynes / and w<sup>t</sup> his cheuysaunce #  
 EL:3v GP 0284 # with cheuysaunce  
 BL:GP 0284 # with cheuysaunce  
 BN:GP 0282 # with cheuysaunce

HG:5v GP 0285 For soothe / he was a worthy man with alle #  
 EL:3v GP 0285 sothe # withalle ;  
 BL:GP 0285 sothe #  
 BN:GP 0283 sothe #

HG:5v GP 0286 But # sooth to seyn / I noot how men hym calle #  
 EL:3v GP 0286 # # #  
 BL:GP 0286 # # #  
 BN:GP 0284 # # #

HG:5v GP 0287 ¶ A Clerc<sup>7</sup> ther was / of Oxenford also #  
 EL:3v GP 0287 # {3A} Clerc Oxenford<sup>6</sup>  
 BL:GP 0287 # cleric #  
 BN:GP 0285 # CLERK #

HG:5v GP 0288 That vn to logyk<sup>7</sup>. hadde longe ygo #  
 EL:3v GP 0288 logyk<sup>7</sup>/  
 BL:GP 0288 vnto logyk  
 BN:GP 0286 unto logyk

HG:5v GP 0289 As leene was his hors / as is a rake # #  
 EL:3v GP 0289 And # #  
 BL:GP 0289 # # #  
 BN:GP 0287 # # # , 1

HG:5v GP 0290 And he was nocht right fat<sup>7</sup> # I vndertake #  
 EL:3v GP 0290 nas nat right fat  
 BL:GP 0290 nas nat fat  
 BN:GP 0288 nas nat fat , undertake ,

HG:5v GP 0291 But looked holwe / and ther to sobrely #  
 EL:4r GP 0291 # therto  
 BL:GP 0291 # therto  
 BN:GP 0289 # therto

HG:5v GP 0292 Ful threedbaare / was his ou<sup>7</sup>este Courtepy #  
 EL:4r GP 0292 thredbare # ouereste courtepy  
 BL:GP 0292 # ouereste courtepy  
 BN:GP 0290 thredbare # overeste courtepy ,

HG:5v GP 0293 For he hadde / geten hym yet<sup>7</sup> no benefice #  
 EL:4r GP 0293 # yet  
 BL:GP 0293 # yet  
 BN:GP 0291 # yet

HG:5v GP 0294 Ne was so worldly / for to haue office #  
EL:4r GP 0294 #  
BL:GP 0294 # have ;  
BN:GP 0292 #

HG:5v GP 0295 For hym was leuere / haue at his beddes heed  
EL:4r GP 0295 #  
BL:GP 0295 #  
BN:GP 0293 leuere # have

HG:5v GP 0296 Twenty bookes / clad / in blak / or reed #  
EL:4r GP 0296 # # blak #  
BL:GP 0296 # # #  
BN:GP 0294 , # # ,

HG:5v GP 0297 Of Aristotle / and his Philosophye  
EL:4r GP 0297 Philosophie  
BL:GP 0297 # philosophye  
BN:GP 0295 # philosophie

HG:5v GP 0298 Than robes riche / or Fithete / or gay Sautrye #  
EL:4r GP 0298 # fithete Sautrie  
BL:GP 0298 # fithete # sautrye .  
BN:GP 0296 , fithete , sautrie .

HG:5v GP 0299 But al be / that he was a Philosophre #  
EL:4r GP 0299 # philosophre  
BL:GP 0299 # philosophre ,  
BN:GP 0297 #

HG:5v GP 0300 Yet hadde he / but litel gold in Cofre #  
EL:4r GP 0300 # cofre  
BL:GP 0300 # cofre .  
BN:GP 0298 # cofre ;

HG:5v GP 0301 But al that he myghte / of his frendes hente #  
EL:4r GP 0301 p<sup>t</sup> myghte frendes  
BL:GP 0301 #  
BN:GP 0299 # frendes ,

HG:5v GP 0302 On bookes / and on lernynge / he it spente #  
EL:4r GP 0302 # #  
BL:GP 0302 # # ,  
BN:GP 0300 # #

HG:5v GP 0303 And bisily / gan for the soules preye  
EL:4r GP 0303 #  
BL:GP 0303 #  
BN:GP 0301 #

HG:5v GP 0304 Of hem / that yaf hym / wher with to scoleye #  
EL:4r GP 0304 p<sup>t</sup> # wher w<sup>t</sup>  
BL:GP 0304 # # wherwith .  
BN:GP 0302 # # wherwith .

HG:5v GP 0305 Of studye / took he moost cure and moost heede #  
EL:4r GP 0305 studie # 7  
BL:GP 0305 #  
BN:GP 0303 studie #

HG:5v GP 0306 Noght oo word # spak<sup>7</sup> he / moore than was neede #  
EL:4r GP 0306 Noght o / spak #  
BL:GP 0306 # spak #  
BN:GP 0304 o spak #

HG:5v GP 0307 And that was spoke / in forme / and reuerence #  
EL:4r GP 0307 seyd # #  
BL:GP 0307 # # ;  
BN:GP 0305 seyd # # reverence ,

HG:5v GP 0308 And short<sup>7</sup> and quyk<sup>7</sup> and ful of heigh sentence #  
EL:4r GP 0308 hy  
BL:GP 0308 short quyk ,  
BN:GP 0306 short quyk hy ;

HG:5v GP 0309 Sownynge in moral v<sup>2</sup>tu / was his speche #  
EL:4r GP 0309  
BL:GP 0309 vertu # .  
BN:GP 0307 vertu # ,

HG:5v GP 0310 And gladly wolde he lerne / and gladly teche #  
EL:4r GP 0310 #  
BL:GP 0310 # .  
BN:GP 0308 # .

HG:5v GP 0311 ¶ A Sergeaunt of # lawe / waar / and wys #  
EL:4r GP 0311 # {3A} Sergeant the war #  
BL:GP 0311 # sergeaunt # #  
BN:GP 0309 # SERGEANT OF THE LAWE , war # ,

HG:5v GP 0312 That often / hadde been at the Parvys #  
EL:4r GP 0312 #  
BL:GP 0312 #  
BN:GP 0310 # ,

HG:6r GP 0313 Ther was also / ful ryche of excellence #  
EL:4r GP 0313 riche  
BL:GP 0313 ,  
BN:GP 0311 , riche .

HG:6r GP 0314 Discreet he was / and of greet reu<sup>2</sup>ence #  
EL:4r GP 0314 reuerence  
BL:GP 0314 # reuerence .  
BN:GP 0312 # reverence -

HG:6r GP 0315 He seemed swich / hise wordes weeren so wyse #  
EL:4r GP 0315 semed weren wise  
BL:GP 0315  
BN:GP 0313 semed , his weren wise .

HG:6r GP 0316 Iustice he was / ful often in Assise #  
EL:4r GP 0316  
BL:GP 0316 # assise  
BN:GP 0314 Justice # assise ,

HG:6r GP 0317 By patente / and by pleyn co<sup>-</sup>missiou<sup>-</sup> #  
EL:4r GP 0317  
BL:GP 0317 # commissioun .  
BN:GP 0315 # commissioun .

HG:6r GP 0318 For his science / and for his heigh reno<sup>2</sup> #  
EL:4r GP 0318 heigh reno<sup>-</sup>  
BL:GP 0318 # renoun  
BN:GP 0316 # renoun ,

HG:6r GP 0319 Of fees and robes / hadde he many oon #  
EL:4r GP 0319  
BL:GP 0319 # .  
BN:GP 0317 # .

HG:6r GP 0320 So greet a purchasour / was nowher noon #  
EL:4r GP 0320  
BL:GP 0320 # .  
BN:GP 0318 # .

HG:6r GP 0321 Al was fee symple / to hym / in effect<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:4r GP 0321 # # effect ,  
BL:GP 0321 # # effect ,  
BN:GP 0319 # # effect ;

HG:6r GP 0322 His purchasyng<sup>7</sup> myghte nat been infect<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:4r GP 0322  
 BL:GP 0322 purchasyng infect .  
 BN:GP 0320 purchasyng infect .

HG:6r GP 0323 Nowher so bisy a man as he / ther nas #  
 EL:4r GP 0323 Nowher<sup>7</sup> #  
 BL:GP 0323 #  
 BN:GP 0321 # ,

HG:6r GP 0324 And yet he seemed / bisyer than he was #  
 EL:4r GP 0324 semed bisier  
 BL:GP 0324 #  
 BN:GP 0322 semed # bisier .

HG:6r GP 0325 In t<sup>mes</sup> / hadde he caas / and doomes alle  
 EL:4r GP 0325 # #  
 BL:GP 0325 termes # #  
 BN:GP 0323 termes # #

HG:6r GP 0326 That from # tyme # of kyng William / weere falle #  
 EL:4r GP 0326 the / william # were yfalle  
 BL:GP 0326 #  
 BN:GP 0324 the # were .

HG:6r GP 0327 Ther to / he koude endite / and make a thyng<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:4r GP 0327 # #  
 BL:GP 0327 Therto # # thyng ,  
 BN:GP 0325 Therto # # thyng ,

HG:6r GP 0328 Ther koude no wight<sup>7</sup> # pynchen at his writyng<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:4r GP 0328 wight<sup>7</sup> /  
 BL:GP 0328 wight writyng ,  
 BN:GP 0326 wight pynche writyng ;

HG:6r GP 0329 And euery statut<sup>7</sup> . # koude he pleyn by roote #  
 EL:4r GP 0329 statut<sup>7</sup> / rote  
 BL:GP 0329 statut .  
 BN:GP 0327 every statut rote .

HG:6r GP 0330 He rood but hoomly / in a medlee coote #  
 EL:4r GP 0330 # cote  
 BL:GP 0330 #  
 BN:GP 0328 # cote ,

HG:6r GP 0331 Girt with a ceynt of sylk<sup>7</sup> . # with barres smale #  
 EL:4r GP 0331 w<sup>t</sup> ceint silk<sup>7</sup> w<sup>t</sup>  
 BL:GP 0331 sylk  
 BN:GP 0329 ceint silk , ;

HG:6r GP 0332 Of his array / telle I no lenger tale #  
 EL:4r GP 0332 #  
 BL:GP 0332 # .  
 BN:GP 0330 # .

HG:6r GP 0333 ¶ A Frankeleyn / was in his compaigny #  
 EL:4r GP 0333 # {3A} compaignye  
 BL:GP 0333 # frankeleyn # compaignye .  
 BN:GP 0331 # FRANKELEYN # compaignye .

HG:6r GP 0334 Whit was his berd / as is the dayesye #  
 EL:4r GP 0334 #  
 BL:GP 0334 # ;  
 BN:GP 0332 # ;

HG:6r GP 0335 Of his complexcion / he was sangwyn #  
 EL:4r GP 0335 complexiou<sup>r</sup>  
 BL:GP 0335 # .  
 BN:GP 0333 complexioun # .



HG:6r GP 0336 Wel loued he by the morwe / a sop<sup>r</sup> in wyn #  
EL:4r GP 0336 # # sop .  
BL:GP 0336 loved # sop ;  
BN:GP 0334 loved # sop ;

HG:6r GP 0337 To lyuen in delyt<sup>r</sup> was euere his wone #  
EL:4r GP 0337 delit<sup>r</sup>  
BL:GP 0337 delyt ,  
BN:GP 0335 lyven delit euere ,

HG:6r GP 0338 For he was / Epicurus owene sone #  
EL:4r GP 0338 #  
BL:GP 0338 # ,  
BN:GP 0336 # ,

HG:6r GP 0339 That heeld opynyoud / p<sup>t</sup> pleyn delit  
EL:4v GP 0339 opiniou<sup>r</sup> that  
BL:GP 0339 opynyon # that  
BN:GP 0337 opinioun # that

HG:6r GP 0340 Was verray / felicitee parfit<sup>r</sup> #  
EL:4v GP 0340 #  
BL:GP 0340 # parfit .  
BN:GP 0338 # parfit .

HG:6r GP 0341 An housholdere / and that a greet # was hee #  
EL:4v GP 0341 housholder<sup>r</sup> he  
BL:GP 0341 # ,  
BN:GP 0339 , , he ;

HG:6r GP 0342 Seint Iulyan he was # / in his contree #  
EL:4v GP 0342 Seint<sup>r</sup> Iulian # he #  
BL:GP 0342 # #  
BN:GP 0340 Julian # he # .

HG:6r GP 0343 His breed / his ale / was always after oon #  
EL:4v GP 0343 # Ale #  
BL:GP 0343 # # ,  
BN:GP 0341 , , ;

HG:6r GP 0344 A bettre envyned man / was neuere noon #  
EL:4v GP 0344 neu<sup>r</sup>e  
BL:GP 0344 # #  
BN:GP 0342 # nowher .

HG:6r GP 0345 With outen bake mete / was neuere his hous #  
EL:4v GP 0345 With oute neu<sup>r</sup>e  
BL:GP 0345 Withouten # #  
BN:GP 0343 Withoute # nevere ,

HG:6r GP 0346 Of fressh<sup>n</sup> fissh<sup>n</sup> / and fless<sup>n</sup> / and that so plenteuous  
EL:4v GP 0346 fissh<sup>n</sup> # # plenteuous  
BL:GP 0346 fressh<sup>n</sup> fissh<sup>n</sup> # fless<sup>n</sup> ,  
BN:GP 0344 fissh<sup>n</sup> # # fless<sup>n</sup> ,

HG:6r GP 0347 It snewed in his hous / of mete and drynke #  
EL:4v GP 0347 # #  
BL:GP 0347 # #  
BN:GP 0345 # # ;

HG:6r GP 0348 Of alle deyntees / p<sup>t</sup> men koude bithynke #  
EL:4v GP 0348 that thynke  
BL:GP 0348 # that  
BN:GP 0346 # that thynke ,

HG:6r GP 0349 After / the sondry sesons / of the yeer #  
EL:4v GP 0349 After<sup>r</sup> #  
BL:GP 0349 # #  
BN:GP 0347 # # ,

HG:6r GP 0350 So chaunged he / his mete / and his Soper #  
 EL:4v GP 0350 # # soper  
 BL:GP 0350 # # soper .  
 BN:GP 0348 # # soper .

HG:6r GP 0351 Ful many a fat partrych / hadde he in Muwe #  
 EL:4v GP 0351 partrich # #  
 BL:GP 0351 # # muwe  
 BN:GP 0349 partrich # # muwe ,

HG:6r GP 0352 And many a breem / and many a luce in Stuwe #  
 EL:4v GP 0352 Breem # # Luce  
 BL:GP 0352 # # stuwe .  
 BN:GP 0350 # # stuwe .

HG:6v GP 0353 Wo was his Cook7 / but if his Sauce weere  
 EL:4v GP 0353 # # sauce were  
 BL:GP 0353 cook # # sauce  
 BN:GP 0351 cook # # sauce were

HG:6v GP 0354 Poynaunt7 # and sharp / and redy al his geere #  
 EL:4v GP 0354 Poynaunt /  
 BL:GP 0354 Poynaunt sharp #  
 BN:GP 0352 Poynaunt sharp ,

HG:6v GP 0355 Hys table dormaunt7 in his halle alway  
 EL:4v GP 0355 His dormant7  
 BL:GP 0355 dormaunt  
 BN:GP 0353 His dormant

HG:6v GP 0356 Stood redy couered / al the longe day #  
 EL:4v GP 0356 # #  
 BL:GP 0356 # #  
 BN:GP 0354 covered # #

HG:6v GP 0357 At sessions / ther was he / lord and sire #  
 EL:4v GP 0357 sessiou's # #  
 BL:GP 0357 # #  
 BN:GP 0355 session's # # ;

HG:6v GP 0358 Ful ofte tyme / he was knyght of the Shire #  
 EL:4v GP 0358 # # knyght shire  
 BL:GP 0358 # # shire .  
 BN:GP 0356 # # shire .

HG:6v GP 0359 An Anlaas / and a Gipser / al of sylk7  
 EL:4v GP 0359 # # gipser # # silk7  
 BL:GP 0359 anlaas # # gipser # # sylk  
 BN:GP 0357 anlaas # # gipser # # silk

HG:6v GP 0360 Heeng7 at his girdel / whit as morne mylk7 #  
 EL:4v GP 0360 Heeng # # morne Milk /  
 BL:GP 0360 Heeng # # morne-myilk .  
 BN:GP 0358 Heeng , # morne milk .

HG:6v GP 0361 A Shirreue hadde he been / and # Countour #  
 EL:4v GP 0361 shirreue # #  
 BL:GP 0361 shirreue # # countour .  
 BN:GP 0359 shirreve , # a contour .

HG:6v GP 0362 Was nowheer / swich a worthy vauasour #  
 EL:4v GP 0362 nowher # #  
 BL:GP 0362 # #  
 BN:GP 0360 nowher # # vavasour .

HG:6v GP 0363 ¶ An haberdasshere / and a Carpenter #  
 EL:4v GP 0363 # {3A}N haberdassher # #  
 BL:GP 0363 # # carpenter ,  
 BN:GP 0361 # AN HABERDASSHERE # # CARPENTER ,

HG:6v GP 0364 A Webbe / a Dyere / and a Tapycer #  
EL:4v GP 0364  
BL:GP 0364 webbe , dyere # tapycer ,  
BN:GP 0362 WEBBE , DYERE , TAPYCER -

HG:6v GP 0365 And they weere clothed alle / in oo lyu<sup>2</sup>ee  
EL:4v GP 0365 were # o  
BL:GP 0365 # lyueree  
BN:GP 0363 were # o lyveree

HG:6v GP 0366 Of a solempne / and a greet frat<sup>2</sup>nytee #  
EL:4v GP 0366 fraternitee  
BL:GP 0366 # fraternytee .  
BN:GP 0364 # fraternitee .

HG:6v GP 0367 Ful fressh and newe / hir geere apyked was #  
EL:4v GP 0367 apiked  
BL:GP 0367 fressh # .  
BN:GP 0365 fressh # apiked ;

HG:6v GP 0368 Hir knyues # weere chaped / noght with bras #  
EL:4v GP 0368 / were #  
BL:GP 0368 #  
BN:GP 0366 knyves were #

HG:6v GP 0369 But al with siluer / wroght ful cleene and wel #  
EL:4v GP 0369 w<sup>t</sup> # wroght clene weel  
BL:GP 0369 #  
BN:GP 0367 silver , clene weel ,

HG:6v GP 0370 Hir girdles / and hir pouches / euerydel #  
EL:4v GP 0370 Hir # # euerydeel  
BL:GP 0370 # # euery del .  
BN:GP 0368 Hire # # euerydeel .

HG:6v GP 0371 Wel seemed eech of hem / a fair Burgeys  
EL:4v GP 0371 semed ech burgeys  
BL:GP 0371 # burgeys  
BN:GP 0369 semed ech # burgeys

HG:6v GP 0372 To sitten in a yeldehalle / on a deys #  
EL:4v GP 0372  
BL:GP 0372 #  
BN:GP 0370 #

HG:6v GP 0373 Euerych / for the wisdom / p<sup>t</sup> he kan #  
EL:4v GP 0373 Euerich #  
BL:GP 0373 # # that  
BN:GP 0371 Everich , # that ,

HG:6v GP 0374 Was shaply / for to been an Alderman #  
EL:4v GP 0374 #  
BL:GP 0374 # alderman ,  
BN:GP 0372 # alderman .

HG:6v GP 0375 For catel / hadde they ynogh / and rente #  
EL:4v GP 0375 # #  
BL:GP 0375 # #  
BN:GP 0373 # # ,

HG:6v GP 0376 And eek hir wyues / wolde it wel assente #  
EL:4v GP 0376 #  
BL:GP 0376 # -  
BN:GP 0374 wyves # ;

HG:6v GP 0377 And ellis certeyn / they weere # to blame #  
EL:4v GP 0377 elles # were they  
BL:GP 0377 #  
BN:GP 0375 elles # # were they .

HG:6v GP 0378 It is ful fair / to been yclepyd # madame # #  
 EL:4v GP 0378 ycleped  
 BL:GP 0378 #  
 BN:GP 0376 # ycleped " , "

HG:6v GP 0379 And goon to vigilies / al bifore #  
 EL:4v GP 0379  
 BL:GP 0379 #  
 BN:GP 0377 # ,

HG:6v GP 0380 And haue a Mantel / realliche ybore #  
 EL:4v GP 0380 # roialliche  
 BL:GP 0380 mantel #  
 BN:GP 0378 haue mantel # roialliche .

HG:6v GP 0381 ¶ A Cook they hadde with hem / for the nones  
 EL:4v GP 0381 # {3A} w<sup>t</sup> #  
 BL:GP 0381 # cook #  
 BN:GP 0379 # COOK #

HG:6v GP 0382 To boille the chiknes / with the Marybones #  
 EL:4v GP 0382 # w<sup>t</sup>  
 BL:GP 0382 # marybones  
 BN:GP 0380 # marybones ,

HG:6v GP 0383 And poudre marchaunt<sup>7</sup>. tart<sup>7</sup> and / Galyngale #  
 EL:4v GP 0383 poudre Marchant # galyngale  
 BL:GP 0383 poudre-marchaunt tart # galyngale .  
 BN:GP 0381 poudre-marchant tart # galyngale .

HG:6v GP 0384 Wel koude he knowe / a draughte of london ale #  
 EL:4v GP 0384 draughte Londou Ale  
 BL:GP 0384 # London  
 BN:GP 0382 # draughte Londoun .

HG:6v GP 0385 He koude rooste / and seethe / and broille / <sup>7</sup> frye #  
 EL:4v GP 0385 # sethe # boille # and  
 BL:GP 0385 # # # and ,  
 BN:GP 0383 , sethe , , and ,

HG:6v GP 0386 Maken Mortreux / and wel bake a pye #  
 EL:4v GP 0386  
 BL:GP 0386 mortreux #  
 BN:GP 0384 mortreux , .

HG:6v GP 0387 But greet harm was it / as it thoughte me #  
 EL:5r GP 0387 it<sup>7</sup> #  
 BL:GP 0387 #  
 BN:GP 0385 , ,

HG:6v GP 0388 That on his Shyne / a Mormal hadde he #  
 EL:5r GP 0388 shyne mormal  
 BL:GP 0388 shyne # mormal .  
 BN:GP 0386 shyne # mormal .

HG:6v GP 0389 For Blankmanger / that maade he with the beste #  
 EL:5r GP 0389 blankmanger<sup>7</sup> # made  
 BL:GP 0389 blankmanger #  
 BN:GP 0387 blankmanger , made .

HG:6v GP 0390 ¶ A Shipman was ther / wonyng fer by weste #  
 EL:5r GP 0390 # {3A} wonyng  
 BL:GP 0390 # shipman # ,  
 BN:GP 0388 # SHIPMAN , wonyng ;

HG:6v GP 0391 For aught I woot<sup>7</sup> # he was of Dertemouthe #  
 EL:5r GP 0391 aught woot /  
 BL:GP 0391 woot .  
 BN:GP 0389 woot , .

HG:6v GP 0392 He rood vp on a Rouncey / as he kouthe #  
EL:5r GP 0392  
BL:GP 0392 vpon rouncey #  
BN:GP 0390 upon rouncey ,

HG:7r GP 0393 In a gowne of faldyng<sup>7</sup> to the knee #  
EL:5r GP 0393  
BL:GP 0393 faldyng .  
BN:GP 0391 faldyng .

HG:7r GP 0394 A daggere # hangynge on a laas / hadde he #  
EL:5r GP 0394 dagge<sup>r</sup> / #  
BL:GP 0394 #  
BN:GP 0392 #

HG:7r GP 0395 Aboute his nekke / vnder his arm adown #  
EL:5r GP 0395 Arm adoun  
BL:GP 0395 #  
BN:GP 0393 , under adoun .

HG:7r GP 0396 The hoothe Somer / hadde maad his hewe al brown #  
EL:5r GP 0396 somer broun  
BL:GP 0396 somer #  
BN:GP 0394 somer # broun ;

HG:7r GP 0397 And certeynly / he was a good felawe #  
EL:5r GP 0397 certeinly  
BL:GP 0397 #  
BN:GP 0395 certeinly #

HG:7r GP 0398 Ful many a draughte of wyn / hadde he drawe  
EL:5r GP 0398 draughte had  
BL:GP 0398 #  
BN:GP 0396 draughte # had ydrawe

HG:7r GP 0399 Fro Burdeuxward<sup>d</sup> / whil þ<sup>t</sup> the Chapman sleep<sup>-</sup> #  
EL:5r GP 0399 that  
BL:GP 0399 Burdeuxward # that chapman sleep .  
BN:GP 0397 Burdeux-ward , that chapman sleep .

HG:7r GP 0400 Of nyce conscience / took he no keep<sup>-</sup> #  
EL:5r GP 0400  
BL:GP 0400 # keep .  
BN:GP 0398 # keep .

HG:7r GP 0401 If þ<sup>t</sup> he faught<sup>7</sup> and hadde the hyer hond<sup>d</sup> #  
EL:5r GP 0401 faught<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0401 that faught hond ,  
BN:GP 0399 that faught hond ,

HG:7r GP 0402 By watre # he sente hem hoom / to euery lond<sup>d</sup> #  
EL:5r GP 0402 water / #  
BL:GP 0402 # lond .  
BN:GP 0400 water # every lond .

HG:7r GP 0403 But of his craft<sup>7</sup> # to rekene wel his tydes #  
EL:5r GP 0403 craft /  
BL:GP 0403 craft ,  
BN:GP 0401 craft ,

HG:7r GP 0404 His stremys / and his daungers hym bisydes #  
EL:5r GP 0404 stremes bisides  
BL:GP 0404 #  
BN:GP 0402 stremes , bisides ,

HG:7r GP 0405 His [herberwe] # and his moone / his lodmenage #  
EL:5r GP 0405 herberwe / Lodmenage  
BL:GP 0405 herberwe ,  
BN:GP 0403 herberwe , lodmenage ,

HG:7r GP 0406 Ther was noon swich / from huff to Cartage #  
EL:5r GP 0406 nas # Huff  
BL:GP 0406 # Hull  
BN:GP 0404 nas # Hulle .

HG:7r GP 0407 Hardy he was / and wys # to vndertake #  
EL:5r GP 0407 # /  
BL:GP 0407 #  
BN:GP 0405 # undertake ;

HG:7r GP 0408 With many a tempest<sup>7</sup> # hadde his beerd been shake #  
EL:5r GP 0408 tempest / berd  
BL:GP 0408 tempest  
BN:GP 0406 tempest berd .

HG:7r GP 0409 He knew alle the hauenes / as they weere #  
EL:5r GP 0409 Hauenes were  
BL:GP 0409 #  
BN:GP 0407 havenes , were ,

HG:7r GP 0410 Fro Gootlond / to the cape of Fynysteere #  
EL:5r GP 0410 Gootlond<sup>8</sup> Cape Fynystere  
BL:GP 0410 # Cape  
BN:GP 0408 # Fynystere ,

HG:7r GP 0411 And euery cryke / in Britaigne / and in Spaigne #  
EL:5r GP 0411 # # Spayne  
BL:GP 0411 # #  
BN:GP 0409 every # # Spayne .

HG:7r GP 0412 His barge / yclepyd was the Mawdelayne #  
EL:5r GP 0412 Barge ycleped Maudelayne  
BL:GP 0412 #  
BN:GP 0410 # ycleped Maudelayne .

HG:7r GP 0413 ¶ With vs / ther was / a Doctour of Phisyk<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:5r GP 0413 # {3W}ith # Phisik  
BL:GP 0413 # # doctour phisyk .  
BN:GP 0411 # us # # DOCTOUR OF PHISIK ;

HG:7r GP 0414 In al this world / ne was ther noon hym lyk<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:5r GP 0414 # lik /  
BL:GP 0414 # lyk  
BN:GP 0412 # lik ,

HG:7r GP 0415 To speken of Phisyk<sup>7</sup> # and of Surgerye #  
EL:5r GP 0415 speke phisik /  
BL:GP 0415 phisyk surgerye .  
BN:GP 0413 speke phisik surgerye ,

HG:7r GP 0416 For he was grounded / in Astronomye #  
EL:5r GP 0416 #  
BL:GP 0416 # astronomye  
BN:GP 0414 # astronomye .

HG:7r GP 0417 He kepte his pacient<sup>7</sup> a ful greet deel  
EL:5r GP 0417  
BL:GP 0417 pacient  
BN:GP 0415 pacient

HG:7r GP 0418 In houres / by his magyk natureel #  
EL:5r GP 0418 # ;  
BL:GP 0418 #  
BN:GP 0416 # .

HG:7r GP 0419 Wel koude he fortunen / the ascendent<sup>7</sup>  
EL:5r GP 0419 # Ascendent<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0419 # ascendent  
BN:GP 0417 # ascendent

HG:7r GP 0420 . Of hise ymages / for his pacient<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:5r GP 0420  
BL:GP 0420 # pacient .  
BN:GP 0418 his # pacient .

HG:7r GP 0421 He knew the cause / of euery maladye #  
EL:5r GP 0421 euerich  
BL:GP 0421 #  
BN:GP 0419 # everich ,

HG:7r GP 0422 Weere it<sup>7</sup> of hoot / or coold / or moyste / or drye #  
EL:5r GP 0422 Were it hoot<sup>7</sup> #  
BL:GP 0422 it # # #  
BN:GP 0420 Were it , , ,

HG:7r GP 0423 And where it engendred / and of what humour #  
EL:5r GP 0423 they humo<sup>r</sup>  
BL:GP 0423 #  
BN:GP 0421 they ,

HG:7r GP 0424 He was a verray / pfit practisour #  
EL:5r GP 0424 # parfit praktisour  
BL:GP 0424 , parfit  
BN:GP 0422 , parfit praktisour :

HG:7r GP 0425 The cause yknowe / and of his harm the roote #  
EL:5r GP 0425  
BL:GP 0425 # ,  
BN:GP 0423 ,

HG:7r GP 0426 Anoon he yaf / the sike man his boote #  
EL:5r GP 0426 Anon  
BL:GP 0426 #  
BN:GP 0424 Anon #

HG:7r GP 0427 ¶ Ful redy hadde he / hise Apothecaryes  
EL:5r GP 0427 # Apothecaries  
BL:GP 0427 # # apothecaryes  
BN:GP 0425 # # his apothecaries

HG:7r GP 0428 To senden hym / his drogges / and his letuaryes #  
EL:5r GP 0428 sende # # # letuaries  
BL:GP 0428 # #  
BN:GP 0426 sende # # # letuaries ,

HG:7r GP 0429 For eech of hem / maade oother for to wyne #  
EL:5r GP 0429 ech made  
BL:GP 0429 #  
BN:GP 0427 ech # made -

HG:7r GP 0430 Hir frendshipe / was nocht newe to bigynne #  
EL:5r GP 0430 nas nat  
BL:GP 0430 #  
BN:GP 0428 # nas nat

HG:7r GP 0431 Wel knew he / the oolde Esculapyus #  
EL:5r GP 0431 olde Esculapius  
BL:GP 0431 #  
BN:GP 0429 # olde Esculapius ,

HG:7r GP 0432 And Discorides / and eek<sup>7</sup> Rufus #  
EL:5r GP 0432 Deyscorides eek Risus  
BL:GP 0432 # eek ,  
BN:GP 0430 Deyscorides , eek ,

HG:7v GP 0433 Olde ypocras / Haly / and Galyen #  
EL:5r GP 0433 haly  
BL:GP 0433 Ypocras , # ,  
BN:GP 0431 Ypocras , ,

HG:7v GP 0434 Serapion / Razis / and Avycen #  
EL:5r GP 0434 Serapio<sup>u</sup> # Auycen  
BL:GP 0434 , # ,  
BN:GP 0432 , ,

HG:7v GP 0435 Auerroys / Damascien / and Constantyn #  
EL:5v GP 0435 Auerrois  
BL:GP 0435 , # ,  
BN:GP 0433 Averrois , ,

HG:7v GP 0436 Bernard / and Gatesden / and Gilbertyn #  
EL:5v GP 0436 Bernard<sup>o</sup>  
BL:GP 0436 # # .  
BN:GP 0434 , , .

HG:7v GP 0437 Of his diete / me< >surable was hee #  
EL:5v GP 0437 mesurable he  
BL:GP 0437 # mesurable  
BN:GP 0435 # mesurable he ,

HG:7v GP 0438 For it was / of no supfluytee #  
EL:5v GP 0438 supfluitee  
BL:GP 0438 # superfluytee ,  
BN:GP 0436 # superfluitee ,

HG:7v GP 0439 But of greet norissyng / and digestible #  
EL:5v GP 0439 norissyng<sup>7</sup> #  
BL:GP 0439 # .  
BN:GP 0437 norissyng # .

HG:7v GP 0440 His studye / was but litel on the Bible #  
EL:5v GP 0440 studie #  
BL:GP 0440 # .  
BN:GP 0438 studie # .

HG:7v GP 0441 In sangwyn and in Pers / he clad was al #  
EL:5v GP 0441 pers  
BL:GP 0441 pers # ,  
BN:GP 0439 pers # ,

HG:7v GP 0442 Lyned with Taffata / and with Sendal #  
EL:5v GP 0442  
BL:GP 0442 taffata # sendal .  
BN:GP 0440 taffata # sendal .

HG:7v GP 0443 And yet he was / but esy of dispence #  
EL:5v GP 0443  
BL:GP 0443 # ,  
BN:GP 0441 # ;

HG:7v GP 0444 He kepte / þ<sup>t</sup> he wan in pestilence #  
EL:5v GP 0444 that  
BL:GP 0444 # that .  
BN:GP 0442 # that .

HG:7v GP 0445 For gold in Phisyk<sup>7</sup>. is a Cordial #  
EL:5v GP 0445 Phisyk<sup>7</sup> cordial  
BL:GP 0445 phisyk cordial ,  
BN:GP 0443 phisyk cordial ,

HG:7v GP 0446 Ther fore / he loued gold in special #  
EL:5v GP 0446 Therefore # louede  
BL:GP 0446 Therefore # .  
BN:GP 0444 Therefore # lovede .

HG:7v GP 0447 ¶ A good wyf was ther / of bisyde Bathe #  
EL:5v GP 0447 # {3A} good wif # biside  
BL:GP 0447 # good-wyf # ,  
BN:GP 0445 # good WIF # OF biside BATHE ,



HG:7v GP 0448 But she was somdel deef7 # and that was scathe #  
EL:5v GP 0448 deef 7 b<sup>t</sup>  
BL:GP 0448 deef .  
BN:GP 0446 deef , .

HG:7v GP 0449 Of clooth makyng / she hadde swich an haunt7  
EL:5v GP 0449 clooth makyng7 #  
BL:GP 0449 clooth-makyng # haunt  
BN:GP 0447 clooth-makyng # haunt

HG:7v GP 0450 She passed hem / of Ipres / and of Gaunt7 #  
EL:5v GP 0450 # ypres #  
BL:GP 0450 # # Gaunt .  
BN:GP 0448 # Ypres # Gaunt .

HG:7v GP 0451 In al the parysshe / wyf ne was ther noon  
EL:5v GP 0451 parisshe wif  
BL:GP 0451 # #  
BN:GP 0449 parisshe # wif

HG:7v GP 0452 That to the offryng / bifore hire sholde goon #  
EL:5v GP 0452 # hir<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0452 # ;  
BN:GP 0450 # ;

HG:7v GP 0453 And if ther dide / certeyn / so wrooth was shee  
EL:5v GP 0453 # # she  
BL:GP 0453 , # #  
BN:GP 0451 , # # she

HG:7v GP 0454 That she was / out of alle charitee #  
EL:5v GP 0454 # .  
BL:GP 0454 # .  
BN:GP 0452 # .

HG:7v GP 0455 Hir Cou<sup>7</sup>chiefes / ful fyne weere of grownd<sup>d</sup> #  
EL:5v GP 0455 cou<sup>7</sup>chiefs were ground<sup>d</sup>  
BL:GP 0455 couerchiefes # ground .  
BN:GP 0453 coverchiefes # weren ground ;

HG:7v GP 0456 I dorste swere / they weyeden . ten pownd<sup>d</sup>  
EL:5v GP 0456 # # pound<sup>d</sup>  
BL:GP 0456 # # pownd  
BN:GP 0454 # # pound

HG:7v GP 0457 That on a Sondag / weeren vp on hir heed #  
EL:5v GP 0457 sondag weren vpon heed<sup>d</sup>  
BL:GP 0457 # # vpon .  
BN:GP 0455 # weren upon .

HG:7v GP 0458 Hir hosen weeren / of fyn Scarlet reed #  
EL:5v GP 0458 weren # reed<sup>d</sup>  
BL:GP 0458 # # scarlet  
BN:GP 0456 weren # scarlet ,

HG:7v GP 0459 Ful streyte yteyd / and shoes / ful moyste 7 newe #  
EL:5v GP 0459 streite # #  
BL:GP 0459 # # and .  
BN:GP 0457 streite , # # and .

HG:7v GP 0460 Boold was hir face / and fair # and reed of hewe #  
EL:5v GP 0460 # .  
BL:GP 0460 # .  
BN:GP 0458 # .

HG:7v GP 0461 She was a worthy wo<sup>-</sup>man / al hir lyue #  
EL:5v GP 0461 # #  
BL:GP 0461 womman # .  
BN:GP 0459 womman # lyve :

HG:7v GP 0462 Housbondes at chirche dore / she hadde fyue #  
 EL:5v GP 0462  
 BL:GP 0462 chirche-dore #  
 BN:GP 0460 # fyve ,

HG:7v GP 0463 With outen oother compaignye / in yowthe #  
 EL:5v GP 0463 Withouten # youthe  
 BL:GP 0463 Withouten # —  
 BN:GP 0461 Withouten # youthe —

HG:7v GP 0464 But ther of / nedeth nocht<sup>7</sup> to speke as nowthe #  
 EL:5v GP 0464 nat  
 BL:GP 0464 therof # nocht  
 BN:GP 0462 thereof # nat

HG:7v GP 0465 And thries / hadde she been at Ierusalem #  
 EL:5v GP 0465  
 BL:GP 0465 #  
 BN:GP 0463 # Jerusalem ;

HG:7v GP 0466 She hadde passed / many a straunge strem #  
 EL:5v GP 0466  
 BL:GP 0466 #  
 BN:GP 0464 # ;

HG:7v GP 0467 At Rome she hadde been / and at Boloynne #  
 EL:5v GP 0467 # Boloigne  
 BL:GP 0467 #  
 BN:GP 0465 , Boloigne ,

HG:7v GP 0468 In Galyce at Seint Iame / and at Coloyne #  
 EL:5v GP 0468 Galice Coloigne  
 BL:GP 0468 seint Iame #  
 BN:GP 0466 Galice Seint-Jame , Coloigne .

HG:7v GP 0469 She koude muchel / of wandrynge by the weye #  
 EL:5v GP 0469  
 BL:GP 0469 # :  
 BN:GP 0467 # .

HG:7v GP 0470 Gattothed was she / soothly for to seye #  
 EL:5v GP 0470 Gat tothed  
 BL:GP 0470 Gat-tothed #  
 BN:GP 0468 Gat-tothed ,

HG:7v GP 0471 Vp on an Amblere / esily she sat<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:5v GP 0471 Ambler<sup>7</sup> sat  
 BL:GP 0471 Vpon ambler # sat  
 BN:GP 0469 Upon ambler # sat ,

HG:7v GP 0472 Ywympled wel / and on hir heed an hat<sup>7</sup>  
 EL:5v GP 0472  
 BL:GP 0472 , hat  
 BN:GP 0470 , hat

HG:8r GP 0473 As brood # as is / a Bokeler / or a Targe #  
 EL:5v GP 0473 / # bokeler # targe  
 BL:GP 0473 # bokeler # targe ,  
 BN:GP 0471 # bokeler # targe ;

HG:8r GP 0474 A foot mantel / aboute hir hypes large #  
 EL:5v GP 0474 hipes  
 BL:GP 0474 foot-mantel #  
 BN:GP 0472 foot-mantel # hipes ,

HG:8r GP 0475 And on hir feet<sup>7</sup> a peyre of spores sharpe #  
 EL:5v GP 0475 paire  
 BL:GP 0475 feet  
 BN:GP 0473 feet paire .

HG:8r GP 0476 In felaweshipe / wel koude she laughe . ^ ^ and carpe #  
EL:5v GP 0476 felaweship # # 7  
BL:GP 0476 # #  
BN:GP 0474 # #

HG:8r GP 0477 Of remedies of loue / she knew p . ^ ^ chaunce #  
EL:5v GP 0477 p chaunce  
BL:GP 0477 # parchaunce  
BN:GP 0475 love # per chaunce ,

HG:8r GP 0478 For she koude of that art? the olde daunce #  
EL:5v GP 0478 Art  
BL:GP 0478 art  
BN:GP 0476 art

HG:8r GP 0479 ¶ A good man / was ther / of Religioun #  
EL:5v GP 0479 # {3A} # #  
BL:GP 0479 # good-man # # religioun  
BN:GP 0477 # # # religioun ,

HG:8r GP 0480 And was # a poure pson / of a toun #  
EL:5v GP 0480 / psou #  
BL:GP 0480 person # ,  
BN:GP 0478 povre PERSOUN # OF A TOUN ,

HG:8r GP 0481 But riche he was / of holy thoght and werk? #  
EL:5v GP 0481 hooly thoght 7 werk  
BL:GP 0481 # werk  
BN:GP 0479 # hooly werk

HG:8r GP 0482 He was also / a lerned man # a Clerk? #  
EL:5v GP 0482 clerk?  
BL:GP 0482 # , clerk  
BN:GP 0480 # , clerk ,

HG:8r GP 0483 That Cristes gospel / trewely wolde p?che #  
EL:6r GP 0483 cristes # preche  
BL:GP 0483 # preche .  
BN:GP 0481 # preche ;

HG:8r GP 0484 His parissshens / deuoutly wolde he teche #  
EL:6r GP 0484 Hise parissshens  
BL:GP 0484 #  
BN:GP 0482 # devoutly

HG:8r GP 0485 Benygne he was / and wonder diligent #  
EL:6r GP 0485  
BL:GP 0485 #  
BN:GP 0483 ,

HG:8r GP 0486 And in aduersitee / ful pacient? #  
EL:6r GP 0486 Adu?sitee #  
BL:GP 0486 # pacient ,  
BN:GP 0484 aduersitee # pacient ,

HG:8r GP 0487 And swich # he was proeued / ofte sythes #  
EL:6r GP 0487 / preued # sithes  
BL:GP 0487 #  
BN:GP 0485 ypreved # sithes .

HG:8r GP 0488 Ful looth weere hym / to cursen for his tythes #  
EL:6r GP 0488 were # hise tithes  
BL:GP 0488 #  
BN:GP 0486 were # tithes ,

HG:8r GP 0489 But rather wolde he yeuen / out of doute #  
EL:6r GP 0489 #  
BL:GP 0489 #  
BN:GP 0487 yeuen ,

HG:8r GP 0490 Vn to his poure parisshe aboute  
 EL:6r GP 0490 parisshe  
 BL:GP 0490 Vnto  
 BN:GP 0488 Unto povre

HG:8r GP 0491 Of his offryng / and eek of his substaunce #  
 EL:6r GP 0491 offryng # eek  
 BL:GP 0491 # eek  
 BN:GP 0489 offryng # eek

HG:8r GP 0492 He koude # in litel thyng / haue suffisaunce #  
 EL:6r GP 0492 / thyng #  
 BL:GP 0492 #  
 BN:GP 0490 # have

HG:8r GP 0493 Wyd was his parisshe / and houses fer a sonder #  
 EL:6r GP 0493 parisshe  
 BL:GP 0493 # asonder ,  
 BN:GP 0491 , asonder ,

HG:8r GP 0494 But he ne lafte noght # for reyn ne thonder #  
 EL:6r GP 0494 lefte nat  
 BL:GP 0494 noght  
 BN:GP 0492 lefte nat ,

HG:8r GP 0495 In siknesse / nor in meschief # to visite  
 EL:6r GP 0495 # meschief /  
 BL:GP 0495 # meschief  
 BN:GP 0493 # meschief

HG:8r GP 0496 The ferreste in his parisshe / muche and lyte #  
 EL:6r GP 0496 # lite  
 BL:GP 0496 #  
 BN:GP 0494 , lite ,

HG:8r GP 0497 Vp on his feet # and in his hond a staf #  
 EL:6r GP 0497 hand staf  
 BL:GP 0497 Vpon feet , staf .  
 BN:GP 0495 Upon feet , hand staf .

HG:8r GP 0498 This noble ensample / to his sheep he yaf #  
 EL:6r GP 0498 sheep yaf  
 BL:GP 0498 # yaf  
 BN:GP 0496 # yaf ,

HG:8r GP 0499 That first he wroghte / and afterward # he taughte #  
 EL:6r GP 0499 firste # that  
 BL:GP 0499 #  
 BN:GP 0497 ,

HG:8r GP 0500 Out of the gospel / he tho wordes caughte #  
 EL:6r GP 0500  
 BL:GP 0500 #  
 BN:GP 0498 #

HG:8r GP 0501 And this figure / he added eek ther to #  
 EL:6r GP 0501  
 BL:GP 0501 # therto :  
 BN:GP 0499 # therto ,

HG:8r GP 0502 That if gold ruste / what sholde Iren do #  
 EL:6r GP 0502 shal  
 BL:GP 0502 # iren ?  
 BN:GP 0500 , shal iren ?

HG:8r GP 0503 For if a preest be foul / in whom we truste #  
 EL:6r GP 0503 on  
 BL:GP 0503 #  
 BN:GP 0501 , on ,

HG:8r GP 0504 No wonder is / a lewed man to ruste #  
 EL:6r GP 0504  
 BL:GP 0504 # ;  
 BN:GP 0502 # ;

HG:8r GP 0505 And shame it is / if a preest take keep<sup>-</sup> #  
 EL:6r GP 0505  
 BL:GP 0505 ( keep )  
 BN:GP 0503 , preest keep ,

HG:8r GP 0506 A shiten Shepherde / and a clene sheep<sup>-</sup> #  
 EL:6r GP 0506 shepherde  
 BL:GP 0506 sheperde # sheep .  
 BN:GP 0504 shepherde # sheep .

HG:8r GP 0507 Wel oghte a preest<sup>7</sup> # ensample for to yiuē #  
 EL:6r GP 0507 preest / yeue  
 BL:GP 0507 preest  
 BN:GP 0505 preest yive ,

HG:8r GP 0508 By his clennessē / how þ<sup>t</sup> his sheep<sup>-</sup> sholde lyue #  
 EL:6r GP 0508  
 BL:GP 0508 # that sheep<sup>-</sup>  
 BN:GP 0506 , that lyve .

HG:8r GP 0509 He sette noght<sup>7</sup>. his benefice to hyre  
 EL:6r GP 0509 nat  
 BL:GP 0509 noght  
 BN:GP 0507 nat

HG:8r GP 0510 And leet his sheep<sup>-</sup> / encombred in the Myre  
 EL:6r GP 0510 sheep<sup>-</sup>  
 BL:GP 0510 # myre  
 BN:GP 0508 # myre

HG:8r GP 0511 And ran to Londou<sup>-</sup> / vn to Seint Poules  
 EL:6r GP 0511 londou<sup>-</sup> seint  
 BL:GP 0511 Londoun # vnto seint  
 BN:GP 0509 Londoun # unto Seinte

HG:8r GP 0512 To seeken hym / a Chauntrye for soules #  
 EL:6r GP 0512 seken # chauntrye  
 BL:GP 0512 # chauntrye  
 BN:GP 0510 seken # chaunterie ,

HG:8v GP 0513 Or with a bretherede / to been withhoolde #  
 EL:6r GP 0513 bretherhed withholde  
 BL:GP 0513 #  
 BN:GP 0511 bretherhed # withholde ;

HG:8v GP 0514 But dwelte at hoom / and kepte wel his foolde #  
 EL:6r GP 0514 dwelleth # kepeth folde  
 BL:GP 0514 #  
 BN:GP 0512 , folde ,

HG:8v GP 0515 So þ<sup>t</sup> the wolf<sup>7</sup> # ne maade it noght<sup>7</sup> myscarye #  
 EL:6r GP 0515 that wolf / made nat myscarie  
 BL:GP 0515 that wolf noght  
 BN:GP 0513 that wolf made nat myscarie ;

HG:8v GP 0516 He was a Shepherde / < > and noght a Mercenarye #  
 EL:6r GP 0516 Shepherde # Mercenarye  
 BL:GP 0516 shepherde # # mercenarye .  
 BN:GP 0514 shepherde # # mercenarye .

HG:8v GP 0517 And thogh he hooly weere < > / and vertuou<sup>s</sup> #  
 EL:6r GP 0517 thogh were # v<sup>2</sup>tuou<sup>s</sup>  
 BL:GP 0517 # #  
 BN:GP 0515 thogh were # # ,

HG:8v GP 0518 He was noght<sup>7</sup> to synful men # despitous #  
EL:6r GP 0518 nat<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0518 noght  
BN:GP 0516 # nat ,

HG:8v GP 0519 Ne of his speche / daungerous / ne digne #  
EL:6r GP 0519 # #  
BL:GP 0519 # # ,  
BN:GP 0517 # # ,

HG:8v GP 0520 But in his techyng<sup>7</sup> discret<sup>7</sup> and benygne #  
EL:6r GP 0520 discret  
BL:GP 0520 techyng discret  
BN:GP 0518 techyng discret .

HG:8v GP 0521 To drawen folk<sup>7</sup> to heuene / w<sup>t</sup> fairnesse #  
EL:6r GP 0521 folk # by  
BL:GP 0521 folk # with  
BN:GP 0519 folk hevene # by ,

HG:8v GP 0522 By good ensample / this was his bisynesse #  
EL:6r GP 0522  
BL:GP 0522 ,  
BN:GP 0520 ,

HG:8v GP 0523 But it weere / any psone obstynaat<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:6r GP 0523 were persone obstinat<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0523 # persone obstynaat ,  
BN:GP 0521 were # persone obstinat ,

HG:8v GP 0524 What so he weere / of heigh / or lowe estaat<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:6r GP 0524 were # lough estat  
BL:GP 0524 Whatso # # estaat ,  
BN:GP 0522 were , # lough estat ,

HG:8v GP 0525 Hym wolde he snybben / sharply for the nonys #  
EL:6r GP 0525 #  
BL:GP 0525 #  
BN:GP 0523 # .

HG:8v GP 0526 A bettre preest<sup>7</sup> # I trowe # ther nowher noon ys #  
EL:6r GP 0526 preest / / p<sup>t</sup>  
BL:GP 0526 preest  
BN:GP 0524 preest that .

HG:8v GP 0527 He wayted / after no pomp<sup>7</sup> / and reuerence #  
EL:6r GP 0527 waiteth pompe #  
BL:GP 0527 # pompe #  
BN:GP 0525 waited # pompe # reverence ,

HG:8v GP 0528 Ne maked hym / a spyced conscience #  
EL:6r GP 0528 # spiced  
BL:GP 0528 #  
BN:GP 0526 him # spiced ,

HG:8v GP 0529 But Cristes loore / and hise Apostles twelue  
EL:6r GP 0529 cristes # apostles  
BL:GP 0529 # his apostles twelve  
BN:GP 0527 # his apostles twelve

HG:8v GP 0530 He taughte / but first<sup>7</sup> he folwed it hym selue #  
EL:6r GP 0530 , first hymselue .  
BL:GP 0530 ; first hymselve .  
BN:GP 0528 ; first hymselve .

HG:8v GP 0531 ¶ With hym ther was a Plowman / was his brother #  
EL:6v GP 0531 # {3W}ith # brother  
BL:GP 0531 # plowman ,  
BN:GP 0529 # PLOWMAN , brother ,

HG:8v GP 0532 That hadde ylad of donge / ful many a Footther #  
EL:6v GP 0532 dong<sup>7</sup> # fother  
BL:GP 0532 # fother ,  
BN:GP 0530 dong # fother ;

HG:8v GP 0533 A trewe swynkere / and a good was he #  
EL:6v GP 0533 swynker<sup>7</sup> #  
BL:GP 0533 #  
BN:GP 0531 #

HG:8v GP 0534 Lyuyngē in pees / and pfit charitee #  
EL:6v GP 0534 # parfit  
BL:GP 0534 # parfit  
BN:GP 0532 Lyvyngē # parfit

HG:8v GP 0535 God loued he best<sup>7</sup> # with al his hoole herte  
EL:6v GP 0535 best /  
BL:GP 0535 best  
BN:GP 0533 loved best

HG:8v GP 0536 At alle tymes / thogh hym gamed / or smerte #  
EL:6v GP 0536 he #  
BL:GP 0536 # #  
BN:GP 0534 , him #

HG:8v GP 0537 And thanne his Neighebores / right as hym selue #  
EL:6v GP 0537 neighebores right  
BL:GP 0537 neighebores # hymselue .  
BN:GP 0535 neighebor # hymselfe .

HG:8v GP 0538 He wolde thresshe / and ther to / dyke and delue #  
EL:6v GP 0538 thresshe<sup>7</sup> therto #  
BL:GP 0538 # therto #  
BN:GP 0536 , therto # delve ,

HG:8v GP 0539 For Cristes sake / for euery poure wight<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:6v GP 0539 cristes wight  
BL:GP 0539 # wight  
BN:GP 0537 , every poure wight ,

HG:8v GP 0540 With outen hyre / if it laye in his myght<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:6v GP 0540 w<sup>t</sup> outen hire lay myght<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0540 Withouten , myght .  
BN:GP 0538 Withouten hire , lay myght .

HG:8v GP 0541 His tythes # payde he / ful faire and wel #  
EL:6v GP 0541 Hise tithes / #  
BL:GP 0541 # #  
BN:GP 0539 tithes #

HG:8v GP 0542 Bothe of his propre swynk<sup>7</sup> and his catel #  
EL:6v GP 0542  
BL:GP 0542 propre swynk .  
BN:GP 0540 propre swynk .

HG:8v GP 0543 In a Tabard<sup>7</sup> he rood / vp on a Mere #  
EL:6v GP 0543 Tabard vpon  
BL:GP 0543 tabard # vpon mere .  
BN:GP 0541 tabard # vpon mere .

HG:8v GP 0544 Ther was also / a Reue / and a Millere #  
EL:6v GP 0544 {3T}her #  
BL:GP 0544 # reue # millere ,  
BN:GP 0542 # REVE , MILLERE ,

HG:8v GP 0545 A Somonour / and a Pardoner also #  
EL:6v GP 0545 Somnour  
BL:GP 0545 somonour # pardoner ,  
BN:GP 0543 SOMNOUR , PARDONER ,

HG:8v GP 0546 A Maunciple / and my self<sup>7</sup> # ther weere namo #  
 EL:6v GP 0546 my self were  
 BL:GP 0546 maunciple # myself . Ther .  
 BN:GP 0544 MAUNCIPLE , myself - were .

HG:8v GP 0547 ¶ The Millere / was a stout carl / for the nones #  
 EL:6v GP 0547 # Miller<sup>7</sup> # #  
 BL:GP 0547 # millere # #  
 BN:GP 0545 # MILLERE # # ;

HG:8v GP 0548 Ful byg<sup>7</sup> he was / of brawn / and eek of bones #  
 EL:6v GP 0548 byg brawn  
 BL:GP 0548 byg # # .  
 BN:GP 0546 byg # brawn , .

HG:8v GP 0549 That proued wel / for ouer al ther he cam #  
 EL:6v GP 0549 proued ou<sup>7</sup>al  
 BL:GP 0549 , oueral  
 BN:GP 0547 proved , over al ,

HG:8v GP 0550 At wrastlynge / he wolde haue alwey the Ram #  
 EL:6v GP 0550  
 BL:GP 0550 # ram .  
 BN:GP 0548 # have ram .

HG:8v GP 0551 He was short shuldred / brood / a thikke knarre #  
 EL:6v GP 0551 short sholdred  
 BL:GP 0551 shortshuldred , , .  
 BN:GP 0549 short-sholdred , , ;

HG:8v GP 0552 Ther was no dore / that he noolde heue of harre #  
 EL:6v GP 0552 #  
 BL:GP 0552 #  
 BN:GP 0550 dote # nolde heve ,

HG:9r GP 0553 Or breke it at a rennyng<sup>7</sup> / with his heed #  
 EL:6v GP 0553 it<sup>7</sup> rennyng<sup>7</sup> # #  
 BL:GP 0553 # #  
 BN:GP 0551 rennyng # # .

HG:9r GP 0554 His beerd / as any sowe / or fox / was reed #  
 EL:6v GP 0554 berd # # #  
 BL:GP 0554 # # #  
 BN:GP 0552 berd # # # ,

HG:9r GP 0555 And ther to brood / as thogh it weere a spaade #  
 EL:6v GP 0555 therto # though were spade .  
 BL:GP 0555 therto # , though were spade .  
 BN:GP 0553 therto , though were spade .

HG:9r GP 0556 Vp on the cop<sup>7</sup> # right of his nose he haade  
 EL:6v GP 0556 / right hade  
 BL:GP 0556 Vpon cop  
 BN:GP 0554 Upon cop hade

HG:9r GP 0557 A werte / and ther on stood / a tuft<sup>7</sup> of heerys #  
 EL:6v GP 0557 # theron # toft herys  
 BL:GP 0557 # , theron # tuft herys ,  
 BN:GP 0555 , theron # toft herys ,

HG:9r GP 0558 Reede / as the bristles / of a sowes eerys #  
 EL:6v GP 0558 Reed # brustles # erys .  
 BL:GP 0558 # #  
 BN:GP 0556 Reed # brustles # erys ;

HG:9r GP 0559 Hise nosethirles / blake weere and wyde #  
 EL:6v GP 0559 # were .  
 BL:GP 0559 #  
 BN:GP 0557 His # were .



HG:9r GP 0560 A swerd and a bokeler / baar he by his syde #  
EL:6v GP 0560 # bar  
BL:GP 0560 #  
BN:GP 0558 # bar .

HG:9r GP 0561 His mouth as greet was / as a greet fourneys #  
EL:6v GP 0561 # forneys  
BL:GP 0561 #  
BN:GP 0559 # forneys .

HG:9r GP 0562 He was a Ianglere / # a Golyardeys #  
EL:6v GP 0562 Iangler<sup>7</sup> and goliardeys  
BL:GP 0562 Iangler , golyardeys ,  
BN:GP 0560 Iangler # and goliardeys ,

HG:9r GP 0563 And that was moost<sup>7</sup> of synne and harlotryes #  
EL:6v GP 0563 # harlotries  
BL:GP 0563 moost  
BN:GP 0561 moost harlotries .

HG:9r GP 0564 Wel koude he stelen corn / and tollen thryes #  
EL:6v GP 0564 # thries  
BL:GP 0564 #  
BN:GP 0562 # thries ;

HG:9r GP 0565 And yet he hadde / a thombe of gold # pdee #  
EL:6v GP 0565 # pardee .  
BL:GP 0565 #  
BN:GP 0563 # , pardee .

HG:9r GP 0566 A whit coote / and a blew hood wered hee #  
EL:6v GP 0566 cote he  
BL:GP 0566 #  
BN:GP 0564 cote # he .

HG:9r GP 0567 A Baggepipe / wel koude he / blowe and sowne #  
EL:6v GP 0567 baggepipe #  
BL:GP 0567 baggepipe #  
BN:GP 0565 baggepipe # # ,

HG:9r GP 0568 And ther with al / he broghte vs out of towne #  
EL:6v GP 0568 #  
BL:GP 0568 therwithal #  
BN:GP 0566 therwithal # us .

HG:9r GP 0569 ¶ A gentil Maunciple / was ther / of a Temple #  
EL:6v GP 0569 # {3A} # temple  
BL:GP 0569 # maunciple # # temple ,  
BN:GP 0567 # MAUNCIPLE # # temple ,

HG:9r GP 0570 Of which / Achatours # myghte take exemple  
EL:6v GP 0570 # /  
BL:GP 0570 # achatours  
BN:GP 0568 # achatours

HG:9r GP 0571 For to been wyse / in byynge of vitaille #  
EL:6v GP 0571 be wise  
BL:GP 0571 #  
BN:GP 0569 be wise # ;

HG:9r GP 0572 For wheither b<sup>t</sup> he payde / or took by taille #  
EL:6v GP 0572 that #  
BL:GP 0572 that #  
BN:GP 0570 that # ,

HG:9r GP 0573 Algate / he wayted so / in his achaaat<sup>7</sup>  
EL:6v GP 0573 # Achaaat<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0573 # achaaat  
BN:GP 0571 # # achaaat

HG:9r GP 0574 That he was ay biforn / and in good staat7 #  
EL:6v GP 0574 # staat .  
BL:GP 0574 # staat .  
BN:GP 0572 # staat .

HG:9r GP 0575 ¶ Now is nat that of god / a ful greet grace  
EL:6v GP 0575 # # fair  
BL:GP 0575 # #  
BN:GP 0573 # God # fair

HG:9r GP 0576 That swich a lewed mannes wit7 shal pace  
EL:6v GP 0576 # wit  
BL:GP 0576 # wit  
BN:GP 0574 # wit

HG:9r GP 0577 The wysdom / of an heep7 / of lerned men #  
EL:6v GP 0577 wisdom # #  
BL:GP 0577 # heep # #  
BN:GP 0575 wisdom # heep # #

HG:9r GP 0578 Of Maistres hadde he # mo / than thryes ten #  
EL:6v GP 0578 maistres / # thries  
BL:GP 0578 maistres # #  
BN:GP 0576 maistres # thries ,

HG:9r GP 0579 That weeren / of lawe / expert7 and curious #  
EL:7r GP 0579 weren # #  
BL:GP 0579 # # expert ,  
BN:GP 0577 weren # # expert ,

HG:9r GP 0580 Of whiche / ther weere a dozeyne / in that hous  
EL:7r GP 0580 per weren duszeyne #  
BL:GP 0580 # #  
BN:GP 0578 which # were duszeyne #

HG:9r GP 0581 Worthy / to been Stywardes / of rente / and lond7  
EL:7r GP 0581 # # #  
BL:GP 0581 # stywardes # # lond  
BN:GP 0579 # stywardes # # lond

HG:9r GP 0582 Of any lord / that is in Engeland7 #  
EL:7r GP 0582 # #  
BL:GP 0582 # Engeland  
BN:GP 0580 # Engeland ,

HG:9r GP 0583 To make hym lyue / by his propre good  
EL:7r GP 0583 maken # propre  
BL:GP 0583 # lyue # propre  
BN:GP 0581 lyue # propre

HG:9r GP 0584 In honour dettelees / but if he weere wood # #  
EL:7r GP 0584 hono<sup>r</sup> were  
BL:GP 0584 ( were ) ,  
BN:GP 0582 ( were ) ,

HG:9r GP 0585 Or lyue as scarsly / as hym lyst desire #  
EL:7r GP 0585 # lyst  
BL:GP 0585 # list ;  
BN:GP 0583 lyue # list ;

HG:9r GP 0586 And able / for to helpen / al a Shire  
EL:7r GP 0586 # # shire  
BL:GP 0586 # # shire  
BN:GP 0584 # # shire

HG:9r GP 0587 In any caas / that myghte falle / or happe #  
EL:7r GP 0587 # p<sup>t</sup> #  
BL:GP 0587 # #  
BN:GP 0585 # #

HG:9r GP 0588 And yet this Maunciple / sette hir aller cappe #  
 EL:7r GP 0588 manciple  
 BL:GP 0588 maunciple #  
 BN:GP 0586 Manciple #

HG:9r GP 0589 ¶ The Reue / was # a sclendre # coleryk<sup>7</sup> man #  
 EL:7r GP 0589 # {3I}he # / colerik  
 BL:GP 0589 # reue # , coleryk  
 BN:GP 0587 # REVE # colerik

HG:9r GP 0590 His beerd was shaue / as neigh as euer he kan #  
 EL:7r GP 0590 berd ny eu<sup>2</sup>  
 BL:GP 0590 # #  
 BN:GP 0588 berd shave # ny ever ;

HG:9r GP 0591 His heer was by his eerys / ful rownd yshorn #  
 EL:7r GP 0591 erys round  
 BL:GP 0591 # #  
 BN:GP 0589 erys # round ;

HG:9r GP 0592 His top<sup>~</sup> was dokked / lyk<sup>7</sup> a preest byforn #  
 EL:7r GP 0592 top lyk biforn  
 BL:GP 0592 top # lyk  
 BN:GP 0590 top # lyk biforn .

HG:9v GP 0593 Ful longe weere hise legges / and ful leene #  
 EL:7r GP 0593 were his lene  
 BL:GP 0593 # #  
 BN:GP 0591 were his # lene ;

HG:9v GP 0594 Ylik a staf<sup>7</sup>. # ther / was no calf yseene #  
 EL:7r GP 0594 Ylyk staf / # ysene  
 BL:GP 0594 staf #  
 BN:GP 0592 Ylyk staf ; # ysene .

HG:9v GP 0595 Wel koude he keepe / a Gerner # and a Bynne #  
 EL:7r GP 0595 kepe # gerner / bynne  
 BL:GP 0595 # gerner bynne :  
 BN:GP 0593 kepe # gerner bynne ;

HG:9v GP 0596 Ther was noon Auditour / koude on hym wyne #  
 EL:7r GP 0596 of  
 BL:GP 0596 auditour #  
 BN:GP 0594 auditour # him .

HG:9v GP 0597 Wel wiste he / by the droghte # and by the reyn  
 EL:7r GP 0597 # /  
 BL:GP 0597 #  
 BN:GP 0595 #

HG:9v GP 0598 The yeldyng<sup>e</sup> / of his seed / and of his greyn #  
 EL:7r GP 0598 # #  
 BL:GP 0598 # #  
 BN:GP 0596 # #

HG:9v GP 0599 His lordes sheep<sup>~</sup> / his neet / his dayerye #  
 EL:7r GP 0599 neet<sup>7</sup> #  
 BL:GP 0599 sheep , ,  
 BN:GP 0597 sheep , ,

HG:9v GP 0600 His swyn / his hors / his stoor / and his pultrye  
 EL:7r GP 0600 #  
 BL:GP 0600 #  
 BN:GP 0598 #

HG:9v GP 0601 Was hoolly / in this Reues gou<sup>2</sup>nyng<sup>e</sup> #  
 EL:7r GP 0601 gouernyng /  
 BL:GP 0601 # reues gouernyng<sup>e</sup> ,  
 BN:GP 0599 # Reves governyng<sup>e</sup> ,

HG:9v GP 0602 And by his couenant<sup>7</sup>. yaf the rekenyng<sup>e</sup> #  
EL:7r GP 0602 couenant<sup>7</sup> rekenyng<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0602 couenant ,  
BN:GP 0600 covenant ,

HG:9v GP 0603 Syn that his loord / was twenty yeer of age #  
EL:7r GP 0603 lord #  
BL:GP 0603 # :  
BN:GP 0601 lord # .

HG:9v GP 0604 Ther koude no man / bryng<sup>e</sup> hym in arrerage #  
EL:7r GP 0604 Arrerage  
BL:GP 0604 # :  
BN:GP 0602 # .

HG:9v GP 0605 Ther nas Baillyf<sup>7</sup>. # # hierde / nor oother hyne #  
EL:7r GP 0605 baillif ne  
BL:GP 0605 baillif , #  
BN:GP 0603 baillif , ne ,

HG:9v GP 0606 That he ne knew / his sleighte / and his couyne #  
EL:7r GP 0606 # # sleighte #  
BL:GP 0606 # # #  
BN:GP 0604 # sleighte # covyne ;

HG:9v GP 0607 They weere adrad of hym / as of the deeth #  
EL:7r GP 0607 were  
BL:GP 0607 # .  
BN:GP 0605 were # .

HG:9v GP 0608 His wonyng<sup>7</sup> was ful faire vp on an heeth #  
EL:7r GP 0608  
BL:GP 0608 wonyng vpon ,  
BN:GP 0606 wonyng upon ;

HG:9v GP 0609 With greene trees / shadwed was his place #  
EL:7r GP 0609 grene #  
BL:GP 0609 # :  
BN:GP 0607 grene # yshadwed .

HG:9v GP 0610 He koude better / than his lord purchase #  
EL:7r GP 0610 # #  
BL:GP 0610 # #  
BN:GP 0608 # # .

HG:9v GP 0611 Ful riche / he was astored pryuely #  
EL:7r GP 0611 # astored  
BL:GP 0611 # #  
BN:GP 0609 # astored pryvely .

HG:9v GP 0612 His lord / wel koude he plesen subtilly #  
EL:7r GP 0612 # #  
BL:GP 0612 # #  
BN:GP 0610 # # .

HG:9v GP 0613 To yeue / and leene hym / of his owene good # #  
EL:7r GP 0613 # leene  
BL:GP 0613 # #  
BN:GP 0611 yeve # leene # , 1

HG:9v GP 0614 And haue a thank<sup>7</sup>. # and yet a coote and hood #  
EL:7r GP 0614 thank / gowne  
BL:GP 0614 thank #  
BN:GP 0612 haue thank , cote .

HG:9v GP 0615 In youthe / he lerned hadde # / a good Mister #  
EL:7r GP 0615 # # lerned # myster  
BL:GP 0615 # # # mister ,  
BN:GP 0613 # # lerned # myster :

HG:9v GP 0616 He was a wel good wrighte / a Carpenter #  
EL:7r GP 0616 wrighte #  
BL:GP 0616 , carpenter .  
BN:GP 0614 , carpenter .

HG:9v GP 0617 This Reue sat<sup>7</sup> vp on a wel good Stot<sup>7</sup>  
EL:7r GP 0617 ful stot<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0617 reue sat vpon stot  
BN:GP 0615 Reve sat upon ful stot

HG:9v GP 0618 That was a Pomely gray / and highte Scot<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:7r GP 0618 al pomely grey highte  
BL:GP 0618 pomely # Scot .  
BN:GP 0616 al pomely grey # Scot .

HG:9v GP 0619 A long Surcote of Pers / vp on he haade #  
EL:7r GP 0619 surcote pers vpon hade  
BL:GP 0619 surcote pers # vpon  
BN:GP 0617 surcote pers # upon hade ,

HG:9v GP 0620 And by his syde / he baar a rusty blaade #  
EL:7r GP 0620 # blade  
BL:GP 0620 #  
BN:GP 0618 # blade .

HG:9v GP 0621 Of Northfolk was this Reue / of which I telle #  
EL:7r GP 0621 Northfolk<sup>7</sup>  
BL:GP 0621 reue #  
BN:GP 0619 Reve # ,

HG:9v GP 0622 Bisyde a town / men clepyn Baldeswelle #  
EL:7r GP 0622 Biside toun clepen  
BL:GP 0622 #  
BN:GP 0620 Biside toun # clepen .

HG:9v GP 0623 Tukked he was / as is a Frere aboute #  
EL:7r GP 0623 # frere  
BL:GP 0623 # frere  
BN:GP 0621 # frere ,

HG:9v GP 0624 And euere he rood / the hyndreste of oure route #  
EL:7r GP 0624 eu<sup>2</sup>e  
BL:GP 0624 #  
BN:GP 0622 evere # .

HG:9v GP 0625 ¶ A Somonour was ther with vs / in that place #  
EL:7r GP 0625 # {2A} w<sup>t</sup> #  
BL:GP 0625 # somonour #  
BN:GP 0623 # SOMONOUR us # ,

HG:9v GP 0626 That hadde / a fyr reed Cherubynnes face #  
EL:7r GP 0626 # fyr-reed cherubynnes ,  
BL:GP 0626 # fyr-reed cherubynnes ,  
BN:GP 0624 # fyr-reed cherubynnes ,

HG:9v GP 0627 For Sawceflewm he was / with eyen narwe #  
EL:7v GP 0627 saucefleem #  
BL:GP 0627 sawceflewm #  
BN:GP 0625 saucefleem , .

HG:9v GP 0628 And hoot he was / and lecherous as a Sparwe #  
EL:7v GP 0628 As # sparwe  
BL:GP 0628 # sparwe ,  
BN:GP 0626 As # sparwe ,

HG:9v GP 0629 With scaled browes blake / and pyled berd<sup>8</sup> #  
EL:7v GP 0629 # piled  
BL:GP 0629 # berd .  
BN:GP 0627 scaled # piled berd .

HG:9v GP 0630 Of his visage / children weere aferd #  
 EL:7v GP 0630 were  
 BL:GP 0630 # aferd .  
 BN:GP 0628 # were aferd .

HG:9v GP 0631 Ther nas quyk<sup>7</sup> siluer / lytarge / ne Brymston #  
 EL:7v GP 0631 quyk siluer<sup>7</sup> # # brymston  
 BL:GP 0631 quyksiluer , # brymston ,  
 BN:GP 0629 quyk-silver , , brymston ,

HG:9v GP 0632 Borace / Ceruce / ne Oille of Tartre noon #  
 EL:7v GP 0632 Boras oille  
 BL:GP 0632 , ceruce # oille tartre  
 BN:GP 0630 Boras , ceruce , oille tartre ,

HG:10r GP 0633 Ne oynement<sup>7</sup>. that wolde clense and byte #  
 EL:7v GP 0633 oynement<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0633 oynement  
 BN:GP 0631 oynement ,

HG:10r GP 0634 That hym myghte helpen / of his whelkes whyte #  
 EL:7v GP 0634 myghte the white  
 BL:GP 0634 #  
 BN:GP 0632 # white ,

HG:10r GP 0635 Nor of the knobbes / sittynge on his chekes #  
 EL:7v GP 0635  
 BL:GP 0635 #  
 BN:GP 0633 #

HG:10r GP 0636 Wel loued he garlek<sup>7</sup> # oynons # and eek lekes #  
 EL:7v GP 0636 garleek<sup>7</sup> /  
 BL:GP 0636 garlek ,  
 BN:GP 0634 loved garleek , , ,

HG:10r GP 0637 And for to drynke strong wyn / reed as blood #  
 EL:7v GP 0637 drynken  
 BL:GP 0637 #  
 BN:GP 0635 drynken , ;

HG:10r GP 0638 Thanne wolde he speke / and crye as he were wood #  
 EL:7v GP 0638 crie  
 BL:GP 0638 #  
 BN:GP 0636 # crie

\*HG:10r GP 0638/1 <missing>  
 \*EL:7v GP 0638/1 And whan þ<sup>t</sup> he / wel dronken hadde the wyn  
 \*BL:GP 0639 And whan that he wel dronken hadde the wyn  
 \*BN:GP 0637 And whan that he wel dronken hadde the wyn ,

\*HG:10r GP 0638/2 <missing>  
 \*EL:7v GP 0638/2 Thanne wolde he speke no word but latyn  
 \*BL:GP 0640 Thanne wolde he speke no word but Latyn .  
 \*BN:GP 0638 Thanne wolde he speke no word but Latyn .

HG:10r GP 0639 A fewe t<sup>mes</sup> hadde he / two / or thre #  
 EL:7v GP 0639 #  
 BL:GP 0641 termes , # ,  
 BN:GP 0639 termes , # ,

HG:10r GP 0640 That he hadde lerned / out of som decree #  
 EL:7v GP 0640 had #  
 BL:GP 0642 #  
 BN:GP 0640 had # -

HG:10r GP 0641 No wonder is / he herde it al the day #  
 EL:7v GP 0641  
 BL:GP 0643 , ;  
 BN:GP 0641 , ;

HG:10r GP 0642      And eek ye knowe wel / how þ<sup>t</sup> a Iay  
EL:7v GP 0642                              knowen  
BL:GP 0644    #      that      iay  
BN:GP 0642                              knowen      #      that      jay

HG:10r GP 0643      Kan clepen # watte # # as wel as kan the Pope #  
EL:7v GP 0643    /                              pope  
BL:GP 0645    Watte                              pope .  
BN:GP 0643                              " Watte "                              pope .

HG:10r GP 0644      But who so koude / in oother thyng hym grope #  
EL:7v GP 0644    thyng?  
BL:GP 0646    whoso                              #  
BN:GP 0644    whoso                              #

HG:10r GP 0645      Thanne hadde he spent<sup>7</sup> al his philosophie #  
EL:7v GP 0645    Philosophie  
BL:GP 0647    spent                              ,  
BN:GP 0645    spent                              ;

HG:10r GP 0646      Ay # # {Questio} {quid} {iuris} # / wolde he crye #  
EL:7v GP 0646    /      {questio}                              crie  
BL:GP 0648    questio      quid      iuris      #  
BN:GP 0646                              " Questio      quid      iuris      " #                              crie .

HG:10r GP 0647      ¶ He was # a gentil harlot<sup>7</sup> and a kynde #  
EL:7v GP 0647    #                              /  
BL:GP 0649    #    harlot                              ,  
BN:GP 0647    #    harlot                              ;

HG:10r GP 0648      A better felawe / sholde men nocht fynde #  
EL:7v GP 0648    #  
BL:GP 0650    #  
BN:GP 0648    #

HG:10r GP 0649      He wolde suffre / for a quart<sup>7</sup> of wyn  
EL:7v GP 0649    #                              quart  
BL:GP 0651    #                              quart  
BN:GP 0649    #                              quart

HG:10r GP 0650      A good felawe / to haue his concubyn  
EL:7v GP 0650    #  
BL:GP 0652    #                              have  
BN:GP 0650    #

HG:10r GP 0651      A twelf monthe / and excusen hym at the fulle #  
EL:7v GP 0651    #                              excuse      atte  
BL:GP 0653    month ,      excuse      atte  
BN:GP 0651    month ,      excuse      atte ;

HG:10r GP 0652      Ful pryuely / a fynch eek koude he pulle #  
EL:7v GP 0652    p<sup>u</sup>uely                              #  
BL:GP 0654    #  
BN:GP 0652    prively #

HG:10r GP 0653      And if he foond owher / a good felawe #  
EL:7v GP 0653    #  
BL:GP 0655    #  
BN:GP 0653    #

HG:10r GP 0654      He wolde techen hym / to haue noon awe  
EL:7v GP 0654    #                              Awe  
BL:GP 0656    #  
BN:GP 0654    him #      have

HG:10r GP 0655      In swich caas / of the Ercedeknes curs #  
EL:7v GP 0655    #                              Ercedekenes  
BL:GP 0657    #                              ercedeknes  
BN:GP 0655    #                              ercedekenes

HG:10r GP 0656 But if a mannes soule / were in his purs #  
 EL:7v GP 0656 But7  
 BL:GP 0658 # ;  
 BN:GP 0656 # ;

HG:10r GP 0657 For in his purs / he sholde ypunysshed be #  
 EL:7v GP 0657  
 BL:GP 0659 # .  
 BN:GP 0657 # .

HG:10r GP 0658 # Purs # is the Ercedeknes helle / # seyde he #  
 EL:7v GP 0658 , / Ercedekenes # ,  
 BL:GP 0660 " ercedeknes , "  
 BN:GP 0658 " ercedekenes , "

HG:10r GP 0659 ¶ But wel I woot / he lyed right in dede #  
 EL:7v GP 0659 # right  
 BL:GP 0661 # # ;  
 BN:GP 0659 # # ;

HG:10r GP 0660 Of cursyng7 oghte ech gilty man # drede #  
 EL:7v GP 0660  
 BL:GP 0662 cursyng  
 BN:GP 0660 cursyng him ,

HG:10r GP 0661 For curs wol sle / right as assoillyng7 sauyth #  
 EL:7v GP 0661 slee right sauith  
 BL:GP 0663 # assoillyng  
 BN:GP 0661 slee # assoillyng savith ,

HG:10r GP 0662 And also / war hym of a {Significait7} #  
 EL:7v GP 0662  
 BL:GP 0664 # significait .  
 BN:GP 0662 # Significavit .

HG:10r GP 0663 ¶ In daunger hadde he / at his owene gyse  
 EL:7v GP 0663 # gise  
 BL:GP 0665 # #  
 BN:GP 0663 # # gise

HG:10r GP 0664 The yonge gerles / of the diocise #  
 EL:7v GP 0664 girles  
 BL:GP 0666 #  
 BN:GP 0664 girles # ,

HG:10r GP 0665 And knew hir conseil / and was al hir reed #  
 EL:7v GP 0665  
 BL:GP 0667 # .  
 BN:GP 0665 , .

HG:10r GP 0666 A gerland / hadde he set7 vp on his heed #  
 EL:7v GP 0666 gerland7 set vpon  
 BL:GP 0668 # set vpon  
 BN:GP 0666 # set upon ,

HG:10r GP 0667 As greet7. # as it were / for an Ale stake #  
 EL:7v GP 0667 greet /  
 BL:GP 0669 greet # alestake .  
 BN:GP 0667 greet # ale-stake .

HG:10r GP 0668 A bokeler / hadde he maad hym of a cake #  
 EL:7v GP 0668 bokeler Cake  
 BL:GP 0670 # .  
 BN:GP 0668 bokeler # .

HG:10r GP 0669 ¶ With hym ther rood / a gentil Pardonner  
 EL:7v GP 0669 # {3W}ith was #  
 BL:GP 0671 # # pardonner  
 BN:GP 0669 # # PARDONER



HG:10r GP 0670 Of Rounçyual / his freend / and his comper #  
 EL:7v GP 0670 Rounçiuale # compeer  
 BL:GP 0672 #  
 BN:GP 0670 Rounçivale , # compeer ,

HG:10r GP 0671 That streight was comen / fro the Court of Rome #  
 EL:7v GP 0671 # co<sup>r</sup>t  
 BL:GP 0673 # court  
 BN:GP 0671 # court

HG:10r GP 0672 Ful loude he soong<sup>7</sup> # # com hyder # loue # to me # #  
 EL:7v GP 0672 # hider  
 BL:GP 0674 soong : ' Com  
 BN:GP 0672 soong " Com hider , love , ! ~

HG:10v GP 0673 This Somono<sup>r</sup> # baar to hym / a styf burdoun #  
 EL:8r GP 0673 / bar # stif  
 BL:GP 0675 somonour #  
 BN:GP 0673 Somonour bar # stif ;

HG:10v GP 0674 Was neu<sup>e</sup> trompe / of half so greet a soun #  
 EL:8r GP 0674 neuere  
 BL:GP 0676 neuere #  
 BN:GP 0674 nevere #

HG:10v GP 0675 ¶ This Pdoner / hadde heer / as yelow as wex #  
 EL:8r GP 0675 # Pardoner #  
 BL:GP 0677 # pardoner # #  
 BN:GP 0675 # Pardoner # #

HG:10v GP 0676 But smothe it heeng<sup>7</sup> as dooth a stryke of flex #  
 EL:8r GP 0676 # strike  
 BL:GP 0678 heeng  
 BN:GP 0676 heeng strike ;

HG:10v GP 0677 By ounces / henge his lokkes b<sup>t</sup> he hadde #  
 EL:8r GP 0677 # hise  
 BL:GP 0679 # that  
 BN:GP 0677 # that ,

HG:10v GP 0678 And ther with / he his shuldres ouerspradde #  
 EL:8r GP 0678 # hise ou<sup>r</sup>spradde  
 BL:GP 0680 therwith #  
 BN:GP 0678 therwith # overspradde ;

HG:10v GP 0679 But thynne it lay / by colpons oon and oon #  
 EL:8r GP 0679 #  
 BL:GP 0681 #  
 BN:GP 0679 #

HG:10v GP 0680 But hood # for Iolitee / wered he noon #  
 EL:8r GP 0680 #  
 BL:GP 0682 # iolitee #  
 BN:GP 0680 # jolitee ,

HG:10v GP 0681 For it was trussed # vp / in his walet<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:8r GP 0681 / #  
 BL:GP 0683 # walet  
 BN:GP 0681 up # walet

HG:10v GP 0682 Hym thoughte / he rood # al of the newe Iet<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:8r GP 0682 # /  
 BL:GP 0684 # iet  
 BN:GP 0682 # jet ;

HG:10v GP 0683 Discheuelee # saue his cappe / he rood al bare #  
 EL:8r GP 0683 #  
 BL:GP 0685 #  
 BN:GP 0683 Dischevelee , save ,

HG:10v GP 0684 Swiche glarynge eyen / hadde he as an hare #  
 EL:8r GP 0684 #  
 BL:GP 0686 #  
 BN:GP 0684 #

HG:10v GP 0685 A vernycle / hadde he sowed / vp on his cappe #  
 EL:8r GP 0685 #  
 BL:GP 0687 # # vpon  
 BN:GP 0685 # # upon

HG:10v GP 0686 His walet<sup>7</sup> # biforn hym / in his lappe #  
 EL:8r GP 0686 walet #  
 BL:GP 0688 walet , #  
 BN:GP 0686 walet , #

HG:10v GP 0687 Bretful of pardou<sup>r</sup> / comen from Rome al hoot<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:8r GP 0687 Bret ful hoot /  
 BL:GP 0689 pardoun # hoot .  
 BN:GP 0687 pardoun # hoot .

HG:10v GP 0688 A voys he hadde / as smal / as hath a Goot<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:8r GP 0688 # # goot /  
 BL:GP 0690 # # goot .  
 BN:GP 0688 # # goot .

HG:10v GP 0689 No berd hadde he / ne neuere sholde haue #  
 EL:8r GP 0689 neu<sup>r</sup>e  
 BL:GP 0691 #  
 BN:GP 0689 , nevere have ;

HG:10v GP 0690 As smothe it was / as it were late yshaue #  
 EL:8r GP 0690 # shaue  
 BL:GP 0692 #  
 BN:GP 0690 # shave .

HG:10v GP 0691 I trowe # he were a geldyng<sup>7</sup> or a Mare #  
 EL:8r GP 0691 / geldyng mare  
 BL:GP 0693 geldyng mare .  
 BN:GP 0691 geldyng mare .

HG:10v GP 0692 But of his craft<sup>7</sup> . # fro Berwyk # in to Ware  
 EL:8r GP 0692 craft<sup>7</sup> /  
 BL:GP 0694 craft into  
 BN:GP 0692 craft , into

HG:10v GP 0693 Ne was ther / swich another Pardoner #  
 EL:8r GP 0693 #  
 BL:GP 0695 # pardoner .  
 BN:GP 0693 # pardoner .

HG:10v GP 0694 For in his Male / he hadde a pilwe beer #  
 EL:8r GP 0694 male  
 BL:GP 0696 male # pilwebeer  
 BN:GP 0694 male # pilwe-heer ,

HG:10v GP 0695 Which þ<sup>t</sup> he seyde / was oure lady veyl #  
 EL:8r GP 0695 #  
 BL:GP 0697 that #  
 BN:GP 0695 that # Oure Lady ;

HG:10v GP 0696 He seyde he hadde / a gobet of the seyl  
 EL:8r GP 0696 gobet<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0698 #  
 BN:GP 0696 #

HG:10v GP 0697 That Seint Peter hadde / whan þ<sup>t</sup> he wente  
 EL:8r GP 0697 seint  
 BL:GP 0699 seint # that  
 BN:GP 0697 , that

HG:10v GP 0698 Vp on the See / til Ihu Crist hym hente #  
EL:8r GP 0698 see crist  
BL:GP 0700 Vpon see # Iesu .  
BN:GP 0698 Upon see , Jhesu .

HG:10v GP 0699 He hadde a cros of latoD / ful of stones #  
EL:8r GP 0699 croys latou  
BL:GP 0701 laton #  
BN:GP 0699 croys latoun # ,

HG:10v GP 0700 And in a glas / he hadde pigges bones #  
EL:8r GP 0700 # .  
BL:GP 0702 # .  
BN:GP 0700 # .

HG:10v GP 0701 But with these relykes / whan p<sup>t</sup> he foond  
EL:8r GP 0701 w<sup>t</sup> relykes fond<sup>t</sup>  
BL:GP 0703 # that  
BN:GP 0701 relykes , that fond

HG:10v GP 0702 A poure pson / dwellyng vp on lond #  
EL:8r GP 0702 psoD dwellynge vpon lond<sup>t</sup>  
BL:GP 0704 person # vpon ,  
BN:GP 0702 povre person # dwellynge upon ,

HG:10v GP 0703 Vp on a day / he gat hym moore moneye  
EL:8r GP 0703  
BL:GP 0705 Vpon #  
BN:GP 0703 Upon #

HG:10v GP 0704 Than p<sup>t</sup> the psoD gat<sup>7</sup> # in Monthes tweye #  
EL:8r GP 0704 pson gat /  
BL:GP 0706 that person gat monthes .  
BN:GP 0704 that person gat monthes ;

HG:10v GP 0705 And thus / with feyned flaterye and Iapes #  
EL:8r GP 0705 # iapes  
BL:GP 0707 , japes ,  
BN:GP 0705 , japes ,

HG:10v GP 0706 He made the pson / and the peple his apes #  
EL:8r GP 0706 psoD # Apes  
BL:GP 0708 person # .  
BN:GP 0706 person # .

HG:10v GP 0707 But trewely / to tellen at the laste #  
EL:8r GP 0707 atte  
BL:GP 0709 #  
BN:GP 0707 # atte ,

HG:10v GP 0708 He was in chirche / a noble Ecclesiaste #  
EL:8r GP 0708 # ecclesiaste  
BL:GP 0710 # ecclesiaste .  
BN:GP 0708 # ecclesiaste .

HG:10v GP 0709 Wel koude he / rede # a lesson / and a Storie #  
EL:8r GP 0709 # / lessou<sup>r</sup> # or storie  
BL:GP 0711 # # storie ,  
BN:GP 0709 # lessoun # or storie ,

HG:10v GP 0710 But alderbest<sup>7</sup> # he soong an Offertorie #  
EL:8r GP 0710 alderbest / song  
BL:GP 0712 alderbest offertorie  
BN:GP 0710 alderbest song offertorie ;

HG:10v GP 0711 For wel he wiste / whan p<sup>t</sup> soong was songe #  
EL:8r GP 0711 song  
BL:GP 0713 # that  
BN:GP 0711 , that song ,

HG:10v GP 0712 He moste p<sup>o</sup>che / and wel affyle his tonge  
 EL:8r GP 0712 affile  
 BL:GP 0714 preche #  
 BN:GP 0712 preche # affile

HG:11r GP 0713 To wynne siluer / as he ful wel koude #  
 EL:8r GP 0713 #  
 BL:GP 0715 silver , ;  
 BN:GP 0713

HG:11r GP 0714 Ther fore he soong<sup>7</sup> the muryerly and loude #  
 EL:8r GP 0714 Therefore song<sup>7</sup> murierly  
 BL:GP 0716 Therefore soong  
 BN:GP 0714 Therefore song murierly

HG:11r GP 0715 ¶ Now haue I toold yow / soothly # in a clause #  
 EL:8r GP 0715 # {4N}ow # shortly  
 BL:GP 0717 # #  
 BN:GP 0715 # have you # ,

HG:11r GP 0716 Thestaat / tharray / the nombre / and eek the cause  
 EL:8r GP 0716 Thestaat<sup>7</sup> # # 7  
 BL:GP 0718 Th'estaat , th'array , #  
 BN:GP 0716 Th'estaat , th'array ,

HG:11r GP 0717 Why p<sup>t</sup> assembled was this compaignye  
 EL:8r GP 0717 that  
 BL:GP 0719 that  
 BN:GP 0717

HG:11r GP 0718 In Southwerk<sup>7</sup>. # at this gentil hostelrye  
 EL:8r GP 0718 Southwerk / as  
 BL:GP 0720 Southwerk  
 BN:GP 0718 Southwerk

HG:11r GP 0719 That highte the tabard<sup>o</sup> / faste by the belle #  
 EL:8r GP 0719 Tabard  
 BL:GP 0721 Tabard , Belle .  
 BN:GP 0719 Tabard , Belle .

HG:11r GP 0720 But now is tyme / to yow for to telle  
 EL:8r GP 0720 #  
 BL:GP 0722 #  
 BN:GP 0720

HG:11r GP 0721 How p<sup>t</sup> we baren vs / that ilke nyght<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:8v GP 0721 that # nyght<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0723 that # nyght  
 BN:GP 0721 that us # nyght ,

HG:11r GP 0722 Whan we weere / in that hostelrye alyght<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:8v GP 0722 were hostelrie alyght<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0724 # alyght ,  
 BN:GP 0722 were # hostelrie alyght ;

HG:11r GP 0723 And after wol I telle / of oure viage  
 EL:8v GP 0723 #  
 BL:GP 0725 # our  
 BN:GP 0723

HG:11r GP 0724 And al the remenant<sup>7</sup> of oure pilgrymage #  
 EL:8v GP 0724 remenaunt pilg'mage  
 BL:GP 0726 remenant  
 BN:GP 0724 remenaunt pilgrimage .

HG:11r GP 0725 ¶ But first I pray yow / of youre curteisye #  
 EL:8v GP 0725 # first<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0727 # #  
 BN:GP 0725 #

HG:11r GP 0726 That ye narette it / noght my vileynye #  
 EL:8v GP 0726 # nat  
 BL:GP 0728 n'arette # ,  
 BN:GP 0726 n'arette # nat ,

HG:11r GP 0727 Though þ<sup>t</sup> I pleynly speke / in this matere #  
 EL:8v GP 0727 Thogh # mateere  
 BL:GP 0729 that #  
 BN:GP 0727 Thogh that # mateere ,

HG:11r GP 0728 To telle yow / hir wordes / and hir cheere #  
 EL:8v GP 0728 # #  
 BL:GP 0730 # #  
 BN:GP 0728 # # ,

HG:11r GP 0729 Ne thogh I speke / hir wordes pprely #  
 EL:8v GP 0729 # #  
 BL:GP 0731 # proprely .  
 BN:GP 0729 # proprely .

HG:11r GP 0730 For this ye knowen / also wel as I #  
 EL:8v GP 0730 #  
 BL:GP 0732 # al so ,  
 BN:GP 0730 # al so :

HG:11r GP 0731 Who so shal telle a tale / after a man #  
 EL:8v GP 0731 #  
 BL:GP 0733 Whoso # ,  
 BN:GP 0731 Whoso # ,

HG:11r GP 0732 He moot reherce / as neigh as eu<sup>re</sup> he kan  
 EL:8v GP 0732 ny  
 BL:GP 0734 # euere  
 BN:GP 0732 # ny evere

HG:11r GP 0733 Euerich a word / if it be in his charge #  
 EL:8v GP 0733 # ,  
 BL:GP 0735 Everich , ,  
 BN:GP 0733

HG:11r GP 0734 Al speke he / neuer so rudeliche and large #  
 EL:8v GP 0734 or  
 BL:GP 0736 # ,  
 BN:GP 0734 # never ,

HG:11r GP 0735 Or ellis / he moot telle his tale vntrewe #  
 EL:8v GP 0735 #  
 BL:GP 0737 #  
 BN:GP 0735 # untrewe ,

HG:11r GP 0736 Or feyne thyng<sup>7</sup> # or fynde wordes newe #  
 EL:8v GP 0736 thyng<sup>7</sup>.  
 BL:GP 0738 thyng .  
 BN:GP 0736 thyng , .

HG:11r GP 0737 He may noght spare / al thogh he weere his brother #  
 EL:8v GP 0737 nat were  
 BL:GP 0739 # althogh .  
 BN:GP 0737 nat , althogh were ;

HG:11r GP 0738 He moot as wel / seye o word / as another #  
 EL:8v GP 0738 # #  
 BL:GP 0740 # # .  
 BN:GP 0738 # # .

HG:11r GP 0739 Crist spak hym self<sup>7</sup> # ful brode in holy writ #  
 EL:8v GP 0739 Crist<sup>7</sup> hym self / hooly /  
 BL:GP 0741 hymself .  
 BN:GP 0739 hymself hooly ,

HG:11r GP 0740      And wel ye woot<sup>7</sup> no vileynye is it #  
 EL:8v GP 0740  
 BL:GP 0742                      woot                      .  
 BN:GP 0740                      woot                      .

HG:11r GP 0741      Ek Plato seith / who so kan hym rede #  
 EL:8v GP 0741      Eek  
 BL:GP 0743                      , whoso                      ,  
 BN:GP 0741                      Eek                      , whoso                      ,

HG:11r GP 0742      The wordes / mote be cosyn / to the dede #  
 EL:8v GP 0742                      # moote                      #  
 BL:GP 0744                      #                      #                      .  
 BN:GP 0742                      # moote                      #                      .

HG:11r GP 0743      ¶ Also I pray yow / to foryeue it me #  
 EL:8v GP 0743      #                      prey  
 BL:GP 0745                      #                      #  
 BN:GP 0743                      #                      prey                      #                      foryeve                      ,

HG:11r GP 0744      Al haue I nat set folk / in hir degree  
 EL:8v GP 0744                      #  
 BL:GP 0746                      #  
 BN:GP 0744                      have                      #

HG:11r GP 0745      Here in this tale / as þ<sup>t</sup> they sholde stonde #  
 EL:8v GP 0745      Heere  
 BL:GP 0747                      #                      that                      .  
 BN:GP 0745                      Heere                      ,                      that                      .

HG:11r GP 0746      My wit is short<sup>7</sup> # ye may wel vnderstonde #  
 EL:8v GP 0746                      short  
 BL:GP 0748                      short                      ,                      understonde                      .  
 BN:GP 0746                      short                      ,                      understonde                      .

HG:11r GP 0747      ¶ Greet cheere / made oure hoost vs euerichon #  
 EL:8v GP 0747      #                      chiere #  
 BL:GP 0749                      #                      #  
 BN:GP 0747                      #                      chiere #                      Hoost us everichon ,

HG:11r GP 0748      And to the souper / sette he vs anon #  
 EL:8v GP 0748                      soper  
 BL:GP 0750                      #                      #  
 BN:GP 0748                      soper #                      us                      .

HG:11r GP 0749      He serued vs / with vitaille / at the beste #  
 EL:8v GP 0749                      #                      #  
 BL:GP 0751                      #                      #                      ,  
 BN:GP 0749                      served us #                      #                      ;

HG:11r GP 0750      Strong was the wyn / and wel to drynke vs leste #  
 EL:8v GP 0750                      #                      #  
 BL:GP 0752                      #                      #                      us                      .  
 BN:GP 0750                      ,                      #                      us                      .

HG:11r GP 0751      A semely man / oure hoost was with alle  
 EL:8v GP 0751                      #                      #                      withalle  
 BL:GP 0753                      #                      OURE HOOSTE                      withalle  
 BN:GP 0751                      #                      OURE HOOSTE                      withalle

HG:11r GP 0752      For to been / a Marchal in an halle #  
 EL:8v GP 0752                      #                      #                      marchal                      .  
 BL:GP 0754                      #                      #                      marchal                      .  
 BN:GP 0752                      #                      #                      marchal                      .

HG:11v GP 0753      A large man he was / with eyen stepe #  
 EL:8v GP 0753                      #                      #  
 BL:GP 0755                      #                      #                      ,  
 BN:GP 0753                      #                      #                      -

HG:11v GP 0754 # A fairer burgeys / was ther noon in Chepe # #  
 EL:8v GP 0754 Burgeys  
 BL:GP 0756 ( # ) ,  
 BN:GP 0754 # -

HG:11v GP 0755 Boold of his speche / and wys / and wel ytaught? #  
 EL:8v GP 0755 # # ytaught?  
 BL:GP 0757 # # ytaught  
 BN:GP 0755 , , ytaught ,

HG:11v GP 0756 And of manhode / hym lakked right naught? #  
 EL:8v GP 0756 manhod # right naught?  
 BL:GP 0758 # # naught .  
 BN:GP 0756 manhod # lakkede naught .

HG:11v GP 0757 Eke ther to / he was right a murye man #  
 EL:8v GP 0757 Eek therto myrie  
 BL:GP 0759 therto #  
 BN:GP 0757 Eek therto # myrie ;

HG:11v GP 0758 And after souper / pleyen he bigan #  
 EL:8v GP 0758 soper  
 BL:GP 0760 #  
 BN:GP 0758 soper #

HG:11v GP 0759 And spak of murthe / amonges othere thynges #  
 EL:8v GP 0759 myrthe  
 BL:GP 0761 #  
 BN:GP 0759 myrthe #

HG:11v GP 0760 Whan þ<sup>t</sup> we # hadde maad oure rekenynges #  
 EL:8v GP 0760 that /  
 BL:GP 0762 that ,  
 BN:GP 0760 that ,

HG:11v GP 0761 And seyde thus / # now # lordes # trewely #  
 EL:8v GP 0761 : ' Now , lordynges  
 BL:GP 0763 : ~ Now , lordynges ,  
 BN:GP 0761 : ,

HG:11v GP 0762 Ye been to me / right wel come hertely # #  
 EL:8v GP 0762 right welcome # hertely  
 BL:GP 0764 # welcome # hertely ,  
 BN:GP 0762 # welcome , hertely ;

HG:11v GP 0763 For by my trouthe / if þ<sup>t</sup> I shal nat lye #  
 EL:8v GP 0763 that  
 BL:GP 0765 # that  
 BN:GP 0763 , that ,

HG:11v GP 0764 I seigh nocht this yeer / so murye a compaignye  
 EL:8v GP 0764 saugh nat myrie co'paignye  
 BL:GP 0766 #  
 BN:GP 0764 saugh nat # myrie

HG:11v GP 0765 Atones in this herberwe / as is now #  
 EL:8v GP 0765 #  
 BL:GP 0767 At ones #  
 BN:GP 0765 #

HG:11v GP 0766 Fayn wolde I doon yow myrthe / wiste I how #  
 EL:8v GP 0766 #  
 BL:GP 0768 #  
 BN:GP 0766 ,

HG:11v GP 0767 # And of a myrthe / I am right now bithoght? #  
 EL:8v GP 0767 # right bythoght?  
 BL:GP 0769 # bithoght  
 BN:GP 0767 # bythoght ,

HG:11v GP 0768 To doon yow ese / and it shal coste noght7 #  
 EL:8v GP 0768 noght7  
 BL:GP 0770 # noght .  
 BN:GP 0768 , noght .

HG:11v GP 0769 ¶ # Ye goon to Caunt<sup>r</sup>bury / god yow spede #  
 EL:9r GP 0769 Caunterbury speede  
 BL:GP 0771 # Caunterbury ,  
 BN:GP 0769 # " Caunterbury - God speede ,

HG:11v GP 0770 The blisful Martir / quyte yow youre mede #  
 EL:9r GP 0770 martir quite meede  
 BL:GP 0772 martir #  
 BN:GP 0770 martir # quite meede !

HG:11v GP 0771 And wel I woot7 # as ye goon by the weye #  
 EL:9r GP 0771 woot  
 BL:GP 0773 woot ,  
 BN:GP 0771 ,

HG:11v GP 0772 Ye shapen yow / to talen and to pleye #  
 EL:9r GP 0772 #  
 BL:GP 0774 # ;  
 BN:GP 0772 # ;

HG:11v GP 0773 For trewely / confort / ne murthe is noon  
 EL:9r GP 0773 confort7 # myrthe  
 BL:GP 0775 # #  
 BN:GP 0773 , # myrthe

HG:11v GP 0774 To ryde by the weye / domb as # stoon #  
 EL:9r GP 0774 ride # domb the  
 BL:GP 0776 #  
 BN:GP 0774 ride # domb a ;

HG:11v GP 0775 And ther fore / wol I maken yow desport7 #  
 EL:9r GP 0775 therfore disport7  
 BL:GP 0777 therfore # desport ,  
 BN:GP 0775 therfore # disport ,

HG:11v GP 0776 As I seyde erst7 # and doon yow som confort7 #  
 EL:9r GP 0776  
 BL:GP 0778 erst , confort .  
 BN:GP 0776 erst , confort .

HG:11v GP 0777 And if yow liketh alle / by oon assent7  
 EL:9r GP 0777 # assent  
 BL:GP 0779 # assent  
 BN:GP 0777 # assent

HG:11v GP 0778 For to stonden / at my Iuggement7 #  
 EL:9r GP 0778 # iuggement  
 BL:GP 0780 # juggement ,  
 BN:GP 0778 # juggement ,

HG:11v GP 0779 And for to werken / as I shal yow seye #  
 EL:9r GP 0779 #  
 BL:GP 0781 #  
 BN:GP 0779 # ,

HG:11v GP 0780 Tomorwe / whan ye ryden by the weye #  
 EL:9r GP 0780 riden  
 BL:GP 0782 # ,  
 BN:GP 0780 , riden ,

HG:11v GP 0781 Now # by my fader soule / p<sup>t</sup> is deed #  
 EL:9r GP 0781 # that deed  
 BL:GP 0783 # that  
 BN:GP 0781 # that ,



HG:11v GP 0782 But # ye be murye / I wol yeue yow myn heed #  
 EL:9r GP 0782 if myrie # heed<sup>d</sup>  
 BL:GP 0784 #  
 BN:GP 0782 myrie , yeve !

HG:11v GP 0783 # Hoold vp youre hondes / with outen moore speche # #  
 EL:9r GP 0783 ¶ hond<sup>d</sup> # w<sup>t</sup>outen  
 BL:GP 0785 # withouten .  
 BN:GP 0783 up , withouten .

HG:11v GP 0784 ¶ Oure conseil / was nat longe for to seche #  
 EL:9r GP 0784 #  
 BL:GP 0786 #  
 BN:GP 0784 #

HG:11v GP 0785 Vs thoughte / it was nat worth / to make it wys #  
 EL:9r GP 0785 # noght #  
 BL:GP 0787 # #  
 BN:GP 0785 Us # noght #

HG:11v GP 0786 And graunted hym / with outen moore avys #  
 EL:9r GP 0786 # wit outen auys  
 BL:GP 0788 # withouten  
 BN:GP 0786 # withouten

HG:11v GP 0787 And bade hym seye / his voidit<sup>7</sup> as hym leste #  
 EL:9r GP 0787 bad #  
 BL:GP 0789 # voidit  
 BN:GP 0787 bad him # voidit

HG:11v GP 0788 ¶ # Lordynges # # quod he / # now herkneth for the beste #  
 EL:9r GP 0788 # ' ; ' ;  
 BL:GP 0790 # " ; " ;  
 BN:GP 0788 # " ; " ;

HG:11v GP 0789 But taketh it noght<sup>7</sup> # I pray yow # in desdeyn #  
 EL:9r GP 0789 taak nought / prey  
 BL:GP 0791 # noght  
 BN:GP 0789 taak nought , prey ,

HG:11v GP 0790 This is the poynt<sup>7</sup> # to speken short and pleyn #  
 EL:9r GP 0790 # poynt ,  
 BL:GP 0792 # poynt ,

HG:11v GP 0791 That ech of yow / to shorte with oure weye #  
 EL:9r GP 0791 #  
 BL:GP 0793 #  
 BN:GP 0791 #

HG:11v GP 0792 In this viage / shal tellen tales tweye  
 EL:9r GP 0792 # telle  
 BL:GP 0794 #  
 BN:GP 0792 # telle

HG:12r GP 0793 To Caunterburyward<sup>d</sup> / I mene it so #  
 EL:9r GP 0793 Caunterburyward  
 BL:GP 0795 Caunterburyward ,  
 BN:GP 0793 Caunterbury-ward ,

HG:12r GP 0794 And homward / he shal tellen othere two #  
 EL:9r GP 0794 #  
 BL:GP 0796 #  
 BN:GP 0794 #

HG:12r GP 0795 Of auentures / p<sup>t</sup> whilom haue bifalle #  
 EL:9r GP 0795 # that han  
 BL:GP 0797 # that  
 BN:GP 0795 auentures # that han

HG:12r GP 0796 And which of yow / þ<sup>t</sup> bereth hym best of alle #  
 EL:9r GP 0796 that  
 BL:GP 0798 # that ,  
 BN:GP 0796 # that -

HG:12r GP 0797 That is to seyn / that telleth in this cas  
 EL:9r GP 0797 caas  
 BL:GP 0799 #  
 BN:GP 0797 , caas

HG:12r GP 0798 Tales of best sentence / and moost solas #  
 EL:9r GP 0798 solaas  
 BL:GP 0800 #  
 BN:GP 0798 # solaas -

HG:12r GP 0799 Shal haue a Souper / at oure aller cost<sup>7</sup>  
 EL:9r GP 0799 soper<sup>7</sup> #  
 BL:GP 0801 souper # cost  
 BN:GP 0799 have soper # cost

HG:12r GP 0800 Here in this place / sittynge by this post<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:9r GP 0800 Heere  
 BL:GP 0802 # post  
 BN:GP 0800 Heere , post ,

HG:12r GP 0801 Whan that we come agayn / fro Caunt<sup>7</sup>bury #  
 EL:9r GP 0801 # Caunterbury  
 BL:GP 0803 # Caunterbury .  
 BN:GP 0801 # Caunterbury .

HG:12r GP 0802 And for to make yow / the moore mury #  
 EL:9r GP 0802  
 BL:GP 0804 #  
 BN:GP 0802 # ,

HG:12r GP 0803 I wol my self<sup>7</sup> # goodly wit yow ryde #  
 EL:9r GP 0803 my self / with  
 BL:GP 0805 myself with  
 BN:GP 0803 myselven with ,

HG:12r GP 0804 Right at myn owene cost<sup>7</sup> # and be your<sup>7</sup> gyde #  
 EL:9r GP 0804 Right youre  
 BL:GP 0806 cost your .  
 BN:GP 0804 cost , youre ;

HG:12r GP 0805 And who so wole / my Iuggement with seye  
 EL:9r GP 0805 withseye  
 BL:GP 0807 whoso # iuggement withseye  
 BN:GP 0805 whoso # juggement withseye

HG:12r GP 0806 Shal paye / al that we spende by the weye #  
 EL:9r GP 0806 spenden  
 BL:GP 0808 #  
 BN:GP 0806 # spenden .

HG:12r GP 0807 And if ye vouche sauf / þ<sup>t</sup> it be so #  
 EL:9r GP 0807 vouche sauf<sup>7</sup> # that  
 BL:GP 0809 vouchesauf # that  
 BN:GP 0807 # that ,

HG:12r GP 0808 Tel me anon / with outen wordes mo #  
 EL:9r GP 0808 anon  
 BL:GP 0810 # withouten  
 BN:GP 0808 anon , withouten ,

HG:12r GP 0809 And I wol erly / shape me ther fore # #  
 EL:9r GP 0809 therfore  
 BL:GP 0811 # therfore .  
 BN:GP 0809 # therfore . "

HG:12r GP 0810 ¶ This thyng was graunted / and oure othes swore  
EL:9r GP 0810 # #  
BL:GP 0812 # #  
BN:GP 0810 # ,

HG:12r GP 0811 With ful glad herte / and preyden hym also  
EL:9r GP 0811 . And  
BL:GP 0813 .  
BN:GP 0811 ,

HG:12r GP 0812 That he wolde vouche sauf / for to do so #  
EL:9r GP 0812 vouche sauf #  
BL:GP 0814 vouchesauf #  
BN:GP 0812 # ,

HG:12r GP 0813 And that he # wolde been / oure gou<sup>o</sup>nour #  
EL:9r GP 0813 / # gouvernour  
BL:GP 0815 # gouvernour  
BN:GP 0813 # governour ,

HG:12r GP 0814 And of oure tales / Iuge and reportour #  
EL:9r GP 0814 Reportour  
BL:GP 0816 # iuge ,  
BN:GP 0814 # juge ,

HG:12r GP 0815 And sette a souper / at a certeyn prys #  
EL:9r GP 0815 soper # pris  
BL:GP 0817 # ,  
BN:GP 0815 soper # pris ,

HG:12r GP 0816 And we # wol ruled been / at his deuys  
EL:9r GP 0816 / reuled #  
BL:GP 0818 #  
BN:GP 0816 reuled # devys

HG:12r GP 0817 # In heigh and logh / and thus by oon assent<sup>7</sup>  
EL:9v GP 0817 ¶ heigh lough  
BL:GP 0819 . And assent  
BN:GP 0817 lough ; assent

HG:12r GP 0818 We been acorded / to his Iuggement<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:9v GP 0818 # iuggement .  
BL:GP 0820 # juggement .  
BN:GP 0818 #

HG:12r GP 0819 And ther vp on / the wyn was fet # anoon #  
EL:9v GP 0819 anon  
BL:GP 0821 thervpon # ,  
BN:GP 0819 therupon # anon ;

HG:12r GP 0820 We dronken / and to reste wente echo<sup>o</sup> #  
EL:9v GP 0820 echon  
BL:GP 0822 # echon  
BN:GP 0820 , echon ,

HG:12r GP 0821 With outen / any lenger taryyng #  
EL:9v GP 0821 Withouten # .  
BL:GP 0823 Withouten # .  
BN:GP 0821 #

HG:12r GP 0822 ¶ A morwe / whan þ<sup>t</sup> day # bigan # to spryng #  
EL:9v GP 0822 # Amorwe / gan for  
BL:GP 0824 # Amorwe # that  
BN:GP 0822 # Amorwe , that ,

HG:12r GP 0823 Vp roos oure hoost<sup>7</sup> # and was oure aller cok<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:9v GP 0823 Up hoost cok ,  
BL:GP 0825 Hoost , cok ,  
BN:GP 0823

HG:12r GP 0824 And gadred vs / togydres # # in a flok7 #  
 EL:9v GP 0824 gadrede # togidre / alle  
 BL:GP 0826 # flok  
 BN:GP 0824 gadrede us # togidre alle flok ,

HG:12r GP 0825 And forth we ryden / a litel moore than pas  
 EL:9v GP 0825 riden paas  
 BL:GP 0827 #  
 BN:GP 0825 tiden # paas

HG:12r GP 0826 Vn to the wateryng7 of Seint Thomas #  
 EL:9v GP 0826 wateryng7 of-Seint Thomas  
 BL:GP 0828 Vnto Wateryng-of-Seint-Thomas .  
 BN:GP 0826 Unto Wateryng of Seint Thomas ;

HG:12r GP 0827 And there oure hoost7 bigan his hors areste  
 EL:9v GP 0827 hoost  
 BL:GP 0829 Hoost  
 BN:GP 0827

HG:12r GP 0828 And seyde / # lordes / herkneth # if yow leste #  
 EL:9v GP 0828 # lordynges  
 BL:GP 0830 : , Lordes , .  
 BN:GP 0828 , " Lordynges , , .

HG:12r GP 0829 ¶ Ye woot youre forward / and # it yow recorde #  
 EL:9v GP 0829 forward  
 BL:GP 0831 #  
 BN:GP 0829 # forward , I .

HG:12r GP 0830 If euensong / and morwesong7 acorde #  
 EL:9v GP 0830 morwesong accorde  
 BL:GP 0832 # morwesong  
 BN:GP 0830 even-song # morwe-song accorde ,

HG:12r GP 0831 Lat se now / who shal telle the firste tale #  
 EL:9v GP 0831 #  
 BL:GP 0833 #  
 BN:GP 0831 #

HG:12r GP 0832 As euere mote I drynke # wyn / or Ale #  
 EL:9v GP 0832 / #  
 BL:GP 0834 # ale ,  
 BN:GP 0832 evere # ale ,

HG:12v GP 0833 Who so be # rebel / to my Iuggement7  
 EL:9v GP 0833 / #  
 BL:GP 0835 Whoso # iuggement  
 BN:GP 0833 Whoso # juggement

HG:12v GP 0834 Shal paye / for al / that by the wey is spent #  
 EL:9v GP 0834 # p<sup>t</sup> spent7 #  
 BL:GP 0836 # #  
 BN:GP 0834 # #

HG:12v GP 0835 Now draweth cut7 # er p<sup>t</sup> we ferrer twynne #  
 EL:9v GP 0835 draweth  
 BL:GP 0837 cut that .  
 BN:GP 0835 cut , that ;

HG:12v GP 0836 He # which p<sup>t</sup> hath the shorteste / shal bigynne #  
 EL:9v GP 0836 / #  
 BL:GP 0838 that #  
 BN:GP 0836 that #

HG:12v GP 0837 ¶ Sire knyght # # quod he / # my mayster and my lord #  
 EL:9v GP 0837 # knyght , lord<sup>d</sup>  
 BL:GP 0839 # , ,  
 BN:GP 0837 # Knyght , " , " ,

HG:12v GP 0838 Now draweth cut<sup>7</sup> # for that is myn acord #  
 EL:9v GP 0838 cut / accord<sup>o</sup>  
 BL:GP 0840 cut :  
 BN:GP 0838 cut , accord .

HG:12v GP 0839 Cometh neer # # quod he / # my lady Prioeresse #  
 EL:9v GP 0839 , , , , prioeresse ,  
 BL:GP 0841 , " , " ,  
 BN:GP 0839 , " , " ,

HG:12v GP 0840 And ye # sire Clerc<sup>7</sup>. # lat be youre shamefastnesse #  
 EL:9v GP 0840 sir<sup>7</sup> clerk /  
 BL:GP 0842 , cleric , ;  
 BN:GP 0840 , Clerk , ;

HG:12v GP 0841 Ne studieth noght<sup>7</sup> # ley hond to / euery man # #  
 EL:9v GP 0841 noght / #  
 BL:GP 0843 noght . Ley , every ! ~  
 BN:GP 0841 noght ; ;

HG:12v GP 0842 ¶ Anoon to drawen / euery wight bigan #  
 EL:9v GP 0842 # Anon wight  
 BL:GP 0844 # #  
 BN:GP 0842 # Anon # every ,

HG:12v GP 0843 And shortly / for to tellen / as it was #  
 EL:9v GP 0843 # #  
 BL:GP 0845 # # ,  
 BN:GP 0843 # # ,

HG:12v GP 0844 Were it by auenture / or sort<sup>7</sup> # or cas #  
 EL:9v GP 0844 # sort ,  
 BL:GP 0846 auenture , sort , ,  
 BN:GP 0844 auenture , sort ,

HG:12v GP 0845 The sothe is this / the Cut fil to the knyght<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:9v GP 0845 # cut knyght<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0847 # cut knyght  
 BN:GP 0845 : cut Knyght ,

HG:12v GP 0846 Of which # ful blithe and glad was euery wight<sup>7</sup> #  
 EL:9v GP 0846 / wyght<sup>7</sup>  
 BL:GP 0848 wight .  
 BN:GP 0846 every wyght ,

HG:12v GP 0847 And telle he moste his tale / as was resoun #  
 EL:9v GP 0847 A resou<sup>n</sup>  
 BL:GP 0849 #  
 BN:GP 0847 , ,

HG:12v GP 0848 By forward / and by composicio<sup>u</sup> #  
 EL:9v GP 0848 foreward composiciou<sup>n</sup>  
 BL:GP 0850 # composicion  
 BN:GP 0848 foreward # composicioun ,

HG:12v GP 0849 As ye han herd / what nedeth wordes mo #  
 EL:9v GP 0849 . What ?  
 BL:GP 0851 ; ?  
 BN:GP 0849 ; ?

HG:12v GP 0850 And whan this goode man / saugh þ<sup>t</sup> it was so #  
 EL:9v GP 0850 An # that ,  
 BL:GP 0852 # that ,  
 BN:GP 0850 # that ,

HG:12v GP 0851 As he / þ<sup>t</sup> wys was / and obedient<sup>7</sup>  
 EL:9v GP 0851 that #  
 BL:GP 0853 # that # obedient  
 BN:GP 0851 # that # obedient

HG:12v GP 0852 To kepe his forward / by his free assent<sup>7</sup> #  
EL:9v GP 0852 foreward #  
BL:GP 0854 # assent ,  
BN:GP 0852 foreward # assent ,

HG:12v GP 0853 He seyde / # syn I shal bigynne the game #  
EL:9v GP 0853 : ' Syn ;  
BL:GP 0855 , " Syn ;  
BN:GP 0853 , " Syn ;

HG:12v GP 0854 What # wel come be the Cut<sup>7</sup> # in goddes name #  
EL:9v GP 0854 What<sup>7</sup> cut / a  
BL:GP 0856 , welcome cut  
BN:GP 0854 , welcome cut , a Goddes !

HG:12v GP 0855 Now lat vs ryde / and herkneth what I seye # #  
EL:9v GP 0855 # ;  
BL:GP 0857 us , : "  
BN:GP 0855 , , : "

HG:12v GP 0856 And with that word / we ryden forth oure weye #  
EL:9v GP 0856 w<sup>t</sup> # ;  
BL:GP 0858 # ;  
BN:GP 0856 # ;

HG:12v GP 0857 And he bigan / with right a murye cheere  
EL:9v GP 0857 right myrie  
BL:GP 0859 #  
BN:GP 0857 # mytie

HG:12v GP 0858 His tale anon / and seyde as ye may heere #  
EL:9v GP 0858 anon in this manere #  
BL:GP 0860 # .  
BN:GP 0858 anon , .

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