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INTRODUCTION.

Those who have attempted to investigate the early history of Scotland, at almost any period from the time of Malcolm the Third to the Union, must soon have experienced the melancholy truth, that the documents upon which such investigations ought to be founded are neither numerous nor satisfactory. The Chronicles of Melrose and Holyrood, the works of Fordun, Wyntown, Barbour, and Bower, are indeed the only credible histories which can be named as the productions of Scottishmen; and there is no reason to believe that any unknown writings of a similar nature lie hid in the recesses of manuscript libraries. The English-Chronicles, upon the whole, present a body of matter from which we can collect more important materials for the general history of Scotland, and are entitled to much credit, if used with moderate caution in those parts where their testimony is likely to be prejudiced. The Saxon Chronicle, Simeon of Durham, the work ascribed to Benedictus Abbas, Newbury, Hoveden, Matthew Paris, Hemingford, Trivet, Trokelow, Blaneford, and Walsingham, present information which would in vain be sought in Scottish writers. Nor are the English libraries exhausted, since they yet contain the productions of authors who had favourable opportunities of knowing the transactions in which the two countries were engaged, and whose evidence, even though sometimes tinged with prejudice and party-spirit, is worthy of being submitted to the press, and of taking a place and filling a chasm in the materials for Scottish history.

Among these hitherto unpublished chronicles are two, which, in point of extent, value, and novelty, demand especial notice. The first of these, the Chronicle of Lanercost, is the production of a series of individuals, who, occupying a locality which, from its neighbourhood to Scotland, enabled them to acquire copious and correct information relative to the events of that kingdom, were in the habit of chronicling these events as they occurred. The work thus produced depicts graphically and correctly our history from the accession of king John to the battle of Durham. The narrators, in their detail, intermix observations, which, being either of a personal nature or the representatives of temporary feelings, stamp an individuality and characteristic peculiarity upon the whole. The unique copy which has reached us is deposited in the Cottonian Collection; and it is singular that no one of the Editors of the early English historians which appeared in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, should have given to the world a chronicle so curious, so superior to many which they have printed, so worthy of preservation as existing in only one manuscript, and so easy of access.

The other chronicle to which the enquirer into Scottish history would wish to refer is the Scalacronica, a work hitherto known only, and imperfectly, through the abstract given by Leland. It is also singular, that, possessing so much to recommend it, and known, valued, and quoted as it has been even through that imperfect medium, this chronicle should have escaped publica-

tion until the present period.* This is partly to be attributed to the peculiar laws to which the Corpus Christi library at Cambridge, where the unique manuscript is deposited, is subjected by the will of the venerable Archbishop Parker, to whom the history as well as the church of England is under such incalculable obligations. When the Editor visited Cambridge in the spring of 1834, for the purpose of examining certain manuscripts tending to illustrate the object which he then had in view, he experienced numerous proofs of the willingness to promote and assist a spirit of enquiry, for which that University is so justly distinguished; and he had no difficulty in obtaining not only access to the manuscript, but also permission to transcribe as much as was considered necessary for his purpose. The extracts then made were enough to confirm his previous impressions of the value of the whole work; and the patronage of the Maitland Club has now rendered accessible to English and Scottish historians, and has rescued from the danger of being lost, all that is valuable in the SCALACRONICA.b

In the reign of Edward the Third lived a Northumbrian warrior, whose military talents were chiefly employed against his neighbours the Scotch. It was his fate to be captured by them, and to be conveyed a prisoner to Edinburgh. To relieve the tedium which confinement naturally produced in an active mind,



^{*} So far as the Editor is aware, no attempt had been made by any one to bring this work before the public, until the time when Lord Hailes, to whom the early history of Scotland is so infinitely indebted, seems to have entertained such a project. The correspondence upon the subject may be seen in the Proofs, No. xxviii.

b Such is the name which the author himself bestows upon his work, a name apparently originating in the mystic ladder up which he was conducted by his supernatural guide, but wherein we cannot fail to observe an allusion to the cognizance of the Grey family—the scaling ladder. It may also be added, that the idea of the machinery of the prologue is probably borrowed from the Historia Aurea, one of the chapters of which contains a copious history of "Sibilla."

he had recourse to the exercise of accomplishments, which, being of a literary nature, were not commonly possessed by the soldiers of that age. In the year 1355 he commenced the compilation of the Scalacronica, which appears to be intended for a general history, extending from the Creation to his own times. In the formation of this work he availed himself not only of certain written authorities which he specifies, but also introduces into his narrative an account of the exploits in which his father, another "preux chevalier," was concerned, and of those in which he himself had borne a part. These, together with the general information which he has recorded concerning the civil and military transactions of the reigns of Edward the Second and Third, obtained, no doubt, either by his own personal observation, or from the testimony of eye-witnesses, render this history exceedingly valuable, stamp upon it an individuality of character, and draw a wide line of distinction between it, the production of an observant and educated secular, and the other historical memorials of the same age, written by men who, in the language of that period, were styled "Religious." From these facts a general idea of the peculiar character of the Scalacronica, and of its author, Thomas Gray, may be obtained.

It is important that we should endeavour to ascertain the materials from which this chronicle is composed, for, unless this end be attained, it is impossible to form a critical estimate of its value as historical authority. Upon this point the author's prologue has furnished us with much information; and we shall proceed to trace his work through the different writers to whom he there alludes, until we arrive at that period when the Scalacronica becomes the production of an independent and original historian.

The first book, devoted to the history of the Britons, is re-

ferred by Gray to that popular work of the middle ages, the Brute; the second is stated to be drawn from Bede's Historia Ecclesiastica Gentis Anglorum, a production too well known to require more than a reference. This much, however, we must not fail to remark, that the author has introduced a few additional circumstances derived from other authorities, but not sufficiently numerous or important to warrant further extracts than those given at pp. 237–241 of the present volume, and which have been appended rather to gratify curiosity than to add to history. The first extract, besides a sensible critique upon the prophecies ascribed to Merlin, demands our notice as containing an allusion to those of Banister^b and Thomas of Ercildoun. The second, giving an account of Arthur's expedition into Scotland, contains a few additional facts which the Editor does not remem-

* Walter, archdeacon of Oxford (not of Exeter, as in the Prologue, p. 2), was not, as stated by Gray, the translator of this tissue of absurdities, miscalled history; he only communicated the original British manuscript in which they were contained to Geoffrey of Monmouth, who gave them their Latin garb. No copy of this original is believed to have survived except that in the library of Jesus College, Oxford.

By "ditz de Keile," a name which has been considered inexplicable, we are probably to understand the work of Walter Calenius, the individual archdeacon of Oxford before referred to. See Tanner's Bibl. p. 147; Oudin. Commentar. de Script. Eccl. vol. ii. p. 1414; Bale, c. ii. n. lxv; Vossius de Hist. Latin. p. 401.

Gildas, an author concerning whose age, authority, and writings, so many and such contradictory opinions have been expressed, is mentioned in the same passage of the prologue in an indefinite manner; but since this portion of the Scalacronica forms no part of the present volume, any extended notice of the sources whence it is compiled is unnecessary.

When the cragges of Tarbat is tumbled in the sey,
At the next sommer after sorrow for ever;
Beide's bookes have I seene, and Banister's also,
Mervelous Merling, and all accordes in one.

Collection of Ancient Scottish Prophecies, p. 6, Bannatyne Edition.

As Bertlingtone's bookes, and *Banister* vs tells, Merling and many more, that with meruels melles; And also Thomas Rymour in his tales tells.

Id. p. 8.

ber having seen in any other version of the story. The legend concerning Conwak, or Kenneth the Third, king of Scotland, is found in Malmesbury; and the reader of Scottish history will immediately call to mind the parallel fact recorded of Malcolm Canmore.^b The concluding extract is of greater value. The story of Siward may be seen in Brompton's Chronicle, and in an anonymous historical manuscript in the Cottonian Library,d where it is introduced apparently from a legend or history of which Leland has given an abstract in his Collectanea. The narrative of the manner in which the family of the Comyns gained a footing in Scotland, although probably fabulous, is, as far as the Editor is able to judge, original; and it is worth preserving as a specimen of the traditions which were current in Scotland about the middle of the fourteenth century. From the union of the kingdoms in the person of Egbert to the Norman conquest, a period of two centuries and a half, the Polychronicon of Ralph Higden, a monk of Chester, which, according to Gray, is compiled from William of Malmesbury, Henry of Huntingdon, Roger Hoveden, and Marianus Scotus, is quoted as the sole authority.

The reign of William the Conqueror is to be referred almost entirely to the Polychronicon; the order of the narrative is, in-

> Beid hath breved in his booke, and Banister also, Mervelous Merling, and all accordes in one, Thomas the trew, that neuer spake false.

Id. p. 17.

Who the individual here mentioned was, we have now no means of ascertaining. Tanner injudiciously supposes that he might be the same who was prebendary of Eston, 41 Edw. III.; he cites a manuscript of these prophecies as belonging to Henry Worsley. Brian Twyne alludes to another copy as in the possession of H. Mason.—Tanner, Bibl. p. 72.

* Fol. 32, b.

See the present vol. p. 220.

Col. 946.

Cleop. A i. fol. 88, b.

See Proofs, No. xxv.

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deed, almost always transposed, and in a few instances a slight deviation of expression may be traced, but the information conveved is the same in both works. The only exceptions to which it may be necessary to allude are the passing and unimportant notice of the "Book of Antioch," and the list of those who are said to have accompanied William into England, a production, in the Editor's opinion, of doubtful antiquity, and of no authority. Of this document, usually known by the name of the Battle Abbeyroll, there are several copies, all more or less incorrect, since they contain the names of families who are of English origin, and of a date posterior to the Norman invasion; and of all these editions, if such a term be applicable, that in the present volume is most open to scepticism on these points. The same remarks are almost equally applicable to the reign of William Rufus, through the whole of which we trace the Polychronicon in almost every sentence. Upon one occasion, where Gray quotes "lez cronicles de Escoce" as his authority for a story relative to Malcolm the Third, we are, at first, led to anticipate something new; but the same fact, in a slightly abridged form, is introduced by Higden, who has it, probably, from Ailred. In the account which he gives us of the death of Malcolm, we trace a deviation from the authority to which he has hitherto adhered so closely, the Polychronicon giving him no warrant for ascribing Malcolm's death to the hand of Morel of Bamburgh, a version of the story which points to Gaimar, or some other follower of the Saxon chronicle, as its prototype. Again, the Scalacronica tells us that Queen Margaret of Scotland, when upon her death-bed in Edinburgh Castle, desired to be

^a P. 9. ^b P. 20.

^e Col. 2365. Throughout these observations reference is made to the Polychronicon as inserted in the Historical Collection of Knyghton, printed in the Decem Scriptores.

interred at Dunfermline, and that the attendants, under cover of a dense mist, conveyed the body, through the hostile army, to its final destination. This fact is not in the printed copy of Higden; but although it is noticed by Fordun, who introduces it from the legend which he ascribes to Turgot, we cannot state the direct source from which Gray derived his information, since he may have had access to a copy of the Polychronicon similar to that in the Harleian Collection, into which this fact, and many others relative to Margaret and her daughter Matilda, the queen of Henry the First, are introduced. The imperfect manner in which Gray, or the copy of Higden's work which he employed, mentions the irruption made by the king of Norway, has been elsewhere noticed: the printed edition in the Decem Scriptores gives a correct version.

Under the reign of Henry the First, our author cites certain chronicles, in which a prophecy, said to have been uttered by Edward the Confessor, is explained as alluding to the marriage of Matilda of Scotland with the son of the Conqueror; an event by which the Saxon and Norman lines were united. This story is mentioned, in very concise terms however, in the Polychronicon; Gray probably had his information from Ailred or Bromton. Be this as it may, there are indications that he now made occasional use of better authorities than Higden; since, in giving an account of those who perished with Prince William in his passage from Normandy, he mentions several names which seem to be derived from Simeon of Durham, through his copyist Hoveden. The reference to Giraldus Cambrensis is taken from Higden.

^a MS. Harl. 3884, *l.* viii. *c.* xiii.

^b Col. 2370.

^c Coll. 2381, 2338.

^d Col. 400.

^e Col. 955.

^f P. 29.

The reign of Henry the Second proceeds much on the same plan as those to which allusion has been already made. It is taken for the most part from the Polychronicon, interspersed with a few passages introduced from other sources. Among these we may instance the list of names of those Englishmen who are said to have accompanied William king of Scotland when he returned from his captivity, and to whom he allotted lands in his realm. The reference to "lez cronicles," for the narrative of the death of Henry the Second, appears to be uncalled for, since a passage containing the same facts may be seen in Higden.

In entering upon the reign of Richard the First, we find that the Polychronicon is supplanted by either Benedictus Abbas, or It is rather difficult to determine to which of these writers we must give the preference, the latter having transcribed the former almost verbatim; but the probability seems in favour of Hoveden, since his authority is followed after that period when Benedictus closes his work. From this source we have the account of Richard's voyage to the Holy Land (which is evidently framed from the journal of one who attended the lion-hearted monarch), of his exploits there, of his captivity and his release, of his wars with the French king, and of his death. Most of the minor details, it must be owned, are to be discovered in Hoveden or in Higden, but they are of such a nature as to warrant the belief that they are the additions of the compiler of the Scalacronica, who could, without much bad faith or violation of probability, introduce such passages as Richard's prayer before his death, and the few other unimportant additions to which allusion is made.

* P. 41.

The reign of king John brings us a step further on our way to that period at which our chronicle becomes a work of historical authority, and as we approach it we have more frequent indications of its vicinity. Of these one instance may suffice.—Roger Wendover, a contemporary writer, whose authority ranks the highest in every thing connected with the affairs of England during the end of the reign of John and the commencement of that of his successor, tells us that prince Louis, son of Philip Augustus, after being invited by the English barons to assume the government of our kingdom, landed in Thanet, 21st May 1216, and finding no opposition, speedily reduced that part of the country, and having captured the castle of Rochester, arrived in London amidst the acclamations of the inhabitants. The Scalacronica gives a more minute account of his proceedings. It agrees with Wendover in stating that he arrived in England on the 21st May, that Rochester Castle surrendered on the 30th, and conveys the additional information, that he arrived in London on the 2d of June. It further tells us, that upon the 7th he made himself master of the castle of Rygate, on the 8th he took that of Guilford, and on the 10th that of Farnham; that on the 13th he captured the city of Winchester, and on the 15th seized the bishop of Winchester's manor of Wallop; that on the 9th of July he gained the castle of Odyham, and on the 18th went to Dover for the purpose of besieging the castle, but that he spent fifteen days there without effecting any thing of consequence. Here, then, is minute and valuable information which does not exist in any other historian, and, as he agrees with Wendover, the best authority, in those portions which they have in common, Gray is entitled

* M. Paris, p. 195.

P. 95.

to equal credit in regard to those facts which rest upon his own unsupported testimony. A few observations upon the remainder of this reign will suffice. We may first remark the notice taken of the various reports circulated concerning the share which John is said to have had in the death of his nephew, Arthur of Brittany; no other writer, with whom the Editor is acquainted, has preserved the tradition that the ill-fated prince was drowned by a preconcerted plan. The Historia Aurea is cited to prove that John dispatched an embassy to the emperor of Morocco for the purpose of offering him the crown of England, a story which may be seen in Matthew Paris, from which source John of Tynmouth probably derived his information. Gray presents us with a minute narrative of the conversation which passed betwixt John and the papal legates, Pandulf and Durand; the same may be found in the Annals of Burton, Waverley, and Lanercost. The Scalacronica varies from the Polychronicon in the account which it gives of this king's death. The latter authority states that he died at Newark upon the 14th of October; the former says, that, when upon his way towards Lincoln, he remained two days at the abbey of Swineshead, where he was attacked by a sudden disease; that he proceeded to Newark, and having spent three or four days in that place, died there upon the 19th of October. The Patent and Close Rolls of this reign, which have recently been published by Thomas D. Hardy, Esquire, under the auspices of the Record Commission, enable us to test the relative accuracy of these conflicting statements. By the evidence of these unerring guides we know that he reached Swineshead upon Wednesday the 12th of October, where he remained during the ensuing day; that Friday and Saturday were spent at Sleaford; and that on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday,

he was at Newark-upon-Trent, at which place he expired upon Wednesday, the 19th of October, 1216.

The long reign of Henry the Third is dismissed in a summary manner, ten pages embracing the events of half a century. Throughout this period the Polychronicon is still followed, but is augmented, in some instances, by contributions from other quarters. With the accession of Edward the First, we enter upon a new and more important division of the Chronicle. From this point it is to be considered an original production, and possessing, in general, a high authority; but it is impossible in this place to specify all the instances in which its accuracy might be demonstrated by a comparison with contemporary documents, or the novelty of its details exhibited by a collation with other historians.

Having arrived at this period, it becomes necessary to inform ourselves, as far as such information can be obtained, of the leading facts in the biography of the two Grays, father and son; for the faith which we may be inclined to put in what we may designate the original part of the Scalacronica must, to a certain extent, be influenced by the opportunities which they enjoyed of acquiring correct information.

The family of Grey, or Gray, was settled in Northumberland at a very remote period, but from which of the Southern or Scottish possessors of the same surname it is derived we have no means of ascertaining. The earliest notice which the Editor has been able to detect of the family as connected with Northumberland, occurs on the Pipe Roll for that county, 10 Hen. III., in which the Sheriff debits himself with six shillings, as the amercement of Robert Gray of Shotton.

Dugdale* states that in 20 Hen. III. Richard Grey of Codnovre, in Derbyshire, was constituted sheriff of Northumber-

Baronage, vol. i. p. 709.

land; but as this family appears to have had no connexion with the northern counties, it may be doubted whether the individual mentioned was connected with the Grays of Heton.

In 30 Hen. III. (1246), a fine was levied before the justices itinerant at Newcastle, concerning four bovates of land, and three tofts, in Killingworth, now in the parish of Longbenton, in which Robert Grey and Agnes his wife are parties concerned.^a There are no grounds for supposing that the family which had

* See Proofs and Illustrations, No. i. In the Pipe Rolls for Northumberland, a William de Gray occurs in 1257, and John de Gray and Stephen de Gray in 1272.

A John Gray was mayor of Berwick; he was probably the individual mentioned in the Chronicle of Lanercost. Unfortunately the charter of Walter de Soltre, burgess of Berwick, to which he is a witness during his mayoralty, is without date, but it is certainly anterior to 1270. It occurs in the Chartulary of the Hospital of Soltre, now in the Advocates' Library.

Robert de Bernham, rector of the church of Tyningham, gave to the nuns of Coldstream an annual rent of one mark arising from certain land in Berwick, bounded on one side by the land of John Gray. The date of this instrument is also uncertain. Chart. Coldstreme, MS. Harl. 6670, n. 52.

In 7 Edw. I., Hugh and Thomas Grey, and others, acknowledged themselves guilty of the death of Robert de Coupland, whom they had slain the year before at Berwick; Feed. vol. i. p. 566. In 21 Edw. I., Robert le Grey and Margaret his wife held the third part of the manor of Ellingham; Placit. de Quo warranto, p. 588, 597. It was found at the same time that William le Grey held five acres of land, with their appurtenances, in Bamburgh; id. p. 592.

Sir Robert de Grey, knight, was in the retinue of Ralph de Monthermer, earl of Gloucester and Hertford, from 1st August to 10th September, 5 Edw. II.; and from 11th September to 17th July next following was in the garrison of Berwick in the king's service. Raine, in his pedigree of the family, conjectures, with every appearance of probability, that this individual was a son of Thomas Grey of Heton. The names of his retainers, such as Hagarston, Goswick, Cheswick, Charlton, and Bowsden, all taken from places in the county of Northumberland, tend to confirm the supposition; see Proofs, No. iv.

In a fine levied at York, 16 Edw. II., are mentioned Thomas, son of John Gray, and John Gray of Denum, who are connected with East Harle and West Wallington, both in Northumberland; Proofs, No. x.

The family of Gray continued to reside in Berwick; for it appears that in 9 Edw. III. the custody of the lands and tenements in the town and county of Berwick, lately held of the king *in capite* by Andrew de Gray deceased, was committed to Thomas de Gray the elder, to hold during the minority of the heir of the said Andrew; Proofs, No. xvi. Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 268.

the honor of producing the author of the present chronicle is of southern origin; on the contrary, the Editor is inclined to believe that it is to be sought in a Scottish original. Gray, knight and burgess of Berwick, after having founded a house of Friars Minors in that town, died apparently towards the middle of the reign of Henry the Third. He left a younger son, Thomas, surnamed Hugtoun in the Chronicle of Lanercost, whom the Editor believes to be the same as Thomas Gray de Heton, the undoubted ancestor of the author of the Scalacronica. By what means he became possessed of property at Heton in Northumberland we have no distinct proof, but that a Thomas Gray did hold property there is demonstrated by the Hundred Rolls, compiled 3 Edw. I.b The descent of the illustrious family of Grey of Howick from that point to the present generation is now easily traced, even at this remote period, by the frequent mention made of its members in our annals and

The property of John de Grey in Berwick was forfeited for rebellion in or before 1341; Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 615.

Sir Robert Gray was settled at Lowlin in 1326; Raine's North Durham, p. 82; and in 1369 a John Grey of Lowlin was appointed collector of the customs in Berwick; Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 930, 940.

In 1368 John de Grey, junior, who resided in Berwick, had licence to take from Robert de Hodspath premises in that town, including twelve acres in "la Snook."

The exact period of his decease cannot be ascertained; the Chronicle of Lanercost says that it took place many years ("annos plurimos") before the commencement of the wars between England and Scotland under Edward the First. If by this superlative adjective we understand fifty years, a calculation which cannot be considered too liberal, Sir John Gray must have died about 1246. Concerning him and his son Thomas, see Proofs, No. ii.

b Et dictus Robertus de Hamptone, vicecomes tempore regis nunc, cepit de Roberto de Heton, capto per appellationem Johannis Malfrune, j marcam, ut potuit replegiari. Et de Thoma Gray de Heton, quem Johannes de Schafthou, ballivus dicti vicecomitis, cepit antiquo odio, vij. ŝ, ne imprisonaretur, tempore regis nunc. Rot. Hundredorum, vol. ii. p. 23; 3 Edw. I.

The family of Heaton or Eaton, distinct from that of Gray, continued at the spot from which they derived their surname as late as the end of the 14th century, probably much later.

records; but we shall confine ourselves to a few observations upon the more leading occurrences in the biography of the author of this chronicle, and of his father, whose exploits are herein commemorated.

In 25 Edw. I., Thomas de Grey, the elder, probably the eldest son of the last named Thomas, being about to accompany John de Warenne, earl of Surrey, into Scotland, had letters of protection, which were renewed in the 30th year of the same reign, when, together with Nicholas de Killum, he was employed in Scotland in that king's service, acting in conjunction with Patrick de Dunbar, earl of March.

In the month of May, 1297, William Wallace, having been elected by the commonalty of Scotland to lead their army against the English, commenced his exploits by killing at Lanark the sheriff of Clydesdale, William de Heselrig, who had been appointed to that office by Edward. It was Gray's fortune, who was in Heselrig's company, to be present at the night attack which Wallace made upon the sheriff. He was there severely wounded, stripped, and left for dead; but life having been preserved by the heat of the burning houses, he was found early in the ensuing morning by William de Lundy, under whose care he recovered.°

Shortly after the battle of Roslin, in 1302, in which the English sustained a signal defeat, and Ralph the Cofferer^d was slain, Gray went into Scotland with king Edward, who, being

Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 47.

Id. p. 52. It is not improbable that if the printed edition of the Rotuli Scotize had been complete, further traces of the military services of Gray might have been discovered on its pages. To remedy this defect in one of the most valuable publications connected with Scottish history is well worthy the attention of the Maitland Club.

^e Scalacronica, p. 123.

⁴ Concerning the errors into which historians, English and Scottish, have fallen as to the

freed from the expense of foreign wars, had determined to reduce that kingdom to subjection. The royal household rested at Dryburgh. Hugh de Audley, with sixty men-at-arms, proceeded to Melrose, where they expected to find more ready accommodation; but this arrangement having been observed by John Comyn, then governor of Scotland, he made a night attack upon Audley, in which the English, overpowered by superiority of numbers, were taken prisoners. Gray defended a house without the gate, in which he had taken refuge, until it began to burn; he then surrendered. His imprisonment was not of long duration, probably in consequence of the speedy payment of the ransom which was demanded, since in 1304 we find him in the retinue of Henry de Beaumont at the siege of Stirling Castle, where he was struck in the face by a heavy cross-bow bolt, discharged from one of the numerous engines employed on that occasion, while in the act of rescuing Beaumont, who was about to be captured by the garrison.^b To all appearance he was dead, and preparations were made for his funeral; but signs of animation

proper name of this Ralph, see Hailes, vol. i. p. 273, note; Tytler, vol. i. p. 437, note; to which it may be added that Wyntown, vol. ii. p. 116, calls him

"Confrere The kyng of Inglandis tresorere."

It does not appear to have been observed by any of the enquirers into our history, that this Ralph the Cofferer is the same Ralph de Manton, clerk of the Royal Wardrobe, who by a writ printed in the Fœdera, vol. i. p. 948 (dated 20th Jan. 1303, about a month before the battle of Roslin), is directed to proceed into Scotland as paymaster to the English troops. The Inquisitio post mortem, 31 Edw. I. No. 140, would determine the point, but the Editor has not hitherto had an opportunity of inspecting it.

- Scalacronica, p. 126.
- employed by the assailants and the defenders. Fordun, vol. ii. p. 224, tells us that the lead was stripped from the roof of the church of St Andrews, that it might be thrown by the English machines against the castle. He fails to state that Edward made a compensation for this injury; and in justice to a sovereign, whose conduct towards Scotland cannot always find such a satisfactory apology, the Editor inserts the copy of a writ from



being visible when he was about to be committed to the grave, he escaped this premature fate, and recovered.

Upon the accession of Edward the Second his military services were speedily required, for within a few months after that period a writ was addressed to him ordering his attendance with horse and arms, and his whole retinue, to suppress the hostile incursions of the Scotch, who were then ravaging the English borders; be and in the ensuing year, being still employed in the same service, he had letters of protection granted to him.

Returning from the Coronation to the castle of Coupre in Fife, of which he was then governor, he had timely intimation of an ambuscade prepared for him by Walter de Bickerton, a Scottish knight; but disdaining to avoid the danger, although much inferior in numbers to his opponents, he attacked his adversaries with such courage that they were routed, and com-

the Liberate Roll, ordering the payment of a considerable sum to the prior of St Andrews for the loss thus sustained.

Rot. Liber. 33 Edw. I., m. 6.

P. J. Breghineñ epo R' ditto ctico suo Johi de Sandale camar suo Scotie satem. The priore S'ti Andr' Libate de exitibz tre ne pate J. Breghinen epo the priori S'ti Andr' quatoviginti the sexdecim libr' quindecim solid. Vidett pato epo decem the septem libr' decem thocto solid the quature den. The pato priori sexaginta the decem thocto libr' sexdecim solid thocto den in quibz eisdem ep'the priori tenem' pulmbo qd dext'hi fecim tam de eccliis q' de aliis domibz ipor epi the prioris apud Breghyn the Stm Andrea. Et nos vob inde in exitibz patis ad scc'm nem Angl' debitam allocacoem her faciem'. T'. R.' apud Wesm xxxj. die Marcii. P' bre de p'vato sigillo.

^{*} Scalacronica, p. 127.

b Fæd. vol. ii. p. 9. Some idea of the rank which Gray occupied may be formed from the list of those who were addressed in the same terms. They were, Humphrey de Bohun, earl of Hereford and Essex, Aymer de Valence, Henry de Percy, John de Hastings, Stephen de Segrave, Robert de Clifford, Henry de Beaumont, Hugh le Despenser, John Botetourte, Adam de Welle, John Fitz Marmaduke, John de St John, William de Latimer, Gilbert Pecche, and Richard Lovel. With the exception of Fitz Marmaduke, Pecche, and Lovel, all these were barons, either by tenure or summons.

e Rot. Scot, vol. i. p. 58.

pelled to take refuge in a peat-bog, leaving nine score horses a prey to the English. Upon another occasion, probably about the same period, he bravely opposed one hundred men-at-arms who attacked the town of Coupre, and regained the castle, cutting his way through the midst of the enemy.^a

In 4 Edw. II. he was in the retinue of Lord John de Segrave, warden of the town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, and the king was then indebted to him in the sum of L.179, 11s. 4d., being the arrear of his wages, and the repayment of horses for men-at-arms which had been lost in the king's service. This sum was not paid until 26 January, 13 Edw. II.; and as Gray was able to support his military attendants during the interval, we may thence conclude that his income was considerable. In the same year he presented a bay horse to the king.

Upon the seizure of the lands belonging to the Knights Templars, the manor of Thornton, and certain other lands in North-umberland, were committed to his custody, which in 6 Edw. II. were granted to John de Kyngeston, and a writ was at the same time addressed to Gray to deliver them up by indenture. Some of these possessions appear still to have remained in his care, for in the following year we find a mandate enjoining him to resign to Albert de Nigro Castro and Leonard de Tibercis, or their attornies, certain lands and tenements in Northumberland formerly belonging to the Templars.

In the year 1314, being at the disastrous battle of Bannock-



<sup>Scalacronica, pp. 138, 139.
Proofs, No. iii.</sup>

^e "Uni garcioni ducenti ad regem unum jumentum badium, ex parte domini Thomæ de Gray." MS. Cott. Nero, C. viii. fol. 84, b.

d Rex commisit Johanni de Kyngeston custodiam manerii de Thornton, et omnium aliarum terrarum que fuerunt quondam Templariorum, in comitatu Northumbriæ, et quæ Thomas de Grey nuper tenuit, etc., habendam quamdiu regi placuerit, etc. Abbrev. Rot. Original, i. 197.

* Fæd. vol. ii. p. 209.

burn, apparently in the retinue of Henry de Beaumont, he remonstrated with that baron when instructions were issued to give the Scottish troops further advantages than seemed prudent. "If you are afraid," said Beaumont, "you may retreat." "Sir," said Gray, "I will not retreat this day," and striking his horse with his spurs, he and Sir William Dayncourt charged the approaching body of the Scotch. Dayncourt was slain; Gray, after having his horse killed under him, was made prisoner."

In 9 Edw. II., a writ was addressed by the king to John de Sandale, the chancellor, ordering him to prepare letters of protection, "in especial and due form," for Thomas de Grey, his family, and his effects, to continue in force for one year; and in 11 of the same reign, in consequence of good service rendered, and as an aid in the support of himself, his wife, and children, he had a grant from the king, during pleasure, of an annual rent of L.20, which Eustace de Burneby and Matilda his wife paid into the Exchequer, arising from a messuage and certain lands and rents in Watford and Synelesworth, in the county of Northampton."

Continuing thus to merit the approbation of his sovereign, the said Thomas Gray presented a petition to the king and council assembled in parliament at York, three weeks after Michaelmas, 12 Edw. II.^d praying that as a recompence for long and faithful service performed against the Scotch, he might have a grant amounting to forty marks per annum, arising from lands and tenements in Howick, recently in the possession of John Maitland, and others which Christiana his mother held in dower in Chivington. The petition states that those in

<sup>Scalacronica, p. 141; Trivet. Contin. p. 15.
Proofs, No. v.
Proofs, No. vi.
Rot. Claus. 12 Edw. II. m. 28, d.</sup>

Howick had escheated to the crown in consequence of the adherence of the said John to the interest of the Scotch, then the king's enemies and rebels; and that after the death of the said Christiana those lands which she held would revert to the crown in consequence of the rebellion of her son. It appears from the extent made by virtue of the king's writ addressed to the escheator, that the said John Maitland, before his adherence to the Scotch, held one hundred and eight acres of arable land, and eight acres of meadow, in Howick, which were valued at the yearly sum of L.7, 10s. 8d. in all their issues. The jurors moreover return that Christiana, the mother of the said John de Maitland, held in the same place six husband-lands, in name of dower, which in time of peace are equivalent to L.6 per annum; that these lands and tenements are held of the lordship of Alnwick, by the service of the fourth part of one knight's fee; and that she holds nothing in Chivington in name of dower, but is possessed of the half of the said town from lord Robert de Lumley, by the annual service of half a marc for wardage at the Castle of Alnwick.^b In consequence of this return, the king issued his letters patent, dated at York, 17th May 1319, in which he recites that in the parliament lately held in that city, by the assent of the prelates, earls, barons, and other nobles there assembled, he had given to Thomas de Grey and to his heirs for ever, in consequence of the good, loyal, and long-continued service of the grantee against the Scotch, one hundred and eight acres of arable land, and eight acres of meadow, with their appurtenances, in Howick, near Alnwick, late in the possession of John Maitland, and that after the decease of Christiana Maitland, six husband-lands which

^a Proofs, No. vii. ^b Proofs, No. viii.

she held in the same place should remain to the said Thomas and his heirs. At this time the priory of Holy Island was indebted to him in the sum of L.4.

In 16 Edw. II., he was one of the manucaptors for the good behaviour of Thomas de Fencote, on his discharge from imprisonment as an adherent to the party of the earl of Lancaster against the king, and also for the payment of the fine of L.20 imposed upon him; and performed the like good office towards Henry de Beaumont, whose extraordinary conduct towards his sovereign at the council-board had subjected him to imprisonment.

In the same year the king, being anxious regarding the safe custody of his Marches, which were exposed to the hostile incursions of the Scotch, directed a writ to Louis Beaumont, bishop of Durham, ordering him to provide for the security of his castles of Durham and Norham; in consequence of which the bishop immediately appointed sir Thomas Gray his sheriff of Norham and Islandshire, and constable of Norham castle. Nor was the precaution unnecessary; for, the whole of the northern counties of England having been overrun by the Scotch, this castle was attacked by them, and being one of the very few which offered any effectual resistance, was exposed to a close and long-continued blockade. The garrison being reduced to great extremities, Edward addressed a letter to Gray, then the constable, enjoining him so to maintain his post against the Scotch that his conduct should redound to the honor of the crown of England, and at the same time sent by Agnes de Gray his wife the sum of L.113, to be expended in

^a Proofs, No. ix. b Raine's North Durham, p. 82. Parl. Writs, vol. ii. app. p. 208.

The whole of this transaction may be seen in the Feed. vol. ii. p. 520. Proofs, No. xi. Raine's North Durham, p. 45.

procuring the services of more men-at-arms in this important stronghold. By this timely supply he added twenty men-at-arms and fifty light-armed horse soldiers to the ordinary garrison of the castle committed to his charge, and the enemy were compelled to raise the siege. As a proof of the importance of this border fortress, and of the anxiety with which the king regarded its safety, it may be mentioned that in the Fœdera is extant a writ addressed to upwards of forty of the principal nobility of England, commanding their attendance with horse and arms at Newcastle, to accompany the king, who was about to repel the Scotch, then besieging the castle of Norham.

During the busy period between 1319 and 1331, whilst he was constable of Norham castle, doccurred various feats of arms, of which a few are recorded in the subsequent pages. The story of William Marmion, the knight of Lincolnshire, to whom his mistress gave a helmet of gold, bidding him make it known wherever glory was most difficult to be won, breathes a spirit of chivalry and is narrated with a force which competes with the glowing pages of Froissart. We are told how it was agreed by the assembled knights that Norham "was the most perilous, adventurous place in the country," and that to Norham he should go. Within the fourth day after his arrival there he had an opportunity of celebrating his mistress's gift, for Alexander de Moubray appeared before the castle, attended by the most valiant of the Scottish chivalry, and at the head of

Proofs, No. xii. Scalaeronica, p. 147.

^c Fæd. vol. ii. p. 496. Other documents relative to the same event occur on the Close Roll for this year, but the Editor refrains from inserting them, as they do not illustrate the history of the individual.

⁴ Raine's North Durham, p. 45; Scalacronica, p. 145.

eight score men-at-arms. When Gray was about to lead his followers to the attack, he saw William Marmion approaching on foot, splendidly armed, and wearing his golden helmet. "Sir knight," said the constable, "you have come hither a knight errant that you might celebrate this your helmet, and since it is more fitting that chivalry be done on horseback than on foot, where it is practicable, mount your courser, see there your enemies, spur into the midst of them; and I renounce God if I rescue you not, dead or alive, or perish in the attempt." When the knight, in compliance with these instructions, had charged the Scotch, and, being surrounded by them, appeared on the eve of perishing, Sir Thomas Gray and the garrison spurred into the thickest of the fight, rescued and remounted the stranger knight; they so conducted themselves that the Scotch were defeated, and pursued as far as Berwick, of which sir Philip de Moubray, Alexander's brother, was then the governor; and in the conflict Gray slew with his own hand a Fleming named Cryne, who stood high in the estimation of king Robert Upon another occasion Adam de Gordon, a Scottish baron, accompanied by eight score followers, attempted to carry off the cattle which pastured under the protection of the gar-Some of the younger and less experienced rison of Norham. of the soldiers, having made a hasty sally, were intercepted by the Scotch, and were compelled to defend themselves amongst some ruined houses at great disadvantage. Gray, perceiving their danger, vowed he would drink of the same cup; and as his whole force consisted of no more than sixty men, he caused the large mastiffs of the castle to be let loose, and having attacked the invading party, who in the meantime had drawn up

^a Scalacronica, p. 146.

their whole force in the open fields, he drove them with considerable slaughter across the Tweed into Scotland. Thomas Gray was twice besieged by the Scotch when filling the responsible situation of constable of this fortress; upon one occasion for two months, upon another for almost a whole The enemy raised a fortress against him at Upsetlington, on the opposite bank of the river, and another in the church of Norham; and he was twice relieved by the lords Percy and Nevil. During his absence in the south his castle was nearly lost through the treachery of one of his own attendants, who, having killed the porter, admitted the Scotch into the outer ballium. The inner ward, however, and the keep were bravely defended by the English; and the assailants, after having ineffectually mined the foundations of the principal tower for three days, alarmed at the prospect of Gray's arrival, retired into Scotland.^b

In 1322, he appears as a witness to a charter by which Matilda de Cornhale quitclaims to John de Bradefeld of Holy Island, and Alina his wife, all her right to the lands which she possessed in Elwyk near Ross, in which he is described as constable of Norham Castle.

For some reason which is not definitely explained, Edward, by a writ in the 17th year of his reign, directed Eustace de Burneby and Matilda his wife that they should discontinue the yearly payment of L.20, which they had made to Gray, for good services rendered to the king.^d In the same year his name stands second on the list of those returned by Gilbert de Borudon, sheriff of Northumberland, pursuant to a writ from the king, as summoned by general proclamation to attend the

Scalacronica, p. 146.
 Id. p. 147.
 Raine's North Durham, app. dccxxxii.
 Abbrev. Rot. Original. 17 Edw. II. vol. i. p. 272.

great council to be holden at Westminster on the Wednesday next after Ascension-day, 30 May 1324.

In 20 Edw. II. he was empowered, in conjunction with Ralph de Nevylle, John de Fenwyke, and John de Lilburne, to compel the shipping of the ports of Tinmouth, Dunstanburgh, Whiteby, Alnmouth, Hartlepool, Warkworth, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Newbigging, and Holy Island, to join the fleet under the command of John de Sturmy, admiral of the North; and shortly after was, in like manner, appointed to superintend the sailing of the said ships to the Orewell.

The sum which he received from Edward the Second for the increase of the garrison at Norham, to which we have before alluded, remaining unaccounted for at the Exchequer, in 5 Edw. III., he presented a petition to the king, requesting that he might be permitted to account for the same, and to be exonerated. The petition was granted, and he was acquitted of the sum, with the proviso, however, that the Exchequer should not be burdened with any sum beyond the L.113 so advanced.

By letters addressed to the sheriff of Yorkshire, 6 Edw. III., it appears that Edward the Second had formerly granted the sum of sixpence a-day, to be paid by the sheriff of Yorkshire for the time being to the said Sir Thomas; and that Edward the Third had commuted this payment for one of L.20 per annum, to be continued during pleasure. Moreover, the king directs that the arrears of this last grant be paid by the sheriff, and that the subsequent terms of payment be punctually kept.

The Scotch having been defeated with great loss at Halidown in 1333, Edward the Third gained possession of Berwick, and in the next year he granted to Thomas de Gray, in consideration

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Parliamentary Writs, vol. ii. p. i. p. 649.
Proofs, No. xii.
Proofs, No. xiii.
Id. p. 757.
Id. p. 759.

of good services rendered by him, a messuage situated in Uddingate in that town, formerly the property of Ralph de More. On the following day he was a surety to the crown for payment of the rents of the castle mills of Berwick, etc. which were then demised to William de Berington and others. He also had from the king a half carrucate of land, with its appurtenances, in Nesbit, in the county of Northumberland, forfeited by John de Trollope.

In the same year a fine "sur done grant et render" was levied at York before the King's Justices, between Thomas Gray, senior, complainant, and John de Boroudon and Alice his wife, deforciants, of the manors of Ewart and Haukhill, except six marks of rent in Ewart, which the said John and Alice acknowledged to be the right of the complainant by their gift, and thereupon he restored the same to them and the heirs of the body of Alice, at a nominal rent, provided that, in default of her issue, the manors should revert to him.

In 9 Edw. III., that king granted him the custody of the lands and tenements which had belonged to Andrew de Gray, deceased, which he had held of the king in capite, as well in the town as the county of Berwick, to hold during the minority of the heir of the said Andrew, together with the marriage of the said heir without disparagement; rendering nothing to the king for the same.° The king, in the same year, having taken Gray with him to Perth in the sudden expedition which he made to that town, directed letters to be issued by which the said Sir Thomas was freed from all pleas during his absence.

He occurs in 1340 as witness to a deed printed in the Archæ-

Proofs, No. xiv., Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 270. Id. p. 270. Proofs, No. xv. Proofs, No. xxi. Proofs, No. xvi. Proofs, No. xvii.

ologia Æliana; and in the same year, "whil the King was at the sege of Turnay, the erles of Marche and Sotherland made a rode yn to England, and were discomfitted by Thomas Gray there."

In 16 Edw. III., he was solicited by the king to proceed against the French in person, attended by a proper retinue, or, if his own attendance was inconvenient, to send six men-at-arms and as many archers, to be employed in the same service.

In 18 Edw. III., an order was issued to the escheator in Berwick, ordering him to restore to Gray certain lands and tenements in that town, which had been seized in consequence of a general mandate issuing from the crown; and in the same year, as a reward for good service performed as well at home as in the parts beyond the seas, he had a grant of the manor of Middlemast-Middleton, in Coketdale, formerly belonging to Idonea de Middleton, but escheated to the crown in consequence of the adherence of William de Middleton, son and heir of the said Idonea, to the Scotch.

In 19 Edw. III., he had a charter of free-warren in all his demesne lands of Fenton, Nesbit, Doddington, North Middleton, Middlemast-Middleton, South Middleton, Howick, Ewart, Heddon, and Haukhill; and appears to have died about the year 1343, for reasons which will presently be stated, leaving, by his wife Agnes, whom Raine conjectures to have been surnamed de Beyle, his son, sir Thomas Gray of Heton, knight.

The first appearance of this Thomas is in 12 Edward III., when letters of protection were granted to him, he being about

^a Vol. ii. p. 280. ^b Leland's Abstract, Appendix, p. 299. ^c Fæd. vol. ii. p. 1216.

⁴ Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 647. Proofs, No. xviii. Proofs, No. xx.

^{*} The Fine Roll for this year has been examined, but his death is not there recorded.

to accompany William de Montacute, earl of Salisbury, to the parts beyond the sea. In 18 Edw. III., on account of good service rendered to the king as well at home as abroad, he had a grant of the custody of the manor of Middlemast-Middleton, which had recently been presented to his father. It appears from the bishop's registers cited by Raine, that he performed homage 10 April 1343, and that he was appointed constable, sheriff, and escheator of Norham, 8 Jan. 1346, and that his oath of fealty to the prior of Durham is dated on the 8 Feb. ensuing.

He was present at the battle of Nevil's Cross, 20 Edw. III., and letters were addressed to him by the king, thanking him for the good service then and there performed against the Scotch. At this conflict he captured David Graham and John de Haliburton, and was required by writ, dated 8 Dec. in the same year, to surrender them at the Tower of London; and, moreover, upon the 10th of the same month he was requested to repair to Westminster, on the morrow of the feast of Epiphany, there to treat with the prelates and "magnates," and others of the council, concerning the furtherance of the Scottish war.

On 26 Sept. 1347, with the consent of the farmers of the customs, he was appointed supervisor of the tronage and exportation of wool from the port of Berwick, and had the custody of the "folium" of the cocket-seal committed to him as security for the issues of the same.

In 22 Edw. III., he and certain other northern tenants were commanded, under pain of forfeiture, to observe the peace then

^{*} Fæd. vol. ii. p. 1048.

* Proofs, No. xix.

* Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 675. Fæd. vol. ii. p. 92.

* Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 679; Fæd. vol. iii. p, 97.

^{*} Rot. Soot. vol. i. p. 705. There is reason to suppose, however, that the Thomas Grahere mentioned was a citizen of York, and not of the Heton family.

recently concluded at Calais between England with France and Scotland; and by another writ of the same date, he is joined in commission with Thomas de Musgrave, Walter de Creyk, and Robert de Maners, to see that the said peace be not broken, and to punish those whose conduct on the Borders may likely produce a rupture. In the same year he was again appointed a commissioner, in conjunction with Henry de Percy, Ralph de Nevill, William Heron, John de Coupland, and the individuals last mentioned, to treat with the Scotch as to the renewal of the truce of Calais, as far as Scotland is concerned.

He sat as one of the Justices at Durham, 25 Edw. III., when a fine was levied before him in the bishop's court there.d

The truce between England and Scotland having now expired, the king, by his writ, dated 30 Oct., 27 Edw. III., directed the said Thomas, Robert de Oggle, and the sheriff of Northumberland, to levy the men of that county for the defence of England against the Scotch, who are said to be meditating an irruption.

In 29 Edw. III., namely 1355, the Scotch, having entered into a confederacy with the French, commenced hostilities with England. In the month of August, Patrick earl of March made an inroad into the Borders, and having placed an ambuscade on the Scottish side of the Tweed, sent over Sir William Ramsey of Dalwolsey with four hundred men, to ravage the opposite country. Sir Thomas Gray seeing the booty driven past Norham castle, of which he was then constable, issued out,

^e Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 713. ^b Ibid. ^e Id. p. 717. ^d Printed in Archæolog. Eliana, vol. ii. p. 276, where it is erroneously ascribed to 25 Hen. III., 1241.

^{*} Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 762.

^{&#}x27; So says Leland's Abstract, p. 304, but no proof that he held such an appointment is to be found in Raine's list of the officers for the shire of Norham. Wyntown, vol. ii. p. 275, also calls him the warden of the castle.

attended by no more than fifty men^a of the garrison, pursued the invaders as far as Nesbit in the March, where, being surprised by the ambuscade, and attacked in rear and front, the English were compelled to surrender, after performing prodigies of valour which elicited the praise of their adversaries. Gray, together with his son, also named Thomas,^b was captured; amongst the slain was John de Haliburton, styled the scourge of the English, probably the same individual whom Gray had taken prisoner at the battle of Durham.^c In his confinement in the castle of Edinburgh, he beguiled away the solitude of his imprisonment by undertaking the compilation of the Scalacronica.^d

Being thus in captivity, and a heavier ransom demanded from him than he was able to pay, he presented a petition to Edward setting forth his situation, in consequence of which a writ was issued by that monarch, permitting him to cause one hundred sacks of wool to be conveyed from Norham to Berwick, and to have the same weighed there and exported, after payment of the duty of fifty shillings per sack, thus freeing him from the expense of having them carried to Newcastle to be there weighed.

His captivity was not long protracted; we have evidence that it did not extend to 5 October, 31 Edw. III., for on that day we find that John, son and heir of John Gray, one of the twenty hostages who became security for the ransom of David de Brus,

Wyntown says he had fourscore men-at-arms besides archers.

b The last-cited authority erroneously calls this son William. His description of this skirmish adds nothing to the account given by Fordun, but it is narrated in good poetry; the lost folios of the Scala would probably surpass them all.

^e Fordun, vol. ii. p. 350; Leland's Abstract, p. 304; Wyntown, vol. ii. p. 275.

⁴ See the present volume, pp. 1, 2.

e Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 798; Feed. vol. iii. p. 343.

king of Scotland, was delivered into the custody of sir Thomas Grey.^a

In the ensuing year he was appointed, together with Thomas de Musgrave and William Heron, an arbitrator on the part of Edward III., to discuss with the arbitrators of William de Douglas the question, whether that baron had captured the castle of Hermitage during the truce between England and Scotland.^b

In 1359, William de Dalden, lord of Dalden, in the bishopric of Durham, granted to him a moiety of Felkington and Allerdean, in Norhamshire; and in the same year he had letters of protection, being about to accompany the prince of Wales to the parts beyond the sea, during which expedition he probably acquired that information upon the French campaign which occupies such a prominent place in the latter pages of his work. How long he was absent we have no means of ascertaining, but in 35 Edw. III. a writ was issued, appointing him and Henry de Percy, Ralph de Nevill, Richard Tempest, and John de Coupeland, keepers of the Marches against Scotland.

In 40 Edward III. this Thomas Gray, upon payment of a fine of ten marks, had a grant of the fourth part of the manor of Upsetlington-West, with the appurtenances, on the Scottish side of the Tweed, nearly opposite the castle of Norham, formerly belonging to Nicholas Heyden and James his son, now the king's traitors, to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

It appears by an indenture, dated 41 Edw. III., that Gray was



^{*} Fæd. vol. iii. p. 366; Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 814.

b Fæd: vol. iii. p. 393; Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 826. Surtees Durham, vol. i. p. ii. p. 6.

^d Fæd. vol. iii. p. 443. Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 857.

Abbrev. Rot. Origin. vol. ii. p. 291; Letter-book of the Prior of Durham, MS. Cott. Faust. A. vi. fol. 45, b.

appointed one of the English wardens of the Eastern Marches against Scotland; and shortly afterwards a writ was issued to the individuals mentioned in the last instrument, directing them to see it carried into effect. Being again constable of Norham castle in 42 Edw. III., he was required, together with the wardens of the castles of Berwick and Roxburgh, to provide for the observance of the truce between England and Scotland.

Nothing further concerning the exploits of this Thomas de Gray has been observed; he died, according to Raine, in 1369, leaving by Margaret, daughter of William de Presfen or Presson, a son, sir Thomas Gray of Heton, then aged ten years.

Here we terminate our inquiries into the history of this family; but, for the purpose of better exhibiting its progressive importance, it has been thought advisable to append a few additional sources of information, hitherto unprinted, which may aid the investigations of those who are inclined to pursue the subject further than the Editor's limits and subject permit him to do. For this purpose he subjoins two inquisitions taken upon the decease of Thomas, the son of the writer of the Scalacronica.

By the first of these it appears that he died seized in his demesne as of fee of four tenements, with their appurtenances, without Pilgrim Street, two tenements in Bradechare, a tenement upon the Sandhill, a tenement on the Netherside, a cellar in the Nether Flesherrow, two waste tenements in the Netemarketgate, all in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and certain rents arising from various tenements in the same town. By the second of these, the return of the escheator of Northumberland, we

^{*} Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 913.

^b Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 914.

c Fœd. vol. iii. p. 832.

⁴ Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 920.

^{*} Proofs, No. xxii.

are able to form a correct estimate of the large possessions which the family of Gray had now acquired in that county. The jurors state that the deceased died seized of the following possessions; namely, the castle and manor of Wark-upon-Tweed. with its appurtenances, of which he had been jointly enfeoffed with Johanna his wife, then surviving; a messuage and sixteen acres of land, called Straideland, lying in the fields of Bamburgh, and three burgages in the same town; three vills called Middleton; the manors of Doddington, Ewart, Howick, and Hawkhill, with their appurtenances; a messuage and land in Alnwick; half of the manors of Rothbury and Yerdill; the manor of Hetton; lands and tenements in Presson; the third part of Coldmerton; one husband-land, two cottages, and a place called Bostlees, held of the lord Darcy; one husband-land in Yeverne, another in Bowsden, and a third in Killum. The jurors also state that he died on the Thursday before or after the feast of St Andrew the apostle, 2 Hen. IV. (for the two returns differ on this important point), leaving as his heir his son sir Thomas Gray, knight, aged nineteen years. From an inquisition concerning the age of this Thomas, it is proved that he was born in Alnwick castle, on the feast of St Andrew, 8 Ric. II., and baptized on the same day in the church of St Michael in that town.

What has here been advanced will be better understood by the following genealogical sketch of the early part of the family. The reader is referred for a most elaborate and valuable pedigree to Raine's North Durham—a work from the appendix to which, consisting of several hundred charters connected with Scotland, the inquirer into the early history of that country may gain a fund of most important information.

a Proofs, No. xxiv.

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INTRODUCTION.

Sir John Gray of Berwick, ob. circ. 1246, Introd. p. xiv. Sir Thomas Gray of Heton, 1273, p. xiv. Sir Thomas Gray of Heton, = Sir Robert Gray, knight, p. xiii. Agnes . . . knight, p. xvii.; ob. circ. note; temp. Alex. UI. had half p. zxi. of the mill of Lowedre, and certain tenements in Hidegate in Berwick; Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 268. In 1322 witnessed the deed 732 of Raine's appendix, together with his brother the constable of Norham: died before 8 Edw. III.; Rot. Scot. vol. i. p. 268. Raine, p. 184, conjectures that he was of Cornhill. Sir Thomas Gray of Heton, = Robert Gray, jun., son and heir, Margaret, daughter of William de was seized of the tenements. knight, author of the Scalacronica. Pressen or Pres-&c. before specified, in 1334; son, near Wark. ob. s. p. m. 1338; Raine, p. 184. William Swin- Mary Gray, sole daughter Sir Thomas Gray of Heton, = = Johanna knight, born about 1359, Proofs, No. xxiii.; hoe; Raine, p. and heiress. constable of Norham castle. but according to 184; hence the justice of assize in Norham, Raine, Catherine, Swinhoes of and Island-shire, 1390, Goswick and daughter of John 1396; Raine, p. 46. He lord Mowbray: Cornhill. is described as of "Berwas alive 2 Hen. IV. wyke in com. Northumberland," by Dugdale, Baron. vol. iii. p. 193, and pro-bably had a residence in Uddingate there. In 1391 he is described as late deputy warden of the East Marches; Rot. Scot. vol. ii. p. 113. He was returned for the county of Northumberland in 1396 and 1399; Hutchinson's Hist. of Northumberland, vol. ii. p. 446. The Inqq. p. m. vary as to the date of his death; Proofs, No. xxii. xxiii. Sir John Gray, knight, = Johanna, daugh-Sir Thomas Gray of Heton, - Alice, daughter of lord Powis jure uxoter of Edward Ralph lord Neville knight, beheaded in 1415. ris. lord Charleton of Raby. of Powis. THE BABONS GREY OF POWIS. THE GREYS OF HOWICE AND TANKERVILLE.

The length which these introductory remarks have somewhat unexpectedly attained compels the Editor to confine himself to a very few observations connected with the literary history of the Scalacronica. After what has already been advanced, it is presumed that no doubt as to the individuality of the writer of this work can be entertained, and therefore the reader need not be delayed with an examination of the claims which, according to Leland, one John of Oxford has to its authorship. It is singular that, of all men, Leland should have committed this egregious error, when it is to him that we are indebted for the earliest notice of the work; and he seems to have arrived at the inevitable conclusion "that one of the Greys of Northumberland was author of it," from observing that the name of the writer and the blazon of his arms was expressed in the prologue.b This chronicle was first noticed in print by Dr John Caius in his curious volume, "De Antiquitate Cantabrigiensis Academiæ," book i. chap. 38, in which it is ascribed to its proper author, and afterwards cited, but in a very superficial manner, by Brian Twyne, Bale, Pits, Vossius, Tanner, Jewel, I Fuller,⁸ and their copyists. Besides these, it attracted the attention of Dr Nicholas Wotton, dean of York and Canterbury, who, in the midst of repeated missions to France, Germany, and Scotland, during the reigns of Henry the Eighth, Edward the Sixth, Mary and Elizabeth, found leisure to amass copious his-

⁶ Church Hist. p. 63.

^{*} See Tanner, Bibl. p. 568.

b He there states that his name is expressed by certain letters, which he specifies by the numbers which they occupy in the alphabet; these form "Thomas Grai." The account which is here given of his armorial bearings is too indefinite to be reduced, with certainty, to the terms of modern heraldry.

London, 1568, p. 51.

De Antiq. Acad. Oxon. p. 277.

See these writers under the articles alluded to.

^{&#}x27;Apology, p. i. p. 11.

torical and genealogical collections, of which one volume is in the Harleian Library, and contains numerous extracts from the Scalacronica; but he has not given us any intimation of the depository of the original, nor has Leland been more explicit. We are therefore uncertain whether any other manuscript has existed; but this much is certain, that if Leland made his analysis from the copy now in Corpus Christi Library, it was then much more complete than it now is, for we have at present to regret the loss of a considerable and interesting portion.^b It will be observed, that in the prologue, the writer speaks with some obscurity of having translated this work from verse into prose. To what original he here alludes, or whether we have now the genuine production of Gray, or how he happens to speak of Otterburne, whose history is generally referred to a later period, are questions which the Editor is not called upon to discuss. In such investigations, where nothing can be advanced except upon conjecture, and where all must rest upon supposition and probabilities, he does not consider it necessary to intrude his own theories upon those who can exercise their ingenuity as well as he can. In the Public Library at Cambridge is the outline of the contents of a manuscript which seems to have agreed very closely with the Scalacronica. Of its fate nothing is now known, and no portions of it exist in the volume there specified; it has been thought advisable, however, to subjoin the abstract yet remain-

^a That this volume was in the writing of Wotton was unknown to Wanley, when he framed the portion of the Harleian Catalogue in which it is described, but the fact has been detected by the Editor's friend, John Holmes, Esquire, of the British Museum.

^b The MS. now wants that which formed the original of Leland's Abstract, extending from p. 299, l. 10, to p. 304, l. 38, of the present edition.

c Proofs, No. xxvii.

ing, that it may be compared with the corresponding passages in the present volume.

The portion here printed commences with the Norman conquest, and exhibits the whole of the chronicle from that period to the end of the volume, without selection or omission of any kind. The period anterior to the Conquest, being a compilation from works which are either unconnected with the history of Britain, or such as exist in a distinct and accessible form, was not thought worthy of being printed. The text here given is a faithful representative of the manuscript; and in retaining the errors of the original, the Editor has been guided rather by the authority of others than his individual judgment. These errors are numerous, but fortunately they are too gross to be The appendix of notes and illustrations has been dangerous. selected for the most part from manuscripts in the British Museum. In its formation it was the wish of the Editor to present to his readers as much information from unexplored sources as was consistent with the proper discharge of his duty. He has terminated these notes with the reign of Richard the To have continued them to the extent to which they might have been carried, during the later periods, would have been an easy task; but the commencement of the reign of John, when the regular and connected series of the Chancery Rolls begins, was considered the most advisable opportunity of discontinuing these notes, both because our history from that era becomes comparatively lucid by the recent publication of a considerable portion of these rolls by the Record Commission, and because the Scalacronica at that period becomes more authentic and valuable.

That the present volume may be more complete, it has been

resolved, upon mature deliberation, to reprint Leland's abstract of the work, since it is through this medium that the Scalacronica has hitherto been quoted, and because when he used the manuscript it had not, as has been already observed, sustained the provoking mutilation by which it is now deprived of so much interesting matter.

It was the Editor's intention to append a Glossary, and one was framed for the purpose of insertion but withheld, since the difficulty which is experienced in first reading this work consists rather in the disguised form in which the words are clothed, than in the introduction of obsolete phraseology. After the perusal of a few pages, it will be found that these apparent obstacles are easily surmounted; and the words which are really archaisms may be found in the glossaries of Cotgrave or Roquefort.

In conclusion, the Editor begs to offer his thanks to the Reverend Dr Lamb, Master of Corpus Christi College, for permission to transcribe and collate the manuscript of the Scalacronica, and for the facilities which he so liberally afforded in the accomplishment of this task; to Henry Petrie, Esquire, and to Sir Francis Palgrave, Keepers of the Records in the Tower and Chapter House, for leave to make copies of the documents in their respective offices, illustrative of the family of Gray; to John Smith, Esquire, youngest, Secretary to the Maitland Club, for the interest which he took, and the important assistance which he rendered in the present volume; and to Robert Pitcairn, Esquire, for the accuracy with which the press, under his direction, executed a work attended with more than ordinary difficulties.

JOSEPH STEVENSON.

London, December, 1835.



THE FOLLOWING CONVENTIONAL MARKS HAVE BEEN ADOPTED.

Interlineations are placed between accents, ' '.

Words of which the reading is doubtful, or apparently wrong, have | prefixed.

Words decidedly erroneous are distinguished by †.

Words inserted are placed between brackets, [].

The cancelled words of the original are inserted.

PROOFS AND ILLUSTRATIONS.

No. I.

Ex orig. in Recept. Cur. Scaccarii.

HEC est final concordia eta in cur dni rege and Novu Castru in cestino S'ti Jacobi anno regn rege Henr fit rege Joh t'cesimo coram Rogo de Thurkilby Gilbto de Preston magro Simoe de Wauton t Johe de Cobbehā Justič itinantiba t aliis dni regt fideliba tūc ibi psentiba. Int Robtum Grey t Agn ux ej? Adam de Hawardyn t Matilt ux ej? petn. t Ricm de S'to Petro ten de qetuor bovatis tre t ib3 thoftis cu ptin in Killigwurth. Un ass mortis ancessoris sum fuit int eos i eadem cur. Scilt qd fati Rob t Agn Ada t Matill recogn fatam tram t thofta cū ptiñ esse jus ipius Riči. Et p hac reč fine t concordia idem Rič concessit patis Robto t Agn. Ade t Matili duodeci aces tre t unu thoftu cu ptiñ de eadem tra t thoftis t unu croftu qd est de ptiñ ejusdem tre. scilt quatuor acras t unam rodam que jacent in campo qui vocatur Estfeld ∜s⁹ orientē. duas acras t̃ dim̃ que jacent in campo qui vocatur Hyppelawe vs9 aquilonē. qinq acras t unam rođ que jacēt in campo qi vocatur Horchestres & Bereacres. Vs9 occidente. et illd thoftu & croftu que Humfrid de Pýkeden. aliqn tenuit in eadem villa. Habn t ten eisdem Robto t Agn Ade t Matilt t hedib3 ipay Agn t Matilt de capitalib3 dnis feodi illi9

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inppetuū. faciendo iñ omia vic que ad patas duodeci acras tre thoftū t croftū ptinēt. et supplusagm toti? pate tre t thoftoų cū ptiñ remanebit eidem Rico t hedibz suis quiet de patis Robto t Agn Ada t Matilt t hedibz ipaų Agn t Matilt inppetuū.

NORTHUMB'

No. II.

CHRON. DE LANERCOST, AD AN. M.CC.XCVI.

Quoniam hic mentio occurrit de patrocinio Sancti Francisci fidutialiter invocato, tangam hic duo quæ acciderunt ad tres annos ante destructionem Berwici, quæ in ipso burgo contigerunt. Ipsa civitas quondam adeo populosa ac negotiosa extiterat quod merito altera Alexandria dici poterat, cujus divitiæ mare et aquæ muri ejus. Illis diebus cives præpotentes effecti et Deo devoti largas erogabant eleemosinas; inter quas ob amorem et reverentiam Sancti Francisci ordini providere volentes, statuerunt de communi arca annuatim sumere quandam certam expensarum summam pro utroque festo Beati Francisci honorifice procurando, insuper et pro indumento pauperum fratrum apud se habitantium præparando, quo et geminum misericordiæ implerent officium, et sancto ex mercatore converso devotum exhiberent servitium, sperantes pro impensa pietate etiam in præsenti consequi ex hoc majus mercandi lucrum. Non eos fefellit opinio nec spes frustravit, quin omnibus florerent opibus, donec appropinquante eorum exterminio, ad suggestionem quorundam mente corruptorum, qui non solum burgensibus his immo toti terræ illi reperti sunt causa confusionis, edocti fuerunt primo eleemosinam statutam diminuere, postea dimidiare. Quia vero hujus devotionis inventor extiterat dominus Johannes Gray, tam miles quam burgensis, qui ante annos plurimos ex hac luce subductus fuerat, præmunivit Deus plebem adversus imminens periculum, hoc modo. Anno præcedente guerram Scotiæ visum

fuit Thomæ Hugtoun, dicti militis juniori filio, quod in loco quodam deliciarum inter catervas sanctorum fratrum cerneret patrem suum dudum mortuum, habitu ac gestu cæteris Minoribus conformem. Cumque personam patris recognosceret, sed gradum ejus miraretur mutatum, suspensæ cogitationi ipsius tale dedit responsum; "quod ante non vidisti, fili, miraris me in habitu Minorum constitutum, sed per hoc a Deo doceris me in eorum numero computatum quorum præcipuum adamavi consortium. Vadas, igitur, vice mei ad vicinos Berwici, et eis ex parte Dei publice denuncies ut caritatem impensionis quam ceperam erogare in beati patris Francisci honorem resuscitent ac restaurent; sin autem cito sentient non tantum dilapidationem temporalium quin etiam dehonestationem corporum suorum." Excussus somno statim detexit civibus revelationem sibi factam, suasit emendam. Non curantibus corrigere acciderunt per ordinem quæ verificaverunt visionem; dum primo mercatus deficeret, demum gladius desæviret.

No. III.

MS. Cott. Nero, C. viii. fol. 44, b.

T. de Grey Debent in garder dni regis dno Thome de Grey Miles. I militi moranti in comitia dni Johis de Seg ve custodis ville Ber sup Twedam anno q rto tam p arr vadio q fuo q q p restaur q q dam equo q fuo q ad arma pdito q in svicio dti dni regis ibidem anno eodem p comp sec stm apud Ebo q. xxvj die Januar anno xiij.

clxxix lj. xj. s. iiij. d. ħt billā.

No. IV.

MS. Cott. Vesp. C. xvj. fol. 1.

Domino Robto de Grei militi commoranti ad vad dni ñri rf in comitiva đti domini Radulphi de Montehmerij capienti p diem. ij. š. pro vadiis suis Willmi de Prendergeste Johis de Kyle t Ade de Chleton scutiferorum suor Alani le Forester Robti del Hulle t Edwardi Tinctoris hobellarion suon quolibet scutifero capiente p diem xij. đ. t quotot hobellar per diem .vj. đ. a pimo die Augusti anno presenti quinto usq. in decimū diem Septembr anno eodem utroque computato p. xlj. dies-Eidem domino Robto Grey comoranti ad vac rf ut xiij. Ti. vj. š. vj. đ. sup" || 7 municone ville Berwici sup Twedam capienti p diem. ij. s. p vad suis Robti de Hagarstone Thome Rybaud Patricii de Gosewyk Roberti de Chesewyk Walteri de Chesewyk Ade de Chlton Phi de Hagerstoñ Thome de Bollesdoue Nichi de Baddeby Johis de Mertok Robti de Daliel Riči Grey Patř de Chesewykť t Hugonis Grey scutiferou suou quolit capiente p diem. xij. đ. t trium hobellar suoz quolit capiente p diem vi. a. ab undecimo die Septembris anno supraato usq in septimum diem Julii anno eodem finiente utoque computato p ccc. t .j. dies quia bisextus—cclxiij Ti. vij. š. vj. đ.

Sm[«] cclxxvj. ti. xiiij. š.

No. V.

Breve de Privato Sigillo, 9 Edw. II.

Edward par la g^ece de Dieu roi Dengleterre sign^r Dirlaunde t ducs Daquitaine a ñre ch clerc t foial Johan de Sandale ñre chaunceller saluz.

GREY xiiij. scut iij. hobellař. Nous vous mandoms q̃ pr ñre bien amez Thomas de Greỳ sa meignee t ses choses facez faire tres de ptection souz ñre graunt seal en especiale t convenable forme a durer par un an. Doñ souz ñre pive seal a Onestoñ le .xv. jour de Marz lan de ñre regne nevisme.

No. VI.

Breve de Privato Sigillo, 11 Edw. II.

Edwardus Dei gra rex Angł đĩs Hitn t dux Aquit ven abili in Xpo patri. J. eadem gra epo Winton cancellar no saltm. Cum p bono svicio quod dittus nobis Thomas de Grey nobis impendit ac in subvencoem sustentacois sue uxoris t lito suo concessimus ei illas viginti libras quas Eustachius de Burneby t Matilt ux ejus nobis ad scc um nrm p uno mesuagio sexdecim virgatis tre sexdecim acris prti t decem t novem solidatis redditus cum ptinenciis in Watford 't Synelesworth' in con Norht solvunt annuatim henda eidem Thome q diu nobis placuerit. Vobis mandam? qd eidem Thome tras sub magno sigillo nro de concessione nro hujusmodi in forma debita here faciatis. Datf sub pivato sigillo nro apud Wyndesore. xij. die Febr anno regni nri undecimo.

No. VII.

Inquis ad quod Damn. 12 Edw. II., n. 64.

Edwardus Dei gra rex Angi dns Hibn t dux Aquit ditto t fideli suo Rado de Crophili escaetori suo citra Trentam saitm. Supplicavit nob diitus t fidelis nr Thomas de Gray p peticoem suam coram nob t confilio nro exhibitam ut ob diutinu sviciu quod nob in guerra nra Scocie hacten impendit de tris t tenementis que Johannes Mautalent qui nup a fideli-

tate ñra recedens Scotis inimicis t rebellibz ñris adhesit tenuit in Houwykf in comitatu Northumbr et que occone inimicicie t rebellionis patay ad man⁹ ñras tanq^am escaeta ñra devenerunt et de Pris t teñ que Cristiana mat pati Johis tenet in dotem in Chyuyngton t que post morte ejusdem Cristiane ad nos t heredes nros rone inimicicie t rebellionis pati Johis reverti deberent dare velim⁹ t concedere pfato Thome 'usq, ad valore quadraginta marcay p annū 'habenđ t tenenđ sibi t heredib3 suis de capitalib3 dnis feodi illius p svicia inde debita t consueta imppetuu. cui quidem supplicacoi duxim⁹ annuendū. Propt quod volentes ctiorari sup valore Tray t ten patoy quantu videlicet valeant p annu ut in anicis homagiis sviciis redditib3 villenagiis t aliis exitib3 ere juxta verū valorē eo4dem et si nos donacoem t concessione hujusmodi face possim9 sine pjudicio t dampno altius cujuscuq, necne. Vob mandam⁹ qd p sacrm pboy t leg hoim de balliva vra p quos rei veritas melius sciri potit tras t ten pata in forma pata extendi t inquisicoem super pmissis diligentem fieri fac et extentam t inquisicoem inde distincte t apte stas not sub sigillo vro t sigillis eou p quos ste fuint sine ditone mittatis t hoc bre. T' me ipo apud Eboy xxvij. die Novembr anno r n duodecimo.

p peticoem de consilio.

Dorso,

Brevia ret^rnabilia.

No. VIII.

Extent sta apd Novū Cast^m sup Tỳnam vicesimo q^arto die Marc anno regni regs Edwardi duodec cor sno Raso de Crophult esch sni regs cit^a Trent p Henr de Aketoune. Robm de Setoune. Johem de Setoune. Antoniū de Eryntoune. Ricm de Ogylt. Johem de Trewyks. Henr de Trewyks. Johem de Plesis. Wiltm de Inghow. Robm de Milnebur. Roßm Chicū. t Ricm de Cramlyntoune. Qui dicūt sup sacrm suū qd Johes Mautalād anteq^am adhesit Scotis timicis t rebellibz sni regs tenuit in villa de Howyks jux^a Alnewyks qing vigints t octo acr tre arrabit t

octo acr p^ati et solebant valere p ānū in õibz exit tre septē libr dec solid t octo denar. Et q̃d Cistiana mat pati Johis tenet in eaam noie dotis sex tras husbandoų t valere solebant tēpe pacis in õibz exit tre sex libr. Et ata tre t teñ tenent de || ano de Alnewykt p svic q^arte ptis feodi uni milit et q̃d ata Cistiana nichil tenet noie dotis in Chỳuỳntoune set tenet rone cujusa feoffamti medietatē ville pate de ano Robto de Lumley p svic dimid marc p ānū ad ward cast de Alnewykt p õi svicio cuj revcio spetat ano regi rõe timicicie t rebellionis ati Johis. Et valere solebat tēpe pacis in omnibz exit tre tresdecī libr sex solia t octo denar. In cuj rei testimoniū pati jur huic extente sigilla sua apposuerunt.

No. IX.

Rot. Pat. 12 Edw. II., p. ii., m. 12.

Re omibz ad quos te faltm. Sciatis qd in pliamento de Grey. Î nro nup apud Eboz covocato de affenfu prelatoz comitu baronū t alioz pcum regni nri tūc ibidem existenciū p bono t laudabili ac diutino svicio quod diltus et fidelis nr Thomas de Grey not in guerra ñra Scoc hactenus impendit et impendet in futur dedimus et cocessim9 p not et hed nris eidem Thome centu et octo acras rre et octo acras pati cū ptiñ in Howyk juxta Alnewyk in com Northumbr que fuerūt Johis Mautalent qui Scotis inimicis t rebellibz nris cont nos nup adhesit t que rone inimicicie t rebellionis ipius Johis ad manus nras tangam escaeta ñra devenerunt que eciam tempore pacis valere solebant p annū septē libr decem solid t octo denar sicut p inquisicõem inde de mandato ñro stam t in cancellar ñra retornata est comptu. H'end t tenend eidem Thome t hediba fuis imppetuu. faciendo inde nob et aliis svicia que de eisdem tra et pato debebant ante que ad manus nas devenerunt imppetuu. falvo jure cujuslibet. Concessim⁹ ecia p not et hedib3 nris eidem Thome qd fex tre husebandoz cū ptiñ in đta villa de Howykf quas Cristina Mautalent mat pati Johis tenet in dote de hereditate que fuit

ejusdem Johis t que rone | t inimicicie t rebellionis ipius Johis ad nos t hedes nros post morte ipius Cristiane revti deberent que ecia sex libr tempore pacis valere solebat p annu sicut p stam inquisicõem similit est coptum post morte ejusdem Cristiane remaneant psato Thome et hedibz suis tenens simul cu stis tra et p to p svicia que inde ante tempus pstm debebant imppetuu. salvo jure cujuslibet sicut pstm est. in ptem satisfaccois quadraginta marcataz tre p annu quas eide Thome p svicio suo psto sibi t hedibz suis hens concessim pvidere. In cuj? tc. T' R' apud Eboz xvij die Maij.

p ipm regem et confiliu.

Et mand est Rado de Crophult esc recita Trenta que eidem Thome das centu t octo acras dre t octo acras pati cu ptin libet hend in forma pata. T' ut sa.

No. X.

Ex. orig. in Recept. Cur. Scaccarii, 16 Edw. II.

Hec est finalis concordia facta in curia đni regis apud Eboų. a die pasch in quindecim dies anno regni regis Edwardi filii regis Edwardi sextodecimo. coram Wiltmo de Bereford Johne de Mutford Wiltmo de Herle Johne de Stonore t Johne de Bousser justič t aliis đni regis fidelib3 tunc ibi presentibus. Int Thomam filiū Johis Gray t Emmam uxem ejus quer p Johnem de Erington custodem ipius Emme p bre đni regis ad lucrandum. t Johnem Gray de Denum deforc. de duobus molendinis cum ptin in Estherle t Westwalyngton t medietate manerii de Westwalyngton cum ptin. Unde pitm convencionis sum fuit int eos in eadem curia scitt qd patus Johnes concessit patis Thome t Emme pata ten cum ptin et illa eis reddidit in eadem curia. Habend t tenend eisdem Thome t Emme t her de corpib3 ipoų Thome t Emme exeuntib3 de pato Johne t her suis imppm. Reddendo inde p annū unam rosam ad

festum nativitatis S'ti Johis bapte p omni svicio cons t exaccone ad patim Johnem t her suos ptinente et faciendo inde capit anis feodi illius p pato Johne t her suis omnia alia svicia que ad pata ten ptinent imppm. Et si contingat ad iidem Thomas t Emma obierint sine her de corpibus suis exeunte tunc post decessum ipoq Thome t Emme pate ten cum ptin integre revertentur ad patim Johnem t her suos quiete de aliis her patoq Thome t Emme, tenena de capit anis feodi illius p svicia que ad pata ten ptinent imppm. Et p hac concessione reddicione fine t concordia iidem Thomas t Emma dederunt pato Johi centum libras sterlingoq.

Nothumbr'.

No. XI.

Rot. Claus. 16 Edw. II., m. 2.

D' castris in ptibz Rf venabili in Xpo pri L. eadem gra epo Dunolm borialibz muniend. I sastm. Licet sufferencia guerre t treuga int nos et Scotos inite sint t sirmate p tresdecim annos duratur volum tamen que castra tam na que alioz in ptibz Marchie Scoc in omem eventu sufficient muniant t salvo t secure custodiant. Et ideo vob mandam sub foristrura om que not foristade positis sirmit injungentes que castra via de Norham t Dunosm ita sufficient muniri t salvo t secure custodire sac que dampnu vel piculu castris illis seu ptibz adjacentibz aut populo no ibidem occone desectus municois seu custodie castroz hujusmodi non eveniat quovis modo que si quod absit dampnu vel piculu castris ptibz aut populo no potitis occone eveniret ad vos non inmito gevit capiem? T' R' apud Hathelsay xxyj. die Jun.

p ipm regem.

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No. XII.

Rot. Claus. 5 Edw. III., p. 2, m. 9.

₽ Thoma) Rf thes t baronibz suis de sccio saltm. Supplicavit Grey. I nobis diftus t fidelis nr Thomas Grey nup conftabular castri de Norham qd cum đũs E. nup rex Angl past ñr p bre suu sub privato sigillo fuo dum castrum patm p Scotos tunc inimicos t rebelles ati pris nri hostilit obsessu fuit mandasset pfato Thome qd ipe in custodia castri pati ita se heret ad ad ipius pris nri cederet honorem t idem pat ñr Pfato Thome centu t tresdecim libras ad hōies ad arma p salva t secura custodia ejusdem castri retinend p Agnetem ux'em ejus misisset đtuso. Thomas viginti hõies ad arma t quinquaginta hobelarios virtute mandati pati in castro pato a primo die Septembr anno regni ati pris ñri fextodecimo ufq, ad icium diem Maij px seqñ retinuisset. velim9 cū Pfato Thoma de Patis centu t tresdecim libris facere comput t ipm de eisde put justum suit exonari. Nos supplicacoi ejusdem Thome in hac pte annuere t sibi gram volentes face in pmissis vobis mandam9 od ipm Thomam de patis centu t tresdecim libris ad scem ñem exonari t quietu effe faciatis. Recipientes a pfato Thoma bre ipius pris nri fup dtm. Ita qd ult" patas centum t tresdecim libras fone retinencie p ipm Thomam virtute mandati đti pris nri in hac pte ste de aliqua suma nullaten sim? onati. T'. Rf apud Westm xviij die Octobr.

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No. XIII.

Rot. Claus. 6 Edw. III., m. 14.

P Thoma de Rf eidē vič [Ebo4] saltm. Cum dns. E. nup rex Grey. Angl pal nr p tras suas patentes concesserit ditto nob

Thome de Grey sex denař p diem pcipiend p manus vič sui Ebon qui p tempore foret de exitibz ballie sue in subfidiū sustentacois ipius Thome t uxis sue ac libon suon qamdiu eidē pri no placet t nos postmodū loco paton sex denan p die concessimus eidē Thome viginti libr pcipiena singlis annis ad minos Pasch t S'ti Michis p equales porcoes p manus vic nri com pati qui p tepore suit de exitibz baltie sue in subsidiū sustentacois sue t uxis sue ac libon suon quamdiu nob placuit put in tris nris patis plenius continet tibi pcepim quamdiu nob placuit put in tris nris patis plenius continet tibi pcepim quamdiu nob placuit put in tris nris patis plenius continet tibi pcepim quamdiu nob placuit put in tris nris patis plenius continet tibi pcepim quamdiu nob placuit put in tris nris patis plenius continet tibi pcepim quamdiu nob placuit put in tris nris patis plenius continet tibi pcepim quamdiu nob placuit put in tris nris patis plenius continet tibi pcepim quamdiu nob placuit put in tris nris patis platis plenius continet tibi pcepim quamdiu nob placuit put in tris nris patis platis plenius continet tibi pcepim quamdiu nob placuit put in tris nris patis platis platis platis platis platis platis platis propositi put in tris nris patis platis pla

[apud Westm. xij die Sept]

No. XIV.

Breve de Privato Sigillo, 8 Edw. III.

Edward p la gece de Dieu roi Dengletre seign Dirlande t ducs Daquit a lonurable piere en Dieu I. p la meisme gece ercevesq de Cantbirs primat de tut Engletre ne chaunceller salutz. Come p le bon svice q ne ch t foial mons Thomas de Grey no ad fait eoms donez a lui un mees od les app tenances q fust a Randolf de More en Uddyngate en ne ville de Berewyk le quel mees est devenuz en ne meyn p la forfet le dit Randolf a av t tenir au dit mons Thomas t ses heirs de no tenz p les svices duz du dit mees avant qil devynt en ne mein a touz jours Vo mandoms q s ce facez av au dit mons Thomas tres souz ne gent seal en du forme. Don souz ne prive seal a Noef Chastel s Tyne le xj. jour de Juyn lan de ne regne oitisme.

No. XV.

Breve de Privato Sigillo, 8 Edw. III.

Edward p la gace de Dieu roi Dengletre seign Dirlaunde t ducs Daquit a lonurable piere en Dieu R. p la meisme gace evesq de Dureme ne chauncelt salutz. Come no eoms done a ne chat foial monf Thoma de Grey le piere une demy charue de tre od les apprenances en la ville de Nesbit en contez de Northumbr la quele tre est en ne meyn p la forfet John de Trollop a av t tenir au dit Thomas t ses heirs de no t de noz heirs p les svices ent duz t acustumez a touz jours Vomandoms q s' ce facez av au dit Thomas tres souz ne gant seal en due forme. Don souz ne p've seal a Rokesburgh le. vj. jour de Jan. lan de ne regne oitisme.

No. XVI.

Breve de Privato Sigillo, 9 Edw. III.

Edward p la gace de Dieu roi Engletre seign Dirlaunde t ducs Daquit a lonurable piere en Dieu. I p la meisme gace ercevesq de Cantbirs primat de tote Engletre nre chancelt salutz. Come de nre gace especiale eoms donez a nre ch t foial mons Thomas de Grey leysne la garde des tres t ten q furent a Andreu de Grey q est a Dieu comande t q tint de no? en chief aussibien de ceux tres t ten queux le dit Andreu tint en la ville de Berewykt come en contez de Berewykt t les queux tres t ten p reson du meindre age leir le dit Andreu sont devenuz en nre meyn a av tantq au plein age le dit heir ensemblemet od le mariage de meisme leir sanz despagement sanz riens ent don a no? Vo? mandoms q sr ce facez av au dit mons Thomas tres souz nre gant seal en due

forme. Don souz nre p've seal a Berewykt le.iiij. jour de Octobr lan de nre regne noefisme.

No. XVII.

Breve de Privato Sigillo, 10 Edw. III.

Edward p la g^xce de Dieu roi Dengleterre seign^r Dirland t ducs Daquit a ñre ch clerc mestre Willem la Zousche saluz. P^rce q nous avoms p's ovesq nous en Escoce ñre ch t foial monß Thomas de Grey leisnez a dem'rer illoeqs a ñre voluntee en voloms q en cas q nul ple soit mew vs le dit monß Thomas en sa abscence qil eit ñre pteccion de ñre g^xnt seal Vous mandoms q saunz nulle mane de delai vous 'facez' faire tres de ñre p've seal au . . chauncelt ou au gardein de ñre g^xnt seal de lui faire ñre pteccion souz ñre dit seal 'de la date de cestes' en due fourme. Doñ souz le seal monß Will^xm de Montagu a la Ville de Seint Johan p reson q no⁹ ne avioms mie ñre seal ovesq no⁹ illoeqs le xx. jour de Juyn lan de ñre regne dismes.

No. XVIII.

Rot. Pat. 18 Edw. III., p. 1, m. 13.

Pro Thoma Rf omibz ad quos të faitm. Sciatis qd de gra nra de Gray. Spali t p bono t g"tuito svicio qd dittus t fidelis nr Thomas de Gray not tam in t"nfmarinis q"m cifmarinis ptibz impendit dedim? t concessim? p not t heredibz nris eidem Thome manit de Middelmast Middelton' in Cokedale in com Northumbr cu ptin quod fuit Idonie de Middelton t quod p eo qd Wills de Middelton consanguineus t heres pate Idonie qui manit illud post mortem ejusdem Idonie jure heredi-

tario ingressus suit Scotis inimicis t rebellibz sni E. nup re Angt pris nri conte stm prem nrm adhesit sicut p inquiscoem inde p dittos t sideles nros Willim de Felton Thomam de Heton t Johem de Couplans de mandato nro stam t in cancellar nra retornatam est comptum p forissus Willi ad manus nras tanq mescaeta nra devenit hens t tenens eidem Thome t heredibz suis de not t heredibz nris seu aliis capitalibz snis seodi illius p eadem svicia p que mani illud tenebat anteque ad manus nras sic devenit inppetuu salvo jure cujuslibet. In cujus te. T'. R' apud Westm. xx. die Aprilis

p ipm regem t p bre de privato sigo.

No. XIX.

Rot. Pat. 18 Edw. III., p. 1, m. 28.

P Thoma de Grey Rt omibz ad quos të faitm. Sciatis qd de le fitz. gra nra fpali t p bono svicio quod dittus t fidelis nr Thomas de Grey le fitz not tam in tenfmarinis qem cifmarinis ptibz impendit concessimus ei custodiam manii de Middelmaste Middelton in Cokedale in com Northumbr quod fuit Idonie de Middelton t quod p eo qd Wilts de Middelton confanguineus t heres pate Idonie qui manii illud post mortem ejusdem Idonie jure hereditario ingressus suit Scotis inimicis t rebellibz ani. E. nup regis Angl pris nri conte atm prem nrm adhesit sicut p inquisicoem inde p distim t sidelem nrm Wiltm de Felton vic nrm com pati Thomam de Heton et Johem de Coupland de mandato nro stam t in canc nra retorn est comptu p foristm ipius Wilti captu est in manu nram hend qemdiu nob placuit absq aliquo nob inde reddendo. In cujus tc. T' R' apud Turrim London xxviij. die Marc.

p ipm regë et p brë de privato sig illo.

No. XX

Rot. Chart. 19 Edw. III., n. 16.

P Thoma de) Rf [archiepis tc] saltm. Sciatis nos de gra nra spali concessisse t hac carta nra confirmasse ditto t fideli nro Thome de Grey qd ipe t heredes sui imppetuu heant libam warennam in omiba anicis tris suis de Fenton Nesbit Dodyngton Northmiddelton Middelmastmiddelton Southmiddelton Howykf Eworth Heddon t Haukhill in com Northumbr dumtamen tre ille non sint infra metas foreste nre ita qđ nullus intret Pras illas ad fuganđ in eis vel ad aliquid capienđ quod ad warennā ptineat sine licencia t voluntate ipius Thome 'vel heredū suo4' sup forisfturam nram decem libray. Quare volum? t firmit Bcipim? p nob t herediba ñris qd batus Thomas t heredes sui imppetuu heant libam warenna in omibz anicis tris suis patis dumtamen tre ille non sint infra metas foreste ita qd nullus intret ?ras illas ad fuganđ in eis vel ad aliquid capiend quod ad warenna ptineat sine licencia t voluntate ipius Thome vel heredum suon sup foriseturam nram decem libr sicut Concessim9 eciā t licenciā dedim9 p nob t heredib3 ñris quantu in not est pfato Thome qd ipe boscum suu de Middelmastmiddleton in com pato includere t pcum inde face t boscum illum sic inclusum t pcum inde stm tenere possit sibi t heredibz suis imppetuu sine occone vel impedimento nri vel heredum nroy justic forestario viridario y t alion ballivon seu minstron ñron foreste ac alion quoncua dutamen boscus ille non sit infra metas foreste ñre. Hiis testibz venabilibz 'prib3' I. archiepo Cantuar tocius Angl primate. R Cicestr t R London epis Henr de Lancastr comite Derb Rico comite Arundell Thoma Wakf de Lydell Robto de Sadyngton cancellar nro Willo de Edyngton thes nro Rico Talbot senescallo hospicii nri t aliis. Dat p manu nram apud Eltham xvj. die Maij.

p bre de pivato sig.



No. XXI.

Rot. Pat. 22 Edw. III. p. 3, m. 22.

Pro Johe de Boroudoñ) Rf omibz ad quos tc faltm. Inspeximus t Alicia vxºe ejus. tenorem pedis cujusdam finis coram justic nris de banco levati in hec ba. Hec est finalis concordia eta in cuf dni regis apud Eboz a die S'ti Johis Bapte in quindecim dies anno regni regis Edwardi 'tij a conquestu octavo coram Wilto de Herle Johe de Stonore Johe de Cantebrigg' Johe Inge 't Johe de Shardelowe justic et postea in crastino S'ti Martini anno regni ejusdem regis Edwardi sup^adto ibidem concessa t recordata coram Pfatis Wilto de Herle Johe de Stonore Willo de Shareshull Johe de Cantebrigg' Johe Inge Johe de Shardelowe t Johe de Trevaignou justic t aliis dni regis fidelib3 tunc ibide pfentib3 in Thomam Gray seniorem quer t Johem de Boroudon t Aliciam vxºem ejus deforc de maniis de Eworth & Haukhill cum pertin exceptis sex marcatis redditus in eodem manio de Eworth unde plitum convencois sum fuit int eos in eadem cur scitt qu pati Johes t Alicia recogn pata mandia cu ptin sicut patm est esse jus ipius Thome ut illa que idem Thomas het de dono patoz Johis & Alicie. Et p hac recogn fine t concordia idem Thomas concessit pfatis Johi t Alicie pata mania cum ptiñ sicut patm est et illa eis reddidit in eadem cur hend t tenend eifdem Johi t Alicie t heredibz ipius Alicie de corpore fuo pereatis de pato Thoma t heredibz suis imppm. Reddendo inde p annu unam rosam ad festum Nativitatis S'ti Johis bapte p omi svicio cons t exactione ad Pdtm Thomam t heredes suos ptinente. et faciendo inde capit dnis feodi illius p pato Thoma t heredibz fuis omia alia svicia que ad pata mania sicut patm est ptinent imppetuu. Et si contingat qd eadem Alicia obierit fine herede de corpore suo pcreato tunc post decessum ipoz Johis t Alicie pata mania cu ptin sicut patm est integre revtent ad datm Thomam t heredes suos quiete de aliis her datoz Johis t Alicie tenend de capit dnis feodi illius p svicia que ad pata maidia ficut

patm est pertinent imppm. Henr de Bilton t Elizabeth ux ejus appon clam suu Northumbr. Nos autem tenorem sinis pati tenore psentiu duximus exemplisicana. In cujus te. T. R' apud Westm xxij. die Nov.

No. XXII.

Inquis. post Mortem, 2 Hen. IV., n. 50.

Henricus Dei gra rex Angl t Franc t dns Hibn majori ville Novi Castri sup Tynam t escaetori suo in eadem villa saltm. Quia Thomas Gray chivaler qui de nob tenuit in capite diem clausit extremu ut accepim? tibi pcipim? qd omia tras t ten de quibz pfatus Thomas fuit seisitus in dnico suo ut de feodo in balliva tua die quo obiit sine ditone capias in manu nram t ea salvo custodiri fac donec aliud inde pcepim? Et p sactm pbox t leg hom de dta balliva tua p quos rei vitas melius sciri potit diligent inquiras quantum trax t ten idem Thomas tenuit de nob in capite tam in dnico qm in svicio in eadem balliva tua dto die quo obiit t quantum de aliis t p quod sviciu t quantum tre t ten illa valeant p annu in omibz exitibz t quo die idem Thomas obiit t quis ppinquior heres ejus sit t cujus etatis. Et inquisicoem inde distincte t apte stam nob in cancellar nram sub sigillo tuo t sigillis eox p quos sta fuit sine ditone mittas t hoc bre T' me ipo apud Westm xviij. die Decembr anno r n scoo.

Hertilpole.

Dorso,

Respons Rog'i de Thornton majoris ville Novi Castri sup Tynam tescaetoris dni regis in eadem villa patet in inquisicoe huic bri annexa. Et ultius ego prat? esc cepi in manu dni regis omia tras ten de quibz Thomas Gray chivaler infra noiat? fuit seit? in dnico suo ut de feodo in balliva mea die quo obiit put hoc bre requirit.

Inquis capt apud villam Novi Castri sup Tynam quintodecimo die Februar anno regni dni regis Henrici quarti post conquestu scdo coram

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Rogo de Thornt[one] majore ville Novi Castri sup Tynam t esc dñi regis in eadem villa virtute bris dñi regis eidem esc directi t huic inquisicoi consut p sacrm Willi Gardyn Johis de Careton Johis de Tyndale Willi de Norham Stephi de Wresilt Robti Blythe Henr Jonson Barbor Hugonis Grene Riči Pinch Willi Ellerby Petř Brounfeld t Johis Crawe jur. Qui dic sup sacrm suū qđ Thomas Gray chivaler in bri notat9 obiit seisitus in dnico suo ut de feodo die quo obiit de quatuor tenementis cũ ptiñ in đta villa Novi Castri ext^a Pilgrymstreteyate duob3 teñ cum ptiñ in le Bradecher in eadē villa Novi Castri uno teñ cum ptiñ sup le Sandhill in eade villa in quo Thomas Candeler inhabitat uno teñ cum ptiñ in le Nethirsyde in eadē villa in quo Elias Porter inhitat de uno selario subtus teñ Johis de Caretoñ sup le Nethir Flesshwer Rawe. et de duob3 teñ vast cu ptiñ in le Nete Marketgate in dicta villa et de quadraginta sex solidatis t octo denaratis redditus exeunt de teñ Sampsonis Hardyng in Pilgrymstret in eade villa de viginti solidatis reddit9 exeunt de ten Johis || Carleton in le Nether Flesshwer Rawe in eade villa viginti sex solidatis redditus exeunt de duob3 teñ cu ptiñ in Pampden in eadē villa in tenura Willi de Norham sex solidatis t octo denaratis redditus exeunt de uno ten prioris de Tynemouth in Beremarketgate in eade villa in quo Wills Litster infitat t de sex solidatis t octo denaratis redditus exeunt de uno ten Willi de Fulthorp chr in Skynnergate in eadem villa que ipe tenuit de ano rege in libo burgagio reddendo inde đno regi p annū duos solidos qui sunt pcella centū libran feodi firme ad || ht || in || villa Novi Castri et dicunt qd þata tenementa cum ptiñ ult" annuos redditus patos valent p annū in omibz exitibz ult" repris t redditus forinsecos triginta t sex solidos. Et dic qt Batus Thomas Gray nulla alia Pras seu ten tenuit infra villa Novi Castri sup Tynam de đno rege nea de aliis in đnico nec in svicio die quo obiit. Et dic qđ idem Thomas Gray obiit die Jovis px post festū S'ti Andree apli ult B'tit. Et qd Thomas Gray chivaler filius pati Thome Gray est filius t heres ati Thome Gray ppinquior t etatis decem t novem annoq In cujus rei testimoniū jur pati huic inquisicoi sigilla sua apposuerunt die anno t loco supadtis.

No. XXIII.

Inquis. post Mortem, 2 Hen. IV., n. 50.

Henricus Dei gra rex Angl t Franc t dñs Hibñ escaetori suo in com Northumbr. saltm. Quia Thomas Gray chivaler qui de nob tenuit in capite diem clausit extremu ut accepim? tibi pcipum? qd omia tras t ten de quibz idem Thomas fuit seisitus in anico suo ut de feodo in balliva tua die quo obiit sine ditone capias in manu nram t ea salvo custodiri fac donec aliud inde pcepim? Et p sacrm pbon t leg hõim de eadem balliva tua p quos rei vitas melius sciri potit diligent inquiras quantum tre t ten idem Thomas tenuit de nob in capite tam in anico q m in svicio in ata balliva tua die quo obiit t quantu de aliis t p quod sviciu t quantu tre t ten illa valeant p annu in omibz exitibz t quo die idem Thomas obiit t quis ppinquior heres ejus sit t cujus etatis Et inquiscoem inde distincte t apte stam nob in cancellar nram sub sigillo tuo t sigillis eon p quos sta fuit sine disone mittas t hoc bre. T' me ipo apud Westm xviij. die Decembranno r n scoo.

Stanley.

Dorso,

Respons Sampsonis Hardyng escaet ani rege in com Northumbr pat in inquisicoe huic bri consut.

Inquisicio capta apud Morpeth die Mertis pr post em S'ti Trinitat ao r r Henr qerti post conquest scdo coram Sampsone Hardyng tūc escaet din rege in com North virtut cuj? d bris dict dni rege eid † escat direct huic inquisicoi cosuet p sacrm Robti Lille Henr de Boynton milit Rob Swynhow Joh Heron Th Hesylryge Joh Fox Withi Lylb'ne Nichai Turpyn Tho Sayntpolle Wyland Mawdite Withi Benet t Gylbti Glanton. Qui dic sup sacrm suū qd Th Gray in bri noiatus obiit seisitus † coni de castr t manio de Warkt sup Tweda cū ptin cojuncti feoffat cū Joha ux sua

adhuc supstite habend eisd Thoe t Johe t hedibz de corpor eonde legitie pereatf t p defect hedm de corporiba eoud legit pereatf † dtam castr t maniū rem hedibz de corpe ipius Thoe legit pcreats et p defect her de corpe ipius Thoe rects herdibz ipius Thoe. Et qd pata castr t maniū tenēt de dno reg in capit p svičo militar t n' valent p am ppt destruccoe Scoton. It ad obiit seissit de un mes t xvi. act tr voc Straideland jacent infe camp de Badembught p qibz tenent | solev facer ferra p aratris ad castr de Bamburght t mo reddet p eadem feura iiij. s. vj. d. solved p mañ vic North qui p tepor fuit t qd tenet de dno reg in capit p svic an dict t vat p annū in õibz exit ulte repris x. s. It dic qd obiit seit de tbz burgag in đta vilt de Bamburgh que ten de đno reg in capit t libu burgag redđ đno iiij. s. p am t nichili val p am hiis diebz ppl distrucom Scoton. ąd obiit seit de tibz vilt dic Midilton cū suis pten in anico suo ut de feod que tenet de ano Henr Pcy com Northumbr ut de baronia de Benley p Svič militar t redđ eiđ com t heredibz suis p am quiq m rč t p truncag 'ad' castr de Bamburght trigint t novem † solod v. d q viz p cariacoe focal t reddenđ ad reddit voc Cudbert ferme p am vij. s. vj. đ. p man vic Northumbr qui p tepe fuit t n' val p am hiis diebz pp' distr Scoton. It qd obiit seit de manio de Dodyngton cu pten in anico suo ut de feod qd tenet de đco com ut de baron de Alnewyk p svic milit reddeđ † reddenđ p ward castr xiij. š. iiij. d. t nichili vat p causa sadta. It qd obiit seit de manio de Eworth cu ptinec ut de feod qd tenet de eod com p svic milit ut de baronia pata de Alnewyk treddit p am p ward castr xiij. s. iiij. đ. t nichili val p am in oibz exit ult" repris hiis diebz in causa Pata. It obiit seit in feod de manio de Howykt cu pten qd tenet in capt p Svic milit de đto com ut de bar an dict t val p am ulte repris in oiba exit xx. m"rc. It obiit seit de manio de Hawkyll cu pten qd tenet † ad eod com in cap p svič milit ut de bar pdict t val p am ult repric x. m rc. It obiit seit de un mes t un acr tr in vill t in campo de Alnewykt que ten de eod com redd p am eid com xij. d. t val p am ulte repric viij. s. It obiit seit de mediat mani de || Roubey in feod que tenet de heredib3 Alan de Heton chr p svic milit ut de manio de Angram t n' vat p am causa sadict. It obiit seit de mediet mani de Zerdilt in feod que tenet p svic milit de duc Lancastr ut de bar de Stamford t nichill val p am causa

sedta. If objit seif de manio de Hetton cu ptinef in feod qd tenet de Ric Arondell chr p svic milit ut de bar de Musco Campo t nl val p am ca sadta. It obiit seit de ctis tr t ten in Pressen que tenet de eod Ric p vic milit ut de baron an dict t n' vat p am causa s'dict. It obiit seit in feod de tcia pt de Caldmerton tet de Joh Folbur p vic militar ut de manio de Folbur t n' val p am ca sadta. It obiit seit de un tr hust cu duob3 cotag cu un plac voc le Bostlees que tenetr de dno Darcy ut de baron de Musco Campo p socag t nl val p am ca secta. It obiit seit de un tr husband in Zeverne que tenet de pdco Ric de Arowndell ut de baron de Musco Campo p socag t nl val p am ca sata. It obiit seit de uñ tr husband in Bollesdeñ tent de dnio de Lowyk in socag t n' val ca Bdict. It obiit seit in feod de tr husband in Kyllum t duob3 cotag que tenēt de Ric Arondali ut de manio de Kyllum p socag t redd iij. s. p am t n' vat p am ult" repris ca pata. Et dic qd bats Thom Gray obiit die Joy px an em S'ti Andree apli ult ptit t qd no obiit seit de aliquib aliis tr seu teñ in anico vl in feod infa com paict et ad Th Gray chr e fit suus t ej9 her ppinquior t est etat octodeci anno t amplius. In cuj9 rei testium huic inquis dict jur sigill sua apposuer. Dat die loco t ao sadtis.

No. XXIV.

Inquis. post mortem, 8 Hen. IV., n. 87.

Henricus Dei gra rex Angi t Franc t dns Hibr escaetori suo in com Northumbr saitm. Quia Thomas Gray chivaler fit t heres Thome Gray chivaler defuncti qui de nob tenuit in capite dicit se plene etatis esse t petit a nob tras t ten que sunt de hereditate sua in custodia nra usq ad legitima etatem heredis pati sibi reddi p quod volum qui dem Thomas fit qui apud Alnewykt in com pato natus t in ecctia ejusdem ville baptizatus fuit ut dicit etatem suam pbet coram te. Et ideo tibi pcipim quo ad tos diem t locu quos ad hoc pvideris pbaccem illam p

sacrm phoz t leg hõim de com pato p quos phacio illa capi t veritas etatis pate melius sciri potit t inquiri et phocem illam sic captam nob in cancellar nram sub sigillo vro distincte t apte sine ditone mittatis t hoc bre. To me ipo apud Westm xxviij. die Novembr anno r n sexto.

Dorso,

Responsio Willi de Carnaby esc dni regis in com Northumbs put patet in Inquis huic bre consut.

Inquis capt apd Alnewyke coram Willmo de Carnaby chr esc dni rege in com Northumbr die Lune xviij. die Apprill anno ff Henrici quarti post conquestu Angli octavo virtute bre dni rege eidm esc direct p sacrm Johis Midlame Johis Clerk de Nesbet Willi Asplioù Johis Etall Thome Clerkt Johis Holand Willi Midlame Johis Hyndley Robti Soppath Robti Burnegyll Robti Lawe & Henrici de Chester juf. Qui [dic] sup sacrm suu qd Thomas Gray chivaler fit t heres Thome Gray chivaler defuncti est etatis viginti duon anon t amplius. qd idm Th natus fuit in castro de Alnewyk in festo S'ti Andree appli ao r r Henr Riči sčdi post conquest Angt octavo t baptizat9 fuit in eccha S'ti Michis ejusam ville in eoam festo. P quod pa Johes Midlam etatis ly. annoų t amplius 'dič' qd ipe fuit in eadm ecclia tempe baptizaciois sue. Et pats Jones Clerk etatis lyj. annon t amplius dic qd ipe vider ipm port ad ecctiam eodm die. Et patus Wills etatis lvij. annon t amplius dic ad ipe fuit in castro pato eod die quo nat? fuit. Et pa Joh Etall etat lviij. annou t amplius dic qd ipe videbat patm Th filiu ligat in una zona deaurat eod die baptisaciois sue. Et pa Th etatis lx. annon t amplius dic qd ipe fuit in villa de Alnewyk tepe baptisaciois sue et pa Joh Holand etatis l. annon t amplius dic qd ipe vid Thoma Watton compatre suu equitat vf villa de Werkworth eod die. Et da Wills Midlame etatf lij. annoy t ampliu dic qd ipe videbat pd Th filiu involut in uno pano rubio tēpe baptiš sue. Et pa Joh Hyndley etatę xl.ix. annog t amplius dič ad ipe 'eod die 'videb Thoma de Ilderton milite compatr ejusc Th equitat VB Dunstanburgh. Et pd Rob Soppath etatis lx. annon t ampli9 dic qd

patus Th filius nat? fuit in le Midylzathouse ejusdm castri 'eod die qr tunc psens fuit ibm. 'Et Rob Burnegyl etatis lxiij annex annox t ampli? dic qd ipe fuit in abbathia de Alnewyk tepe baptis sue et pa Rob Lawe etat lvj. annox t amplius dic qd ipe equitavit eodm die vb Morpath. Et pa Henr de Chester etat lix. annox t ampliu? 'dic' qd ipe equitavit eodem die vb Rugley p quod bene recolivit qd ia Th fit est etat xxij. annox t ampt' In cui? rei testioniu pati jur huic inquis sigil sua apposuer. Dat apd Alnewyk die t anno sup atis.

No. XXV.

THE mention here made of the Chronicle of Marianus Scotus presents an opportunity of offering a few observations upon that work, of which the Editor more willingly avails himself for the purpose of removing an erroneous impression which prevails, namely, that the publication of this work would contribute to illustrate the more obscure periods of Scottish history.

The following outline of this Chronicle may not be unacceptable. It need only be premised that it is taken from the exceedingly fine copy in the Cottonian MS., Nero, C. v., which appears to have been written in Germany shortly after the period in which the author lived.

After some tables, of a chronological nature, at fol. 27 we have the rubric, "Incipit hic Mariani Scotti Cronica clara." It is divided into three books:

- " Primus liber incipit ab Adam usque ad Christum."
- " Secundus liber continet ab incarnatione Domini usque in ascensionem ejus."

The third book brings the history down to the period in which the author lived. Its character may be judged by the rubrics of the concluding chapters, which are as under:

Cap. xc. De Ottone imperatore, filio Ottonis [A.D. 973-983].

xcj. De Ottone tertio imperatore, filio secundi [A. D. 983-1002].

Cap. xcij. De Henrico pio imperatore [A.D. 1002-1024].

xciij. De Counrado imperatore [A.D. 1024-1039].

xciiij. De Heinrico imperatore, filio ejus [A.D. 1039-1056].

xcv. De Heinrico imperatore, filio hujus [A.D. 1073-1085]; de Hildebrando papa et decretis ejus [A.D. 1056-1105].

It is obvious from these rubrics that German, not English or Scottish history, forms the bulk of the Chronicle of Marianus. The following extracts will show the manner in which our domestic affairs are treated:

A.D. 1050. Rex Scottiæ Macbethad Romæ argentum spargendo distribuit.

A.D. 1053. Aed, clericus barbosus, clericorum, puellarum et laicorum magnam scolam habebat, puellasque more clericorum tondebat; propter quod etiam de Hibernia projectus est.

A.D. 1066. Hewardus rex Anglorum obiit viij. idus Januarii; Haraldus ei in regnum successit. Haraldus Harfager autem, rex Nordmannorum, minus mille navibus venit in Angliam regnaturus, et in urbe Eburaci plusquam mille laicos centumque presbiteros occidit de Anglis. Haraldus vero, rex Anglorum, cum septem legionibus superveniens et eum Haraldum imparatum invenit et occidit, mense Octobris. Hoc anno stella cometis visa est. Willelmus dux Normannorum cum Francis intravit in Angliam; qui cum statim bello occidisset Haraldum regem Anglorum, rexit Anglos.

A.D. 1080. Willelmus rex Anglorum fecit describi omnes totius Angliæ possessiones, in agris, in hominibus, in animalibus omnibus, in mansionibus omnibus a majori usque ad minimam, et in omni censu qui ex omnium terris posset reddi; et vexata est terra multis cladibus.

A.D. 1087. Willelmus rex Anglorum obiit 5 idus Septembris, Willelmus filius ejus [successit], unctusque est in regem 3 nonas Octobris.

The following notices concerning Marianus are extracted from his Chronicle:

A.D. 1028. Hoc anno natus est Marianus Hibernensis probabilis Scotus; cujus studio et labore hæc cronica præcellens de diversis libris est coadunata.

A.D. 1043. Animchadus Scotus monachus et inclusus in Fulda obiit, super cujus sepulchrum visa sunt lumina, et psalmodia audita est. Super

cujus sepulchram Marianus, hujus chronicæ auctor, decem annis àd pedes ejus stans inclusus, missam cantavit . . .

- A.D. 1052. Marianus chronographus seculum reliquit.
- A.D. 1056. Marianus peregrinus factus pro cœlesti patria, venit Coloniam, ibique in monasterio Scotorum sancti Martini, quinta feria, kalendis Augusti, monachus factus est.
- A. D. 1058. Ipsis vero statim diebus, feria secunda post octavis paschæ, [27 April], exiens de Colonia causa claudendi, cum abbate Fuldensi ad Fuldam, super mattam supra quam combustus est, ego oravi. Hæc ait Marianus Scotus inclusus.
- A.D. 1059. Marianus inclusus cum Sigefrido Fuldensi abbate, juxta corpus Sancti Kiliani in Wirziburh consecratus est presbiter, sabbato mediæ quadragesimæ, tertio idus Martii [13 Marc.], et feria sexta post ascensionem Domini, secundo idus Maii [14 Maii], inclusus est in Fulda per annos decem.
- A.D. 1069. Marianus, post decem annos suæ inclusionis in Fulda, jussione episcopi Moguntini et abbatis Fuldensis, in nonis Aprilis, feria sexta ante palmas, Moguntiam venit, et vj. idus Julii, feria quoque sexta, in natale sanctorum septem Fratrum, in eadem urbe juxta monasterium principale includitur.

It appears from his continuator, Dodechinus, that Marianus died in 1082. This chronicle is frequently cited by the early historians. Matthew of Westminster says that he was born in A.D. 1028; that he wrote a book of chronicles from the time of the emperor Octavian to 1131; that he is more explicit upon English affairs than all other writers; and that, "servatis annis dominicis," he continued his history to Henry the elder, by which he probably means the death of Henry the First.

In the "Magnus Rotulus Scotiæ" the "Cronica Mariani Scoti" is frequently cited in confirmation of the feudal superiority exercised over that kingdom by England, by which references we are to understand Florence of Worcester, in whose annals a considerable part of the prior labours of Marianus is inserted.—See Fædera, vol. i. p. 796.

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No. XXVI.

The high encomium passed upon the history written by John of Tynmouth,* to whom Gray is directed by his supernatural guide to look for historical instruction from that period of his narrative at which the present volume commences, namely, the arrival of William the Conqueror, renders it imperative that a few observations upon the Historia Aurea should here be offered to the reader; and these remarks will be the more acceptable, since copies of that voluminous production are by no means common or easy of access. The Editor is not aware of any perfect copies except those preserved in the Lambeth library (Nos. 10, 11, 12), in that of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge (Nos. 5, 6), and in the Bodleian (Nos. 240-2469). A brief notice of the Lambeth and Cambridge manuscripts is appended; † the Bodleian demands a more detailed examination.

- Grey in the prologue erroneously calls him vicar of Tillmouth.
- † Lambeth MSS. n. 10, 11, 12, folio, upon vellum, written in the fourteenth century, containing respectively 302, 292, and 255 leaves. The first volume extends from the Creation to the death of Nero, the second from the death of Nero to A.D. 605, the third from that date to the capture of Calais in 1367.

The Corpus Christi manuscripts are of the fifteenth century. The first volume extends from the Creation to the era of Dioclesian; the second from that date to the year 1377, although there is reason to believe that all there found after 1347 is the addition of a more recent chronicler. A satisfactory account of these volumes will be found in Nasmith's Catalogue of that Library, pp. 2, 3; and Parker's Preface to Matthew of Westminster (p. 5), edit. 1570.

The Bodleian MS. is a large folio in double columns, written in a very minute and close hand. It extends from the era of Constantine to 1347; the remainder of the volume consisting of a refacciamento of the lives and miracles of different saints by different scribes, very similar, however, to those legends published by Capgrave, which may be seen in the "Nova Legenda Anglise." This MS. being merely a detached volume has no preface, but at p. 582 is the following note at the bottom of the margin in a hand somewhat more recent than the text itself:—" Explicit Historia Aurea Johannis Anglici,"—then in another hand, "vel potius Guidonis Dionisiani abbatis Gallici;" but these words are placed immediately before the legends above mentioned, as if intended to apply more peculiarly to them. After the alphabetical index follows this note in a more recent hand: "Liber monachorum Sancti Edmundi, in quo continetur secunda pars Historiæ Aureæ, quem scribi fecit dompnus Rogerus de Huntedone, sumptibus gratiarum suarum."

The Cottonian roll, xiii. 2, contains an abridgement of this history, extending to the year 1346. At the end is the following note: "Explicitnt excerptiones Johannis de sua Historia Aurea, ad ædificationem legentium diligenter extractæ."



The most interesting period of this Chronicle, as of every other, is that which refers to the period within, or near, which the author lived; and a comparison of this portion of the work (that is, from the death of Edward the First to the end of the volume) with other authorities led the Editor to the unexpected conclusion that he had already printed its most curious passages in a volume presented to the Maitland Club by Moses Steven, Esquire, entitled, "Illustrations of Scottish History."* When these passages were printed the Editor was not aware that they were selections from the "Historia Aurea," and he described this portion of the Harleian manuscript as an anonymous chronicle, containing no evidence, internal or external, enabling us to form any conjecture as to its author. An abstract of the whole of this period, distinguishing the portions which respectively are in Higden, and the Maitland volume, is submitted for the information of the reader.

A.D. 1307. "Rex Edwardus post conquestum primus obiit die translationis Sancti Thomæ in finibus Northimbriæ, et apud Westmonasterium sepultus est; cujus obitum Robertus Cantuariensis, apud ecclesiam Romanam exulans, in somniis eodem die vidit. Cui successit Edwardus filius suus post conquestum secundus, vir quidem corpore elegans, viribus præstans, sed moribus si vulgo creditur plurimum discrepans;" Higden, col. 2531, to col. 2532, "cætera sibi satis infausta fuerunt," which is thus continued:—"Hic, Edwardo sepulto patre suo,† statim misit in Franciam, usque Crescy in Pontunio, pro Petro de Gavirstoun, qui dudum Angliam abjuraverat; qui Londoniis veniens in festo Assumptionis Beatæ Mariæ thesaurum regis tam apud Turrim quam apud Westmonasterium multipliciter dissipavit, ad regem in Scotia iter dirigit, et comes Cornubiæ factus cito post filiam comitis Gloverniæ et Johannæ de Accon duxit in uxorem. In festo Purificationis Beatæ Mariæ rex Ed-

Collections from the Historia Aurea are in the MS. 284 of Trinity College, Dublin; in the Harl. MS. 258, f. 36-58, b.; and in the same library, n. 692, fol. 216, are some short extracts (apparently transcribed from the excerpts made by Josseline, the learned secretary of Matthew Parker, contained in the Cottonian MS. Vitell. E. xiv. fol. 262, b.), which profess to have been taken from an original in King's College, Cambridge.

P. 2, et seqq. † Hic namque Edwardus certificatus de morte patris.—Harl. MS.

wardus apud Boloniam filiam regis Francorum Philippi, Ysabellam, duxit in uxorem. Occasionem autem hujus matrimonii ac sepulturæ Edwardi primi, nobiles Angliæ de Scotia se retraxerunt, post quorum recessum Robertus Brus in brevi castra et munitiones fere omnes totius Scotiæ, magis cautilis quam laboribus bellicis, adquisivit. Nec ex tunc rex Edwardus, discordia Anglorum prævalente, Scotis resistere potuit nec prævalere. Petrus de Gavirstoun proceres terræ parvipendit, ejusque contemplatione rex reginam suam Ysabellam neglexit. Quamobrem indignitati magnates Petrum ipsum prius usque in Hiberniam proterminant, ubi et regii thesauri illuc transmissi petulanter sunt absumpti. Deinde sub spe pacis uberioris habendæ ad Angliam revocatur, sed regio ut prius thesauro absumpto proceres terræ insurgunt," Higden, col. 2532, to "efflaret auram." It then proceeds—"Edwardus tertius, filius Edwardi secundi, die Sancti Bricii natus est, et a quodam cardinale in die Sancti Edmundi archiepiscopi de sacro fonte est levatus."

A.D. 1312. Tit. "Quod sicut Angli a Scotis, et Scoti ab Hibernensibus vincuntur. Cap. xxix.

"Rex Edwardus et proceres sui, excepto Thoma Lancastriæ," Illustr. of Scottish Hist. p. 2, to "caput vero Edwardi abscisum in stipite est illatum," p. 3, where the Bodleian MS. supplies "Dublinæ" before "in stipite."

A.D. 1316. Tit. " De eventibus illius temporis, et qualiter Cardinales deprædati sunt. Cap. xxx.

" Circa festum Sancti Gregorii."—Illustr. p. 3.

A.D. 1317. After a chapter entitled, "De eventibus illius temporis," showing how "Circa festum Sancti Martini Goscelinus Deyville, miles, cum Roberto fratre suo, Johane Page, et aliis circiter ducentis, cucullas fratrum," etc., we have the account, "qualiter urbes Berwici et Edinburgi captæ sunt," commencing, "Circa ad vincula Sancti Petri," printed in the same volume, p. 5.

A.D. 1318. Tit. "De Anglis et Scotis, et peste animalium. Cap. xxxiij. Mensi Augusti rex Edwardus, exercitu congregato, Berwicum obsedit."—Illustr. p. 6.

Tit. "Qualiter nobiles Angliæ a rege occisi sunt. Cap. xxxiv. Post

hæc in festo Sancti Michaelis rex magnum congregavit exercitum ad obsidendum castrum de Ledes. Quo quidem tempore comes Herfordiæ, duo Rogeri de Mortuo Mari, Johannes Moubray et alii magnates, apud Kingstoun, cum manu forti, ut obsidionem solverent, appropinquarunt," etc.

Tit. "De morte Andreæ de Harkeley. Cap. xxxv. Hoc anno tertio die Januarii, Andreas de Herkley, comes Carlioli," etc.—Illustr. p. 8.

Tit. "Qualiter anima Guidonis uxorem vexavit. Cap. xxxvj."*

A.D. 1324. "Circa hunc annum Willelmus de Soulis, Patricius de Grame," etc.—Illustr. p. 9.

"De Edwardo tertio et eventibus illius temporis. Cap. xlii. Edwardus igitur post conquestum tertius, annos xiv. in festo Sancti Bricii," etc. see Hemingford's Chronicle, edit. Hearne, p. 267, which the manuscript follows verbatim to "evasit," on the following page, and then accompanies it, in some places contracting, in others extending the narrative, until we arrive at p. 357, where a leaf is lost, extending to the middle of the document commencing on p. 365, and so following Hemingford to its abrupt termination, to which it supplies these additional chapters:

Cap. lxxv. Tit. " De victoria regis Edwardi habita apud Cressy.

• Copies of this absurd legend, written apparently to strengthen belief in the doctrine of the Real Presence, are not uncommon in a detached form; see Cotton. MSS. Vesp. A. vi. fol. 138, and E. i. fol. 219, b. It was printed at Dellft, in 4to. 1486; see Rodd's Catalogue, 1836, p. i. No. 1281.

It seems probable that it is to this Guy, and not the hero of romance, that allusion is made in the following passages in Dunbar's poems—

"The larbar lukis of thy lang lene craig,

Thy pure pynit thrott, peilit and owt of ply,

Thy skolderit skin, hewd lyk ane saffrone bag,

Garris men dispyt thar flesche, thow spreit of Gy:

Fy, feyndly front! fy, tykis face, fy, fy!"

Vol. ii. p. 72, edit. Laing.

Again-

"And yit gif this be nocht I,
I wait I am the spreit of Gy;
Or ellis go by the sky
Licht as the lynd."

P. 37.

"Hoc anno circa idus Julii, rex Angliæ Edwardus cum suo exercitu apud Hegg in Normania applicuit, ac spoliata et combusta circumquaque patria."

Cap. lxxvj. Tit. "De bello de Dunelmio facto apud Dunelmum. Hoc anno Scoti pluries Marchias boreales cum manu valida intrantes."

Cap. lxxvij. *Tit.* "De victoria contra Gallicos Thomæ de Dagword divinitus collata. Anno Domini m.ccc.xlvj. miles quidam nobilis, Thomas de Dagworth nominatus, cujus nomen probitasque fama."

Cap. lxxviij. Tit. "Qualiter papa post victoriam regi Edwardo scripsit."

Cap. lxxix. Tit. "Responsio Edwardi regis."

Cap. lxxx. *Tit.* "De captione Caroli de Bloys. Dominus Carolus de Bloys, congregato magno exercitu m.cc. militum et scutiferorum."

Cap. lxxxj. " Eodem anno nunciatum est magnatibus Anglorum, in obsidione Calesii."

The length to which these remarks have extended prevents the Editor from appending a few observations which he intended to have made upon the extent to which Grey seems to have gleaned information from the Historia Aurea, but the means of forming his own conclusions are now before the reader, and the investigation is worth pursuing.

No. XXVII.

MS. Trin. Coll. Camb. R. 14, 7.

Puis de la desconfiture a Dunbarre.

Puis coment li roys out pris tuz les cheuentains de Eskoce, et puis par fa curteysie les deliura.

Puis coment les Eskoz se herent as ceus de Fraunce par le fol abbet Willam Waleys, ki fust fait meintenur de lur secounde guerre; e coment li roy meimes cele houre ala en Flandres



Puis coment Willam Waleys fift tuer fire Hue de Creffingham au pount de Eftriuelyn tantke li roys fust ale en Flaundres.

Puis coment li roys a fa reuenue hors de Flandre fe confeylla a ces barons pur ces felouns de Efchoce.

Puis de la bataylle a Faukyrke.

Puis du derrainer mariage missire Edward, et de sa tierce alee en Eschoce.

Puis coment li roys fift ordiner les noueaus puyns, ke font apellez les articles de Traylebaftoun.

Puis coment Willam Waleys fust pris, traynez, penduz, ses bueaus arz, e pus decollez e desmembrez.

Puis coment les Eskoz se vnt obligez venir au roy a Loundres pur oyr les condiciouns de lur peis, en quele manere il lui dussent appeyser le trespas de lur tierce guere.

Puis coment fire Roberd le Brus, fi tost cum il fust reuenuz en Eskoce, fist assembler son parlement al abbeye de Skone, pur enquere ky tendra ou lui et ky noun, pur ceo ke il mist chalenge au reaume.

Puis coment le commun confayl de Eskoce se assent a fire Robert le Brus kil serroyt roys, e coment le abbe de Skone lui presenta le rauntzoun pur desendre la tere contre sire Edward.

Puis coment fire Johan le Comin de Badenak comenza desdire le coronement le Brus al abbeye de Skone, et dist ke iammais ne se afsentiroit ne ne ferroyt contre le serment kil out fayt a sire Edward.

Puis coment le Brus e le counte de Atheles ordeinent vn autre affemblee a Dunfris pur parfournir foun coronement.

Puis coment fire Robert le Brus maunda fes ij. freres pur fire Johan le Comin, fi lui prie venir a luy parler a les Cordelers de Dounfrys de vn confail pur honur de tote la tere.

Puis coment Johan le Comyn les contrepleyda derechef a Dounfrys kil ne affentiroyt au coronement le Bruz auaundit.

Puis coment Roberd le Brus tuwa fire Jon le Comin en leglise de Dunfrik, pur ceo ke il ne uoleyt a sa traysoun acorder.

Puis coment Roberd le Brus fust coronee, e coment il comentza tantost ardoir e destruire kantke auowait a fire Edward.

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Puis coment fire Edward fift addubber xiiij.** chiualers auaunt fa quarte alee en Efcoce.

Puis coment Robert le Brus et Simoun Frisel furent desconfyt en bataylle deleez la uile saint Johan.

Puis coment le esueske de Saint Andreu, le eueske de Glaskou, e le abbe de Skone, fount pris en bataylle.

Puis coment Symoun Frisel su pris, trainez, penduz, ars, et decollez.

Puis coment le cunte Datheles fust pris et serui de memes le iugement, fauue kil nestoyt mie traynee, pur ceo kil clama estre du parente le roy.

No. XXVIII.

EXTRACTS FROM THE CORRESPONDENCE RELATIVE TO A TRANSCRIPT FROM THE SCALACRONICA, PROCURED FOR LORD HAILES. 1777-1778.

Transcribed from the originals, by Thomas Thomson, Esquire, Deputy-Clerk Register.

DR WILLIAM COOKE, PROVOST OF KING'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE, TO LORD HAILES.

MY DEAR SIR DAVID,

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6th May 1777.

It must be a satisfaction to you to be assured that your papers are come safe, and I the rather give it you, as I am able, at last, to answer one of your enquiries. It happens very luckily for you, that a new and very particular catalogue of Archbishop Parker's library is published with us this very morning; a handsome quarto of 430 pages, in which the contents of all the volumes are distinctly specified. As it is greatly superior to all former catalogues, and probably may be of much use to you, you will kindly accept of one from me as my propagation; and in that confidence I will take the liberty to order you a copy immediately. I find in it, as you will, p. 207, your Scala Chronica, with a

note subjoined by the editor, in which he ingeniously resolves the enigma of the author's name, and adds, "Ex hinc apparet authorem fuisse Thomam Gray, Anglum, et, ut ipse testatur, apud Edinburgum captivum, ubi hæc quæ in quodam invenerat poemate, eâdem linguâ, Gallicâ scilicet, soluta oratione contexuit; continet historiam Angliæ a mundo condito ad A.D. 1362." This scarce promises well for being of the consequence you seem to conceive of it. The Leonine art of poetry has not yet occurred, but I have barely opened the book.

THE SAME TO THE SAME.

July 1777.

I had in my hands the Scala Chronica, and have found, I think, the passage you want, at least what tallies with this in Leland: "After that the hole Englisch hoste had faught with the Scottes, and had so great victory, the toune of Berwick was given up to the king." If you should not mean this passage (and possibly you may not, for I do not observe the word Haledown in it, which you make the scene of action), you will tell me so, and I will endeavour to make further inquiry. But should I be right, the transcript, I fear, will be attended with difficulty, being in very old French, and with such abbreviations as I could scarce make out two lines together. I have hopes, however, of help from Mr Nasmith, the editor of the catalogue, though he has left the college, and only comes in occasionally, and but seldom; and the fact is, that I am now soon leaving Cambridge myself, for two or three months. Having the convenience of another envelope, I enclose you Nasmith's proposals, and have taken care that he should know your wishes for the publication of the chronicle; if, with any good effect, you shall hear as I hear. Depend on me for doing my best, whatever you call me to, and accept my best wishes.

I am, my dear Sir,

Your's most faithfully,

WM. COOKE.

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THE SAME TO THE SAME.

15th July 1777.
I have reason to give you some hopes that the transcript of the Scale may possibly be soon sent to you, having left your address at Ben'e College for that purpose; and if it reaches you 'twill give me satisfaction to hear of it. Mr Nasmith shall know the encouragement you promise him.
Adieu, &c.
THE SAME TO THE SAME.
3d July 1778.
Mr Nasmith in the most obliging manner engaged for the transcript of the Scala Chronica, which I hope you received last summer and that it proved to your satisfaction.

SCALACRONICA.

PROLOGUE.

QE eit delite ou voet sauoer coment le isle del Graunt Bretaigne (iadys Albeon, tere de geaunz, ore Engleter), sust primerment enhabite, et de quel gent, et de lour naissaunce, et de la processe du ligne de rois qe y ount este, et lour conuersacioun, solunc ceo quy cest cronicle emparla, et de-la maner auoit troue en escript en diuers liuers en Latin et en Romaunce, pust il conoistre en party par cest estoir suaunt la processe de eaux. Et sy ne voet pas au plain nomer soun noune, qe cest cronicle translata de ryme en prose, mais prisoner estoit pris de guer al hour qil comensa cest tretice.

Si estoit del ordre enlumine de bons morez. As veues, as pucelis, et a faint eglife fuccours; Soun habite, fa droit vesture, Estoit autre tiel de colour, Com est ly chape du Cordeler, Teynt en tout tiel maner. Autre cote auoit afoebler, Lestat de foun ordre agarder, Qe de fieu refemble la colour; Et desus, en purturature, Estoit li hardy best quartyner Du figne teynt de la mere; Enviroun palice un mure, De meisme peynt la colour. Soit viij. ioynt apres xixme, Si mettez xij. apres xiiij ,

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Vn et xviij. encountrez, Soun propre noun enfauerez, Vij. a xvij. y mettez, Le primer vouel au tierce aioignez, Soun droit furnoun entrouerez, Solunc lalphabet. Le noun propre et furnoun portoit, Qe deuaunt luy foun piere auoit. Le plus clerement le voit fauoir, Dautre que de moy lestut auoir. Sortez iettez et diuinez, Sy ymaginez qe vous poez.

Et coment ly furueint corage de cest matir atreter, lestoir deuyse qe com il fust prisoner en le opidoun Mount Agueth, (iadys Chastel de Pucelis, ore Edynburgh), furueift il liuers de cronicles enrymaiez et en prose, en Latin, en Fraunceis, et en Engles, de gestez dez auncestres, de quoi il fe meruailla; et durement ly poisoit qe il nust hu deuaunt le hour meillour conifaunce du cours du fiecle. Si deueint corious et penfiue, com geris nauoit en le hour autre chos afair, a treter et a translater en plus court fentence lez cronicles del Graunt Bretaigne, et lez gestez dez Englessez. Et com estoit du dit bosoigne plus pensiue, ly estoit auys vn nuyt en dormaunt qe Sebile Ia fage ly furueint, et li dift qel ly mouftra voi a ceo gil estoit en pense; et ly fust auys gel ly amena en vn verger, ou encountre vn mure haut, fur vn peroun, trouerent vn eschel de v. bastouns adressez, et sur le peroun desoutz leschel ij. liuers au coste, et vn frer Cordeler fuppuoillaunt od fa main dextre le dift efchele. "Moun amy," ceo difoit la viel Sebile, "veiez cy fen et foly, le primer liuer la fol. 1. b. bible, le fecounde la gest de Troy, queux ne greuerount a toun purpos a furueoir." Et com ly fust auys ele ly amena outre, si mountrerent leschel, qe au boute du primer bastoun du dist eschel au main dextre permy le mure trouerent vn bele entree ou entrerent vn graunt cite, ou dedenz vn manoir en vn fale trouerent escriuaunt vn mestre bien furre. "Beaux amy," ceo dist Sebille, "veez ycy Gauter erchedeken de Ex-



cestre, qe le Brut translata de Bretoun en Latin par ditz de Keile et de Gildas, de ditz de qi poez auoir enfampler com de le Bruyte, lez gestz de Bretouns, le primer liuer de cronicles se cest isle." Puis ils sez realerent et remounterent le secound bastoun du dist eschel, au bout de quoi trouerent au tiel entree com deuaunt; ou dedens vn priori, com ly fust auys, trouerent vn moigne noir efcriuaunt en vn eftudy. Si difoit Sebille, "cefti est Bede en Wermouth, le reuerent doctour gescrit le liuer De gestis Anglorum, de quoi doiez auoir a toun purpos graunt ensensement, com de gestis Saxouns, le secund liuer du dit cronicle." Ils sez realerent, com fust auys, et remonterent le tierce bastoun du dit eschel, ou par tiel entree y trouerent vn autre moigne noir et chanu escriuaunt en vn cloistre. "Moun amy," fesoit Sebille, "cesti est le moigne de Cestre qui escript le Polecronicon, de qoi doiez prendre graunt auisement du tierce liuer de ditz cronicles, ceo est asauoir de la vniment que le roy Egbright fist de les vij. realmes Saxouns, com par ditz dez autours auoit troue, cest asauoir per Willam de Malmesbery, Henry de Huntingdoun, Roger de Houedene, et Mariotus le Escot, entrepretours Englesses." Ils sez realerent, com fust auys, et remounterent le quart bastoun du dist eschelle, ou au bout du dist bastoun trouerent meisme vn tiel entree, ou en vn chambre dedenz vn vilette deuaunt vn fort chaftel trouerent vn chapelain efcriuaunt "Douce amy," ceo disoit Sebille, "cesti est le vikeir fure vn lettroun. de Tilmouth, qe escript le Ystoria Auria, de ditz de qy tu poez auoir graunt enformacioun du quart liuer de ditz cronicles, cest du primer venu Willam le conquerour en fa; et beu fire," fesoit la viel Sebille, "tu es ore mounte lez qatre bastouns de leschel, la droit voi as croniclis de cest isle, si bien lez voillez pour suyre. Mais le scinkisme bastoun ne poez mounter, qar il fignify lez auenementz futurs qe dez ascuns est ymagine dez auncienz ditz, com en la vie feint Edward est troue le ditz de vn faint hom ge dift,—'Non folum de gente Francorum fed Scottorum quos Anglici viliffimos reputant, etc.—Et auxi par ditz du Bruyt en Engles,— ' pat Cadwaladre fal on Conan cal,' etc.—per ditz de Merlyn. Mais pufque les futures cheauncez ne fount pas en certain a determiner fors foulement au fen deuyn, leffoms a lez deuynes lez chofis celeftiens, les hours et les momentz que a cel puffaunce fount referuez. Et si est," fesoit

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Sebille, "le Cordeler que vous veistes suppuoillaunt leschel Thomas de Otreburn, vn mestre de diuinite et del ordre de Frers Menours, qi dez cronicles de cest isle se entremist, que si tu pusses en cas ateindre toutes houres a les propretes de ditz bastouns du dist eschel, si cerchez lez cronicles du dist Thomas, que bien te moustrerount ta droit voy; et si bien puissez acomplir cest tretice tu les doys appeller, Scalacronica.

Cefti qi ceftz foungez auoist founge fouenoit bien de toz lez propretez deuisez, par ensamplere de queux comensa et pursuyst cest tretice en lan de grace mille ccc.l. et synk. Et en le noun du Pier et Fitz et Saint Espirit comensa lestoir de cest cronicle au comencement du siecle a nostre primer pier Adam, et al ligne de ly tanque al temps Enneas le proail Brutus le primer roy qe cest isle poepla, la gest de qi et de sez successours il voet rementoyner del hour qe la genealogy veigne a ly.

SCALACRONICA.

Lan de grace mille.66. arryua le conquerour Willam en Engleter, ou primer pee qil y mist il chey a tere, de quoi sez ouertours de visage et sez mains surount plains de tere, qi disoit, qe sa duche se tourneroit en vn regne. Qi apres la batail de Hastings se trei a Loundres, qi dez citezeins sust honourablement resceu, et le iour de Nowel corone de Alred erceuesque Deuerwik, qi en audience du poeple iurast sur saintes qil garderoit lez droitures du realm, de lespiritualte et del temperaulte, en lour droit coustom. Il se reenala en Normendy et procheignement reueint en Engleter, qi tres grant tribute prist de sa tere. Il assist Excestre et la conquist et la abaty pur riotes comencez encountre ly par couyn de la countesse, espouse Godwyn, mere Harald, qe de la dit vile se mist en fuit en Flaundres. Cel ane le roy Willam sist encoroner sa semme Maude le iour de la Pentecost. Il sist faire lez chastels de Notingham, de Nichol, et de Euirwik. Il departy la tere a sez chiualers.

Markfwyn et Cofpatrik od plufours grantz de Northumbreland qi douterent la ferete du conquerour, com plufours firent de la tere; fez miftrent en Efcoce, oue Edgar fitz Edward fitz Edmound Irnside, od Agas fa mere et od fez ii. feilles, Margaret et Criftiane, en nefe hors de Hombre; ou fuft marye Margaret au roy Mauncloun.

Le roy Willam le conquerour dona Northumbreland au count Robert Comyn, qi entra leueschee de Doresme et par sorce enprist la vile de sol. 145. b. Doresme, qi soessir sez gentz saire ceo qe lour plust de rauyne. Lez Northumbrois, qe autre seignourye meutz voloint auoir, trenuyterent sure ly en Doresme, et ly tuerent od lez soens en lostell leuesque qi honourablement ly auoit rescieu. Meisme la sesoun Harald et Knout, sitz le roy Swayn de Denemark, arriuerent en Hombre; ou Edgar sitz Edward sitz Eadmound Irnside, et Walteu, et Markswin, et Cospatrik le count, od

tout le poair de Northumbreland, les encountrerent en eide countre lez Ceaux de Normaunz, qi le roy Willam auoit affigne la garde du chastel Deuerwik qil auoit de nouel edifie, firent ardre lez mefouns aioinauntz au chaftell pur dout dez Danoys; pur dout de quoi lerceuesque Alred morust scieu lez nouelis; de quel fieu la cite ardoit et leglis de faint Pier. Qeu la hour enueindrent les Danoys et furpristrent les Normaunz hu chaftel, qe nul ne efchapa mais Willam Mallet, vifcount, od sa femme et sez enfauntz, et Gilbert de Gaunt, od poy dez autres. Lez Danoys et lez Northumbrois repairerent en lour pays. Willam le roy entra Northumbreland, qi tout le yuer y ieust destruyaunt le pays, ou il y auoit taunt famyne entre lez paisens, qe chescun mangea autre pur meschief; qi voiderent le pays, issi qentre Euerwik et Doresme nef aunz ne fust vile ne mesoun enhabitez, ou taunt de popour de caroine noun fouez qe rien y pooit manoir fors vermes foulement, fors foulement en le fee faint Johan de Beuerlay, et ceo pur vn miracle quueint dun dez chiualeris le roi qi comenfa illoeqes a robber, fi roumpy le cole, le vifage bestourne. En quel temps le corps saint Cuthbert fust reaporte a Halieland, et apres iij. moys reaporte a Doresme. Le roy Willam departy du pays procheinement.

Le roy Manclom Descoce parmy Combreland entra Engleter, destruyt Clissand et leuesche de Doresme, ou sez gentz arderent leglis de Wermouth et autres eglis od touz qe y ensurount destruerent. Edgar le sitz Edward, sitz Edmound Irnside, arryua od lez soens en mesme la porte de Were tancom Mancloun y estoit, qi honourablement lour resceut et lour graunta sa pese et rescet en sa tere. Meisme le temps Cospatrik le count de Northumbreland entra Combreland en ost, qe al hour estoit soutz la seignoury le roy Mancloun, occupie entorsenousement, qi enmena en Northumbreland grantz prays; pur quoy le roy Mancloun comaunda lez soenz a esparnir nul Engles, qe del hour en auaunt nesparnirent semme nenfaunt, ne lez petitz letauntz, qi od tiel vengeauns sen trey en Escoce, et si amena oue ly en Escoce tauntes dez prisouners captiues qe apayn ny auoit mesoun hu pays qe y ny out hom ou semme Engles en seruitude.

Meisme le temps le roi Willam le conquerour fist tenir vn general counsail a Wincestre en la vtase de Pasche, ou plusours euesques, abbes

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et priours furount oftez et Normaunz enz mys; et si est recorde qe le conquerour voroit auoir fet deposer Wolstan leuesque pur ceo qe bien ne fauoit parler Latin ne Fraunces; qi Wlftan enficha foun baftoun pafturel en le marbre du toumbe faint Edward par qu'il deueint euesque, si disoit au conquerour, "vn meilliour de toy le me dona, a qi ieo le rebail," quel bastoun nuls ne pooit ofter du marbre tanque meisme le Wlftan lenprift au prier du dit roy et conquerour, par qy Wlftan Dieux auoit plusours foitz moustre miracle. Et si auoit grantement a faire le roy Willam en plufours pays od lez gentilis homs, qe il auoit lour tere done a lez foens qi guerriours encharnys estoient ou lez autres ne enfauoint riens, pur quoi par huse de experience de temps sount forbaniz.

En le 13. an de foun regne mouoit en grant oft par tere et mere en Escoce, qi grant destruccioun enfist, tanque Mancloun le roy se peisa od ly, et a Abirnethi ly fist homage, qi en foun repair depriua Cospatrik du countee de Northumbreland et enmyst Walteu. Meisme le houre le roy Willam fift fair le chaftel de Doresme en quoi lez euesqes sez purroint od le lour sauuer. Par enticement de fez Normaunz le roy comaunda trois de fez prestres ouerer la toumb faint Cuthbert pur veoir la certain de chos qe hom enparla, qi od le comaundement deueint si abayez de poour qe leez estoit a reapeller le comaundement, qi ne scessa a fereir chevale dez esperouns tanque il fust passe Tese, qi touz iours mes honoura faint Cuthbert et enfraunchea leglis en feignury real, et endona Billingham et Houden lan fuaunt. Edgar le fitz Edward, fitz Edmound Irnfide, fust peise od le roy Willam de soun droit; et meisme le hour Walteu count de Northumbreland fust pris et decole a Wyncestre et enterez a Croland, le xj. ane du regne le roy Willam. Mancloun le roy Descoz recomensa a guerroier, si destruyt Northumbreland, pur couyne de quoi Egelwyne leuesque de Doresme fust enprisonne, qui morust de doel, lez countis de Merche et de Northumbreland fuez, et Walcher fust fait euefque.

Lane fuaunt Walcher Lotring, le euefque de Dorefme, fust tue dez fol. 146. b. Northumbroys en leglis de Gatisheued, en vengeanz dun Lucy qe fust amene a Doresme en cautel pur corouce dez Normaunz, pur vengeaunce de quel euesque le roy destruyt Northumbreland meisme la sesoun; et en



lan fuaunt enuoya foun fitz Robert en Escoce, qi graunt destruccioun y ensist et en soun repair ensist faire le Noeschastel sur Tyne.

Lan fuaunt Willam le roy foutzmist a sa seignourye par force le prince de Galis, et a foun reuenir fist extendre tout la valu de Engleter et la mettre en escript en sa tresorie, sours de lusage de lescheker.

Vn foitz com le roy Willam auoit a faire de guer en Normendy et fust naufre parmy le braz et fust abatu de foun cheule, qi au cheier cria, foun fitz Robert qui la voice du pier conifoit, descendy a pee entre lez enemys, remounta foun pier, pur quoi touz iours mes ly auoit le plus chere. quel temps Willam Kariles fust euefque de Doresme, qi primes reamena lez moignes a Dorefme, et ofta lez chanouns cathedrals, qestoint apellez noriys des moignes. En cel temps paffa Edgar par counge le roy en Apuil oue iij. centz cheualers, et enfist sa fore Cristiane nonayn en Russy. Willam le roy par counfail Roger, count de Herford, fist enporter touz lez trefors que mussez estoint en eglif dez Engles pur dout de foy, et fist faire nouelis abbays poeplez de Normaunz. Il estably foun fitz Robert duk de Normendy, et Willam foun fitz roy de Engleter, et Henry voufift il, qe hust este euesque, qi ly deuisa grant party de sa tresore; Aude sa feille fust marye a le count de Bloys. Willam se trey en Normendy pur fours de guer du roy de Fraunce, qi bien se contenoit encountre ly, se teint en peife od le foen tout coy, pur quoy le roy de Fraunce ly moka entre fes priues, qi difoit qe le roy Willam auoit longment ieu en gefyn. Quel parol enueint au roy Willam, pur quoi il en moua guere et fift enluminer taunz dez viles en Fraunce en flaumbe a ses releuailles qe bien empesoit au roy de France; et si sen forcea le roy Willam a faire ardoir la vile de Mauntis qy du chalour enprift enfirmete, et apres qil auoit deuisez fez teres et departy fez trefors a faint eglis et comaundes qe touz fez prifoners fussent delyuers, se lessa morir.

Il fu fage, hardy, et bon justicers, riche et couaitous; il fust entere a Chame, la sepulture de qy vn cheualer desendy de par Dieux, qe nul ne ly tolly soun heritage, qe de auncestri ly apurtenoit le lieu de la sepulture, pur quoy Henry le sitz sist faire gree au chiualer de c. li. Robert soun sitz sust en la tere saint; Willam en Engleter. Willam le conquerour regna xxij. aunz.

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En quel temps Godfray de Boloin conquist la Surry, la tere de promissioun, par eide dez autres seignours entreacoumpaignez. fauoir qe le dit Godfray auoit dieus foitz proue a fair cel faintisme veage et failly, et gafty en vain tref graundisme tresor qil auoit pris de taillage de fez gentz, qe fez pleinderent de extorfioun, a quoi il aretta fa mesoeur, pur quoi au tierce foitz il engagea sa duche au colege de Liege, qe ore est leuesche cest a sauoir Albany, et acomply le faintisme veage par eide dez autres grauntz affociez au dit enprise, qe lour chemyn tyndrent parmy Hungry et le Bulgery, passerent le bras faint George. En quel chemyn maynt auenture lour aueint deuaunt qils vindrent au fege de Antioche, com en le lyuere de Auntiage hom pust over, de ou ils conquistrent la tere faint. Godfray deueint par elecioun roy, qi bien lateint foun viuaunt, et apres qy foun freir Baudewyn autrefi. Lez cronicles dient ge Robert Courthofe duk de Normendy, fitz Willam le conquerour, refusa a Jerusalem la elecioun du roi qe touz lez grantz du veage luy esluerent pur le plus fuffifaunt, qi en nul maner voloit remanoir, pur quoi apres fust arette sa mesoeur, en vengeaunce de quoi en desaute de qy la eleccioun cheoit seur Godfray.

En le temps Willam le conquerour comensa le debate entre lez erceuesques de Cantorbirs et Euerwik pur le porter de lour croitz en autry Cefty Willam le conquerour fift examyner lez loys vfez en le tems Saint Edward, lez trouoist foundez de resoun et droiturelis, si lez fist establir et en plesaunce du poeple lez fist tenir; mais ordeyna qils fuffent pledez en Fraunceis patoys Normaund. Si fift enfourmer lez enfauntz en Latine par Frances, pur ceo qe volountiers vst mue le langage, mais ne pooit pur la multitude del comune. Il ordena qe lez countis ne lez barouns ne huffent lour possessions ioynauntz en semble, mais disseuere en diuers countees. Et fait a fauoir que cesti Willam le conquerour auoit iij. mouementz pur quoi il fentremist au conquest Dengleter; vn fust pur venger la mort Elfred fon cofyn, freir faint Edward, qi Godwyn le pier Harald auoit fait murdrir a Ely, qi Harald ly auoit affure par ferement de ly eyder, qil enfust roys au deuise saint Edward com disoit, gest la secound cause. La tierce sust pur corous qe Godwyn et Harald foun fitz auoint faint exciler despitousement euesques, countis,

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et barouns, qi du nacioun de Normendy estoint, qi par le roy Edward fol. 147. b. estoint auauncez.

Ascuns cronicles deuisent que faint Edward deuisa vn foitz en sa iuuent la fuccessioun de soun realme a cesti Willam duke de Normendy, soun cosyn depar sa mere, pur ceo qe pussaunt estoit a countre ester la malice dez fitz Godwyn de quoi il fe doutoit pusque Edgar, le fitz Edward, fitz Edmound Irnside, soun droit heire de saunk, fust de si tendre age et hors du pays, nounpussaunt hu tems a derener soun droit; et ceo estoit ascun foitz fa volounte tanque peifez estoit od Godwyn et oue fez fitz. roy Willam le conquerour auoit en fez darains iours nouelis qe le roy Knout de Denemark, od leide Robert count de Flaunders, se addressoit dauoir arriue en Engleter, encountre qoy il fesoit grant aray de gens de Normendy et de tous fez amys et bien uoillauntz et enerdauntz, pur quoi le dit roy Danoys guerpi le emprise. En quel houre le dit conquerour donaft a Gloucestre a sez trois chapleyns trois euesches, Nichol, Tetforth, et Cestre. Et si auoit cesti roy Willam le conquerour le mainz a faire entour fa conquest, pur ceo qe la comune de bons viles, et du pays, et du poeple, estoint si ensaulez et si alasez de grants riotis et coilles de gueres qauoint este entour debate du realm, quoy dez Danoys, quoi dez autres qi mistrent clayme, qe ils ne enfesoient force, qe enfust lour roys, mais qils purroint auoir peife et tranquillite. Pur ceo enherderent ils par lour attournement le plus tost au dit conquerour pur ceo qe pussaunt estoit de soun estat, com pensoient de eaux sustener en lour droitz com en couenaunt lour estoit, pur ceo ne emystrent cure a maintener par guere lez heritages dez seignours, qi plusours sez estoient extorsionouse. Et si estoint ceaux as queuz cesti Willam le conquerour auoit done lez feinourages, gentz de parage qe nauoint autre part heritages, pur quoi continuelment occupierent la possession de ceo qe lour estoit done, chescun suppuoillaunt autre. Qi par counsail lour roys les plusours par mariage priferent a lour desus od lours aduersairs, ou de lez meismes ou de lour fitz, od lez feilles ou sores heyres du fank com plufours estoint en le hour, chos que moult establist la conquest, od la feblesce de eaux en le hour qy hu realme y clamerent accioun. Qi Conquerour houmblement fe conteint au clergie et au comune en foun comencement; tanque le fol. 148. pays auoit estably, mais del hour en auaunt chargea le pays de grantz taxaciouns, et fist ofter en plusours lieus moignes Engles de lour mesouns et einz mettre autres moignes Normauns.

En le temps le roi Willam le conquerour fust Hildebrand, qi est dist Gregoir le 7, pape xj. auns, iadiz priour Cluniacenfis, puis ercedeken de Rome. Cesti Hildbran ordena que nul prestre aueroit famme, si, defendy ge nuls oyaft messe de prestre esclaundre de fornicacioun. En le temps gil fust cardenal et fust enuoyez en Fraunce pur chastier lez prelates entrez par fymony, qi difoit a vn euefque qi efclaundrez eftoit de cel point, "puisque les iugementz humeins sount ascun soitz faillables, si de cest chos es cupables, puisque les euesques doint auenir deuinement, tu as trespasse encountre le Saint Espirit, et si noun si ditez-Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto-en audience," qe ne pooit de ceo mote soner, pur qoi fust degradez. Cesti pape sust enprisone le iour de Nouell de Creffens fitz dun senatour de Rome, mais tost deliuers par lez autres sene. Il escomengea lemperour Henry pur sez extorsiouns et sez enherdaunz, qi estute deuaunt le dit pape sure la glas nu pee bon pece pur auoir abfolucioun. Apres quoi le dit emperour affift Rome, destruyt lez Romains, et enprisona le pape, qestoit autrefoiz deliuers par Robert duk de Poile. Apres qe le dit emperour auoit estably Wibert, qi se apella Clement pape, qi fust en chacez. Quel hour le cours du solail et de la lune fust acoumply en meisme le constellacioun com fust en le xv. ane de Tyberius Cesti papa Hildebrand reioist deuant sa mort a vn de sez cardynalis qil auoit meu descord entre lemperour et lez grauntz de la Criftianete, si morust de doel. Apres qi fust Victor le 3^{us} pape vn ane et 5 moys, qy fust enpusone en le chalice. Apres qi Victor Vrban le 2^{us} fu pape 13 aunz, qi deuaunt out a noum Odo, qauoit grant persecucioun de vn Clement erceuesque de Rauennen, qi se disoit pape et par introifoun.

Meisme lan que le conquerour Willam morust estoit grant mortalite de feuir en Engleter, et grant ruyn de bestes, et ayre desatempre, et soudre de fieu que que le principalis eglis et apoy Loundres tout. Lez Danoys tuerent lour roys en vn esglis par murdre. Plusours meruailles y enuyndrent meisme lan en diuers regiouns de trois prinsis, vn fust arace et

estrangle de soricez, vn autre tue du mors dun lepard, le tierce destruyt dez poilles. Cesti Willam le conquerour fist mettre en escript touz lez viles oue touz lez fees de cheualers en Engleter, et com bien dez charues de tere. En quel hour hom auoit hount destre apelle Engles, taunt furount surmountez dez Normauns.

Et fait a fauoir que toutz cestes gentez dount lour sournours y sount foil 148. b. escrit; vindrent oue Willam le conquerour, a deprimes:—

Aumarill et Deyncourt, Bertrem et Buttencourt, Biard et Biford. Bardolf et Baffet. Devuill et Darcy, Pigot et Percy, Gurnay et Greilly, Tregos et Treilly, Camoys et Cameuill, Hauteyn et Hauuill. Warenne et Wauncy, Chauent et Chaunci. Loueyn et Lascy, Graunfoun et Trafcy. Mohaud et Mooun, Bigot et Boown, Marny et Maundeuil, Morley et Moundeuil, Vipount et Vmfreuil, Baillolf et Boundeuil. Estraunge et Estoteuil, Moubray et Moruil. Veer et Vinoun, Audel et Aungeloun, Wasteneys et Wauill, Soucheuil,

Coudrey et Colleuil, Ferers et Foleuil, Briaunfoun et Baskeuil, Neuers et Nereuil. Chaumberlayn et Chaumberoun, Fitz Wauter et Werdoun, Argentem et Auenele, Ros et Ridele. Hasting et Hawley, Meneuil et Mauley, Burnel et Butteuilain, Malebranche et Malemain, Mortein et Mortimer. Comyn et Columber. + Saintcloys et Saintcler, -Otyuel et Saint Thomer, Gorgeise et Gower, Bruys et Difpenfer. Lymesey et Latymer, Boys et Boteler, Fenes et Felebert, Fitz Roger et Fitz Robert. Muse et Martin, Quincy et Saynquintyn, Lunguilers et Saint Lygier, Griketot et Greuequer. Power et Paynel, Tuchet et Truffelle. Pecche et Peuerell, Daubenay et Deuerell, Saint Amaund et Adriel, Ryuers et Ryuel. Loueday et Louel, Deuyas et Druel,

Mountburgh et Mountforel, Trusbutt et Mount Morel. Maleuil et Malet. Newmarche et Neubet. Corby et Corbet, Mounfey et Mounfichet. Gaunt et Garre, Maleberge et Marre, Geneuil et Giffard, Somery et Houard, · Perot et Pikard, Chaundoys et Chaward. Delahay et Haunfard, Muffegros et Mufard, Mayngun et Mountrauers, Fouecourt et Femers. Vefcy et Verders, Brabafoun et Beuers, Challouns et Challeys. Merkingfeld et Mourreis, Fitz Phelip et Filiot, Takel et Talbot, Lemas et Leuecote, Tourbeuil et Tipitot. Saunzauer et Saunford, Mountagu et Mountford, Forneux et Fornyuaus, Valence et de Vaus. Clereuaux et Clarel. Dodingle et Darel, Mautalent et Maudut. Chaupes et Chaudut, Chauntelew et Coumbray, Saintefe et Sauuay.

Braund et Braibof. Fitz Alayn et Gilebof, Mauuys et Meulos, Souley et Soules, Bruys et Burgh, Neuil et Newburgh. Fitz Willam et Wateruile, De la Laund et Del Isle, Sorel et Somery, Saint Johan et Saint Jori. Waruil et Warley, De la Pole et Pinkeny. Mortiuaus et Mountchenfy, Creffy et Courteny, Saynt Leo et Lufcy, Bauent et Buscy, Lascels et Louein, Thays et Touny. Hurel et Husee, Lunguil et Longespe, De Wake et De la War, De la Marche et De la Mare, Conftable et Tally, Poince et Paueley, Tuk et Tany, Mallop et Marny. Paifrer et Plukenet, Bretoun et Blundet, Maihermer et Muschet, Bayns et Bluet, Beke et Biroun, Saunz pour et Fitz Symoun. Gaugy et Gobaud, Ruget et Fitz Rohaut,

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Peueril et Fitz Payn, Fitz Roger et Fitz Alayn. Dakeny et Dautre, Menyle et Maufe, Maucouenaunt et Mountpinfoun, Pikard et Pynchadoun, Gray et Graunfoun, Difeney et Dabernoun. Maoun et Maynard, Banester et Bekard, Bealum et Bewchaump, Louerak et Lungchaump. Baudyn et Bray, Saluayn et Say, Ry et Rokell, Fitz Rauf et Rofel, Fitz Bryan et Bracy, Playce et Placy. Damary et Deueroys, Wauafour et Warroys, Perpount et Fitz Peris, Sefee et Solers. Nairmer et Fitz Nele. Waloys et le Vele. Chaumpeners et Chaunceus, Malebys et Mounceus, Thorny et Thornill, Wace et Wyuill. Verboys et Waceley, Pugois et Payteny, Galofer et Gubioun, Burdet et Boroun, Dauerenge et Duylly, Souerenge et Suylly.

Miriet et Morlay, Tiriet et Turlay, Fryull et Fresel, De la Ryuer et Ryuel, Destranges et de Latoun, Perrers et Pauillioun, Valoins et Vernoun. Grimward et Geroun, Hercy et Heroun, Vendour et Veroun. Glauncourt et Chamount, Baudewyn et Beaumount, Graundyn et Gerdoun, Blundet et Burdoun, Fitz Rauf et Filiol, Fitz Thomas et Tibol. Onacule et Cheyny, Maulyuerer et Mouncy, Querru et Coingers, Mauclerk et Maners, Warde et Werlay, Musteys et Merlay. Barray et Breteuil, Tolimer et Treuile, Blount et Boseuile, Liffard et Oseuile. Benny et Boyuile, Courfoun et Curteuile, Fitz Morice et Saint Moor, Broth et Barbedor. Fitz Hugh et Fitz Henry, Fitz Aruiz et Esturmy, Walangay et Fitz Waryn, Fitz Raynald et Rofcelyn.

Baret et Bourt, Heryce et Harcourt, Venables et Venour, Hayward et Henour, Du Lee et De la Laund, De la Vale et Veilaund, De la Plaunche et Puterel, Loring et Loterel, Fitz Marmaduk et Mountriuel. Kymarays et Kyriel, Lifours et Lunguale, Bingard et Berneuale. La Muile et Lownay, Damot et Damay, Bouet et Barry, Auenel et Saint Amary, Jardyn et Jay, Touris et Tay. Auneris et Aueneris, Vilain et Valeris. Fitz Eustace et Eustaci, Mauches et Mascy, Brian et Bidyn, Mouet et Saint Martin, Surdeuale et Sengryn, Bufcel et Beuery, Duraunt et Doreny. Dyfard et Doyuell. Malekake et Mauncel. Berneuile et Breteuile. Hamelyn et Hareuile, De la Hufe et Howell, Tingez et Gruyele, Tynel et Trauile,

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Chartres et Cheuil. Belew et Bertyn, Maugifir et Mauueyfyn, Aungers et Aungewyn, Tolet et Tysoun, Fermband et Frifoun, Saint Barbe et Sageuile, Vernoun et Wateruile. Wermerlay et Wameruile, Broi et Brumeuile. Bleyn et Breicourt, Tarteray et Chercourt, Oyfel et Oliffard, Maulouel et Maureward. Kanceis et Keuelers. Liolf et Lymers, Ryfers et Reyneuile, Bufard et Beleuile, Ryuers et Rypers, Percehay et Pereris, Fichent et Triuet.

EN LAN de grace mill. 87. Willam Rous, fitz Willam le conquerour, fuft corone a Westmouster de Lamfraunc le euesque, de ou il se mist a Wincestre, et acoumply le testament soun pier en destribucioun de tresor as eglis et as pouers et touz prisoners sist deliuerer par tout Engleter. En meisme la maner sist le duke Robert soun freir en Normendy, de ou surount deliuers Edulf sitz Harald le roy de Engleter, et Donald sitz Mauncloun le roy Descoce, qe deuindrent chiualers. Apres quoi mouoit corouce entre cesti roy Willam et soun frer Robert, qi au mort le pier sust en Allemayn pur faire alliaunce encountre soun pere, pur quoi grant destruccioun enueint en Engleter et Normendy, com lez vns dez grantz enherderent al vn ascuns a lautre, mais procheignement surount acordez et lour enerdauntz, sur lassirmacioun de quoi xij. de plus grantz de lour

counsail furount iurez, issi qe qi deuyeroit saunz issu qe lautre seroit successour, qar cesti Willam certisia a soun freir Robert qil ne pensa my a regner roi saunz gree de ly qi soun eyne estoit.

Procheignement Edgar, fitz Edward, fitz Edmond Irnfide, fust enchace hors de Normendy de teres que le Conquerour ly auoit affigne. temps, le moys de Maij, Mancloun le roy Descoce degasta Northumbreland, pur quoi le roi od foun freir Robert duk de Normendy mouerent en grant oft en Escoce, ou en lour oft y auoit grant froide et famyn, ou Mancloun qi oue li auoit li dit Edgar ueint en oft en Lownays, au Robert duk de Normendy reapella a foy Edgar, par eide de qy lez ij. roys furount acordez en maner qe Mancloun obeyeroit ou roy Willam com auaunt auoit fet a soun pier, et qil aueroit lez possessiouns qil auoit hu en Engleter, rendaunt par ane 12. marcz dor, et auxi Edgar peife au roy. Lez cronicles de Escoce deuisent gil estoit descouert a cesti roy Mauncloun qun dez grantz seignours de foun realme eftoit par afcent dez autres grantz coumpaffaunt de ly destruyer par puysoun, qi fift somoundre cesti qi li fust accuse et plusours autres de grantz qils veniseent oue ly chacer; et quant furount venuz Mancloun le roy lour affignast lour tristris, reteint foul oue ly cely qi ly fust accuse, et quant furount aloignez hu boys de tout gent le roy ly dist, "Treitris, moustrez a ore vostre felouny cheualerousement et esez vostre quer, qautre foitz ne vous soit surmys mordre, qe a moy defendre su aparaillez qe conus vostre counpassement." Cely chey au peis le roy qi ly agagea tiel furete de foun bon port com le roy uoufist. En le repair Descoce de cesti roy Willam le rous refist faire le chaftel de Cardoil qe lez Denoys auoint destruytz cc. auns adonges passez. En quel temps nul riche hom se osa clamer Engles pur hount, taunt estoint en seruitude; lez seignurs Normaunz qi de Dieux estoient predestene de lez chastier, furount si couaitous que a tort et a trauers ils pristrent lez biens de le comune faunz justice, lez viscountes furount robbeours; le roy le plus extorfiounous vendy lez euesches, qe de droit ny out cure. Il deueint tre maladez, par doute de quoi il promist a Dieux damendre fa vie, en quel houre il dona lerceueche de Cantorbirs a Anfelin, et leuesche de Nichol a Robert Bloete. Et meisme le hour, fust le nouel eglis de Doresme comence; le roy Manclom Descoce, et Willam

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Garilef le euesque, et Turgot li priour, y mistrent le primer pere. Ly abbe de faint Alban, Paulus, prist Tynemouth du doune le count Robert, qi par violenz auoit ofte lez moignes de Doresme.

En quel temps le roy Mauncloun Descoce et Edward soun fitz furount tuez a Alnewyk, et (com est dit) par engyn, qe le conestable du chastel encountrefift a rendre le chaftel, qi veint armez a cheual lez clefes pendauntz au poynt de fa launce, enfift countenaunce a baille lez clefes au roy Mancloun, enclina la launce, fery le roy au quer mort, et autres des soens, tuerent le fitz le roy, pur quel affray touz furount descounfitz com ils estoint venuz pur destruyer Northumbreland, et plusours de soun ost noez en Alne de vn fodeyn crescine de pluy le iour saint Brice; Mancloun fust entere a Tynemouth. La royne Margaret sa feme morust de doel le iij. iour qel auoit les nouelis, en le chaftel de Edinburgh, com ele eftoit affege de Donald le freir foun feignur, qi la defiroit a femme del hour qil aparfceust la mort soun frere. Mais aunces qel morust ele comaunda qe hom enportast soun corps hardiement a Dunfermelyn, qe dez enemys ne aueroint dout, qi ceo forsent et la enporterent a fa deuys par la port du chastel deuers la west, qi nestoient aparsceu pur vn si grant bruyne obscure que sureueint. Agas le mere la royne Margaret et Cristian fa fore deuiudrent nonayns au Noefchaftell sure Tyne. Cefti roy Mauncloun veint a Gloucestre au roy Willam le rous pur auoir peise riote comence par lour futzgiz sure marche, de quoy le dit roy Willam ne fe voloit acorder fi ne fust qe Mancloun se vousist agreer destre iuge en sa court foulement, qi ne se uoroit ascentir, pur qoi fust recomense la guer en quoi il morust. Lez Escotz enfirent lour roy Donald le freir Mancloun, enchacerent lez Engles qu'od Mancloun effoint. Dunkan le fitz Mancloun, qi oue le roy Willam estoit, demaundoit eyde qi se atourna a ly, se mist en Escoce od grant ost dez Engles et Normaunz qi illoeqes apoy touz perirent, qe apayn eschapa meismes; mais nepurquant lez Efcocez apres ly resceurent com roys, sur couenaunt qil namenast nymplus lez Engles ne lez Normaunz. Mais lan fuaunt ly tuerent et choiferent autre foitz Donald en lour roy.

En meisme la sesoun Robert de Moubray count de Northumbreland, et Willam de Ow, et autres, entre assurerent de couyne de osteir le roy



Willam pur sa iniquite, et a fair regnere Esteuen de Blankmorl soun neuew, quel couvne fust descouert au roy, qi fist somoundre le dit count a fa court, qi ne voroit venir mais fe alya au roy Descoce. Le roy Willam fe moua en oft sure ly, affegea foun chaftel sure la port de Tyne, en quoi il prist le freir le dit count; il conquist auxi le chastel de Noeschastel, ou il enprisona lez meillours du counte; il assist le dit count en Baumburgh, fift adresser la deuaunt vn chastel et la fist nomer Mauveisyn, y en myst lez meilliours de fez cheualers, fe trey vers le sue ou fust nounce au count Robert que lez gaites de Noefchastel ly renderoint le chastel si priuement vousift venir, qe soy trentisme de cheualeris trenuyta laudroitez, quoi fust aparfceu de gentz le roy hu chaftel de Mauueifyn qe ifferent et futz priftrent le count qi fuez estoit en vn eglis, lez soens naufrez et descoumfitz. Ils ly reamenerent deuaunt Baumburgh, manacerent de ly creuer lez oils fi fa femme et Morel foun cofyn ne rendafent le chaftell, gen le hour le firent. Cesti Morel reioy qe ceo estoit sa couyne; le count estoit amenez a Wyndesore au roi et perpetuelement enprisonez. En meisme le temps furont vieus tauntz eftoils cheoir du ciel que nuls ne les pooit noumbrer. Le roy Willam enuoya Edgar, fitz Edward, fitz Edmound Irnfide, en Escoz oue grant poair pur enmettre Edgar soun cosyn, sitz Mancloun, hu realme qe foun vncle Donald occupia. Quel temps apparust lestoil comete en fourme dun croice. En cel hour fourdy difcord entre le roy et Ancelyn lerceuesque, qi passa au pape Vrban pur ceo qil ne pooit pur le roy fair punycement de tortis en seint eglis. Adonqes comensa lordre de Sisteaux par vn Engles, Harding, qi deuaunt estoit moigne a Schireburn.

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Le xj. ane de Willam rous sank fourdi dun fountayne a Finghamstede en Barkschire, et le ciel fust vieu ardant; Tenys mounta outre mesure qe plusours viles od lez homs noierent. Cesti Willam le rous sist faire la grant sale a Westmouster, qi la teint trop petit. Il enlargy la nouel forest qe soun pier auoit sait comencer, et hors botez lez paisyns, mais cesty sist gaster lez paroches et voider plusours mansiouns de religiouns; qi tant y mist sa cure par si dure loys qe hom ly apelloit priuiement pastour de sauogin et forester du boys.

Il foungeoist vn nuyte qil estoit seigne du bras dextre et qe soun sank



reaft au ciel; meisme la nuyte vn moigne de labbey ou le roy estoit al hour soungeoist qil vist le roy desoler vn crucisix de sez pees, et puis enracer le bras, et vist isser du bouche le roy vn flaumb de sieu dount tout le pays estoit enrougez, quel auisioun fust moustre au roy le matine com il voloit auoir ale au boys, pur quel auisioun et ceo qe meismes auoit sounge le desporta il deuaunt manger mais apres noun ne se voloit il desporter mais sen ala chacer, qi com il se apoa a soun tristre vn de sez cheualers, qy auoit a noum Walter Tirell, voroit auoir treyte vn cerse, si fery le roy au quer de vn sete mort, trebouche au tere en meisme le lieu ou soun pere auoit fait gaster vn eglis. Il estoit enseuelle a Wincestre. Saint Anselin veint de Rome a Cluny en meisme le hour, ou labbe ly recountoit qil auoit meisme la nuyte sounge qe ly sust auys qe le roy Willam le rous estoit amenez deuant le souerayn iuge et condempnez a perpetuel prisoun.

Cesti Willam deteint la tribute de leglis de Rome. Il sust mauueis, desplust tout bounte, irous, couaitouse, delikat, luxurious ouertement. Il regna xiij. auns et vj. mois. En le temps cesti Willam le rous sust Goldingham done au colege saint Cuthbert de Doresme du roi Edgar Descoce, que vn de sez ches maneris estoit. En le temps cesti Willam le rous sust Rees le roy de Galis tuez en batail pres Blachenok, apres qi nuls portoit noums dez roys mes dez prinsis.

Paschal le 2th fust pape apres Vrban 18 aunz et 5 mois, et sust enprisone oue sez cardinalis del emperour Henry le 4. a qi lauaunt dit pape, deuaunt qil pooit estre deliuers, iura feaute, et ly granta priuilege qil pooit et sez successours ordener euesqes, et qe nul pape escomengeroit nul emperour; quel priuileges le dit pape dampna lan suaunt en general counsil a Rome.

cefti roy Willam fust fage, queynt en parol, lecherous et trop couaitous, qi vendist les euesches molt souent, et en temps de sa mort plusours euesches auoit retenu en sa mayn, et priories.

En quel temps de fa mort Robert Curthose, duk de Normendy et frere eyne cesty roy Willam le rous, fust en le seintisme veage de Antioche et du conquest de la Surry od Godfray de Bullyoun et od les autres seignours que y estoient. Pur quel veage il auoit engage sa duche a cesti roi

Willam le rous, soun freir, pur vn tres grant some dargent, quel soume le dit roy Willam sist toller de fertres dez saintes et de croyces et autres ymages par tout Engleter hors de sayntuair. Qi Robert resusa la eleccioun du roy de Jerusalem pur ceo qe biaunt estoint et taunt desiroit a estre roy Dengleter apres soun frier, pur quoi il gerpist le sentisme veage, reueint a lostel od la semme qe il auoit nouelment espose en Cesille. Mais deuaunt sa venu soun frier Henri estoit corone, com apres serra recorde, et si est dit qe vnqes ne ly eschust bien apres le hour, et qe il nauoit vnques victoir.

En le temps cesti Willam le rous sust le roy de Norwai, qi sust site Holain le graunt, tuez dun sete com auoit conquys lez isles de Orkany, et com les autres ils voroit auoir soutzmys, et si sust enterez salopie. Lez cronicles deuissent qe lez isles Descoce doient de droit estre tenuz du roy de Norway com apurtenaunt a soun realme.

Apres cesti Willam le rous, pur ceo qil nauoit nul enfaunt, soun freir Henry le beau clerk regna apres ly, et fust corone a Loundres le iour apres la mort foun freir, cest assauoir lez nones de August. Si tost com lerceuesque de Cantorbirs, Ancelin, auoit oy nouels de la mort le roy Willam le rous il veint en Engleter, et le roy ly rescent a grant honour. Le primer ane que cesti roy Henry fust corone il esposa la bele puscele Maude, la feile Margaret la royne de Efcoce; lerfceuesque de Cantorbirs, Anfelyn, lez esposa, quel mariage du dit roy Henry et du dit Maude fust le remedy et estaunchement (com deuisent lez cronicles) du mal predeftine qe lez ij. saintes homs disoint a saint Edward en soun exile en Normendy, qe remedy ne ferroit dez aduerfite cheables fure le poeple Dengleter pur lours pecchez et la trefoun dez grantz prelates et autres, tanque larbre verdifaunt, qe foit coupe de trounk et aloigne per lespace de iij. iuges, reaueyne a foun trounk faunz eide nul, et repreigne moifture et reioyne au racine et face fruyt, donqes est a esperer remedy de cez maus. Lez cronicles supposent qe larbre estoit coupe et du racyne diffeuere par lespace de trois juges, qant le realm estoit diffeuere du droit ligne reale par espace du regne de iij. roys as queux il ne apartenoit my; ceo est a dire, cesti faint Edward, Harald, et Willam le conquerour od

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foim fitz Willam le rous, tanque cesti Henri le primer de frank volounte reamenast larbre coupe au trounk qant il esposa Maude la feile saint Margaret du droit racyne et semail real que fesoit fruyt.

Cefti fust apelle Henry le beau clerk pur ceo qe soun pier Willam le conquerour pensoit dauoir fait de ly vn euesque, et com estoit ionc ly apella le beau clerk. Cesti roy engendra de sa semme Willam, et Richard, et Maude qe puis sust emperice. Et le secounde ane qil auoit regne soun freir Robert Curthose, duk de Normendy, veint od grant nauy pur chalanger le regne de droit com eyne freir, mais par counsail dez sagez homs ils surent acordez en cest sourme, qe le roy durroit par ane iij. mil lyuers al duk soun freir, et le quel de eaux viueroit plus longment serroit autre heire sils ne hussent issu. Et puis retourna le duk Robert en Normendy. Henry auoit reles de le droit Edmound Irnside, oue sa samme Maude.

Qaunt le roy auoit regne xiiij. aunz vn grant discorde se leua entre ly et lerceuesque Anselin pur ceo qe il ne voloit graunter au roy qil poait prendre dez eglis taillage a fa volounte, et fen ala autre foitz a Rome et demurra oue le apostoil. En meisme cel ane le duk de Normendy reueint en Engleter parler od le roy foun freir, et entre autres chos qils parlerent entre eaux le duk pardona au roy iij. m¹. lyuers queux il deuoit rendre par ane, et en grant amour le duk retourna en Normendy. Mais puis apres lez ij. aunz passez per enticement du deable et par enuy dez mauues homs felounous, vn trefgrant difcord fourdy entre le roy et le duk foun frere issi qe le roy meismes passa la mere, et tretouz lez grantz feignours de Normendy tournerent a ly et lesserent le duk lour seignour et renderent au roy trestouz lours chestelis et viles de la tere. Et tost apres fust duk Robert Curthose pris, et le roy soun freir ly amena od ly en Engleter, le Aust suaunt apres ly mist en perpetuel prisoun. pur quoi lez Normaundez guerperont cesti Robert lour duk et enherderent a cesti roy Henry Dengleter soun frere fust pur desordene taillage qe il enmist sure soun poeple et autres extorsiouns que acoustomez estoit a faire au comune. Et ceo fust la droite vengeaunce nostre Seignour, qar qant il fust en la tere faint Dieux ly dona tel honour qil fust eslieu dauoir este roy de Jerusalem, et il ne le voloit estre mais refusa le grant

honour, et pur ceo auoit il la prisoun a deshonour. Dunqes seisy le roy tout Normendy en sa mayn et la teint touz iours de sa uie. Et meisme cel ane lerceuesque reueint en Engleter de Rome et sust acorde al roy. sol. 152. b. Ascuns croniclis tesmoignent qun robe sust taille trop court et trop estroit a cesti roy Henry, pur quoi il la sist aporter a soun freir Robert qil auoit en prisoun, pur ceo qe de meindre estature estoit de ly, qi outriement la resusa, qi disoit qil nauoit cure de sez veutz draz; pur quel parol le roy li sist creuer les oils, qi disoit qil ly osteroit de soun orgoillous quer le choiser de veutz drapz de nouels.

Ranulpus euefque de Duresme se eschapa de la prisoun le roy Henry, qi se mist au duk Robert de Normendy, et par ascent dez plusours grantz Dengleter encounsaillant a mouer guer.

En cel temps furount lez femmes de prestres desenduz, et maunde au roy Henry depar le papa que il seist punicer lez prestris fornicatours, qi rien nensist fors enprist lour argent. Cesti roy Henry sist encloir le park de Wodstok; il ordena punicement sur lez sauxours de monoi. En cel temps aueint vn sy tresgrant yuer que apoy le glas enroumpy plusours dez pountes Dengleter, si ensuyt grant famyn et grant mortalite dez homs et bestis et oyseaux.

Lane procheigne fuaunt apres vn descorde se leua entre le roy Phelip de France et le roy Henry, par quoi il retourna en Normendy, et sust la guere cruele entre eaux tancom il demura en la tere, mais donqes morust le roy Phelip, Lowys soun sitz regna apres ly; et donqes retourna le roy Henry en Engleter, et donqes marya il Maude sa feile a Henry lemperour. Et qant cesti roy Henry auoit regne xvij. aunz vn tresgrant descord sourdy entre ly et le roy Lowys de France, par la resoun qe le roy auoit maunde en Normendy a sez gentz qils sussent aidauntz al count Thebaud de Bleyns en sa guere encountre le roi de France, et qe ils sussent auxi prestes a ly com a soun corps demeyn, pur ceo qe le count Thebaud auoit espose Aude sa sore; et par cest enchesoun le roy de France Lowys sist grantz maus en Normendy, par quoi le roy Dengleter se corousa durement et passa la mere od grant poair et veint en Normendy pur desendre la tere et countreester la malice le roy de France. Et durra la gerre entre eaux ij. auns et plus, et puis sentrehurterent et donerent tresort ba-

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tail entre eaux, mais le roy de France fust descomfist et eschapa a grant payne et sen fuy, mais tout le plus de sez gentz furount pris. Et le roy Dengleter fist de eaux sa volounte, lez vns lessa il aler franchement, lez vns mist il en prisoun, et lez vns sist il mettre a la mort, puis furont lez ij. roys acordez. Et gant le roy Henry auoit toute peifez la tere de Normendy et bien daunte sez enemys de France il retourna en Engleter od grant ioy et honour; et fez ij. fitz ly uoloint fuer, Willam gauoit espose la feile le count de Aungeou, et Richard, et entrerent la mere od grant coumpaigny de belis genz, mais auaunt gils uenissent a tere la neif hurta a vn roche et depessa, et noerent tretouz qe leinz furent fors vn soul hom de la neif qi eschapa, et ceo fust le iour de la Katerine. Cez furent lez noblis gents que perirent, Willam le fitz le roy, Richard foun freir, et Richard le count de Cestre, Otiuel soun freir, Gaufrid Ridel, Walter de Euurcy, Godfri ercedeken de Herford, la feile le roy la countes de Perches, Lucete la feile le roy countesse de Cestre, et plusours autres. Et si estoit murmur qe cel vengeaunce enueint pur le orde peche de sodomy qe regna en le hour, sure quoy lerceuesqe Anselin auoit grant pense pur y mettre amendement. Quant le roy et lez autres seignours de la tere, qe primes furent aryuez, fauoint cest nouel ils furent tresdolentz et ne fauoint que dire et tout lour ioy fust donqes tourne en anguise et en dolour com Dieux le voloit. Apres lez ij. aunz passez qe le roy auoit ore a cest foitz demure en Engleter le veil count de Melent sen party de le roy et comensa gerroier countre ly, et fift grantz maus en sa tere de Normendy sure luy et sure fez gentz, par quoi le roy fe corousa qant il oy la nouel et hastiement passa la mere et reueint en Normendy, et prist le chastel le dit count que fust apelle le chastel de Pounte Audomer, et demura tout cel ane en Normendy.

Et donqes ly vindrent nouels que Henry lemperour, quoit espose Maude sa feile, estoit mort et que ele ne voroit plus longement demurrer en Allemain mais voloit retourner en Engleter a soun pier. Et quat ele estoit a ly reuenu il la prist ouesque ly et reueint en Engleter, et le roy sist assembler deuaunt ly touz lez grantz seignours de Engleter et lez sist fere serement de seaute al emperice. Primes sist le serement Willam lerceuesque de Cantorbirs, puis Dauid le roy Descoce a qu'il auoit done la counte de

Huntyngdoun, et puis tretouz lez countis et barouns de la tere fesoint feaute al emperice et as fez heyres. Meisme la sesoun cesti roy Henry fift faire vn nouel euefge a Cardoil; et tost apres dedenz cel ane le noble bier Gaufray Plauntegeneth, count de Aungeow, noble chiualere et vaillaunt, maunda au roy Dengleter qil ly vousit doner Maude sa feille lemperiz a femme. Et pur ceo qil fust si noble hom et de si graunt bounte, le roy la ly graunta et la prift ouesque ly, si la amena en Normendy et veint illoege le noble hom count de Aungeow, Gaufrid Plauntegeneth, et la esposa a graunt honour. Et puis engendra vn fitz de ly qauoit a noume Henry fitz lemperice, pius demora le roy Henry tout cel ane en fol. 153. b. Normendy.

Et grant pece apres en le xxx. ane qil auoit regne vn grefe malady ly prist, et donges morust. Cesti bon roy Henry regna playnement xxxv. aunz et quatre moys, puis morust en Normendy, et soun quer fust entere en la grant eglis nostre dame a Rome deuaunt la haut auter, et soun corps folempnite fust porte en Engleter a Reding, et la gist enterre en labbay dount il estoit foundeour, et la fist faire le xxij. an de foun regne. lan du regne cesti Henry le beauclerk 4. en le moys de June furount vieus cerclis meruaillous et blankis entour le folail. Meifme la fefoun fust le corps saint Cuthbert translate, qe trouez estoit enterez od la test faint Ofwald.

Meisme cel sesoun fust vieu le stella insolita par plusours iours, et auxi furount vieus dieus lunes deuaunt le iour, lun en lorient et lautre en loccident touz dieus playnes. En quel fesoun sourdy grant debat entre Henry lemperour et foun fitz Henry, le fitz enprisona le pier.

Meisme la fesoun morust Edgar roy Descoce, apres qui regna Alexander foun freir. Et meisme lan le roy Henry estably par estatut, prelates, countes et barouns presentes, que de cel hour en auaunt nul dignite espirituel enuendroit en mayns dez rois ne dez nuls autres lays, et fy defift il touz lez mauuers coustoms qe soun freir Willam auoit estably.

En le x. ane de foun regne morust Anselyn lerceuesge, et leuesche de Ely primerment ordene, ou deuant nestoit fors vn priour. Lestoil comet aparust en cil ane et grant teremote y fust par la tere. La ryuer de Trent a Notyngham lespace dun lieu sust enseche de matine a tierce que

chescun y pooit passer saunz moiller, et la ryuer de Medeway qe nul ne pooit passer; Temys auxi a Loundres, entre la pount et la toure, fust si petit qun enfaunt le pooit passer tout le iour entier. Maude la royne, la semme cesti roy Henry, morust cell ane. Lordre dez Templers a donqes comensa. Vn fosse suit fait entre Nichol a Torqesay, qe lez neses purroint passer de Trent.

En meisme le temps fust Lowys le sitz Phelip roy de France; et Johan Gaitenus, ou Gelasius, fust vn ane et dimy pape apres Paschall par eleccioun de la college en le Mount Casyne, ou lez cardinalis furount fuys pur poour de lemperour Henry, qi emperour fift choifer vn autre, Maurin, fi ly fift nomer Gregoir, qi eftoit deuaunt escomenge du pape. Kalixt le 2^w, qi fust choise pape par le colege apres Johan, regna 5 auns et 6 moys, et par poair enprisona le dit Mauryn, li fist mettre desure vn fol. 154. kamyle, le vifage tourne au cou du kamil, fi ly fift doner en mayn la cou du dit camille en lieu du frien. Cesti Kalixt auoit resignement du emperour Henry de gange il auoit debate od fez predecessours. Vn cardinal de Rome, qi out a noum Johan, fust enuoye en Engleter pur ofter lez femmes de prestres, qi egrement le pursuyst, qi meismes fust troue coupablis ouertement od vn femme delee ly meisme la nute qe lez autres auoit condempne. Honorius fust pape le 2^{us} apres Calixt 5 aunz et 2 moys; en quel temps lemperour Henry, quoit espose Maude la feille roy Henry, morust, et solonc ascuns croniclis gist a Sper en Allemayn. Mais Geralde recount qil guerpist pur penaunce soun pays et veint en Engleter et deueint eremyte, et gift a Cestre. Apres qi Lothoir, duk de Saxsoun, fust fait emperour; en quel temps ascuns croniclis dient qe le count de Flaundres deueroit auoir este de droit saunk au roy Henry le primer. Apres Honorius le pape fust Innocens le 4^{us} choise pape de plusours de colege, qy regna 13 aunz et 7 moys; mais Anaclitus, qi fust dit Petre Lions, auoit voice dascuns, si entra par entroisoun et enprist lez tresores de lesglissis od quoi il peisa lez princes de Rome. Il enchasa Innocens od fez cardenalis au roy de France, mais puis reueint et encorona lemperour Lothair, par eide de qi il enchasa Roger le duk de Puille et de Cefille qy luy estoit en contrair.

Vn poi deuaunt la discesse cesti roy Henry le beau clerk il estoit si

affraye pur vn auifioun qe ly aueint en Normendy, qen foun repair en Engleter il releffa pur 7 aunz le tribute Danoys, et premift a Dieux a garder fa terre en justice. Meisme le hour estoit en France taunt defaut de eau qe lez ryuers et lez fountains apoy seccherent touz. Fieu entra lez creuices soutz tere, qe par nul art longement ne pooit estre exteint.

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Apres cesti roy Henry le primer regna soun neuew, sitz de sa sore, Esteuen count de Bleynes, qi se disoit le plus procheyne heire mal, qe si tost com il auoit oy nouels de la mort foun vncle il passa la mere et veint en Engleter. Et par counfail, force et eyde de plufours grantz feignurs de la tere, encountre lour sermentz de feaute qils auoint fait a Maude lemperice, il enprist le regne et se fist coronere. Et lerceuesque Willam de Cantorbirs, qi primes fift la ferment de feaute al emperice, il mist la coroune en la chefe et le enoynt et ly dona la beneifoun. Et Roger leuesque de Salisbirs mainteint la partie le roy en taunt com il fauoit. Et fi eft dit qe com lerceuefqe Willam aporta le corps nostre Seignour au roy Esteuen il cheoit hors de sez mayns et enuanist. Le dit roy sist enprisoner sol. 154. b. leuesque Roger de Salisbirs tange il ly auoist done sez ij. chastels de Vise et de Schirburne; leuesque de Nichol enprisona il auxi tanqe il ly auoit rendu le chastel de Newark. Par ascent de ascuns dez grantz et de plusours de comunes cesti Esteuen, qi estoit sitz de la sore le roy Henry le beau clerk, qe feile eftoit Willam le conquerour, fe fift roys et fift fez regautes faunz countredit de nuly, qar Gaufryd Plaungeneth, count de Angeow, qauoit espose Maude lemperice, ne se voloit meller pur ceo qe veutz estoit en le hour, qi disoit a sa femme toutdiz qe bien la coueignast od les foens.

Le roy Esteuen le primer ane qil comensa a regner il assembla grant ost et se mist vers Escoce pur auoir gerroie le roy Dauid, mais il veint encountre le roy en peise et en bon maner et se acorda a ly, mais il ne sist pas homage pur ceo qil lauoist fait al emperice, mais soun sitz ly sist homage. Le roy alast parmy la tere Dengleter et prist trestouz lez chastelis et lez bons viles en sa main; et le qart ane de soun regne veint Maude lemperice en Engleter et comensa contyk et estris au roy Esteuen. Et plusours grantz seignours de la tere tyndrent od lemperice encountre

le roy et fez mistrent en la cite de Nichol, mais le roi y veint et affegea la vile, et ceaux qi furent dedenz eschaparent quayntement saunz mal auer, et donges prift le roy la vile et demura illoeges iesges a la purificacioun nostre dame. Et donges maintenant apres la purificacioun vindrent illoeges lez barouns qui tindrent encountre le roy od lemperice et donerent batail au roy, et le roy fust pris en cest batail et mene al emperice et mys en garde en la tour de Bristow. Le count Randulf de Cestre, le count Robert de Gloucestre, Hugh Bigot, et Robert de Oyly, ceaux furount lez grauntz seignours qi tindrent od la emperice oue taunt poair et eide com ils poeint procureir. Qaunt le roy estoit pris et mys en gard a Bristow, en la tour le count Robert de Gloucestre, lemperice estoit maintenaunt rescieu dame de tout Engleter, et trestouz la tyndrent pur dame de la tere fors ceaux de Kent, ou la royne la femme le roy Esteuen et Willam de Ipre et lour gentz tyndrent contek al emperice. Et tost apres le roy Descoce veint a eaux od graunt noumbre de gentz, et donqes alerent a Wyncestre ou lemperice estoit et la voloint auoir pris et lez Loundres auxi, pur ceo qe lemperice ne lour voloist graunteir lez loys faint Edward pur ceo qe dures lour refembloient lez loys foun pier Henry. Mais le count Robert de Gloucestre, qi freir bastard estoit au dit emperice, par counfail de qi el comenfa fa guere, en qi chaftel le roy Efteuen fust tenu en gard, et le poair qil auoit oue ly, se combaty oue le roy Descoce et oue lez autre lour enemys. Et lemperice eschapa de illoege tange cel melle dura et sen ala a Oxsenford et illoege se teint, qur le count Robert de Gloucestre estoit pris en cel descounsiture et autres asseitz oue ly. Et pur sa deliueraunce et ceaux qi furount od ly fust le roy Esteuen deliuers et ceaux qi furount pris oue ly; et issy fust lun deliuers pur lautre. roy fi tost com il fust deliuere il prist soun poair et sen ala a Oxsenford et assegea lemperice, et dura lassege del saint Michel iesques al aduent. Et adonges vn poy deuaunt le nowel lemperice sa fift vester tout en blaunche vesture de lyntheaux, qel ne pooit estre conu ne aparceu pur lay nayse gestoit si tregrant, gar lun colour sembloit al autre, et issi eschapa par Temys que fust englase, que vnques nestoit aparscieu de sez enemys, et sen ala a Walingford et la fa tenit. Le roy la voloit auoir affege mais il ne pooit entendre, taunt auoit a faire en droit del count Randulf de Cestre et

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Hugh Bigot qy taunt ly gerroient de touz partz qil ne fauoit qe dire; et le count Robert de Gloucestre, qi lez aida od tout soun poair. roy ala a Wiltoun et voloit illoeges faire vn chastel, mais ly sureueint le count Robert od grant poair et auoit apoy pris le roy mais il eschapa a grant payn, et Willam Marcel fu pris illoeqes, pur qy deliuerance le roy vendy au count Robert le chastel de Schirburn qil auoit pris. Qant ceo fust fait le count Robert et tretouz lez enemys le roy aloient a Farendoun et comencerent a fermer illoqes vn trefort chastel; mais le roy ala hastiement oue grant poair et lez enchasa. Et meisme cell ane le count Randulf de Cestre fust acorde au roy et pius veint a la court le roy a soun maundement, et quidoit fauuement estre venu, mais le roy ly fist prendre et mettre en prisoun; et vnqes ne pooit isser tange il hust rendu au roy le chastel de Nichol qi auoit pris a force sure le roy. Lemperice sa retrey en Normendy.

En le xv. ane de le regne le roy Esteuen Gaufrid le count de Aungeow rendy a Henry foun fitz tout Normendy, et lan fuant morust le count foun pier et il ala maintenaunt en Aungeow et fust curtoisement rescieu et a grant honour des homs de la tere, et ly sesoient [feaute] et homage comunement tretouz. Dunges fust cesti Henry sitz lemperice count de Aungeow et duk de Normendy. Et meisme cel ane la deuorz fu fait entre le roy Lowys de France et ly royne sa semme, qe fust droit sol. 155. b. heyre de Aqitain, pur ceo qe troue fust par bons gentz de religioun et par autres qils estoient procheyns parentz qi ne acorderent pas ensemble; et donqes la prist Henry sitz lemperice et la esposa a grant honour. issy estoit il count de Aungeow, duk de Normendy et de Aquitayn.

Et donqes en le xviij. ane del regne le roy Esteuen cesti Henry sitz lemperice veint en Angleter od grant poair et od grant nauy de gentz et comenfa guerroier le roy, si prist le chastel de Malmesbery et sist durement grantz maus au roy Esteuen, et su la guere entre eaux si trefort qè le roy ne fauvoit quel part tourner, mais au darayn furount ils acordez par lerceuesque Theobaud de Cantorbiris et par autres bons gentz de la tere en ceste sourme, gils departyroint le realme Dengletere entre eaux issi qe Henry sitz lemperice aueroit la moyte parmy et par tout a la vie le roy Esteuen, et apres sa mort Henry enioyeroit tout entierement le



regne et la coroune; et iffi finist la gere entre eaux. Le roy deueint si tredolent qil auoit perdu la moyte de Engleter, et qant pees sust crie parmy tout la tere qil chey en vn grant malady et deuoit murir. Il regna xix. aunz, et xx. semayns, et xx. iours, tot en gere et en contek, et puis morust et gist al abbey de Fauersham, qil sist faire le vi. ane de soun regne.

Le roy Esteuen dona au roy Descoce Dauid lez chastels de Carleil et de Noefchastel a lour primer acorde en pese fesaunt, lez queux il auoit vsurpe en le mene temps de cest gere, et ly conferma la vile de Huntyngdoun et la counte que done lour fust du roy Henry. Le roy Esteuen passa la mere si se alya od le roy de France, fist soun sitz Eustace fare homage pur Normendy, repaira en Engleter, assist le chastel de Bedford, si le gaigna, se mist en ost deuers Escoce pur ceo qe Dauid le roy enclinoit au ferement qil auoit fait al emperice fa cosyne qi comaunda fez gentz qile eydafent fa cofyne, queux firent grant cruaute a lez enherdauntz le roy Esteuen, tuerent lez petites letauntez, prestres decollerent, mistrent lour testes sure lez testes dez crucifixs, pur quoy le roy Esteuen destrut la marche Descoce, retournat en Engleter pur ceo que Robert count de Ceftre et autres grantz estoient releuez encountre luy. En quel houre Dauid roy Descoce entra Engleter od grant oft, ou le count de Aumarell od autres norays ly descounfirent ioust Allertoun par sarmoun de Turstin, erceuesque Deuerwyk, qi lour souenoit de pruesce de lour auncestres, en monestaunt a coumbatre pur lour pays. Il est dit que lez Escoces surount illoeges descounfitz dez noyse en potes soutz tere. Apres quoi le roy Esteuen entrast Escoce meisme la sesoun destruyaunt le pays, tange autre foitz furount entrepeifetz, issi qe pur assuraunce auoir le roy Esteuen fist Henry, le fitz le roy Dauid Descoce, count de Northumbreland, qi prist en espouse la countasse iadiz semme Willam count de Warayne, qi cheualerousement enueint oue le roy en Engleter.

Le roy Esteuen achatast Custaunce, la sore le roy Lowys de France, a soun fitz Eustaz od le tresor qil auoit enpris de Roger esuesque de Salisbirs; qi Eustas morust procheignement, de qi le roi de Fraunce prist homage pur Normendy, la mort de qy estoit graunt cause du pees entre le roy Esteuen et Henry count de Aungeow, pur ceo qil nauoit engendrure.

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Lez gentz le roy Esteuen pristrent Gestray de Grauntvile, qi plusour chasteaux auoit en garde depar lemperice, qi pur sa deliueraunz rendy au roy la Tour de Loundres et lez chafteaux de Walden et de Pleciys, fe mist a boys, et hors boty lez moynes del abbay de Ramesay, illoeges sist rescet de robbeours, pur ceo qu'il nauoit dount viure pur qu'il morust cheitifement.

En cel temps veint Henry fitz lemperice au roy Dauid de Escoce, qu de ly a Cardoil fust fait chiualer; et procheignement apres morust Henry fitz Dauid le roy Descoce, qi count estoit de Northumbreland, et lan fuaunt moruft le roy Dauid; apres qy regna en Escoce Mauncloun le fitz Henry count de Northumbreland. En le temps cesti roy Esteuen su vn enfaunt Criftien, qi out a noume Willam, crucifie a Norwiche de Jewis en despit de Cristien loy. Lez cronicles deuisent que cesti Henry sitz lemperice fust defendu de soun pier Gaufrid Plauntegeneth, count de Aungeow, en gange pier pooit defendre fitz, gil ne touchast Elianor ge sust lespouse Lowys le roi de France, et qil ne la preist en moiller en nul maner, pur ceo qe conu lauoit tange il estoit seneschal le roy de France, mais pur ceo ne le lessa que pur couaitife ne la esposa. En le temps le roy Esteuen Conrard le duk de Beyuer et neuew le emperour Henry le gart fust emperour apres Lothair 15 aunz, qi par predicacioun Bernard ala noblement en la terre faint.

Celeftinus le 2th fust pape apres Innocens 5 mois; apres que Lucius qu out a noume Egerardus fust pape ij. moys; apres qy Eugenius le 3 fust pape 8 aunz et 5 moys, qy fust le disciple saint Bernard et puis abbe de faint Anastays, qi par expiracioun fust choise dez cardenalis mais facre hors de la cite pur doute de lez fenatours de Rome. En quel temps Conrard lemperour, et Lowys le roy de Fraunce, et le count de Flaundres, et plusours grantz Dengleter, furent croisez en la tere faint, meutz uo- fol. 156. b. loient aler par tere qe par mere, si passerent par la Bulgary ou par treifoun de lemperour de Conftantinnoble furount les plufours perrys par faryne qil lour fist doner melle od cray; ceux qy sureuiuerent furount lez plusours tue despey pur lour luxure et lour rauyne. Lowys le roy de France fentrey vers lostell, mais enchemynaunt deueint maladez, qi fust counsaillez de fez mires dauoir compaigny de femme, qi meutz amoit



morire que faire auoutry. Apres que regna en France foun fitz Phelip. Anastatius le iij. fust pape apres Eugenius ij. auns, en quel temps morust faint Bernard.

APRES cesti roy Esteuen regna Henry sitz lemperice, et sust corone a Westmouster del erceueuesque Theobaud de Cantorbirs par vn dymange, le vi. iour deuaunt Nowel. Et meisme cel ane Thomas Beket de Londres, arcedeken de Cantorbirs, su chaunceler de roy.

Le fecound ane apres que le roy fust corone il fist abatre tretouz lez nouelis chastelis qe le roy Esteuen auoit fait faire; et reprist en sa mayn burghs, viles et chafteaux que parteindrent a la coroune, lez queux le roy Esteuen auoit done as diuers homs et lez auoit set countes et barouns pur tenir od ly de ly eider encountre Henry fitz lemperice. Si reapella lez auncienes customs et defist quanqe le roy Esteuen auoit de nouel estably, com fouent est vieu et com est dit en prouerbe-" veigne nouel roys et face nouel loys."—Et puis quant cesti Henry sust corone il lez enchasa tretouz de la tere, et nomement lez Flemynkes qi od Esteuen eftoint grantz meisters. Et fait asauoir qil auoist bele engendrure de sa femme, cest asauoir, Willam qi morust ioen enfaunt, Henry, Richard, Gaufray, qi pius fust count de Bretaigne depar sa semme, Maude, et trois autres feilles, lun estoit royne de Chastel, et lautre countesse de Tolouse, la tierce royne de Cesile; et Johan qi puis fust roy Dengleter qi a sournoune out Johan saunz tere. Et en meisme cest secound ane de soun regne nafgy foun fitz Henry.

Le tierce ane de foun regne il passa la mere et purchasa touz lez chastels qe furount au Gausrid Plaungeneth soun pere. En cest ane nasquist Maude sa feile.

Le quart ane de foun regne il foutzmist a sa seignourye Oweyn le roy de Wales. Et en meisme lan le roy Descoce ly rendy quanque il auoist de sa demeyne, cest asauoir, la cite de Carleil, le chastell de Baumburgh, se Noeschastel sure Tyne, et le countee de Langcastre, horpris Huntyngdoun qil ly confermast. Et en meisme cest ane le roy ala en Wales od graunt poair, et sist abatre boys, et sist fare chemyns, et sist affermer le chastel de Rothelan et de Bassingwerk. Et entre ceaux ij. chastels il sist

vn mesoun del temple. En cest ane nasquist Richard soun sitz a Oxenford.

Le quint ane de foun regne nasquist soun fitz Gausryd, qi puis sust count Bretaigne. Et en cel ane chaungea il la monoy.

Le vj. ane il amena grant oft a Toulouse et la affist.

Le vij. ane de foun regne Henry foun fitz esposa la feile le roy Lowis de France od grant honour et a grant nobley.

Le viij. ane de foun regne morust lerceuesque Theobaud de Cantorbirs; et la cite de Cantorbirs sust pur poy tot arse et destruyt par meschaunz de sodeine sieu.

Le ix. ane de foun regne Thomas Beket foun chaunceler fust eslieu erceuesque de Cantorbirs et sacre le iour saint Barnabe le apostle. Et meisme cel ane nasqy Elianor la feile le roi.

Le x. ane de foun regne le bon roy faint Edward fust translate a Westmouster oue grant solempnite.

Le xj. ane de foun regne il teint foun parlement a Norhamptoun, et de illoeqe fenfuy lerceuefque Thomas tout de nuyt pur le grant discorde qestoit parentre le roy et ly, qar sil ust este troue lendemayn gentz del hostel le roy ly hussent occis. Et sen ala en tapinage od iij. compaignouns soulement tout a pee pur aler plus priuement qil ne sust aperceus, et sen ala outre mere al apostoil de Rome.

Le xij. an de foun regne nafqy Johan sa feile.

Le xiij. ane de foun regne morust Maude lemperice sa mere. Et meisme cel ane nasqy Johan soun sitz.

Le xiiij. ane de foun regne le duk Henry de Saxfoyne esposa Maude sa feile, et engendra de ly iij. sitz, Henry, Othes, et Willam.

Le xv. ane de foun regne morust luy bon Robert count de Laicestre, qy founda labbey de Gerendoun, et labbey de Laycestre, et la mesoun de noneyns a Etoun. Et meisme cel ane Almarich roy de Jerusalem conqist Babiloyn.

Le xvj. ane de foun regne il fift coroner Henry foun fitz a Westmoustre de Roger lerceusque Deuerwik en preiudice de la dignite del eglis de Cantorbirs, pur quoy lerceusque Roger estoit escomenge del apostoil. Et la cause pur quoy cesti roy Henry sist encoroner en sa vie soun eyne

fitz Henry fust pur ceo, gil voroit ge soun sitz preist tiels customs ge meismes pooit amendre si autres fussent que bons, et que il veist que hust la atournement de barouns pur doute de clayme qe ascun du sank le roy Esteuen qi par auenture purroint debatre en nouel tempz du chaungementz dez roys, pur ceo voloit il qe foun fitz pust en sa vie plener possesfioun del homage dez barouns taunt doutoit chaungement et variatioun dez corages dez comuns par enfaumple dez ploufours lour cuftoms; et auxi pur ceo qil amast molt sa demure en Normendy et en Aungeow commist il la gouernail Dengleter a soun sitz a insticer le poeple, que diuers lez tenoit de maner issi qui pooit auoir sa counuersacioun en tranquillite. Ou meuz voufist hors de curiosete et occupation de chos ge ly nuyoift, iffi qe foun fitz hust le trauail et le cure et il meismes le profit. Mais enfy ne aueint y my, qar del hour qe foun fitz fust corone nestoit vnqes bon vie entre le pier et le fitz, qil nauoit fors le noun oue le trauail, et le pier le profit et lez comaundements ou lexecution real. temps cefti roy Henry fitz lemperice comensa lordre dez Ospitulers et de Templers dauoir possessions en Engleter; queux Templers furount foundez a viure fur lez remyfails dez Ospitulers. En le temps cesti roy Henry fitz lemperice apparust nostre Seignour Jesu Cristi pendaunt en la croice en le ayre, quoi fust vieu a Dunstable de moultz de gentz de le hour de tierce tange a vespre. En quel temps vn grant tempest de ayre par foudre tua plufours bestes et oyseaux et homs le iour de la Magdeleyn.

En cel temps fift le roy Henry ferchere le corps Arthur et le troua a Glastinbery en vn farcu, et le corps Geynor fa compain, par enseignement dun ministral Bretoun qi disoit qil fust soue plus parsound qe lez autres gentz pur doute qe lez Saxsouns ne ly trouassent. Et si est dit qe la play apparast en le frount deuaunt dount il morust. Il lez sist autre part en leglis seueiller plus noblement.

Il enuoya procheignement apres cela fount fitz Johan en Irland, qi illoeqes fe demena cheualeroufement. Cesti roy Henry se gouerna plus par counsail de clerks qe de chiualers, qe touz iours auoit delee ly dieus euesqes ou troys. Le roy Henry le pier passa outre en Normendy et marrya Elianore sa feile a Alfouns roy Despayne. Et le vij. ane apres

ge faint Thomas auoit demure outre mere en exile le roy de France ly acorda au roy Henry, et donqes retourna il en Engleter a fa eglis de Cantorbirs en le comencement del aduent, et puis fust martirize le v. iour de Nowel, com apres playnement fera recordez, et ceo fust apres le incarnatioun nostre Seignour mil, cent, et lxxi. aunz. Et tost apres Henry le nouel roy corone prist contek et guerre encountre soun pier et fez freirs enfement, issi qi a vn foitz le roy de France et touz sez fitz et le roy Descoce et touz lez plusours dez grantz seignours Dengleter leuerent encontre ly, mais au darain com Dieu le voloit il venqy touz fez fol. 158. enemys et auoit la victoir de aux, et le roy de France et ly furount acordez et entrebeisez. Donges maundast le roy Henry especialement al roy et ly pria pur lamour de ly qil ly maundast par settre lez nouns de ceaux par qy fa gere fuft comence et mew, et le roy ly remaunda lez nouns et primes noma Johan foun fitz, et puis Richard, et foun fitz Henry le corone. Donqes fust le roy dolent et nuyez et maudist le temps qe vnqes engendra il fitz. Et vnqor cel guere duraunt Henry foun fitz le coroun morust moult repentaunt, et cria soun pier merci od grant contricioun de quer. Le pier auoit pite de ly et ly pardonat, com apres ferra rementoine. En temps cesti roy Henry su lu grant batail en la tere saint entre lez Cristiens et les Sarazins, mais lez Templers et lez Ofpitulers et touz les Cristiens furount occis, et ceo fust par le treisoun le count de Tripe qi voroit auoir hu a femme la royne de Jerufalem qi iadice fuft femme le roy Baudewyn, mais ele ly refusa et prist vn vaillaunt cheualer a feignour qy out a noun Gy, par quoi le count de Tripe fe coroufa et maintenaunt ala al Soudan et deueint foun hom iurez et reneva le loy Cristien et deueint Sarazin, et lez Cristienes ne aparsceurent my ne rien ne fauoint de cest affaire mais quidoint auoir hu grant eide de ly ficom deuaunt foloint auoir; et gaunt veint a la batail il tourna toute de boute encountre lez Criftiens. Issi furount lez Criftienes trayez et mys al mort, et trestouz lez chastels de la tere furount pris et la cite de Jerufalem destruyt. Maulcoum le roy Descoce, fitz Henry count de Northumbrelond, fift au roy Henry fitz lemperice homage a Ceftre, tot au tiel gife com le roy Dauid foun ayel auoit fait. En quel temps le dit roy Henry fift faire le chastel de Werk; puis com le dit roy passa outre mere



pur riote qe soun sitz Gaufray auoit moue, Maucloun le roy de Escoce passa od ly, ou al assege de Tolous il deueint cheualer dez mains le roy Henry. Au venu a lostel de quel Maucloun vj. de ses countis Descoce ly voroint auoir surrecurry en la ville de Perth, pur ceo qe taunt estoit enherdant as Engles, mais ils faillerent de lour emprise. Cesti Mauncloun guerroya iij. soitz Galeway en graunt ost, qi au darayne lez venqy a sa subieccioun. Cesti Maucloun esposa sa for Margaret a Conan count de la petit Bretaigne et seigsnur de Richemound, seille de qy Gaufray sol. 158. b. le sitz cesti roy Henry auoit espose. Mauncloun dona sa autre sore a Adam count de Warain, pur quoy apres Florens soun heir chalanga la successioun Descoce apres la mort Alexandre, pur quoy Johan de Baillose ly dona graunt some dargent a resigner soun droit. En le temps cesti Maucloun surount desseurez lez euesques Descoce del obedience et mestirapolonite del erceuesque Deuerwyk, qi vnqes ne obedierent puis nul sors soulement cely de Galeway.

Meisme le temps saynt Thomas de Cantorbirs sust exile, qi grant repair sist a Pountenay a grant freise del abbey, qi au departir disoit al abbe qe vn uendroit apres li qi tout aquitera, quel parole sust puscedy suppose de la demore qe Edmound erceuesque Cantorbirs y sist en le temps le tierce Henry, et illoeqes gist, qest apelle saint Edmound de Pountenay.

Manclom le roy Descoce morust a Jedworth et sust enterez a Dunfermelyn; Willam soun freir regna en Escoce apres. En quel temps apparurent ij. estoillis cometis, vn deuers le solail, le autre deuers septentrioum. Cesti Willam roy Descoce enueint a Wyndesore ou soun frer Dauid count de Huntingdon, qi deueint chiualer de maines le roy Henry. En meisne le temps lez cheualerous grantz seignours Dengleter conquistrent Ireland au seignoury Dengleter, quoi le pape Adrian conferma, et en lieu de chartre ly enuoya soun anel; auxy estably la reaule de lespiritualte al vsage Dengleter. Thomas de Cantorbirs sust martrize en cel temps, et nounpas au gree le roy, mes ia le mainz grant vengeaunce ly ensuyt procheignement, qe sez sitz propres ly guerroierent. Lez ministres le roy ly vindrent compleindre qils ne purroient saire execucioun de lour ossice a sa prosite pur lerceuesque; et si nauoit rien sait fors qil lour auoit amoneste a surseir de tortes a saint eglis. Le roy disoit irouse-

ment, "si mez gentz vaillascent riens ils ne me soeffrent auoir teel vileny dun vilain clerk." Jones chiualers et fauuages, qu'entoure ly estoient al houre ou le roy estoit en Normendy, Willam de Tracy, Hughe de Moruill, et Randulf fitz Ourfe, od autres, vindrent outre mere, fez mistrent a Cantorbirs, aresonerent lerceuesque despitousement com il feoit a manger, qi courtement lour respoundy. Le tier iour de Nouel qi fen alerent en la vile au tauerne fez rementinoint du respouns lerceuesque, furent fomoundre lez comuns de la vile pur aler oue eaux com auoint commissioun, retouenerent au palais de ou lerceuesque estoit alez al eglis pur doute de eaux. Ils li fercherent et ly trouerent en leglis, facherent lour espeis, ly detrencherent mort, quoi com est dit, nestoit pas lour purpos mais del enticement du deable pur lour encoumbreir, et com Dieux le voloit a ly glorifier de martir lour fureueint cel pense, qi tost reconistrent lour maufait. Qi fez mistrent en exile pur dout de vengeaunce, qe reconustrent lour coup; gar, com tesmoignent lez cronicles, del hour gils auoint tue le dit faint erceuesque ils deuindrent si descounsitz qils perderent tot countenaunz, ne fesoient nul demore en la cite de Cantorbirs, fez treyerent a Storey, vne manoir del erceuefque ioust la cite, deuesterent lour haubreiouns fure lez tables dormauntz en vn chaumbre du dit manoir, lez queux tablis dormauntz croulerent et tremblerent a la gyfe qe lez haubreions ne purroient sure iefure, mais touz iours enietterent a tere, pur quoi ils fez misterent a lour penaunz.

Procheinement apres, com le roy Henry fust en Normendy pur la guere de Fraunce et de sez sitz, Willam roy Descoce, entrast Engleter od grantz soudiers de Flaundres, gaigna lez chastelis de Appilby et Burgh, assist Cardoil, lez citizeines ly disoint qils ly renderoint la vile a vn certain iour si ils nussent rescous par batail. De ou le roy Willam se remua au chastel de Prodhow qi le conquist, se mist a Alnewyk qi le assist. Les barouns du counte de Euerwik, qi hount auoint qe ls Escoces sesoient tiel riote, sez mustrent a Noeschastell. Robert de Stoteuill, Randoulf de Grauntvill, Bernard de Baillos, pur quoy Bernard chastel port le noune, Willam de Vescy, oue poy de gentz a regarde trenuterent sur le roy Willam, qi assiurez ly teint de touz Engles pur labsens du roy, qi sez gentz auoit enuoye a forayer le pays. Cestez gentz cheierent sur luy en laube du

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iour si estoit bruyne, qi luy pristrent, detrencherent et descoumfirent lez

autres, qi a lour venu quiderent qe ceo vst est lour gentz propres. iourne finy en lan de grace mil. c. 78, 3 ide de Juile, lez ditz seignurs sez remistrent meisme la nuit a Noeschastel, amenerent le roy Willam a Loundres au roy Henry qi reuenuz estoit de Normendy, qi procheignment retourna et reamena od ly le roy Willam Descoce, ly fist metre en prisoun a Roen; et auxi le count de Laicestre et autres, qi le roy auoit fait prendre prisoners pur lour trespas. En quel hour sez fitz sez mistrent en fa grace fez atournerent a ly de homage pufque fi pres fanguinite ne pooit valoir. Le count de Flaundres fist faire restitucioun de ceo ge au roy fust fait de mal de sez Flemyns. Lez prelates et lez vns dez seignours Descoce, et nomement les euesges de faint Andrew et de Dunfol. 159. b. keldin, pafferent la mere en Normendy, treiterent pur la deliueraunce du roy, acorderent od le roy Henry qi procheignement reueint en Engleterre; ou a Euerwik le roy Willam fust deliuers pur raunfoun de xl. mille liuers, ou il fist homage au roy Henry; et si reioierent lez prelates et countes Descoce par lour lettres la souerayn seignoury Descoce au roys Dengleterre, qoi fust conferme par lez bulles le pape Gregoire, pur quoi lez autres qy y nestoint my sez desagreeroint lez queux nestoint pas penibles au deliueraunce de lour roy. Pur quoi il enprift od ly en Escoce plusours dez fitz pusnes dez seygnours Dengleterre qi ly estoient beinuoillauntz, et lour dona lez terres dez autres qy ly estoient rebelis. Si estoint ceaux dez Baillolfs, de Bruys, de Soulis, et de Mowbray, et les Saynclers; lez Hayes, lez Giffardis, lez Ramesays, et Laundels; lez Bifeys, les Berkleys, lez Walenges, lez Boysis, lez Mountgomeris; lez Vaus, lez Coleuyles, lez Fryfers, lez Grames, lez Gourlays, et plufours autres; au quel venu en Escoce le roy Willam fist founder le abbay de Abirbrothocke, en le honour Cesti Willam dona en ostage plusours de saint Thomas de Cantorbirs. grauntz feignours Descoce, countis, barouns; et lez chasteaux de Edynburgh, de Roxburgh, et de Berewik, au roy Henry, qi puis bailla au dit roi Willam le chastel de Edinburh oue sa cousine Hermeger en espous, quel royine foundast labbay de Balmorinagh. Ly quel roy Willam veint a le parlement a Northamton, et puis enueint au roy en Normendy.

Le roy Henry paffa en Normendy, foun fitz Henry recomenfa a rebeller encountre foun pier, qi procheinement se lessa morir, qe au departir du fiecle auoit conscience de sa mal port deuers soun pier, si comaunda qe hom aportast soun corps a soun pier, et gil ne ensust entere deuaunt gil vst pardoun du roy soun pier. Quele comaundement acomply, le roi trist du mort foun fitz pitousment ly fist assoudre et ly fist entereir a Rohan.

Meisme le temps uindrent nouele du perde de la Surry et de Jerusalem et de la destruccioun dez Cristienes, pur quels nouels par mocioun de faint pere lez roys de France et Dengleter furount autre foitz peifez, et rescieurent touz dieus la croice pur aler la faintisme veage, et iurrez autrefy a lour acorde pres de Gifors; Richard fitz le roy Henry prist al houre le croice au dit veage. Le roy sen passa en Engleter, ou procheignement debate refourdy entre lez ij. roys par mocioun des fitz le roy Engles, et nomement par Johan qil plus amast, purquoi le veage nenprist point al fol. 160. hour, le maner pur quoi est rementoyne apres. Cesti roy et sez enfauntz furont de meruaillous condiciouns que chefcun abbetoit corouz as autres; en le Policronicon est affigne la cause de lour deuersete, en quoy est dit qe vn dez proails Gaufrid Plauntegeneth, count de Aungeow, pier cesti roy Henry, encountrast vn bele meschene com aloit chacer, si la prist et la esposa soulement pur sa beaute, si ne sauoit nuly de ou el estoit extreit. Ele ne venoit my volountiers as eglis, et quant ele y veint ele ne voroit demoreir tanque au leuacioun, de quoi le count et lez chevaleres pristrent malencoly, et la retindrent vn iour par le mauntele de ermyn. Ele auoit iiij. fitz, lez ij. estoient ouesque ley dedenz le mauntel au may[n] deistre lez autres au mayn senestre, et au point que le prestre leua le corps Iesu Crist ele lessat le mauntel et enuola par les fenestres, et amena od ly ij. de sez sitz et enlessa autree ij, de queix estoit extreit le dit count Gausrid. Pur quoy faint Bernard, com fust enfaunt en la court le roy de France, prophetiza de cesti roy Henry, qi dysoit qe de mal arbre mal frut. Auxi en meisme lez cronicles est suppose que viuaunt lemperour Henry, marry cest emperice, la mere cest roy Henry estoit espose a cesti Gaufrid Plauntegeneth foun pier, qe tot enueint ele de Allemayne ou el fust vergoyne, difaunt foun marry eftre mort.



Lez entrepretours tesmoignent que lemperour Henry gerpist soun empire de gree et se mist en hermitage, en penaunce de sez tyrannys qil auoit fait a foun pier charnel et au pape Paschal. Autres ij. causes sount affignez a fez fitz depar lour mere, vn qel estoit espose a cesti Henry encountre defens de foun pier par ioust cause, vn autre qu le pier cesti Elianour quy fust duk de Gyene rauist la femme dun viscount de son pays et la esposa, pur quoy fust dit dun faint hom qe ia de eaux nauendroit bon iffu. Cestes causes furount conuz au pier et as fitz, com bien est proue par Gaufrid count de la Petit Bretaign, fitz cesti Henry, qi moue estoit de guere encountre soun pier, qi disoit au messager soun pier qi ly venoit parler de peife, "Quidez tu de nous ofter nostre nature, qe propre nous est a chescun mal uoloir a autre?" Meisme ceo reconust le pier Henry qi fist paynter vn egle en sa chambre a Wyncestre od x. ioens eglenceaux, dez queux trois enracerent od lour vngles lez oyles lour mere, pur qoy le dit roy disoit, "ensi fount mez sitz ouesqe moy, et nomement cely Johan qi plus amoy le."

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Il en troue en lez cronicles qe com cesti roy Henry enueint vn foitz de Ireland, ou il auoit ses loys estably, com il uoloit auoir mounte soun palefrais en le chastel de Cardif, luy venoit vn auncien hom chanu od blankes dras, lez peez nuys, nouncier depar faynt Johan le baptiste et depar faynt Pere, en lang Ties, qil amendast sa vie, et qil defendast en soun realme marchies le iour de dimange fors des choses touchauntz mangers et boyres. Le roy disoit a vn de sez chiualers en Fraunceys, "demaundez le vileyn fil le foungea, ou noun." Le prudhom ly respoundy, "fi ieo le foungeay ou nemy, si tu cest chos ne faces, tu nouels deuaunt lissu del ane oyrez de queux tout ta vie aueras persecucioun." fust il garny par vn Irroys damendre sa vie par si priuez enseigns qe nul ne conisoit qe ly meismes. La tierce soitz fust garny par vn chiualer, qi out a noune Philip de Estderby, ly venoit somoundre de soy amendre de 7 articles, qe si ceo fesoit qil viueroist vij. aunz honourablement, et qil gaigneroit la faint croice Jesu Crist hors dez mains dez mescreauntz, et si noun que dedenz le 7 ane murreroit cheitiuousement. Il ne sist rien, ne ne tient rien a quoi il fust iurrez a soun encorounement, pur quel garnisement il ala pelerinage nuys peez au toumbe faynt Thomas de Cantorbirs.

Richaurd priour de Douir fust eslieu erceuesque de Cantorbirs, qi ne fust pas dignes, par maundement cesti roy Henry, pur quoy bon pece apres nostre Seignour apparust en auisioun au dit erceuesque, qi li disoit qil auoit degaste sez biens de saint eglis, pur quoy il ly destruyeroit, pur quoi il morust fodeignement. Cesti roy Henry perdy Aluern, et lez cites gen Latin fount ditz Beturicha, Cenomenia, et Turoneñ en peife fefant. Le dit roy Henry auoit en garde le feille le roy Lowys de France par tretice qil la maryast a Richard soun sitz, count de Peitow, mais il la convsoit meismes et la teint pur sa amy del hour que Rosamond la bele meschene de Clifforde estoit pusoune par la royne, com fust dit; la quel Rosamound le dit roy teint fycher a Wodstok, com est recorde, la quel gist a Goddestow enterrez. Richard le sitz le dit roy refusa le dit mariage del hour gil aperfcieu la maner, qunqes apres nestoit bon acorde entre le pier et le fitz. Le dit roi Henry enuoya au court de Rome pur deuors entre ly et la royne Elianor, qil pooit esposer la dit feile le roy de Fraunce, dauoir desherite sez sitz, mais ne pooit purchacer dispensacioun. quel houre le roy Descoce, et le count de Cestre, et le count de Laycestre, et plusours autres, leuerent encountre cesti roy Henry, plusours dez queux murrerent procheignement.

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Lan del incarnacioun Jesu Crist mile, cent, qatre vintz et vij, et en meisme le temps cesti roy Henry sitz lemperiz, Saladyn soudan de Damas auoit conquis plusours reaulmes Sarazins en parties del orient, si enprist purpos a destruyr trestouz lez Cristiens de la tere faint, de Egypt et de Surry, et auxi trestoz les autres reaumes qen Jhesu treerent, au syn qe par vsurpacioun et pruesce de sa persoune se pooit estille nomer roi dez roys et seignour dez sires. Et si passa le slum Jordan, et la terre de promissioun gasta, et quanqe il troua countreesteaunt sa volounte sist destruyere et mettre en slaumbe; le meistre du temple de Jerusalem et lx. freirs ou grant suysoun des Cristiens, qi ly encountrerent a desendre loys, sist tuer. Le roy Gy de Jerusalem, qi oist les destrucciouns qe Saladin auoit sest au poeple Dieux, assemblast graunt poair, et si entrecombaterent en plaine chaump. Lez Cristiens estoint descoumsitz, et le roy Gy pris oue la saint croice par lez Sarazins. Le dit meistre du temple sut tuez od cc. et xxx. freirs, et vint mile de gentz darmes, oue



grant noumbre dez comuns. Apres ceo Saladyn paffaft a la cite de Acres la quel ly estoit renduz, et de illoeqes passa deuers Jerusalem, gastaunt le pays, et si assegea la vile et la gaigna, et xiiii. mille des homs et femmes, qi ne point payer la truage qi sure eaux fust mys, fist lier et mettre en perpetuel seruitude; et tiels meschiefs et plusours autres, com lez liuers de cronicles tesmoignent, fist Saladyn au poeple Dieux. nouels dez oppressions et agreuaunces que Saladyn auoit fait vindrent a lapostoill, sur queux, par mediacioun Dieu, iour estoit pris par entre Phelip roy de Fraunce et Henry roy Dengleter pur finer la quere qi taunt auoit dure entre eaux, dount touz les Cristiens estoint muez. pur le faintifme veage enprendre a deliuerer la faint croice et le faint sepulcre Jhesu dez mains de mescreaunz, et a reuenger lez chetiuetez dez Cristiens, lez ditz ij. roys vindrent as chaumps entre Trie et Gisors, et treterent et acorderent finalement de toutez debates, et sez entrecroiferent au dit veage. Et Richard, count de Aungeou, fitz au roy Henry, ensemblement od euesqes, dukes, countis et barouns, et plusours de seignours et chiualeris, et plusours autres gentz a grant fuysoun, sez croiferent vers Jerusalem, et apres certayn iour mys et assigne pare serement et mys en efcript foutz lez feals dez roys et de autres seignours, fol. 161. b. chefcun fe retourna en foun pays ioyaunt, et fe dreffa chefcun encountre le dit passage. Mais cil qi tot ad a iusticer ne voloit suffreir le dit Henry perfournyre qil auoit enpris, et ne pur qant apres le limitacioun du dit veage passe veint Heraclius, patriarch de Jerusalem, au roy Henry, portaunt lettres de touz lez Cristiens orientalis demaundaunt eide vers lez pagenes, qi taunt de despit fesoient a notre Seignour, et si porta pur enseigne lez cless de la cite de Jerusalem et du faint sepulcre, ensemblement od le baner royal et lez lettres Lucy lapostoil, queux il porta, fesaunt mencioun du serment qil auoit sait a parfornir le dit veage, amonestaunt soun serement tenir. A qy le roy respoundy, qe sez terres faunz sure garde ne purroit lesser, ne countre la malice dez Franceys ne fe fauoist ordeigner sil ferroint en estraunge terre, mais a ceaux qi voudrent cel ueage enprendre, grant partye de foun auoir largement durroit; fure quoy le dit patriarch disoit qu fuccours de gentz queroit et nounpas dauoir, et nomement roy ou autre graunt seignour qi Cristiens desyrauntz

cel veage poat mener et iusticer; si sen departy tout dolent et irrez. geraunt fuccours aliours com cely qi desesperez estoit, et outriement soun purpos auoit failly. Le roy Henry conuia le dit patriarch tanque a Cantorbirs, en espoir que par blaunches parolis le dit patriarch ly aueroit excufe, qi au departir ly difoit qe fez fitz fez contenoint a ly gyfe encountre ly qe bouger ne cyfoit hors de foun realme. "Voir," fefoit ly patriarc, "de mal pier, mal fitz; ceo est droit qe du deable vindrent, et au deable sen irrount." "Coment!" fefoit ly roy, "es tu si hardy a parler ensi a moy en ma terre?"—" Si su ieo asseitz hardy," fesoit il, "a resceyuer pur cely qi ieo serue ceo qe aueiz fait faire a Thomas de Cantorbirs, et si ayme ieo taunt a morir de tez mayns com dez Sarazins; veiez moy cy prest a suffrir martir;" si boutast auaunt sa test. Le roy sen departist qi plus ne enteint refoun. Il enuoya au court de Rome dauoir este affous du vow a la terre faint, mes ne la poait purchacer pur premesse qil fesoit a foundere mesouns de religioun.

Le dit roy Henry del hour qe foun fitz Richard auoit refuse le mariage de la feil le roy de France, la quel il auoit en garde, enuoya fez lettres a Phelip le roy de France pier la damoyfel, fi la demaunda al ops foun fitz Johan, et il lez doeroit lez countes de Peytow et de Aungeow, de quoy le dit roy de Fraunce auoit despite, enuoya meismes lez lettres a Richard le fitz le dit roy Henry Dengleter, fours de mortel heyn entre le pier et le fitz, qe touz iours mes dura. La gere recomensa entre le dit fol. 162. roy et le roy Phelip de France; le roy Henry passa en Normendy ou il degasta le tresor coillez au seintisme veage. Le dit roy Henry se herbisa en vn cite gen Latin est dit Senomannica, ou par couyn le roy de France et de Richard le fitz le dit roy Henry, feu estoit einz bote en le suburb de la cite de quoi tout la cite ardoit, pur quoi le dit roy Henry couenoit remuer, qi a foun departir difoit, "Tu Dieu, qi mauez tollu la cite qe ieo plus amoy, ieo te toudray chos en moy qe plus amez."

Le dit roy Henry deueint feuerous et morust apres ceo qil auoit regne xxxv. auns, x. moys, et iiij. iours, et gift a Pountheurard. Lez cronicles deuisent qen soun moriaunt lez gentz entour ly enprist chescun lour part de tapitez, qi despeintez et fuerez, fi lesserent soun corps nue tange vn juuencel de maindre estature de ly ly couerist de soun mauntele, mais sez



peez nestoint pas couertz, et adonges auoit il a droit soun surenoun, Henry od le court mauntel, qi primes lez aporta de Aungeou. corde de ly, qe com Richard foun fitz venoit visiter soun corps, tout le temps qe le fitz estoit en la mesoun le neise du pier seignoist. Meisme le hour lez pessouns dun grant lay en Normendy isserent du lac par nuyte au terre sek od tiel noys qe touz lez veisines enveillerent, sez alerent veoir le meruail. Cesti roy Henry sitz lemperice sust le plus grunt sires de posfessioun de teres que deuaunt ly nestoit nuls roys Engles.

En foun temps estoit Adrian le 4. pape apres Anastas 4 aunz; il estoit Engles et naif labbe de faint Alban, pur quoy fust illoeges refuse a estre moigne, passa la mere, deueint euesque Alban, il conuertist la prouince de Womacian, puis deueint pape. Entredist la cite de Rome pur le nawerer de vn de fez cardinals. Il constreint le roy Ficulorum par sentence a Il estoit le primer pape qi comensa le primer demure du pape et de cardinaux en la veutz cite de Rome; il grante plusours priuilages al abbey de faint Alban.

Fredrik le 2. fust emperour de Rome sure lez Allemauns 37 aunz, qi mainteint encountre le pape Alexandre le fifmatici, enchafa le pape en France par eyde dez Danoys et de Bahaynouns, mais par le roy Fraunceys et leide du roy Henry Dengleter fust rebote; puis sust acorde od le dit pape, emprist le saintisme veage deuers la terre saint par Constantinfol. 162. b. noble, fi noya en la goule de Sathany com fe uoroit auoir bayne, et folonc lez autres chey de foun cheual en leau, et fust enterez a Tyre. sitz teint auaunt le veage qi au sege de Acon morust com venoit de Acres de le roy Phelip de France et du roy Richard Dengleter. freir pusne Henry sitz Frederik regne emperour 8 aunz, qi soutzmist a sa seignoury Puyle et Cefile. Il auoit en fa prifoun le roy Rechard par liuere le duke de Ostris. En quel temps labbe Joachim disoit qe le hour nestoit pas uenuz du recouerer de la tere de promissioun.

> Alexandre le 3. fust pape apres Adrian 22 aunz, qi furmountoist la scismatici maintenuz par Fredrik, qi Fredrik sesoit grant honour a Thomas de Cantorbirs en foun exile. En le temps cesti Ale[xa]nder le pape furount lez trois roys orientalis emporte de Melan a Coloigne, lez queux furount primerment emportez de Perse en Constantinnoble, et de illoeges a Me-

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lan par le pape Sergius, qi la eftoient tanqe la cite eftoit destruyt par Fredrik.

Lycius le 3. fust pape apres Alexandre 4 aunz et 3 moys, apres qi Alexander Vrban le 3. fust pape vn pece, et morust de doel del houre qil auoit nouelis qe lez Sarazins auoint pris la cite de Jerusalem. Apres qi Vrban Gregoir le 8. fust pape 4 moys; cesti mouoit par sez lettres plufours roys Criftiens de diuers naciouns en eide de la tere de promissioun. Apres qi Gregoir Clement le 3 fust pape 3 aunz. Apres qi Celestin le 3. fust pape 6 aunz et 8 moys, qi le secound iour de sa consecracioun corona Henry le 5, fitz Frederik, en emperour, qi prist serement de ly qil mainteindroit et restorast le patronage saint Pier. Le dit pape seaunt en sa chaier teint la coroune del emperour entre sez dieus peis, et ensi la mist sure la test du dit emperour qi enclinez deuaunt ly estoit, et com lauoit mys la ferist del vn pee a la tere, en signifiaunce qil estoit de poair a faire lez emperours et de lez defaire qant ferrount noun dignez. cardinalis suspristrent la coroune et la mistrent sure la test lemperour.

RICHARD le fitz Henry fitz lemperice, roy de Engleter, fust corone a Westmouster de Baudewyn ercheuesque de Cantorbirs, le tierz calendis de Septembre, lane del incarnacioun, mil, c. iiijx et x. Et si estoit la solempnete si grant qe si lem deuisat hom le tendroit a meruail. deliuereir touz lez prisoners de tout le realme de sa grace general, et en folempnite de foun nouel regne, ou le roy Willam Descoce estoit present, sol. 168. et ou il fesoit au roy Richard homage. A quel encoronement estoit grant occifioun de Juys, com uoloint auoir entree le palays le roy entre lez Il donoit a Johan foun freir Cornewaille et Deuenschir, et plufours autres countreis. Cefti roy Richard regna noblement, qi prus estoit en armes et droiturel iuge, pur quoy doutes estoit de sez veisynes, qi bien fe auoit proue encountre lez Fraunceis tancom il estoit count Daungeowe. Il fe remembra du vieu a la tere faint, fe peifa od le roi Phelip de Fraunce, com apres ferra dit, a quoi il purchafa par toutez voyes le trefor qil pooit. Il vendift au roy Willam Descoce lez chastelis de Berewik et de Roxburghe, qe oftages eftoint a foun pier, od le aryuail del eaw de Twede. Il vendist a Hugh Pisas, euesque de Doresme, lez



countees de Northumbreland et de Sadbyres, pur quoi il difoit en bourdaunt gil auoit dun veutz euesge fait vn iouen count. Il auoit dispenfacioun de la court de Rome a relesser lez vows a la terre seint a ceaux qe ly fembloit, de quoy il acquift grant trefor dez veutez gentz, dez Il vendit boys et plufours terres, lez maladez, et de nonfuffisauntz. queux il reprist autre foitz. Hugh Pifas, euesque de Doresme, se teint si noble qil fist debrifer lez chartres de toz fez sutzgis et lez fist reprendre lours terres de foun doune par fa chartre de nouel; il estoit chaunceler le roy mais fu ofte au passage le roy deuer la terre faint, et Willam euesque de Ely fust estably chainceler et procuratour le roy Richar, si fust legat par commissioun le apostoil, qi en absence du roy fist grantz oppresfiouns au clergy, as seignours, et au comune, pur quoy ils ly heyerent mortelement. Il atacha Hugh Pifas, euesque de Doresme, noun pas com euesque mais com chaunceler, si ly reteint tancom il auoit rendu lez chastels le roy. Meisme cesti Willam destourba la facree du freir le roy qy eftoit eslieu erceuesque de Euerwyk. Meisme cesti Willam le chaunceler, par counsail Hugh euesque de Cestre, mouoit querel encountre lez moignes de Couyntre, lez fist ofter, si en lour lieu ordeigna prouendres feculeris, pur quoi lez moignes plederent au court de Rome longment. Mais deuaunt lour venu la court, la court estoit enfourme encountre eaux par le dit Hugh, qils ne poaint auoir refoun. Le dit Hugh fe leffa morir qi ne fauoit trouer nully qi ly fauoit ioyndre penance, fi ly auigea meismes au peyne de purgatori tanque au iour de juys. Vn dez ditz moignes de fol. 163, b. Couyntre pressa lez portes de la palaice le pape si continuelment matin et foir qe le pape enprist malencoly, qi ly disoit, "Cheitif, pur quoy pressez noz portz si assiduelment?"-" pur ceo, faint pier, qe ieo agait votre mort, qun droiturel par auenture vendra apres toy, qi nous fera resoun." Le pape auoit concienz, lour fist auoir droiture. Johan le freir le roy Richard par couyne de plufours de la terre enchafa le dit Willam leuesque de Ely, chaunceler, qi sen suyst hors Dengleter en draz de femme.

En quel temps estoit vieu a Dunstable vn baner en leyre depeynte du crucifix, ou tost apres fust vieu le crucifix descender du baner vn grant espace. En quel temps lez Juys surount robbez et assegez en plusours

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lieus Dengleter; Rabby le meistre dez Juys Deuerwic detrencha sez veyns propres, et dez autres sez veisyns, et la gorge sa semme, qe lez Cristiens ne lez tuassent.

Puis le roy Phelip de France et le roy Richard firent establire vn peise entre lour ij. reaumes, et firent ensealler et affirmir par bons serementz dun part et dautre en la fest saint Hillair; et tiel eift la fourme de pes qe chescun de eaux honour dautre garderoit et soi a autre porteroit, et qe nul de eaux a autre failleroit en fez befoignes, et qe le roy de France eideroit au roy Dengleter a defendre sa terre auxi loialment com il defendroit Parys, et le roy Dengleter eideroit le roy de France a defendre fa terre auxi auant com il defendroit Roan. Et touz les countis et barouns iurerent gils ferrount foials et loiaux chefcun enuers autre en enuers foun roy faunz departir en nul poynt, et qils ne moueroint guerre ne suffiroint estre muez en nul de lez terres endementire qe lez ditz roys ferrount en lour pelerin[a]ge. Et touz lez ercheuesques et euesques iurerent de doner la grant fentence deuers chefcoun trespasser encountre chescoun article du dit acorde. Auxi lez ditz roys establierent qu si lun de eaux mureroit en le dit pelerinage qe lautre viuaunt aueroit fez biens en semblement od touz sez gentz a parfournir le dit veage, et qe toutez gentz qe cest saint pelerinage dussent aler sussent a Vesselay a le natre faint Johan donges procheigne. Le dit roy Richard ofteaunt en Normendy fen departy a Aungeowe, et ordeyna fez amyrails dez niefes, ceft a fauoir Gerard erceuesque de Awge, Bernard euesque de Bayouns, Robert de Sabillule, Richard de Cauuille, et Willam de Forz de Vlleroun, et lez bailla sa chartre en cest sourme;—

"RICHARD, par la grace Dieux et cta., a touz sez homs a alers a Jerusalem, falutz. Sachez nous par comune counsail dez plus vaillauntz et sages de nostre coumpaigny auoir faitz cestez noz leys; cest asauoir, si nul tue autre en neif, soit lye au mort et gette en la mere; et si nul tue autre sure terre, soit lye au mort et sowe dedenz la terre; et si nul treyt soun coutel pur serir et seirt autre si qe sank soit espandu, et de ceo soit atteint par loials proses, perde le poyn; et si nul feirt autre du palme sanz sank treir, soit trois soitz mys en plonge dedenz la mere; et si nul raumpoyn autre ou lendenge, taunt soitz com de ceo soit atteint tauntz

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dez ounzes dargent duera. Et si nul soit atteint de larcyn, soit tounduz a la gise dun champioun, et pice boillaunt sur sa test uerse, et la plume dun oreillere mys adesus pur ly conoistre, et au primer arryuail soit hors du nese rue. Done a Chinon" et c^{ta}.

Auxi le dit roy comaunda par foun bref qe touz lez gentz qe furent a prendre le dit veage ferroient obeyfauntz as comaundementz dez ditz amerailles faunz countredit. Et ceo fait le dit roy Richard passa a Tourres, et illoges a grant deuocioun prift le bastoun de soun pelerinage de lerceuesque de lieu, et com il se apoa au dit bastoun il debrissa en dieux peces; et le dit roy Richard sen ala a Vesselay et illoeges encountra le roy de France, com ils estoint acordez. Et y estoint assemblez a cel houre plusours de vaillauntz homs qi cest veage auoint enpris, et apres la demure de ij. ours paffez en lez vtas de faint Johan, fi drefferent les royns lour chemyn ensemblement oue lour grantz routis vers Lyouns sure Roan, et com ils passerent le pount oue grant multitude de gentz le dit pount, qi tant eirt charge de gentz, roumpist, et leau desoutz, qe tant eirt redde, refceust dez homs plus que mille, questoient chaiez; mais cely en qi besoigne ils estoient lez garaunta qe de touz lez cheyez nestoit noiez Apres ceo les ditz roys, penfauntz qe nul pays purroit si dieus noun. fuffir a fi granz oftes, departirent lour chemyns.

Lessons du roy de Fraunce, et parloms du roy Richard et de sez neses coment il assembla sez gentz et veint a Marcile et y demurra par viij. iours, esperaunt sa nauy encountreir qestoint issuz de diuers portz, mais tempest lour destourboit venir au temps et porte assignez. Le roy, qi ne voloit plus attendre, sist alower x. grauntz dromoundes et xx. galays bien garnys, et sist sez gentz moult irrez et dolentz pur sez neses qi taunt demurroint, et si se mist en vn galey et departirent du porte de Marcile le vij. iour de August, et passerent par le Isle saint Esteuen, et par Legle, et par le Noyre Mounte, par Lile saint Honorat, et par la cite de saint Nices, et par la cite de xx. Millè, entre queux ij. cites est la deuis entre Itaille et Arragoun, de illoeqes par seint Marie de Funtz. Le xiij. iour de Aust passa le roy par le chastel de Suwene, et meisme le iour veint a Geneues, ou il troua le roy de Fraunce maladez. Le xiij. iour Daust passa le roy au port Delsyn, et ceo estoit la vel del assumpcioun nostre

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dame, et la demura par v. iours. Le roy de Fraunce, qi fauoit de fa demore, ly manda priaunt paramours qil ly aprestat v. de sez galays; mais le roy Richard, coment qil eftoit defgarry de fez nefes et nauoit galays ge dallowance noun et ceo au mainz qe ly poeint fuffire, si offry au roy de Fraunce trois galays, queux il ne deigna resceyuer sil ne vst hu sa Le roy Richard fen departy du port Delfyn le xix. iour de August et veint au port Venus, et lendemain au port de Pise, et illoeques lerceuesque de Roan et leuesque de Yuerois vindrent deuers sa seignoury. Le xxi. iour de August passast le roy par lisse de Gurgoun, lendemain au port de Bareth, et lendemain a la vile faint Berthun fist le roy allower dez cheueaux et cheuaucha par terre ij. lieus et vindrent au port pres du chastell de Plumlin encountre lez galays et entra vn galey, autre qil nestoit pas deuaunt, et passa le isle Ferair et lisle Argentair et lisle Genust et veint a le port Talamount. Le xxiiij. iour de August veint le roy a Portekers gest en my lieu entre Marcile et Messane. Et a cel temps la veoil de la galoy le roy debrifa, et le roy entra vn autre galoy, et passa la cite de Corne et Senes la vele et la cite de Lanne et vn lieu qest apelle le Far de Roume, et pius entra Tyberie. A quel entree il y auoit vn tour tre bele, mais molt fembla defert, et la perlaft le roy au cardenal Octouean, euefque Dostiens, qi ly veint veoir et honourer. Mais le roy li resona et reproua de plusours chosis messeauntes, cest a sauoir de symony dez Romayns. Le xxvj. iour de August passa le roy par my le boys de Silueden fure vn chemyn de marbre, qe auntiel estoit, par my le boys de xxiiij. lieus de longure, ou i ly ad grant plente dez bestes sauagis; et en meisme le iour il passat par vn chastel qe lem appelle Bettoun, ou vn port estoit couert de cupre, et si auoit y vesselet qe soleit amener or et argent a Rome de toutes cels parties coillez. Le xxvij. de August le roy passa le roche extendu en mere, qe est apelle Cappe de Cercel, le isle Parmerol, lile Punce, et pius lile Palmer en chief du mond. Sure Cappe de Cercel eftoit vn chaftel qestoit grant rescet et priue as larouns, qi fesoint grantz destresse as passauntz. Pius veint a la cite de Tarasene, et illoeges eirt vn port couert de cupre, pius veint a Garille, puis au chaftel de Cape del Espourn, la est la division de Romain et de Cesile, cest a sauoir en cel partie qest principal de Cappow. De ceo passa il lisse

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de Panteth, gest xl. lieus de la cite de Gaite Pantee, gestoit iadys la terre Pilat, et y auoit la tierce port couert de cupre. Pius passa le roy lile de Stele maior qest touz iours fumaunt, et ceo par chalour dun soum veisin Wlkane, lile ge touz iours arde mere et pessoun, iettaunt seu sure toutez choses procheynes, com le liuer dit. Lile de Irom ou y ad bon chastel, et port ankes loinz du chastel qe feu de y ceo ne ly poet greuer; de illoeges passa le roy lile de Pateroun, et le port du Bay, ou Virgil sist lez baignes, qest x. lieus de Naplis. Pius il passa Capri, qest en mylu entre Naples et Salerne. Et le xxviij. iour de August le roy veint a Naples, et demurra illoeges en labbay de faint Januer tanque la natre nostre dame, et la vist il lez sitz Namound mortez, gestoint touz enterrez en vn cribbe, en pele et offez: et a meisme le iour fist le roy allowere cheueaux et veint a Salern et y demurra grant pece. Mes Bawdewgh erceuefque de Cantorbirs, et Hugh euefque de Salisbirs, et Randolf de Glaumuil, qi vindrent en sa compaignye tanque a Marcile, entrerent en neses gant le roy entra en galey, et leuerent veilles, et vent lez ferist en mere si reddement que de auaunt Acres venoient en poy de hour; et Johan euesque de Norwiche leffa la croice et retourna en foun pais par counge lapoftoil. Et com le roy le oyst dire moult fust corouce, et si prist mile marcz du dit euefque pur foun trespas. Ataunt teist le cronicle a parler du roy Richard, et deuise la maner et lez contenementz de sez amerails de sa nauy enuenaunt deuers ly.

Procheignement apres la Pasch touz lez ness le roy Richard sez adresferent vers Jerusalem hors de diuers portez Dengleter, Normendy, Bretaigne, et Paitow; dez queux lun partye sez assemblerent a Dertmoth, dez queux x. couenoint veillaunz en la mere Despayne le iour del asfencioun, si grant tempest leua en mere qe sodeignement estoint les niefs departis chescun dautre par fortune. Et quat le tempest estoit greignour si apparust saint Thomas de Cantorbirs trois soitz a iij. persouns gestoint en vn neif de Loundres, et disoit, "amys, ne vous doutez, ieo su Thomas de Cantorbirs, faint Edmound et faint Nicholas ouesque moy, qi sumes fol. 165. b. ordeinez par Dieux a fur veoir touz lez niefs Dengleter qi cy alez en fez comaundementz et gardez fez loys, et de voz pecchez conufez facez due fatiffaccioun, et Dieux vous dura prosperite, et ieo, en cest veage." Lez

ditz feintes enauerent et tauntoft ceffa la dit tempeft, et bien toft vindrent lez ditz neifes a la cite de Vllisibone parmy le flume apelle Tage, la ou le corps faint Vincent gift. Mais auaunt qils vindre a la vile fi paffa lemperour Daufric et Despayne Sarazin le flume de Tage par vn guyde le iour faint Johan le baptift et se mist deuaunt vn chastel le roy de Portingalle, et le gaigna, et puis vn autre. Le roy, qi moult estoit desconfaillez, maunda as nefes Engles priaunt fuccours, et ils ioyauntz de lez nouelis ifferent dez niefes od v. cent homs armez, et vindrent a faint Herene, ou le roy estoit tout desgarry, ou poy dez gentz, et ceaux queux il auoit, estoint de mal couin. Mais gant lemperour oy la venu dez Cristiens si se abay durement, et maunda au roi de Portingalle qil ly deliueroit Suyle, qe Criftiens nadgaires auoint conquys, et il ly renderoit fez chastels et peise pur vij. aunz, et si repaireroit en soun pays; et si cest voi ne voloit il assegeroit saint Herene ou le roy estoit. Et lendemain faunz plus tarier le roy, qi taunt de fuccours auoit dez pelerins, ne cremoit rien sez manacez, si sist arayer sez gentz et bailla sez gentz lez toures et forteresces de la vile a defendre. Lez pelerins qui rien ne cremoint si Dieux noun, qi affeitz auoint le quere sure et hardys, lez plains rues et lez aunciens mures cheiez par ruyn ou nuly du pays ofast attendre, countre lez Sarazins choiserent a desendre; et lendemain gant chescun se dressa soun lieu desendre nouelis vindrent au roy qe lemperour qi ly vst enpris affeyer fodeignement fust mort, si mercia moult lez peleryns et priast qu'es meneroint lours neifes a Vllusibone et il sen irroit par tere, qu neftoit de illoeges fors dieus iournes, et il lour feroit guerdoun pur lour Ils alerent a lours neifes et feglerent deuers la dit cite, mes auaunt gils uenoient Robert de Sabillulle et Richard de Camuille, oue lxiij. grantz nefes od gentz darmes et vitaillis a grant fufoun, dez queux plusours espaunderent parmy la cite, mouerent dissencioun entre lez gentz quoi par males parlois, quoi par femmes et feiles dez citezeins efforcer, quoy par destruccioun dez Jues et Sarazins enhabitauntz party de la cite, derobbaunt lours biens, ardant lour mesouns, et toutez chosez, dount profit purroint auoir et delit, menerent a nefes. Le roy de Portingal, qi estoit venu a la cite pur gerdoun faire as pelerins, oist de tortz qe furent faitz a fez gentz, si veint oue grant fuifoun de gentz darmes et coment fol. 166.



ge a pooit auoir arestu lour malice si se remembra del honour-qe lez pelerins ly auoint fait, veint as ditz Robert et Richard et lour offrist peise, lez tortz et lez outrages a ly et a fez gentz faitz uoluntriuement sustenaunt. Lez vns del nauy lendemayn leuerent nouel debat dount plufours estoint mortz de lun part et de lautre; lez portz de la vile furent closez, et vi. centz de gentz qestoint dedenz pur lour achater vitaillis, nient sachauntz cel debate, estoint pris, tanqe le roy autre soitz offrist la pes, issi ge chescun party remendroit a autre chescun trespas, et gentz et armes, et ganque estoit pris ou perdu dun part et dautre fust rendu as Engles, et ensi fist lacorde. Et pius la veile faint Jakes departirent lez neses enuers la graunt mere, et en le lieu ou leaw de Tage descende en la mere fi encountrerent xxx. et trois grantz nefes au roy Richard, issint auoint ils en noumbre affemblez en vn lieu cent et v. grantz nefes de gentz darmes, archiers, et vitails touz playnes. Lendemayn de faint Jake veint la nauy a vne haute mounte et long dedenz la mere qad a noun Cappe faint Vincent, puis a la port del cite de Suyle, qe adonqes eftoit la plus loinz cite dez Cristiens en Espaigne. Puis par saint Marie de Heroun, de illoeges deuaunt la mount Alije, et pius deuaunt vn terre arrenouse loinz en la mere, nome Abmylan, pius deuaunt le port de Salez, pius au port de Sebille, qe lem appele Wondelkeker, et entre Sebille et le port y ad vne chastel en my lieu, qe ad a noun Captal. De illoeges vindrent lez neifes a lez estroytes de Aufrik, qe nous appelloms lez estroitz de Marrok. Le primer iour Daugust la comence la mere Meditaran, qe nous appelloms la grant mere, et Meditaran est nome pur ceo qe la terre lenclose par tout saue en dieus lieus, lun as ditez estroites Marrok et lautre en brace faint George quest pres de Constantin noble; et del entree des ditz eftroites tanque pres Alkalon est terre payen a dextre, et a senestre du dit entree tanque a le grant mount de Mussian est Espaigne Sarazine, les queux estroites ne sez extendunt pas a viij. lieus en leour del vn entree tanque a lautre, et del lun et lautre party y ad vn grant mountayne, lun en Espaigne qest appelle Calpes, et lautre en Aufrik qest appelle Atteles. Et al entree de lez estroites en Aufrik, ioust la mere, sont v. cites; et en Espaigne de autre part sount quire cites et chastels, et en lile de Baltarye, Marcels, Wail, chastel de Maure, et

au pee del mount en Beraltare fount dieus noblis cites, dount lun est fol. 166. b. apelle Alence, et la autre Jubelar. Queux com la nauy le roy auoit purpasse si passa deuaunt la cite de Salamanettre, et puis deuaunt la cite de Vilages, entour quel cite fount cent et sessaunt toures de pere. Puis passa par vn mount haut et noyr, gad a noune Cappe de Mellik. illoeges par Almarie la bone cite, ou lem fait le bon foy, de illoeges par vn mount haut et graunt en mere extendu qad a noun Cappe Dalmarie, et de illoeges par Cartage la bon cite sur la ryue du mere, puis par vn graun sabuloun en mere qad a noun Cappe Martyne, et puis deuaunt la cite de Denie, et puis au porte de Valence, et puis par vne mount graunt et haut en mere que a noun Mussian, que deuise terre paiens et terre de Criftiens, et la comence la terre Darragoun, et au pee de le mount y ad vn chastelle affys qad a noun Ampost, et ioust ly il ad vn flume de eaw douce qad a noune Ebre, sur qy il y ad vn cite qad a noune Tyntuse, qad trent lieus del entre de la port. Puis passa la nauy par la noble cite Tarracount sur la mere, pres de qy gist la grant mountaigne qe ad a noune Cappe de Salyke, puis deuaunt la cite de Barfalon, puis a la cite de Emparife, puis par vn grant mount qest appelle Cappe Castilun ou y ad vn bon port, pius par vn sabulon tendu en mere qad a noun Cappe Lewgat, et pres de ly y ad la cite de Nerbone. Puis paffa par vile Noef pres de qy est le port de Mountpessulan, qe est appelle Lates, de illoeges par Edur, lile gest al entree de Roan. Puis veint a Marcil qest xx. lieus de la dit entree, et la est vn abbe de noyres moignes qe ount plusours de reliqes, cest assauoir, le corps saint Victor et lez verges dount Dieux estoit escourgiez. Et fait asauoir que hom pust aler de Marcil tanque a Acres en xv. iours, fil eyt bon vent et paffe par le haut mere, que fil teint foun cours tout droit il ne verra ia terre tanque il veit Surry quant il auera perdu la vieu de montz de Marcil; et fait a fauoir qe plusours sount dez isles Sarazins entre lentree en mere a lez estroites et Marcil.

Mais quant lez neses surent venuz a Marcil al vtas del assumpcioun nostre Dame ils ne trouerent pas lour roy, qe il estoit alez deuaunt, et ne purquant ils sez reposerent par viij. iours et sez redresserent, quant moult estoint trauillez. Puis sez dresserent au mere et vindrent a Messane en

fol. 167.

Cefille en la fest del exaltacioun del faint croicez; et le dymange suaunt le roy de Fraunce veint illoeges, qi fust herbise en lostelle le roy Tankered de Cesile. Le roy Richard qi taunt ad pense de sez neses, qant il oift gels eftoint venuz a Messane si ne fait pas a demaundre sil estoit leez, si fe dreffa en efteaunt et rendift graces a Dieu, fi departift le roy de Salern le xiij, iour de Septembre, et le xviij, iour veint a vn cite qe ad a noun Eskale, pres de qy y ad vn petit isle ou Lucan le grant clerk foleit tenir fez escolis, ou il y ad vn chaumbre trebele desoutz la terre ou il soleit meifmes eftudier. De illoeges paffa le roy od vn foul cheualer par vn petit vilete, si oist vn espereuer crier en vn mesoun, dount il estoit moult counfortez et comensa penser dez enueisours de soun pays; si se ferist dedenz la dist mesoun et prist lespereuer et le myst courtoisement au poigne, dount moult fust leez. Mais lez vileins de la vile, gant ils sauoint qil vst lesperuer asporte, si auoint ils grant despite et isserent de chescun part od bastouns, et ly escrierent, et ly donerent grantz coupes, dez queux vn treit foun cotel et voloit auoir feru le roy, mais le roy qi moult eirt hardyz faillist dun part et dautre, et treit le bon beane, et ferist au dextre et au senestre qu nul dez vileyns lez pooit sustener einz lour coueint treboucher a la tere. Le roy taunt ferist de lespey qil le debrisa par force, si est taunt irrez, qe apoy senrage dez ditz vileins, si prist grantz peres et rendist lez vileins si fort estour qils cheierent a la tere descounfitz, mais plufours fez fuerent faunz defence faire. Le roy prist lesperuer et departist de illoeges tanque a la graunt eaw de Far dez Meschines et la passa a poy en lentree, ou y li auoit vn grant tour. Et fait a sauoir ge leau fusdit depart Calabre et Cesile; al entree de quele eau pres de Baynar est le grant peril du mere qad a noun Silla, qe resceit lez eaws par grauntz habundaunz faunz rien reounder, et al issu du meisme leau y ad vn autre peril qad a noun Kirildis, qe nul eau voet resceyuer, einz la gette et la vomist par si graunt force qil fait lez neses perire, tauntez qe a cel aprochent. Mais plusours uoillauntz cel peril eschuer le genchent trop, et si cheient en lautre peril faunz recouerer. Le xxiij. iour de Septembre veint le roy de Messane en Cesil od grantz dromoundes, neses et galays, si grant plente qe il sembloit qe tout leaw estoit couert dez veils. Le roy de France se meruaillast de le grant poair que le roy Dengleter.

auoit amene, qi taunt eirt le noyfe dedenz lez nefes dez bumes, symbalis, et dautre menestralcies, gentre fonayent chefcun en sa gife, goy dez cheualers et esqiers karoulauntz a grant deduyt, qoy dez noyses dez sol. 167. b. marineres qe touz lez gentz de la cite sez esmayerent, tant qils quidassent touz estre destruytz, quar tiel noys ne tel uew nauoint ils vnqes oi ne vieu. Le roy aryua et parla au roy de Fraunce, puis reprist sez neses a meisme le iourne faunz plus demure, se hasaunt deuers Jerusalem, mais il nestoit ge poy aloigne hors du port gant le vent ly tourna en contrair ge ly fift retourner a Messan tout dolent, et se herbisast en le suburbe entre lez Si se remembra de vn sa sore Johan, naidgares royne de Cesile, a qy le roy Tankered fesoit grant tort, et la auoit tenu en garde puis la mort le roy soun baroun gestoit freir a Tangered; si ordena le roy Richard certains grantz messagers daler au roy de parly, priaunt qil deliueroit sa sore hors de sa garde. Le roy Tangered resceust lez ditz messagers honourablement et lour deliuera la dit royne, et ils la amenerent deuers le roy foun freir. Le xxviij. iour de Septembre oist le roy Richard qe sa sore venoist, si cheuacha pur ly encountreir od grant compainy et la resceust od graunt honour. Le roy de Fraunce et plusours dez grantz seignours vindrent la dame vifiter. Puis le roy Richard paffa leau de Far et prift par force vn lieu trefort qe lem apelle Bayuer, et le primer iour Doctobre il amena illoeques sa sore oue cheualers et sergeauntz a grant fuifoun, et qunt ele y estoit surement herbigez rien ne ly faillist de gentz ne dez vitaillis, si retournast a Messane et lendemain il prist vn abbey treffort gest en my lieu del eau entre Messane et Calabre bien pres del lieu ou sa sore estoit; et labbey sist il bien adresser et garnir de gentz et sez neses fist descharger dez vitails qestoient venuz de totes parties, et lez fist mettre hu dit abbey, et se retourna a Messane. Lez citezeins de Messane, qant ils sauoint qe le roy auoit ij. si fortez lieus gaignez, fi auoint ils le roy et fez gentz en agait par mauueise sufpecioun; pensaunt qil gaigneroit la cite et le isle ouesque, et lez ferroit enhabiter dez estraungers fil purroit. Si comencerent mouer debat entre loft et eaux, et taunt eirt le debat que de lun part et de lautre lez vns estoint feritz et naufres et lez vns mortz, issent qe lez gentz de la cite sez armerent et mounterent lez mures, et sez adresserent pur la cite desendre



deuers lez gentz del oft qe lez affailerent si asprement qe plusours estoint naufres et mortz del vn part et de lautre, iffint qe la nouel veint au roy Richard, qi mounta vn cheual curraunt parmy loft, bataunt od vn bastoun qanque il poait atteindre pur la melle estauncher. Mais ceo ne poait valoir, gar ceaux dehors estoient taunt eschaufez ge rien ne attendount mais a laffaut de la vile et ceaux dedenz pur eaux defendre; si retourna le roy a foun oftel tout irrez et demaunda fez armurs, et gant il estoit armez fi affaya autre foitz pur appefer le debat maif il ne le purroit faire, puis prift vn batew et nagea au roy de France pur counsailler qe ly sembloit a fair de cel debat, et tauncom ils estoient counsaillauntz lez meistres de la cite,—qi auoint vieu qe le roy Richard auoit taunt mellez pur le debat peifer et ne poait fez gentz retrayer tanque cils dedenz fez defendoient, et sauoint bien qe la melle estoit comence par ceaux dedenz, pensauntz qe lez Engles prendroint la cite par force si lassaut aukes endurroit,--si sez afforcerent a faire peise, et sesoint lez gentz aualer lez mures. Dunqes ceaux dehors, qi ne virent plus de defence et auoint poour de lour seignour le roy qi taunt fust irrez pur lour affair, chescun fe treit deuers foun oftel, et fe desarma coyment. Lendemain, le quart iour Doctobre, Richard erceuesque de Messane, Willam erceuesque de Montreal, et Willam erceuesque de Rise, et Margaret ly amiralx, et plusours de la meyne le roi de Cesile, vindrent au roy Dengleter pur treter dez chosez parlez. Le roy de France oue ij. euesges, le duk de Burgoyn oue plusours dez grantz seignurs de sa coumpany, y veint en fauour dez citezeins, et comencerent a treter de peise; sez gentz de la cite sez armerent par tout et isserent la cite a grant fuisoun et adresserent vn fort estal qi sez arraierent sure vn mountaigne bien pres lez roys ou ils treiterent, tancom lez autres comencerent affailer lez oftelis dez grantz seignours par tout la ou le roy gesoit. Le noyse leua parmy lez ruys qe il veint a lez oreilles le roy Richard la ou il estoit entre lez seignours, tretaunt du peise, qi lessa la parol le roy de Fraunce et de touz autres et comanda sez gentz armer, et il meismes se arma et ascendist le mount od poy de gentz, et gant il veint al hautesce au nul gidoit gil poait auoir ascendu, si ferist entre eaux par si grant pruesce qe nul qe de sa main coup resceust nauoit mister de mire. Taunt sist entre eaux pruesce qil

lour fift a force lour lieu gerpir et fen fuerent a la vile, lez roy et fez gentz lez enchacerent toutdiz tuaunt touz gils poeint atteindre, ge poy de eaux eschaperent viues. Ceaux qi eschaperent entrerent lez portez et lez fermerent, et ascenderent lez mures et ietterent lez peres. Le roy et fez gentz affailerent par grant force, et plufours foitz mounterent lez fol. 168. b. mures, et alafoitz entrerent lez portez par force, mais toutditz estoient mys dehors par lez rudes coupes qe eaux dedenz lour donoient. endurrast cest assaut qe le grant ost du roy Richard estoit assemblez, qe ne furent pas ouesque li a le mountaigne, einz venoint bataunt par lez rues ou la greignour party dez citezeines estoint assaillauntz et resslauntz lez hostelis des Engles, et lez tuerent tretoz faunz nul eschaper. vindrent au roy et eiderent pur assailer lez mures, et taunt firent qe lez portis debriferent et lez mures monterent, et pristrent la vile par grant force et y mistrent lez enseignes le roy Richard. Dont le roy de France fe coroufa qar il voloit qe fez enseignes y hussent este mys, et nepurqant il ne fez gentz ne fefoint rien mais fez tindrent loinz et regarderent. Le roy Richard, voillaunt parler au roy de France, ofta fez enfeignes, et bailla la cite as Hospitelers et Templers a garder tange le roy de Cesile auoit fait foun gree, de qanqe il ly fauoit refonablement demaunder. Le viij. iour de October lez rois de France et Dengleter affemblez a lour counsail, firent rehercer et affermer touz les couenauntz entre eaux faitz, et iuererent qe chescun garderoit autre et soun ost en lour pelerinage auxi fiablement com il garderoit le foen, et establirent entre eaux qe chescun qi deuieroit en dit pelerinage purroit deuiser la moyte de touz fez possessions, et que touz clercz osteaunt en dit veage a lour chapeles liuers et touz lours autres necessaires a lours chapels apendauntz puffent fair disposicioun a lour volounte; et qe lautre moyte dez biens de y ceaux gen le dit veage murrerount fust ordene pur despendre sure la guerre de la tere faint. Et a ceaux biens coiller et ministrer furount ordenez ij. erceuesqes, le meistre du Temple, le duk de Burgoyn, et autres v., auxint acorde fust que nul en lez ostes iueroit a lez dicez, ne a nul autre ieu pior rien gaigner hors pris chiualers et clers, et qe eaux ne perderoint par vn nuyte et vn iour si xx. foutz noun, et si nul passe la dit, a tauntz soitz com il passera cent soutz payera as ditz erceuesques et autres coillours



auaunt ditz en maintenaunce de la gere de Jerusalem. Lez roys iuerent a lour volounte, et lour feruauntz en lour hostelis tange a xx. foutz, com deuaunt. Et feruauntz euesges, dukis, countis, et barouns, par comaundement de lour seignours pussent iuer tange a xx. s., et si esquier, seruaunts, ou mariner, ou autre de meindre degree, foient trouez iuauntz hors de la presence lour seignurs, foient despoillez et par iij. iours batuz tout nuez parmy lost, si ils ne volent rendre a la volente deiz seignours, coillours du dit auoir. Et si mariner soit troue iuaunt et se ne voet rendre par iij. iours apres, foit mene a plus haut del nefe et iette en leau, chefcun iour foitz; et si nul feruaunt de quel condicioun qil foit, sauue clerk ou cheualer, depart de soun meistre estre soun gree, cely qi ly resceust et le feruaunt foient puniz par descrecioun des seignours auaunt ditz. Et a celis loys tenir touz lez euesqes centence descomaungement ount donez sure lez contrariaunz. Auxi defendu est qu nul dedenz le ost achate payn ne farine a reuendre, ne blee, fil ne face payne de y cele, ou damener outre mere; et qe laffise du payne, qant au gaigne du pastour, soit acordaunt a laffise Dengleter, et que marchand gaigne de marchandy plus qu'vn dener de diz. Et qe nul ne achat chare mort a reuendre, et qe nul vende vine a plus haut pris qe la proclamacioun sure ceo fait. Cestes choses faites chescun seignour ala a foun hostel. Le tierce iour apres la dit cite pris, lez citezeynes maunderent au roy Richard et ly baillerent bones oftages pur la peife et pur la cite a ly deliuerer, et de lui et de fez heires a touz iours tenir; si le roy Tangered hastiement ne redresseroit deuers le roy Richard gange il fauoit duers ly refonablement demaunder. Le roy Tangered apres ceft nouel oy graunt poour auoit de la fierte le roy Richard, et par mediacioun dez grantz seignours taunt fuyt qils estoient acordez, et dona vint mile ounces dore pur la dower Johan sa sore et pur autres demaundez releffer; et autres vint mile ounces dore pur sa feile marrier a Arthure le duke de Bretaigne, neuew le roy Richard, issi que si le dit Arthur murreroit ou la feile auaunt le dit matremoyn celebre, ou faillerent par le cupe Arthur, le roy Richard ferroit restitucioun au roy Tangered dez ditz vint mile ounces dore, et qe si le roy Richard enfrenderoit la peise entre eaux afferme leglis de Rome aueroit poair de ly restreindre en Engleter et soun tort conustre et iusticer. Mais auaunt qu ceo peise estoit parfourny entre

le roy Richard et le roy Tanqered, Margaret admirail, et Jurdan del Pyn, familiers au roy Tangered, as queux il bailla la dit cite a garder, sen departy de illoeges par nuyte oue tout lour meynee, et amenerent ouesges eaux touz lour biens qils auoint en ore et en argent. Et gant le roy Richard auoit oy de cest chos si fist seiser en sa mayn touz lour mesouns, galays, et touz lour autres possessions que furent de grant valu, et ende- fol. 169. b. mentres que laffirmaunce de la peife entre le roy Richard et Tangered eftoit taryez et delayez, le roy Richard fift affermer vn fort chaftelle sure la hautesce dun mountaine, bien pres de lez mures de la dit cite de Messane, et le fist appeller Mategriffun, qur auaunt sa venu lez Griffouns estoint lez plus puffauntz gentz qestoint en sa regioun et grantz destresce fesoint as ceaux qi outre lez mountaignes enhabiterent. Mais pufqe le roy auoit fet taunt de pruesce en cel pais, com vous auez oy, si cessa lour malice et eftoint dauntez et matez. Et pur ceo que le roy voloit que fa conquest purroit auoir remembraunce de perpetuel memoir, si fist faire le dit chastel et Mategriffun apeller. Puis le roy fift trere fez nefes a la terre et amender, ge moult estoient enpirez par mordre dez vermes especialement ge lez auoint perciez en plufours lieus, dount y lad graunt plente en leau de Far, qe fount longes et greles et maungeount voluntiers tout maner de Et tancom lez nefes furent en amendaunt le roy fist apparailler et redreffer fez engynes, escheles, et touz autres chosis, dount mistier auoit pur mures affaller. Puis le roy fift touz ses euesges en vn chapelle entreir, et tout nue soun corps cheast a lour pees, et se confessa tout ouertement, enploraunt de touz fez pecchez, et la penaunce qils ly donerent resceus humblement, et pius crema Dieux par tout sa vie plus qil nauoit fait deuaunt. Le roy oist counter dun prodhom, gestoit abbe de Curasse, qauoit vn espirit enclos et fauoit countier touz choses auenires, si maunda apres ly qi vient au roy, et luy moustra et declara la faint escripture et lapocalipsis faint Johan, et dist que Cristienes nauoint vncor deserui la tere faint conquer. "Allas," fesoit le roy, "donqes pur quoi su mus taunt trauaillez gant Dieu fa terre dez mayns dez mescreaunz ne voet deliuerer a ceux qi pur foun noun et fa loy enhaunser trauaillount?" Et a ceo refpoundist labbe, quoit a noun Jonathan, "Leffez, sire roy, tiel affaire, gar ta venu moult preist a Dieu, et molt de bien te vaudra en corps et en



alme, que Dieux te dorra victoir de tez enemys et toun noun enhaunsera sure touz lez princes qi fount, ou ferrount, en terre tancom tu viueras." Puis dona le roi as cheualers et esquiers si larges dounes que chescun ly teint follarge. Puis ala a la cite de Catinenze, et y visita la toumbe faint Agaz, et le roy Tanqered qestoit donqes illoeqes ly resceut moult honourablement, et ly dona iiij. grantz nefes et xv. galeys bien garnys, et le roy Richard ly mercia et ly dona Calibourne le bon espey qy fust au roy Arthur. Puis le roy Tangered bailla vn bref au roy Richard, ge le roy de Franz ly auoit maunde countenaunt ge le roy Richard effoit faux et treiture, et qil enfreindroit la peife et lez couenauntz entre eaux faitez, et retendroit foun auoir a tort, et sur ceo ly promist eyde encountre le roy Richard pur ly affailer de nuyte, et ly et sez gentz destruyer. roy Richard auoit oy cez chos il estoit moult coroucez, sy treit vn grant suspire et dist, "Treitour nestoit ieo vnqes, ne ne su, ne ne serray, et la peif entre nous fait tendray a touz iours, et croier ne pufe qe le roy de France, moun seignur de quoi ieo teigne parcel de mes terres et a qy ieo fu counpaignoun en cel veage, ferroit de moy tiels lettres pur moy et mes gentz destruyer par treisoun." A qi le roy Tangered, "Eiez sire lez lettres, qe le roy de France me maunda par le duk de Burgoygne." Le roi Richard, qi taunt fust enmeruaillez, prist soun counge et departy, et qanque il auoit vieu moustra au count de Flaundres, et ly chargea daler au roy de France et ly moustreir soun bref. Quel quant le roy de Fraunce auoit vieu, et le paroles du count entendu, si estoit taunt esbayez qil ne purroit parler; mais au darayn dit, " ore fay de voir qe le roi Dengleter quert enchesoun de moy aduerser par malice et ad fait tiels lettres ymaginez par faufyn," et fe mesla tant pur poour qil auoit, qe la peife entre eaux fust refourmez par mediacioun de touz lez nobles qe y estoient, et ce fait sen departy et soun ost et sa nauy le tierce kalends Daueril, et se esploita tant en sez iournes qil veint au sege de Acres le xxij. iour procheyn fuaunt et demura illoeges fanz rien faire tange le venu le roy Richard, qi departift de Messane le qart iour deuaunt la cene nostre feignour, le fecound ane de foun regne, od grant fuysoun dez nefes et de galeys, c. et l. grantz nefes et liij. de galays, qe pafferent par la graunt mere od grant deduit touz pleins de gentz et de vitails tanqe le

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penous vendredy, a qel iour leua fi grant tempest en mere qe lez neses desparplierent. Le roy Richard oue vn partye de sez neses arryua en lifle de Creit, et de illoeges paffa en lifle de Rodys. Et vn grant dromound en quel la royne de Cesile et la feile au roy de Nauern estoint, et dieus autres grantz dromoundes en queux le chaunceler le roy et autres cheualers et efquiers eftoint, noierent deuaunt le port. Et Zacheus, qu fe fift nomer emperour de Cypre, fift feifer touz lours biens en fa main, et ceaux qi eschaperent viues il fist enprisoner, et le dromound en quel la fol. 170. b. royn estoit ne voloit suffre estre en la port; dount le roy Richard estoit moult corouce. Et fi enuoya au dit emperour priaunt qil voloit deliuerer lez pelerins oue lours biens, et lez biens dez mortez remaunder pur faire distribucioun pur lour almes. Et lemperour respoundist que cele qui auoit pris il le tenderoit, et si dressa lemperour deuers la ryue du mere pur sa tere defendre oue graunt fuisoun de sez gentz. Le roy Richard lessa sez grantz nefes et entra fez galays et bateaux et fe dreffa enuers fez enemis oue graunt noumbre dez gentz darmes et archiers, qi seterent lez setes fi espessement que nul dez enemys ofast la test leuer, einz tindrent enclyne lour visages, sez couererent dez targes, tanqe le bon roy Richard oue sez gentz darmes arriverent sure la terre et faillerent entre lour enemys et fererent fi grantz coupes de lour espeys et tuerent si grant fuisoun de lour gentz qe fi hom noumbreroit lez perfouns lem le tendroit pur men-Lemperour qi vist la descounsiture de sez gentz suyst, et la nute fuaunt fe herbegea v. lieus de illoeges oue touz fez gentz fuauntz, a lentent qil purroit relier fez gentz oue le eyde de gentz du pays enuyroun. Le roy Richard pursuift tange il souoit ou ils estoient herbisez, et veint sur eaux al aube du iour, et tua tretouz fauue lemperour qi eschapa tout nue oue poy dez gentz; et la troua le roy grant tresor, armurs, cheueaux, et autres richesce a moult grant plente, et lez plus riches tentes qil auoit vieu, et sa baner emperial moult richement aourne dor et de peres precious, la quel il fift enuoyer a faint Edmound le roy Dengleter. Le tierce iour apres vindrent au roy Richard Gy roy de Jerusalem, Godfray de Lissinan soun freir, Rennound prince de Antioche, et Beumound foun fitz count de Tripol, et deuindrent fez homs, et ly iuerent foy et feaute encountre touz gentz. Lemperour de Cipre se sentist tot



descounsaillez, si maunda au roy Richard priaunt sa peise, et ly offrist xx. mile marcz dor et dargent, et touz lez prifoners qil auoit pris rebailler od touz lour biens, et ly ferroit homage et tendroit de ly foun empire, et irroit meismes ouesque ly a la terre faint oue cent chiualeris, qatre centz esquiers, et cynk centz gentz a pee a sez costages. Cestez chosis acordes lemperour veint al roy et ly fist feaute, et iura lez couenauntz tenir. Mais il estoit faux, qar il embla de illoeges et remaunda au roy, qe de sa peise ne de ly nauoit cure. Le roy Richard bailla party de foun oft au roy Gy et as autres seignours de Jerusalem pur gerroyer le isle dun part, et deuisa fez galeis en dieus partis pur enuyrouner lisle, et pristrent nefes et galais par force qils trouerent oue touz lez biens, et le roy meismes oue party de fez gentz paffa dautre part par tere, et fi toft com nuls gardeyns dez cites, chastels, et dez portis, oyerent de sa venu, ils lesserount lours lieus et biens et fuerent as mountaignes, et qant en lour seignour fuccour ne trouerent ils deuindrent lez homs au roy Richard et de ly tindrent lour Vn iour aueint qe vn seignour de la terre dona counsail a lemperour pursuir la peise en faluacioun de ly et de sa gent, si se irra lemperour par graunt orgoil tancom a manger estoit, et coupa la neise du dit seignour par foun counfail, qi fen departift de le emperour oue touz lez autres seignours qi y estoient et vindrent au roy Richard et deuindrent sez homs. Puis veint le roy oue sa gent a la cite de Nichosie et la prist par assaut, et puis a chastel de Chirin et la prist, ou il troua la feile de lemperour, qe cheist a sez peez pur pooure qel auoit, et le roy la seissift par la mayn et si la dressa et la sist enuoyer a sa sore la royne, et erra taunt par sez iournes qe touz lez viles et forteresces de la terre ly estoint renduz. Lemperour cheitif et descounsaillez se voloit musser en vn abbey, mais quunt il oyst de la venu le roy si ne sauoit qe saire, tant sust chayez, mais com cheitif discounfist veint au roy Richard et se mist as genoils, criaunt mercy et mettaunt en sa seignoury vie et membre. roy ly resceust et fornist sa prier, et ly comaunda estre manicle dez manicles dore et dargent. Puis prift tot foun auoir et la moite owelement de touz lez biens moebles de touz gentz del isle de Cipre, dount il fist charger touz lez galeis et nefes qe furent gaignez illoeqes. Le qart iour en le semayne de pentecost, apres ceo qil auoit ordene pur lestablisement

de la tere, sen departy de Cipre, et en poy de houre vist deuaunt ly vn trefgrandifme veffel od trois voils eftenduz oue plufours signalis du roy de France. Si maunda a eaux vn galay pur fauoir dount ils venoient, et ils respounderent que de Antioche et sen alerent au roy de France lour seignour au feige de Acres. Et com les Criftiens lour pria attendre et parler au roy fi comencerent gettre fieu, launces, feites. Le roy qi ceo vist lez comaunda prendre, si lassaillerent et pristrent quaque ils auoint, gar Sarazines estoint; et en cel nese trouerent tout maner darmurs et autres tresors a si grant summe qe a meruail. De illoeqes veint le roy a Acres au fiege, le samady de pentecost, et y troua le roy de France qi fol. 171. b. rien ne fist tange le venu le roy Richard, puis le roi Richard dona au roy de Fraunce et as ditez dukes et barouns de fa counpainy touz lez prifoners qil auoit prif dedenz la grant nefe, qestoint richis durement. Pius toutz lez Pifauns, Geneuois, vindrent au roy Richard et ly iurerent feaute countre toutz gentz, et il lez dona grauntz fraunchis a Jerusalem, et conferma par fa chartre ceaux qe ils auoint deuaunt. Puis lez dieus roys cheierent en vn grant malady dount ils estoint en peril de mort, qar lour cheueaux cheierent nettement, et qant ils eftoient reuigourez le roy Gy de Jerusalem fist sa pleynte as dieus roys que Coraud luy markis ly auoit diffeify de droit de soun realme, et sez rentes auoit tollu a tort; dount Godfray de Lifynan ietta foun gage deuaunt lez roys et appella Coraud de foi mentu, treisoun, et pariury faitz ou roy Gy soun freir, et as ostes des Criftiens de Jerusalem. Coraud, qi sen senti enteche, refusa de estre as iugementz dez rois, et lessa le gage et sen departy com descoumfist, et tout le poeple ly fuerent criauntz, "veez la Coraud ly treitre, qi droit refusa," et de illoeges ala a la cite de Tyre. Le roy de Fraunce comencea a maintener Coraud, et le roy Richard le roy Gy, dount descord leua fouent entre lez roys. Puis Coraud reueint et le roy de France ly fist seneschal de soun hostel et soun chief counsailler, par qi counsail taunt fist countre Dieu qe hount seroit a countier, qar Coraud des dounes Saladyn auoit pris et soun amy estoit en ganque il sauoit. Le roy de Fraunce demaunda de roy Richard la moite de Cipre et de qanqe il auoit gaigne par chemyn, et le roi Richarde demaunda la moite dez teres et moebles le count de Flaundres qi morust a lassege, et dautres qi mu-



rerent par chemyn, et la moite de Tyre que Coraud ly auoit graunte. Mais lez peticiouns estoient , et nepurqunt acorde fust entre eaux qe touz choses gaignes sure chemyn owelment fuffe[n]t departiz, quels choses par chartre et serementz confermerent. Lez myneours ne cesferent a myner puis qe le roy Richard y veint. Dedenz la cite vn prudhom eftoit qi Criftien eftoit celement pur poour dez payens, qi fouent iettoit lettres de Greu, Hebreu et Latin par engyn entre lez Cristiens, moustraunt le purpos, la couyne, et toute lesta[t] de la vile, par quoi lez Criftiens fez ordevnerent plufours foitz le meutz et maint peril eschuerent. Lez Criftiens enuirounerent lour hostels dun fosse parfounde pur sodeyn affray dez Sarazins. Lez minours le roy Richard ount tant trauaillez qe tost apres la fest faint Johan ils vssent soutzfowe lez mures, et mistrent fieu dedenz lez pertues qe lez fuppouails dez mures cremirent et cheierent grant partie, qe la terre qe lez supportoit estoit soundu. Le roy de France oue fez gentz et Templers, Pifaners et Geneuoys, alerent pur affailler lez mures, et si percerent ils lez mures par force pres du tour Maudit et y voloint auoir entree, mais lez Sarazines lour aresterent fi fort qe ils tuerent grant partie dez Fraunces, et si bien garderent lez mures par tout qe nul ne y poat entreir. Le roy Richard garda la fosse dehors enuers lost Saladin, qi prest gisoit dauoir assemblee sure eaux adereir si le roy Richard nust este, qi ly garda et osta par sorce, com acorde fuft entre lez Criftiens, que com lun roy irroit as mures pur affailler, lautre gardoit lez fossez pur Saladyn qi pres gisoit; et com lun garderoit les fosses, lauter irroit pur assailler la vile. Le roy Richard alast pur asfailler lez mures, et tant fift par pruesce qe le mure passa en plusours lieus et grant party abatist par engine; mais taunt estoit plente dez bones gentz dedenz, qils defenderent si noblement, qe nul Cristien purroit entreir, et si tuerent dez Sarazins tauntz que graunt serroit a counter. Au . soir ceffast lassaut, et lendemain vn party de lez mures pres de la tour Maudit cheit, qe si grantz coupes resceust dez peres de mangounelis qil ne poat plus endurer lez coupes. Lez Fraunceis veauntz cela fez hasterent laundroites pur auoir entree; mais lez Sarazins lez baterent si durement dez groses peres qils tuerent a la primer venu dez bons gentz plus qe lx., et ceaux qi remaindrent retournerent a lez oftes. A meisme lassege de

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fol. 172.

Acres veint Coraud, fitz a Fredrik lemperour de Rome, apres la decese de foun pier, oue moult grant fuisoun dez gentz, et tantost apres sa venu tiel famyn y estoit qe le payn qestoit vendu pur vn dener auaunt sa venu fu vendu pur lx. s. apres, et la charge dun cheual de farin de furment estoit venduz pur lxv. marcz de la mone Dengleter. Et tant encrust le famyn qe plufours gentz y perirent. Si veint le clamour du people a Hubert euesque de Salisburs, et as autres euesques qu'y estoint, et ils firent vn collecte dez deners entre lez princes et lez seignours a grant fome pur doner a les poures gentz. Et le tierce iour apres que lez deners furent coillez et donez as pours, si vindrent neses moult plentiuousment vitaillez, qe furent enuoyez hors de France, Dengleter, et autres pays; et tantost a lour venu encrust bon marche dez vitails si qe la mesure de surment qestoit venduz deuaunt lour venu pur cc. besaunz, fust vendu apres pur fol. 172. b. Puis le qart iour de Juil, qant lez Cristiens assailerent la vile de Acres, lez princes et lez autres feignours Sarazins que de denz offrerent as roys la dit vile et touz lour moebles pur lour fauuer vie et membre. Lez roys respounderent qe si la terre de promissioun, et la saint croice, et touz lez prisouns Cristiens esteauntz en lour poair, voleint sufrendre, vie et membre aueront, et si ceo noun nul de eaux od la vie Ils dedens disoint qe si haut couenaunt noserent emprendre faunz lafcent Saladyn lour seignour, si prierent trewes pur iij. iours pur foun affent requier, et il qi ia ne quidoit eftre suppris taunt doner ne voloit pur lez vies dedens fauuer. La nuyte apres entour my nut Saladyn od fount grant oft affailla la grant fosse la ou le roy Richard gisoit, si comencerent lez vns le fosse empler tancom lez autres launces, dartz, fieu Grek, et gros piers getterent en lost. Lez autres oue arkes, arblestiers, feterent, et ceaux de la vile en le mene temps voloint auoir eschape, tan com lez Cristiens a la melle entendoient. Mais ils gi de lour couyne fauoint par vn lettre qe le prodhom, qe ieo vous ay deuaunt dit, entre eaux gettoit le iour deuaunt, fesoint garder lez mures tot la nuyte qu nul Sarazin pooit isser si mort nestoit. Le roy Richard, qauoit cel nuyte la gard del fosse, si le defendoit trenoblement de Saladyn et de sez gentz, et passa le fosse la ou ils le auoint emple et ferist entre eaux si hardiement qil tua cel nuyte de sa mayn meruaillousement dez enemys, qi tant fist et sez gentz



de pruesce que lez Sarazins furent descounsitz. Le roy Richard lez suyst graunt pece, mais ils qi conustrerent le pays enuiroun fuerent de nuyte, qar si iour vst este nul nust eschape. Le roy Richard od sez gentz retournerent as oftes. Lendemain touz fez seignurs alerent pur veoir lez mortz es chaumpes, et ne quidoint qe tauntz de gentz vsfent este en lost Saladyn com ils trouerent mortz. Lendemain apres le roy Richard alast a lez mures pur affailer, et tant fist de pruesce que grant party dez mures estoit abatuz qoi par myneours qoi par engine, et plusours gentz furent tuez, et ils dedenz veauntz qe la vile deuers ly ne purroient longment garenter si firent enseignes de peise, et le roy od sez gentz se retreist tauntost et alerent a lour tentes pur reposer. Lez princes de la cite par counge de lez rois alerent a Saladyn et luy moustrerent lour meschesses. Saladyn maunda fez messageres as roys et lour offrist la cite de Jerusalem, la faint croice, et touz lez cites et chastels qe il auoit conquys del main Gy le roy, et lez redrefferoit auxi bien com ils estoient gant il lez prist, sur condicioun qe lez roys ly aprestassent x. mile gentz darmes et vint mile gentz a pee pur fa tere fauuer encountre le seignour de la Muce, et lez fitz Voradin, qe Tekadin foun vncle auoint fouent vengu et tout fa terre occupie par meistrie, et qils lefferount touz lez gentz de la vile de Acres paffer quites. Mais qant Saladin fauoit qe lez roys ne voloint a cel profre acorder, il fist tantost arder touz lez viles, cites, vines, et arbres portauntz fruit tout enuiroun en le pays pres de Acres; et touz lez cites, viles, et chastels qe furent si febles qe ne purroient estre tenuz encountre lez Criftiens. Il fist ofter ent lez gentz et touz lours biens, et puis lez mures abatre, et lez mesouns mettre a fieu. La nute apres la tretice, tange lez Criftiens veillerent deuaunt le tour Maudit, si virent ils grant lumer du ciel, dount ils furent trop esmaiez, tange nostre dame saint Marie belement parla et dist, " Beaus amys, ne vous dotez, qe pur falu Monsieur moun fitz mad cy enuoyez; fi dirrez a lez roys depar Jhesu moun fitz, qils ceffent deformes lez mures abatre de la cite, qar dedenz le quart iour fuaunt el ferra done en lez mains dez Criftienes:" et cela dift fen vanift. Et tanque nostre dame parla as Cristiens, la tere dedenz la cite fremist et trembla, et taunt de tempest entre eaux cheoist qu nul Sarazin se pooit tenir as pees et voloint plus volountiers morir qe viuer. Graunt fu la

ioy au matin entre lez Criftiens pur nouelis qils auoint oy, et demurerent ioyauntz et loyantz Dieux tange al quart iour fusdit, qestoit le xij. iour A quel iour lez mestres de la cite la renderent a lez Cristienes od touz lez biens dedenz, enfemblement od v. c. dez Criftiens qi dedenz estoint enprisonez, et fiauncerent a lez roys qu'es lour ferroint delyuerer la faint croice, et mile et v. c. prisoners Cristiens, et ij. centz dez chiualers lez queux lez roys voudrent eslier de touz lez prisouns qui Saladin auoit en fa gard, et donerent as roys dieus centz mile befaunz dor, et demurrerent touz en oftage par xl. iours a la volounte dez roys fi lez couenauntz ne purroint parfournir. Si fefoint lez roys eslier cent de plus nobles et plus richis Sarazins et lez firent mettre en vn tour trefort foutz bone garde, et lez autres firent garder dedenz la vile tanque au iour affys, et touz ceaux gen le mene temps se voloint baptifer lesserent gites aler, et pur ceo plufours fez baptizerent par fauxe couyne, et puis pafferent a Saladin et fol. 173. b. reneierent lour loy; quel chos qant lez rois auoint aparceu defenderent Sarazins baptizere. Puis lez roys departirent entre eaux la cite et touz lez biens, et monfire Hughe de Gournay, oue cent cheualeres ouel y, estoint assignez depar le roy Richard pur sa part resceyuer, et depar le roi de France a tauntz. Puis Saladine offrist as roys tout la terre de Surry hors pris Bragh de mount real, qest dela la flum Jordan, au fin qils ly appresteroient dieus mile dez gentz darmes, et mille et v. centz dez seruauntz, a demurer en foun feruice pur vn ane pur la guerre entre ly et le fire de Muce et lez fitz Voradyn, mais lez roys ne fez voloint acorder. Puis le fire de Muce et lez fitz Voradyn demanderent dez rois fuccours countre Saladyn, et offrerent grant mase dor et dargent, qel lez roys refuserent. Apres lez countis et barouns par comune assent voloint auoir pris counge dez roys pur ceo qils tenoient deuers eaux lauoir qils auoint conquys faunz eaux reguerdoner. Mais les roys promiftrent largement et lez vns poy dona, parount plusours pur meschief departirent en lour pays. Le xxi. iour de Juil, apres ceo qe le roy Richard fust entree en la cite et fe herbifa, le roi de France maunda a ly gil penfa daler en foun pays. Le roy Richard respoundist que grant hount serroit a tiel roys fi toft de ycy aler faunz plus del bosoigne a cheuir pur quel nous sumes venuz, nepurqant fil fe fceut maladez, ou fe dout morir en cest pays, face



sa volounte. Le count de Champaigne, quoit despendu qunqe il auoit, a qi le roi de France ne voroit rien aprestre sanz Champaigne engager, veint au roy Richard et il ly aricha de soun auoir largement. Puis grant descorde leua entre lez dieus roys pur ceo ge le roy de France a dona Coraud, marchiz de Mountferard, la moite de la cite de Acres et la moite de touz lez cites qe furent a conquer, ly pensaunt faire roy de la terre faint, pur ceo qil estoit marie a la feile le roy Almarice, sore a la femme le roy Gy de Jerusalem, ge mort estoit. Et le roy Richard moustra par droit qe le roy Gy deueroit auoir restitucioun du realme dount il estoit oftez, qi a tant gentz de sez enemys ne poout countre estre, einz fust pris com prodhom od la croice faint et fez homs prisis et tuez, " pur quoy me femble qe tort ferroit autre roy a coroner qi tant ad fuffert de paine pur la loy Criftiene." Puis par leide du roy Richard acorde fut ge le roy Gy aueroit le realme a tout sa vie, et pius a Sebille la femme Coraud descenderoit par heritage. Autre foitz le roy de Fraunce prist soun counge pur alere en foun pays, le roy Richard le confcenty, fi iura le roy de France veauntz lez seignours qi la estoient qil garderoit bien et loyalment touz fez terres et fez homs, faunz damage, tort, ou greuaunce faire ou foeffre estre fait a nuls de eaux tange a sa venu en soun pays. xxi. iour de Juil departist le roy de France de Acres et sen ala a la cite de Tyre, et meisme le iour le roy Richard dona al prince de Antioche v. groses neses chargez de touz maners dez vitaillis et armurs, pur ly defendre encountre lez Sarazins. Puis Saladin maunda au roy Richard trefriches dounes, priaunt qil eloigneroit le iour qe lez gentz de Acres auoient pris ouefque ly pur la faintifme croice a deliuerer, et autres couenauntz pur quex ils demurerent en hostage, et si lez gentz voleit mettre al mort faunz desport il ferroit au tiel de touz lez Cristiens gil auoit en foun poair. Le roy Richard refusa sez dounes, et remaunda qe au iour affys il ferroit tuer touz fez hostage si lez condiciouns entre eaux taillez ne tenissoient. Saladyn ly cruel, qi de pite nauoit cure, fist mener deuaunt ly touz lez Cristiens gestoint prisouns en soun poair, et sist couper lour testes le xviij. iour de August. Et meisme le iour si tost com le roy Richard oft la nouel, moua fez hostz enuers Saladyn, et fez entre hurterent dez espeis et launces si tresdurement qu plusours cheierent mortz

dun part et dautre, et entrecombaterent durement, qe lez Cristiens tuerent dez Sarazins a graunt fuifoun. Saladyn qi vift qe fez gentz ne purroint countreporter la pruesce dez Engles, guerpist le chaump et sen fuist ignelement. Et le roy Richard tost apres, cest a sauoir le xx. iour Daugust, fist prendre touz lez Sarazins de la cite de Acres et lez fist amener en vn lieu bien pres ou Saladyn auoit relye fez gentz et affemble foun oft, et fift couper touz lour testes, veauntz touz lez Sarazins, et furent mortz v. mile, qe furent tretouz escorchez et troue fu dedens lours corps graunt fome dez florins dore, et entre eaux estoint trefgrant seignours et richis qi donerent au roy vn trefgrandisme some dore pur lours vies sauuer. Puis le xxvi. iour de August, le roy Richard ala sure la ryue du mere od tout foun graunt oft enuers Joppen, et sez nefes alerent encountre ly par mere, et Saladyn od tout foun oft fe teint bien pres pur lour chemyn destourber, nepurgaunt le roy passa od fort mayn tange a lez estroites du mere; et la prift le roy le primer eschel, et le duk de Burgoin le tierce. fol. 174. b. Et gant le roy estoit eirt passe si descendist Saladyn od soun ost de la mountaigne ou il estoit, et ferist entre lez gentz le duk de Burgoigne et lez comenfa tuer a grant fuyfoun, tanque lez nouelis vindrent au roy Richard qestoit deuaunt, et il retourna ignelement et fist rescouse au duk et tuerent de sez gentz en arest plus qu'v. mile, faunz ceaux qi sure la chace estoint tuez. Et ceo fait retourna le roy en soun chemyn qil auoit enpris, si veint a Joppen et lafferma, et puis sen ala a Askaloun, et puis au chastelle de Planis, et au chastel de Mahew, lez queux viles et chastelis Saladyn auoit abatu a la terre, et le bon roy Richard lez fist redresser et affermer; et demurra a Joppen tanque a le Nowel, et apres Nowel prift purpos pur aler a Jerusalem pur lasseger. Mais le duk de Burgoin et toz lez autres Frances sez excuserent, et disoint qe si il ne lour voloit touz lour costages trouer ils ne irroint mees ouesque ly, qar le roy de France, lour seignour, lour auoit comaund hastier en lour pays. Et pur ceo qe le roy Richard ne ceo voloit, ne ne pooit faire, touz lez Fraunceis fez alerent hors de fa counpaigny. Et en le garresme procheyn, cest a fauoir lan de nostre Seignour mile, c. iiij.xx et [x]ij., le roy Richard afferma le Blanc warde, Galasie, et Gaser, qestoit le iij. ane de soun regne. Et apres le pasche il chenaucha el pais enuyroun, et fift coiller toz lez bleez qe mures estoint es lez



chaumps a cel temps, et fist vitailler sez viles et chastels gil auoit afferme, et demura en Askalon tanque al Pentecost, et donges il ala a vn chastel qad a noun Daron, qe est trefort et bien assys sure le flume de Eufratyn, et y demurra v. iours, et gaigna le chaftel par affaut et troua dedenz mile et v.º dez Sarazins viuauntz. Et en foun chemyn laundroites il prift xxiiij. richis Sarazins et vn renoyez, li quel il fist lier a vn arbu et setter a la mort. Et puis il dona le chastel de Daron a Henry count de Champayn foun neuew, qauoit espose la femme Coraud ly marchis, qestoit tuez par ij. homs gestoient venuz du roy Dassassis gi moult priuez estoient enuers le dit Coraud, et si estoint ils pris pur cel treisoun et lun auoit la teste coupe et lautre tout viue escorche: et reconustrerent oiaunt tout le poeple qe la mort Coraud auoit le roy Daffassis purchacee par long temps, et nepurgaunt le [roy] de France disoit et touz les Fraunces qe ceo estoit par counsail du roy Richard, et ensy counta le roy de Fraunce fol. 175. al apostoil et as touz lez cardinalis, et disoit auxi as eaux qe le roy Richard estoit trop faux et tresmauueys, et gil ly fist aler de la terre saint et pria lapostoil absolucioun du serement qu'il auoit freint. Mais le pape, qi bien fauoit qe le roy de France disoit par enuy, si ne ly voloit affoudre. Le count de Chaumpayn, qauoit espose la femme Coraud, eftoit eslieu roi de Jerusalem, et le roy Gy ly rendist sus soun estat a la request le roy Richard, qi ly dona la terre de Cypre a terme de sa vie a tenyre de ly, et qe apres sa mort la terre remeindreroit au roy Richard et as fez heyres a touz iours, et sure ceo ly mist en peisible possession. Apres ceo qe ly roy Richard fe adressa vers Jerusalem et veint a Betnoble et fift vn cheuauche deuers Jerusalem, si encountra sodeignement xij. mile dez Sarazins eslieuz pur mener vitailles deuers Jerusalem, si veint entre eaux et la vile et lez affailit et prist de eaux gange ils auoint et lez tua tretouz, si nauoit en fa coumpaigny qe v. mile de tout maner de gent, et il auoit illoeges iiij. mile dez camailles chargez dez vitails, et iiij. mile dez cheueaux et mules; si rendist gracez a Dieux et se retournast a Betnoble ou il trouast le duk de Burgoyne et touz lez Fraunces qestoient departis de ly a Joppen, et ceo pur hount dez iournes qe le roy auoit hu puis lour departir. Si fe counfailla le roy entre touz fez gentz dasseger Jerusalem, et se offrist iurer sure saintes euangelis iammes de

laffege departir tancom il auoit cheual ou autre best a manger fi la vile ne fust auaunt rendu ou gaygne par force, et pria as Franceis qils fesoient -autre tiel, et ils disoint que certaynement ils ne voloint, fi sen retournerent enuers lour pays et sen alerent a Tire, et la morust le duk de Burgoigne et plufours dez grantz seignours dedenz lez viij. iours apres lour venu. Le roy Richard qi trop poy de genz auoit pur la vile affeger fi fe retourna a Acres. Et Saladyn descendist dez mountez et ensegea Joppen, qu'il estoit rendu pur vie et membre as Cristiens sauuer. Le roy Richard, gant cest nouel auoit oy, si bailla soun ost a Henry de Champayn, roy de Jerusalem, de y aler par terre, et il meismes od vij. galays ala par eau et la tierce nuyte veint a Joppen et entra en le chastel que nestoit pas vnqor renduz, et se reposa vn poy et conforta sez gentz, et sist ouerer lez portez et issift erraument encriaunt sez enseignes, et ferist en le ost Saladyn gen le vile estoit herbisez, et tuerent tretouz qi eaux voloint attendre, et lez autres sen fuerent de la vile et nepurqant grant fuysoun de richis gentz fez renderent. Et enfi fust la cite deliuers dez mains dez Sarazins fol. 175, b. et moult enrichez dez biens qe la lessoint, et dedenz trois iours apres Saladyn maunda au roy Richard qil voloit combatre ouefque ly et a foun iour affis il fe retreoit, et maunda au roy Richard derechief qil ly rendroit touz sez despens qil auoit fait pur redresser Askalon et sure ceo il voloit doner ferme pese as Cristiens pur iij. auns et demy, pur aler, venir, et demurrer en la terre de promissioun faunz vile prendre ou embler en le mene temps sil ly rendroit la dit cite de Askalon en tiel plite com il la Le roy Richard, qi ankes se sentist maladez et sez gentz moult trauaillez et lauoir qil auoit estoit despendu, prist lez condiciouns qe Saladyn ly offrift. A vij. iours apres lez trewes prifes se feift Saladyn, et apella deuaunt ly plufours dez grantz seignours et parla de la gere qe tant auoit durre, et disoit qe le roy Richard estoit si prus et si vaillaunt de foun corps que fi vn bon roi auoit tiels mile cheualers il conqueroit et mettroit en fubieccioun tout le mound; et disoit qen ly nauoit vice ne teche nul de mal, si noun largesce et hardiement, dount il auoit trop a ceo qe li estoit auys. A meisme cel nuyte alast le roy Richard [et] l. dez cheualers visiter vn faint heremit qui demurra en vn roche sure la mount faint Samuel, qi auoit vn espirit de propheci et vnqes nauoit



issu de soun cauerne, ne manger si noun herbes et racyns, et rien bust si eau noun, ne autre couertour auoint a foun corps fi noun fa barbe et fez cheuex pusque lez Sarazins auoint entree la terre de promissioun et la feintisme croice seise. Si parla benignement au roy, et disoit ge ynguor nestoit pas le terme venu que Dieux voloit soun poeple taunt fanctifier que la faint terre et la feintisme croice voroit reseyser en lez mains dez Cristiens, pius ofta vn pere de sa caue, et treit vn croice de futh hors dun partus qestoit vn party de la faint croice, et la bailla au roy Richard, et disoit, "huy a viij. iours me coueint passer du siecle, et pur ceo nostre Seignour voet qe vous eiez cest relique, qi moult auez suffert peyn et trauail pur famour." Le roy se mist as genolis et prist la croice reuerentement et menast ly prodhom a soun ost, et ly gardast tange a le vij. iour en quel il morust, sicom il auoist deuaunt counte.

Apres ceo le xx. iour Doctobre, qant le roy Richard auoit oy dez mauuetez qe le roy de France parla de ly et de foun chaunceler engetu de foun office, et de Johan foun freir qi plufours de fez chaftellis auoit pris par vsurpacioun, et tout sa tere enforcea prendre et tenir,—si lessa fol. 176. tout foun oft oue le roy de Jerufalem pur amener en Engleter sa femme Berenger, la feil le roy de Nauern, qe sa mere Elianor ly auoit amene, la quel il esposa en cel faintisme veage, et il meismes entra vn grant nese et comensast passer en soun pays, issi qe au fine du moys aryua en lisle de Couerfew et la entra il vn petit nefe et naugea tange il vift trois galays en Romayn, queux il allua pur cc. marcz tanque a Ragufe, en queux il fist sez gentz entreir. De illoeges aryua a Raguse et illoeges fe tient covement et auoit le barbe et cheueux longis et vestu estoit a la gyfe de peleryne, et lez gentz du pays auoint suspecioun qil estoit le roy Richard par cause de sez grantz despens, et si counpasserent entre eaux de ly prendre et amener al emperour qi ly heioit moult, et sure ceo le roy estoit garny et comaunda sez gentz a demurrer illoeges par iiij. iours et despendre plus largement qil nauoint deuant, et il soul oue vn cheualere mounterent cheueaux et au nuyte prist soun chemyn, et tant erra par sez iournes qe il vient a vn villete pres de Viene en Ostrik, ou il se reposa et dormist sure vn lyte tange soun bacheler ala pur viaunde achatre, qestoit conu par vn dez seruauntz le duk qi ly fist prendre et

amenere deuaunt foun seignour qi pres eftoit, et puis enfercherent la vilet ou grant fuifoun dez gentz si trouerent le bon roi dormaunt et ly pristrent et renderent al duk Humbald, qi ly teint tanque lemperour Henry ly achata pur fessaunt mile liuers dargent del poys de Coloigne et ly comaunda mettre en fauf garde en la cite de Tranans ou il estoit grant pece, tange Willam foun chaunceler et labbe de Cluny fuerent pur fa delyueraunz. La cause pur quoi le duke de Ostris sist prendre le roy Richard, lez cronicles deuisent que a lassaut de Acres le dist duk fuoit pres le roy Richard pur conquer pris, ou al entree dez mures la baner du dit duk estoit aracez et abatuz, le quel ceo fust par auenture ou par comaundement le roy ne fust pas scieu, pur quoy et pur autres parolis fources entre le dit roy et ly il fen departift deuers foun pays, penfaunt de foy venger si iammes verroit houre ou temps. Estoit vn iour amene deuaunt lemperour et plufours dez grantz seignours de Allemayne, ou lemperour ly arefona du tort qil auoit fait a foun cofyn de Cypre, et du roy de Cefile, et de la mort Coraud ly marchis, et de treifoun et mauueys port enuers le roy de Fraunce counpassaunt sa mort. Le roy Richard respoundist a quange ly grant fires auoit dit et se excusa si sagement qe tretoz lez seignours ly tindrent nettement pur excuse, et lemperour meismes se meruailla moult du grant sauoir et eloquence qe le fol. 176, b. roy auoit en taunt aduerfite, si ly teint moult a honourer: si se dressa en esteaunt et prist le roy par la mayn et ly baysa souent et ly fist seer pres de ly et moult ly honoura. Apres ceo le roy Daffasis maunda sez lettres as plufours grantz seignours Criftiens excufaunt le roy Richard de la mort Coraud ly marchis, tesmoignaunt qil meismes ly auoit fait tuer pur vn foun freir qi Coraud auoit tue deuaunt en la cite de Tire et robbe de grant auoir. Apres ceo le roy Richard pur sa deliueraunce hastier, dount il estoit desespoirez, par le counsail Elianor sa mere se deuestist de soun realme et le rendift es mains de lemperour, et lemperour ly redona par vn double croice dor lez reams de Irland et Dengleter, rendaunt pur Engleter cinqunt mile liuers par ane en noun de tribut, quel chos fust releffe deuaunt la mort lemperour.

Lane du regne le roy Richard quart Johan foun freir fift homage au roy de France pur Normendy et autres terres qe le roy Richard auoit en



le realm de Fraunce, et veint a Loundres et demaunda feruice Dengleter com roy, qar il disoit qe soun freir estoit mort; mais les Engles ne se uoroint croier. Apres la deliueranz du roy Richard, gestoit taillez en cest fourme, cest a sauoire, qe le roy durroit cent mile marcz del poys de Coloigne, et troueroit al emperor l. galeis od tout lour apparail, et cc. cheualers daler en foun feruice per vn ane entier, ou il doroit pur cel feruice l. mile marcz. Quel chos com le roy de France oist maunda sez lettres a Johan le freir le roy Richard qil fe garderoit bien qar le deable estoit deliez. Puis maunderent amdeaux a lemperour gil voloint encresser la some qe le roy Richard durroit dasseitz, au fin qil ly voloit tenir en perpetuel prisoun, ou vendre soun corps au roy de France, quel chos lemperour refusa. Puis remaunderent lours lettres al emperour, gils voloint doner gatre vintz mile marcz pur tenir le roy en prisoun tanque a la saint Michel, ou cent mile liuers pur luy tenir en prisoun par vn ane. perour esloigna le iour tanque al purificatioun nostre dame, a quel iour il prift lez lettres et messageirs le roy de France et de Johan soun freir. et meifmes lez lettres il bailla au roy Richard pur lire, lez queux lieus et entenduz fi fe abayst le roy moult et se desespoira de sa deliueraunce. Mais lez seignurs Dalmayne, qi fez auoint melle de fa deliueraunce, blamerent moult lemperour pur la couaitife qil pensa faire, si firent ils taunt qe le roy estoit deliuers, et lessa en ostage le erceuesque de Rowan, leuesque de Bath, Baudewyn Wake, et plusours dez fitz dez countis et barouns de foun pays, et grant fome de deners paia qe ly estoint enuoye hors Dengleter, qar lez euesqes auoint fait leuer de chescun fee de cheualer a fa raunfoun xx. s, et la gart partie dez laies gentz, et touz lez chalices et trefors de faint eglis, et le quart partie de touz lez rentis de faint eglis, et les anelis dez euesqes, et tout la layn dez gris moignes, et de touz lez terres gestoint demurez en la seysine le roy Richard, dount il estoit durement enrichez. Si departist hors de prisoun lemperour le iour deuaunt les nones de Feuerer, ou il auoit demure par vn ane et vi. semains et iii. iours. Si veint al Swyn en Flaundres, qauoit apoy este repris par lez gentz lemperour, qi moult poifa qil ly auoift fi legerement lesse passer. Vn cheualer de Allemayn, qu'oue le roy Richard veint en Engleter, aparfu la noblefce de la terre et la grant taillage qe la comune

fol. 177.

auoint grante au deliueraunce le roy, si dit au roy qe fi le emperour auoit conu la maner qil nust pas este delyuers si legerement. Si veint en Engleter, et ofta Johan soun freir de touz lez terres et honours qil ly auoit done, et establist sa terre en pees par bons lovs et jugementz gil fesoit. mellaunt tout foitz mercy od droiture; si estoit coronez de nouel a Wincestre, ou le roy Willam Descoce sust present.

En meism le temps Dauid count de Huntyngdoun, le freir le roy Willam Descoce, prist en espous la feil Hugh count de Cestre. Esteuen, vn qi fust procuratour et lieutenaunt le roy en Aungeow, se sist sire du pays, en espoir qe le roy Richard ne venist de la terre saint, par counsail dun nigremancien et du deable, qe luy promist la gouernail du pays par fa vie, et gil ne murrerast deuaunt gil venist en vn certain lieu ly fust nome en fallace, par qoi il fust descieu si morust cheitiuement.

Apres le roi fift affembler a Portesmothe cent neses grantz et les fift bien adresser de toutez chos, et entra dedenz a grant fuison dez gentz darmes, et arriua a Barflet; et si tost com le roy de France, qestoit au fiege de Vernoun, oyst de sa venu, sen fuy ignelement, et lassa qanqe il auoit dez tentes et vitails. Mais poy apres maunda au roy Richard es champs ou il gesoit qil ly voroit visiter. Et le roi Richard remaunda qil ly attendroit com cely qi sa venu moult defiroit, et fil ne veufist au iour affys qil ly vendroit vifiter lendemain faunz taryer. Au iour affys le roy de Fraunce ne veint pas, et le roy Richard qi meutz voroit murrir qe failler de ceo qil auoit dit, fi fe dreffa deuers le roy de France errauement, qi fuist com de sa venu oist; nepurqant plusours de sez gentz furent tuez et foun treforer et touz lez cariages prifes. Si retourna le roy fol. 177. b. Richard a foun lieu, et troua dedens vn huche qil auoit pris tous lez lettres et couenauntz de toz fez gentz qe aliaunce auoint fait encountre au roy de Fraunce. Johan le freir le roy veint au roy Richard com il estoit en sa gere en Normendy, se humilia a ly enqiraunt sa grace et pardoun de fez trespases; a qui le roy respoundy, "beau freir, ceo qe tu as trefpase gant a moy soient mys en vblie, iffi qe deuers vous soint en memoir," et del hour en auaunt, le dit Johan se conteint cheualerousement en la gere le roy foun freir. En cel temps vengeauns de Dieu cheist sure le duke de Ostriz et sez gentz par famine et pestilence, si



perdy le duk foun pee par meschaunz, puis morust de mal mort, auaunt reivy soun peche, et toz lez ostages qil auoit pur la some de raunsoun le roy Richard neint paye lessa quitement passer. Puis le roy de France maunda xv. gentz Hauntassez dauoir tue le roy Richard par treisoun, mais le roy de ceo apersu lez sist decoller.

Le ix. ane du reyne le roy Richard le roy de France cheuaucher sus la terre, tanque le roy Richard luy encountra en plain chaumpe, et sez entrecombaterent issint qe grant party dez Franceis furent mortz. roy de France fuift, et se mist dedenz vn soun chastel ge sores estoit. Le roi Richard ly fuift iefges a lentre et ia nuft iffu fi par faux trewes noun. Apres ceo entrecoumbaterent oue lour oftes, ou plofours cheierent dez Franceis et le roy de France fe retrey ignelement vers Gisors, et com il ascendi le pount od tantz dez gentz qe ly ensuerent si brisa et chev en leau, ou furount noiez plus qe ieo ne vous fai counter, et le roy meismes pur poi noie si lez gentz de la vile ne luy hussent hors treit qe a graunt meschief ly treierent hors del eau demy mort. A cel iournee tua le roy Richard meismes iij. cheualers dun launce; et furent prisis illoeges dez grantz seignurs xliiij., et c. cheualers, et cent cheueaux couerez de fere qi auoint lesse lour meistres gesant es champes, et si grant some dez comunes estoint tuez qe nul nel croierent bien. Apres ceo le roy Richard acheua deuers lez Franceis plufours batailles, poynies de gere, cheuauches, rescous, affautes dez viles et chastelis, et tout plain dautres noblis faites darmes, qe fount efcriptz en lez gestes Dengleter, lez queux nomer et diuiser ferroit trop long acountre. Mais courtement aparler, le roy de France tout foitz gant il auoit a faire ouesque le roi Richard de gere il fust descounfist et fuist, et tout ensi fesoient toz lez Franceis qu nul de eaux ne ly ofast encountrere. Cesti roy Lowys de France getta par totes fol. 178. lez vois qil fauoit ymaginer a damager le roy Richard, si enuoya fes meffagers au roi de Denemark en demaundant fa feille en mariage od le droit auncien qe lez Danoys claimerent en Engleter, la quel pucel ly fuft enuoye od grant foume dargent, et en espoir de cel reles auoir apres la prist il a femme, mais apres la primer nuyte la gerpist il pur cause qil la surmist, et la recnuoya en foun pays. En quel temps le roy Richard gerroya le roy de France fortement, com auaunt est dit, qi bien estoit en-

charny sure lez Fraunceis, gar maint beal iourne auoit acheuy deuers eaux endementiers qil eftoit count Daungeou. Apres ceo maunda le roy de France au roy Richard priaunt qe la gere qauoit durre si longement entre eux purroit le droit estre derenez par batail de v. cheualers Le roy Richard fe afcenty bien, sur condicioun ge le guynt cheualer Fraunceis fust le roy meismes et le roy Richard le quynt cheualer Engles; mais le roy de Fraunce, qi moult doutoit lez coupes du roy Richard, refusa lez couenauntz qil auoit fait.

Apres ceo com le roy Richard auoit affege le chaftel de Caluz, et cheuaucha vn iour entour le chastel desarmez pur ly auiser de soun estre, qar il penfa tost affailer pur grant tresor qil quidast dedenz trouer, qe le fire du chastel auoit troue grant some soutz la terre et auoit maunde au roi Richard beal partie, et pur ceo qe lentier ne ly auoit maunde si voet foun chastel affailler, si auoit dedenz vn arbilaster, gi Bertram de Gurdoun auoit a noun, qi vist le roy cheuaucher entour lez mures, si trei vn sete vers le roy et ly ferry deinz lespaul et ly dona play que de medicine nauoit mistre. Si se trei le roy vers sa tent, sez gentz alerent a lassaut et gaignerent li chastel, et touz qi dedenz trouerent es fourches penderent fauue Bertram qi le roy ferist, quel le roi comaunda mener deuaunt ly, fi ly arefona de fa mort. Bertram respoundy, "Tu, roy, gi tauntz dez maus as fait en fiecle et meintz dez gentz tuez en plofours terres, moun pier tuastez de ta main et mez dieus freirs, et moi hussez tue si tu vesquises, ore te ay rendu qe as forfait et su ore en toun baundoun, sacez de moy que te plerra, fi fachez que touz lez tourmentz que tu fceis ordener pur moy mettre a mal mort moult delit ay a foeffreir, puifque ieo me fu taunt reuenge qe tu murras du play qe ieo te ay done." Le roy, qi de fa uie estoit desesperez, ly pardona sa mort, et ly fist delier si ly dona cent marcz defflings et ly lessa passer quitez; mes Marcadins, qi moult amast foun seignour, ly fist prendre neint sachaunt le roy, et apres la mort le roi ly fift escorcher. Puis le roy fift apeller deuaunt ly iij. abbes et lour reioya fez pecches moult deuotement, et pria penaunce, et disoit en pluraunt, "Trepuffaunt et trefnoble Seignour Dieux, en qi toutez chof fol. 178. b. fount a ta plesaunz et volounte mis, attendaunt ta benigne misericord qe passe touz les maufaites que nul pecheour pust faire, ieo conus ourtement



qe moun cheitif corps qe tu as fuffert viuer en cest secle mescheaunt, ou nuls ne pust estre sil ne peche soi ad si ledement et si fausement contenu deuers ta seignoury, fesaunt par delit ceo qe tu as defendu et lessaunt qe tu as comaunde, qe si ta mercy ne fust moult souent estoit periz pur pecche. Si pri toun ferf cheitif et dolent a toun merciable poair, qe ceo ge moun corps ad maufait en terre ge ma cheitif alme le pusse a comparir en purgatori per recompensacioun de peyne, a y demoreir solem ta plefaunz tanque au iour de iugement, ou toutez gentz uendrount lour iugementz over deuaunt ta face, si auaunt ne te deignez merciablement visiter toun serf par dispensacioun; issint, trespussaunt pier, qen ascun temps la deignez ioyer et toy loer od toutes saintes en par durable gloire, qi vifes et regnes entierement en trois persouns saunz fin," et ceo dist od Qi alme faint Edmond, erceuefge de grant contricioun finist la vie. Cantorbirs, vist passer a joy hors de peyne ensemblement ouesge lalm Efteuen erceuesque de meism le lieu, et lalme dun chaplein leuesque, et meisme la uisioun vist Henry leuesque de Rowcestre. Richard le roy morust le x. ane de soun regne et fust enterrez a Pountheurard; en quel temps morust Reys prince de Galis, qi dez soens estoit tenuz vn de plus vertuous dez Cristiens.

Innocens le 3, qi fust dit Lothair, fust pape apres Celestin 18 aunz, 5 moys; qi durement sust grant clerk. Il sist lez liuers qe sount ditz en Latin, De miseria humane condicionis, et Speculum misse. Il dampna les liuers Joachim faitez encountre Piers le Lumbard; il proua la doctrine Almary pur eresy.

Apres la mort lemperour Henry le 5 lez princes de Allemayn descorderent en lour eleccioun. Les vn choiserent Otus, lez autres choiserent le freir Henry, Phelip, qi Phelip fust procheignement murdre. Otus conquist sure Fredrik Poille, et gerroia lez Romains pur ceo qils ne ly voroint obeir, pur quoi fust escomenge du pape Innocens. Lez princes de Allemain leuerent Fredrik en emperour, quy venquist Otus. Lordre dez freirs precheours comensa en cel temps en Tholousan, en lan 6 de Innocent, mais ne furount pas conferme tanque le primer ane Honorius le pape.

de laffignement Richard foun freir en testament, et fust corone dez mains Hubert erceuesque de Cantorbirs. Mais Arthure, count de Bretaigne, le deueroit auoir hu de droit, com fitz Gaufray freir le dit Johan eyne. Johan deueint meruaillous, si feify Normendy, y lessa soun lieutenaunt, reueint en Engleter, encountra le roy Willam Descoce a Nichol, ou par grant tretice le dit Willam li fist homage, au vieu du poeple iura destre feaux et loyaux sur la croice Hubert arceuesque de Cantorbirs en presenz Roger Bigot, count de Northfolk. Ascuns cronicles deuisent que cesti roy Johan auoit espose la feile et heire le count de Gloucestre, oue gei il auoit la counte et de qei il auoit engendrure massis qe furent countis de Gloucestre apres, mais qunt il deueint roys si departy oue cel espouse par cause faint que tout estoint parenz, viquor auoint dispensacioun. com il estoit en Normendy le count de la Marche, qi sires estoit de vn pays pres de Paitow, fe auoit aliez par mariage oue le roy de Fraunce, et auoit amene la feile le dit roy en foun pays pur esposer. requift par fez lettres au roy Johan, qen le hour estoit en Normendy, qil ly voufift fair le honour de ly acoumpaigner a fez nupcz. Qi roi Johan enueint si fort de gentz au dist fest que au venir de la dist puscele deuers mouster pur estre espose, le dit roy Johan la prist de force et la rauyst et la enmena en Normendy et la esposa, la quel out a noun Blaunche, qe depar fa mere fust heyre du counte de Pontif. Quel Blaunche apres la mort le dit roy Johan fa reenala en Paitow au dit count de la Marche, qi tout le temps fe teint faunz femme espose, de qi ele auoit bel engen-Quel Blaunche apres le houre, enuoya a foun fitz Henry roy

Dengleter foun fitz pusne qel auoit du dit count, com soun freir, qi auoit a noun Willam de Waleys, de qi ly roy Henry fist count de Penbrok. Le dit roy Johan par tretice sen ala a Parys, sen peisa od le roy de France, quel acorde ne teint my longement, qar le roy de Fraunce eida Arthur de Bretayne encountre le roi Johan et ly sist seiser de Normendy; quelis nouelis sceus de roy Johan il se mist en Normendy et descounsist lez Franceys qen eide de Arthure estoient, qe ly meismes enchasa en vn chastel et le assist et le prist, enuoya le dit Arthur soun neueu a Rohan

LAN de grace mile 99, Johan le freir Richard prift la coroun Dengleter fol. 179.



en prisoun, ou il morust. Ascuns cronicles deuisent que les Galeys firent murrir cesti Arthure en la vie le roy Richard en le chastel de Mirable, sol. 179. b. et si deuisent ascuns que le roy Johan enuoya le dit Arthur de Rohan en Engleter, et com deueroit passer dun nes a vn autre vn mariner par compassement le dit roy mist vn plaunche si desceyuablement par engyne que le dit Arthur chey en mere entre lez neses com enmyst le pee, et noia, et lez autres dez soens en diuers lieus Dengleter enprisonez. Pur quoi le dit Johan sust somment au court de France pur respoundre du mort Arthur soun neuew, vn de xij. piers de France, qi ne voloit venire; pur quoi et par peresce dez autres singuleris delicz ne voloit en temps meller, perdy Normendy et Aungeou, et moult eidaunt la tresoun Willam de Human qi le dit Johan auoit lesse soun lieutenaunt dez ditz terres.

En quel temps le roy Johan sen trey en ost deuaunt Berewik, voroit auoir edifie vn chastel de nouel del autre part Tuede, mais aunces le roy Willam se peisa od ly de riotis comensez, a quoi il enmist ostages. repairer le roy Johan auoit vn parlement a Loundres, ou il demaundoit du comune et de la clergie vn grant subside en eide de sa gere a reconquer Normendy, qi outriement ly respounderent qe lour ercheuesque estoit mort, qe faunz lour meistre apolitan, et le plus grant pier Dangleter nen ferroint nul grante del clergie. Lerceuesque Hubert mort vn poy deuaunt. La college de Cantorbirs choiferent Esteuen de Langtoun en erceuesque encountre gree le roy, qi vousist auoir vne dez soens, leuesge de Norwiche. Qi Esteuen fust sacre del apostoil, pur quoi le roy fe corofa outre mesure, fist feiser lerceuesche en sa mayn, fist enchacer le priour et lez moignes de Criftechurche de Cantorbires en exil, fist general proclamacioun qe nuly emprist amonestement par lettre lapostoil en fa terre sur payn del arde. Si bailla lez terres du dit eglis en garde de Reynald de Cornhille et de Founk de Cantelu. Le pape maunda fez messagers au roi, enpriaunt honourablement qil vousist resceyuer lerceuesque et la college duement a lour eglis, qi rien ne voloit faire au prier. La pape maunda fez bulles a quatre euesges, cest assauoir, a Willam euefque de Loundres, a Eustace euefque de Ely, a Walter euefque de Worcestre, et a Gauter euesque de Herforde, en vertu de obedience, qe si le roy Johan ne voloit resceuyer lerceuesque, le priour, et

fez moignes de Cantorbires, a fauf proteccioun au comune loy de la fraunchis de faint eglis, qils pronounciasent general entredit partout Engleter; quel amonestement fust ficche priviement sure lez huses de lours eglifes cathedralis. Lez ditz euefges vindrent au roy, ly moustrerent la bosoigne, enpriaunt oue lermes a eschuer la meschief qil uousist serre la fol. 180. request du pape, qi rein ne deignast a faire, pur quoi le dimange la veile de nostre dame en Marce prochein les dites euesges firent pronouncier comune entredit par tout Engleter generalment, iffint qe graunt pece lez huses de lez eglis par tout Engleter surount fermez. En despite de quoy, com tefmoign le Hiftoria Auria, le roy Johan maunda au Soudan par fez cheualers et vn clerk meffagers, qe fil ly voufit eider encountre le pape a fa deuife qil ordeignerast qil deuendroit de sa loy et ly ferroit homage pur foun realme. Lez messagers furrount du Soudan treshonourablement resceus, qi lour demaunda le estre et la maner de lour roy, et de soun age, et de commodites de foun realme, et du poeple, qi ly recounterent lez profites sureuenauntz chefcun ane, et qe lez gentz estoint amyables, qi bien lour gouerneroit, et qe lour roys estoit passe t. auns. "Voir," fesoit li Soudan, "bien est meschaunt qi tiel bone terre uoroit mettre en fubieccioun, et plus foux qi de vn autre loy fe uoroit entremettre en affuraunce de eide dun hom de foun age qi taunt ad uefqy en yn loy auncien qi tost lesseroit la nouel, qar si ieo susse a choiser loy ieo choiferay la vostre pur la meilliour de toutz honestetez. Ditez ly qil se taille a gre de foun poeple et viue com fez auncestres ount fait, qar nous ne uous uolloms meller." Si lour fift doner richis dounes, de quoi ne voloit plus tretire.

En cest mene temps Alexander sitz eyne le roy Willam Descoce veint a Loundres, ou il resceust lordre de chiualer dez mains le roy Johan. En quel temps de cefti roy Johan lez Franceis priftrent la cite de Coftantin noble, et constituerent Baudewin, count de Flaundres, en emperour, lez queux entrerent le mure ou le aungel effoit painte, figne dun auncien propheci du perde de la cite. Meifme la feifoun eftoit taunt de pluy, foudre, et greil dez peres qarrez du graundour dez ofes qe abbaterent arbres et vines, et tuerent lez homs. Lez corbins enporterent fieu en lour bekis et ardrerent mesouns; quel ane morust saint Hughe le euesque



de Nichol. Cel ane furent vieus en ciel ij. lunes pleynes a vn foitz, en quel ane le vuer estoit durement fort, et le vent si grant que abatist lez mesouns. Le roy Johan fist tuer touz lez mastines par touz lez forestes Dengleter. Lez eretiges Abigenfos vindrent en Engleter, lez gels plufours furount ars. Meisme la seisoun lez Sarazins vindrent de Aufrik. et durement conquerent en Espayne. Le dit roy Johan enprist lez charters a poy de touz lez religious de Engleter qi apres lour fift nouelis, pur quoi enprift grantz tresores. Le count de Flaundres veint en Engletere, et fist au roy Johan homage pur sa terre. Le roi Johan comaunda a prendre en sa mayn totez lez possessions dez euesges, et de parsouns, et dez clerkes, et dez gentz de religioun parmy Engleter, et fift mettre certains gardains par tout, qe deliuererent as euesges et as clers et a gent de religioun, taunt foulement dount ils poount viuer, et tout le remenant remist vers le roy; par qoi lez euesqes comunement escomengerent touz y ceaux qi mistrent ou mettroient mayn en biens de faint eglis, nul part parmy la tere encountre la volounte dy ceux a qi lez biens furount. Et qant le roy ne voloit cesser en nul maner de cest malice lez euesqes de Loundres, et de Ely, de Wyncestre, et de Herford, pafferent la mere et alerent al arceuesque de Cantorbires, et ly moustrerent cest chos, et il le moustra al apostoil. Qant le roy sauoist qils estoint passez la mere il maunda tauntost as abbes, priours, et les euesges auauntditz qils reueinsent pur tretir de la pees et de acorde entre eaux, et qils venisent a Cantorbirs, qar la vendroit il encountre eax: ou il enuoieroit certains persounes en soun noun qi ferroint tant com Qant cest maundement veint as euesges par fi il mesmes y fust. counsail et par volounte lerceuesque ils retournerent en Engleter et vindrent a la cite de Cantorbirs. La nouel fust porte au roy gils furent venuz, et il meismes ne pooit aler a cest foitz mais enuoya en soun noun eueqes, countis, et barouns, et des plus grantz seignours de la terre, et treterent iffi entre eaux du pees et del acorde, qe le roy resceyueroit lerceuesque Esteuen a sa eglis de Cantorbirs, et li priour de Cantorbirs, et lez moignes. Et qil iammes prendroit en sa main ne ferroit prendre lez biens de faint eglis encountre le gree dy ceaux as queux lez bien ferroint, et qil ferroit plener restitucioun dez biens de saint eglis, et qe

faint eglis ioyeroit fa fraunchife auxi plainement com einz foleit en temps faint Edmound le confessour. Qant cest fourme dacorde fust sy puruew et ordene el fust escript en vn escript endente, et mistrent lours seals dun part et dautre. Et lez gatre auaunt ditz euefges pristrent lun party del endenture vers eaux, et lez autres porterent lautre party pur moustreir au roy. Et gaunt le roy lentendy il fu bien apayne de ganque fust ordene faufe de la restitucioun dez biens, a cel point ne se voloit acorder. remaunda a les auaunt ditz euesges fils vousifsent cel point ofter, mes ils respounderent qe iames vn soul mote del auaunt dit sourme ne chaungerent. Donges mande le roy al ercheuesge par meismes lez gatre euesges auauntditz, gil venist meismes od ly parler a Cantorbirs, et ly maunda sa lettre patent de fauuement venir et retourner, et estre ceo il ly troua bons pleges de fauf conduyt, cest affauoir, sez justices Gerard le Peitewin, Willam de la Bruer, et Johan le fitz Hugh, qil en lour conduyt faufement vendroit et retourneroit a sa volounte. Et en cest maner veint lerceuesque Esteuen a Cantorbirs. Et qunt le roy sauoit qil estoit venus il meismes veint a Chilham, qar plus pres ne voloit il venir, mais maunda al erceuesque leuesque de Wincestre, qil voloit ofter la restitucioun dez biens prises de faint eglis del endenture auant nome. Et lerceuesque iura qe iames vn foul mote ne chaungeroift de lour ordinaunce, et iffi retourna lerceuesque a la court sanz plus faire. Le roy se corousa donges plus qe deuaunt, et fist vn comune crie par tout Engletere qe trestouz ceaux qe rent de faint eglis auoint et furent outre mere qils veniffent en Engletere a lour rentis par vn certain iour, ou fi ceo noun ils perderoint lour rentes a remenaunt. Il maundast a chescun viscount par my sa terre fa lettre qils enquissent si nul euesque, abbe, priour, ou autre prelat de faint eglis de cel iour en auaunt refceuffent nul maundement del apoftoil par lettre ou par bulle ou en nul autre maner, qils enperniffent lours corps et les amenassent deuaunt le roy, et enporteroint Iuys, et gils preissent en fa main totz lez rentes de faint eglis qe furrount donez par lerceuefque Esteuen de Langtoun, ou par le prior de Cantorbirs apres la eleccioun ly auaunt dit erceuesque Esteuen; et comanda qe touz lez boys lerceuesque furent venduz et destrutz.

En cel temps lez Irroys comencerent leuer encountre le roy Johan,

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par quoi il fe adressa daler en Ireland, et prist raunsoun dez Jues par my Engleter deuaunt foun aler; cest affauoir vi. foitz lx. cent marcz. pria auxi as moignes de Sisteaux qils ly eidassent dun certain noumbre de pecone, mais ils disoint qils ne losoient faire saunz lour chief abbei de Sifteux, pur quoi il se corousa as eaux si que a soun reuenir de Ireland il lez fist taunt de anguys qils ne sauoint quel part tournire et lez reuit greuousement, qar il prist si grefe raunson de chescun mesoun qe la som total amounta a iij. foitz a xxx. mile et iij. cent marcz, issi qils furount destruitz et lesserount lour mesouns, si furent resceuz en autres mesouns fol. 181.b. de religioun. Et labbe de Wawerley doutast taunt la malice le roy qe il lessa playnement sa mesoun et sen ala de nuyt en tapinage, et se mist outre mere et demurra a Sisteus. Qant le nouel veint a lepostoil de taunt de malice et crualte del roy il estoit durement anuyez, et enuoya Engleter al roy ij. legatis, Pandulf et Durand, gils ly deissent de la part lepostoil qil cessast de sa persecucioun a faint eglis et as gentz de religioun, qil amendat le tort qil auoit fait al erceuesque et al prior de Cantorbirs et a tout la clergie de la terre, et qil feist plener restitucioun dez biens qil auoit pris de eaux encountre lour volounte, ou si noun qils escomengeassent le roy par noune. Et a cest chos confermer lour bailla sa lettre en bulle. Lez ij. legatis vindrent en Engleter et alerent au roy a Northamtoun, ou il teint parlement od foun barnage, et ly faluerent et difoient, "Sire," fount ils, "nous fumes venuz del apostoil pur refourmer la pees de faint eglis et de la terre, et vous amonestoms tout au comencement depar le apostoil qe vous facez plener restitucioun dez biens qe vous auez rauy de faint eglis, et qu vous resceyuez lerceuesque Esteuen, et qil pusse saufement a sa eglis venir et la dignete gouerner com erceuesque en doit faire; et que vous resceiuez le priour de Cantorbirs et sez moignes, et rendez al erceuesque et as ceaux touz lours terres sanz rien retenir; et qe vous facez entier restitucioun as eaux de lours biens qe vous auez rauy, detenu, et despenduz par voz ministres." Donges dist le roi, " endroit del prior de Cantorbirs et fez moignes ferray ieo voluntiers qanque auez dit et ordeigne, mes éndroit del erceuesque ieo vous dirray qe me gift au quer ieo voil qil renouncy lerceuesche plenerment, et qe le apostoille me pri pur ly et ieo ly durra par auenture ascun euesche

en ma terre, et en cest maner ly resceyueray ieo volountiers. Mais fil ne reueygne en ma tere com erceuesque ia si bon conduyt ny auera qe ieo ne ly ferra pendre." Dunqes dist li legat Pandulf a le roy, "saint eglis ne foloit vnges degarder erceuefque faunz refonable enchefoun, mais il foleit, et vnqor doit, reprendre princes qi fount rebelis et nient obeifauntz a Dieux et a faint eglis." "Coment!" fait ly roy, "me manacez vous?" "Nenil!" feit Pandulf, "mais vous nous auez descouert apartement la volounte de vostre quer, nous vous descouerons ore apartement la nostre volounte. Sachez qe le apostoil vous ad escomange pur moultz des trespas, greuauncez, et damagez, qe fait auez a saint eglis et a la clergie, nomement as euesques, abbes, priours, et autres gentz de religioun, as parfouns et as autres ministres de faint eglis; et pur ceo qe vous demorez vnqor en vostre malice, ne ne voillez a fatiffaccioun venir ne estre obedient a Dieu ne al apostoil qi tout faint eglis ad a gouerner, fachez qe de cest iour en auaunt la sentence que vous est donc tient lieu et effecte. Et ceaux gi ount comunee od vous auaunt cez hours, countis, barouns, cheualers, efquiers, et touz autres, qi qils foient, nous lez affoilloms quitement tanque en cest iour. Mais touz ceaux qi comounerount od vous de cest iour en auaunt, de quel condicioun qe ils soient, nous lez escomengeoms apertement, et assoilloms quitement countis, barouns, cheualers, clerkes et lays, Franceis et Engleis, dez homages, feutes et feruys qe ils vous doyuent. Et a ceft chos pronouncier parmy Engleter nous donoms playn poair as esuesques de Wyncestre et de Norwiche, et en Escoce as euesques de faint Andreu et de Glascow, et en Wales a le euefqe de faint Dauid et de Landath et de faint Affath. Et par tout Cristiante maunderoms as euesqes qi sount de la la mere qils facent touz ceaux qi eide ou counsail vous ferrount, ou dorount, en nul bosoigne qe vous eiez a faire en nul part del mounde, et qils affoilount quitement de lour pecchez touz ceaux qi voudrent leuer counter vous de guere. nous lez affoilloms ensement par auctorite del apostoil, et gils vous greuent et gerroient en totez lez maners qils fauerount en remissioun de lour pecchez com cely qest lenemy Dieu et faint eglis." Donqes dit le roy, "quoi poez vous plus faire?" "nous vous dioms," fet Pandulf, "in verbo Dei, qe vous, ne heire qi auer poez, outre cest iour purra estre

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corone." Donges dift le roy, "par cely gest roy sure toutez roys si ieo pus entendu a uostre primer venu qe vous me pussez porte tiels nouelis com vouz auez porte, ieo vous vf fait cheuaucher vn ane entierment." Donges respoundy Pandulf, "nous quidams," fift il, "a nostre primer venu qe vous voudriez auoir este obedient a Dieu et a saint eglis, et auoir fait folonc le maundement le apostoil, mais nous vous auoms troue rebel en totes chosis, par quoi nous vous auoms moustre et pronouncie la volounte del apostoil, dount il nous chargea. Et pur ceo ditez vous, qe vous nous volez auoir fait cheuauche vn an entierment, auxi bien poez vous auoir dit qe vous nous vouderez auoir fait pendre vn an entierment. Mais pur la mort fuffreir, a quel vous nous fauerez mettre, nous ne lefferoms qe nous ne vous dirroms plenerment nostre message dount nous fol. 182. b. fuoms charge." Donqes comaunda le roy au foresters et a autres bailles qi ia furount prefentz, qils amenaffent deuaunt ly touz ceaux qi furent liez en prisoun, et maunda gils fussent mys a la mort deuaunt Pandulf, pur ly espounter, et quida par taunt qe Pandulf volount pur poour repeller gange il auoit dit et pronouncie encountre le roy. Et gant lez prifouns furount amenez deuaunt le roy il fist pendre lez vns, et ascuns fist creuer lez oiles de la test, entre queux y auoit vne clerk, fauseour de la money, et le roy comaunda qil fust treyne et puis pendu. Et qant Pandulf oift le comandement il faillift fus maintenaunt et demaunda lyuer et chaundel, et voloit escomenger touz ceaux qi mistrent mains en ly, et il meismes ala auaunt quer le chaundel et le roy ly sua, si ly deliuera le clerk par la mayn qil enfift sa volounte de ly, issi fust le clerk deliuers si fen ala. Et Pandulf et foun compaignour Duraunt fen partirent del roy et retournerent al apostoil, et luy counterent qe le roy ne se voloit amendre mais demora escomenge. Le apostoil graunta parmy Engleter cel ane qe hom pooit priuiement chaunter messe en cathedralis eglis pur faire eukarist de doner as maladez qui deuient passer, et qe hom pooit par tout baptizer enfauntz. Qant le apostoil entendy et sauoit que le roy ne fe uoloit nul maner amendre, il maunda par fa lettre au roy de France gil en remissioun de sez pecchez preist ouesque ly tout soun poair de Fraunce et alast en Engleter pur destruyer le roi Johan et ly mettre a hount. Et qant cest nouel veint au roy donqes se douta il malment

perdre foun regne et estre mys a la mort, et maunda certains messagers al apostoil qil se voudroit iusticer et venir a satisfaccioun en totes chosis a fa volounte. Lez messagers vindrent al apostoil et ly counterent la volounte le roy et gil se amendroit en toutes chosis et serroit satisfaccioun as toutez gentz folonc fa ordenaunce. Le apostoil ly maunda ouesques fez meffagers autre foitz Pandulf en Engleter au roi Johan, qi vindrent a Cantorbirs ou le roy auoit attendu vn qindezein et plus, et le xiij. iour de May le roy dona caucioun destre a lez maundementz ly apostoil deuaunt le legate Pandulf sure toutez chosis pur quelis il estoit escomenge, et qil ferroit restitucioun as toutz gentz de saint eglis dez biens qil auoit pris de eaux encountre lour gree. Et tretouz lez grantz seignours de Engleter iurerent fure faintez qe si le roy ne voloit soun ferement tenir ils ly ferront faire de force. Donqes offrist le roy al court de Rom et sol. 183. rendy fus al apostoil soun regne Dengleter et de Irreland pur ly et pur touz fez heires qi vindrent apres ly, iffi qil le reprendroit de la main le apostoil et le tendroit de ly com a fee ferme, rendaunt par ane pur toz chosis al court de Rome mile marcz dargent. Donges prist le roy la coroune de fa test et famist as genoils et dist cez parolis, oiauntz toutz gentz qe la furount dez grantz seignurs Dengleter, "Ieo refigne icy la coroune et le regne Dengleter et le renk fus en la mayn le apostoil Innocent, et me mette tout en fa merci et en fa ordenaunce." Donges resceuft Pandulf la coroune et la tient v. iours ouesge ly en soun poair en le noun del apostoil, auxi com pur seisin prendre del regne Dengleter. Et tout cest chos afferma le roy et conferma par sa chartre en cestes "A touz Cristiens generalement, Johan, par le grace de Dieu roy Dengleter, et c.*, salutz. A vostre universite conu chos faceoms par cestez noz lettres presentes, qe com nous auoms offendu Dieu et nostre faynt mere eglis, pur ceo auomes meister de la grace nostre Seignur, et nous ne pooms my chos dignement offrir pur competente fatiffaccioun faire a Dieu et a faint eglis, fi y ne foit de nostre corps et noz regnes Dengleter et de Ireland; adonqes par la grace del Saint Espirit nous voloms humilier nous, et pur lamour cely qi fe humilia a la morte en la croice, par le counfail dez noz nobles countis et barouns et franchement grauntoms a Deu et al apostoil, faint Pier et saint Poel, et a nostre saint



mere eglis de Rome et al seignour ly apostoil Innocent le tierce, et as fez fuccessours, tout le droit del patronage que nous eioms hu realme Dengleter et de Ireland. Od tout le droit et od touz lez apurtenaunces pur remissioun auoir de noz pecchez, et pur falu dez almes de toz noz auncestres et dez almez de touz Cristiens; issy que desormes nous reteneroms et tendroms de Dieux et de nostre faint mere eglis de Rome com a fee ferme, fesauntz de ceo feaute au seignur lapostoil Innocent le tierce, et a toz fez fuccessours, solonc la sourme auaunt dit en la presence ly sage bere Pandulf sutz dekne ly apostoil, et si deuaunt ly purroms eftre ferroms toutes cestez choses auaunt nomez. Et nous nous obligeoms et nos fuccessours et noz heires pur touz iours, qi en meisme la maner reconissent et facent homage liege et feaute, saunz countredit, al apostoil qi pur le temps serra, et qe nous ensement pardoms aremenaunt la garde dez eglisis vacauntz adoners enseigne. Et en perpetuelte de chel chose, et de nostre perpetuel obligacioun et concessioun, nous uoloms et establisoms que noz propres especials rentes de noz auauntditz regnes, fauue le dener faint Piere en toutes chosis, la nostre mere eglis de Rome refceyuez par ane mile marcz dargent a dieus termes pur toutez coustoms qe faire deuoms pur lez auaunt ditz regnes; ceo est a fauoir, a la faint Michel v. cent marcz, et a la pask d. marcz, cest assauoir, vij. cent marcz pur le regne Dengleter, et iij. centz pur le realme Sauue a nous et as noz heires, noz justices, noz francheis, de Ireland. et nos autres regautes gappendount a la coroune. Et toutez ceftes chosis, com auaunt est dit, voloms qe touz iours permainent fermes et estables, et a ceo obligioms nous et noz successours en cest sourme, qe si nous, ou nul de noz fucceffours auaunt nomez, ou nul de eaux, par fole presumpcion veigne encountre nul point de cestes chosis auaunt escriptz, et soit amoneste et ne se voet maintenant amender, perde le regne et le droit du regner pur touz iours. Et qe cest nostre chartre, nostre obligacioun, et nostre graunt, pur touz iours soit establi, si sist feaute par cestez parolis.—Ieo ferray de cest iour en auaunt, feal et leal a Dieu, et a saint Pere, et al eglis de Rome, et al seignour ly apostoil Innocent le tierce, et as sez successours, et le patremoigne saint Piere; especialment le regne Dengleter et de Irland loialment maintendray et defendray encountre

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tout gent a moun poair, si me eide Dieux et lez seintes,—Teste, etc." Qant cest chartre fust ensi fait et ensealle le roy resceust areir sa coroune del main Pandulf, et maunda maintenaunt al erceuesque Esteuen, et as touz lez autres qe il auoit exille de fa terre, qils reuenissent en Engleter a receyuoir lour terres et lour rentes, et qe il lour ferroit restitucioun dez biens qil auoit pris de eaux countre lour gree. Le roy meismes, et Pandulf, et countis et barouns, sen alerent touz a Wincestre encountre lerceuesque, qe pur attendre sa venu et lez autres euesqes, et qant lerceuesque y estoit venuz le roi ly ala encountre et chei en croice a sez pees, et dist, "beau pier, vous soiez bien venuz, et vous cri mercy de qange ieo ay trespasse encountre vous." Lerceuesque se prist entre sez braz et li baifa, et puis ly amena par la main al huis faint Swithun a Wyncestre, et ly affouft de la fentence et luy recouncila a Dieu et a faint eglis, et ceo fust le iour la virge faint Margaret. Et le erceuesque alast maintenaunt la messe chaunter et le roy le oy, si osfrist vn marc dore; et maintenaunt apres la messe tretoz resceurent lour terres et lour rentez et fol. 184. menerent cel iour en grant ioy. Mais unque ne fu pas lendredit releffe, pur qe le apostoil auoit maunde par ces lettres qe lendredit ne fu point releffe tanque le roy oft fest plener restitucioun dez biens qil auoit rauy de faint eglis, et tanque il meismes auoit fait homage al apostoil par vn certain legat qil enuoieroit en Engleter. Donges fen partift Pandulf del roy et del erceuesque et retourna a lostel al apostoil. Lerceuesque fift toft apres affembler lez prelates treftouz de faint eglis a Ridynges, pur traiter et counsailler quel chos et combien ils demaunderoint del roy pur la restitucioun faire dez biens qil auoit pris et rauy dez prelatez de Et issi ount trete et counsaille entre eaux que le roy dona al erceuesque pur sa restitucioun iij. mile marcz, et as tretouz apertire comunement entre eaux folonc lordinaunce et la discrecioun lerceuesque xv. mile marcz. Et meisme celle ane Nicholas euesque de Tuscane, cardinal et penitauncer de la court de Rome, veint en Engleter par comaundement le apostol, le v. kalends Doctobre, pur resceyuer le homage le roy Johan, qe il et sez successours et sez heires saunz countredit et feintise et saunz trechery tenderoint perpetuelement lez regnes Dengleter et de Ireland de Dieux et faint Piere et del auaunt dit apostoil Innocent



et de fez successours, rendaunt par ane mile marcz, sicom auaunt est dit. Et si tost com il auoit fait foun homage le legat ly moustra la lettre ly apostoil qil rendisast a Berenger, qe su fem le roy Richard soun freir, la tierz party de toutes sez rentes Dengleter qui auoit detenu puis sa mort. Quant il auoit cest chos oy il estoit durement greue, et lentredit ne pooit en nul maner eftre releffe par comaundement ly apostoil tange le roy out fait le affeitz Berenger de sa demaunde. Luy legat tourna areir al apostoil apres Nowel. Et le roi Johan maunda certains messageres outre a Berenger pur auoir sa grace et relesse de ceo qel demaunda, mais il ne pooit grace trouer. Au darain aueint gel morust tost apres la pasche, et issi demora le roy quit de cel tempest. Et donges maintenant a la natre faint Johan le baptist suaunt, lerceuesque et tout la clergie Dengleter tindrent vn grant counfail a Loundres, et par mandement le apostoil illoeges fust lentredit Dengleter relesse, le secound iour de Juli le vij. ane de cel entredit. Et lendemain hom fona et chaunta messe fol. 184. b. par toutes lez eglifes de Loundres, et iffi de iour en iour par tout Engleter.

Lan prochein fuaunt vn graunt descord sourdist entre le roy et lez barouns, par la resoun qil ne uoloit suffrir lez loys estre tenuz, lez queux le bon roy faint Eduuard le confessour auoit establi, et furount tenuz et vsez iesqes a cel temps, qil lez auoit enfreint et corrumpu qar il ne voloit nul loy tenir, mais fift sa volounte en toutes chosez qe ly vindrent au quer. Il desherita ascuns gentz saunz resoun ou iugement de lour peres; et le bon count Randulf de Cestre uoloit auoir desherite, pur ceo qil ly reprist fouent de sa malice, et nomement pur ceo qe il ly blama et dit qil fesoit graunt hount a Dieu et a saint eglis qil haunta la semme soun freir demein, le count de Bretaigne, la qel il meismes Randulf auoit espose et oue qey il estoit departy par counsail du dit roy, pur quoi fust suppose qui morust faunz engendrure tout prist il a sem Clemence le seile le count de Ferers. Qy Randulf ly reprocha quil purieust plosours autres femmes et feilis dez bons gentz de la terre, que il ne esparnia nul dez queux il auoit talent. Lez barouns fez coroucerent malement et ly uoloint gerroyer, fi fez mustrent comunement a Loundres et pristrent ascent a peifer cel descord. Ly roy et lerceuesque et lez grantz seignours de

la terre deuaunt la fest faint Johan en vn pre pres de Stanes, gest appelle Rynimede, et fist illoeges as eaux le roy vn chartre dez plusours frauncheis tiels com ils voloint demaundre. Et par taunt sez furount adonges entreacordez, mais cel acorde ne durra geris qar le roy tost apres veint encountre lez pointes del chartre que il meifmes auoit graunte, par qoy la greignour partye dez grantz seignours de tout Engleter fez affemblerent et comencerent leuer countre le roy, et arderent fez maners et lez robberent et ly furent lez damages qils fauoint, et fez afforcerent en toutes maners qils pooint de ly ofter Dengleter et fair Lowys fitz le roy Phelip de France roy de cest terre. Et le roy maunda outre mere et fist venir taunt de poair dez Normauntz, Picardez, et Flemyngs, qe a grant peyne Engleter lez pooit resceiuer et sustener. Entre queux y ou vn Normaund, qe out a noun Faukes de Breute, vn deable, vn tyraunt; cesti et sa gents ne esparnirent ne mesoun de religioun, ne esglises, qils ne robberent nettement et enporterent gange ils pooint trouer; issi qe en poy de hour, qe par entre lez gentz le roy dun part et lez barouns dautre fol. 185. part, tout la terre fust destruyt. Lez barouns estuerent dez plus fages et de meutz parlauntz dez grantz seignours de la tere de lour confideracioun, fi lez enuoierent outre mere a le roy Phelip de Fraunce et luy prierent qil vousift envoier en Engleter soun sitz Lowys pur estre roy et resceyuer la coroune. Qant le roy cest chos auoit oy et entendu il fesoit certain alliaunce entre eaux, qi Lowys foun fitz irroit ouesqes eaux en Engleter et ferroit roy par lour comune eleccioun, et enchacerount le roy Johan. Et touz ceaux qe furount la prefentz fesoint maintenant homage a Lowys et deuindrent fez homs, et lez barouns fez tindrent en la cite de Loundres iesques la venu Lowys, et ceaux qi ly aloient quer. Et fait a fauoir, qe le famady prochein deuaunt lassencioun, le xij. kalends de Juny, cesti Lowys, fitz et heire le roy de France, veint en Engleter od grant poair. Et pur ceo qe le roy Johan auoit baille touz lez chastels de la terre en la garde dez alienes, Lowys veint a Rowcestre et assegea le chaftel, fi le prift par force le Lundy del pentecoste, et sist pendre lez aliens qy y furount. Et le Judy apres vint il a Loundres ou il estoit noblement refcieus dez barouns qi illoeges luy auoint longement attenduz, et ly fesoint homage tretouz, et lez Loundreis auxi qi furent de lour



alliaunce. Et puis le mardy apres la trinite il prift le chastel de Raygate, et lendemain le chastel de Gildford, et le vendredy apres le chastell de Farnham. Et le lundy de la semayn procheyn apres la cite de Wyncestre ly fust rendu, et lendemain de le saint Johan, le maner del euesque de Welpey. Et le samady apres le vtas dez apostels saint Pere et saint Poel il prift le chastel de Odeham. Et la lundy apres la saint Margaret il fe mist vers Douer od grant ost pur asseger le chastel, et demura illoeges plus de xv. iours mais rien ne esploita, et donqes sen party de illoeqes et veint a Loundres, et la tour de Loundres luy fust renduz. Et meisme le temps qe ceo fu ly apostoil enuoya Engleter vn legate, Gwalo, soun prestre, cardinal faint Martin, pur maintener la party le roy encountre lez barouns; mes lez barouns auoint fi grant poair par Lowys et fa gent qe le roy ne fauoit quel part tournir.

En quel temps Alexander fitz le roy Willam Descoce, soun pier mort, fist grauntz destrucciounz au roi Johan, de qi il auoit rescieu lordre de fol. 185. b. cheualerie. Il affat le chaftel de Mitteford, et puis le chaftel de Norham, prift lez homages dez plufours grantz seignours de Northumbreland et du Counte de Euerwik, et lour rescetta countre le roy Johan, pur quoi le roy Johan fist destruyer lour terres. En quel temps le chastel de Morpeth fust abatu et tout Lownes, et la marche de Escoce ars, au repair du roy Johan. Le dit roy Alexander affift Cardoil et la prift oue le chaftel, de ou il se muyst od grant ost parmy Engleter tanque a Douyr pur auoir encountre Lowys le fitz le roy de France, com acorde fust de tretice auaunt le hour; mais ne encounterent my a cel foitz, mais firent autre foitz autre part a la venu Lowys, ou Alexander ly fift homage au gife dez autres, pur quoi fez terres encourerent la fentence del entredit com lez autres firent qencountre le roy Johan rebellerent, par le pronouncement de Gwalo le legate du pape qi fuppuail y mist au roy Johan com en foun vassail. Et aueint issi qe le roy Johan uoloit estre al a Nichol, et veint encheminaunt al abbey de Swinysheued, et herbisa illoeges, et demura ij. iours, et par cas la ly prist vn fodeigne malady, et puis sen party de illoeqes et veint a Newark, et la malady ly greua taunt qil ne poait auaunt aler, mais ieust illoeges iij. iours ou iiij. et morust lendemain de faint Luk leuangelist. Il auoit bele engendrure, cest assauoir, Henry

foun fitz qi regna apres ly, et Richard qi puis fust count de Cornewail, Isabel qe fust emperice de Rome, Elianor qe puis fust done a Lewlin, et Johan royne Descoce. Cesti Johan qant il auoit regne xvij. aunz, v. moys et v. iours, il morust, com deuant est dit, en le chastel de Neuark, et gift enterre a Wincestre. Les vns cronicles dient qe com le roy seoit a manger a Swinisheued qe il demaundoit vn moigne de leens quoi valuft vn pain gestoit sure la table deuaunt ly; le moigne respoundist qil valust vn dener. "Si ieo vife," fesoit le roy, "vn ane, il vaudra x. s.," pur quel parole le moigne ly fist empusoner dun hanope de seruoise qil ly aporta, qi ly fist entendre qe ceo estoit bon qi ensist la credence, de qoi il morust procheignement. Le roy enmaladift et morust a Newark.

En quel temps apres le roy Johan estoit Honorius le 8. pape apres Innocent 10. aunz et 8 mois, qi conferma lordre de precheours, quy doutable effoit a foun predeceffours. Saint Fraunces fift comencer lordre fol. 186. dez freres menours pres de la cite de Affys meisme la fesoun. Cesti pape Honorius corona Frederik le 2. en emperour, qi regna 33 aunz. Le dit Frederik estoit au comencement humble et obeisaunt a faint eglis mais puis enfist tregraunt violence, pur quoi estoit escomenge du dist pape Honorius, quel fentence foun fuccessour Gregoir renouela. Le dit Frederik enprisona soun sitz propre Henry roy de Allemayn en vile prisoun a la mort, pur quoi le pape affoila lez barouns del empire du charge de lour feaute et homage au dit Fredrik. Afcuns croniclis deuisent qu nuly ne ly oisast pronouncier la sentence tanque vn freir Jacobin lenprist enginousement, qi veint au presence du dit Frederik qi ly disoit, "Sire," fesoit il, "il y auoit iadiz vn lioun si fort et siers qe nul best se pooit garder de ly a qy il auoit corage. Aueint enfi qen vn chaude iour de efte vn mouche venoit fere entre fez dieus oilles ge ly mordist ferement." "Qy es tu," fesoit ly lioun, "qe me osez mordir?" "Ieo su vn mouche," fesoit lautre. "Vn mouche?" fesoit ly lioun, "qestez le plus cheitif best qe foit, mordez auaunt, qe si tu ne fusfez le plus cheitif best qe soit tu le acomparez, qar de toi ne me deigne venger." "Et fire," disoit ly Jacobyn, "ieo face comparifoun de ta seignourye au lioun, et de moun petit estat au mouche, qi te pronounce depar nostre faint pier ly apostoil la fentence en quoi tu es encorru pur ta rebellete encountre faint eglis."



"Voir," fesoit lemperour, "fi ne fust la comparisoun, et vous fussez dautre estat tu la senteres." Le di[t] emperour passa a la terre saint mes rien ne esploita, si reueint et sust depose par Innocent le 4, qi com assist vn chastel en Itail perdist soun tresor, pur quoi et pur nouelis qil auoit du pape sen sust en Apolia, qi tout sa vie estoit en debate od lez papes.

Apres cesti roy Johan Henry soun sitz, enfaunt de ix. aunz, fust corone le iour faint Symound et faint Jude a Gloucestre, del legat Gwalo, par counfail dez ascuns grantz seignours qi touz iours sez tindrent od soun pier le roy Johan. Et ceaux furount le count Randulf de Cestre, Willam le Marschal le count de Penbrok, le count de Ferers, Willam de la Bruer, Sauery de Mail. Et le temps cesti Henry en soun comencement fust comence le nouel oueray de Westmouster, en quel hour aueint le iour faint Luci vn fi trefgrant vent du northe que plufours mesouns, arbres et clocheris abatist, et furount vieus mauueis espiritz volauntz, et dragouns ardauntz. Les autres countis et barouns de la terre fuerent Lowys. y auoint auxi a foun coronement lez euefges de Wincestre et de Bath. Toft apres lencorounement le legate Gwalo teint vn counfail a Bristow a la fest faint Martin, ou il y auoint xi. euesqes Dengleter et de Wales, et autres prelatis de faint eglis a grant noumbre, et countis, barouns, et cheualeris a graunt fusoun qi la furont venuz; et tretouz ceaux par counfail et par comaundement del legat iurerent feaute al nouel roy corone Henry le tierce. Et pius tantost le legat entredist tot Walis, pur ceo qils tindrent od lez barouns, et tretouz ceaux qi lez eiderent ou counfail donerent de tenir gere encountre le roy Henry. Et tout au comencement mist en la sentence Lowis le sitz le roy de France. Nenne pur ceo il ala maintenant et prist le chastel de Berkhamstede et de Herford apres la fest de saint Lucie, et de cel hour en auaunt lez barouns fesoint si grauntz maus parmy la terre, et nomement lez Franceis qi furent venuz od Lowys, qe lez grantz seignours de la terre et tout le poeple comunement fez entre affurerent par ferement pur enchacer Lowys et fez gentz hors de la terre. Et vn grant partye dez barouns et dez Fraunceis ses auoint mys a Nichol et pris la vile et la tindrent et tenir la voloint a Lowis. Mais la vindrent lez gentz le roy Henry od grant

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poer, cest assauoir, le count Randulf de Cestre, Willam le Mareschal, et Willam de la Bruer, et autres grantz seignours, et donerent fort batail as barouns qi la furrount. Et illoeqes fust occis le count de Perches, et tout la descoumfiture tourna soure lez barouns. Et y surrount pris grantz seignours, cest a fauoir, Caer de Qincy count de Wyncestre, et Hounfray de Booun count de Herforde, et Robert fitz Waulter, et moultez dez autres barouns quoint mue la gere encountre le roy furount y pris et menez au roy, et mys en prisoun. Qaunt la nouel de cel descoumfiture veint a Lowys il alast maintenaunt a Loundres, et la teint il et fist fermer toutez lez portez forsqe vn. Et tost apres vindrent les gentz le roy od grant poair et taunt firent a Loundres qils renderent la vile al roy iffi qil lour graunteroit toutez lez fraunchies gils auoint ou folaient auoir et les confermeroit tout de nouel par fa chartre del grant feal. Et meisme cel feifoun vn grant seignour quoit a noun Eustace le moigne, od autres grantz seignours de France, uoloint estre venuz en cel terre od grant poair pur eyder Lowys. Mais Hubert de Burgh et lez v. portez, od viij. nefes foulement, lez encounterent en la mere et lez affailerent egrement, fi lez conquistrent et couperent lez testez Eustas le moygne, et pristrent dez grantz seignours de Fraunce et lez mistrent en prisoun, et tretouz lour nefes furount pris ou noez vnqes ne eschaperent fors xv. Lowys fauoit la nouel de cest mescheaunce il se douta durement estre descounfist et confoundu. Et donqes sust issi ordene et purparle entre le roy et ly par le legat et par lerceuesque de Cantorbirs et par autres grantz seignours de discrecioun, qe tretouz lour prifouns dun part et dautre ferrount delyuers et irrount quites. Et qil meismes aueroit pur fez despenses et pur sez damages mile liuers dargent et gil voideroit la terre faunz iames retourner. En cest maner prist la acorde entre le roy Henry et Lowys, et donqes fust il maintenaunt assous par le legate et par lerceuesque de Cantorbirs de la sentence dount il estoit escomenge, et lez barouns auxi. Et puis alerent tretoz a Mertoun, li legat, ly roy, et Lowys, et touz lez grantz seignours Dengleter, et toutz ceaux de France qestoint venuz od Lowys, et la fust pees conferme et estably entre le roi Henry et Lowys. Pius retourna Lowys de illoeges a Loundres et prift foun counge, et fust conueye a la mere a graunt honour del erceuesque

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et des autres euesques, et dez countis et barouns, et issi passa il areir en France; et en cest maner finist cest guere.

En lan del incarnacioun nostre seignour mile cc. x., a la pentecost, le roy Henry estoit derechief corone a Loundres del erceuesque de Cantorbirs, de que counsail le roy enuoya par tout le realme ensigne de pees que chescun alme de quel condicioun que fut ou de quele age par iij. iours suauntz rendroit iij. chapletis dez slures a lours seignours. A quy roy Henry Dieu dona bon peis et quyet; tanque a ses dareyns iours, cest a dire l. aunz et plus.

Puis apres en la an nostre seignour mile cc. xxi. Alexander roy Descoce esposa Johan la feille le roy Johan Dengleter a Eboracum. Meisme cel ane Margaret, seile le roy Willam Descoce, sust done en mariage a monsire Hubert de Burghe par comune counsail de ambedieus lez realmes.

En le ane apres Lowys roy de France countre foun ferement qil auoit fait au roy Dengleter fift grantz damages en lez parties de France et de Gascoyne.

En lan de nostre seignour mile cc. xxviij. Johan feile le roy Johan fol. 187, b. Dengleter, qe eirt femme le roy Alexander roy Descoce morust. Pius apres le roy et lerceuesque, countis et barouns, sez assemblerent a Loundres a la faint Michel procheigne fuaunt, et tinderent parlement et illoeges furount renouelez toutes lez fraunchies qe le roy Johan auoit graunte et par sa chartre conferme as lez barouns, queux sount vnqor Et donges prist le roy de chescun charu de terre de Engleter ij. s. Et Hubert de Burghe fust fait adonges chief justice de tout Engleter; et ceo fust le qart ane du reyne le roy Henry. Et meisme cest ane fust faint Thomas de Cantorbirs translate, le l. ane apres sa passioun, ou de Londres a Cantorbirs chescun auoit pain, vine, et prouendre, qe lez demaundoit del erceuesque Esteuen. Et puis fust purueu par comune counsail de tout le barnage qe touz lez aliens suffent deietuz de la terre, et qe le roy preift touz lez chafteaux en sa main queux soun pier le roy Johan auoit baille en garde as aliens, et issi fust fait. Mais ly estut li orgoillous Faukes de Breute, fist richement garnir et estosser soun chastel de Bedford qil auoit del doune le roy Johan et le teint a force encountre le roy Henry, et il veint la od grant poair, si la fist asseger, et lerceuesque

Esteuen de Langtoun y veint od grant compaigny dez vaillanz cheualers et esquiers pur eider le roy. Et durra lassege del pentecost iesqes lassumpcioun nostre dame, et donqes fust le chastel pris et le roy fist pendre touz lez homs qi leinz furount entrez de lour volontez, cest asauoir lxxx. homs; et tost apres Faukes meismes fust troue en vn eglis a Couyntre, et illoeges foriura il la terre. En temps cesti roy Henry, Edmound de Habindoune, tresorer de Sarisbiris, fust sacre erceuesque de Cantorbirs. Cesti roy Henry maunda au count de Prouince qil ly enuovast Elianor sa feile et il la prendroit a femme, issi qel ueint en Engleter tost apres le Nowel. Et lendemain de faint Hillair lerceuesque Edmound lez esposast ensemble a Cantorbirs, et as vtas de faint Hillair fust el corone a Westmouster oue graunt solempnete dez erceuesqes, euesqes, abbes, priours, countis, et barouns, clerks et lays, a grant honour. out entre eaux bele engendrure, cest a fauoir, Edward qi regna apres ly, Edmound foun frer vaillaunt cheualer et flore de largesce et curtoisy, Margaret qe puis fust royne de Escoce, Beatrice la countesse de Bretaigne, et Katarine qe morust virgine en religioun.

En quel hour Johan la femme le roy Alexandre Descoce et feile Johan le roy et fore a Henry, morust faunz engendrure. Le dit Alexandre prist a Roxburghe, le iour del pentecost, autre semme de outre mere extrait dez Couucys, qe auoit a noun Marie, de qey il engendra vn fitz qi out a noune Alexandre, li quel Alexandre esposa la primer feile cesti roy Henry, Margaret, a Noefchaftel sur Tyne, com le roy Henry y estoit venuz oue grant oft pur auoir guerroie Alexandre le pier qi au Noefchastelle enueint sure bon conduyt au roy Henry, ou furount peisez et alliaunce de lour enfauntz par mariage fait, qi al hour nestoient passez iiij. aunz de age. En quel hour le fitz le roy Henry, Edward, estoit de vi. aunz de age. Prochemeint morust Alexander roy Descoce le pier com en alaunt estoit deuers les iles de gerroier Orkeny, et fust aporte et enterre a Melros: soun fitz Alexandre corone au gyfe du pays de age de 8 aunz. Cesti Alexandre le fitz engendra de Margaret sa femme, feile le roy Henry de Engleter, ij. fitz, Alexandre et Dauid, qi touz dieus murerent deuant le pier. Il auoit auxi del dit Margaret vn feile qe autrefy out a noune Margaret, qe pius fust royne de Norway, qe royne

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de Norway auoit de foun seignour vn feile foulement qu out a noun Margaret, la maner de quy serra apres rementoyne.

Meisme le temps le ordre dez freirs menoures vindrent en Engleter, qe tost estoint enhabitez. Aueint issi qe le barnage voloit auoir ascuns addiciouns en la chartre dez frauncies gils auoint del roi Johan, et parlerent taunt entre eux qe le roy lour granteroit fraunchement ganque ils voloint demaunder par refoun, et lour fist donges chartres. La vn gest apelle la grant chartre dez fraunchies, et lautre la chartre del forest. Et pur la graunt de ceaux ij. chartres erceuesqes, euesqes, abbes, priours, countis, barouns, cheualeris et esquiers, et fraunkes homs de la terre, donerent au roy la quindezisme part de touz lour moebles, et les moyns del ordre de Cifteux pur auoir la bon uolointe le roy et pur auoir lez fraunchies grauntz as autres ils ly donerent meisme cel temps v. mile marcz dargent. Et qant le roy Henry auoit regne xliij. aunz meisme cel ane, il et tout le barnage Dengleter par lour comune afcent ordeinerent en la vile de Oxenforde, ou ils tindrent lour parlement, ascuns puruiauncez pur amendement del realme. Et iurerent tretoz entre eaux comunement, primes le roy et pius tretouz lez autres, qils tendroint cels puruiaunces pur touz iours, et qi lez enfrendroit feroit mauuys et deftruyt. Mes le fecound ane fuant apres, le roy par mauueis counfail qil auoit de foun fitz et de Richard foun freir, count de Cornewail, et dez autres, sen repenti del serement qe il auoit fait, et maunda par certains messagers al apostoil, et fust assous del serment qil auoit fait.

Et lan fuaunt apres y auoit fi grant cherete parmy la terre qe le quarter de furment ualoit xxiiij. s. Et donqes y auoit fi grant defaut de manger qe lez poures mangerent vrtics et autres herbes, et emfleyrent de feyme qils murrerent espessement par tout.

Et le xlviij. ane del regne le roy Henry comensa la guere entre ly et les barouns, pur ceo qil ensreint les couenauntz auaunt ditz, pur quoi plusours euesques et barouns enerdauntz au roy furent enprisonez par les barouns. Et meisme cel ane en quaresme sust la cite de Northamptoun pris, et lez Jues de Loundres occis a graunt multitude, pur ceo qils auoint purueu sieu Gregeoys pur auoir ars la vile de Loundres.

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Et en le May fuaunt apres le iour faint Pantaleon fust la batail a Lewys, cest assauoir le mekerdy deuaunt la faint Dunstane. Et illoeges furount pris ly roy meismes, et soun fitz Edward, et le count de Cornewail foun freir et lite del empire, et moultz autres.

Et lan fuaunt apres, Edward le fitz le roy eschapa hors de la garde Symound de Monforth a Herforde, com il auoit compasse, que vn questoit de fa couyne ly feist amener vn courseir pur achatre, si demaundoit counge de fez gardeins pur affaier le cheual, qi ne fez priftrent garde luy ottrierent counge. Il mounta le courfer, sen ala soun chemyn a lez barouns marchis, qi ly resceurent od grant ioy. Et del hour qil estoit eschape ils lesserent au large le roi soun pier; Roger de Mortimer estoit du couyne del eschape le dit Edward. Le countee de Cestre sust done a Symound de Mounforde. Et tost apres, cest assauoir le samady prochein deuaunt la goule de Aust, sire Edward descounsist Symound de Mounford le ioen a Kells, et a grant payn eschapa il meismes, mais lez grauntz seignours qi furount ouesque ly, cest assauoir, Baudewyn Wake, Willam de Monchenfy, Adam de Newmarche, et autres grantz seignours, furrount pris. Et le mardy apres fust la batail de Euesham, et illoeges furount le count Symound de Mounforde, Henry foun fitz, Hughe Defpenfer, Peris de Mounforde, Rauf Baffet, et plusours autres grantz seignours mortez, et moult par tresoun le count de Glowcestre, qi deuaunt lour eftoit enerdaunt. Apres cest batail moutz dez barouns et cheualers et dez autres gentilis homs, quoint este od le count Symound, furont fol. 189. desheritez; et sez ioindrent ensemble et fesoint grantz maus en plusours lieus parmy la terre et arderent mesouns et maners de lour enemys, et lour biens robberent.

Lan fuaunt apres en May, le gart iour deuaunt faint Dunstan, fust la descounfiture a Chestrefield de les desheritez, ou il auoit moltz de eaux occis, et Robert le count de Ferers fust pris illoeqes, et Baudewyn Wake, Johan de Neuyl, et Johan de la Hay a grant payn eschapa. Et maintenaunt la veile faint Johan le baptist apres suaunt comensa lassege de Kenilworth, et durra iesqes la veil saint Thomas lapostle deuaunt Nowel; a quel iour Henry de Hasting, qi auoit le chastel en garde, le rendy au

roy en cest fourme, qil et tretouz lez autres qi leinz furount od ly auerount vie et membre, cheueaux, armurs, et hernoys, et ganque il auoint leinz. Et auoint trois iours respite pur deliuerer le chastel nettement. Le roy entra le chastel. Symound de Monford le iuuen oue sa mere hurount condicioun a uoider le realme, si sen alerent en France.

En lan de grace mile cc. 52. Edward, le fitz et heir le roy Henry, auoit la duche de Giene du doun foun pier; en quel temps la terre fust taunt broille du folail faunz pluy qe apain ne portoit fruyt. Qi Edward prift a femme la feile le roy Despayne, et la esposa en leglise de Burges en Espayne, et com il venoit deuer leglis a cheual, com est la coustom du pays; leglis est en vn pendaunt, ou la terre del vn couste del eglis est plus haut de lx. peez par degres pendant, qe nest le pauement de leghs ou toutes gentz descenderent al huse de leglis. Ly dit Edward ferist le destreir dez esperouns, faillist einz outre le pendaunt dez greez, vn fi tremeruaillous faut faunz quaffer de ly, ou de foun cheual, qe a iour de huy y est memoir hu pays. Cesti Edward fust reueillous de peise, et de guere hauntoist lez armes en estraunges terres, et en ioustes et tournays, qi grant renoune conquift. En cel temps apparust lestoille comete notourment. Le cardenal Ottobon enueint de Rome en Engleter, qi plufours constituciouns enmist en faint eglis en Engleter, par mediacioun de gi lez countis et barouns genherdaunz estoint au count Symound de Mounford estoint peisez au roy pur gref raunsoun, pur quel raunsoun lez terres le count de Fereirs fount vnqor engagez. Le dist roy Henry rumpy as comunes ceo qe deuaunt auoit graunte en fa grant chartre, fol. 189, b. fours del auaunt dit guere dez barouns. Lez barouns qi estoint leuez oue Lowys de France nestoint my desheritz par condicioun taille en pese fefaunt oue cesti roy Henry, mais toz lez clerks que enherdauntz estoient ou obeifauntz au dit Lowys estoint depriuez de lour beneficez, ou enuoiez au faint pier lapoftoil a punire solon la qantite de lour trespas. peife fust fait entre Lewlin et le roy en maner qu'es sez appelleroint princes, noun pas roys; et qe lez seignours de Galis ferroint homage auxi bien au roy com au prince, et pur raunfoun de 30000 marcz, et la peise trete par Octobon le legate, et pur misericord qe le roy auoit de Dauid le fitz Lewelin que se mist de toute en sa grace. En le temps cesti

roy Henry, fitz le roy Johan, fust vn clerk attaint au counsail de Oxsenforde, qil auoit ymagine par engine sure foun corps lez plais du Sauueour, pur quoi fust iuge au mort. En quil temps Johan, sitz David de Escoce, engendre de la fore Randulf count de Cestre, esposa la feile Lewlin prince de Galis, estaunchement de la guer entre le dit prince et le dit count Randulf. Qi count apres foun repaireir de la terre faint morust faunz heire de foun corps. La counte de Cestre remainoit a Johan soun neuew Descoce, qi Johan fitz Dauid, le count de Huntingdoun et del Geruyagh, morust faunz heire de soun corps; pur qoi la counte de Cestre enueint au main le roy, mais ia le mainz, le roy fist faire gree as fores le dit Johan pur ceo qe tiel regaute ne deuoit estre departiz entre semmes, le iffu dez quelis fores est apres rementinez. En meisme le hour veint Johan le roy de Jerufalem en Engleter, a demaundre fuccours de la terre de promissioun. Quel temps Galis sust tout entredit. Dengleter graunterent a cesti roy Henry le garde de lours heyres dedenz age de xxi. ane. Qy roy Henry primes prift le escuage, et plusours autres taillages. Il uoloit alafoitz fere perfonalment en baunk entre fez justices en sez iugementz. En quel temps Willam de Brewes sust accuse a Lewlyn prince de Galis de auoutry de sa femme, pur quoi il ly fist pendre et enprisoner la princesse, pur qoy ensourdy grant guere entre le roy Henry et le dit Lewelin. Otho, vn legat de la court de Rome, fust chace et assege en le clocher de Oseney dez escolers de Oxsenforde, pur debat mieu entre sez gentz et eaux compassoit parmy la cite; pur qoi la vniuersite sust entredit taunque touz lez regentz del vniuersete vindrent sol. 190. deschaucez parmy la cite de Loundres a quer pardoun. Vn clerk uoloit auoir mordri cesti roy Henry en sa chaumbre a Wodstok, qi fust descouert au crie dun faint femme, pur qoy le dit clerk fust trayne a Couyntre. En cel temps les Tartries firent grant destruccioun en Hungry et enuiroun, pur quoi lez paisenes mangerent de mesches lour enfauntz et terre de mountains. Cesti roy Henry, sitz le roy Johan, relessa au roi de Fraunce Normendy, et plusours terres outre mere. En cel temps fust la coroune dez espinis au Sauueour aporte en France. En quel temps estoit tiel oscurete en Loundres, ou foudre si terrible, qe le poeple voiderent leglis faint Poel de poour com le euesque chauntoit la messe, ou nuls ne



demura fors que lez ministres entour le auter. Meisme la seisoun lez Jues estoint amenez deuaunt le dit roy Henry pur ceo qils auoint circumcise vn enfaunt a Norwiche et pius crucifie, et le auoint musse vn an, qi par miracle fust descouert. Le auaunt dit Edward prist le veage en la terre faint, et od ly Johan de Bretaine, Johan de Vescy, Thomas de Clare, Roger de Clifford, Othes de Garaunfoun, Robert de Bruys, et Johan de Nerdon. Il menast od ly sa femme, que ount a Acres vn feile en lour demore, que puis fust countesse de Gloucestre. Vn haut affise fust enuoye du soudane pur auoir mordry le dit Edward, qi en totez fines voloit auoir parle foul oue le dit Edward ou il estoit amene en sa chaumbre, et quunt touz furount uoidez ly mauueys uoroit auoir feru le dit Edward en droit du quer, qi genchi le coupe si ly fery hu quyse, quel play ne fust vnqes fors surefainez. Edward ly aracha le cutele, si ly tua, ly fist hors getter. En quel temps de sa demore en Acres soun pier le roy Henry se lessa morir a Londres apres ceo qil auoit regne lvj. aunz, xix. iours, le iour faint Edmound le roy [et] martyr, en lan de grace mile, cc.lxxij., pur quoy foun fitz Edward enueint de la terre faint. Si enlessa foun freir Edmound count de Langcastre et de Laicestre en Acres. Cesti Henry fust peisible, benigne, et innocent de coustom, il y out peise en soun temps xlvj. aunz, tanque au darain par excitement de foun fitz Edward, et counfail de foun freir count de Cornewail, qauoit la eleccioun del empir et auoit rescieu vn de fez corouns a Ake.

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En le temps cesti roy Henry sust Gregoir le 9. pape 14 aunz apres Honorius, qi pape sist pronouncer la sentence sure le emperour Fredrik; qi Frederik auoit espose Isabelle la sore cesti roy Henry Dengleter. La sene du Rome surount corrumpuz par lauoir du dit emperour encountre le dit pape, qi emperour sist prendre plusours prelatis et dieus cardinalis com passerent par mere, et auxi Otho ly legat, com venoit Dengleter; assist le pape en Rome, tanque par miracle lez queris dez Romains surount enmolluez par le processioun du dit pape, qi porte en sez mains de saint Laterain a saint Pier lez testes dez apostles saint Pier et saint Poel, pur qoy le dit emperour sen suy. Le dit pape Gregoir prist les dismes de saint eglis en Engleter. Il sist freir Reimound, vn Jacobin, compiler plusours liuers de decretailles. Apres qi Gregoir le 9. sust Celestin le

Apres qi la see fuft voide vn ane. En quel temps 4. pape vn mois. morust saint Edmounde lerceuesque de Cantorbirs. Innocens le 4. fust pape apres Celestin xi. aunz et 6 moys. Il fist freir Hugh Jacobin vn cardenal, qi compila lez concordauntz du Bible. Cesti pape sist canonicer Edmound de Pounteney, et fift notirement publier la rebelete de Fredrik lemperour. En quel temps en Thollet, en Espayne, vn Jeu, com soua en foun gardyn, troua defoutz terre vn cest, dedens quoi estoit vn lyuer efcript dez lettres de Grec, Hebreu, et Latin, plufours notabilites du trinite; pur quoi il deueint Cristien. Apres Fredrik, Manifredus, soun sitz, od la trefour de Cefile mainteint lempire, tanque Charlis le freir le roy de Fraunce luy enchafa. Le dit pape Innocent procura lez princes de Allemayn, elifours del emperour, a choifir le dit Charlis. vnes choiferent le duk de Thuringe, autres le count de Holand, lez vns choiserent Richard, count de Cornwail, freir le roy Henry Dengleter. En quel temps Lodowyk roy de Fraunce fust pris dez Sarazins; et Willam Longespey, le uaillaunt cheualer, mort. Lez pastours a noumbre 15.0000 vindrent a Parys crucifie a la terre faint, firent grant rumour en la cite et hu realme, pur quoi la vniuersete estoit durement troeblez et plusours dez escolers tuez. En quel temps morust faint Robert Grostest euesque de Nichol, qi Robert fust somouns au court de Rome pur ceo qil countredisoit en maner lez charges surmys a lez eglises de Engleter par le pape Innocent: qi Robert pur meifme la cause en plain constoir du dit pape a Rome apella de cel court au tribunal de Crift, se reueint en soun euesche et morust. A quel hour fust oy vn voice a Rome disaunt, "veignez cheitif au iugement," ou meisme la nuyt le dit pape Innocent, com fust dit, fust troue mort od vn play au coufte, bote com de vn bastoun. Apres qy Innocent, qauoit desordeines taxsis de saint eglis grante au roy Henry, fust Alexandre le 4. pape 7 aunz et 4 moys. Vrban le 4. apres Alexandre apoy 4 auns. Il estoit primerment patriarch de Jerusalem, et puis par eide des pelerins enchafa lez Romains gentroifoun auoint fait en le patremoigne faint Pier, par Manfredus fitz Frederik. Il fist Charlis, le freir le roy de Fraunce, roy de Cefile, en desherisoun du dit Manfredus. En quel temps le soudane Babiloine degasta Hermony et prist Antioche. Apres Vrban fust Clement le 4. pape 4 aunz, apres qe la see auoit este

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voide 3 aunz et 2 moys. Cely Clement auoit este hom espose et counfaillour le roy de France; sa femme mort, fust euesque de Pediens, et puis erceuesque de Nerboun, et puis cardenal, et legat enuoye en Engleter. Et com la estoit, estoit choise en pape. Cesti estoit benigne, et exteint plufours tribulaciouns de faint eglis. Il iugea la querelle de Conradyn a nient, qi guerroya Lowys de Cefille. Apres qi Clement, Gregoir le 10. fust pape 4 aunz, qi Gregoir en le tierce ane de soun papee, pur profit de faint eglis et de le faint veage a la tere faint, quoi meifmes purposoit a faire, auoit soun counsail a Lugdoun en France, ou lez messagers dez Greus et de Tartris enfurount. Lez Gregeoys prometterent a returnir al vnite de faint eglis, les Tartres fez abaundonerent a estre baptizes. Au quel counsail fust ordene qe touz lez cures fussent prestres, et qe touz lez difmes fuffount doweris a faint eglis, ou fu defenduz pluralitez Procheinement apres cel hour Lowys le roy de France od 2. fez fitz, et le roy de Nauerne, et plofours prelatis, et le legat le pape ameneour dez peleryns, mouerent deuers la tere faint, ou en chemynaunt morust le dit roy et le legat et plusours del ost Cristien, pur qoy faillist le dit veage. Cesti pape Gregoir deposa ascuns religions; il quassa la eleccioun del erceuesque de Cantorbirs du priour qi fust choise, et auaunsa Robert de Kilwardby en erceuesque.

En lan de grace mile, cc.lxxiiij. Edward, fitz Henry, od fa femme fol. 191. b. Elianor, furount corounez et enoyntez a Westmouster de freir Robert de Kilwardby, erceuesque de Cantorbirs, al assumpcioun de nostre Dame. La grant rue de Chep et lez autres par ou cesti Edward cheuaucha deuers foun encoronement, furont couertz dez tapitez et dez draps de say. Lez citezeins ietterent lore et largent hors dez fenestres a prendre qi enuoroit. Le conduyt en Chepe corust del vn couste de vine blonk, et del autre part de vine vermaille. Le roy Alexandre Descoce, et le duk de Bretaigne, qestoit le primer duk apres lez countis qe y estoint, et touz dieus lour semmes lez sores le dit Edward, y furount, et la royne la mere. Lez queux seignours od tout plain dez autres countis Dengleter, furount apparez en aparements dore et soy od grantz routes dez cheualers, qy a lour descendre lesserent aler lour cheueux a prendre qy en uoroit, en noblesce del encorounement de cesti Edward, qi al hour estoit de xxx.vj. aunz de

age. Alexandre le roy Descoce ly fist al hour homage, se trey deuers som pays, ou procheignement Margaret sa semme, la sore Edward, morust; quoit dieus sitz, Edward et Dauid, et vn seille Margaret, qe puis sust royne de Norway. Lez ij. sitz morerent de age de xx. aunz, viuant lour pier.

Procheignement en lan fuaunt cest encoronement, Lewlin prince de Galis enuoya outre mere par la feile le count de Mounforth dauoir a femme, que enuenaunt deuer Snawdoun fust pris en mere dez mariners de Bristow et amenez au roy Edward, quuoit suspession pur cest alliaunce de mariage que Lewlin ne ly estoit bien voillant, et auxi pur ceo qui ne enueint a soun encor[on]ement si ly sist somoundre pur homage, que enout despit, moua guere. Le roy se trey en Galis, conquist le chastel Rodolan, enchasa le dit Lewlin par sorce a sa grace, que se acorda au roy pur l. mile marcz et condicioun destre liege du roy. Sy enamena lauaunt dit damoysel.

Lan fuaunt le roy ly fist fomoundre par bref a foun parlement, qi surefift, et derechef mouoit guere, mais nauoit dure, mais autrefoitz fuft acorde au roy sure condicioun qil ne enferroit del hour en auaunt nul contempt sure le peril qe apartenoit. Dauid, le freir Lewlin, prince de Galis, estoit du meynee le roy a qi il auoit done Frodisham heritablement, qi Dauid estoit enginous, espiaunt le counsail le roy, gayta soun temps; fen alast ly Galoys qi vnqor od foun frer recomencerent guere. Le roi se moua en graunt ost deuers Galis, qi dez barges ensist faire pounte outre vn bras de mere deuer Snaudoun, pur ceo qe lez estroitz du boys et mountaignes estoint mauues autre part a passer, lez queux lez Galoys auoint purpris. Lez gens le roy pristrent le dit passage folement deuaunt que tout le array du paffage fust adresse, que furount recoillez des Galoys que del autre part estoient enbussez en batail, ou noverent Roger de Clifford, Willam de Lindezey, Johan le fitz Robert, Lucas de Towny, et plusours autres pererent au presser de lour recoiller. La mere retreit Johan de Vescy, qi nouelement estoit venuz de outre mere, passa outre en Snaudoun od baskles et brigauns de Arragoun qil auoit amene, qi le pays destruierent despitousement. Dauid le freir Lewlin se mist au fuyt, pur quoi le prince soun freir se taunt affraya qil se mist a descoun-

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fiture, sen ala od poi de gentz, qi sodeinement encountra Johan Giffard et Edmond de Mortimer od lour coumpaignyes, qi hors del oft le roy estoient mouez pur auenture quere, qi ly tuerent et les soenes et sa test presentes a le roy, qu sure la toure de Loundres fust mys. En meisme le temps fust freir Johan de Peccham pur le pape facre en erceuesque de Cantorbirs. Et Roger de Mortimer teint la Roundtable, se centisme dez chiualers a Kenlynworth; a quel reuel darmes de peife vindrent lez cheualers errauntz de plufours estraunges pays. Meisme le temps comenfa la roingne dez berbiz en Engleter, com cheualers venantz hors de la terre faint amenoient berbiz oue gros cowes hors de Cipre genporterent primerent la dit roingn. Meisme le temps fust chaunge la monoy, qe furrount appellez pollardes. Procheinement apres fust Dauid la freir Lewlin pris pres de Denbigh, et par iugement le roy penduz et treynez, fes quarters departez en diuers lieus. Le roy dona lez feignourges de Galis as diuers feignours Dengleter en condicioun qils demuraffent, qi ceo firent, si demena iolife vie et molt amast deduyt dez chenys et oyseaux, et coure et faultz dez cheueaux, et principalment a tuer cerfs au coure dez cheueaux.

En lan de grace mile, cc.lxxxiiij., Edward foun fitz nafqy en le chastel de Carnaueran en Galis, et meisme lan morust soun autre sitz Alfouns a Wyndefor, qi eynez fitz estoit du roy; et Mary sa feile deueint nonayne a Aumisbery. Le roy Alexandre Descoce prist la feile le count de Flaundres a femme apres la mort la fore le roy, de qei il nauoit nul engendrure. I cesti roi Edward fist exciler lez Juys hors de soun realme; pur quoy il enprist le xv.me dez lays, et le x.me de la clergie. Le roy passa en Gascoigne pur peiser la guere entre le roy de Arragoun et le prince del More, qi tout lour debat auoint mys en foun agarde. Le count de Cornewail remist gardein Dengleter, tantom le roy estoit par dela. Ryfeapmeraduk, vn seignour de Galis, mouoit guere pur outrage qe Payn Tiptoft ly auoit fait par orgoil et despite; qi Riseapmeraduk ne le voloit soeffreir pur maundement le roy, pur quoi apres sust penduz et trainez a Euerwyk del hour qe le roy estoit venuz de outre mere. En quel temps de sa absence il troua tiel defaute en sez justices et officeris que lez vns fist exiler, com Thomas de Weland, Rauf de Engham, et Hughe del

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Chauncelery, Adam de Strattoun enraunfonez, lez droiturelis demurez en lour officez, com Elys de Ethingham et Johan de Mechingham. quel hour fust Acres perdu hors dez mains dez Cristiens. La royn Elianor moruft auxi cel ane. Le roi Alexandre Descoce venoit en vn nuyt cheuauchaunt deuers fa femme auaunt dit, fi chei de foun palefray pres de Kinkorne et roumpy foun cole, a grant encoumbreir de lez ij. realmes; sez fitz furount mortz et nauoit issu fors la feile sa feile Margaret royne de Norway. Lez seignours Descoce, prelates, countis et barouns, et la comune, virent mouement de grant distaunce du chalange du realme; maunderent en Gascoyn a le roy Edward Dengleter qe il se vousift agreer qe foun fitz eynez Edward de Carnaueran preist a femme Margarete, la feile Margaret royne de Norway, feile le dit Alexandre qi roumpy le cole, pur peife auoir. A quoi furount acordez lez counfaillis dez ij. realmes en tiel gife qe le dit Edward de Carnaueran demureroit en Escoce viuaunt soun pier, et apres sa mort qil demureroit touz iours vn ane en lun realme et lautre ane en lautre realme, et gil leroit toutdiz fez officers et ministres del vn realme al entree des marchis del autre realme, iffint ge foun counfail enfust tot dice du nacioun du realme en quoi il demurroit pur le temps. Quel ascent au venu le roi a lostel acordez fust et enuoiez au court de Rome pur dispensacioun, et messagers en Norway pur quere la dit Margaret. Qi messager fust vn clerk Defcoce meistre Weland, qi peryst od la dit pucel en reuenaunt deuers Escoce sure lez costres de Boghane. En cest mene temps Edward roy Dengleter, qi faunz femme estoit, nauoit sitz fors vn, oist parler de Blaunche la feile le roi Phelip de France, fi la demaunda a femme, qe fust acorde qe le roy Dengleter fesseroit le roi de Fraunce de Gascoyn de ly refesser od sa feile en mariage, qi ceo sist. Et si ne voloit le dit roy de Fraunce refeifer le dit roy Engles de fa terre de Gascoyne, mais la reteint a foun ops demeyne, ne auxi ne ly voloit doner sa auaunt dit feile mais feigna somouns sure le roy de Engleter a uenir a foun parlement pur forfaitz qe lez Fiportz auoint fait sur mere as Normauntz, coumpassaunt encontre couenauntz a foriuger ly dit Edward de sa terre de Gascoin par processe en sa court. Sure quoy le dit Edward se adressa de grant aray deuers Gascoin, sufrendy soun homage de Gascoigne au

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roy de France par Willam de Gaynesburgh, Cordeler, et Hugh de Mancestre, Jacobyn; lez queux freirs le count de Artoys fist longement enprisoner, qi lez fist prendre com venoint passauntz par soun pays en lour message. Le roy Edward se adressa od grant poair deuers Gascoyn, et fust venus a Portismouth sure soun passage quant nouelis ly vindrent qe Maddok et Morgan auoint leuez lez comunes de Galis de guere encountre ly, ay le quiderent en le hour estre passe la mere, pur quoi le roy lessa foun veage pur le temps et trey in Galis, mais aunces auoit enuoye en Gascoyne plusours barouns de sa terre qi a lour arryuail ne auoint en Gascoyne taunt de terre al obeisaunce le roy lour seignour sure quoy ils purroint arriver. Mais procheignement ceaux de Burdeux fez releverent et enherderent oue eaux, enchacerent lez Franceys qu' depar le roy Lowys de France enfuront mys. Lez Engles recouererent hu pays grant terre al ops le roy, pur quoi toutdiz apres, com fust dit, y cesty roy Edward enclina du chief a touz lez chiualers que cel veage de Gascoyn estoint. Lez auauntditz barouns Englesses sez coumbaterent od Charlis de Valoys oue le poair de France, a Belgard, ou plusours dez Engles furount mortz et prifez, mais noun pas outriement descounfitz, qi tout le iour tindrent les chaumps, mais dedenz la nuyt fez departerent a lour refcet, ou lez Fraunceis demurerent en la place as chaumpes tout la nuyte, pur qoi ils disoint gils auoient venqu, et pur voir dire lez Engles auoint le greignour perde, gar la furount pris monfire Johan de faint Johan le pier et le fitz, monfire Rauf de Touny, et plufours autres, qi pur destresce de vilein despitouse prisoun ne auindrent les plusours a bien. En cest mene temps le roy auoit destruyt et descounfist les Galoys rebellis, et auoit fait prendre Maddok et Morgan et lez fist pendre et treyner, et se adressa a rescoure sez gentz en Gascoyne, y enuoya soun freir Edmound, qi illoeges morust de bele mort. Si passa meismes en Flaundres en eide du count fol. 193. b. Robert, qy guere auoit as Franceis. Le dit roi Edward enuoya meistre Johan de Glantoun, archedeken de Richemound, al apostoil pur pleindre de la deloialte du roy de France et de coumpassement de ly toller soun Il fift par autres messagers alliaunce od le roi de Allemayn, et oue le roy de Arragoun, oue lerceuesque de Coloyne, et od le count de Burgoyn, od le count de Sawoy, et od plusours princes de Allemayne,

qi touz ly faillerent au bofoyn; mais com cely qi ceo aparceiuoit fe peifa od le roy de France hu mene temps qi ly bailla fa fore Margaret a femme pur la iuuenesce sa feile Blaunche, et susrendy grant party de Gascoyn en peise fesaunt. Taunt com le roy Edward ieust a Gaunt lez comunes de la vile comencerent riot et debate as genz le roy. Galoys qy y estoient noerent outre Leschaud, robberent mesouns, enfirent grant mal. Le roy Edward enuoya quer le count Robert de Flaundres, gi ly dift, "fire count, peifez ta comune, ou ieo ferray estre dit qe cy fust Gaunt," pur quoy la riote fust estaunche. Endementres qe le roy Edward eftoit a Gaunt, vindrent meffagers honourables depar lez comunes Defcoce, dez prelates, countis, et barouns, certifiauntz que Margaret la feile la royne de Norway, qe feile estoit lour roys Alexandre, estoit pery en mere en venaunt deuers Escoce, enpriaunt a sa seignoury qil se vousift entremettre pur quiete du pays, a veoir qils vilent a roy qi meutz par droit le dust estre; que ils sez doutoint de grant debate de diuers seignours que enclaymerent la fuccession que pussant estoint du realme, et autre part, et auxi pur diuers riotis comencez hu pays, qar chescun grantz siris fe fift com roys en foun pays. Le roy lour respoundy par fez lettres qil vendroit en foun realme et treieroit vers la marche, et se auiseroit de lour request.

Et fait afauoir qe solonc lez cronicles Descoce nestoit vnqes tiel dissipporture que enservoit lour roys de droit ligne, qe outrement estoit failly en le hour de troys roys succiement, chescun sitz dautre. Et pur ceo voet cest cronicle toucher la originaute dez roys, et la processe de eaux qen Escoz ount regne. En la vie saint Brandane est troue qen le pays de Attenys en Grece estoit vn noble cheualer, qi ount vn sitz qy auoit a noun Gaidel, qauoit en espouse la seile Pharao le roy de Egypt, qe out a noune Scota, de qey il auoit bel engendrure. Gaidel estoit cheualerous, se purchasa lez juuinceaux de soun pays, se mist en mere en nese od sa semme Scota et sez ensauntz, se quist mansioun al auenture en biaunce de la conquer, arryua en Espayne, ou sure vn haut mountayn au couster de la mere Hiberyme sist edisier vn sort chastel, et le noma Brigans; il viuoit od lez soens de rauyn sure lez paisens du pays. Sez pescheours furount chacez vn iour par tempest parsound en la mere, qi ly reuindrent

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renouncier quis auoit aparfceu par voler dez flores dez chardouns et autres enseignes que il y out terre pres de outre mere. Gaidel od ses fitz, qi a aurnoun aucient Scoti apres lour mere Scota, se mist en mere en trois naueaux, feglerent aual la mere, trouerent vn isle grant, mounterent a terre, trouerent le pays herbous et plesaunt de boys et reueres, mais nounpas bien poeple dez gentz. Et com ést ymagine et suppose, procheignement deuaunt auoit Gurguyns le fitz Belin roy de Bretaigne affigne cel ile as gentz extretiz Despayne, queux il troua en Orkany com yenoit de Denemarc, com auaunt est especifie. Gaidel repaira a soun chastel de Brigauns ymaginaunt de realer al ile troue, mais ly surueint vn trefgref malady dount ly coueint murrir; si deuisoit a sez sitz qils alasent a cel ile et y demurasent com a vn pays saunz grant desens, leger a conquere. Eberus, le eyne fitz Gaidel et de Scota la feile Pharao, fe adressa od sez freirs al auaunt dit ile, qi le seisy et tuerent et soutz mistrent a lour obeifaunce ceaux qe ils y trouerent, et pius appellerent le ile Iberniam, apres lour freir eyne Eberus, ou apres la mere Eberiaco ge nomez estoit ensi dez Espaynolis; mais le surenoun, Scoty, demura od lez autres freirs et od lour issu bon pece en cel ile, qe entre nous est apelle Irrelande. En quel ile apres arryua Symound Brec, le fitz pufne du roy de Espayne, qi od ly aporta vn pere sur quoi lez roys Despayne foleient estre coronez, qi foun pier ly bailla en signifiaunce qil enfust roys, com cely qil plus amast de sez enfauntz. Cesty Symound deuient roy du pays de Ireland depar vn feile extreit de Scoty, qi enmyst le auaunt dit pere en le plus fouerain bele lieu du pays, qe au iour de huy porte le noune li Lieu Real. Apres qui veint vn dez fitz de vn dez roys de Ireland extreit de Scota, qu'out a noun Fergous fitz Ferthairy, en le plus lointifme pays outre Bretaine deuers septentrioun, et de cost lez Bretouns occupia la terre deuer Catenèys outre la laund Porry, et y endemurerent, et tout estoit il du nacioun de Ireland. Et lez soens touz vnqor lez firent nomer Scoty, et la terre Scocia apres Scota la feile Pharao roy de Egypt, de qui enuindrent lez Scotois, mais lour propre pays est Ireland. Lour couftom et patoys acordaunt, qi puis furount mellez od Pices, com apres ferra recordez. I cesti Fergus aporta hors du Ireland la pere real auaunt nomez, et la fist mettre ou ore est labbai de Scone, sure quoy

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furount faitez affife et establis les roys Descoce touz puscedy tanque Edward le primer roy Dengleter apres la conquest lensist aporter a Loundres a Westmoustre, ou ore le sege du prestre a le haute auter.

Et fait afauoir que Fergus fitz Ferthair de Ireland, extrait de Seota, estoit le primer qi se disoit roy Descoce, si regna iii. aunz outre Dunbretaine en Ynchgalle. Dungal fitz Fergus regna v. aunz. Congal fitz Dungal xxij. aunz. Constan fitz Doengard xxij. aunz. Edhan fitz Godfray xxxiiij. aunz. Conel fitz Congelle xiiij. aunz. Cokebrid xvj. aunz. Kynather fitz Conel iii. moys. Ferthair fitz Ewyne xvj. aunz. Fercarfod xxj. aunz. Dopnaldebrec Cokebrid xiiij. auns. Maldun fitz Dopnaldebrech xvj. aunz. Corhetinen Danel fitz Donengard fitz Donald Brec iii. aunz. Armelech fitz Findan i. ane. Congan fitz Findan xvi. ans. Moredath fitz Arnikelec iij. ans; en le temps de qy estoit le primer batail entre lez Bretouns et lez Pices qi eiderent les Escoces. Selnach fitz Cogan xxiiij. aunz. Ergheche fitz Achfin xxx. aunz. Donald fitz Sealnech vij. aunz. Alpyn fitz Beghach iij. aunz. fust tue en Goloway, com il le auoit destruyt, de vn soul hom qi ly gayta en vn espesse boys en pendaunt al entree dun ge de vn ryuere com cheuaucheoit entre sez gentz. Cely estoit le darain de Escotoys qi al hour regna procheynement deuaunt lez Pices. La sum dez aunz du regne dez Escotois auaunt lez Pices ccc. et v. aunz et iij. moys. Lez cronicles tesmoignent que lez Pices vindrent de Syke, et entrerent Albanye, qur est Escoce, procheinement apres le mort cesti Alpin. Et entrerent Bretaigne, qor est Engleter, en le temps Vaspasian le Romayn, et en le temps Maurius fitz Aruiragoun roy de Bretaigne. Si estoint lez Pices vn nacioun bataillour, norriz et charniz toutditz en gere, qi fez acompaignerent oue Roderik al auenture pur terre conquere. Qi Rodrik fust tue de Maurius le roy de Bretain en batail pres de Cardoille, plufours de fez Pices fuerent au boys, reenuoverent au roy Maurius requeraunt sa mercia fol. 195. qi lour graunta fa peife, lez affigna pur lour homage vn pays outre Albany qe de gentz Irroys estoit en parti comense a habiter, qi Escocez fez appellerent. Lez queux Pices qi counbatauntz estoient suremounterent lez Escoces Irroys, lez tindrent en subieccioun. Lez queux Pices. ne auoint my moillers; et par cause qe lez Bretouns ne voloint my marier



od eaux fez giftrent femmes hors de Ireland, sure condicioun ge lour iffu parlascent Irrays, quel patois demurt a jour de huy hu haute pays entre lez vns. geft dit Escotovs.

Cruthene Kenek, deboner, fust le primer qi se sist nomer roy du monarc du regne dez Picis, qi regna l. auns. Gede cl. aunz. Taren c. aunz. Dinortechest xx. aunz. Dugil xl. auns. Gamaldebold ix. aunz. Verpempnet xxx. aunz. Fiachua le blank xxx. aunz. Calnatuhel vi. aunz. Deuornach Lecdales i. ane. Stradach Fingel ij. aunz. Garnard le riche lx. aunz. Talarg le fitz Kecter xxv. aunz. Druft fitz Irb c. aunz. et fv conquift c. batails. Talarg fitz Amil ij. aunz. Nectane Celtaniech x. aunz. Druft Gortinoch xxx. aunz. Galan xv. aunz. Druft fitz Gigurnus l. aunz. Druft fitz Hidrofigus viij. aunz. Autrefoitz, le primer Druft iiii. aunz. Garnarde fitz Gigurnus vj. ans. Kyburcan foun freir vi. auns. Talarg fitz Mendeleghe xi. ans. Druft fitz Menech i. ane. Talagach iiij. aunz. Drust sitz Methor xxx. aunz; saint Columbe et Paladius converterent cesti a la foy Cristien. Et fait a sauoir, que cest nacioun nestoit vnqes conuerty fors vn foitz, qe tanque en sa ount perseuere, et pur ceo ne vsfent lours prestres point despaulers a lour aubes ou lez preftres Engles ount dieus, pur ceo qu dieus foitz ount este conuerty. Garnald fitz Dompnach xxx. aunz; cesti edifia leglis de Abirnithin, cc. aunz, et xxv. aunz, et xj. moys deuaunt qe leglis de Dulkedin fust edifie du roy Constentin roy dez Picis. Kenech fitz Sugthen xxiiij. aunz. Nectan fitz Fode viij. aunz. Bride fitz Fathe v. aunz. Druft soun freir vi. aunz. Druft fitz Hole xx. aunz; en foun temps fust saint Edmonane. Tharan fitz Amfodech iiij. aunz. Brude fitz Dergert xxxi. ane; en quel temps ueint faint Seruaunus en Fisse. Jactan frer Brude xviij. aunz. Garnarde fitz Feradhegh xxiiij. aunz. Denegul fitz Fergusagin xvi. Nectan fitz Fergaleg ix. moys. Fergus fitz Frude vn moys. Alpin fitz Eferadheche vi. moys a vn foitz, qi fust enchace, mais puis fol. 195. b. regna xxx. aunz. Brude fitz Tenegus ij. aunz. Alpin fitz Tenagus ij. auns. Druft fitz Talargbin vn ane. Talargan fitz Druftane iiij. aunz. Talargan fitz Tenagus v. aunz. Coftantin fitz Fergusa xl. aunz; cesti fift edifier Dunkeldyn. Hungus fitz Fergusa x. aunz; cesti edifia Kelrimoneth, ore faint Andrew, quel temps veint faint Fegulus od fez difci-

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ples al eglis de faint Andrew. Duf Tolorg iiij. auns. Egganus fitz Hungus iij. aunz. Feradagus fitz Badoghe iij. ans. Brud fitz Feradhach i. moys. Kenech fitz Feredhach i. ane. Brude fitz Fochel ii. auns. Druft fitz Feradhach iij. ans; cefti fust le darain roy dez Picys, fi fust tue a Scone par treisoun. Qe, com les cronicles tesmoignent, vn fitz dun roy de Ireland, qi out a noun Redda, arryua en Galeway, et ankes par pruesce et affinite du sank Yrois, de quoy lez Pices furount mellez, occupia cel pays et auxi Ergeille et autres dez iles, le issu de qu of fez nomerent Scoty, coumpasserent toutdice encountre lez Picys; iss gen le temps cesti Drust fitz Feradhach lez Escoces ietterent couvne et a vn counfail general estoient priuement armez, et dedenz la mesoun du counfaille tuerent ly auaunt dit roy et lez grantz seignours dez Picys touz, gi ne pensoient si bien noune. Si enuoierent apres autres qi lour pluft, et com ils venoient toutdice lez tuerent, tanque ils auoint fait ceo' qils defiroint; et de cel hour en auaunt failly le regne dez Picys, qauoit durre mile, c.lxxxvij. aunz, et recomence le regne Descoce, quel regne comenfa deuaunt lez Pices, cccc.xliij. aunz deuaunt le incarnacioun.

Les Picys destruytz a la maner, Kynet fitz Alpin regna sure lez Escoce, et fust le primer roy Escotoys apres lez Picys. Il soutzmist a sa seignoury la terre tout a Twede, enfift enchacer lez Engles et Bretouns que y enhabiterent, fift nomer la terre Efcoce. Il eftably lez loys que vngor en Efcoce durent, et ceo estoit en le temps tost apres que Egbriht auoit vny les vij. realmes dez Saxfouns en Bretaigne; que taunt auoint a faire lez roys Engles en lour terre demeyn a establir lour conquest qu'es ne sez entremistrent rien deuers Albany, si longement tanque lez Escotz auoint pris tiel reaul faunz empediment, que affeitz le tenoient estable et droiturel. Kynet fitz Alpin regna xvi. aunz, et morust a Ferteuyoth et sust enterrez en le isle de Yona, pres de Hert, Loern, et Fergus, trois frers qu'amenerent lez Escotz en Archady sure lez Picys. Donald fitz Alpin regna iiij. aunz. Coftantin fitz Kynache xvj. aunz, qestoit tue dez Norways en batail. Athe mak Kinath i. ane, qi fust tue de Tirg fitz Dungald. Tirg Mac Dungald xij. auns. Lez croniclis Descoce tesmonent que cesti Tirg foutzmist a sa seignoury tout Ireland et grant party Dengleter, cesti dona primerment franchiz as eglis Descoce, quaunt le hour estoint en seruitude

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dez lays as viages de Picys. Donald Mac Dunstan ij. aunz. Edmound freir Athelftan dona a cefti Donald roy Defcoce tout Combirland, nut quoi lez Escoces ount fait clayme tanque al Reir croiz de Staynmore, mais cel doune ad este souent conquys puscedy et relesse en maint peise fesaunt. Constantin mac Edha xl. aunz regna, qi guerpy soun realme, se rendy en religioun et fust abbe de saint Andrew v. aunz, et illoege sust enterrez. Malcolme mac Donald xxi. ane regna, qi fust tue par treisoun dez Norways, et ceo fust en le temps le primer Edward pier Athelstan. Indel mac Costantin regna x. aunz, et fust tue dez Norwais. Duf mac Mancloun iiij. aunz et vi. moys, qi fust mourdri a Forays, et musse defoutz le pount de Kinlos, et tancom il ieust la le solail ne se aparust, si fust troue et aporte al ile de Yona ou touz sez auncestres de Kinek mac Alpin furount enterrez, fors cely qi abbe estoit de faint Andrew. Culen mac Indolf iiij. aunz regna et vij. moys; il fust tue de Amthar sitz Donald pur sa feile qe fust tue en Lownes. Kinec sitz Malcol xxiiij. aunz et ij. moys, et fust tue de ses homs par treisoun de Fumel la feile Cunithar, zayn de Angus, fitz de qi Kinak auoit deuaunt fait tuer. Costantin mac Culen i. ane et vi. moys, et sust tue de Kynnech sitz Malcolm. mac Kyneth mac Douf viiij. aunz, et fust tue de Malcolme sitz Kynech; cesti Malcolme regna xxx. aunz noblement et fust uicturous. Dunkan mac Kryn de Dunkeldy et de Betowe, fitz Malcolme mac Kynech, vi. aunz, et fust tue de Macbeth mac Sinley, qi regna xvi. aunz, et fust tuez de Chalcolme mac Duncan. Lulach le fole regna i. mois et fust tue en Strabolgy. Toutz ceaux roys furount enterrez en lile de Yona. Malcolm Kenmour mac Duncan regna xxxvij. aunz et vij. moys, et fust tue a Alnewyk et enterrez a Tynmoth; cesti estoit le marry saint Margaret de Dunfermelin. Donald foun freir mac Dunkan regna primerment vi. moys, qi fust enchacez de Dunkan fitz Mancloun qi regna vi. moys, qi fol. 196, b. fust tue de Malpedre mac Loern, count del Meiernys, et gist en lile de Yona. Donald mac Dunkan regna autre foitz iij. aunz, qi fust enuoegle et mort par Edgar fitz Mancloun, et fust enterre a Dunkeldin et puis translatez en le isle de Yona. Edgar regna ix. aunz et iiij. moys, et gist a Dunfermelyn. Alexandre foun freir et fitz Mancloun regna xvij. aunz et iij. moys et demy, et gift a Dunfermlyn. Dauid foun freir regna axaix.

aunz et iij. moys et morust a Cardoil, et gist a Dunfermelin. Mancloun le fitz Henry, count del Garnyaghe, de Huntingdoun, et de Northumbreland, qi fust le fitz Dauid le roy, regna xij. aunz et vij. moys et xx. iours, qi moruft auaunt la pier a Jedworth, et gift a Dunfermelin. Willam foun freir, et fitz meisme cely Henry count de Northumbreland du doune le roy Esteuen, regna l. aunz, et morust a Streuelyn, et gist a Abirbrothock qe meismes edifia. Alexandre soun fitz regna xxxvij. aunz, qi morust a Kenbray en Orkany et gist a Melros. Alexandre le sitz Alexandre, qi de viij. aunz de age comensa a regner, regna xxxvij. aunz, qi roumpy le cole a Kinkorn, fours de quoy enueint grant mal. La foume dez aunz entre Kenach fitz Alpin et cesti Alexandre fount cccc.xxx. aunz, vn moys, et vij. iours. Et fi est la sum dez aunz de touz lez roys Picys et Escotes mille, p.cccc. lxxvij. aunz et ix. moys et viij. iours, tanque lencorounement Johan de Baillolf. Et fait a fauoir, qu y ny out nul gere entre ceaux ij. realmes que foit a countier lxxx. auns, deuaunt que par Johan de Baillolf fust comense. Mais pur ceo qe y ny out point de issu de lez ij. roys Alexandres, couenoit retourner al issu de Dauid count de Huntingdoun, freir Willam le roy Descoce, fitz le roy Dauid. Qy Dauid, count de Huntingdoun, auoit vn fitz Johan qy morust saunz engendrure, et trois feilles, la primer fust Margaret que Alayn seignur de Galeway auoit en espouse; la secund fust Isabelle, que Peris de Bruys auoit en espouse; la tierce Ade, qe Johan de Hastinges auoit a feme. De la primer Margaret ne vefqy nul iffu fors vn feile, qe out a noun Dorworgul, qe fust marie a Johan de Baillolf. De Ifabelle, la fecound feille le count Dauid de Huntingdoune, marye a Peris de Bruis, nasqy Robert de Bruis le eyne. la tierce, Ade, feile le dit count Dauid, marye a Johan de Hastinges, nafqy Johan de Haftinges, pur quoi fourdi grant debat qi enferroit roys, 61. 197. chescun voroit qe soun amy le vst este, pur quoi par comune ascent lez prelatez, countis, et barouns, oue la comune, enuoierent au roy Edward Dengleter a la maner auaunt dit.

Enuiroun cel hour chey le pount de Berewik outre lew de Twede de grant cretyne de eaw, pur ceo qe lez archis estoient trop bassez, quel pount nen dura fors ix. aunz apres ceo qil fust parfourny. Tost apres cel hour Willam de Vescy dona lonour de Alnewyk a Antoyn de Bek

euesque de Duresme, qi pur chaudez paroles de Johan, sitz bastard le dit Willam, le vendy a Henry de Percy.

Del hour qe le roy Edward Dengleter, le primer apres la conquest, auoit perfourny ceo qil auoit a fair en Flaundres, a la maner auaundit, il repaira en Engleterre, sen trey sure la marche Descoce, ou a Norham il fist faire fomouns de parlement; ou lez grauntz touz Descoce y enuyndrent, requiraunt le dit roy qil vousist fere trier qi ferroit lour roys de droit com souerain seignour, qy rien si uousist entremetter tanque ils ly auoint sufrendu touz lez forterescez Descoce com a lour souerayne, qu ceo firent, et il enmist sez ministres et officers. Quel fouerainete reconustrerent touz les grauntz Descoce per ouert declaracioun, et touz y ceaux qui droit enclaimerent hu realme Descoce sez mistrent de tout en fez iugementz, a quoi ils miftrent touz lours seals en affermaunce de chos purparle. Cest parlement de Norham sust apres la pasche, lan de grace mille, ec. xci., de quel lieu ils auoient iour tanque le vtas de faint Johan en vne ane; qe qi clamoit droit en Escoce uenist a Berewik au dit iour et aueroit droit iugement. Le roy Edward se trey deuers le sue, ou en le mene temps il enuoia a tour lez universitez de la christianete par sez honourables messageres pur ent sauoir lez opiniouns et lez discreciouns de cest matier de touz les sages del lay ciuille et canoun. Le dit roy Edward reueint au dit iour, et au iour nome ou touz lez grauntz de lez dieus realmes furount affemblez par fomouns, ou veindrent a chalanger plufours le droit du realme Descoce, per diuers causes; cest assauoir, Florens counte de Holand, Johan de Baillof, Robert de Bruys, Johan de Haftinges, Johan de Comyn, Patrik count de la Marche, Johan de Vescy, Nichol de Sowlis, William de Ros, et Patrik Galightly. Toutz cestis y fol. 197. b. emuestrent clayme per diuers chalange par peticioun deuaunt le dit roy Si estoit ordine depar le dit roy, qe xx. persouns de plus suffifauntz Dengleterre, et autres xx. perfouns Descoce, meutz suffisauntz et auisez, per comun eleccioun, dussent treir lour chalange; qi furount elieus, nomez, triez, et iurez, et auoint iour de eaux auiser tanque la faint Michel procheigne enfuaunt. Le roi Edward se retourna en Engleterre, qi reueint a la faint Michel a Berewik, ou en leglis de la Trinite fust iuge le droit du succession du realme Descoce, soulement al issu de iij. feils le

count Dauid de Huntyngdoun, qi freir estoit le roy Willam, lez autres foriugez; mais graunt difficulte y estoit au mainz del issu de lez ij. primers feilles le dit count Dauid, cest asauoir, entre Johan de Baillof qestoit fitz la feille Margaret, eyne feile le dit count, et Robert de Bruis le eyne, qestoit fitz Isabel la secound feile le dit Dauid count de Huntingdoun; entre queux estoit graunt plee. Le droit Johan de Hastings ofte de tout, issu de la feile pusne. Gilbert de Clare, count de Gloucestre, maintenoit grantement la querel Robert de Bruys, pur ceo qe sa sore auoit espose. Le count de Garain, et Antoin leuesque de Doresme, la party Johan de Lez pledours et auoketz disoint pur Robert de Bruys qil estoit le plus procheine eyre mal, qi fitz estoit de Isabele feile le dit count Dauid de Huntingdoun, vn degre plus pres le dit count qe Johan de Baillof nestoit, qi estoit le fitz Derworgule, feil Margaret, la feile le dit count de Huntingdoun, espous Alayn de Galeway; pur quoi com le plus prochein heir demaundoit il droit real. Lez countours Johan de Baillof disoient, qe pusqe sa mere ne pooit regner, qe il demaundoit le droit succiement de foun auncestre linialement com droit heir descendaunt, et folonc la loy lour iuge, a qoi ils estoint acordez, obligez, et entreassurez. Si estoit awardez par lez xl. persouns de touz ij. lez realmes, sure lour serement, le droit a remeindre a Johan de Baillof, com al iffu del eyne feile le count Dauid de Huntingdoun. Au fentence de quel verdit le roy Edward Dengleter iugea le droit du realme a Johan de Baillof, ou en prefentz le dit roy Edward toutz lez grantz Descoce atournerent au dit Johan de Baillof par serement et homage, fors Robert de Bruys le eyne, qi enmist clayme, qi en audience du roy Edward disoit qil ne ly ferroit ia homage; qi fufrendift fa terre qil out en Escoce, le Vale de Anand, a foun fitz Robert de fecound, et fitz la feile le count de Glouceftre; qi Robert ne voloit plus faire atournement au dit Johan de Baillof fol. 198. ge fon pier ne fesoit, si disoit a soun fitz Robert la tierce, gi estoit fitz la feile et heire le count de Carrik, qi puis fust roy Descoce, " preigne tu nostre terre Descoce, si encoueignez, que iamez ne serroms sez homs." Qi Robert le tierce, qi al hour estoit ioen bacheler du chaumbre le roy Edward, enfift homage au dit Johan de Baillof; qi Johan fust corone au gife du pays a Scone, le iour de faint Andrew, lan de grace mile, cc.xc.ij.



Qi Johan de Baillof auoit iij. sores, la primer Margaret, la dame de Gillisland, la second fust dame de Counsy, la tierce auoit Johan Comyn a marry, pier cely qi Robert Bruis tua a Donfres; et si nauoit le dit Johan de Baillof fors vn sitz qi out a noun Edward.

Cesti Johan de Baillos, roy Descoce, au Nowel prochein apres soun encorounement veint a Noef chastel sur Tyne, si ensist homage real au roy Edward le primer apres la conquest, pur le realme Descoce, si estoit reseis de touz lez sermetez Descoce que surount seysez en la main le roy Dengleterre. Procheignement apres estoit comense vn appele dun gentil hom Descoce a la court le roy Dengleterre de ceo qil ne pooit auoir droit, com ly sembloit, en la court le roy Descoce de vn de ses veisins; pur qoi le roy Johan Descoce sus somouns par bres le roy Dengleterre a fair droit au dit hom, pur qoi le counsail Descoce estoit tot troeble.

Meisme le temps sourdy la guere derechief entre le roy Dengleterre et le roi de France, per comencement dez Baiounais et Fyportes, mariners a faint Mahu, encountre la nauy de Normendy, pur quoi le counfail Descoce ordenerent iiij. euesqes et iiij. countis et iiij. barounis a reauler la terre Descoce, per counsail dez queux fust coumpasse a rebeller encountre le roy Dengleterre. Si enuoierent messagers au roy de Fraunce, Johan de Sowlis, et autres, qi od ly firent allyaunce encountre le roy Dengleterre; qi roy Dengleterre nestoit pas de tout affurez de les Escotez, maunda le euefque Auntoin de Dorefme pur tretir od eaux, a quel tretice a Jeddeworth per melle pur combatre dez petitz cheuetez, fust tue vn dez cosyns le dit euesque de Doresme, vn qi out le sournoun, Buscy. Qi euesque de Doresme demaunda de lez Escotz, depar le roy Dengleterre, oftagis de quatre chafteaux, Berewik, Roxburgh, Edinburgh, et Striuelyn, qil poet estre assurez de eaux duraunt la guerre de Fraunce, sure quoi il presenta lez bress le roy de somouns de lour roi Johan de persondement aparir a Noef chastel sur Tyne au parlement le roy Dengleterre, au my garresme, au quel lieu au dit temps ny enuient le roy Descoce ne nully pur luy. Pur quoi le roy Edward de Engleterre se adressa vers Escoce od graunt oft, teint la fest de pasche a Werk, de quel chastel Robert de Ros qi enfust sires sen suy del obeisaunce le dit roi Dengleterre dedens le tierce iour deuaunt la venu le roy et lessa le chastel

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voide et fen trev a Senewar, vn petit chaftel gil auoit en Efcoce, tout pur paramours qil ama Cristiane de Moubray, qe apres ne ly deigna auoir. Quel tens vij. countis Descoce, de Boghan, de Meneteth, de Strathern, de Lynaux, de Ros, de Athetle, et de Marre, od Johan Comyn, et plusours autres barouns, entrerent Engleterre en ost, ne esparnirent nuly, arderent la suburbe de Cardoil, et la affistrent. Le roy Edward, qi ceo auoit oy, fe trey deuaunt Berewik; et le primer iour qe il enueint, co le roy feoit a maunger en sa tent, vn nief de sez vitaillers pur mesconisaunce de sez maryners secchist sur terre Descoce par deuers la vile, qe al hour nestoit pas murez mais enuyroune de haut fosse. Lez comuns de la vile encurreirent a la nief, enmystrent fiew, decouperent lez homs. Huyn sourdy en lost le roy, chefuns as armes, ferrerent cheueaux dez esperouns, lez fauuages iuuens gentz mounterent lez fosses tout a cheual, et par ou lez gentz de la vile auoint fait vn centre au longur de la fosse si entrerent testousement od eaux a cheual, qi en pooist plus tost enuenire; ou furrount dedenz mortz graunt noumbre dez comuns de Fysse et de Foritherik, que garnisoun de la vile estoient. Meisme la nuyt conquist le dit roy Edward la vile od le chastel tout, ou il fist sa demure, et ou ly ueint vn frer Menour, gardein dez Freirs de Roxburgh, depar le roy Johan de Escoce, qi ly emporta lettres de sufrendre del homage le roy Descoce par lettres pupplis du roy et de la comune Descoce, quelis lettres le roy Dengleterre accepta et lez fift registrer noture-Meisme le hour lez auauntditz countis Descoce reentrerent Engleterre, et arderent la priory de Hexham, et enfirent hu pays graunt mal. Le count de la Marche, Patrik od le noire barbe, qi foul estoit demurez de touz fes feignours Descoce al obeisaunce le roy Dengleterre, gi od le roy estoit au pris de Berewyk, uenoit nouncier au roy ge sa femme auoit enspris en soun chastel de Dunbarre lez enemys Descoce fez parentz, qauoint enbote fez ministres et tenoit le chastel encountre ly; si prioit au roy eide, qe meifme la nuyt uoroit aler. Le roy ly bailla fol. 199. les countis de Garain et de Warwyk, od graunt estusse par mere et terre, qe deuaunt folail leuaunt lendemain auoit affys le chastel de Dunbarre. Les seignours Descoce qestoint assemblez overent de lassege, trenuyterent laundroit, enueindrent matin a Spout, ou entre le dit lieu et Dun-



barre sez combaterent od lez ditz Engles de lassege, ou surount; dessounfitez lez Escocez, la primer batail de cel guer, ou en le chaftel furqunt pris lez countis de Menteth, Athedle, et de Ros, et vij. barouns, Johan Comyn le jouen, William de faint Clere, Richard Syward le eyne, Johan de Ynchemartin, Alexander de Murref, Edmound Comyn de Kilbride, oue xxix. chiualeris, laxx. efquires, les queux furrount enuoiez en prifoun en diuera lieus Dengleterre. Le roy Defcoce, Johan de Baillof, maunda au roy pur peife, fe mist en sa grace, fe rendi au roy od soun sitz Edward, qi il ly profry en oftage soure foun bon port, qi touz dieus furont prifes et enyouez a Loundres, et defenduz qils ne passasent xx. lieus entour la cite. Le roy Edward Dengleterre enprift lez chafteaux touz Descoce et cheuaucha la terre parmy, tanque il enueint al Stokforthe, et enuist sez ministres, et en foun repairir il enfift enporteir del abbay de Scone la pier sur quoi lez roys Descoce solaint estre surmys a lour nouel regnement, et la ensist aporter a Loundres a Westmouster, et la ordeina le sege du prestre al haut autier. Le roy Edward Dengleter fist fomoundre foun parlement a Berewik, ou de toutz lez grauntz Descoce il prist homage, sur quoi il auoit lour fealis pendauntz en perpetuel meroir, et de illoeques repaira en Engleterre, ou al abbay de Newmouster il bailla la garde Descoce au count de Garayn, et vn feal du gouernail de ycel, si ly disoit en bourdaunt, "bon bosoigne fait qy de merde se deliuer." Le roy ordeigna Hugh de Cressingham soun chaumberlayn de Escoce, et William de Ormefby justice, fi lour comaunda qi toutez gentz outre xv. auns Descoce feissent homage, et que lour nouns fussent escriptz, lez clers pristrent de chefcun vn dener, de qoy ils deuindrent richis gentz. Le roy ordeina qe touz lez seignours Descoce demourscent outre Trent tanque sa guer durraft de France. Quel ane de grace mille, cc.xc.vij. il prift de chescun fak de layn Dengleterre et Defcoce yn demy mark defterlings, ou deuant ne douerent fors iiij. d., pur quoi estoit apele "la mal tol." Le roy se adreffa en Gascoine.

En quel temps, hu moys de Maii, Willam Walays eftoit choife de la fol. 199. b. comme Descoce destre cheuetain a mouoir gere as Engles, qi au comencement tua Willam de Hefilrig a Lanark, qestoit viscount de Clidifdale depar le roy Dengleterre. Le dit Willam Walais trenuta sure le

dit viscount et luy suprist, ou Thomas de Gray, qen la coumpaignie du dist viscount estoit illoeges, fust lesse despoille pur mort a la melle, com lez Engles fez defenderent. Le dit Thomas ieust tout la nuyt despoille entre ij. mesouns ardauntz, qe les Escotez auoint enzmys le fieu, chalour dez queux tenit fa vie, ou en laube du jour il estoit conu et emporte par Willam de Loundy et ly fift garrir. Et le prochein yuer ly dit Willam Walays ardy tout Northumbreland. Le count de Garayn, qi la gard Defcoce auoit depar le roi de Engleterre, estoit deuers le sue, se dressa deuers Efcoce, ou al pount de Striuelin il fust descounfist de Willam Walais, qi pres estoit en batail, qy lessoit passer le dit pount a tauntz dez Engles com ly plesoit; qi a soun point les sourecurroit, fist roumper le pount, ou furount plusours dez Engles mortz, [et] Hugh de Cressingham, le tresorer le roy, et fust dit qe le Escotez ly firent depeller, et de soun pele en despite lour firent layniers. Le count de Gareine sen suy a Berewic. Walais, a qi lez Efcotez enherderent, fodeignement apres cest descounfiture fuyst le dit count de Garain od graunt oft, si enueint decoste Berewik a Hotoun More en bataile, qi quidoit lez Engles estre araiez pur combatre od luy, pur quoy il nen ueint plus pres de Berewyk mais se retourna et se herbisa en le park de Duns. Le dit count de Garain sen departy de Berewik, leffa la dit vile gast, au procher qe Willam Walays fift, et fen ala au fitz le roy, qestoit prince de Galis, pur ceo qe le roy eftoit en Gascoyn; pur quelis nouelis le dit roy sen trey en Engleterre. Leuesque de Glasgou et Willam seignur de Douglas sez vindrent excuser au primer venu le dit count de Garain en Efcoce qils neftoient conscentaunt au riote de Willam Walays, tout estoint ils deuaunt enherdauntz; pur quoi le dit count lez fist mettre en prisoun, leuesque en le chaftelle de Roxburgh, Willam de Douglas en le chaftelle de Berewik, ou de misches il morust. Willam Walays, qi aperceust le departir le dit count de Garain, enuoya Henri de Haliburtoun, cheualer, pur feifer Berewyk; et ordeina autres de graunt aray de affeger Robert de Hastings en le chastel de Roxburgh. Robert le fitz Roger, qi al hour estoit fires de Wercworth, od Johan le fitz Marmaduk, od autres barouns du counteez de Northumbreland et de Cardoil, fez affemblerent fodeigniement et trenuyterent a Roxburgh, qe si priuement surcurrerent lez Escotez qe

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deuaunt gils auoint aparceiuaunce, lez Engles, ge furuenuz eftoint, auoint tuez lez enginours com auoint en mains lez clikes de lez engines a trier pur getter au chastel; pur quoi estoint mys a descounsiture, plusours morz. Henry de Haliburtoun, od autres qe y estoient en Berewyk, qi de cest descounfiture overent, sez departirent sodeignement, lessernt la dit vile Lez ditz seignours Engles resceyuerent la dit vile de Berewik, et la tindrent tanque la venu le roy, qy repairez de Gascoyne enueint deuers Escoce de graunt aray, entra par Roxburhe, se trey a Tempillistoun et a Lithcou, et puis deuers Streuelyn, ou encheminaunt Willam Walays, qi tout le poair Descoce auoit assemble, se adressa a combatre od le dit roy Dengleterre, ou de sa le Fawkirk ils fez entre combaterent, le iour de la Magdelin, en lan de grace mille, cc.lxxx. et xv., ou les Efcotez furount descounfistz. Pur quoi fust dit graunt temps puscedy qe Willam Walays lour auoit amene au karole dauncent fils uolount. Waulter le freir le Seneschal Descoce, qi desenduz estoit a pee entre lez comunz, fust mort od plus de x. mille dez comuns. Willam Walays, qy a cheual estoit, sen fuy od lez autres seignours Descoce qi y estoient. A quel batail Auntoyn de Beke, euesque de Doresme, estoit od le roy Edward Dengleter si estusse dez retenauntz que en sa batail estoint xxxij. baners, fe tiercifme dez countis, le count de Warwyk, le count de Oxfenford, et le count Dangus. En quel hour fust destruyt la vile de saint Andrew. Le roy remist ses officeris en Escocez, se trey en Engleterre, ferchaunt les corps faintz en pelerinage, enmerciaunt Dieu de sa victoir, com acoustomez estoit apres tielis affairs.

En lan fuaunt, lan de grace mille, cc.lxxx. xix., vindrent legatis de la court de Rome, le iour de la translacioun faint Thomas, au roi Edward a Cantorbirs, en priaunt et en monestant le roy qil lessast Johan de Baillof, iadiz roy Descoce, en la garde du faint pier, de pusque il estoit rendu au grace de ly. Le roy le graunta, issi qil ne entrast Escoce, quoi fust assure et ly dit Johan deliuers, qe se trey en la terre de Baillof soun sol. 200. b. heritage en Picardy, qy y endemurrast tout sa vie.

Lan fuaunt vindrent lettres du pape Boneface, par procurement et informacioun de ceaux Descoce par toutes lez euidentez qils sauoint deuifere, au roy Edward Dengleter, purportauntz qe la terre Descoce estoit

tenuz de la court de Rome, et qu'il avoit fuit introisoun est desheritamec. de legatis Romayne, emprisunt et enamonestaunt a ofter la mayne. Le: roy fift femoundre purhement general a Nichol, ou fust desclarez par toutis: lovs emperialis, ciuilis, canouns, et regalis, et par le vage de lyel de Bretaigne en tot temps puis le hour Brutus, qe la fouerainte Defcoce apartenoit au regaute Dengleterre, quoi fust nouncie au pape. Le dit roy Edward se trey en Escoce, assist le chastel de Carlauerok et le prist, apres quel affege Willam Walays fust pris par Johan de Mentethe pres de Glaskow et amienez au roy Dengleterre, qi ly fift treiner et pendre a Loundres. Le dit roi fift enclore la vile de Berewik de mure de pier, fe trey en Engleterre, lessa Johan de Segraf gardeyn Descoce. Les Escotez recomencerent a rebeller encountre le roy Edward Dengleterre, et eftablirent Johan de Comyn lour gardein et cheuetaine de lour querel. En quel temps auindrent grauntz pointz de guerre entre lez marchies, et nomiement en Teuydale, hors du chastel de Roxburhe, entre Ingram de Houmframuyle, Robert de Kethe, Escotoys, et Robert de Hastang, Engleis, gardein du dift chaftel. Johan de Segraf, le gardein Descoce depar le roy Edward Dengleterre, mouoit en oft en Escoce od plusours grauntz dez marchies Engleis, et od le count Patrik de la Marche, genherdaunt estoit au roy Engles, senveint a Rosselyn, se herbisa en la maner, fa batail entour ly, foun auaunt garde fust herbise vn lieu loinz en vn vilet. Johan Comyn od fez enherdauntz trenuyterent sure le dit Johan de Segraf et ly descounfirent sur la nuit; et soun auaunt gard, qe herbisez estoit de ly vn lieu loinz, aparsceurent sa descounsiture, sez vindrent au matin en counray de batail au meisme le lieu ou a soire lesserent lour cheuetain pensaunt a faire lour deuoir, ou furount outriez et descounfitz par force Descotois, et Rauf le Coffreir illoeges mort.

Pur quelis nouelis meisme lan suaunt le roy Edward se trey en Escoce, qi au primer entree se herbisa a Driburgh. Hugh de Audley od lx. homs darmys si esiement ne purroient my estre herbisez de lee le roy, sen alerent a Melros, senherbiserent en labbay. Johan Comyn, adonqes gardein de Escoce, estoit entre la forest de Etrik od grant rout de genz darmis; aparceyuoit lerbigage du dit Hugh de Melros a la maner, trenuyta sure luy, sist roumper lez portes, et endementiers lez ditz Engles dedenz labbay estoient

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araiez et mountez lour cheueaux en my la court firent gettere ouertz lez portez, lez Efcotes entrerent a cheuaul graunt noumbre, enporterent a tere lez Engles qi poy furount, les pristrent et tuerent toutz. Thomas Grav. cheualer, del hour qi estoit abatu enprist la mesoun outre la port, qy la teint en efpoir de refcoufe tanque la mefoun comenfa ardoir sure sa test, qi od autres fust pris. Le roy Edward se trey auaunt, teint la fest de Nowel a Lynlithcow, pius cheuaucha par tout la terre Descoce. fen trey a Dunfermelin, ou Johan Comyn qi aperceyuoit qil ne pooit countre ester le poair le roy Dengleterre se mist au grace le roy, sure condicioun gil reaueroit od touz fez enherdauntz lour droitz possessiouns gi redevindrent fez gentez lieges; sure quoi nouelis inftrumentz publiement furrount notez. Johan de Soulis ne voloit lez condiciounes, voida Escoce, sen ala en France, ou il morust. Willam Olifart, vn jouen bacheler Descoce, fist garnir le chastel de Striuelyn, ne deigna conscentir as condiciouns Johan de Comyn, mais se clamoit a tenir du Lioun. Le dit roy Edward, qi le atournement auoit a poy de touz ceaux Descoce et possession de lez fermetez, se muyst deuaunt le chastel de Stryuelyn et lassifit et lassailla par diuers engynes, et le prist par force et par assege de xix. femains. A quel affege Thomas de Gray, cheualer, fust feru dun garot dun espringal parmy la test desoutz lez oilles, treboucha a terre com mort defoutz lez barriers du chastelle com auoit rescous soun meistre, Henry de Beaumound, qi pris estoit as ditz barriers de vn tenail enmys par engine, et aunces apoy outre lez barreirs quant le dit Thomas ly arasa hors del meschief. Le dit Thomas estoit emporte et le aray attourne de ly auoir enterrez, sure quel point il comensa a mouoir et regardir, et garry apres. Le roy enuoia le chastelain, Willam Olyfart, a Loundres en prisoun, si fesoit iouster lez cheualers de soun ost deuaunt lour departir au remuer de lassege. Il enmist sez officeris par tout Escoce, sen treyt en Engleterre et lessa Eymer de Valoyns, count de Penfol. 201. b. brok, gardein Descoce; a qi il dona lez forestes de Selkirk et de Etryk. ou a Selkirk le dit Eymer fist afermer vn piele, enbota graunt garnisoun.

> En quel hour fust le count de Flaundres pris a Betoyn et retenu en prifoun du roy de France, pur quoi lez comunes de Flaundres sez mouoint en guere as Fraunceys, ou le iour de faint Johan en my este ils conbate-

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rent od le poair de France a Courteray, ou le count Dartoys oue plusours autres countis et barouns Fraunces furount mortez par orgoil et lour faguydery, ge lez Flemens furcurerent a cheual en lour fossez, pur corouce de goi le roy de France od tout foun poair affift Lisse. Les Flemens enuoierent au roi Edward Dengleter en requraunt fuccours, qi roi eftoit enueillez et malaious et soun tresor espendu en sez gueris Descoce, en quoi fez gentz furount enlacez, iffint qe bonement ne fe pooit meller. Qe volountiers fe entremist de lour eider, se queist engyn, fist forger vn lettre depar lez eskeuinis de Gaunte directe a ly meismes, que parlerent enfy.—" A lour tresdoute seignour, roy Dengleter, sez pouers seruauntz de Gaunt, toutes honours et seruices. Pur ceo qe nous qidoms qil agreeroit a la noblefce de vous de fauoir ioyous nouellis du bien eftre nostre seignour le count de Flaundres, uostre alye fi vous plest, pleise a la hautesce de vous a entendre que nous auoms purchace pur le nostre affeitz largement couyne de gentz priuez et puffauntz dedens lost le roy de France, qi nous ount en couenaunt par surete fuffisaunt a prendre le roy dedenz cez xv. iours hors de fa tent; et de nous ly enuoya a certain lieu limite a faire eschaunge od nostre dit seignour. Si pleise a la trefexcellent seignoiure de vous a tenir cest chos en serre, et eider et maintener, fustener et gouerner voz simples enherdauntz fils enbosoignent de fuccours lez bosoignes acompliz susditz, qe grantement serrount en encressement de uostre estat, qe bonement ne poount failler. Lez queux nous esperoms escheuez, qe sils ne soint faitez vn iour ne purra failler vn autre, taunt sumos en certain."-Le roy Edward prift cest lettre, et vn iour com il sen leua du lite la royne sa femme, qe sore estoit le roy de Fraunce, qe al hour eftoit en Kent, fe feigna a fercher sa bours apres lettres, si lessaft cest lettre gesire sure le lit sa femme, sen ala en vn chapel a over messe. La royne aparsu la lettre, qe la prist et la luyst et la remist. Le roy en my la messe reueint hastaunt en la chaumbre la royne demaundaunt irroufement et fodeignement si nul trouoit vn lettre, sen alast au lite, troua la lettre, si ly hasta de la prendre, qi ioyousement la sol. 202. happa et fodeignement reala faunz plus dire. La royne, qe aucit lien la lettre, aparceu le countenaunce le roy, auoit grant doute et dolour que foun freir ferroit enfy trahi dez vileins, fist faire en le hour prives lettres



au roy de France foun freir de tout la fentence du dit lettre, engarnifaunt gil fe agardast. Cestes lettres furount hastez, et del hour qe le roy de Fraunce auoit aparceu la maner dez lettres fa sore il fe delogea de laffege meisme la nuyte; et ensi eida engyn, qe molt vaut maint foitz gant force y faut. Ceocy aueint apres la faint Michel. Et meisme leste apres le roy de France affembla oft, reentra Flaundres, et meisme le iour de faint Johan en vn ane prochein de la batail de Courtray furount lez Flemyns descounfitz a Mouns en Paiwer, et lour cheuetain mort Willam de Juleris, qi freir estoit du count de Juleris. Apres qoi fust le count Robert deliuers de prisoun en maner que lez trois viles de Flaundres sure la marche de Fraunce demurasent au roy de France, Doway, Lile, et Betoyne.

En cest mein temps Robert de Bruis, count de Carrik, qi fort se tenoit de gentz de fanguinite et de alliaunce, esperaunt toutditz al accioun de foun droit du chalange du fucceffioun du realme Descoce, en lan de grace mille, ccc. vj., 4. kalendas de Febr'., enuoya fez ij. freires, Thomas et Neil, de Loghmaban a Dalscuentoun, a Johan Comyn; empriaunt qil ly vousist encountreir a Dromfres, au friers Menours, qils purroint entreparler. Si auoint couyne od fez ij. auaunt ditz freirs gen chemynaunt ils tuasent le dit Johan Comyne. Lez queux furount si amiablement resceus du dit Johan Comyn qils ne sez purroint affenter de ly fair nul mal, mes fez acorderent qe lour freir en feist meismes soun meillour. Le dit Johan Comyne, qi nul mal pensoit, se mist od lez dieus friers le dit Robert de Bruys a Dromfres a parler od ly, se veint au freirs ou troua le dit Robert, qi luy uenoit a lencountre, sy lui amena al haute auter. Lez ij. freirs le dit Robert ly disoient en secre "fire," fesoint ils, "il nous fift fi bele acoil, et od fi larges dounes, et taunt fe affura de nous par fi ouert countenaunce, gen nul maner ly purrioms maufaire." "Voir," fesoitil, "bien estez lectous, lessez moy conuenir." Il prist le dit Johan Comyn, fez appoerent al autere; "sire," ceo disoit le dit Robert de Bruis au dit Johan Comyne, "cest terre Descoce est de tout soutz mys en feruitude dez Engles, par perrefce du cheuetain qe soun droit et la fraunchife du realme ad lesse perdre; choisez de ij. voys, lun ou preigfol. 202. b. nez moun heritage et me eidez a estre roys, ou baillez moi le toun si te

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eideray a quo estre, pesque tu es de soun fank qi lad perdu, ou ico qe le efecir par fuccession de mez auncestres qui droit claimerent a aucir que par lez voz estoient destourbez, qur ore est temps en veillesce de cesty roy Engles." "Certis," ceo disoit ly dit Johan Comyne, "ieo ne fauseray iames a mon seignour Engles de ceo que ieu ly su atourne de ferement et homage en chos ge me purra estre surmys tresoun." "Non?" fesoit ly dit Robert de Bruys, "ieo auoy en vous autre espoir, par promes de toi et toiens, si mas descouery au roy par tes lettres, pur quoi viuaunt toy ne puffe escheuer moun voloir, tu aueras toun guerdoun!" si ly fery du cutel, autres lui decouperent en my leglis deuaunt le auter. Vn chiualer, foun vncle, qi present estoit, sery le dit Robert de Bruys dun espey hu pice, mais armez estoit que ne ly greua; que vncle fust illoeqes tue. Le dit Robert si fist coroner en roys Descoce a Scone en la fest del annunciacioun notre Dame, de la countesse de Boghan, pur absence du count foun fitz, qi adonqes demura en Engleterre a foun maner de Vituik iouft Laycestre, a qi lossice del encorounement dez roys Descoce apartenoit heritablement, abscent le count de Fisse, qi al hour estoit en garde le roi en Engleterre. La dit countesse fust meisme cel ane pris dez Engleis et amenez a Berewik, et par comaundement le roy Edward Dengleterre mys en vn mesounceaux de fust en vn tour en le chastelle de Berewyk, lez parrays eschequez que touz la porroint agarder pur meruail. Le roy Edward Dengleterre, qi aparceust la riote qe Robert de Bruis fesoit en Escoce od sez enherdauntz, y enuoya Eymer de Valoins, count de Penbrok, od autres barouns Dengleterre et od plusours Descoce extraitz du fank Johan Comyne, qi touz fez adressernt encountre le dit Robert de Bruys. Le dit counte de Penbrok se mist a la vile de Saint Johan, y endemurra vn pece. Robert de Bruis auoit affemblee tout le poair de Efcoce de fez enherdauntz, et dez fauuages ionez gentez legers a mouoir countre Engles, enueint deuaunt la vile de Saint Johan en dieus grauntz bataillis, proferaunt batail au dit count et as Englis qi y endemura deuant la dit vile de matin tanque apres haut noune. Le dit count de Penbrok se teint tot coy tanque a lour departir, qe par counsail dez seignours Descoz dez bien voillauntz Johan Comyn, qi as Engles furount enherdauntz et od ly en la dit vile, lez sires de Moubray, de Abernethin,

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de Brighen, et de Gordoup, od plusours autres, sen issist en if. batailles. Lour enemys Descoce estoient demouez, aucint enmoye lours herbiseurs de lour herbiger a Methfen, relierent com purroint, sen vindrent combatre tout a cheual od la dist issu, mais furount descounsitz lez Escotz, ou fust arene le dit Robert de Bruys et lesse eschaper par Johan de Haliburtoun del hour gil aperceust gil estoit, qu' nauoit point de cote armur mais vn chemys blaunk. Thomas Randolf, neueu le dift Robert de Bruys, qui apres fust count de Morref, fust pris a meisme cest batail de Methfen, et au prier Adam de Gordoun fust deliuers, et demora Engles tanque autre foitz fust repris de lez Escotez. Robert de Bruys, lez plusours dez soens mortz et pris a cest bataille de Methsen, fust enchacez en Kentire par lez Engles, qi affiftrent le chaftelle hu dit pays qe ly dit Robert y vst este, qi ne ly trouerent point au pris du dit chastelle mais y trouerent sa femme, la feile le count de Hulster, et Neil soun freir. et procheignement fust le count de Athelis pris qi [au] le dit chastel fust suvs. Le dit Neil, freir le dit Robert de Bruys, od Alain Duruard et plusours autres, furount penduz et treynez par iugement a Berewik, et la femme le dit Robert enuoyez en garde en Engleterre. Le count de Athelis, pur ceo qe cofyn estoit le roy Dengleterre, fitz Maude de Doure sa aunte, fust enuoyez a Loundres; et pur ceo que du sank estoit le roy, fust penduz sure plus hautis fourches que autres de xxx. pees. Meisme han le roy fist soun sitz Edward, prince de Galis, cheuauelier a Westmouster, od graunt noumbre dez autres juuenceaux noblis de soun realme, et ly enuoya de graunt aray en Escoce od touz ceux noueaux cheualers. Thomas count de Lancastre et Houmfray de Bouhun count de Herforde, oi passerent lez mountez Descoce, assistrent le chastel de Kyndromy en Marre et le gaigna, en quel chastel su troue Cristofre de Setoun od sa femme la sore Robert de Bruys, qi com Engles renove fust enuoie a Dunfres et illoeges penduz, trainez, et decollez; ou deuaunt auoit fait tuer un cheualer, viscount du pays mys depar le roy Dengleterre. Lez nuesques de Glascow et de Saint Andrew, et labbe de Scone, furount pris meisme la seison en enuoyez en Engleterre en gard. Peris de Gauirkoun fust accuse au roy de diuers crimes et vices, pur quoi nen sust dignes a estre pres le sitz le roy, par quoi il fust exilez et foriusrez.

En lan de grace mille, ccc. vj., le roy Edward estoit venuz a Dumfermelin, foun fitz Edward, prince de Galis, estoit reuenuz de outre les fol. 203. b. mountz, y endemora od graunt oft a la vile de Saint Johan; et endementers Robert de Bruys estoit reentrez hors dez iles, fe auoit acoilly vn rout en lez estroitez de Athelis, enuoya messagers pur auoir tretice od le dit fitz le roy, qi auoit conduyt a venir tretre, qi enueint a le pount de la vile de Saint Johan, si entra en tretice a taster sil empoait nul grace auoir, quel parlaunce fust lendemain nouncie au roi a Dunfermelin. estoit, a poy enrage quant il oy de le tretice, qi demandoit, "qi en fust si hardy de attamere tretice od noz traitours faunz scieu de nous, qi ne voloit over parler?" Le roy et soun fitz sez treierent sur marches Dengleterre, Eymer de Valoins fust demurre lieutenaunt le roy en Escoce. Robert de Bruys recomenfa graunt couyn, enuoya fes ii. frers, Thomas et Alexandre, deuers Niddifdale et le vale de Anande pur attreier lez queres dez gentz, ou furount suppris dez Englis, et pris, et amenez par comaundement le roy a Cardoil, illoeqes penduz, treynez, et decollez. Robert de Bruys fe auoit affemble fez enherdauntz en Carryk. de Valoins, qi ceo auoit oy, fe trey deuers ly, ou a Loudoun le dit Robert encountra oue le dit Eymer de Valoins, et ly descounfist, et ly enchafa au chaftel de Are; et dedenz le tierce iour le dit Robert de Bruys desconfist Rauf de Monhermer, qi fust dit count de Gloucestre par cause qe Johan la feile le roi et countesse de Gloucestre ly auoit pris par amours a marry, si ly enchasa au chastel de Are, et illoeges ly assist tanque lost Dengleterre ly rescourent, qi enboterent le dit Robert de Bruys a tiel meschef qil ala a pee par lez mountez, et de ile en ile, et alasoitz a tiel meschief que auscun foitz ne auoit nuly od ly. Qar, com tesmoignent lez croniclis de fez gestis, il enueint en cel houre a vn passage tout soul de ij. illis, et com il estoit en le batew od ij. mariners ils ly demaunderent nouelis, si rien auoit oy parler ou Robert de Bruys estoit deuenus? "Nenyl," fesoit il. "Certis," fesoint ils, "nous vodroms qe nous ly tenissims en le hour, si murreroit de noz mains;" "et pur quoi?" fesoit il, "pur ceo qe il enmourdit Johan Comyn, nostre seignour." mistrent a terre ou ils ly auoint en couenaunt, qi lour dist, " beaux seignours, your auez sueide que vous tenicez Robert de Bruis, veiez moy cy

qe vous plerra, et sy ne fust qe vous mauez set curtosy qe mattez mys outre cest estroit passage, vous encomparez uotre voloir; si sen ala soun chemyn, qi a tiel meschief estoit enchace.

Ly auauntdit roy Edward Dengleter auoit en cest meine temps grantement demore maladiz a Lanercost, qe de illoeqes remua de chaengier leire et pur attendre soun ost gil auoit somouns a reentreir Escoce. enueint a Burch sure le Sabloun, et illoeges morust en le moys de Juyl, en lan de grace mile, ccc. vij., et de illoeges enporte et enterre follempnement a Westmoustre delee sez auncestres, apres qui auoit regne xxxiiij. auns, vij. moys et xi. iours, et en lan de foun age lxviij. auns et xx. iours. I cesti roy Edward nauoit de sa primer femme, la feile le roy de Cafteil, fors vn fitz qi vesqy. De la secound espous, la sore le roy de France, auoit il ij. fitz, Thomas et Eadmound. A Thomas dona il la counte de Northfolc et de Southfolk, oue la marschalfy Dengleter, quel countee od losfice apartenoit de heritage a Roger Bigod, qi nauoit point dengendrur, qi fift le roy foun heir en party pur doute qe le roy ne ly surmeist mal port gentre ly et autres comencerent vn foitz a Nicol couyn encountre ly. A Emound foun fitz pushe deuisa il en soun testament qatre mile marche de terre, et pur estre acomply de Edward foun sitz et heire sur fa benisoun. Qi heir puis dona au dit Edmound la counte de Kent od party de la terre a ly deuyse, mais tout ne ly estoit my parfourny deuaunt le temps le tierce Edward. Cesti Edward le primer apres la conquest auoit plusours feilles, vn estoit espose au count de Glowcestre, vn autre au duk de Braban, la tierce au count de Baris, la quart au count de Holand, apres mort de qi el fust autresoitz espose au count de Herforde, la quint fust nonayne a Aumesbery.

Innocens le 5. fust pape apres Gregoir le 10. 5 moys. Cesti estoit apelle Petrus de Tarent, il sust de lordre de prechours et meistre en diuinite. Apres qi Innocens sust Adrian le 5. pape 2 mois. Il auoit este
enuoie du pape Clement en Engleter, pur peiser debat entre le roy et
lez barouns. Apres qi Adrian Johan le 5. sust pape 8 auns; il estoit
primes nome Petrus qi asseitz plus saint estoit deuaunt qe apres qant il
auoit soun estat. Il auaunsa volountiers lez grantz clerks, il esperoit long
vie mais sodeignement treboucha de vn chambre qil auoit edise a Ve-

tourbe et morust. Apres qui Johan le ij. Johan le 3. sust pape 3 aunz. Après qui Johan, Nicholas fust pape, qi ordena Robert de Kilwardby en cardenal, et freir Johan de Pecham, del ordre dez menurs et meistre de fol. 204. b. diuinite, en erceuesque de Cantorbires. Apres qi Nicholas le 3. Honorius le 4. fust pape 7 auns; cesti chaungea labit de freirs carmes, qe deuaunt estoit pale. Apres qi Honorius le 4. Nicholas le 4. fust pape 6 aunz; il estoit de lordre de freirs menours, il declara lordre dez freirs menours; en temps de qy aueint vn tiel tempest la veil saint Margaret en Engleter de foudre yuernail que defift lez blez, de quoi enueint grant cherate, qe apoi durra la vie Edward le primer apres la conquest. quel temps lez taxíis dez eglis furoun chaungez a plus haut valu. lestin le 5. fust pape 3 aunz apres Nichol; cesti Celestin estoit vn pouer eremyt en desert pres de Rome, qi innocent estoit de maner, noun pas lettre, ne fage, ne aparaunt. Vn cardinal qi desiroit la gouernail du court ou a estre pape, qi fe doutoit qe la colege ne ly choiferoint, feigna cause et fift entendre a sez autres freirs cardenalis apres la mort le dit pape Nichol en lour eleccioun du papee qui voice ly estoit venu en auison par trois foitz qils choiseroint en pape le dit simple ermyt, de qi il auoit premesse qui ne ferroit rien faunz li. Les autres quiderent que ceo vst este lexpiracioun de Dieu, ly choiserent en pape qi rien ne sauoit gouerner foun estat, de goy la court fust tout troeble et ly meismes ensaule. auant dit cardinal, qe apres auoit a noun Boneface, ly leffa foleier, qi rien ne se entremist de soun bon gouernement tange il estoit tant foruoie qe bonment ne pooit estre amende, et adonqes ly counsailla et pressa de refigner foun estat a ly et il prendroit garde qil viueroit honourablement; a qoy il se conscentist. La college sez concenterent pur sa foly, enmistrent lautre et ly apellerent Boneface, qe del hour qe il auoit pris foun estat ne prist rien garde de Celestin, mais ly lessa repairer a soun primer estat, a soun pouer hermitage. Qy Celestin, del hour gil aperceust qil estoit engine, prophetiza de Boneface soun successour, qi ly disoit, " ta y chuenistes com vn gopille, tu regneras com vn lioun, fi mureras com vn chien;" qoi y en aueint, qar ly dit Boneface regna orgoillousement, desit cardinalis de greignour ligne de Rome extreitis de Columpna, grauntment trauerfa le roy de France, pur quoi conneinerent enfemble, priftrent

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bell 205. le dit pape, ly amenerent hors de Rome fa face tourne au cue de foun chevail a vn chaftel pres ou il murruft de feyme. Apres qi Boneface Benet le 3., de lordre dez prechours, fust pape vn an, de qi fust parle de vn Gullyurdas en Latin,

"A re nomen habe, benedic, benefac, benedicte;
Aut rem perverte, maledic, malefac, malefacte."

Auntoin de Beke, euesque de Duresm, sust estably patriarch de Jerusalem, mais voqes nen veint en le patriarche mes durement sust noble en soun pays. Clement le 5. sust pape apres Benet 12 auns; il deueint durement riche de tresors, purchasa grauntz terres, sist edisier sortis chasteaux, il amena la court de Rome, en soun temps surount lez Templers desaites, il sist desaire ascuns dez decretalis que meismes auoit estably, lez queux Johan soun successour renouela. Cesti Johan le ij. sust pape apres Clement plus de xx. aunz, qi grant clerk estoit en Grec, Ebreu, et Latin. Il sist coiller grantz tresoris ensemble, il mainteint grauntz gueres en Lombardy, il auaunsa uolontiers le grantz clers, il dampna lez pluralites, il reserua lez primers fruytes apres la mort dez prelatis a sa chaumbre, il sist les matynes de la croice, il vesquist tout le temps le secound roy Edward apres la conquest et apres en le temps soun sitz le tierce Edward.

Au fine du regne Edward le primer apres la conquest, et au comencement du regne de soun sitz Edward le secound, Henry count de Lussemburh fust roy de Allemain et emperour, qi vaillaunt et nobles estoit, resceust honourablement sez dignetes de sez troys corouns. Il dona le realme de Bahayne a soun sitz Johan od la seile le roy, qi Johan conquist le dit realme et prist la cite de Prag de assaute sure ceaux qi claimerent droit par autre successioun masse. Le dit emperour Henry sentremist cheualerousement en Tuskane et en Lombardy a reconqer lez droitez del empir, pur quoi com il gesoit deuaunt Brise il estoit enpusoune en resceit du corps Dieu par soun consessour, vn Jacobin, qy alowes estoit par lez Gesses qi durement estoint espountez de sa pruesce. Sez phisiciena, qi bien apersceurent la maner, ly voroint auoir deliuers, mais ne voloit ofter soun creature, mais disoit qe pur poour a murrir ne departeroit od le corps

Dieu. Apres mort de qy estoit graunt debat pur la eleccioun del empire. Le duk de Ostrik auoit voice dascuns dez elisours, Lowys duk de Bayuer auoit autrefy eleccioun du remenaunt dez elifours, pur quel debate lez 🖦 2005. 5. auaunditz feignurs fez entrecombaterent od lour poair en Swawe. Bayuer auoit la victoir par eide du Johan roy de Bahayne. Le dit Bayuer enprist lestat del emperour, resceust sez trois corouns, mais le pape et le court de Rome li estoint en contrair, pur quoi a soun encoronement a Rome, par afcent dez Senatours et de ceaux de la college gendemurascent en le hour entour leglis faint Pere et saint Poel, enchoiserent vn nouel pape, vn cordeler, qi out a noune Nichol, aleygerent cause pur ceo ge la court fust a Auynioun ou dust estre a Rome par auncien constitucioun canonife. Cesti Nichol ne perseueryst my longment en soun estat, mais del hour qe le auaunt dit emperour estoit repairez en Bayuer se mist en la grace du pape Johan qen le hour demurra en Auynioun, pur quoy la court de Rome ne accepta ia mes le dit Bayuer par emperour, qi touz iours mes vesquist en sentence. Il vesqy bon pece, mais poi fist qe soit a counteir darmis. Il fust durement artillious de sa mayn, il dona a foun fitz eyne le markis de Brandesburgh com droit est de le empire, qe tieux feignourages fount al disposicioun del emperour qunt heir y faut masse. Il dona a meisme cely de Brandesburgh la duche de Carentane oue la counte de Tyrol, oue la feile et heir du duk. Il dona a foun pusne sitz, qil auoit engendre del eyne feile Willam count de Henaw, lez countez de Seland, Holand, et de Henaw. Vn autre de fez fitz, le Romer, de meisme sa espouse fesoit esposer la feil le roy de Crakow et soun heir. Il vefqyst bien longement en le temps le tierce roy Edward Dengleter apres la conquest, com apres ferra recordez.

Apres La mort le primer Edward apres la conquest, regna le second Edward foun fitz, en grant tribulacioun et aduersite, qi ny estoit pas oeurous ne amez dez grantz de foun realme, ia le mainz il estoit large et amyable trop outre mesure as ceau qil amoit, et mult coumpaignable a fez priuez. Et si fust de soun corps vn dez plus fortz hom de soun Il prift a femme Isabelle, la feile le roy Phelip de France ly beaux, qi la efpofat a Amyas et la amena en Engleter, ou furount coronez

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a Loundres od grant folempnete. Le roy od fa dit femme Isabelle autre foitz passa en France a Parys pur treter de sez bosoignes de Gascoyne, ou le dit roy Edward a faint Germayn en Prees festia le dit roy de France; de quel fest estoit en le hour graunt renome. En quel hour fust counte au dit roy Phelip de France qe lez femmes de sez sitz sez auoint malment porte,—dount il auoit trois, et vn feile meisme cest Isabelle royne Dengleter, Phelip, Lowys, et Charlis, de sa espouse la feille le roy de Nawar, del heritage de qei il estoit roy de Nawar; la mere de quel espous, Edmond le freir le primer Edward Dengleter apres la conquest auoit espose, de qei il engendra Thomas et Henry puis countis de Lancastre,—cest assauoir, qe lez ditiz dames auoit paramours faitz auoutry od cheualeris de fa court, qoi grantement ly gisoit au quer. Pur qoi apres departir du dit roy Dengleter, le dit roy de France demaundoit de Phelip Dawnay, vn auncien cheualer de foun counfail, quoi ferroit a faire de ceaux quoint parieu lez femmes dez fitz le roy et realis de France. "Sire," ceo disoit ly prodhom, "ils fount dignes a estre escorchez toutz vifes." "Tu as done le iugement," ceo disoit ly roys, "ces foun voz fitz lez dieus qi porterount le coup." Lun fust dampne en le hour, lautre eschapa en Engleter qi fust pris a Euerwyk et reenuoye au dit roy de France, de quoi le dit roy Dengleter de murmure dez comunes enportoit blame, depuisque le dit chiualer estoit venuz pur succours en foun realme. Le dit chiualer fust escorche tout vyue, lez ij. dames furount mys a vileyn mort, la tierce fust enuyrone dun haut mure faunz manger ou boire, ou morust. Il estoit dit de parol du comune qe cest esclaundre fust descouert au roy de France par sa feille Isabelle royne Dengleter, quoy estoit suppose de plusours que nestoit pas uerite. Pur quel crualte dez comunes fust arrette et notifie qe le pier ne lez fitz ne auoint dure, le pier murrust procheignement. Sez trois sitz auaunt nomez estoint roys de France, chescun apres autre, court sesoun. eyne de eaux, qi roy estoit de Nawar viuaunt le pier, nauoit engendrur fors vn feile que puis fust marie au count de Euerus, qi apres de heritage fa dit femme deueint roy de Nawar. Ly autre freir secound auoit de sa espous la feile le count de Artoys trois feilles, qe puis departerent leritage 'de Artoys. Le duk de Burgoin auoit vn, le count de Flaundres vn autre, la tierce puis prist paramours le sire de Faucony. Charlis le tierce freir et darain roys morust saunz engendrur, pur quoi le droit del heritage de Fraunce de droit deueroit descendre a Edward Dengleter, fitz Isabelle, fol. 206. b. sore lez ditz trois freirs et roys com al plus prochein heïre masle, gar en le houre les feiles de lez dieus auaunt ditz freirs et roys nauoint point dengendrur masse au discesse le dit Charlis le darein roy de iij. freirs lour Pur quoi le dit Edward fitz Isabel Dengleter estoit le plus prochein mal, tout ne mist il point de chalenge, com apres serra recorde, au mort foun dit vncle Charlis pur defaut de bon counfail, com estoit iones et entagles dautres bosoignes, tanque vn autre collateralle. Le fitz del vncle le auaunt dit Charlis estoit corone pur roys par eide de sez aliez. principaument de Robert de Artoys, a qu'apres estoit le greniour enemy, puisque nul autre en droit sesoun ne enmistrent a droit chalange tange bon pece puscedy, com apres serra recorde, qe bien est et doit estre notable chos et memorial par tout.

Thomas de Gray estoit en le hour gardein du chastel de Coupir et de Fif, depar le roy Dengleter, et com uenoit hors Dengleterre del encorounement le roy vers le dit chaftelle, Waulter de Bickirtoun, chiualer Descoce, genherdaunt estoit a Robert de Bruys, auoit espie la reuenu du dit Thomas, estoit enbusse od plus de iiij.c homs par ou le dit Thomas couenoit paffer; quoy fust nouncie au dit Thomas geris plus dun dimy lieu pres del enbussement. Il nauoit od ly fors xxvi. homs darmes, il aparceust qil ne pooit sanz meschief eschapier, qi par asscent dez soens emprist le chemyn deuers lenbussement, fist bailler vn estandard a sez garfouns, lez fift comaunder qils venifent en rout par dereir eaux et qe ils ne fuaffent trop toft. Lez enemys mounterent a cheual, vindrent en batail, penfauntz qe ils ne lour purrount eschaper. Le dit Thomas, od lez soens que tres biens estoient mountez, ferry destreir dez esperouns, alast affembleir en my la route dez enemys par my eaux, portoit en foun aler plufours a terre de hurt du cheual et de fa launce, si tourna la rein, reueint en meisme la gise et reenala et autre foitz reueint parmy le plus graunt route, quy taunt enbaudist lez soens qe toutz ly suerent a la gyse, qy tauntz auoint abatuz des enemys, lour cheueaux corauntz en routes, eaux meifmes releuez de terre, aparceuerent les garfouns le dit Thomas



uenauntz en aray, sez comencerent suer en vn sek marras tourberis qe y ount pres, pur qoy touz comencerent a suer a le marras, lesserent lour sol. 207. cheueax pur poi touz. Le dit Thomas od lez soens ne lour purroit aprocher a cheual, pur quoi sist chacer ensemble lour cheueals en rout deuaunt ly au dit chastel, ou a nuyt auoint ix.xx cheueaux selez en botyne.

Autre foitz Alexander Frisel, qenderdaunt estoit a Robert de Bruys, od cent homs darmes estoit enbussez vn demy lieu pres le dit chastelle, vn iour de Marche, la vile plein dez veisines, et auoit enuoiez autres de sez genz de lautre part le chastel a rysser vn vilet. Le dit Thomas oy la hue, mounta vn beau destreir deuaunt qe lez soens purroint estre adressez, sen alast veoir qe ceo sust. Lez enemys du dit enbussement serreirent cheueaux dez esperouns deuaunt lez portez du dit chastel, quy bien ly sauoint issu pur quoy ils ceo sirent. Ly dit Thomas qi ceo aperceust reueint le petit pas parmy la vile de Coupir, en la bout de quoy estut le chastel, par ou couenoit a cheual entreir ou la ru auoint purpris tout outre, il sery cheueaux dez esperouns com venit pres de eaux, lez primers qi sez auauncerent a deuaunt il abaty de eaux lez vns de sa launce autres de hurt du chiual, se passa parmy eaux toutz, descendy deuaunt la port ens chasa soun cheual, se trei meismes dedenz lez barreirs ou troua lez soens issu.

Cesti roy Edward le secound apres la conquest, ietta grant affeccioun viuaunt soun pier a Peris de Gauirstoun, vn ioen hom nee de Gascoyn, de quoi le pier prist malencoly qil se douta qil amenast soun sitz desordeinement, qy luy sist exiler de soun realme et sist meisme soun sitz y cesty Edward et soun neuew le count Thomas de Lancastre et autres grantz du realme iureir le exillement du dit Peris saunz recouncillement pur touz iours; qe procheynement apres la mort le pier le sitz sist reapeller le dit Peris sodeinement et ly sist prendre a semme la seil sa sore, vn dez seiles de Gloucestre, et luy sist count de Cornewail. Qy deueint tresnoblis, largis et gentil de maner, mais orgoillous et sourqidrous en party, de quoi lez vns dez grantz du realme enpristrent grant despit; qy coumpasserount sa destruccioun com il sust en Escoce a la guer le roy, qauoit sait assermer la vile de Dundee, qi trop apertement se auoit porte illoeges au plesauss dez gentilis homs du pays qe ly couenoit retourner

au roy pur debate dez barouns. Qen foun reuenir ly suppristrent a Scarthburgh, mes sure condicioun fust rendu a Eymer de Valoyns de luy auoir amenez au roy, des gentz de qy il estoit repris ioust Oxsenforth qy luy amenerent au count de Lancastre qi ly fist decoller pres de Warwyk, pur quoy fourdist mortiel heyn du roy qe toutz iours mes dura entre eaux. fol. 207. b. Adam Banastre, vn bacheler de la counte de Lancastre, mouoit ryote countre le dit count par couyne le roy, mais il ne pooit endureir mais fust pris et de collez par comaundement du dit count apres grantz iournes qil auoit hu sure fez gentz.

Durant cest debat entre le roy et le dit count reuigura Robert de Bruys en Escoce qi ia estoit leuez vivaunt le roi le pier, qi clamoit accioun du realme Descoce, qi conquist tauntz dez pays en Escoce qestoient a deuaunt conquys et foutzmys al obeifaunce du roy Dengleterre; et moult par caus de mauues gouernail dez ministres le roy, qi trop asprement lez gouernoient pur singuler profit. Lez chastellis de Roxburgh et de Edynburgh emblez et abatuse, lez queux chastelis estoint en garde dez aliens; Roxburgh en la gard Gillemyng de Fenygges, cheualer et Burglioun, sure qi James de Douglas embla le dift chaftel la nuyt de quarrem pernaunt, le dit Gilmyng fust mort dun sete com teint la graunt tour. Peres Lebaud, chelauer, vn Gascoyne, fust viscount de Edenburgh, sure qi lez gentz Thomas Randolf, count de Murref, com le dist chastel estoit assis, le emblerent a le plus haut du roche a quoi il ne fe dotoit. Le dit Peris deueint Escotoys a la foy Robert de Bruys, qi puis apres ly surmift trefoun, ly fift pendre et treyner; com fust dit pur ceo qil fe doutoit de ly pur ceo qe trop estoit apert pensaunt toutdice qil estoit Engles quer, agaitaunt soun meillour point de ly greuer. dit roy Edward couenoit treier celys partyes, ou al rescous du chastel de Stryuelin il fust descomfist et graunt noumbre de sez gentz mortz; le count de Gloucestre, et autres tresnoblis gentez, et le count de Herford pris a Botheuille com tanque la estoit retreit, ou du chastelayn fust traye, qi puis fust deliuers pur la femme Robert de Bruys et pur leuesque de seint Andrew. Et coment cel descoumfiture enaueint lez croniclis deuisent qe apres ceo qe le count de Athelis auoit emble la vile de faint Johan sure William Olifart, capitayn depar le roy Dengle-

terre, al vse Robert de Bruys, com cely genherdaunt estoit a ly al hour mais tost ly guerpy, qi Robert se trey en ost deuaunt le chastel de Striuelyn, ou Philip de Moubray, cheualer, qauoit le chastel de Striuelyn agarder depar le roy Dengleterre, auoit pris condicioun od le dit Robert de Bruys du rendre le dit chastel com lauoit assys, qe sil ne fust rescouse, issi qi lost Dengleterre venist a trois lieus pres le dit chastel dedenz viij. iours apres le faint Johan en este adonges procheine auenir, qi ly renderoit le dit chastel. Le dit roi Edward Dengleterre y enueint pur la dit cause, ou le dit chastelain Phelip ly encountra trois lieus du chastel, le dymange la viel de faint Johan, qi ly disoit qe y nenbosoignoit my qil uenist plus pres qil se tenoit rescous, si luy counta coment lez enemys auoint fowez lez estroitz chemyns du boys. Lez ioenes gentz ne aresterent my tindrent lour chemyns; lauaunt garde, dount le count de Gloucestre estoit gouernour, entrerent la voi dedenz le Park, ou tost furount recoillez par lez Efcotez, qauoint purpris la voy, ou fu tue Peris de Mountforth, cheualer, dez mains Robert de Bruis dun hache, com fust Endementiers que le dit auaunt garde sez adresserent cel chemyn, Robert seignour de Clifford et Henry de Beaumound, od iij. centz homs de armis, enuironerent le boys del autre couste deuers le chastel, demurrerent as beaux chaumps. Thomas Randolf, count de Murref, neueu Robert de Bruys, qi dustre estoit del auaunt garde Descoce, auoit oy qe foun vncle auoit rebote le auauntgarde dez Engles al autre part du boys, pensa qil vousist auoir sa part, issist du boys od sa batail, enpristrent le beau chaumpe deuers lez dieus feignours auant nomez. Monfeur Henry de Beaumound disoit as soens, "retreyoms nous vn poy, lessez lez uenir, donez lez chaumps;" Thomas Gray, cheualer, ly disoit, "sire, ieo me dout qe taunt lez dorrez en le hour pur quoi tout auerount trop tost." "Voir," fesoit le dit Henry, "fi tu eiez poour, fuez." "Sire," fesoit ly dit Thomas, "pur poour ne fueray ieo huy," si fery cheual dez esperouns entre ly et Willam Dayncourt, cheualer, affemblerent en my lieu dez enemys; Willam fust mort, Thomas fust pris, soun cheual tue dez launces, ly meismes tyre od eaux a pee, qi sen alerent descounsire le auaunt dit route de ij. seignours outriement. Lez vns dez queux fuerent au chastel, autres al oft le roy, qy ia auoint guerpy la voy du boys, estoint venuz en

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vn plain deuers leau de Forth outre Bannokburn, vn mauueis parfound ruscelle marras, ou le dit ost dez Engles detrusserent, demurrerent tout nuyt, durement auoint pardu countenaunce, et estoint de trop mal couyne pur la iournee passe.

Lez Escotez hu boys penserent que affeitz auoint ils bien fait quant a la iourne, estoient tout en point de auoir deloge, et auoir dedenz la nuvt trey dedenz lez Leuenaux, plus fort pays, quant Alexander de Setoun, cheualer, qi a la foy Dengleter estoit et uenuz illoeges ouesque le roy, fen departist priuement hors del ost Engles, sen ala a Robert de Bruys sol. 2008. b. hu boys, ge ly disoit, "fire, ore est temps si iamais mes empensez a entrementer a Efcoce reconquer, lez Engles ount perdu lour quers et fount descounfitz, ne attendent rien fors vn sodein apert assaut." Si ly counta lour couyn, gi ly disoit sure sa test et sure pain destre penduz et traynez. ge fil lez uoloit furrecour le matin il lez descounfiroit legerement faunz perde. Par excitement de qy ils empristrent a combatre, et au matin au folail leuaunt ifferent le boys en trois bataillis a pee, tindrent reddement lour chemyn deuers lost dez Engles, qi tout la nuyt auoint este armez, lour cheueaux freinez, qi mounterent a cheual od graunt affray, qi neftoint my acoustomez pur descendre a coumbatre a pee, ou lez ditz Escotez auoient pris enfaumpler a lez Flemenges, qi deuaunt auoint a Courtray descounfist a pe le poair de France. Lez auaunt ditz Escotez uindrent de tot aleyn en schiltrome, affenblerent sur lez bataillis dez Engles, qi entaffez estoint, qi rien remuerent deuers eaux tanque lours cheueaux eftoient enbuaillez dez launcez lez gentz dereir dez Engles, recoillerent hu fosse de Bannokburne, chescun cheoit sur autre. Lez batails dez Engles defaroutez par bouter dez pointez dez launces sur lez cheueaux comencerent a fuyre, ceaux qestoint assignez au freyn le roy aperceurent le meschief, treierent le roy auaunt par le reyn hors du chaumpe deuers le chastel maugre qil enhust qi enuyte sen departist. Qe com lez cheualers Descoce qestoient a pee penderent od lour mains sure la couertour du destreir le roy de ly auoir arestu, il serist dereir ly si reddement od vn maffu qe y neftoit nul qil confceuft qil ne ly abatift a terre. Com ceaux quoint fa reyne ly tyrerent toutdiz auaunt, Gilis de Argenten, vn de eaux, vn cheualer renome qi nouelement estoit uenux de outre mere de



gueres lemperour Henry de Lussemburg, disoit au roy, "fire, votre reyne me fust baillez, ore estez a sauuete, veiz cy vostre chastel ou vostre corps purra estre saue. Jeo nay pas este acoustome a suyre, ne plus auaunt ne voil ieo saire, a Dieux vous comaunde." Si sery cheual dez esperouns, si reenala asembler, ou sust mort. Le destreir le roy sust enbuaille, qe plus auaunt ne poaist, il sust remounte sur vn courseir qi tout enuyroun le boys de Torre sust amene, et par lez playnes de Lownesse; ceaux qi sen alerent od ly surount sauuez, tout lez autres auoient mescheis. Le roy eschapa a graunt payn, de illoeqes se trey deuers Dunbarre, ou le count Patrik de la Marche ly resceut honourablement et ly bailla soun chastel, et voidy meismes la place et touz lez soens pur ceo qe nul ne vst doute ne suspessour qil feist a soun seignour rien sors soun deuoir, qar il estoit al hour soun homager. De illoeqes sen departy le roy par mere a Berewyk, et pius deuers le sew.

Edward de Bruys, freir au Robert le roy Descoce, desiraunt a estre roy, passa en Ireland od graunt poair hors Descoce en espoir de le auoir conquys, qi demoura illoeqes ij. aunz et demy, qi sist illoeqes meruailles darmys par grauntz meschiess et de vitailis et dez autres auenementz, et grauntz pays conquist, qe serroit vne graunt romaunce a rementyner tout. Il se clama roy de roys de Ireland, il sust descounsist et mort a Dundalg par lez Engles du pays, qy pur surquidery ne voroit attendre soun poair, qe procheynement estoint arryuez et pres de ly a vi. lieus.

En meisme le temps le roy Dengleter enuoya le count de Aroundel cheuetayn sur la marche Descoce, qi sust rebukez a Lintelly, en la forest de Jedeworth, par James de Douglas, et mort Thomas de Richemound; ly dit count se retrey deuers le sew saunz plus faire. Le dit James descounsist autre soitz la garrisoun de Berewike a Scaithmor, ou surrount mors toutes playnes de Gascoins. Il auoit vn autre soitz par couyne dez saus traitres des marchies vn descounsiture a Be[re]wyk sure lez marchies, ou sust mort Robert de Neuylle, qy Robert auoit tue procheignement deuaunt Richard le sitz Marmaduk, qe cosyn estoit Robert de Bruys, sure le veutz pount de Doresme pur coroucesours entre eaux par enuy qi enseroit le plus graunt meistre; pur quoi pur gree conquer du roy a sa peise auoir de cest sorsait, comensa il de trauailler en la guerre le roy ou mo-

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Meisme la fesoun le dit James de Douglas, par eide du cont Patrik de la Marche, embla Berewyk hors dez mayns dez Engles, par couyne de trefoun de vn de la vile, Perys de Spalding; le chaftel fe tenoit xi. semains apres, et adonqes se rendy a lez Escotez pur defaut dez rescous, com nestoit pas vitaille. Roger de Horsley, le chastelein, perdy illoegs le vn oyl dun sete.

Eymer de Valoins, count de Penbrok, enchemynaunt deuers la court de Rome fust pris par Johan de la Moiller, vne Burghoun, et amenez en lempire et raunsone pur xx. mille lyuers dargent, pur ceo qe le dit Johan disoit qe il auoit seruy le roy Dengleterre, et qe le roy ly deuoit sez gages.

Y cesty James de Douglas auoit tres graunt couyne en Northumbre- fol. 2009. b. Robert de Bruys fist abatre toutez lez chasteaux Descoce, hors pris Dunbretaigne. Cefty Robert de Bruys fist prendre Willam de Sowles, et ly fist murrer en le chastel de Dunbretaigne a sa penaunz en prisoun, sure mettaunt a ly qil auoit enbrace couyne od autres grauntz Defcoce a ly defair, a qi ils estoint attournez soutzgiz quoi le dit Willam reioy pur Dauid de Breghen, Johan Logy, Gilbert Malherb, quel reconifauns. furount penduz et treinez a la vile de feint Johan, et le corps Roger de Moubray foriugez, gaporte estoit mort sure vn lettre ad parlement de Scone deuaunt lez iuges. Quel couyne fust descouert par Muryogh de Menteth, qy puis illoeges fust count, qi longement auoit demore en Engleterre a la foy le roy, qi pur descouerer cel couyne sen ala a lostel et deueint count de Menteth par reles sa nece, feile de soun freir eyne, la quel autre foitz apres sa mort estoit countays.

Le roy Dengleterre ne se entremist geris plus rien deuers Escoce tanque il auoit perdu per perefce tanque foun pier auoit conquys, et auxi tot plain dez forteresses dedens sez marchis Dengleterre, et auxi tout plain de Northumberland leuez encountre ly Gilbert de Middiltoun, qy en le euesche de Doresme robba ij. cardinalis qi vindrent pur sacreir leuesque, et prist leueque de Doresme Lowys de Beaumound, et soun freir Henry de Beaumound, par caus qe le roy auoit fait arester Adam de Swynburne, a qy il estoit cosyn, qi ly auoit parle trop rudement de lestat dez marchies. Y cesti Gilbert, par enherdaunce dez autres dez marchies, cheuaucheoit



de guere en Cleueland et fist autres grantz destrucciouns, quoit apoi tout Northumbreland a fa couyne hors pris lez chasteaux de Baumburgh, Alnewyk, et Norham, ou lez ij. primers nomez furrount en tretice oue les enemys, lun par ostages lautre par affinite, qant le dit Gilbert fust pris en le chastelle de Mitteford par couyne de sez genz propres par Willam de Feltoun, Thomas de Hetoun, et Robert de Hornclif, et penduz et trenez a Loundres. Od tout ceo cy lez Escocez furount deuenuz si prus qils soutzmistrent lez marchez Dengleter, et abaterount lez chaftelis de Werk et Herbotle, qe a pain ne ofat nul Engles lez attendre, qe tout Northumbreland auoint ils fouzmys par mauueys couin dez faus gentz du pays; qe geris trouerount ils a faire nul part en ceaux marches fors a Norham, ou vn cheualer, Thomas de Gray, oue fez charneaux amys furount en garnifoun, qe trop prolinqest matier ferroit a rementiner lez punyes et lez faitz de armys et lez mescheses de desaut dez vitailis et dez affegis qe ly auindrent lez xi. auns qil demura en tiel mauueife mesoeuerous temps as Engles. Et ia le meinz ascuns de sez iournes en le dit chastel enuoit lestoir deuiser. Voir fust ge apres ge la vile de Berewike fust traye hors dez maynes dez Engles, lez Escocez estoint tant a desus et si surgiderous que apain rien ne acounterent lez Engles, lez queux ne fez entremistrent de la quer mais le lesserent perire. quele hour a vn graunt fest dez seignurs et dames en le counte de Nichol, vn damoifel faye aportoit vn healme de guere od vn tymbre de vn cel endorez a Willam Marmyoun, cheualer, od vn lettre de comaundement de sa dame qil alast en la plus perillous place de la graunt Bretaigne et qil feift cel healme estre conuz. Il y estoit awardez illoeges dez chiualers qil alast a Norham pur le plus perillous auenturous lieu du pais. Le dit Willam sen ala a Norham, ou dedenz le quart iour de sa venu monfire Alexandre de Moubray, freir monsire Phelip de Moubrai, adonges gardein de Berewik, veint deuaunt le chaftelle de Norham od le plus apert cheualery de la marche Descoce, od plus de viij.xx homs darmis arresterent deuaunt le chaftelle a hour de noune. Huyne comensa hu chaftel com feount a manger. Thomas de Gray, le chaftelain, fen ala od fa garnyfoun deuaunt fez barreirs, vist lez enemys arestuz pres en batail, regarda deuir ly, vist uenir a pee le dit cheualere Willam Marmioun tout relu-

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faunt dor et dargent, si aparaille qe ameruail, le healme a test. Le dit Thomas auoit bien entendu la maner de sa venu, si ly dist en haute, "fire cheualer, vous y estez venuz cheualer erraunt pur faire cel healme estre conuz, et si est meutz seaunt chos que cheualery en soit sait a cheual que a pee, ou couenablement ceo purra faire, mountez uostre cheual, veez la voz enemys, si ferrez cheual dez esperouns, va assemblere en my lieu dez eaux, si renay ieo Dieux fi ieo ne refcouroi toun corps viue ou mort, ou ieo murreray." Le cheualer mounta vn bel destreir, fery cheual dez esperouns, assembla en my lieu dez enemys qi ly frapperent, ly naufrerent hu vifage, ly tirerent a terre hors de la seil. En quel point le dit Thomas veint od tout sa garnisoun, lour launcez enbessez, ferrerent lez cheueaux hu buaillis qen getterent lour meystres, recoillerent lez enemys mountez, fusieuerent le cheualer abatuz, ly remounterent meisme soun cheual, enchacerent lez enemys, a quel primer auenuz furount leffetz mortz, pris l. cheualx de pris. Lez femmes du chastelle enamenerent lez cheueaux a lours homs, qi mounterent, firent la chace, abaterent ceaux qils purroint Thomas de Gray fift tuer en le Yarforde, Cryn, vn Flemyng, 60.210. b. vn amyrail de la mere, vn robbour, qi grant meistre estoit od Robert de Bruys, lez autres eschapez furount enchacez as noneyns de Berewik.

Autre foitz Adam de Gordoun, vn baroun Descoce, se auoit assemble plus de viij.xx homs darmis, veint deuaunt le dit chaftelle de Norham en pense dauoire soutzpris lez bestes que pasturerent hors du dit chastel. Joefnes gentz de la garnifoun courerent testousement au plus loinz boute de la vile, que al hour fust gast decheu, que comencerent le eskirmouche. Lez enemys Descoce lez enuironerent. Lez ditz gentz del issu sez tindrent dedenz veutz mures, fez defenderent apertement. Au quel poynt Thomas de Gray, le dit chastelain, od sa garnisoun, issist du chastel, aperceust lez soens en tiel daunger dez enemys, se disoit a soun soutz conestable, "jeo te bail cest chastelle, qoy qe aueigne a moy le gardez al ops le roy, qe verraiemen ieo beueray de meisme le hanope qe mes gentz illoeqes beyuent." Si fen alast dez grantz alurers, qi dez comunes et autres il ne auoit my plus de lx. en toutis gentz, lez enemys ly aparceurent venaunt en le maner, gerperent lez eskirmoucheours en lez veutz mures, sez treierent as beaux chaumps. Lez gentz qe enuyronez estoint

hu fossez virent lour cheuetain venir a la gise, launcerent outre lez sossez. currerent as chaumps sur lez ditz enemys qe de force lour couenoit retourner, si fererent cheueaux dez esperouns areir sur eaux. Od quoy enueint le dit Thomas od lez foens ou veissez lez cheueaux treboucher. lez gentz a pee tuerent lez cheueaux com gesoint a terre, relierent sur le dit Thomas, currerent sur lez enemys, lez enchacerent hors dez chaumpes outre leau de Twede, pristrent et tuerent plusours, plusours cheueaux giferent mortz, qe fils vsfent hu cheueaux apain ny vst eschape nul. dit Thomas de Gray estoit ij. foitz assege hu dit chastel; vn foitz apoy vn ane, lautre foitz vij. moys. Lez enemys affermerent forteresces deuaunt ly, yn a Vpfedelingtoun, yn autre a leglis de Norham. Il fu yitaille dieus foitz par les feignours de Percy et de Neuil en grant rescous du dit chastel; queux deuindrent sagis, noblis et richis, qi graunt eide firent as marches. Le auaunt bail du dit chastelle fust vn foitz tray la veille de la Katerine en foun temps dun dez foens, qi tua le poreus, leffa ens lez enemys embuffez deuaunt la port en vn mesoun, le deuzisme garde od la dounioun fe teint. Lez enemys ny estoint fors trois iours, le guerperent et le arderent apres ceo qils auoint failly du myner, com ils fez douterent de la sureuenu le dit Thomas, qi adonges reueint du sue ou auoit en le hour este. Maintz beaux faitz darmys auindrent au dit Thomas gen cestes ne sount pas recorde. Entour quel hour Gosselyn Daiuel fist enforcer le maner de Allertoun, le tenoit com de gerre, y ly out tiel ryot par cause qe lez barouns ne obeyerent pas a droit le roy, ge chescun fesoit qe ly plust. En quel houre Johan le Irroys rauist la dame de Clifforde; lez maufesurs estoint appellez schaualdours. Lez barouns vindrent en cel hour a vn parlement a Loundres, lour gentz vestuz de sute ou cotis esquartelez, ou comensa le mortiel heyne entre eaux et le roy. En quel temps apparust lestoil comete, et auxi estoit vn char ane dez blez et tiel defaut de viaunde qe la mere mangea le fitz, et par qoy lez poueres murrerount touz apoy. Le roy auguntdit demurraunt deuers le sew, ou il se delita tout en nieses od marineres et trop en autres desordenez labours, viles a soun estat, qi geris ne sentremist dautre honour ou profite, par qui il perdy bienuoillaunce de fez gentz. En meisme cel temps veint vn hom disaunt soy estre de droit roy com

cely qi fust ofte du berce, et cesti Edward adonqes roy remys. I celv fust pendu a Northamton, reioyaunt qe le deable en semblaunce dun chate li auoit fait ceo dire. Qy roy fust acorde par mediacioun dez granz du realme oue Thomas count de Lancastre, par debate du mort Peris de Gauerstoun, que bon pece auoit dure entre eaux, et apres tost Cesti roy Edward estoit vn foitz deuaunt Berewik od tout renouely. foun poair real, et auoit affife la vile, qe procheignement deuaunt eftoit perdu de ly par treisoun de Peris de Spalding, com il la auoit baily en maynz dez burges de la vile pur esparnier lez grantz freses a qil auoit deuaunt mys. Meifme le hour lez Efcocez entrerent par Cardoille et cheuaucheront parfounde en Engleter, ou a Mitoun comuns dez burges et de gentez de seint eglis sez relierent, qestoient illoeqes descounsitz com gentz mesconisauntz de guere hors de array encountre gentz darmis encharniez. Pur quel caufe le roy fe delogea de foun affege en purpos dauoir hu afere oue fez enemys dedenz foun realme, lez queux tindrent lez gastes pays deuer Escoce del hour qils sauoint lassege roumpu, la caus de lour veage. Le roy lessa sez marchies en grant tribulacioun faunz rescous et se retrey deuers le sewe, ou de nouel lez grantz de soun realme rebellerent encontre ly, le dit count Thomas de Langcastre et autres, qi affistrent sez chasteaux de Tykhille. Le chastel de Knaresburgh fust sol. 211. b. foutzpris par Johan de Lilleburn, qi puis se rendy sure condicioun au La royne affift le chastel de Ledys, a qui il estoit renduz, que lez barons ne le voroint rescoure pur reuerence de la royne Isabel. Lez ditz barouns uindrent en oft, baneris desploiez, encountre le roy au pount de Burtoun sur Trent, ou ils furount descounsitz, qy ses treierent deuers Escoce, com fust dit, pur auoir hu rescous et suppuail, ou au pounte de Burghbrig Andreu de Herkeley et autres cheualeris et esquyers du north, qestoient deuers le roy, aparceurent qe lez barouns vindrent a la maner, si pristrent lun boute del auaunt dit pount, lour chemyn, par ou lour conuenoit passer; ou lez countis et barons furount descounfitz, mortz, et priss, le count de Herford tuez, le count de Lancastre pris et lez plusours des barouns, et amenez au roy; ou a Euerwyk furount penduz lez fires de Moubray et de Clifforde en cotis esquartelez, com lour gentz estoint vestuz a Loundres. Le count Thomas de Lancastre estoit decollez a



Pountfret en vengeaunce de Peris de Gauirstoun et dez autres vilenies gil auoit fouent et coustumablement fait au roy, et en meisme la place ou il auoit vn foiz hue et fait huer sure le roy com il cheminot deuers Euerwik. Andrew de Herkeley fu fait count de Cardoil, qi geris ne dura, qi par orgoil voroit auoir chace le roy dauoir hu peifee oue lez Escocez en autre maner qil nestoit charge, com disoit le counsail le roy. Quel Andrew fust tray dez plus grantz de soun counsail a Cardoil, et illoeges treynez et penduz. Andrew de Herkeley fe auoit maintz foitz bien porte sur lez Escocez, alafoitz a bon chef et ascun soitz a meschief en maintz beaux faites darmes, ou fust pris de eaux et durement raunfonez. Le roy apres la mort le count de Lancastre se dressa od tresgrant oft deuers Efcoce, ou il auoit de chefcun vile Dengleter vn hom arme a pee hors pris fez cheualeris et efgiers. Quelis comunes combaterent au Noefchastelle od les comunes de la vile, ou tuerent Johan de Penreth, cheualer, et autres esquiers, qi seruauntz estoient au conestable et au mareschalle, sure le pount de la dit vile, qi voroint auoir attache lez mesfesours pur auoir estaunche la riot, tant estoint lez comunes en lour aler orgoillous. Le dit roi fe trey deuers Edynburgh, ou a Lethe y auoit taunt de malady et de famyne entre lez comunes en cel grant ost que de force lour couenoit retourner pur meschief de vitail, qe del hour qe lez hoblours le roy furount descoumfitz a Melros en foraier par James de Douglas nuls ne bogast hors del ost pur quere vitail de fure; taunt estoint lez Engles rebukes et mescharnys de guerre que deuaunt lour venu al Noeschastel estoit vn tiel morin en lost pur defaut de vitail qu de necessite lour couenoit departir. Le roy se retrey od lez grantz de soun realme deuers Euerwyk, qant Robert de Brus auoit fait affembler tout le poair Descoce, dez iles, et dez autres pays hautz, qi touz iours pursuy le roy qestoit aparfu de fa venu, si fe trey en Blakhowmore oue le poair qil pooit fodeignement affembler, qi pristrent vn forteresce dun mountaigne pres de Bilaund, ou lez gentz le roy furount descounsitz et pris le count de Richemond et le fire de Sully, vn baroun de France, et tout plain dez autres qe apain eschapa le roy de Ryuauls ou il estoit meismes, pensaunt qe nuls gentz vsfent pris le pase sure lez soens. Mais lez Escocez si encharnys et si enparuauntz lez chefetains et lez Engles fi rebukez, qe y

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ny auoit entre eaux mais com du leuer deuaunt leuereres. Lez Escaces cheuaucherount outre le Walde et deuaunt Euerwyk, et firent damage a lour pleser saunz countre estre de nully, tanque bel lour sust de retourner. De cel hour en auaunt prift le roy trewys oue lez Escoces pur xiii, aunz. qi se tenoit tout coy en pese qi rien ne se entremist de honour ne pruesca mais foulement par counfail Hugh le Despenser a deuener riche, qi reteint deuers ly qange il pooit happer dez terres dez auaunt ditz barouns forfaites. Lez comunes de foun realme furont en foun temps riches et maintenuz en reudes loys, mes lez grantz ly auoint countre quer pur crualte et desordene vie qil menoit, et par cause du dit Hugh, qi al hour il amoit et creoit tout. Et ia le mainz le dit Hugh fust mys par lour counfail a vn parlement Deuerwik entour le roy, encountre uolounte la roi adonges et autres de fez priuez qil amoit, remuez par eaux, qi puis par lour counfail ly firent baneir du realme, ou en foun exile il robba fure mare dieus carrices plains dauoir de pois qoy coufta le realme Dengleter grantement apres. Le roy le fist recounfiller procheignement faunz gre de eaux, apres qi il fift tout qi tout ly descounsailloit a cheualery, delitaunt foy en auarice et en delitz du corps, desheritaunt sez gentz qe auoint rebellez encountre ly, et a deuenir meismes riche dez grantz possessions de Et en le meisme temps surdist guerre en Gascoyne du roy de France, entour quoy le roy Dengleter despendy grant tresor com pur terre et nacioun qil plus amoit. Si enuoya foun freir le count de Kent et fol. 212. b. autres grauntz, qi geris ne esploiterent mais perderent grant terre, com en temps mesoeurous as Engles, qe tout le temps auoit dure de cest roy. Le roy dona la duche de Gyane a foun fitz eyne, count de Cestre, mais lez barouns de la duche ne voroint atourner a ly, ne a nully viuaunt, fors a la coroune Dengleter. Il enuoya foun ditz fitz a Parys, oue fa mere la royne Isabel, la sore le roy de France, pur faire soun homage a soun vncle et pur estauncher la guer de Gascoigne. Qe qunt ils uindrent en France la mere et le fitz, ils ne voroint repairer en Engleter, mais enbracerent autre couyne encountre lour seignour, marry et pier, qi par enherdaunz dez gentz banyes hors Dengleter, le seignour de Mortymer et autres, et par ascent du count de Kent, le freir le roy, qi repairast de Gascoyne a Parys pur cest couyne, qi lessa la gerre soun freir, et par



tretice de alvaunce entre le count de Henaunde et la royne, du mariage foun fitz et de Phelip, feile du dit count, qi puis sa prist. La dit royne od ses enherdauntz sa trey en Seland; qe si ele vst demurre viij. iours en le realme de France plus longment qel ne fist, ele vst este reenuove od toz lez autres enbraceours de cel couyne au roy Dengleter, tant auoit Hugh de Despenser enbrace le counsail de France par soun auoir, qu par colour qe el eftoit venuz en message son seignour au gre le roy de France, et sure foun conduyt, et la dit busoigne guerpy, la cause de sa venu, et autres riotis enbracez dedenz le dit conduyt, le roy foun freir la vst reenuove a foun marry, de quoi el fust garny pur quoy sa trey en le seignourye le count de Henawd, qi count enuoya foun freir Johan de Henaude ou tout plain des gentz darmes od eaux, qe arryuerent a Herwelle au furre de guere faunz damage rescevuoir du grant nauv le roi ordeyne encountre eaux prest arayez a Yarmouth. Ils gaignerent Engleter faunz coup fereir, qe touz lez feignours et comunes leuerent od eaux encountre le roy, qi lors a lour arryuail estoit a Loundres, qi se trey deuers Galis ou Hugh le Despenser quidoit rescouce et suppuaile, qe touz ly faillerent. A Schipstow le roy gerpy sa meine et se mist sodeignement en leaw de Wye, qi par mere se uoroit auoir departy oue Hugh le Despenser en estrange tere, pur ceo que lez soens ly guerperent. mais vent et marray ly estoint si contrair qe xv. iours entiers il ne pooit bouger hors de Seuerne pur tempest. En le mene temps veint la royne et soun fitz et Roger de Mortimer, adonqes gouernour de cel counsail, quel Roger estoit adeuaunt del acorde le count Thomas de Lancastre et dez barouns mais il lour gerpy, qi fe mist en la grace le roy, le primer mescounfort de lour meschief. Il sust mys par counsail Hugh le Despenser en la tour de Londres, tanque grant pece apres il eschapa de prisoun, qi fe trey en France, vn dez plus graunt embraceour de cest veage. Ils vindrent od lez estrangers et od touz lez grantz seignours Dengleter a Bristow, ou fust pris Hugh de Despenser le pier, count de Wyncestre, et treinez et penduz illoeges. Donal, count de Marre, estoit en le hour od le roy Dengleter et nurry oue ly, qi auoit la garde du chastel de Bristow du baille le roy, qi le rendy a la royne, se trey en soun pays en Escoce. Tretouz le mene le roy vindrent de Scheppistow a Bristow a la royne et

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a foun fitz, tenaunt lostel le roy. Gentz darmis del acorde la royne fez adrefferent par nief, la tempest failly a courer sure le roy, gi vncor ieuft en nief deuaunt eaux en Seuerne. Le roy aparceyuant toutes ceftes aduersetez que ly suruindrent, se mist a terre en Glaumorgane, ou il siste couenaund oue vn galay du pays, en qy Hugh le Despenser si afficit, put grant garnifoun a muffer le dit Hugh, qui ne estoit pas trop cheualerous, depusque ils auoint failly ij. foitz ou trois le passage de la mere. Ly ques galays rendy faufement le dit Hugh a la royne, qi a Gloucestre fust penduz et treynez. Le count de Arundelle fust decolle en la marche de Galis en celt temps, question du counsail le roy. Le roy, qui rien se douta de foun corps, enuoia a la royne fa femme qil fe voroit amendre de ceo qil fe auoit mesporte deuers ly et deuers touz lez soens par bon ordinaunce, et qil ferroit troue en vn certeyn lieu, penfaunt qe ele vendroit a ly com espouse dust a soun marry. Mais ly aloist gere le count Henry de Lancastre, qi ly amena a Kenylworth, a dire, com prisoner. La royne Aft fomoundre vn parlement a Loundres, ou par affent dez prelates, countis, barouns, et comunes et cytezeins de Loundres, queux Loundrais a le arryuail la royne en my lieu de Chepe decollerent le treforeir le roy, leuesque de Excestre. Le roy fust depose par lour comune assent, et firenderent fus lour homagis par escript desoutz lours sealles par leuesque de Hertforth, qi fift cel message a Kenylworth au roy depose, qi ly nouncia despitousement lez articles que lez comunes sez soutzgis ly surmistrent caufe de fa deposicioun, com cely qi ly heoit de quere pur finguler du- fol. 213. b. resce qe le roy ly auoit fait. Il prist tout cest affaire en pacience, gi dona a foun fitz la beneifoun de Dieu et la foen, qi prioit a Dieu qe il ly feift prodhom et lui donast meilliour grace et gree du poeple qil nauoit hu. Il fust remue de Kennilworth a Bercelay ou il morust, la maner coment ne fust pas scieu, mais Dieux le sceit. Il sust enterre a Glouceftre, et regna xix. aunz. Il fust fagis, douce, et amyable en parole; mais mesoeurous en fait. Il estoit artilious en quoi il se delita de sa main Il fust compaignable trop as sez prives, as estrangis soleyn, et trop amast vn foul perfoun singulerement. Soun sitz sust coronez a cest auauntdit parlement, viuaunt soun pier, par comune ascent, qi prist lez homages dez grantz et les obeifauns de toutz lez comunes, qui joyous



estoint de nouelle gouernail, pur le mesoeure du pier, et pur lour chaungeable costome, com par condicioun de vn coillet de diuers naciouns. Pur ceo uoloint ascuns genz dire qe la diuersete dez corages dez Engles est la caus qe moue lez chaungementz du fiecle entre eaux qe plus est muable en la Grant Bretaigne que autres pays, que en temps de chescum roy pius Vortiger ount aliens este grantement auauncez illoeges de toutz naciouns, qe diuers ount condiciouns, par quoy lour eftuyt desa corder en voloir chescun enuoroit estre sires, pur ceo qe lez seignurages illoeges ne suount pas nature mes fortune. Pur ceo desirent ils le mouement, qe chescun quide le fort le soen, tout foit ceo dit que eau curaunt est la plus fort chos qe soit, vncor est ele suefe, mole de nature, mais pur ceo qe touz lez parcelis del eau butount lour part en lour cours owelement, pur ceo perce el la dure pere. Tout enfi est il dun nacioun que dun corage mettount la mayn a maintener lestat lour siris qui ne desirent fors le bien estre du comune, ne ne tirent autre acorde fingulerement. Entre tiel gent est moult rerement vieu chaungement du fiecle, au mainz muement de lestat lour firis le greindre deshonour a le poeple.

Cesti Edward le second apres la conquest auoit ij. sitz et ij. seilles. La primer sitz, Edward, sust estably roy viuaunt soun pier; lautre sitz auoit a noun Johan, si sust count de Cornwail et morust a la vile de saynt Johan, si nauoit engendrure. La primer seile, Isabel, sust puis marye au count de Geller, qi puis sust duk, la secound seile, Johan, sust puis marye a Dauid sitz Robert de Bruis, roy Descoce.

CESTI EDWARD le tierce apres la conquest nestoit fors de xiiij. aunz a foun encoronement en la fest de la chaundelour, qi de tout estoit gouerne et soun realme par sa mere et par Roger de Mortimer, al hour count de la Marche. Le primer ane de soun regne lez Escotez sirent graunt destruccioun par diuers soitz en sa terre. Lez countis de Lancastre et de Kent, oue lez seignurs de Wake, Ros, Moubray, et Beaumount, et autres grauntz barouns, od mille homs darmes, surount enuoyez al Noeschastelle sure Tyne, pur enforcer la marche; ou James de Douglas veint per deuaunt eaux, a iiij. lieus pres, ardaunt et destruyaunt le pays au plain vieu de eaux toutz, qe nuls de eaux ne voroit isser taunt estoint ils mescharnys et noun empernauntz de guere. Tost apres cel hour furent as

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semblee tout la cheuelery Dengleterre, et tout plain dez alienes, lez queux estrangers sez combaterent a Euerwyk oue comunes dez countes, qi furent illoegs graunt party mortz, qi par yueroyne curerent sure les eftraungers, qi pres de eaux estoient loges en lez suburbes de la dit vile. estaunche par ascent du counsail, pur ceo qils estoint estraungeris et remiz en lour eyde, si mouerent touz deuers lez enemys Descoce, gi ia estoint de rechief entres la terre Dengleterre. Le dit jouen roy, od foun graunt oft, teint le chemyn deuers Stanhop, ou ly fust dit qe sez enemys Descoce estoient logez, ou encheminaunt les descouerours de soun auaunt garde ly venoient nouncier qe lez enemys fez alerent descounfitz et fuauntz, et si nestoit pas ensy ne ne firent rien mais delogerent et lour choiserent meillour place pur attendre de combatre. Lez gournours del oft le dit roy quyderent qe lez descouerours auoint dit verite, lesserent le chemyn deuers Stanhop, sez hasterent par counsail dez ascuns dez marchies dauoir forclos lez enemys, penfaunt gils auoint tenu lour chemyn deuers lour pais en fuaunt, cheuaucherent tout le jour de este bien xxvj. lieus od tout cel graunt ost parmy Anandredalle et Tyndalle, sez herbigerent a Haydenbrig, demurrerent illoeqs viij. iours, ne auoint nuls nouelis dez enemys. Fust crie en lost que que porteroit au roy certain dez ditz enemys aucroint cent lyuere de terre. Thomas de Rokeby aportoit lez nouelis quils eftoient tout coy a Stanhop, ou ils auoint lesse, que eniou le dit guerdoun et deueint cheualer. Le roy se delogea, se trey arier deuer eaux od tout foun graunt oft. En le mene temps Archibald de Douglas, oue lez forreiours dez enemys, auoint curry apoi tot leuesche de Doresme, encha- 6d. 214. b. cerent a lour oft grauntz prays, encountrerent a Derlingtoun vn graunt route dez comunez deuers lost dez Engles, les tuerent apoy toutz. Cest graunt oft dez Engles trouerent lours ditz enemys prestes iouft Stanhop, en trois bataillis en beaux champs, et si nestoint que poy dez gentz, trois cheuetains soulement, lez countis de Murref, de Marre, et James de Douglas. Le roy se logea deuaunt eaux sure leau de Were trois iours, en la quart nuyte sez delogerent lez Escotez et remuerent vn petite lieu de illoeqes dedenz le park de Stanhop, qi illoeqs attenderent vi. iours deuaunt cest graunt oft dez Engles, Allemauns, et Hanueris, qi rien ne firent de armis, fors lez Efcocez oue Jamys de Douglas fererent va nuyt dedenz lost al



vn bout dez loeges, qi tuerent dez comunes des countes graunt party, et departerent faunz damage. La tierz nuyt apres cestez punyes sez delogerent lez Efcocez et fen alerent en lour pays, qi graunt damage auoint fait en Engleterre, si encountrerent meisme le jour de lour departire od Patrick count del Marche et od Johan le Seneschal, qi se desoit count Dangous, od v. mil homs dez gentz Descoce, qi venoit en rescous de eaux qi lez auoint ov dire affegez; qe fils vffent hu vitaillis, com fust dit, ill vsent retournez taunt estoint encharnys guerriours. Le roy, yn innocent, plora dez oils, qi fe delogea et fe retray deuers Euerwyk, qi plus ne se entremist de cel guere dorant la gouernail qil auoit de sa mere et del auaunt dit Roger de Mortimer, count de la March. Qar ou Robert de Bruys, adonges roy Descoz, auoit assys le chastel de Norham ou Robert de Maners estoit conestable adonges, qi issift od soun garnisoun descounfift vn iour le gayt dez enemys Descotais deuaunt la port du chastel, ou vn baners Descoce, Willam Mouhaud, fust tue. Le cheuetain du gait [pur] cretyn del eau ne voloit fuffrire que fuffent rescous, que nul en la vile ne lour aprochasent. Le count de Murref, od James de Douglas, avoint affege adonges le feignour de Percy en Alnewyk, ou estoient grantz ioustes de guere par couenaunt taille, queux seignours ne tindrent pas lassege mais treyerent a Robert lour roys au sege de Norham. En quel hour le fieur de Percy, od lez marchies, firent vn cheuauche en le costere de Tenydal, ne demurerent my x. lieus de voy, et vncor fust ceo nouncie a James de Douglas, qi fodeignement de Norham se mist od soens entre le dit seignour de Percy et soun chastelle de Alnewyk, qi luy sist treir deuers le Noefchaftel de nuyt, taunt estoient lez Engles mescharnis en le hour de guer. Le counsail auaunt dit du dit roy Dengleter enuoierent au dit Robert de Bruis a Norham, Willam de Denoun, vn hom de ley, pur pese, et taillerent vn mariage du fitz le dit Robert Dauid et de Johan la sore le roy Dengleter, qi pius se prist a Berewyk. Au parlement de Euerwik, ou cesti roi Edward Dengleter prist a femme Phelip la feile le count Willam de Henaud, fust peise cest guer Descoce et renduz lez religes et lez endentures del obeifaunz dez seignours Defcoce, lour fealis pendauntz, qe hom appelloit Ragman, qe le roy Edward le primer apres la conquest auoit conqueys, en tiel tail qe le roy Dengleter quitclameroit

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foun droit Descoce, et pur le mariage sa sore xl. mile marcz dargent; et es touz ses enherdauntz perdessent lour heritage en Escoce hors pris lez seignours de Wak, Percy, Beaumound, et la Sowche, qi de lour condiciouns riens nestoit tenu, de quoy puis enaueint grant mal. De tot cest tail nestoit acordaunt le roy, mais pur soun ioen age la royne et le Mortimer le firent tout, vn dez causis de lour dessesaurs apres. cesti parlement vindrent nouelis de la mort le roy de France, Charlis le vacle de cesti roy Edward Dengleter depar sa mere, qi trespassa saunz heyre de foun corps, et pur ceo le droit du realme de France folonc defcret de ascuns descendy a cesti Edward Dengleter soun neuew, sitz de sa sore, com a plus procheyne heire masse, mais pur le ioen age de le roy et le manueis parsouse necligent counsail par que il estoit de tout gouernez, ne estait point en le hour a droit chalange mys du coroun de France tanque le fitz del vncle de le auncestre fust corone, Phelip de Valoys, pur ceo gil estoit nee du realme, et tantz auoit dez amys et dez alyes qe faunz regard auoir au droit de nuly, par affinite ly pristrent au roy, de quoi pius enfourdist grant Le dit Phelip descounfist lez Flemyngs a Casselis en le primer ane de foun regne. Puis cel hour bon pece ne fust rien parle de cest chalange du droit de coroune de France du roy Dengleter. La royne Isabelle et le Mortimer gouernerent tout Engleter, en la maner qil despluyt as plufours grantz du realme, qui fenherderent enfemble le count de Lancastre et autres de cel couyn qi comencerent a mouer riote en purpos dauoir ofte cel gouernement, mais ceaux del acorde la royne fez auoint faitez si fortis dez alies et dez enherdaunz que lez autres nestoient de poair a riotre [encountre] eaux, com lour fust auys. Si peiserent cest debat par tretice en maner qils fez mettroint en la grace le roy qe tout ne rebellerent fol. 215. h. ils my encountre ly, vncor fesoint ils le roi partie com ceaux qi ly auoint tout en gouernail. Cest obeisaunz fust fait a Bedforde, ou toutz furent rescieus a la grace le roy hors pris les seignours de Wak et de Beaumound, et Thomas Roffelin, qi voiderent le realme et embracerent lour amys de par dela pur auoir ariue en Engleter, mais deuaunt le temps de lour empris le fiecle effoit chaunge. En meisme le temps de cest riote dez barouns vindrent cheualers et esquiers en eide del acorde le roy hors de Northumbreland a Rothewel, ou ils auoint vn graunt puynez au fure



de guere od lez payfens enuyroun, qi furount illueges mortz et descound Apres cel hour grant pêce Y and fitz par ceftes auaunt ditz marchies. grant reuel dez ioustes et tournays. La royne oue le counsaille du count de la Marche auoit tout en gouernail. Un de fez priues fit entendre a le count de Kent, le vncle le roy, qe foun freir le roy le pier viuoit, et qu si il luy voroit eider qe il ly purroit remettre en foun eftat, qy eftoit leez de la vie foun freir, si ly disoit que a murrir il luy eideroit; et fust gette cest compassement pur affaier la volounte du dit count. Tout quanque il ly avoist dift, lautre ala nouncier a la royne. A vn parlement a Wyncestre le dit count fust attache et areynez de cest bosoigne. Il graunta devaunt le coroner del oftel le roy qil voroit auoir eide soun freir, fil vst vesqu, de luy auoir mys en foun eftat a foun gree. Ils ly suremiftrent qe ceo eftoit treisoun, qar resesaunz du pier vst este desesaunz du sitz, a qi il estoit atournez com a foun feignour liege, pur qoi en reuerence de foun haut fank ils ly pardonerent le haut iugement, fi li firent decoller al hour. Le roy comensa de crescre de corps et de sen, qu desplesoit la gouernail de la royne sa mere et heoit le count de la Marche, apres qi la royne sit. tout. Le roy enbrasa couyne oue lez ioenes gentz entour luy a remuér cest gouernail et a destruyer le dit count; si priviement ne ietterent ils my cest chos qils nestoint descouerez, qe a Notingham a vn counsail le roy et touz ceaux de cest couyne suront aresonez de cest purpos, seauntz toutz en counsail, qi toutz le dedifsoient qils nensauoit rien com chescun fust aresone aparsoy, hors pris Willam de Mountagow qi se adressoit en foun esteaunt, disaunt que qu' ly suremettroit si bien non ou autre couvne ge foun deuoir, qil ly ferroit haut respons, et se passa par tiels parolis, nul ne ly repoundy fors en general. Le counsail failly, le dit Willam disoit au roy que meutz serroit a mangier de le chien que chien de eaux, fi ly counfailloit a parler au conestable du chastel en ly chargeaunt par serement et legeaunce de celer le counsail, et qil lessoit vn posterne ouert deuers le park meisme la nuyt, et qe fil ne le fesoit qil ly ferroit pendre a quel hour qil uenoit a defuys. Le dit Willam coueyna oue ses coumpaignouns dencountreir dedenz la nuyt en le park a vn certain bussoun ge vindrent touz, mais ils faillerent le lour triftre, hors pris le dit Willam de Mountagow et Johan de Neuyl oue xxiiij. homs, qi tyndrent bien lour

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signal. Ils fez douterent qe lour compaignouns lour faillerent, et ils ne oferent faire neys pur lez gaytes du chaftel, si disoint quis affaieroint le auenture meismes pusque la chos estoit sy auaunt alez, com ceaux qui estoint apertz et empernauntz. Ils sen alerent et trouerent le posterne ouert, com le roi auoit comaunde; ils entrerent le chastel et mounterent lez degrees du deuzisme bayl faunz encountreir de nuly, gar il estoit bien anuyte, et lez comunes de gentz voidez le chastel a lour ofteaux. La royne, le Mortimer, et lour priuez enherdaunz furent en counsail pur ordener encontre cest couyne qe lour estoit descouerez. Ils entrerent la sale ou la royne estoit en la chambre en counsail. Le vsseir sist novs a lour entree; Hugh de Turpintoun, qi fust seneschal del ostel le roy, qestoit de couyne la royne, launcea hors du counsail et lez encountra en my la sale, difaunt, "treiturs, pur nient," qi quidoit auoir ferru le primer dan cotele qunt Johan de Neuyl ly ferist parmy le corps mort, et vn efquier qi fesoit debat. Si passerent outre en la chaumbre et pristrent le Mortymer et ceaux gils voroint auoir, qe deuaunt la iournaunt nuls nestoint remys en la vile fors ceaux du couyn le roi, qi se auoit arme a bour entre hu chastel. Il fist ordener pur sa mere, et prist le Mortimer oue ly a Laycestre ou il pensoit dauoir fait murrir, mes il prist autre counfail, qi fift fomoundre vn parlement a Loundres ou le Mortimer full trevnez et penduz, par cause del assent du mort le roy le pier, et pur la mort de le count de Kent, et pur la desherisoun du droit Descoce, et pur la destruccioun du tresor le roy que ly estoit remys de soun pier, et dez autres articles qe hom ly surmyst. Lez seignurs qi furent baniez surmyst. recounfaillez. De cel hour en auaunt grant pece fust ly roy counfaillez de Willam de Mountagow, qi touz iours ly mouoit a bien et honour et damer lez armes, et si demenerent iolyse ioen vie, en attendaunt greignour sesoun de greignour affair. Le roy Phelip de France chasoit de sol. 216. b. apres dauoir le attournement de le roy pur la duche de Gyene. Le counfail le roy regardaunt le noun age de ly, le temps, et le noun posir de trefor, ly firent priuement passea la mere et faire soun homage a Amyas, de quoi ils porterent pius blame, et pur quoy lez Fraunces difount qe le atournement du roy conferma lestat sonn seignour al hour quant a foy. Mais le noun age d[e] ly donoit le escusement. I cesti rev.



demenast galiard vie dez ioustes et tournays et a sestoier lez dames; tanque lez seignours gestoint desheritez pur ly et pur ses anneestres en Ricoce ly firent supplicacioun qui lour voroit restorier lour heritage, cils amoint pur ly perduz, ou lez lesser couenyr. Le roy maunda tout cest fupplicacioun au count de Murref, adonqes gardeyn Descoce pur le noun age le roy Dauid, mort le pier le roy Robert qi mort estoit de lepre yn poy denaunt. Qy count au roy respoundy honourablement par sez lettres requeraunt qil lour lessoit couenyr et le pellot aler. Cest message entendu, lez seignours desheritez en Escoce, le seignour de Beaumounde, lez countes de Athelle et Dangus, Richar[d] Tallebot, Henri de Fereirs, Johan de Moubray, et tout plain dez autres par enbracement le fenieur de Beaumounde, fez enherderent a Edward de Baillof, fitz Johan de Baillof iadiz roy Descoce par eleccioun de touz dieus lez realmes, gestoit tenuz hors de Escoce plus de xxx. aunz; qi eschipperent a Rauenshere et arryuerent a Kyncorn, poy dez gentz, a regard qe nestoint pas passe inj. cent homs de armys. Le primer jour ne lour aryuail ils coumbaterent od le count de Fyf et ly descounfirent, ou fut tuez Alexander de Setoun le fitz. Ils tindrent lour chemyn a Dunfermelyn, ou ils trouerent et pristrent tauntz dez bastouns ferrez nouelement saitez, que le count Thomas de Murref auoit fet faire, qi procheignement estoit mort dedenz lez viij. iours de lour aryuail. Ils tindrent lour chemyn deuers la vile de faint Johan, ou al eau de Erne ils trouerent vn graunt oft dez enemys denaunt eaux, qar lez seignours Descoce estoint assemblez a lour arryuail per lour choisir vn gardeyn, qy choiserent le count de Marre, qy auoit fait affembler cest graunt ost, et pris le graunt tertre sure le gee del eau de Erne deuaunt cestez gentz aryuez, qestoint en la valey dautre part leau, qi ne refemblerent qun petit chos a regard dez autres. Ceftez gentz del oft le count de Marre disount qe lez autres estoient regettez com vn leuer, si getterent qe lendemayn ils enuoyerent vn graunt poair 6d. 217. enviroun de eaux pur lez affailer de toutes couftes, qe touz iours lour encresoit lour poair. Cestes seignours desheritez estoint si espountez du graent multitude dez enemys qu'es comencerent a raumponer le seignour de Beaumound en point de coursers, surmettaunt qui les auoit treve et qui lour suoit set entendment quis auereint grammt couyne en Escoce;

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"certes, seignours," fesoit il, "nounyle, mes puisque lez chesis sonnt fi auaunt alez, pur Dieux, eidoms nous nous meismes, qu nuls ne sceit qui Dieux ad ordene pur nous, et pensoms de notre graunt droit, a moustreir ge nous sumes extractez dez bonz cheualeris, et du graunt honour et profite qe Dieu nous ad deistene, et du graunt hount qe nous auendroit fi en cest graunt bosoigne nous ne moustroms." Apartice issi que par les bons motes du prodhom et le espirement de Dieu ils sez acorderent cen la nuyt ils passeroint le gee, et enuyrouneroint lez enemys, et mounteroint le tertre desus eaux, et prenderoint lour auenture dedenz la nuyt. passerent leau, ou Roger de Swenarton sust noez. Lez enemys par le resoun de lour passage si aualerent a pee qi deuaunt qe ils purroint an gee ateindre lez autres furount passez, qi enuirounerent le tertre et cheierent fodeignement sure lez garfouns et cheuaux de lour enemys, qui les descomfirent, pensaunt qu'il visent estre le poar del ost lours enemys. et lez enchacerent sa et la qen la iournaunt ne estoint ensemble xl. de eaux, mais par clarete dun fu dun mesoun que prist a ardoir ils relierent com perdricis, et com le iour comenfoit a efclareir ils aperfecurent lez enemys en dieus grauntz batails qi venoint a pee pres de eaux, qi tout la nuyt auoint este ensemble, qe a pain sez purroint boter en aray quaunt lez enemys vindrent affembleir. Lour auaunt fen aresty yn poy au scentir dez pointz dez launcis et fetis quaunt lour areirgard affembla fi defarayment. gen en lour hastif assembleir ils porterent a terre tout playne de lour auauntgard entre eaux et lez enemys, qi venoient si asprement sur eux ge lez autres sez recoillerent chescun sure autre, qe en vn petite hour vous veissez crescre vn mount dez corps dez homs, com cestes gentz aryues lez enuirounoint, si furent en cest maner par miracle de Dieux descounfitz, et mortz le count de Marre, Alexander Frisel, Robert de Bruys fitz bastard le roy Robert, et touz plain dez barouns, cheualers, et efquiers, qe toutz plains estoient estussez de alayn, com chescun iesoit foutz autre et mortz a la maner deuise saunz coup darme nul. Cest iourne acoumply ils tindrent lour chemyn a la vile de faint Johan, ou ils trouer- 60.227. 5. ent bein estoffez de touz estoffers, si enfermerent la vile en reperaillaunt lez veutz fossez, que chescun reperailla sa gard de bretage. Dedenz lez viij. iours de la batail vindrent deuaunt eaux vn tiel multitude dez gents



de touz lez pays Descoce que a meruail, ils iurent deuaunt eaux viii, iours. e pur defaut de vitail ils delogerent chescun en soun pays. Cest assege teue lez seignours arriuez firent coroner Edward de Baillof pur roi a Scone, et departerent de la vile de feint Johan parmy Coil et Conyngham deuers Galeway, ou ceaux par de sa leau de Cree leuerent oue éaux. De illoeges ils priftrent lour chemyn par Craufordmore deuers Roxburgh, ou pres de Jeddeworde Archebald de Douglas estoit enbussez, destoit descouert et descounfit, et Robert de Lowedre le fitz pris et autres. Le roy Edward de Baillof fust herbise a Kelsow, et soun ost en Roxburh, qe meisme le iour pur dout de cretyn de eau remua soun herbigage en Roxburgh. Andrew de Murref, adonges gardein Defcoce depar le roy Dauid de Bruys, auoit espie lerbigage du dit roy Edward de Baillof a Kelsow, et aparceust le crescre del eau de Twede, sy estoit pres oue graunt poair, fi se mist sodeignement au boute du pount de Roxburh et comensa a roumper le dit pount, en pensaunt dauoir suppris le dit roy Edward, quant huyn comensa en la dit vile en lost et touz a armys a cheual et a pee, fi pristrent le pount sure lez enemys et cheueaux noyerent outre leaw et descounfiterent cestez genz, ou fust pris le cheuetain Andreu de Murref. Proucheinement apres auoit le roy Dengleterre foun parlement, ou lez plus grauntz del oft Edward de Baillof fez alerent, a quel parlement meffagers del acorde Dauid de Bruys vindrent, fefaunt supplicacioun au roy qel eydast lour seignour com alve dust faire, depuisque il auoit sa sore a femme. Saunz tretice de autre condicioun fust auys a counsail le roy qil nestoit pas tenuz a ceo faire encontre sez gentz propres, qestoient desheritez par caus de ly et de sez auncestres, qi graciousement auoint comenfez a reconquer lour heritage. En ceste mene temps du parlement auaunt dit le roy Edward de Baillof Descoce se delogea a Roxburgh et se trey deuers le west marche a Anand, ou en vn aube de iour Archebald de Douglas oue yn poair dez enemys trenuyta sure ly et ly descounfist, qe a graunt payn eschapa meismes a Cardoil, et graunt plente de sez gentz mortz, et toutz les foens enchacez hors Defcoce a recomencer de nouel tout lour conquest. Al hour comencea Edward de Baillof a treter oue le roi Dengleterre, a quel roi estoit auys et a soun counsail qe il estoit frank a faire foun profite, depuisque en la pese sesaunt a Robert de

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Bruys estoit hors pris et especisse que la aliaunce de Fraunce se tendroit od lez Escocez, et qe le roy Dengleterre ne fust loyez as eaux de nul enherdaunce, de puisque par counsail le count Thomas de Murref lez Escocez ne voloint lesser la alyaunce de Fraunce, enemys apparauntz a le roy Dengleterre, ne autre condicioun especifie fors que le roy Dengleterre quitclaimeroit le droit qe il auoit en Escoce, qe estoit eschue au coroune Dengleterre en le temps foun ayel pur forfaiture Johan de Baillof, a donges roy Descoce, qi disclaimoit a tenir de ly depuisque il meismes ly auoit atorne par soun homage de le haut seignourie Descoce, et par condicioun taille de foun clesement deueint foun hom quant debat eftoit du dit realme entre le dit Johan de Baillof et Robert de Bruys, le avel cefti Robert que fe clama roy Defcoce, et Johan de Haftings, le quel Johan de Baillof rendy foun homage par dieus Jacobyns oue vn espey fourby en disclaymaunt a rien tenir de ly, par quoy sust auys au dit roi ge pur nouel mocioun nouel guer. Icefti Edward de Baillof dona au roy Dengleterre la vile de Berewik oue v. countees, lez viscountes de Berewic, de Roxburgh, Dedinburghe, Peblis, et Dunfres, et qe il ly ferroit homage pur le remenaunt Descoce, et que le roy ly suppuelleroit, maintendroit, et ly remetteroit en soun estat.

Le roy desirant lez armys et honors, et foun counsail enpernauntz et coveitaunz lez gueres, qy tost sez acorderent a cest conditioun, et le plus tost pour desire a reconquer lour pris sur eaux par queux ils le auoint perduz. Dez plus priues du counsail le roy mouerent oue Edward de Baillos, qi en le secound semayn de quarresme assistrent la vile de Berewyk par mere et terre, et procheynement deuaunt la pentecost le roy Dengleterre y veint meismes et assailerent la vile, mais ne la pristrent point, mais reappaillerent meutz lour horduz pour reassailler la dit vile. En le mene temps ceaux dedenz la vile parlerent de condiciouns, qe sils ne vesent rescous deuaunt vn certain iour qe ils renderoint la vile; et sur ceo baillerent hostages. Deuaunt quel temps limitez tout le poair Descoce, un si graunt multitude dez genz qi a mervail, passerent leau de Twede en vn aube de iour a le Yarsorde, et sez moustrerent devaunt Berewik del autre Twede deuers Engleter au plain vieu du roy et de soun ost, et bouterent gentz et vitails dedenz la vile, et

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demourerent la tout le iour et la nuyt, et lendemain a haut hour delogerent et moverent parmy la tere le roy en Northumbreland, ardauntz et destruyauntz le pays au plain vieu del ost as Engles. Cestes gentz departys a la maner le counfail le roy al affege demanderent la vile felonc lez condiciouns, le terme passe de lours rescous, ceaux dedenz disoint qils estoint rescous et dez gentz et des vitails, si moustrerent nouvelis gardeins de la vile, et cheualers eynz butes de lour oft, dount Willam de Keth estoit un od autres. Fust avys au dit counsail qe ils avoint perduz lour oftages, si firent pendre le fitz Alexandre de Setoun, gardeyn de la vile: Cest ostage mort a la maner, lez autres dedenz la vile par tendresce de lour enfauntz, gestoient ostages, renouelerent condicioun par affent dez cheualers einz boutes, as queux estoit auys que lour poair Descoce surmountoit le oft le roy Dengleterre. Si pristrent tiel nouel condicion que devaunt lez xv. jours ils butroient ij. centz homs darmis par force par fek tere dedenz la vile entre lost dez Engles et la haut mere, ou qe ils fez combateront au plain. Willam de Keth, Willam de Prendregest, et Alexander Gray, chevalers, qestoient einz boutez dedenz la vile, avoient conduyt a passer parmy lost deuers lour gentz Descoce, od cest condicioun ge furent amenez par conduyt parmy Northumbreland, gi lour oft Defcoce trouerent a Wittoun Undrewod et lez reamenerent a Berewik a perforner lour rescous, ou ils vindrent combattre, et ou ils furent descounfitz. Archebald de Douglas, al hour gardein Descoce depar le roy Dauid de Brus, fust la mort, lez countis de Ross, de Murres, de Meneteth, de Levenaux, et de Sotherlande, furent la mortz. Le feignour de Douglas, fitz James de Douglas, qi morust en le frounter de Gernate sure lez Sarazins, qavoit enpris cest faint veage od le quere Robert de Bruys lour roys, qi le auoit deuife en foun moriaund, et touz plain dez barouns, dez cheualers, et dez comunes, furent illoeges un tres graunt noumbre mortz. fe rendy fur condiciouns taille. Le count de la Marche, qavoit le chastel de Berewik a garder, deueint Engles, qi nauoit my graunt gree de nul coste, qi en le mene temps fist affermer par suffraunce le roy soun chastell de Dunbar, qi puis fist grant mal.

Cest batail finy le roi Dengleterre se trey deuers le sew, ou il hauntoist curiousement lez faitz darmes de pese. Edward de Baillos, roy de Escoce, se trey a la vile de seint Johan, ou il auoit soun parlement a Scone, et le atournement de plusours Descoces Tretout Escoce estoit en foutzieccion du roy Dengleterre et de luy, hors pris le chaftel de Dunbretain, de ou le roy Dauid de Bruys, gestoit iofnes adonges, fust remue en France au Chastel Galiard, ou il demura grant pece et sa femme la sore le roi, tanque il fust parcruz qil se poit ariuer. Le secound ane apres le batail de Berewyk Edward de Baillof reueint a Noefchastel sure Tyne, et fist soun homage au roy Dengleterre pur la terre Descoce, solonc lez condiciouns auaunt parlez, et puis fe retrey areir en Efcoce pur ceo qe lez vns de la tere estoint releuez encountre luy, oue le count de Murref, vn enfaunt par cru. Le dit Edward estoit a Streuelyn oue soun poair, ou comensa yn poi de corouce par enuy entre ascuns de soun counsail, qi sodeignement fez departerent de ly a lours rescettis, pur qui le dit Edward se retrey en Engleterre. Henry de Beaumond, adonqes count de Boghan depar le heritage fa femme, fe trei a Dundarg, vn chaftel qil auoit de nouel enferme en Boghane. Le count de Athelis se retrey en soun pays, lez autres a lour refcettes. Richard Tallebot estoit per dela lez montes en lez terres del heritage sa femme la feile Johan de Comyn, quaoit lez nouelis de cest deputisoun, se trey deuers Engleter, ou en Lounes il fust pris, et Johan de Striuelyn, dez gentz qestoint a la foy Edward de Baillof, qi fauserent lour fay pur couatife du pris de eaux. Henry de Beaumound fust assege en Dundarg, ou il rendy le chastel sure condicioun a departire hors du pays. Le count de Athelis se atourna a la foy Dauid de Bruys et guerpy la foy Edward de Baillof, qe de force ly couenoit ceo faire ou murreir, et touz playn dez cheualers Engles en fa compaigny, qi en autre maner ne lez pooint fauuer. A cel hour néstoit remys dedenz Escoce nul de lez enherdauntz le roy Dengleter qi fussent acounteir, fors le count de la Marche, qi veint au maundement le roy Dengleterre a ly a Noefchaftel sur Tyne, qi en soun realer a loftelle eftoit gayte dez maufesours de Northumberlond, pur coueitys de argent qe le roy ly auoit done a foun departire, et en point dauoir este mourdry. Il fist moustreir foun compleint au roy Dengleterre, qi ia estoit venuz a Roxburgh, ou il fist enfermer le chastel en yuer, qestoit emblez et abatuz en le temps foun pier. Le counsail adonqes entour le roy ne ly vorroint fair auoir tiels amendez de les ditz messfesours, com resoun vorroit demaunder.

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com luy fust auys, en ensaumple de tieux mesprisiouns, si rendy sus soun homage a le roy par lettre com il veint pres de Dunbarre dun cheuauche fol. 219.b. qil auoit de Roxburgh fait en Lownes en tres mauueys temps de yuer, fifaunt en lez ditz lettres fuggestioun qu plus ne se poit affurier. Meisme le temps fust Edward de Boune, cosyn le roy, noez en leau de Anand, com il voufist auoir rescouz vn vadlete du cretyn del eau, et ly enbrasa par lez espaulis, qi ly trey hors de la sele desoutz ly, le cheualer pery, le vadlet fu fauue. Le dit chaftel de Roxburgh afferme le dit roy de Engleterre fe trey deuers Loundres, qi fe dreffa countre le prochein este, si repaira en Escoce oue tresgraunt poair; il enuoya od Edward de Baillos lez countis de Garayn, Daroundelle, de Oxfinford, et de Angous, lez fires de Percy, de Neuil, de Berkelay, et de Latimer, od vn graunt oft, gentrerent par Berwic. Ly meismes entra par Cardoille oue tout la fure plus de sa cheualery, qi auoit od ly le count Gelleris, qi pius fust markys et apres duk, oue grant coumpaigny dez Alemaunz. Lez ij. oftes vindrent pres enfemble sure leau de Clide, le roi Dengleterre en vn lieu, Edward de Baillof oue foun oft a Glascow, ou il auoit vn graunt chaud melle en lost pur vn esquyer qi portoit le suronoun de Gournay, qi lez marchies tuerent pur caus qe furemist fust qe vn qi portoit cel surnon fust assentaunt a la mort le roy le pier. Lez ij. oftes encountrerent a la vile de faint Johan, ou en lour chemynaunt laundroitz estoit gaynez par affaut le chastel de Combrenald. A la dit vile de feint Johan reuindrent a la peife le roy le count de Athelis, Godfrai de Rosse, et Alexander de Moubray, oue autres; et si fust comence illoeges tretice du Seneschal Descoce. meisme le hour, tancom le roy ieust a la vile de saint Johan, veint le count de Nemure a Berewik, et autres cheualeris Dengleterre qi nestoint pas preftis al entre le roy, si enpristrent folement apursuir le roy dauoir ale a ly par tere a la vile de faint Johan; ou a Edinburgh ils furent suppris du count de Murref, qi de force lour couenoit prendre la roche du chastel abatuz, ou ils fes defenderent vn nuyt, et lendemain tanque ils hurent condicioun qi le dit count de Nemure periureroit destre arme del hour en auaunt encountre la querel Dauid le Brus, et que lez Engles illoeqes fussent touz prisoners pur vn some de argent. Le dit count de Nemure reueint a Berewyk, de ou il veint par mere en la coumpaignye la royne

Dengleterre au roy a la vile de seint Johan. Meisme le hour fust pris le count de Murres a vn punyes sure marchis de Willam de Pressen. Meisme la seysoun fust murdri le count de Hulster de sez gentz propres en Ireland, le quel count fust sitz et heire a vn dez seilles de Gloucestre et pres cosyn le roi Dengleterre, seille et heyre a qi Lionel, sitz au roy cesti Edward le tierce apres la conquest, auoit espose puscedy. Le roi Dengleterre se delogea de la vile de saint Johan et se trey a Edynburgh, ou il sist ensermer le chastel; ou veint a la pese Robert le Seneschal Descoce, qi sust sitz la feile Robert de Bruys, et apoy touz lez comunes. Le roy y sist mettre hu chastel graunt garnisoun, et repaira en Engleterre.

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Le yuer apres fust tue le count de Athelis, qi estoit remys depar le roy gardein depar dela la mere Descocz, qi se combatay oue Andreu de Murres, et oue le count de la Marche, et oue Willam de Douglas, et oue gentz reliez du couin Dauid de Bruys; et sust tuez Thomas Rosselyn a vn autre punyez meisme la sesoun com il arryua hors de mere pres de Dunotre, mais lez soens auoint la victoir.

Le prochein este apres, le roy Dengleterre,—qy auoit enuoye a la vile feint Johan en eide de Edward de Baillof dez plus grauntz de foun realme, foun frer Johan count de Cornewail, qy morrust illoegs de bele mort,—auoit oy dire qe lez Efcocez eftount affemblez pur combattre oue fez gentz iouft la vile de faint Johan, fi veint fodeinement sure la marche Descoz oue geris plus de l. homs de armys, qi prift lez marchies gestoint remys a lostel pur garder le pays, et sy enprist cestousement a aler a la vile de saint Johan, qu nauoit oue ly outre v.xx homs darmys, si veint si sodeinement a la dit vile qe touz fez meruaillerent de sa venu, et qi ly ofast counfailler a ceo faire a la De illoeges il cheuaucha outre les mountes, ou il rescouy la countais de Athelis, qestoit assege en Loghindorm, ou il y auoit en soun oft pur vn temps graunt defaut de vitail, mais tost furent counfortez par foraier de Robert de Ogle et autres marches, si repaira a Striuelin ou il fift enfermer le chastel, et de illoeqes si trey a Botheuille, ou de yuer il fift enfermer le chaftel autre sy et y fift mettre bon garnysoun. Le seignour de Berclay condusoiet lez vitaileris de Edynburgh a Botheuille, ou vn nuyt il descomfist Willam de Douglas, qy gisoit en agait de ly. Le roi perdy procheignement touz les chastelis et viles qil auoit fet enfermer

en Escoce, par defaut de bon reaule du pursuyt de sa conquest. Le dit roy repaira a Loundres a foun parlement, ou foun fitz eyne, count de Cestre, fust fait duk de Cornewal, Henry de Langcastre fust fait count de Derby, Willam de Boune de Northamtoun, Willam de Mountagow de Salisbirs, Hugh de Audeley de Gloucestre, Robert de Vsforthe de Southfolk, Willam de Clyntoun de Huntyngdoun. As queux countis et autres fes bons gentz le roy departy sy largement de fez possessions que apain reteint il rien deuers ly de terres apurtenauntz a sa coroune, mais ly couenoit viure de sureuenous et fubfides a graunt charge du poeple. Il auoit bon pece le disme de faint eglis, la quindezisme dener dez lays, et de chescun sak de layn xlvij. š viij. d'. Cest subside ly sust graunte du comune pur vn temps, mais plus dura qe le temps limyte. Il auoit ij. auns la neofisme garbe de soun realme. A meisme cest parlement estoit auys au counfaille le roy par auysement du clergie, qe plus longment ne ferroit a sureser de soun droit, ne du clayme du coroune de Fraunce, si en fust en pris la guere ou plain et susrendu le homage du roy de Fraunce, Phelip de Valoys, qi deteint le droit le roy, et defialis auxi enuoyez. Meffagers enfurent tramys en Allemain depar le roy Dengleter pur faire alvaunce del emperour le Bayuer, qauoit lautre sore espose du count de Henau, et retenu dez seignours illoeqes qe costa tresgrandisme tresor faunz profite, et furent meffageris Henry de Borewase, euesque de Nichol, lez countis de Salisbirs et de Huntyngdoun, qi reuindrent au parlement de Loundres od respounz de lour message. Tost apres en cel hour Andrew de Murref, gardein Descoce de par le roy Dauid, qy tost se lessa morir apres, fist graunt destruccioun en la counte de Cardoille, qi sen ala de illoeges et affift le chaftel de Edinburgh, adonges en main dez Engles. Lez marchies fez adresserent al rescous, oy de lour venu; lez Efcocez fez delogerent et lour vindrent a lencountre a Clerkintoun et lez Engles a Krethtoun, ou entre eaux a Krethtounden y auoit vn graunt punyes, gentz mortz dampartz, mais plus perderent lez Engles, lez Escocez sez delogerent de illoeqes fesaunt countenaunce de trier en Engleterre, et sez herbiserent a Galuschelle. Lez Engles sez logerent deuaunt eaux outre leau de Twede, ou ils demurrerent ij. iours, et la tierce nuyt lez Escocez sez delogerent et sen alerent lour chemyne.

Procheinement apres le count de Salisbirs, qestoit vn dez plus prinez du counsail le roy al hour, estoit auys que lour enbracement de lour alyamace dez Allemaunz nestoit pas resemblaunt a treir a profitable issu, et qe le roy ne serroit pas de poair a soeffrer lez costages dez condiciouns quis ly demaunderent, en aparfceyuaunt lour couaityfe, foun charge mouftre a le parlement enchoif au roy, se trey deuers Escoce pur soy excuser de cest counsail; qi sen ala od lez countis de Aroundel et de Gloucestre, lez sires de Percy et de Neuille a lassege de Dunbarre, ou le roy Dengleter lour aprocha a le Whitekirk pur prendre lour purpos de fez affaires, pur queux il ne pust al hour a lassege demurrer. Ils sol. 221. ieseroint a cel assege tot le quarresme et tanque la pentecost, tanque leuesque di Nichol, et le count de Northamtoun, et autres quiont contenuz lez treticez dez alyaunz des Allemauns estoint reuenuz a Loundres, qauoint escheue vn bele auenture darmys in lour passage de cest message, qi descounfirent lez Flemens en lile de Ragent, ou fust pris Gy de Flaundres par gentz Wauter de Mauney. Dez queux messagers a lour reuenir ascuns disoient, com fust dit, as ceaux qi estoint entour le roy adonqes, qe qy endestourbast le passage le roy en acomplicement de lour tretice gils serrount vnqor tenuz traiters, et ge il ne amenoit oue ly fors Giliot de la Chaumbre, qil ferroit affeitz fort de fez alvez depar dela pur conquer foun heritage de Franz. Cestes nouelis oyez a Dunbarre oue lez seignours illoeges gestoint sure le point du rendre du chastel sez delogerent oue trewis, qy noferent plus demurreir pur blame qe hom lour suremettroit qils destourbassent le passage le roy depuisque lez chosis estoint si auaunt alez. Le roy par counsail de ceaux qy auoint cest alyaunce au fin enbrace, passa la mere et aryua a Andewerp, ou il gisoit xv. moys faunz rien faire de guerre fors a joufter et a demener jolif vie, ou nasqy Lyonel le sitz le roy. En quel temps lez marchies dez Engles, qi furent lessez pur garder la marche dereir lez gardeyns et cheuetains qui furent cheuauche en oft en Escoce, furent descounfitz a Pressen, Robert de Maners pris, et touz playn mortez et prisoners, qy pur noun couenablis irous parolis alerent hors de aray enuyousement affembler en lieu noun couenable. Le roy dedenz lez ij. primers moys de soun aryuail se trey al emperour Lowys a Couelens, ou il teint coustoir plener, ou fust



pronouncie en playn couftoir le droit le roy Dengleter du coroune de France et accepte en cel court, qe tout auoint ils ij. sores espose, vnqor le roy nauoit illoeges autre eide fors com de gentz ge ia ne serrount enfaule de foen ils ly feruiroint volountiers, mais ceo estoit pur vn tiel demesure some qe impossible serroit a luy a chef venir. Meisme la seifoun qe cefti roy Edward estoit en Brabane, lez Fraunces aryuerent hors dez galeys a Hamtoun et la vile pristrent de assaut et la destruyerent, qu ne firent pas grant demore. Lez galeys de Fraunce pristrent meisme la fol. 221. b. fesoun de ioust Middilburgh iiij. dez greignours neses Dengleter, qe gifaunt estoint illoeges pur egarder la plesanz le roy si rien vosist de eaux, gen le hour gisoit a Andwerp. Le roy Dengleter auoit commissioun, com vikair general del empire, et qe toz ceaux del empire ly fuffent obeifaunz. Le roy repaira a Andewerp, penfaunt eide de fez alyes, tretaunt toz iours oue eaux, qe rien ne ly vailli tanque pur meschief de long attend talent ly surueint qe plus longment ne voroit attendre. enuoya a le duk de Brabham, foun cofyn germain, et au duk de Gellire, qauoit sa sore espose, et au markeis de Jolers, soun freir en ley, et as autres sez alves qauoint pris de foun, qe a vn certain iour il serroit sure marches de France, ou il prendroit sez auentures, si lour fist somouns com vikair lemperour a estre prestez au dit iour. Ou lez vns dez alyes le roi vindroient, qi ne fez purroint detenir pur hount, quy cheuacherent oue ly en France deuaunt faint Quyntyn et en Terrage, ou en quel veage lez Engles oue lez Allemaunz affailerent la vile de Honycourt, mais ils ne la pristrent my. A quel assaute Thomas de Ponyngis sust mort et autres bons gentz Engles. Le roy Phelip de France veint a Berenfos fodeinement a procher le dit roy Dengleter de vn lieu pres, faunz fcieu del oft le roy. Le dit roy ly attendy lendemayn en beaux chaumps apoy tot le jour, gencountre le vespre se trey a Augynes pur ceo que lost nestoit pas vitaille, ou ils demurrerent lendemain tot le iour. Le roy Phelip de France ne pursuift plus auaunt. En la vespre surdist de cest Auainis vn tiel chaud melle en lost le roy Dengleter entre lez archers Engles et ascunz dez Allemaunz que tout la nuyte lez gentz de armys dez Engles estoint armez en batail. Lez vns dez Allemaunz cheierent desus vne pane de lost dez Engles en vn vilet dehors lost, qi tuerent touz plain dez

comunes des Engles, et robberent cheueaux et harnoys, et sez departerent chescun foun chemyn. Le roy se trey en Brabaun a Andewerp, ou le counsail de Flaundres treterent oue ly et sez atournerent a ly par lour homages et ferementz com a lour souerain feignour roy de France, qu par lour counsail il prist le noune et lez armes du roy de Fraunce a Gaunt, ou nasqy Johan sitz le roy, count de Richemound. Il se trey en Engleter pur soi meutz arayer, ou en soun passer de la mere estoit en grant perille de tempest, si lessast les countes de Salisbirs et de Southfolk gardeins de Flaundres, qi par lour noun auisement de vn fole cheuanche furent suppris deuaunt Lile et prisoneris, et menez au chastelet de Parys. Le count de Warwik fust fait gardein de Flaundres depar le roy Engleis. Lez autres countis prises, le roy de Fraunce affist le chastelle de Tunis en Cambrefy, qe les Engles auoint suppris, ou le duk de Braban et les comunes de Flaundres, et le count de Henaw, quoit defye le roy de France nouelement pur outrage qil ly auoit fait faire, alerent a rescous; ou ils pristrent hors du chastel lez Engles qi auoint done lour ostagez qi lez perderent, fi arderent le chastel au vieu le roy de France. mene temps que cestez gentz furent as champs entour cest rescous, le roy Edward Dengleter eftoit sure foun passage a Erwelle od soun oft deuers fez alies, quoit fait eschipper sez cheueaux, quat nouelis ly vindrent qe le amerail de Normendy od tout la nauy le roy de France Phelip eftoint deuaunt Lescluse pur affeger Flaundres par mere, que nuls vitails ne marchaundys lour venisseint par eaw, et pur auoir destourbe le passage le roy. Ceftez nouelis entenduz il fift remettre fez cheueaux a terre, et mounta ed fez gentz del oft sur mere, qy la veil de faint Johan en este veint deuaunt Lesclus en la mere, et lendemain le iour faint Johan sen ala combatre od cest grant nauy de France, qi par grace de Dieux lez defcomfift; ou furount lez ness touz conquys et le amerail mort, Hugh Keret, et tiel multitude dez Franceis que a meruail outre mesure. froy] aryua a Lefclus, ou ly vindrent lez seignours de Braban, de Gelir, de Juleris, et de Henaw, et le counsail de lez bons viles de Flaundres: ou par lour counsail le roy se trey a Gaunte, de ou dedens lez viii. iours it remua de illoeges deuaunt Tournay, qi lassist. Il departist lost de Flandres en dieus, ceaux de Gaunte prift il od ly a Tournay, ceaux de

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Bruge et de Ypre enuoya il a Robert de Artoys, qestoit al hour de sa enherdaunce, qi pur tort qe Phelip de Valoys qi fe clamoit roi de France ·li auoit fait du counte de Artoys qui clamoit de heritage, qui Robert auoit sa sore en espouse, qi se atourna au dit roy Dengleter com au droit roi de France. Le roy enuoya fez lettres au Phelip de Valoys le ly profery chois ou de batail arest poair en lieu couenable et iour assigne, ou de cent cheualers encountre cent sur bons affuraunz, ou perfonal darrein de lour ij. corps. Le counsail de France disoint qu'es ne auoint conysaunce a qy les ditez lettres alerent, de puisque eles firent mensioua de Phelip de Valoys et ils ly tyndrent roy de France, feignant excusacioun du respouns du terminacioun du point especisie. Ly dit Robert sen alast 61. 222. b. deuaunt faint Thomer od touz plain dez Engles et od cestes auaunt ditz gentz de Flaundres, ou le count de Ermynak et le duk de Burgoyn estoint dedenz, qi sen isserent en dieus bataillis. Robert de Artoys ed lez Engles et ceaux de Brige fen alerent descounfire la batail au duk de Burgoin, et apoy visent entrez la dit vile ouesges eaux, si pres lez chaceroint. Le count de Ermynak od fa route sen ala descounsire la reirgarde le dit Robert, ceaux de Ypre, qi lez enchafa durement loinz. Au repairer Robert de Artoys en la vespre le count de Ermynak se repaira deuers faint Thomer et encountrerent ensemble, mais ceo estoit dedenz la nuyt que chescun se garda de autre saunz plus faire. Au repairer le dit Robert as fez loeges ils trouerent lour autre batail de Ypre descounfitz et fuys, pur quel chos ils fez delogerent touz meifme la nuyt, qe lendemain sen alerent a Tournay au roy Dengleter quuoit affys la vile, ou estoient dedenz lez countis de Ew, conestable de France, et le count de Foys, od mille, d. homs darmis de estraungers. Le roy auoit iue a cel affege xi. semains, qant le roy Phelip de France veint od foun grant oft vn lieu pres de Tournay, ou comencerent tretice qe lez alies le roy ly chacerent a cest tretice pur ceo qils ne voroint plus demurreir, si sez departerent od vn trew de vn ane; lez prifouners de toutis costes delvueres pur le temps, lez countis de Salisbirs et de Southfolk dez Engles, ly fires de Mountmaracy et autres dez Fraunceis qui furent prisis ioust Tournay. La sentence od lez grantz obligatoirs as queux lez Flemences eftoient lyes en la court de Rome au pape en le temps le roy Philip de

France ly beaux, sure payn quis ne leuerount iames encountre la coroune de France, lour estoint relessez au suyte de cesti Phelip de Valoys, qi al hour se disoit roy de France, par condiciouns taillez au pris de trewys deuaunt Tournay pur touz iours.

En quel temps du sege de Tournay Benet estoit pape prochein apres Johan, gestoit nome deuaunt le Cardenal Blaunk, et estoit del ordre de Sifteux. Il eftoit durement de bon conscience. Il restreynoit plus lordre de Sifteux par fez constituciouns, qui nestoit deuaunt soun temps. Il fentremist durement de la pese par mediacioun dez cardinaux entre cesti roy Edward le tierce apres la conquest et le roy de France, Phelip de Valoys, mais ne poait a chief venir, si ne estoit enherdaunt as nuls dez parties. En le mene temps de cest assege a Tournay lez countes de la Marche et de Sothirland Descoce vindrent prendre pray dedenz lez mar-

de France par tresoun, seaunt a manger, com ly daufyn de Vien, le sitz sol. 223. eyne le roy adonges, li auoit prie a manger; le count de Arcourt et autres feignours de Normendy decollez furmettaunt a eaux couyne de fa defesauns. Et fait a sauoir, que a cel hour le fitz eyne du roy de France estoit daufyn de Vien, le quel daufyn Phelip le pier cesti Johan de France auoit achate au coroune de France, pur quoy cesti roy Johan le dona a foun fitz.

En lan de grauce mile, ccc.lv., et du regne le roy Edward le tierce Dengleter apres la conquest xxx, Edward le eyne fitz du dit roy Dengleter et prince de Galis, qi tretout lan auoit demurre en Gascoigne sur la gerre foun pier, com auaunt est especesie, mouoit en ost deuers Fraunce hors de Burdeaux, le vj. iour de Juylle; qy teint foun chemyn a la Rule, et parmy Agenoys, et Paragor, et Lymofyne, et en Berry, ou plufours forteresces ly furont renduz. Il enueint a Remorentyne, vn vile en Saloigne; ou ly firis de Croun et monfire Burfigaud, vn chiualer trauaille, y furount enuoyez du roy de France, qi pres estoit, pur sureueoir le poair et la maner del oft au prince. La quel vile le dit prince prist par affaut. Le fire du Croun et monfire Burfigaud, la vile gaigne, sez enmistrent de-



denz vn toure fort qe y auoit, qi la tindrent, hors de quoy et de la vile ils eftoit renduz, lour lx.me dez cheualeris et esquiers en la grace du prince, de ou il se remua deuers la ryuer del Leyre pur la auoir passe en biaunce dauoir encountree le roi foun pier, qil quidoit qenfust aryuez en lez coftiers de France ou de Normendy sure la conquest de soun heritage de Franz, ou qe le duk Henry de Lancastre poait auoir trait deuers ly, le quel duk de Lancastre auoit la garde de Bretaigne, qi enuoiez estoit du roy Dengleter meisme leste si passage vst troue ou de ge ou de pount, ou touz furrount rountis de Orliens a Touris ou il teint foun chemvn pardeuaunt Touris. En quel veage en le hour eftoint pris gentz darmes, pres ij. centz homs darmis de ceux de France, dez afcuns dez queux le prince auoit nouelis verrays qe le roy Johan de France ly aprochoit pres od foun oft real, qy paffa Leire a Bloys. Le cardenal Peregor aprocha au prince enpriaunt de tretice, qi courtoisement fust respoundu qe touz iours serroit prest a prendre et a faire resoun. Le dit prince se trey par sez iournes outre la ryuer de Viane, quoit nouelis par prisoners qe le roy de France passeroit la dit ryuer procheinement deuers Payteris, qe del hour que ly dit prince auoit fait passer tout la nuyte du chastelle fol. 223. b. Arraud le Sumail, se trey en grant hast od ses trois eschelis en batail a trauers du pays pur auoir auaunt venu le passe du roy de France de la dit riuer au pount de Chaueny, mes bon pece deuaunt qil pooit le dit lieu aprocher il aparsceuft qe le roy estoit passe, mais vn grant route dez Frances effoit a dereir et acoste, o queux lez gentz le dit prince auoint afaire, qe lez descounfirent, ou furount prises dez Frances lez countis de Ansoir et de Juny, et od eaux plus de cent homs darmis, cheualeris et esquieris, lez autres rechacez a Chaueny; cest iourne estoit le samady, le xvij. iour de Septembre, le disme semain de cest veage. Le dymange fuaunt le prince se trey deuers Payteris, ou en chemynaunt sez descouerours ly vindrent nouncier qe lost le roy de France en counray dez batails eftoit pres venuz a vn lieu Engles, ou en le hour le dit prince descendy a pee, araya fez bataillis. En quel lieu le auaunt dit cardenal reueint autre foitz au prince, enpriaunt pur Dieux qil aresta sez gentz tanque il auoit parle od le dit roy de France pur faufete du fank Cristien, et qe oue leide du souerain il luy ferroit auoir pese resonable a soun honour;

ai ly respondinge resonn prendroit il trevolomitiers. Le cardenal sen ala, gi tost reveint, gi troua le prince remue a pee en batail plus pres dan garter dun lieu, issy qe geris y auoit plus dun demy lieu Engles entre lez ii. oftes. Le dit cardenal ly pria que ordeiner voroit ix. des soens pur treter en my lieu dez ij. ostes de vn voy resonable de pese 🗪 countre autres ix. de le lour, quoy fust ottroie et parsourny, mais rien pen prist a affecte, mais ceo ne fust fait com aparaunt fust mais pur taster le purpos de ly prince et pur aloigner la bosoigne au damage du dit prince en defaut de vitail et autres estofferis et en encressement de lour peair que touz iours enuindrent, tout enfift le cardynal pur bien. La tretice fust proloigne tout la nuyte, lendemain au solail leuaunt reueint ly cardynal touz iours curious a destourber la batail, enpressant longs trewis, en queux pooit estre trete final pese. Ly prince luy disoit touz iours gen ceo qil auoit poair il fe acorderoit uoluntiers, et ceo ne passeroit il my. Ly cardynal disoit qil reirroit au roy de France et ly lesseroit fauoir en le hour a quoi il le puroit attreire. Qi tost remaunda au prince qe la bosoigne ny aloit en autre gife, mais qe chescun enseist soun meil-Le prince qi prest estoit en counray de batail fist mounter a cheual touz lez foens; fes as coftes deuaunt lez batails du roy de France, pur choifer meilliour place a combatre, ou lez Frances quidoint qe ils fez vsfent fuys, gi fortement fez hasterent, et nomiement lour auaunt garde de dieus mareschals party en enuy, com fust dit, qi meutz enuailleroit pur parolis fours entre eaux. Le auaunt gard du prince et foun reirgard affemblerent od lez marescheals, qe lour desconfirent. La batail du daufyn, fitz eyne du roy de Fraunce, affembla od la batail du prince, qi bien tost furount areir botez. Et auxi la bataille du duk de Orliens, freir au roy de France, qi a lour recoiller encontrerent oue la batail le roy qi defcenduz eftoit a pee, qi ala cheualeroufement pur affembler sur la batail le prince, del hidoufe vieu de qoi tot plain dez gentz de la batail le prince fez retreierent as autres batails quoint defcounfitz lez lours, outre vn hay en vn autre chaumpe, lez geux aparceurent la areft. la couyn, et le combatre de la batail le prince, sez hasterent deuers ly; qy affemblerent au coste oue tiel escry qe moult reuygoura lours amys, en grant affray des enemys, issi qe par la especial grace du Sougrayne

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la victoir demurra od le auaunt dit prince. A quel batail de Payteris le rey Johan de France fust pris prisoner, et soun sitz Phelip, et xilj. counts, et vn erceuesque, et de barouns et de baneretis lxvi., la noumbre de gentz darmys prifis ij. mile: et furount mortez le duk de Bourboun, et le duk de Attenys adonges conestable de Fraunce, et le mareschalle de Cleremount, et vn euefque, et vifcountis plufours, barons et baneretz, et enuyroun iii. mile homs darmis a la chace et a la batail. noumbre dez gentz darmis od cotis armours en lost de France viii, mile: et en le oft le prince fors mile ix. c., et mile et d. archiers. Willam seignour de Douglas, qi voloit faire pelerinage outre mere, paffa hors Descoce, enueint en France en le hour que le roy Johan de France se adressa en ost deuers le dit prince en Gascoigne, sen ala od le dit roy, deueint cheualer de fez mayns, eschapa de la batail, reueint en soun pays, ascuns dez sez chiualers mortz a la bataille. Qy Willam deueint count de Douglas procheignement apres la deliueraunce le roy Dauid Descoce. Qi Dauid de Bruys en le hour fist Willam de Ramyssay deuenir count de Fif, moult par enchesoun de sa femme qil amast paramurs, com ten Quel countee le roy dysoit soun droit a doner pur vn forfaiture, com disoit, que Dunkan le count de Fif auoit fait en le temps le roy Robert de Bruys, foun pier, de la mort dun efgier qu'out a noun Michel fol. 224. b. Betoin, qil auoit fait tuer en yre a la ryuer, pur quoy le dit [roy Dauid] suremist que le dit count pur pese auoir du roy pur la forset auoit ordene par endenture la reuersioun du countee a soun dit pier le roy en cas qu'il deueyoit faunz heir masl, qi ceo fesoit, mais auoit le dit count vn feile de sa femme, la feile le roy Dengleter, la countaife de Gloucestre, quel feile estoit en Engleter et deueroit auoir este vendu a Robert Seneschalle Descoce, que prist par amours a marry Willam de Feltoun, vn cheualer de Northumbreland, qi la auoit en garde en le houre, la quel claym droit hu countee, qe dedit celle taille. Cest batail de Payteris auenu a la gyfe, la sureveile de faint Matheu lan auaunt nome, le dit prince se trev a Burdeux od le dit roy de France, prisoner, et od lez autres, pur lez mettir en fauf gard tanque le roy foun pier aueroit fait de eaux foun plaifer, qi bien deueroit mercier Dieux de sa grace, qe a vn foitz il auoit et en le hour prisoners ij. roys coronez, le roy de France le plus pussaunt

dez Criftienes, et le roy Dauid Descoce, qen cel hour auoit demurre en Engleter x. aunz prisoner. Meisme la seisoun dedenz ij. moys apres cest batail de Payters, fust la cite de Basille rue tout a terre par terremote, et graunt noumbre dez comunes de la cite mortez au cheyer, et plusours chasteaux abatus enuyroun. Meisme lan le duk Henry de Lancastre, qi gardeyn eftoit de Bretaigne en le hour depar le auaunt dit roi Edward Dengleter, affift la cite de Renis, de la faint Michelle tanque apres la faint Johan le Baptiste en my este, de ou il se delogea par vertu de trewis prisis en Gascoigne entre le dit prince de Galis, sitz le dit roy Dengleter, et le counsail de France; lez trewes adurreirs ij. aunz. Mais le duk de Lancastre auoit vn grant soum dargent de ceaux de Bretaigne dez enherdauntz Charlis de Bloys pur fes costages du dit assege. Ly dit prince de Galis amena le dit roy Johan de France en Engleter a foun pier, qi roy Johan de France fust bon pece a Loundres et puis remue a Wyndefor. Le roy Dauid Descoce fust a la faint Michel suaunt deliuers pur raunfoun de c. mile marcz dargent, fez oftages furount entrez a Berewyk. Le count de Sothirland, et le fitz le dit count qi fitz eftoit la fol. 225. sore le dit roy Dauid, Thomas le Seneschal qi dez Escotz estoit nomez count Dangous, Thomas de Murref baroun de Botheville, od autres xx. fitz dez seignurs Descoce, estoint ostages. Entour quel temps vn cheualer nee du Lang de Oke, qi fe fift nomer le Ercheprestre, se assembla juuenceaux gentz darmes de plufours naciouns, mouerent guerre en Prouince, gaignerent chastelis et viles enuyroun Auinioun, du quoi la court du faint Perre, qy adonges y endemura, estoit durement troeble. La quele ryot fust grantement mese par lez dounes du pape Innocent. La royne Descoce et sore le dit roy Edward Dengleter veint meisme la fefoune a Wyndefore a parler od le roy foun freir et de boter en parlaunce greignour tretice, et fust de lee sa mere la royn Isabelle qe morust a Herforthe meisme la fesoun, qu ne lauoit pas vieu xxx. aunz. A quel lieu de Wyndesore le dit roy Edward teint sa grant fest de joustes et reuelle le iour faint George, com acoustomez estoit, ou le roy Johan de France eftoit en le hour en prisoun, et ou le duk Henry de Lancastre fust naufre, com iousta oue vn chiualer vn autre a trauers ly fery de sa launce hu coste moult perillousement, de quoy il gary. As qeux ioustes



veint le duk de Braban et de Lenburgh, qi freir eftoit al emperour Charlis de Bahayn, pur demaunder eyde encountre le count de Flaundres, qi bon pece ly auoit guerroie pur la vile de Malyns et autres debatis entre eaux, qauoint espose ij. sores feilles Johan duk de Braban, qi nout nul sitz. Mais le dit duk de Lenburhe auoit leyne la countas de Henaw, espouf Johan qy morust en Frise, qy duk auoit la douche du doune soun freir lemperour par coustom del empir. La sesoun deuaunt vindrent dieus cardineaux, Peregor et Vrgen, en Engleter pur treter de la deliueraunce du roy Johan de France et de pese entre lez roys, qi bon pece demurrerent en Loundres, qe a vn voy de pese treterent quoi fust assentu du counsail le roy en maner qil agreaft au comune de sa terre, par counsail dez queux le chalange de foun droit de France fust comencee et perseuere; quelis comunes defagreerent en playn parlement a Loundres ou tail du dit tretice, si ensy ne fust que autre addicioun ne fust aiouste. Ceo fust qe le pape releissaft pur ly et sez successours tout le contracte qe le roy Johan auoit fait par endenture et par attournement au patronage le apostoil en le temps Innocent; et qe le seint pier cessaft de chos qen le hour fentremist peniblement. Quoy com lez genz de lay Engles disoint estoit grantement countre la coroun, qar meisme le hour lez justices le roy estoint personelement escomengez pur processe de vn iugement qils auoint fait en le bank le roy encountre Thomas de Lile, euesque de Ely, qe del ordre dez Jacobins estoit, qi ne respoundy my sourmelement dun felouny qe ly fust par enditement surmis par sez aduersairs, le counsail fol. 225, b. la dame de Wake, pur quoy lez ditz justifes agarderent vn content folonc lour loys, pur quoy le roy feifist lez temparautes le dit euesque, qy sen ala a Auinioun del hour qil fust attache et baille al erceuesque, enfist dure proceffe iffint qe le pape fentremift du temparaulte, com difoint lez auauntditz gentz de lay en defesaunce du regaute le roy. Quel peticioun enuoye estoit au faint pier, sure quel tretice od autres obstacles lez ditz cardynaux departerent hors Dengleter, qi desesparez estoint du tretice, ia le mainz fi pres lauoint chacez qe lez ij. roys eftoint entrebaifez sure condicioun dun fourme de pese, qe a vn terme limite del aparfournicement ne pooit estre tenu du part dez Fraunceis. Meisme la sesoun lez plusours dez gentz Engles que vesquerent sure la guere, lez treuis pris, com

auaunt est dit, sez mistrent en Normendy, emblerent chasteaux, afforcerent manoirs, mouerent tiel riote de guere hu pays par suppuail dez gentz de comune Dengleter qui lez vindrent de jour en autre contre defens le roy, enalerent espessement a meruail tout faunz cheuetain de lour test demene, qi grantz meftries firent hu pays. Truagerent apoy tout Normendy et lez costers dez plusours pais enuyroun, sez purchacerent bons forteresces en Paitou, Aungeou, et en Humein, et deuers toute France a vi. lieus de Parys. Ils estoint esparplis en tantz dez lieus en diuers pais qu nuls ne pooit rementiner lez punyes ne lez faitz darmis qe lour aueindrent hu men temps, mais tant firent que toutz gens Criftiens sez meruaillerent. Et fi nestoint fors comunes de coillet, ioens gentz que deuaunt le houre neftoint fors de poy acount, qi durement deuindrent puffauntz dauoir et fachauntz de cel guere, pur quoi lez ioens de plufours pays Dengleter fen Lez comunes dez vileins et lez laborours de France sez affemblerent en routes apres ceo qe lour roy Johan estoit pris a Pauteris, despiferent lez gentilis homs et lez defolerent ceaux gils pooint ateindre, abaterent lour mesouns, surmettaunt qe lez gentilis gentz ne ualoint rien fors par extorfioun a reyndre la comune et lez poures gentz. Ils tuerent afcuns partz lez femmes et lez enfauntz dez gentilis homs, pur quoy lez gentilis homs fez affemblerent, et lez descounfirent, et lez enchacerent, et ameserent cel riote. Meisme la sesoun lez comunes de Parys sez sirent vn chevetain, ly nomerent Prouost dez marchaundes, leuerent sodeignement, sen alerent au palays le roy ou le fitz le roy, qi dit fust duk de Normendy et daufyn de Vien estoit en counsail, roumperent lez huses de sa chaumbre, tuerent deuaunt ly le mareschal de Cleremont le freir cely qi fol. 226. murust a Paiteris, detrencherent illoeges plesours autres, suremettaunt a eaux qils auoint degaste par gifer en bons viles la tresors de France de eaux pris faunz autre apertice faire darmys encountre les enemys, ia le mainz le dift mareschal auoit hu meisme la sesoun vn descounsiture sure lez Engles en Normendy, ou Godfray de Harcourt eftoit mort, quutre foitz auoit enherde as Engles. Le dit Prouost dez marchaundez enmyst vn chaperoun de sa suyte sure la test le fitz le roy, ly amena deuant la comune, ou il lour fust en couenaunt de soy contener apres lour counsail, quel promesse il ne teint point, se aloigna a plus tost qil pooit, enbrasa



poair encountre eaux, pur qoy lez ditz comunes retindrent le roy de Nauern et ascuns Engles qi demurraunt estoint en Normendy. Qy roy de Nauern estoit enprisone de le roy de France, com deuaunt est dit, qi meisme la sesoun fust delyuers par le seignour de Pynkene et de sez autres amys, qi de nuyt emblerent le lieu ou le dit roy fust enprisone et ly amenerent en Normendy. Le dit roy od plusours Engles se enherda au dit comune de Parys, estoint dedenz la cite, de ou lez Engles ifferent et foutz priftrent vn pount que le daufyn auoit fait adreffer dez bateaux de nouel outre Seyn a dieus lieus de amount Parys, pur destourber la vitail, ou au gaite foun mareschal fust pris, se iiij. me dez cheualers, et amenez a Parys dez ditz Engles, ou bien furount resceus et cheris tanque ils mouerent defordeinez riotes dez extorfiouns en la cite. Pur quoi lez comunes leuerent sure eaux, lez enchacerent horf de vile, suerent qi eschaperent as chaumps en batail. Lez Engles, qauoint purpris et enforce Poify et autres forterescez enuyroun, estoint issus deuers faint Clow; overent la rumoure, encountrerent lez fuauntz, enpriftrent le chemyn deuers ceaux de Parys qi iffus estoint, currerent sure eaux et lez descounfirent, lez reboterent despitousement dedenz lour cite, plusours de eaux mortez et noez en Seyne. Le roy de Nauar eschapa hors de Parys, pur quel riote lez ditz comunes reenherderent meisme la nuyte a daufyn le fitz le roy qi pres estoit en ost. Ils detrencherent en le houre lour Prouost dez marchaundes qils auoit leue en lour cheuetyn, et od ly plufours autres de sez mayntenours, pur quoi le dit roy de Nauern od lez auaunt ditz Engles demurrauntz en Normendy sez mistrent en ost deuaunt Parys, demaundaunt la batail de daufyn qi ne voroit iffer. En lour aler de illoeges ils pristrent de affaut la vile de Creel. Le roy de Nauern auoit couyn dez gentz de Amyas, qauoint sure la nuyte purpris dieus ou trois portz de la vile et lez auoint lesse ouertz, en pense qe au soun dun clarion le dit roy, qy pres estoit venuz la vile, vst entree. Mais com auenture de gerre le aportoit, meisme la nuyte le count de saint Poel estoit entrez la vile en la vespre od gatre cent homs darmes, qi oy lassray com ceaux quitoint de la couin quiderent le fodein entre du dit roy, qi ia nestoit pas prest ou nauoit oy le enseigne, mouerent riot, sez esparplerent pur gayner, tanque le dit count od lez soens sez mistrent as portez, lez trouerent

ouertz, lez cloierent, currerent sure lez enbraceurs, lez descounfirent. Le dit roy failly de soun purpos, destruyt le suburbe, se trey en Normendy. Les Engles purpristrent plusours forterescez, enmysterent garnisoun, dount vn estoit entre Beaumaisin et Pikardy, qe out a noune Maucounsail, quel lieu leuesque de Nogoun et le sire de Dawnay assistrent, qatre centz homs darmes de ditz Engles et le sire de Pinkeny alerent rescoure le dit lieu, enpristrent le dit euesque et od ly iiij. barouns et l. cheualeris, descounsirent lez autres. Maynt bele fait darmes aueindrent as Engles cel sesoun en diuers lieus hu realme de France, qe ne sount my en cestz recordez pur lez causis sus suitante. Queux Engles de lours testes propres sez auoint mys en plusours lieus hu realme de Fraunce puis cest guere, qi gentz estoint de coillet, ieunes, mescounz de diuers countres Dengleter, plusours sours dez archiers et puis deuenus chiualeris, lez vns capitayns, lez iournes dez queux ne purrount pas touz estre especifiez en le hour qils auindrent pur diuersete deaux.

Et pur ceo que ascuns iournes notablis estoient vbliez a escrier en le hour gils auindrent en profces du lyuer gi ia estoit par escript, pur ceo autre part est bon qils soient especifiez. Primerment, la iourne de Gistres en Gascoyne, ou Hugh de Genese sust cheuetain de la guere depar meisme le dit roy Dengleter, Edward le tierce apres la conquest, en lan de grace mile ccc.xxxiij., au comencement de la guere de foun chalange de France, ou lez seneschals de diuers pays depar le roy de France auoient affys labbe de Gistres, le qel lez Gascoynes Engles auoint en-A rescous de quoy le dit Hugh oue ascuns autres barouns Gascoines Engles, enuiroun iiij. c. homs darmes et viij. c. seriauntz et archiers, vindrent adeuant lez Fraunceis, qi plus furont de mile homs darmes, qi bataillez eftoint as champes, la ryuer de Ille eftoit entre eaux, lez Engles estoint bataillez sure le gee de la dit ryuer. Ceaux qestoint affegez en lauaunt dit forteresce Englois isserent et eskirmygerent si tresabaundounment al affaute sure lez ditz enemys, qe faunz affent ou uolente dez cheueteins dez ditz Englois lours seruauntz apoi touz faunz regard auoir passerent pres a lour espaulis la dit ryuer, launcerent ouesges lez autres de fi tremeruaillous apert couyn et enpris. Lez Franceys, quy trop pres dez haves lour fembloit auoir tenu, remuerent et retreierent pur pren-

fol. 227.



dre plus large chaums, oue quoy lez auaunt ditz Engles qi ceo uirent enpristrent a passer le dit riuer. Lez ditz seruauntz dez Englois aparceurent la venu lours seignours et la retreir dez Franceis, si crierent dun voice et curage, "alour, alour, ils fount descounfitz;" oue qoi lez ditz Franceis fen alerent descounfiz tant com cheueaux purroint courer. Et puis apres cel hour bon pece, enuyroun xij. aunz, autres gros iournes auyndrent en Gascoigne apres departir le duk de Lancastre, qi lieutenaunt estoit du roi Dengleter illoeges, com auaunt est dit. Et deuaunt la venu du fitz le roy, le prince de Galis en la dit paijs, com de la iourne de Lymeloinge au resous de Lishinyane, ou Thomas Cok, cheualer Englois, fust seneschal apres departir le dit duk, qi Thomas od lez barounes Gascoines Engles furount v. centz glayues, ou enchemynaunt lour vindrent adeuaunt mile et v. centz glayues dez Franceis, seneschalis du pays, en bataillis, fodeignement a cheualle: lauauntgard as Franceis efchuerount au point dez launces le about affembler, glafferount a reys dez Engles qi defcenduz estoient a pee, costauntz si pres que chescun Engloys qui vousist ferrir ferry cheuealle mort oue la launce, les Franceis hors dez selles trebouchez a terre. Lautre batail secound as Franceis assemblerent a cheual parmy lez Engles, plufours dez Engles abatuz releuerent et fez relierent a pe, qi plufours dez cheueaux as Fraunceis auoint mortz au paffer, queux Franceois escheus dez cheueaux oue lez autres lour coumpaignons primes abatuz de lour auaunt garde alerent as cheueaux dez Englois, lenpristrent a poi touz et monterent. Lez Engleis pristrent vn bas more de Antais as genolois. Lareirgard dez Franceis ses aresterent deuaunt fol. 227. b. eaux, et y endemurrerent tout le jour a cheualle, et a la nuyt fez departerount. Lez Englois, qe plus nauoint a faire, alerent a pee, lez launces en lour mains iiij. lieus longes du pays a vn forteresce Englois; hors de quel chaftelle de Liffinyan estoint auenuz maint bel fet darmes au sires de Mountferount, tancom capitain y estoit apres ceo qil estoit gaine de affaute dez Engles, quel chastel fust apres traiez de lour mains par vn chastelain. Et puis autre foitz com de la journe de seint George au rescous de feint Johan le Angelin, ou Johan de Cheuerstoun, cheualer Engles et seneschal de Gascoigne, ou lez barouns du paijs, ix.c. homs darmes, sez combaterent od lez Franceis, qi xij.c. homs darms estoint, qe venoint

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de laffege encountre eaux; descenderent a pee, sez entreassemblerent apertement qe bon pece dura la melle. Lez Franceis oue grant pain estoint descounfitz, lez mareschallis de Neel et de Oudenam, qi cheuetains effoint de Franceys, y estoint prifis, et plusours dez autres mortez et prises. Qi mareschalle de Neel sust procheignement apres tue dez Engleis en batail en la guere de Bretaigne, a Mauroun, pres boys de Onglis, ou plufours barouns de Bretaigne murerent, vn de meruaillous iournes qaueint en la guere de Bretaigne, hors pris la iourne de Lankaderet ou Thomas de Dagworth, cheualer Engles, descounfist meruaillousement lez barouns de Bretaigne. Plusour iournes y aueindrent de cest gere, dont touz ne poount estre recordez. Mais puis que lez trewes furount prifis en Gascoigne par le prince de Galis, sitz le dit roy Dengleter; les auaunt ditz Engles des comunes continuerent la guerre, com deuaunt en party est especifiez, en diuers pays hu realme de France. Qe tout ne font lez journes recordez linielement en le hour gils aueindrent, vncore foun a especifier quels gentz sez coillerent par cause dez ditz trewes, qils le fesont en la querel du roy de Nauern qi ia estoit deliuers de prifoun du chastel de Greuequer, qy par cause susdit auoit guere as Franceis. Qi roy, com auaunt est plus plainement dit, destruyoit plufours pays en Fraunce, moult par force dez ditz Engles, par ou lez ditz Engles recouererent plusours forteresces plusours partz en France, raunfonerent lez pays par paroches, auoint lez punyes, la foitz en perde autre foitz en gaign. Pres de Neneuers Johan Waldbouf, Engleis, hors du chastelle de Courveu ly Orglious coumbaty sez cyncquatisme homs darmes Engloys, oue Lercheprestre qe capitain estoit du pays de Nenevers, fol. 228. gauoit cc. homs darmes, et lez descounfirent, pristrent le dit Archeprestre et plusours autres. Qi Archeprestre fust lessez aler a large sure sa foy, et a estre loial prisoner au dit Waldbouf, qi nul temps apres ne se voloit entreir, teint toutdiz autre tretice oue le dit Waldebouf, qi voloit en condicioun enherder au roy Engleis et qil bailleroit au dit Waldbouf vn bon forteresce qil auoit, mais ne voloit apres aprochier a luy saunz ostages duraunt ceft tretice. Le dit Waldebouf cheuaucha sure autres enemys, ioufta de guere od vn Fraunces hors du chaftel de nostre dame de Cuchie a le demande dez Franceis, qi puis entrecoumbaterent dez espeis et coul-



teaux. Le dit Waldbouf [venqui] le Fraunceois, ly enamena prifoner. Qi Waldbouf fei affura tant en lez losengeous parolis du dit Archeprestre qui fe mist en assuraunce de sa bon foy, et a sa penible request dedenz vn soun chaftelle a prendre oue ly la souper, quel chaftel il, luy auoit en couenaunt a bailler sure lez condiciouns taillez. Waldbouf fust trave et retenu illoeges prifoner bon pece et apres murdry en prifoun, surmettaunt sur ly qil voloit auoir suppris le dit chastelle par couyne dez autres prisoners Engleis, lez oftages gestoint mys pur le dit Archeprestre gestoint retenuz prisoners en meisme la gife. Deuaunt Troyes meisme la sesoun estoint lez Engles par lour defaray descoumfitz par le count de Wadmound, qi issift de la cite deuaunt quel lez ditz Engles estoient enbussez, auoint enuoiez lour descouerours a lez barreirs de la cite, ne mistrent pas sagement lour descouerours tanque saunz aparceiuaunce de eaux lez enemys venoient chacer curreours en my lieu lour enbussement en vn villet ou estoint en mesouns desparplez, pur quoi relier ne purroient mais chescun a fauuere foy. Lez vns furount prifes; Johan de Daltoun, cheualer, et autres fez departerent bien en maner, lez plufours des quelis Englois oue autres garnifouns sez reassemblerent hors de Bretaigne et de Normendy et dez autres forteresces gils auoient hu paijs, pristrent de nuyt la cite Danfoir, y entroueroint trefgrandifmes auoirs, y endemurrerent bon pece. Lez citezeins oue le acorde dez seignours du pays treiterent od eaux qils lour doneroint graunt foume dargent a voider la dit cite saunz ardoir de y cel, qi fez acorderent, firent ruer a terre grant party de le mure et fez departerent a lour forteresces enuyroun, qe plus eseez lour semblerent qe la cite, puisque bonement ne purroint demurreir ensemble, chescun vorroit estre meistre, pur quoy ils pristrent assuraunce del argent. Et del hour qils estoint departez a la maner lez gentz du pais et de la cite allouerent genz darmes dez Allemaunz et dez estrangers pur meisme largent quis auoint fet faire coiller et leuer des comunes pur la dit pact as ops dez ditz Englois, qi fodeignement enboterent vn grant poair dez gentz de armes et firent reparailler la dit cite par meifme largent, plus fort qe deuaunt faunz rien paier as ditz Engles. Autre foitz c. glayues dez Engleis descounfirent en Burgoun au rescous du chastel de Brien, qen mains dez Engleis estoit, vn grant poair dez gentz darmes du paijs, v.

fol. 228.

centz homs darmes, qen vn chaump espesse du bleez plusours soitz assemblerent apee, oue lez Franceis a cheual. Johan de Foderinghay hors de la vile de Crael, oue autres capitaines Engleis, affailerent vn forteresce en vn abbey qe Franceis auoint enforcez entre la dit Crael et Cumpyn, gaignerent la pail et lez fossez oue la basse court, ceaux dedenz treterent de condicioun oue ceaux dehors a lour fauuer lez vies. Le capitain dedenz veint hors, fe rendy au penoun dun dez cheueteins Engleis, de quoy lez vns dez autres Engleis auoient enuy, debaterent pur part de fa raunfoun, en quel estrif il fust murdry entre lour mains. Cely a qi il estoit renduz fen departy fodeignement bien marry, lour difoit qe bien lour en-Ceaux dedenz lez forterescez virent que a mureir lour coueindroit, descenderent dun couyn auale vn degrez voitez oue tiel bruyt, cry, et noys de chaier dez targes et bastouns oue autre rumour, criauntz diuers efcries dez cheuetains du pays, qe lez Engles qestoint demurrez enpristrent tiel tresodeyn affray pensauntz qils estoint traiez, quoi pur la retret du dit capitain qi fen alast en la maner en curouce, quoi pur la appertice du contenaunce et couyn dez enemys, fez recoillerent descounfitz, chescun cheiez sure autres, en lez perfoundes fosses del eaw v. ou vj. cheualeris Englois noverent et plufours autres gentz. Lez autres qe purroint eteindre a cheual fuerent, et ensi lez gentz de la forteresce estoint refcous, qe nestoint lez plusours fors brigauntz et gentz du comune et du couyn Jakes Bonhom. Hors de Espernoun, la forteresce que James de Pipe, Engles, auoit gaigne, chiualers et esquiers Engleis, Johan Griffith, cheuetain, cheuaucherent de guere pres de Cherres, ou Bek dez vileins Franceis oue lxxx. homs darmes et xl. archers vindrent affailer vij. homs darmes et xij. archers Engleis, qaloignez estoint de lour coumpaigni. Lez ditz Engleis descounfirent lez ditz Fraunceis, pristrent le dit Bek et xx. cheualers et esquiers Franceis par eide de ascuns lour compaignouns qestoient aloignez, qi lour suruindrent en le hour com les enemys estoint descounfitz. Le dit Bek estoit plusours foitz pris duraunt cest guere.

Meisme la sesoun, lan de grace mile, ccc.lix., lez Engles auoint enforce et gaigne la vile de saint Wallery, et la perderent par assege du count de saint Poel et du sire de Feyns, qi conestable estoit de Fraunce en le houre, et dez seignours du paijs, monsire Phelip de Nauere, frer du dit fol. 229.



roy de Nauere, qi homageres estoit du roi Dengleter, ou vi. centz glayues dez Engleis dez garnyfouns Engleis venoient de Normendy et dautre part pur rescoure le dit seint Wallery, qi la trouerent perduz; cheuaucherount en Vermandys, ou pres de seint Quintyn le count de seint Poel oue lez seignours du dit assege qui nestoint pas desparpliez, oue mile et v. centz glaiues, trois mile comunes armes vindrent a deuaunt lez ditz Engles fi pres, geres plus loinz dun tretre dun aublastre, demurrerent tout le iour deuaunt eaux faunz coumbatre, et a vespre lez ditz Engles fez herbiferent en vn villet pres, qi lendemain a haut hour fez departerent vers Saffoun, ardauntz le pays faunz nul destourber dez ditz Franceis. Meisme la sesoun vn compaigny dez Engles enforcerent la vile de Veillye en la vale de Seffoun, de ou ils gaignerent la vile de Pountarfy, hors de quoi com cheuaucherent a rescoure le chastel de Sassoun, ou lour coumpaignouns Allemauns effoint affys, encountrerent fodeignement c. homs darmes Bretouns, descenderent a pee de toutz partz. Lez Bretouns estoint descoumfitz, lez Engles plusours nawrez, ascuns dez queux Engleis fez aresterent a cheueaux faunz rien eider a lour coumpaignouns tanque la bosoigne fust descomfist. Lez ditz Engleis ne tindrent pas purpos de la rescous, pur quoi le dit lieu fust rendu. Plusours foitz aueint duraunt cest guere que lez Franceis vindrent adeuaunt des Englois, ge fentredeparterent faunz coumbatre. Vn foitz en Auverne, pres nostre dame de Puy, lez Franceis estoint xx. mile combatauntz, dount iiij. mile estoint cheualers et esquiers. Thomas de la Marche, cheuetain, vindrent deuaunt ix. centz glaiues Engleis; Hugh de Caluerley, cheuetain, fez departerent fanz coumbatre, et lendemain les fuerent et lour envindrent autrefoitz adeuaunt eaux si pres qe homs enruerent lez peres, sez endeparterent autre [foitz] faunz auoir afair ensemble fors en skirmuche. Apres cest hour procheignement, pur ceo qe lez counsaillis dez ditz roys Dengleter et de Nauare ne purroint acorder en tretez, le dit roy de Nauare estoit peise oue le duk de Normendy, qi dit fust daufyn de Vien, et sitz le roy Johan de France, qen absence de soun pier sust dit regent du paijs, et molt par cause de rescoure la royne Blaunche, la sore du dit roi de Nauarre, gassegez estoit du dit daufyn en Millein, la quel auoit este femme le roy Phelip de France soun vncle, et auxi pur reauoir sez for-

teresces qe ly estoient detenuz et par chaunge de auoir plus eises, tout auoint ils autre foitz este acordez sure condicioun adeuaunt Parys, entreiurez sure le corps Dieu et rount par le dit regent, com disoit li dit roys. Par caufe de quel acorde Poify fure Seyn, genforce estoit et tenu dez Engleis, et plusours autres forteresces, estoint voidez et guerpis dez Engles plufours partz hu reame de Fraunce. Ja le meinz le dit roy de Nauarre nauoit geris greue as Engleis tout le meisme temps de cel fesoun fuaunt. Pur caufe de meisme lacord, Thomas de Holand, cheualer, qe en Normendy estoit depar le roy Dengleter, fist enforcer vn bon forteresce al eglise de Barflu, et endemurra illoeqes pur constreindre Costentyn. Qi Thomas morust hu paijs apres, lieutenaunt le roy Dengleter de terres conquis, estoit count de Kent del heritage sa femme. Qi roi de Nauarre auoit vn poy deuaunt eidez a destruyer vn grant riot et couyn dez vileins comunes, qe leuez estoint oue Jakes Bonhom, de qy ils auoint fet lour cheuetain pur auoir guerroie lez gentils homs, com firent, com plus pleinement est deuaunt especifie. Renaud de Gulioun, cheualer Franceis et capitain de Parys, fust descounfist et pris pres de Staumpes meisme la feisoun par lez Engleis, Gilbert de Rodom lour cheuetain, qi morust a la iourne. Lez Engleis nestoint fors liij. glaiues, lxxx. archiers; lez Fraunceis estoint vij. centz homs darmes et iiij. centz brigaunz et archers armez. Qi Renaud de Gulion se disoit estre deliuers deuaunt qil auoit perpaie fa raunsoun pur ceo qe soun gardein, vn faus Englois, sen ala fol. 280. oue li, pur goi le dit Renaud estoit apelle de batail; li quel Renaud estoit autre foitz pris prifoner pres de Paiters, ou estoit capitain en le hour, la fesoun vn poy deuaunt la batail del dit lieu, par vn seruaunt de Gascoigne, qi oue xxx. compaignouns descounfirent cc. homs darmes Franceis au pris du dit Renaud.

Meisme lan del incarnacioun mile, ccc.lix., lauaunt dit roi Edward Dengleter, la tierce puis la conquest, od toutez lez grantz de soun realme fe adressa hors Dengleter, ses messagers reuenuz del apostoil, et sust a Sandwiche sure soun passage deuers sa guere de France a la natiuite de nostre Dame, qi durement fust tarie pur defaut dez niefes, par goi ne purra aryuer a vn foitz, ne ou il auoit enpense, pur qoi departi le passage, enuoia le duk de Lancastre oue sa retenu a Calais pur hors treir de la

vile le markeis de Mife oue tout plein des Allemaunz qu'illoeges estoint venuz en eide du dit roi, qi ceo fist, oue queux il se trei as chaumps. Cheuaucherent outre leau de Soumme, affailerent la vile du Dray ou ils pafferent lez fossez parmy leau as reis dez mures outre lours espaulis en graunt defoul de eaux, faillerent du pris de la dit vile, cheualers de lours mortz a lassaute, sez reenalerent deuers Calays pur ent sauoir du venu du dit roi. Le count de la Marche, qi passe estoit la mere vi. iours deuaunt le dit roi, fist vn cheuauche outre Boloyne, ardy Lestapelis et repaira. Le roi arriue a Calais le lundy procheine deuaunt la Toutz feintz, ou demurra viij. iours, departi foun host en iii. vn party reteint oue foi, vn autre party bailla a foun fitz eisne le prince de Galis, le tierce party deuifast au duk de Lancastre. Sen departi de Calays le lundy deuaunt la feint Martin, ou le dit duk de Lancastre li encountra le dimange, qi v. simains party en meschief de pain et de vin auoit iu as chaumps. Les iii. hostes alerent diuers chemins. Le dit roy tient le chemyn de feint Thomers, pres de Arraz, et delee Cambrefi, par Terrages, par Loignes, par Chaumpein, a deuaunt de Reyns. Le prince, le fitz du dit roi, tient le chemyn de Moustrol, de Hedyn par Pountiue et Pikardy, outre leau de Soumme, par Neel, par Haan, en Vermendas. pres de ou Baudewyn Daukyn, cheualer, meistre dez arblasteris de France, fust pris en le hour, et autres cheualers Franceis dez gentz du retenu le prince, com surecour vorroit de nuyt dez loeges le count de Stafford, qi bien fe defendy. Entour quel hour le viscount de Benoge, qi dit estoit capitain de Busche, Gascoyn-Englois, vient hors de soun pays de garnifoun en garnifoun Englois, passa la ryuer de Seyn par conduyt le roi de Nauarre, vient a Crael adonges tenuz dez Englois, hors de quel vile il eschalla de nuyt le chastel de Clermont en Beauuaisin, quel vile de Crael Johan de Foderinghay, cheualer Englois, auoit du baille du roi de Nauarre, et sure condicioun iure a la fufrendre au monestement du dit roy, qi souen auoit lez somouns, qi ne le uoloit faire faunce vn grant foume dargent qy disoit qe le dit roy li deuoit, quel argent il prist dez Franceis en allouaunce du dit dett et lour bailla la dit vile. Ly dit Johan de Foderinghay enferma en le hour vn autre bon forteresce au pount de Seyntmenseus, sure la ryuer de Ese, ou il ende-

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murra. Le prince tient foun auaunt dit chemyn par Seint Quyntin et par Retieris, ou lez enemys meismes arderoint lour vile pur destourber lour passage, lez gentz de qi conquistrent passage au chastel Purcien, ou passa par Champain, aprocha lost soun pier adeuaunt de Reyns. Le duk de Lancastre tient le chemyn entre le roi et soun sitz; aprocherent ensemble le trois hostes par deuaunt de Reyns, iesoint tout enuiroun la cite en villetes vn moys en temps de Noel hors de lost du dit prince; fust la vile de Curmouffe eschale et le chastel gaigne, la toure rue a terre par myne par lez gentz du prince. Bartholomeu de Burghersche, cheuetein en lost du duk de Lancastre, y auoit ioustes de guere par couenaunt taille a demaund dez Franceis hors de Reyns, ou fust mort vn Franceis, et autres dieus naufrez de fere de glaiue. Hors del oft le roy, le duk de Lancastre, lez countis de Richemound et de la Marche, gaignerent dieus viles marches enforcez, Otry et Semay, sure leau de Ayne et la marche de Lorrein. Seignours et cheualers hors del oft le dit roy firent de Reyns vn cheuache pres de Parys, fes enbufferent et enuoierent lours difcourreours pres lez portes de la cite, firent romour dedens lez fuburbes, qe countenaunce ne firent ceaux dedenz de iffer de la cite. Lez routes dez Engles furrount esparpliez en diuers lieus, ceaux quoint demurrez de lour testez deuaunt la venu du roy estoint en diuersis routis. estoit appelle la grant coumpaigny, qe tout lan auoint iu as champes en Burgoin, en Brie, en Chaumpein, et en Dairres, et ou meilliours trouerent lez viures; quel grant coumpaigni auoient eschallez la cite de Chalouns en Chaumpein de nuyt, mais ceaux de la dit cite fez relierent en my lieu de lour vile a pount de la ryuer de Mairel, qe court parmy la cite, et lez tindrent de force hors du meilliour de la cite, pur goi lour couenoit departir, voiderent fodeinement qe plus ne purroint demurreir, quel compaigny fez desparplerent tost apres la venu du dit roi et lour quistrent refcet. Autres routes estoient dez Englois, ascuns dez queux eschalleroint la vile de Attinye en Chaumpayn en le hour du venu du dit roi deuaunt Reyns. Le dit roy de Engleter fe delogea depres adeuaunt de Reins, fe trey pardeuers Chalouns, ou il auoit tretice oue ceaux de Baires, lez queux faillerent, le roy alloigna lour paijs. James de Audeley, cheualer Englois, prist dassaut la forteresce de Chancu en la vale de Saxsoun, sure

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Bretouns, Huwen Trebidige capitein. Le dit James vient de soun chastel de Ferte en Bry al host du dit prince pres de Chalouns, en compaigne de le capitain de Busche, qi uenoit de Cleremount. Le dit roy fist reparailler pount outre la riuer de Mairel, et outre autres grandismes riuers, se trey pres de Troies, de ou le markiz de Mice et le count de Nidow et autres feignours Dalmaiyns, qi oue le roi estoint venuz, sez departerent vers lour pays en parti pur destresce dez viures et dout de garefme aprochaunt, as queux estoit fait duz allouaunce de lour costagez. Le roy paffa la ryuer de Seyn pres de Mariz, tient foun chemyn pres de Ceins et par Pounteny et en Burgoin, foun fitz le prince li fuyst, et le duk de Lancastre auxi, mais pur defaute de fourre as cheuaux soun dit fitz genchi la voy foun pier, fe logea a Eggliny pres de Anfer, ou loft le dit prince fust plus damagez dez enemys que nul autre part deuaunt de tout cel veage, ou ascuns de sez cheualers et esquiers surount mortz de nuyt en lour herbigages et lez vadletez forraiers prifes as chaumps, qe deuaunt toutez parties le paijs lour estoit abaundounez, qe apain ne vierent hom de guer hors de forteresces. Pres de Regentz, vn forteresce qe lez Englois tenoient, ioust Ansoir, v. esqiers Englois, ascuns del oft le dit prince, qi defarmez estoient fors lour bacynetz et escuez, qi nauoint ge vn foul haubergeon et iij. archiers, estoient en vn molyn pur moldre bleez, lour vindrent surecour l. homs darmes, la route et penoun le fires de Hanget, lez queux v. descounfirent lez l., enpristrent xi., pur quoi lez Fraunceis meismes dez autres garnisouns le disoient la iourne de l. contre v. en mokerie. Le dit roy demurra a Golion en Burgoun pres de Mount Real, pur treitez du duche de Burgoun, ou Roger de Mortimer, count de la Marche et marschal del host et le plus secre du dit roy, se lessa morir de feuir, le xxiiij. iour de Feuerer. Trewes de iij. aunz sez pristrent de Burgoin, rendaunt au iij. termes au dit roi Dengleter dieus centz mile fol. 231. b. floreins motouns, le florin a iiij. s. desterlinges. La vile de Flaueny en Burgoun, fort et bien ferme, qe pris estoit par Arlestoun, Englois, fu rebaillez dez mains Nichol de Dagworth, pur ceo qe suppris estoit deins le hour du comencement du tretice dez ditez trewes. Pres de quel vile de Flaueny le dit Dagworth auoit a faire la sesoun passez se treszisme dez Englois countre lxvj. glaiues Fraunceis. Lez Englois auoint pris vn

estroit reu au bout de vo villet, fist treire charettes outre la voi deuaunt et dereir, isserent a lour pleiser de lour forteresces, naufrerent, tuerent, et pristrent dez Franceis; Norman Lesselyn, qi hors Descoce uenoit en esde dez Fraunceis, il fust pris, lez autres descounsitz. Meisme le hour Willam de Aldeburgh, capitain de Honyslu en Normandy, fust pris dez Thomas Fog, cheualer En-Franceis a vn issu, et sez gentz descounfitz. glois, qi pres fust a vn foun forteresce, oy de la iourne, se mist dedeins la dit Honyflu, la troua desgarny des vitaillis, cheuaucha od autres garnifouns Englois enuyroun, forria le pays pur vitailler la dit vile, encountrerent sodeignement ij. centz et l. homs darmes, ij. centz archiers et arblasters Franceis, qi en agait dez Englois furont assemblez, monsire Louys Darcourt et Baudreu de la Huse, cheuetains dez Fraunceois. Englois estoient xl. homs darmes et centz archiers, auoint forteresces de hay, descenderent a pee de tout part, assemblerent apertement. Franceis furount descounfitz, lez dieus cheuetains prises et od eaux plusours cheualers et esquiris, et plusours mortz a la melle. Lowis Darcourt fust procheignement deliuers par meismes lez Englois, qi li prist, qi oue ly deueint Fraunceis. A Fregeuil sure la marche de Beauxs, yn forteresce Englois, vn chiualer Franceois, quoit a noun le Cheualer Blaunche, demaunda du conestable du dit lieu batail personel de dieus Englois countre ij. Franceis, la batail ottroie au lieu acorde, le cheualer oue foun efquier furrount descounfitz par lez ij. Englois qi armez estoient tout vermail, et amenez prisoners ens susdit forteresce Englois. Entour quel hour Johan de Neuil, chiualer Englois, oue xiij. glaiues, descountat pres de Staumpes I. homs darmes Franceis, de quels furount prifez plusours. Outre le Heere en Berry, Gascoignes et Englois du garnisoun de Daubeny firent vn descounfiture, dount plusours demurerent prisouneris dez En quel temps cheualers Franceis, Normaunz, et Pikardz, oue autres comunes, as costages dez bons viles de France, iij. mile combatauntz, firent vn arme en Engleter, en countenaunce a y demoreir en maner pur auoir retreit le dit roy Dengleter hors de France, pur rescoure fa terre; lez queux Franceis arriverent pres Wynchelse le dymaunge en my garresme, lan susdit, y endemurrerent en la dit vile vn iour et vn nuyt, a lour departir la arderent, et au retreir en lour niefs perderent dieus niefs

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ge secchez estoint a terre, enuyroun iii. centz homs par comunes ge lour furcurrerent. Pres de Parys Robert Lescot, cheualer de la parti Englois, fust pris et sez gentz descomfitz par lez Franceis, et ses forteresces perdu en le houre quel il auoit enferme. Le prince de Galis, fitz du dit roy de Engleter, com tient foun chemyn parmy Gastinoys, v. cheualeris du pays one lx. homs darmes et centz autres gentz du comunes auoint de nouel enforce vn fort bastide adeuaunt de Fournelis, vn forteresce qe les Englois tenoient, deuaunt queux cheualeris le dit prince fe mist sodeignement tot enviroun, se logea as chaumps hu boys, fist adresser engins et assautz, pur quoi lez ditz cheualeris, monfire Jakes Degreuille et Hagenay de Bouille oue lez autres toutz sez renderent de tout au dit prince. Le dit roi Dengleter venaunt de Burgoun perdy de foun oft ij. cheualers ou iij. Almaunz qui tuez estoint de nuyt en lours loeges par Iwe de Vepount, cheualer Fraunceois, et sa counpaigny. Et com le dit roi passa parmy Beaux, pres de Turry, le chastel se prist a ardre par fieu de eaux meismes de fortune, pur quoi ceaux dedenz enfaillerount lez plufours, fez mifterent en la grace du dit roi, le chastelain tient la dungeoun ij. iours et puis se rendy au dit roi, qi fesoit abatre lez mures du dit chastel. fefoun lez Englois du garnifoun de Nogent en Bry, xxx. glayues, defcounfirent sure la ryuer de Marel cent homs darmes dez Fraunceis du garnifoun de Terry, et empriftrent lx. Entour le nowel deuaunt James de Pipe, cheualer Englois, fust suppris en la tour de Espernoun quel il auoit dez Franceis gaigne, ne fist pas mettre bon gayt tant se affura du force et hautesce de le dungeoun, et ou il auoit fait estopper vn fenestre bas, par couyn dun masoun Franceois qi la enmora faintement fust la forteresce perdu parmy la dit fenestre, et le dit James pris en soun lite, et Thomas de Beaumond, cheualer, auxi, qi venoit la nuyt pur herbifer oue ly com venoit dun pays en autre fure conduyt, toutz dieus estoient et lour biens foutz conduyt du regent, fitz le roy. Le dit James, par cause qu' nauoit my parpaie fa raunfoun de lautre foitz qu'il eftoit prifoner la fefoun passe, com pris estoit pres de Graunsoures, entre ly et Otis de Holand, cheualer Englois, conuenoint de Eueruse du roi de Nauern, ou le dit Otis estoit naufrez, dount morust. De quel primer pris le corps du dit James estoit deliuers hors dez mains dez enemys par lez Engles sez bien voillantz, qui demurrerent en garnifoun hu pays, quuoint espiez qui estoit fol. 232. b. acoustomez vne certain hour du iour daler abatre hors du chastel de Dauneuvle ou fust demurraunt, fez enbusserent pres, ly trouerent au point et ly amenerent, et ly disoint rescous. Ceaux qi ly auoint pris et en garde as queux il eftoit prifoner difoint que cest rescous nestoit pas couenable, mes encountra sa fiaunce, depuisque il lour auoit assure de tenir loial prisoun faunz fraud, collusioun, ou mal engine, et ly suremistrent et ly pursuerent apertement, et luy disoient que a sa couyne, informacioun, procurement, maundement et deuife, lez ditz Engles auoint fait cel agait countre couenaunt de loial cheualerie, pur qor apres acorderent dun foume de raunfoun, la quel il auoit grant purueu et troue oue ly en la Meisme la fesoun, entour la chaundelour, Robert Herle, cheualer Engles, qi gardein eftoit de Bretaigne depar le roy de Engleter, fust as chaumps countre lez Bretouns Gallows pres de Dowle, ou y auoit vn ryuer entre ly et fez enemys; et com lez Engles analerent quidaunt de auoir troue pount, qestoit rount et cretyne de eau, Robert de Knollis, cheualer Engles, qi del autre part oue fa route uenoit hors de Bretaigne au maundement du dit gardein de fez forteresces, estoit descouerour dez soens, ferry trestestousement cheual dez esperouns soi feptisme dez coumpaignouns saunz scieu dez autres dez soens, qidaunt pur la aualer qil vist dez Engles qe le dit gardein fust la ryuer passe, si fust abatuz et pris dez enemys. Mais en le houre fust rescous dez soens qi uenoient apres, qe aragiez eftoint del houre qils aparceurent le mefchief de lour cheuetain, qe oue lour apart abaundone affembler descounfirent lez enemys, rescuerent lour meistre. Lez auentures touz darmes qe auindrent a lez Engles toutz partz duraunt cest guere, pur diuersite de els ne ne rementif pas cest cronicle, mais soulement lez plus notables, ge trop prolinxt matir ferroit a tout countier. Fait afauoir qe le dit roi Dengleter vient la semain penouse meisme la sesoun susdit parmy Beaux, ou lez mousters furount apoy toutz enforcez et estuffes dez vitailles du pays, dez queux lez vns furrount gaignez par affaute, afcuns renduz com lez engins furrount adressetz, par queux tout lost dez viures fust grantment refreiscez. En quel temps le capitain du Dusch par congie du dit roi Dengleter fen ala deuers Normendy oue xx. glaiues Englois et Gaf-



fol. 233. couns, pur parler ou le roi de Nauarre a qi estoit bienvoillaunt, encountra pres de Drewes sodeignement ou xxiiij. homs darmes, cheualers et esquiers Franceois, qenbussez estoient pur autres garnisouns Englois, descenderent a pee de toz partz, sentrecombaterent apertement, lez Franceis furrount descomsitz, et Bek de villeins lour cheuetain pris, soi quart dez cheualeris, lez autres prises et mortz.

Le dit roi Dengleter fe logea adeuaunt Parys le mekerdy en la semayn de pasch, lan de grace mile, ccc. lx., en lez procheyns villetes dehors lez fuburbes de Seintclou, atrauers al eau de Seyne paramount de Paris, y endemora v. iours, et a foun departir se moustra en batail pardeuaunt le fitz du roi de France, qi regent estoit du pays, qi dedenz la cite estoit oue grant noumbre des gentz darmes. Le prince de Galis, le fitz eyne du dit roi de Engleter, qauoit lauaunt garde, et le duk de Lancastre en autre batail, tindrent pres deuant lez forburs de folail leuaunt iesques mydi, enfirent buter le fieu. Lez autres batails du roy tindren vn[t] poy plus loinz. Pilerin de Vadencourt, cheualer Franceis, fust pris as barreirs de la cite, com foun cheual, qe naufrez estoit dun sete, ly engetta. Cheualers nouelis dubbez la iourne du retenu le dit prince sez enbusserent desoutz lez suburbes au departir dez ditz batails, ou sez tenoint tanque lez vns isserent de la cite, ferrerent cheueaux dez esparouns, iousterent de guere; Richard de Baskiruille le fitz, cheualer Englois, fust porte a terre, failly en peez, naufri de foun espey dez cheueaux dez Fraunceys, fe defendy apertement tanque refcous effoit et foun cheual dez autres fez compaignouns, qi abaundounement enbuterent lez Fraunceis iffuz dedenz lour forteresces. Le count de Tankiruille enueint hors de la cite en le houre, requift tretice du counsail le dit roy Dengleter, qe ly fust respoundu qe lour dit seignour prendroit toutdiz resoun toutez houres. Le dit roy fen departy, le fieu enbote par tout enuiroun foun chemyn; fe logea pres de Mounthery et foun host enuiroun. mange le xiij. iour Dauerille, pur defaute de feur as cheueaux couenoit faire vn trefgrandisme iourne deuers Beaux, le temps estoit si tresmeruaillous mauueis de plu, de greil, et de neggie, oue tiel freidour qe plufours feblis vadletz et cheueaux periroint mortz as chaumps, enlesserent plusours chariotis et somaille com en vn fortune du pier temps de froid,

vent, et de moil, qe en cel sesoun auoit este vieu de memoir. quel temps lez gentz monfire James Daudele, dez garnifons de Ferte et de Nogent en Bry, eschallerent le chastelle de Huchi en Valoys pres de Seffon, apres folail leuant, com lez gaites estoient aualez, le quel esti fol. 233. b. trebien vitaille et plein dez gentils femmes yndz homs darmes, chiualers, et esquyers, et viij. archiers Galois du retenu le sires de Spenser auoint vn bele poignez en Beaux com lost le dit roy estoit herbigez en villetez, ge warderent lez moliners en yn molyn pur moldir blez debors loft, pres de Bonevaille, gestoient espiez dez garnisouns Franceis enuyroun que lour uindrent furcour xxvi. glaiues, xij. archiers dez Bretouns-Franceis, descenderent a pee de touz partz, sentre combaterent apartement, lez Franceis furount descounfitz, iij. homs darmes de lour mortz et ix. prifes prifoners, toutz naufres pres de mort de touz dieus parties. Ascuns des ditz Englois furount fiauncez a lez ditz enemys duraunt la melle, que rescous estoint dez ditz Galois, qui trebien illoeges firent. dit roy Dengleter demurra en Beaux pres Orliens xv. iours, pur tretice de pes que le counsail de France ly emparlerent; labbe de Cluny, monfire Hugh de Genef, le messager du pape, mediatours. Lez Engles del ost du dit roy auoint lez punyes, lez vns en perd lez autres en preu. ualers en la compaignie du duk de Lancastre countresirent lez pilours, vadletz forraiours faunz glaiues, currerent difaraiement pur treyn, encharnicement et corage doner a lez enemys dauoir a faire oue eaux, puisque ils auoint plusours de lour foraiours pris lez ioures passez. Lez vns dez queux, Eadmound Pirpount, Baudewyn Malet, cheualers, outre mesure countresirent la dit countenaunce en tiel daunger dez Franceis qe y ne pooit autrement estre qe a meschief ne lour couenoit estre suppris, fi furent prifis et fiaunces. Cheualers del host du prince, du retenu du count de Salisbires, monfire Brian de Stapleton et autres, com warderent lez forreiers, auoint afair oue lez Franceois pres de Yanville, et les descounfirent, pristrent lez vndz. En vengeaunce del ariuail qe lez Franceis firent a Wenchelse, lez admiraux dez Fipportez et du North nauy Englois, od mile homs armez, mile v.º archiers, arriverent en liste de Dans dedenz xv. iours apres la pasche meisme la sesoun, assaillerent et gaignerent la vile del Lure et larderent, et plus vssent sait si nussent estez



destourbez par maundement le roy lour seignour par caus de trewes. Lem doit fauoir qe le vij. iour de Maij, lan fusdit, pres de Chartres tail de pes fust treite et affentuz du dit roy Dengleter et de soun counsail entour ly dun part, et de le fusdit regent et del counsail de France et de la comune dautre part, en maner sub compendio. Toutis acciouns, demaundes, et querelis lesseitz exteintes et relessez, lez auaunt ditz couenauntes acompliez, qe le auaunt dit roi Dengleter aueroit la duche de Gien entier a lez aunciens merches, et le paijs de Roergus, lez countees de Pountyne, de Gienes, ou lez apurtenaunces, Calays oue la seignourye enuyroun, quitement faunz appendaunce, entendauntz, appeles, refortes, demaundes, ou fubieccioun nul au coroune de France, franchement oue toutez regaltes regauls pur touz iours, et qil aueroit pur raunfoun du roi de Fraunce trois miliouns dor, et que lez auaunt ditz roys ferrount par comune afcent countre toutez gentz entrealliez sure fenfures ferementz, affurauntes toutz ge purrent estre deuisez a tenir lez auauntditz couenauntes, et qe laccioun et la querel de Bretaigne entre Montfort et Charlis de Bloys ferroit a juge par lez bons descreciouns dez ditz roys, et si se ne agre as ditz parties qe lez roys ne lour heires ne sentremettrount de eide ne suppuail. Le roi de France lessera la liaunce de ceaux Descoce outriement, et le roi Dengleter oftera mayn de ceux de Flaundres, et serrount lez ij. roys assous del apostoil de lour serementz du dit alliaunce, al parfournisement dez quelis couenauntes fust treite qe les sitz eisnez dez ditz roys, le prince de Galis dun part et le duk de Normandy dautre, en lez almes lour piers serroient iurez sur le corps Dieu. roy de Nauarre et xx. autres persouns de France, et le duk de Lancastre et autres xx. Dengleter, a la choise dez auauntditz counseils, serrount auxi iugez. Lez ij. eisnez sitz dez ditz roys affermarent lez tretices affentuz, comprisez, et escriptz, par lour serementz sure le corps nostre Seignour facre. Le duk de Normande et regent de France, qe maladez estoit denpostym, le iura a Parys en presence de vaillaunz cheualeres Englois pur ceo y enuoyez, par queux le dit regent tramist au dit prince de Galis trefnoblis precious reliqes du seintisme croice, de la coroune des espines de quoi Dieux sust corone en la croice, oue autres noblis iueaux, en fignifiaunce qu sure la croice, la dit coroune a test, nostre Seignour

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fift pees, falut, et tranquillite pardurable, au lygne humain. Le dit prince de Galis fist meisme le serement en la grant moustier de Louiers, le xv. iour de Maij, lan fufdit, en presence dez noblis cheualeris Fraunceis pur la cause y enuoiez. Le roy de Nauarre ne voloit faire le ferement, mes vient parler ouesque le roi de Engleter pres de Nemburgh, de ou le dit roy Dengletere prist soun chemyn deuers Hunislu ou se mist sure mere deuers Engleter, sez fitz et plusours seignours oue ly, lessa le count de Warwyk en Normendy gardein dez trewes. Le duk de Lancastre et le count de Stafford, oue le remenant del hoft dez Englois, pafferent Seyn fol. 234. b. au pount de la Arche deuers Calays, qen partye estoient ensaulez del aimyouse trauail de cel veage, qe auoit dure ix. moys, ou auoint enuyrounez le plus de France en qanque en lour fust, queraunt batail dauoir derenez le droit lour firis, qu ne trouerount nul part countenaunce a ceo faire mais uesquerent le temps sure le paijs, alasoitz meutz autre soitz com purroint trouer, com en paijs destrut et cheuauchez auaunt lour venu dez Englois auaunt nomez, qe de lour testes propres auoint contenuz la guere meruaillousement. Et ensi lez trois hostes dez Englois en espoir du pes tretez oue trewes adurer tanque la feint Michel procheyn a vn ane, dedenz quel temps la pes purparlez ferroit affermez, et enfi la guerre estanche le iour et lan susditz, quel guere auoit en le hour duree vint et qatre aunz.

Meisme la sesoun, lan de grace mille, ccc. lx., entour la seint Johan, Katarine de Mortymer, vn damoifel de Loundres, estoit si priue de monsieur Dauid de Bruys, qe dez Escotis fu dit roy, par aquaintaunce ge il auoit de lye tancom prisoner estoit, qe il ne pooit desporter sa prefence en absence de sa moillier, la fore le roi Dengleterre, que en le hour demurra oue foun dit frere; cheuaucha toutdiz enuyroun oue ly, quel especialte desplesoit as ascuns seignours Descoce. Vn vadlet Escotois, ge out a noun Richard de Hulle, al abette dez ascuns grantz Descoce, se feigna a parler oue la dit Katerine des busoignes deuers le roy, com ils cheuaucherent de Melros pres de Soltre, la ferist de vn cotel parmy le corps mort, trebucha a terre du cheual, qi Richard estoit bien mountez et eschapa. La chos fait a la gise le dit roy, qe deuaunt estoit en la route, reuient au cry, fesoit grant doel du despite et perd qil auoit



de fa amy, la fist aporter a Neubotil, ou apres honourablement la fist enterrer.

Entour quel temps le roi Despayn, que fitz fust du bon roy Alphosn sus. estoit gouerne par Jues, ne amoit pas sa mulier, amoit par amours vn Juesse, pur lamour de qui il fesoit Juys cheualers et compaignouns de la Bend, la quel compaigny foun pier auoit ordene pur encharnycement doner a cheualery, car en foun temps nuls ne portast la Bend si ne fust cheualer esproue sure Sarazins, pur quoi ascuns cheualeres Cristiens de la dit compaignie auoint despit qe lez Jues estoint ensy chirrez en parigaute as Criftiens, et pensoient qe ceo estoit encountre lour paternalis custumes; si discient au dit roy que ceo estoit desordene chos que tiels maftius ferroint compaignouns de tiel honest, honourable, et digne compaigny. Le roy lour respoundy en curous, et disoit gils estoient homs com autres et noun pas mastius, mais sount piers de eaux; "ceo," difoient lez cheualeres, "et ceo fumez nous prestez par noz corps en le hour a prouer." "Depar Dieux," fesoit ly roy, "et soit, si verroms ge vous le ferrez." Lez Criftiens estoint xxx., lez Juys lxij., qe oue gree du dit roy oue bones espeis, launceroint ensemble desarmez en vn pleyn, present le roy. Lez Cristiens decouperent lez Juys mortz toutz, qi roy estoit moult fauuage, se delitoit de tout en foly de juuent, pur quoi plufours dez foens fez enherderent a foun freir bastard a qu'il auoit guerre, et si auoit fait tuer autres de sez tiels freirs. Le dit roy Despaygne auoit hu guerre oue le roy de Arragon, la quel fust peise entre eaux par tail de pees, qi roy Despayne se trei en soun pays, vesqi desordeinement, quel guere de Arragoun faunz aparceiuaunce de ly ly fust renouele fodeinement plus fere que deuaunt. Et pur ceo, tout soit pes par sen, la proprete terrien plus a voloir en toutis desires resonablis, com la souerayn benefice du fiecle et chos amonestement du fouerayn, vncor la maner fait molt a confydereir, qe ou le foundement et desires de pes fourd fraunchement de vertu en plesaunce de Dieu saunz encharnisement, norisement, ou constreinement de nul accidence, particuler de nul plefaunt defire ne voloir charnel, mais vertuousement et droiturelement au profite du comune, cel pese ne purra estre qu ne soit profitable et bon;

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mais ou le desioint soit duble et le point pris en contrair lez ditz vertuez, la nest pas taunt a preisere mais grauntement a douter le effecte de la matire, com qi fent foun droit et le leffe a pursuire pur perresce et a eschuer desese en desir et espoir autre part greindre plesaunce a auoir, ou le lesse pur defaute de tresor, ou pur pesaunce dez cuers dez gentz a laffeitz, ou enveillez, cel estancisement de guere ne est pas souent trop profitable al issu, que plusours sez gident chauser que lez ardrent, que lez casueletes du siecle sont si muables que plusours soitz hom quide eschuer vn pesaunce si engist en vn greindre. Et si nest pas vieu qe par tresor foulement foient eschuez lez guerres, quel tresor en suffisauntye ne doit estre desesparez en roys? ne si de vn ne soit eidez qe y ne trouera autres ge ly eidera, si defaute de vertu ne le destourbe. Ceo est a dire, com defaut de sen, hardement, et de largesce; desaut de sen, qu qi ne voet pas fi Dieux luy moustre sa grace en auauncement de sa querel, et ne le pursu pas en mesure par resoun oue douce acoil del soens, oue tiel hardement qe ne soit exteint au point pur dout de meschief, ou desplesaunce lez propretes duraunt guere, fuffraunce dez queux en maner appert, honour, profit, et ioy, iffi qe la main foit ouert a doner as ceaux qe le fol. 235.b. deseriuent en encharnicement as autres de ceo faire, chos terrien, plus eldable a guerroier. Qe qi chace estauncicement de guerre autrement fors com a Dieu plerra, ne nenpensez ia qe la iette ne bestournera, gant meutz auoir le quidera. Et si purra estre qe Dieux ne vouchera sauf pur ordesce de pecchie qe hom eyt sez beneficez en maner com il tollist a Moyfes la entre de la terre de promissioun, pur ceo que vain gloir il prift louga du poeple de Ifrael, qe furemiftrent en fa puffanz lez miracles qe lour moustra en sez mains, de quoi il se glorisia, pur quoi perdi la dit entree, chos que plus defirat. Et pur ceo bien doient les roys arrettier lour bienfaitez a Dieu, et au bon executione de lour poeple, le bien estre dez queux enest lour tresor, le qel tient en due gouernail dez roys com del execucioune du gouernement de la comune; qur fouent le poeple port coup dez pecchez dez roys, pur quoi bien fez doient engarder qe lour fingulertez ne face destruccioun general et comune, com maint foitz y ad este vieu, issi qe lour estat soit gouernez deuers Dieu par vertu et au poeple par moralite.



Hom doit savoir que meisme lan del incarnacioun mile, ccc.lx., entour la feint Michel, le dit roy Johan de France fust deliuers a Calays hors de prisoun le roy Dengleter, sur lez condiciouns einz parlez. Qi roi auoit demurre prisouner trois aunz en Engleter, a Loundres, a Wyndesor. et a Somertoun, paya a foun paffer vn milioun dor, leffa honourablis hostages pur le aparfournicement du remenaunt dez ditz couenantez treitez. Cest affauoir sez dieus fitz, lez countis Daungeow et de Paiteris: foun freir, duk Dorliens; foun cosyne, duk de Burboun; lez countis de Bloys, de Alasoun, de saint Poelle, de Harcourt, de Porcien, de Valentinoys, de Brein, de Waddemound, de Fores, et le viscount de Beaumount; lez feignours de Coucy, de Fenis, de Preux, de Saintvenaunt, de Garenfers, de Mountmaracy, de Haunget, le daufyn Daineryne; me fires Peres de Alenfoun, Willam de Cinoun, Lowys de Harcourt, Johan de Ligny. Et fust outre acorde qe si lez xvi. prisoners prisis a Paiters ouesque le dit roy de France vousiffent demurrer en hostage pur la dit cause, gils fussent quitz deliuers sure la dit treit, et si noun ils demurafcent a raunfouner, et autres couenablis ens mys; lez nouns dez queux prisoners sount Phelip sitz du dit roi, count de Berry; lez countis de Longuille, de Tankeruille, de Juny, de Poncien, de Saucer, de Dawmartyn, de Ventatour, de Salebruch, Daucer, de Vendom; lez fires de Cvnoun, Derualle, le marschal de Oudenam, et le sire de Aubigny. auxi acorde fust qe dieus des greignours burgeis de chescun vile dez meillours cites de France demurassent en hostage a le roi Dengleter, tanque a le parfournisement de la dit treit, cest assauoir de Parys, Amyas, Saintomer, Arras, Tournay, Lille, Doway, Beauvoys, Reynes, Chalouns, Troys, Chartres, Orliens, Tullous, Liouns, Tours, Roan, Came, et Com-Cest tail et condiciouns et maner de peise a la gise treitez, fust acordez et affermez par affent general dez grantz de toutz dieus lez realmes et en parlement publy et au uoloir de lez dieus roys a ceo entreiurez, a la execucioun de le aparfournicement de quel treit Johan de Chaundos, cheualer, fust enoyez depar le roy Dengleter, eiaunt commisfioun fuffifaunt a deliuerer lez chasteaux et fermetes conquysis diuersis partz hu realme de Fraunce, qi ceo fist com comaunde ly fust loyalment du roy de Engleter, folonc lez condiciouns acordez. Lez Engles, qe de

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lour testes propres auoint contenu cest guere de France, sez associerent enfemble oue divers naciouns, estoint appellez—La grant compaigny, voiderent France au comaundement le roy Dengleter, gaignerent la vile de faint Spirit, mouerent guere en Prouynce, vesqerent de prai meruailloufement.

Le duk Henry de Lancastre morust en Marce, et enterrez a Laveestre, lan de grace mile, ccc.lxi.; qi Henry estoit sage, glorious, et prus, et en fa iuuent reuaillous en honour et armys, et deuaunt foun deceffe durement bon Criftien. Il auoit as heyres ij. feilles; le duk Willam de Beyuer et count de Henaw, de Seland, et de Holand, que pius deueint franctik, auoit la primer; Johan fitz du dit roy Dengleter, count de Richemound, auoit la fecound. Le dit roy Dengleter fist edifier de nouel vn chastel en lentre sur Temys, meisme cel ane, en le isle de Schiphey. En meisme lan fusdit fust le roy de Lettow pris par lez seignours de Spruz, qe par enbussement ly suppristerent al issu qe lost dez Cristiens isserent sa terre apres la pasche, com testousement il lour pursuy. Cel ane aueint vn general mortalite dez gentz en Engleter, qe plus qe par tout lan durra ascun part, la secound pestilence de mortalite dez genz queint en le temps cesty roy Edward la tierce. Le roy de Cypre prist de assaute, le iour de feint Bartholomeu en Aust meisme la fesoun, la vile de Satally sol. 236. b. . en Turky, et la garny dez Criftiens. Lionel count de Hulster del heritage sa femme, et sitz du dit roy de Engleter, passa en Ireland meisme la fesoun, a destreindre les Irroys, qe durement greuerent lez Englois du pays a lour gife. Ly roy de Denemark guerroya lez Estirlings durement sure mere cel fesoun, qauoit reconquys Scon et mout de Swetherik sure le roy de Norway. Edward eyfne fitz de roy Dengleter, et prince adonges de Galis, prist meisme cel an en espouse, par dispensacioun, la feil le count de Kent, le vncle foun pier. Ele auoit este autre foitz mariez, ele estoit durement gentil femme, et richiz heire soun pier et de soun vncle le feignour de Wake. En my Jeneuer meisme lan de grace, mile, ccc.lxi. chey en plusours countees entour Loundres vn tempest de vent, qe abatist mousters et cloichers, les arbres hu boys et gardyns, descouery lez mesouns meruailousement, lestoil comata aparust cel sesoun. Le auant dit roy de Lettow eschapa meisme la sesoun de prisoun par myne et par



couyn dun renegat Lettow, qe norriz eftoit od lez ditz seignours de Spruce, par enchesoun de quel eschap la sesoun procheigne lez ditez seignours sirent vn grant arme par nese en Lettow, assistrent le chastel de Coun sure le Memil, le pristrent de assaute par beaux setz darmis. Meisme la sesoun vn rout de La grant coumpaigny, qe comence estoit duraunt la gerre le roy Dengleter, descounsirent en Auuern le poir de Fraunce, lez plusours seignours repriss qe autresoitz prisoners estoint au roi Dengleter. Jaqis de Burboun mort, et le count de Salbrog et plusours autres a la iourne. Meisme la sesoun en qarresme, vn rout dez Bretouns, coumpaignouns de la grant route, furount descounsitz en Limosin a la Garet par Willam de Feltoun, cheualer Englois, seneschal adonqes du pays depar le roy Dengleter.

La fesoun suaunt, lan de grace mile, ccc.lxij., vn rout de Gascouns, compaignouns de La grant rout qe esparpliez estoient, ou meutz trouerount a viure, estoient descounfitz en Auuern par le bastard Despayn; le gouernour de Bloys descounfit vn autre rout de Gascouns de meisme la coumpaigny en Berrye. Vn rout dez Englois, oue Robert Dyer, furount descounfiz par Bertrem de Glenkin, Bretoun, pres de Ho en Normendy, meisme la fesoun. Entour quel temps chey la duche de Burgoyne od le counte a Johan, roy de France, del heritage sa mere, que sore estoit a le duk, mort le issu foun freir. Le dit roy de France fist treiter oue Le grant rout, qauoint riote en fa terre puis la guere peife de roy Dengleter, pur grant foume dargent a voider foun realme, qe ceo firent, treierent en diuers pays ou trouoint lez gueres, plufours de eaux au roi de Arragoun encountre le roy Despayne que guere auoint ensemble. Cel sesoun dona le dit roy Dengleter a Edward foun fitz, prince de Galis, la duche de Gyene, a tener de ly par haute feignourye, homage, refortz, et appelis regalis. Entour la feint Michelle, meifme lan de grace, ccc.lxij., moruft a Auynion Innocent le pape, apres mort de qi y out grant diffencioun entre le college de cardinalis pur la eleccioun de papee; qe grant temps ne purroient acorder pur enuy, que nuls ne vorroit que autres y fust pape. Qe au darayn choiferent vn moyne noir, vn pouer abbe de feint Victoir pres de Marcil, qe quidoit qe lez messagers qe ly porterent lez nouels de fa eleccioun vffent bourde od ly, taunt se meruailla. Il fust sacree et

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nome Vrban; il fist constitucioun que nul auaunce de seint eglis passast c. fi. de extent, fors ceaux que vssent estat en escolis, et ceaux a cc. fi; et lez doctours de ciuile, de decretz, de diuinite, ne passasent ccc. ii. Johan royn Descoce, et sore le roy Dengleter, espous Dauid de Bruys, morust meifme la fesoun, et enterrez a Loundres a freirs Menours ioust sa mere. Apres meisme la faint Martyne, le dit roy Dengleter auoit general parlement a Loundres, ou ordene estoit par estatut qe lez loys de soun realme fuffent pledez en Engles, ou deuaunt estoient en Franceis, puis le temps le conquerour Willam. Au meifme le parlement enfift le dit roy fez dieus fitz dukis; Lionel count de Hulfter, que adunkes estoit en Ireland, duk de Clarrens, ly autre, Johan, duk de Lancastre, et a lours heyres mass, soun tierce sitz Eadmound, count de Kauntbrige. Ordeyna le stapille de Laynes a Calays, ou meisme le iour de seint Brice, le seffauntisme ane de sa natiuite, pardonoit de sa grace as toutz sez suzgis qanque ils ly eftoient duyes toutes dettes et arrerages apurtenauntz a fa regalte, faunz fuyt de party, trefoun, et homycid, en fignifiauns de grace temperele, com est lan de grace espirituel chescun synkquantisme ane del incarnacioun. Deuaunt Nowel meisme la sesoun chey vn grant iourne de batail en Gascoigne entre le count de Foys et le count de Hermynak, le count de Foys auoit la victoir par eide de vn route de La grant compaignye plufours Engles, le count de Hermynak et le firis de la Bret prisis, plusours mortz et pris du party de Hermynak.

Le roy Dauid Descoce affist meisme la sesoun le chastelle de Kyndromy en Marre, pur extorfiouns qe le count de Marre et lez foens auouit fait enuiroun au poeple, com luy surmift le roy; quel chastel ly estoit ren- fol. 237. b. duz et pius engagez oue la countee pur mille liures du dit count au dit roy apaier al issu de v. auns, soure peine de lez perdre. Quel mouement mult fourdy pour yn apel de batail qe William de Keth appella le dit count en la court le dit roy, fure quoy furent armez en lices a Edinburgh, la querel illoeges pr...n mayn du roy, qi plus fembloit bien uoillaunt au dit William que au dit count, tout estoit il son cosyn prochein. Procheinment meisme la sesoun sourdy vn debate entre le dit roi Dauid Descoce et William count de Douglas, quoit la fore le count de Marre en espouse, pur diuersis mouementz qe au dit count sembloit qe le dit roy ne ly



moustra pas si bon seignoury com voroit; enbrasa couvne, sist graunt retenu, prist le chastel de Driltoun, en mist garnisoun, quel chastel fust au roy par voi de garde. Le dit count par afcent du Seneschal Descoce et du count de la Marche, lour feaux pendauntx au peticioun maundez au dit roy, fift fa querel qe le dit roy lour auoit fait vouutre lez condiciouns as queux estoient iurez sur le corps Dieux au roy Dengleterre pur paiement du raunsoun du dit roy lour seignour, qoi fust leuez du subside des comunes et degaste per mauuais counsail, amendiz de quoi demaunderent et gouernail de meillour counfail. Pur quoi le dit roy cheuaucha sure le dit count, et com le roy estoit en vn pais le dit count cheuaucha en vn autre fure ceaux qestoient entour le roy, emprisona lez gentz le roy ou lez poast prendre. Trenuta a Ethirkenyn, prist le viscount Dangous oue vn rout de gentz darmys venauntz deuers le roy, lez maunda en diuers lieus en prifoun. Le dit roy trenuta de Edinburgh, vft apoy suruenuz le dit count de Douglas a Lanerc ou auoit la nuyt iu, mais efchapa a graunt pain, ascuns des soens prifes. Le Seneschal Descoce se peisa oue soun feignour le roy faunz fu ou gre de fez alliez, le count de Douglas autre fy a par ly, le count de la March fefoit auxi. Et cest riot pur le temps ensi enmesez, le dit Dauid prist en espouse dame Margaret de Logy, vn dame quutre foitz auoit este marie, que oue ly auoit deuaunt demurrez; cest matrimoigne fust fait soulement per force damours, qe toutz veint.

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.. le roy Willam fist encoroner sa femme Maude le iour de la Pentecost.-p. 5.

There are very few notices of the wife of the Conqueror; she has not made herself remarkable by an eminence in good or evil. Her virtues are celebrated by a cotemporary poet, Serlo, and his lines are worthy of being recorded.

DE MATHILDA REGINA.

Consilii virtus, decor oris, gratia verbi,
Gloria regnorum, posteritatis honor,
Te regina, lætant; rex, dux, comes, amplius ille,
Composuit capiti qui diadema tuo.
Germanos maritosque duces a patre trahebas,
Regis Francorum dat tibi mater avos.
Rex hostes bellando suos, tu pace tenebas,
Et tua pax bello constitit utilior.
De sibi arreptam flebit regn...[c] apud,
Morte tua lapsi dives inopsque simul.
Istius vites lux ultima prima Novembris,
Alterius vites prima secunda tibi.

MS. Cot. Vitell. A xii. fol. 128. b.

The following lines are less natural, and consequently less pleasing; they are the composition of the last named poet, and are from the same manuscript.

DE REGINA MATHILDI.

Septem majores numeramus in æthere stellas, Siderei numerus ordinis impar erit. Addimus octavam, nec partes inferiores Hæc tenet, in summo præminet orbe poli. Illa diu latuit nebulis obducta, sed idem Erumpens nebulas dividit oppositas. Et tanto solem, quanto sol astra minora, Excedit, tantum luminis illa trahit. Hæc adeo celebris, tanto prælata nitore; In solio regni præsidet huic patrise. Quæ quoniam mira præcellens alternitatem. Sic viget in terris, fulget apud superos. Imperii gravitas, sceptrum, vel cætera regni Instrumenta favent convenienter ei. Invidiant hostes, et quivis detrahat illi, Fama per invidiam nescit honesta premi. Filia regis erat, meruit quoque nubere regi, Conjugio matrem debuit illa sequi. Quid mihi cum causis ultra? sine crimine regnat, Filia reginæ, filia regis erat. Hæc est ergo decus Anglorum, gloria regni, Vere consiliis excelebrata Dei. Quæ simul Augusto legali fædere nupsit, "Lex injusticiæ, rex bone, cesset," ait. Exaudivit eam Cæsar, depressit iniquas Leges, suscepit publica cura bonas. Fortunata viro mulier, vir conjuge felix; Longævus fama vivat uterque sua.

.... ou Edgar fitz Edward Irnside, et Walteu, et Markswin, et Cospatrik le count.-p. 5.

Waltheof, the famous earl of Northumberland, was the son of earl Siward by Alfleda, daughter of earl Aldred. It appears from Leland that William of Ramsey, a monk of Croyland, wrote a legend of the earl, which unfortunately has not reached us, and probably contained matter abundantly curious. A short abstract in English is preserved in the Harl. MS. 530, and it seems that an original was in the hands of the celebrated Glover, for Dugdale, *Baron*. i. 55, cites some facts relative to the earl from what seems to have been this or a similar legend.

Qcn la hour enueindrent les Danoys et surpristrent les Normaunz hu chastel.—p. 6.

In the early part of the Conqueror's reign Northumbria was harrassed by the irruptions made by the Danes at the instance of Godwin, Edmund, and Magnus, sons of the late king Harold. William employed the services of Ailsi abbot of Ramsey, who proceeded into



Denmark to prevent Swain from invading England to revenge his nephew's death; and of this mission there is a curious account preserved in a poetical version of the history of the Old and New Testaments, styled the Cursor Mundi, which is for the first time printed in Sir Henry Ellis's Introduction to Domesday, vol. ii. p. 99–104. When I furnished that transcript and the observations upon the work from which it is extracted, I was not aware of any further notices of the poem of Wace, of which it probably is a translation, than those contained in the notes to the "Specimens" of the late Mr George Ellis, and in the La Valliere Catalogue, tom. ii. p. 247, to which reference is there made. Additional and fuller information may, however, be found in Roquefort's "Memoire de l'état de la poésie Françoise dans les xii. et xiii. sèicles," 8vo. Paris, 1821, pp. 96, 97, 306–309, where extracts are given from a manuscript at Paris.

The following letter illustrative of the Danish invasions furnishes additional evidence of their frequency. It is addressed to Walcher, the unfortunate bishop of Durham, by Lanfranc, archbishop of Canterbury, during William's absence in Normandy, and is written for the purpose of warning the bishop of the expected irruption of the Danes, and advising him to provide for the safety of the north of England. Hence we may naturally conclude that it is to be referred to the year 1076 or 1077, during which period William was absent in France, and the county of Northumberland was entrusted to the care of Walcher. *Hoved*. f. 262.

Lanfrancus peccator et indignus antistes venerabili fratri et co-episcopo, Walchero, salutem.

Lectatus sum in his quæ dicta sunt mihi a vobis, pacem vos vestris letteris habere didicimus, quam procul a vobis multis multorum relationibus triti credebamus. Nos vero, expulsis Britonibus et sedatis omnibus bellis, in tanta tranquilitate vivimus, ut postquam rex mare transiit tranquillius nos vixisse nequaquam meminerimus. Res domini nostri regis in summa prosperitate esse, et eum ad præsens ad nos transire, certissime sciatis. Dani, ut rex nobis mandavit, revera veniunt; castrum itaque vestrum et hominibus, et armis, et alimentis, vigilanti cura muniri facite. Omnipotens autem Dominus ab omni malo vos defendat. MS. Cott. Nero, A vii. fol. 27.

Upon observing that no notice of this incident was taken by Hoveden, Malmesbury, Huntingdon, or the other writers to whom our author is in general indebted for this portion of his history, reference was naturally made to the legend of St John of Beverly in the collection of Capgrave (which, it may here be noticed, is only a condensed abstract of the prior labours of John of Tynmouth), but no allusion is there made to any miracle resembling that described in the text, nor does the legend in the Land. MS. 436, aid our en-



quiries. The narrative, however, was found in accidentally turning over the leaves of the Cottonian MS. Cleopatra A i., and is here given, it is believed, for the first time in print. After speaking of the revenge which the Conqueror took upon the inhabitants of Northumbria for the murder of the inhabitants of York, the legend proceeds thus:—

Nam ab homine usque ad pecus periit quicumque repertus est ab Eborum usque ad orientale mare, præter illos qui ad ecclesiam gloriosi confessoris, beatissimi Johannis archispiscopi, Beverlacum quasi unicum confugerant. Erat enim prætaxata ecclesia miraculis gloriosa, pro pacis tuitione ab incolis frequentata. Cum autem in exercitu regis, qui a Beverlaco fere vii. miliariis tentoria fixerat, divulgatum fuisset omnem regionis illius populum illuc ad pacem sancti venisse et omnia preciosa sua secum detulisse, quidam milites rapinis assueti Beverlacum armati petierunt, ingressique villam, cum neminem resistentem invenierent, ad septa cœmiterii, quo territa totius populi multitudo confluxerat, ausu temerario progrediuntur. Quorum primicerius, Turstinus, cum vidisset quendam veteranum preciosius indutum, auream in brachio armillam ferentem, properancius ad ecclesiam tendentem. extracto quo erat præcinctus gladio per medium plebis attonitæ super emissarium furens senem insequitur. Sed quia eum extra ecclesiam apprehendere non potuit, nec dedit honorem Deo, sed infra valvas ecclesiæ jam pene fugiendo insequitur extinctum, cum ecce! equus quo insidebat, fracto collo, corruit, et ipse jam faciei deformi post tergum versa. manibus pedibusque retortis, velud monstrum informe omnium in se mirancium ora convertit. Stupefacti vero et exterriti socii ejus, projectis armis et deposita ferocitate, ad impetrandam sancti Johannis misericordiam convertuntur.—fol. 100.

The legend then proceeds to narrate that the companions of the deceased, upon their return to their encampment, narrated the whole story to William, who, having had an interview with the "majores" of the church, confirmed under his seal the grants made by his predecessors, and became, himself, a benefactor to the foundation.

It seems evident that this notice of the miracle was introduced into our chronicle, either directly or at second hand, from the Polychronicon of Higden, a compilation in which the bulk of the early portion of our chronicle may be traced. I give it from the translation of Trevisa.

Also be lond bat lip bitwene York and Durham was ix zere wip oute tylier and wonyer, out-take onlich Seynt Joones lond of Beverley. For pere fil a wreche vppon oon of be kynges knyztes, for his hors nek was to-broke, and his face turned bacward.—Harl. MS. 1900, fol. 265.

.... le Conquerqur voroit avoir fet deposer Wolstan leuesque pur ceo qu bien ne sauoit parler Latin ne Fraunces.—p. 7.

It is probable that political reasons rather than those assigned in the text were the cause of the intended expulsion of Wolstan, who contrived in an age when miracles were not un-



common to have one introduced for his own especial interest. He exerted himself with some zeal in the cause of William the Second at a period when his services were valuable; and seems, even although ignorant of Latin and French, to have been a faithful subject to the new dynasty. The encomium written upon him, after his death, by Serlo, a poet to whose sketches we are so often indebted, is a pleasing one, and not destitute of feeling or good taste.

DE WLSTANO WIGORNENSI EPISCOPO.

Vixisti semper, semper, venerande sacerdos,
Non moreris vivens, nec moriens moreris.
Tu semper puer atque senex, Wlstane, fuisti;
Relligione senex, simplicitate puer.
Contemptor laudis, laudando sequenda beatus,
Ecclesiæ sanctæ tutor amicus eras.
Præsul officio pastoris honore levat[us],
Subjectis socius, inferior sociis.
Bis denos tres hauserat Urceus ignes,
Cum supra stellas aurea stella salit.

MS. Cott. Vitell. A xii. fol. 129.

Wolstan was consecrated in the year 1062, and died in 1095, at the age of ninety. The meaning of the last couplet probably is, that he died on the 23d of November; Mathew of Westminster, ii. 17, places it on the eighth of the calends of April.

.... tanque Mauclous le roy se peisa od ly et a Abirnethi ly fist homage. p. 7.

Our chronicle places this event in the thirteenth year of the reign of William the Conqueror, an error in chronolgy contradicted by all historians, who date this expedition into Scotland in 1072. Much has been said and written upon the subject of the early homage of the kings of Scotland, but a late acute writer has satisfactorily placed the subject beyond the possibility of further controversy. I will here adduce the account given of this expedition by Mathew Paris, copied, not from his printed history, but from the autograph of the author in the Royal Library, 14, C. vii., a manuscript which was not collated in this part of the history by Watts, and which varies so much from his edition as to assume the appearance of a distinct version, and a version, too, which in many points is fuller, stronger, and better than that already given to the public by archbishop Parker or Watts. I shall avail myself of frequent opportunities of quoting from this literary curiosity, which, singularly enough, has escaped investigation and notice; and, in this instance, for the purpose of proving how much it varies from the printed text, each shall be given in opposite columns.



PRINTED TEXT.

Anno Domini M.LXXII. rex Willielmus Scotiam hostiliter adiens, speravit aliquos ibi ex suis hostibus invenire. Sed cum regionem illam perlustrasset, et nullum penitus invenisset, accepto tandem regis Scottorum cum obsidibus homagio, ad Angliam remeavit.—p. 5, edit. 1644.

MANUSCRIPT.

Anno Domini m.lxxii. rex Willelmus Scotiam, eo quod nobiles Anglise indomitos recupaverat, hostiliter impetens, speravit ibidem aliquos de hostibus suis invenire. Sed ipsis in locorum desertis latitantibus, et quandoque impetum in Normannos raptim facientibus cum non posset ipsos patenter convenire, licet omnia perlustrasset, in regem irruere proposuit hostiliter. Sed idem Scotorum rex, regis Willelmi ferocitatem timens, quia jam innumeris tam Anglorum quam Normannorum agminibus stipabatur, quæ pacis erant rogitabat. Cui providus rex Willelmus, malens pacem quam Martis ambigua fata in locis ignotis et palustribus experiri, lætus adquievit ad horam. Accepto igitur regis Scotorum cum obsidibus homagio, prudens triumphator ad Angliam remeavit.

... Nota homagium regis Scottorum.

MS. Reg. 14, C. vii. fol. 11.

Besides what has been said about the homage made by Malcolm to William at Abernethi, in a note to the *Chronica de Mailros*, p. 56, edit. 1835, we may add the early and valuable authority of the unpublished chronicle of Gaimar, who gives the name in another form.

Apres ico, en cel tempoire,—
Si com nus dit la verai estoire,—
Li reis Willame, e si baron,
Mainent grant ost sur Malcolumb.
Malcolumb resembla son ost,
En contre vint tut prest e tost;
A Alberin sentre encontrerent.

MS. Reg. 13, A. xxi. fol. 143. b.

The chronicle of Radulfus Niger, under the year 1070, says, "Malcolmus rex Scotorum terram regis Willelmi ferro et flammis devastare cepit, qui regi postmodum occurrens in loco qui dicitur Abernith ei homagium fecit."—MS. Reg. 13, A. xii. fol. 27. b.

But this is merely the echo of earlier authority.

... Walcher Lotring, le euesque de Doresme, fust tue dez Northumbroys en leglis de Gatisheued, en vengeaunz dun Lucy.—p. 7.

The printed edition of Hoveden, fol. 263. b., calls him Liulfus, and this reading is the correct one, as it is supported by the authority of every manuscript which I have examined, and by Simeon of Durham. The author of the Scalacronica, as will elsewhere be remarked, had not access to original manuscripts of those authors whom he followed in this part of his work. It will also be observed that, a few lines further down the page, he incorrectly writes Kariles instead of Karilef, the celebrated bishop of Durham. These being the earliest errors which have occurred, it has been considered proper to mention them to show that they did not pass unobserved, but such will not in future be noticed or corrected.

This Walcher is spoken of in terms of commendation by Serlo, the poet whose verses afford so many important illustrations to our chronicle. Every contemporaneous document of that early portion of our history is valuable, and no apology is necessary for introducing into these pages the following lines.

DE WALCHERO DUNELMENSI EPISCOPO.

Cor sapiens justique tenax, et gloria morum, Mortis causa tuze, przesul venerande, fuerunt. Invidit tibi barbaries, quia dispare longa Vivebas vita; quia morum inhonesta suorum Virga justicize, vero dictante, premebas. Virtus est odiosa malis, correctio nequam, Disciplina gravis semper nolentibus illam, Nullus apud sordes mentis respectus honesti. Ergo tibi nocuit fortemque bonumque manere, Si nocuit, dico, quod te super astra levavit. Agni paschalis celebrabas gaudia festa, Cum tu per gladios moriens, sed vivus, abisti.

The poet then proceeds to lash the murderers of the prelate.

INVECTIO IN EOS QUI EUM OCCIDERUNT.

Scotte, ubi lex? ubi fas? facies et forma pudoris? Pastorem dum cædit ovis, dum filius intras Ense profunda patris, Domini per viscera servus; Dum ferrum duras, loca, tempora, fædera pacis, Sanguine dum maculas, leges et jura, refringis; Omnia confundens, et tu confunderis ipse. Interimens patrem desisti filius esse, Pastorem cædens scis te pastoris egere.

Quodque tibi gravius, veniæ venamque viamque Obstruis ipse tibi, veniæ pereunte ministro. Res miranda nimis quando concordia fraudem Educit, pax insidias, et gratia mortem, [D]ampna, pericla, necem, dum splendida facta rependit; [D]um premitur virtus odiis calcata malorum, [Dum] cadit innocuus, ruit insons, præcipitatur Et ... teritum gladii perit ore sacerdos. Sp... caret venia, veniam donare suetus; ... am donare solet, moritur sine culpa. hanc culpam contagia prima tulerunt, culpa recens scelerum vindicta priorum, leo rapidorum præda leonum, quæ fama canit, quæ prædicat unum Virtute Herculea reges trivisse superbos; Qui retulit patriæ bello de mille triumphos; Ille pater pacis, tutor fidissimus æqui, [Jus]titiæ virtus in quo secura quievit. Willelmus rex regis opus sullimiter ornans, ... festos orbi vos toto tollet ab orbe.

MS. Cott. Vitell. A. xii. fol. 128. b.

Il estably soun fitz Robert duk de Normendy, et Willam soun fitz roy de Engleter, et Henry vousist il ge hust este euesque...p. 8.

In this enumeration of the sons of the Conqueror our author makes no mention of Richard, who appears to have been older than William Rufus. The fullest account of him is in Malmesbury, f. 62. b, who ascribes his death to the effect of a blast of foul air while hunting in the New Forest. I have found the following lines upon his death, written by Serlo, a contemporary, and gladly present them to the reader.

[DE RICARDO] WILLELMI REGIS FILIO.

Magnanimo spes laudis eras, Ricarde, parenti,
Et supra fratris gloria dulcis eras.
Te mores animosque suos intrasse canebat,
[Adque] suos actus effigiare queas.
[In]vidit misere vobis fortuna duobus,
Te tenerum florem dum rapit aura necis.
.. iscebas cervos fragili terebrare sagitta,
[M]ors ausa est forti figere te jaculo.
[V]irgineum sidus Septembris transiit idus,
[C]um tu mane novo morte novaris homo.

MS. Cott. Vitell. A. xii. fol. 129.

It is singular that Malmesbury, in his account of this Richard, should have adopted words and expressions exactly similar to those employed in these lines. He begins thus, "Ricardus magnanimo parenti spem landis alebat;" he speaks of "primævi floris indolem;" and says he met his death while he was "cervos in Nova Foresta terebrantem;" similarities which cannot be conjectural, and which prove that Malmesbury was acquainted with these verses.

... il fust entere a Chame, la sepulture de qy vn cheualer desendy de par Dieux, qe nul ne ly tolly soun heritage, qe de auncestri ly apurtenoit le lieu de la sepulture....p. 8.

A striking instance of the instability of human grandeur! The circumstance is thus narrated by Wace, from whom we ascertain the name of the knight who forbid the funeral.

Endementres qe len faiseit
Le sarkeu, ou giser deueit;
Et li euesque et li baron
Esteient iloc enuiron;
Eis uos un uauasor errant,
Qi la presse uint derompant,
Acelin out non fitz Artur,
Par la presse uint asseur.
Sor une pierre en haut monta,
Deuers la biere se torna,
Clers et euesques apela,
Enhaut sestut, enhaut parla.

Chronicle of the Dukes of Normandy, MS. Reg. 14, C. xi. fol. 274.

See also Camden's Collection of Historians, p. 34, edit. fol., 1603, and William of Newbury, p. 687, edit. 8vo, 1610.

... devaunt quis vindrent au sege de Antioche, com en le lyuere de Auntiage hom pust over-p. 9.

It is by no means certain to what authority reference is here made. At first sight it might appear probable that the Antiochesis of Joseph of Exeter (more generally known as Josephus Iscanus) is alluded to; but it will be remembered that our author here speaks of the exploits of the leaders of the first crusade, and that the subject of that poem (according to Camden, Remains, p. 407) was the exploits of Richard the First in the Holy Land. It is certain, however, that, during the middle ages, a work bearing a similar title, but written in French, was frequent in England, and appears to have been a great favourite. In the Close Roll, 17th May, 34 Hen. III., the master of the Knights Templars is commanded

to allow Henry of the Wardrobe to have for the queen's use a certain great book written in French, wherein are contained the exploits of Antioch. In the library of Glastonbury, according to a catalogue drawn up in 1247, was "liber de captione Antiochiæ, Gallice, legibilis."—Hearne's Johan. Glaston., p. 435. The "Antiochena bella" furnished the subject of paintings executed during the time of Henry III., which ornamented the walls of the palaces at Westminster and the Tower, as we learn from the Pipe and Close Rolls.—See Walpole's Anecd. Paint. i. 10; Warton's Hist. Poet. i. 118; Ret. Litt. Claus. i. xlv.

Qi conqueror, houmblement se conteint au clergie en soun comencement. p. 10.

The historians of the period, universally monks or churchmen, have much to say against the rapacity and severity of William; less prejudiced writers would probably present us with a more favourable account. They admit, however, that he had numerous princely qualifications, and it would be easy to refer to many of his actions which reflect honour on his prudence, generosity, and valour. An excuse for some of his severities against the English may perhaps be found in the repeated rebellions and conspiracies of his subjects. A characteristic and illustrative anecdote of him is detailed in a manuscript in the Cottonian library, which, in the paucity and value of all notices relative to that remote period of history, is worthy of insertion in this place. It is entitled to every credit, as the individual of whom it is told was a bishop of Winchester, and the manuscript contains the annals of that monastery, the compilation of successive monks, who were apparently in the habit of recording events as they occurred.

Fertur regem concessisse episcopo Walkelino ad perficiendam ecclesiam quam inchoaverat Wintoniæ tantum lignorum de Hanepinges quantum iij. diebus et noctibus per carpentarios adquerere poterat. Carpentariis igitur innumerabilibus congregatis totum nemus in præfixo termino solo dejectum est et ad Wintoniam deductum. Post hoc venit rex per Hanepinges, et postquam respexit illuc admirans quasi in extasi factus "nunquid fascinnatus sum aut amens effectus? ubi," inquid, "sum? Nonne hic juxta Wintoniam nemus habui valde delectabile?" Agnita denique re gesta in furorem versus est, Walkelinus itaque sumpta circa se vetusta capa impetravit ab hostiariis regis ingressum usque in regis cameram; ad pedes autem ejus procidit. "Domine," inquid, "novi quod multos habeas clericos et capellanos promovendos, et ob hæc contra me quæris occasionem. Accipe ergo, si placet, quem mihi dedisti episcopatum, reservato mihi cum amicicia tua officium quod dudum in capella tua habui." Quid multa? postremo rex, "Certe," inquid, "Walkeline, ego nimis prodigus largitor, et tu nimis avidus extitisti acceptor." Pacificatus itaque regi cum amoris redintegratione ad episcopatum suum rediit.—MS. Cott. Domit. xiii. fol. 22. b.

In confirmation of this view of the character of William the Conqueror, I beg leave to present the reader with the following lines, written shortly after his death, by one who had abundant opportunities of knowing his merits and his faults, and who, as the friend and client of Odo, bishop of Bayeaux, had no interested motive to encumber with unnecessary

praise the memory of a prince who had treated that half-ecclesiastic, half-warrior, with anything but indulgence. These verses, now first printed, are written by a poet named Serlo.

DE REGE GILIELMO.

Regnum, forma, decus, cor, dextra, facetia, virtus,
Hace donant vitam, rex Gilielme, tibi.
Succubuisse tibi reges polosque coegis,
Insita vis te mors succubuisse tibi.
Præpollens opibus latissima regna tenebas;
Nunc opibus nudum te domus arta tenet.
Macchus, perjurus, fur, raptor, prædo, tyrannus,
Te vixisse diu, non, doluere, mori.
Justiciæ facies, erepto judice, marcet;
Fracta gemit virtus, pax fugitiva latet.
Ipse novem de mense dies Septembris habebas,
Et tibi subtrahitur quod decimare queas.

MS. Cott. Vitell. A. xii. fol. 128. b.

To these I add the following homely lines, of the antiquity of which no one who reads them can doubt; they are extracted from a singular miscellaneous volume in the Cottonian library, marked Titus D. xxiv, and are now first printed. That they are to be referred to the Conqueror appears from the fact that they are succeeded by three lines upon the death of queen Matilda.

Rex Willelme, pax sit tibi, Cujus nomen opto scribi Quo scribuntur sancti rite [In æternæ libro vitæ].* Hoc fas mihi sit optandi, Et id, pro te, deprecandi; Tua enim manus larga Nulli fuit quam filarga. Dedit nobis quod in Norfulc, Quod habemus et in Suthfulc. Hic in pace requiescas, Nec in fine erubescas Cum tremebunt omnes rei A præsentis wltu Dei. Tunc omnino sis securus. Et cum sanctis regnaturus,

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[•] A line is here obviously omitted in the manuscript, which I have supplied by conjecture.

Quo secundo coroneris, Atque felix gratuleris. Amen, Amen.

fol. 105.

It is of course impossible to say to what ecclesiastical establishment the author of these lines belonged. He may have been an instance of Bury St Edmunds, to which William gave lands in Norfolk and Suffolk.—See Monast. Anglic. vol. i. p. 288; MS. Cott. August. ii. 21; Cart. Antiq. in Turre, P. 7, 8, 9.

Et fait a sauoir qu toutz cestes gentz dount lour sournouns y sount escrit, vindrent oue Willam le conquerour.—p. 12.

This version of what is usually styled the Battle Abbey Roll varies from all other copies, and is more than usually spurious, in as much as it adds to the general uncertainty which hangs over the whole by the introduction of names which, at the period of the Norman invasion, were decidedly not family names, but peculiar to individuals.

En lan de grace mile 87. Willam Rous, fitz Willam le conquerour fust corone a West-mouster de Lamfraunc le euesque.—p. 19.

William the Conqueror appears to have been indebted in an eminent degree to Lanfranc, archbishop of Canterbury; William Rufus succeeded to the throne chiefly by his instrumentality. The piety, energy, and prudence of this worthy man appear to have escaped the notice which they so deservedly merit. Of these qualities we shall have proofs in the course of these notes. The following affectionate lines written upon his death, and perhaps intended as his epitaph, are worthy of being printed.

DE LANFRANCO.

Vixisti, venerande pater, sapienter et æque;
Vixisti vivens, mors quoque vita tibi.
Inter divicias pauper, Lanfrance, fuisti;
Diviciis manans pauperum amator eras.
Per te florentes artes valuere Latinæ,
Græcia de vobis, ecce, triumphat ovans.
Tu laicos ortu, Gallosque docendo, levasti:
Te sibi primatem cardo Britannus habet.
In terra degens cœlestia Marte* petebas,
Exemptus terrâ, sidera liber adis.



[•] The reading "morte," instead of "marte" as in the text, may perhaps appear preferable to some; in the manuscript it stands thus..." mte."

Sol Geminos denis obsiderat igne diebus; Promisit luna diem, nocte solutus abis.

MS. Cott. Vitell. A. xii. fol. 128. b.

If I understand the last couplet aright, it appears that Lanfranc died early on the morning of the eleventh of May, a date which does not agree with received authorities. Florence of Worcester, an early writer, in general very accurate in his dates, says he died on the minth of the calends of July, which corresponds to June 23. The Saxon Chronicle does not give the month or day, and the same remark applies to Eadmer and Malmesbury. There is reason, therefore, in the absence of stronger authority, to presume that the poet is entitled to credit in this point.

Since writing these lines I have met with another short poem upon Lanfranc, also unprinted; it appears to have been intended as an epitaph, and probably was engraved upon his tomb at Canterbury. It will be noticed that in the date of his obit it agrees with that given above.

Hic tumulus claudit, quem nulla sub orbe Latino Gens ignoravit, summum dixere supremi, Fecerat hunc tanto sullimem littera sensu, Ut supra cunctos spectandum diceret orbis. Post urbis præsul, primas quoque Cantuariensis; Edidit has omnes, quas circumcernimus, ædes. Quantus erat cunctis, præ cunctis quantus egenis, Anglia testatur; fit testis et extera tellus. Sol erat in Geminis, undenum fecerat ortum, Cum felix obiit, primo sub mane diei. Sacra fides librique sacri, vos, denique, cuncti Mundanæ studiis scolæ quicunque vacatis Lanfrancum, quia doctor erat præclarus, amate; Utque sibi detur requies orando vacate.

MS. Cott. Nero, A. vii. fol. 40.

.... lez ij. roys furount acordez en maner qe Mancloun obeyeroit au roy Willam com auaunt auoit fet a soun pier.—p. 20.

This event, placed under the year 1090, is recorded in the printed copy of Mathew Paris, in the following summary manner:—

Rex interea Scotorum Malcolmus nimio terrore percussus, homagium fecit regi Anglorum et fidelitatem juravit.—p. 11, edit. 1644.

The manuscript copy, already referred to, is fuller and more explicit.



REX SCOTORUM MALCOLMUS HOMAGIUM FECIT REGI WILLELMO.

Rex autem Scotorum Malcolmus audito quod pax inter fratres reformaretur, cepit vehementer improbos impetus Willelmi regis, immo jam tiranni, formidare. Festinavit igitur eidem Willelmo antequam exterminium in Scotia inchoaret quæ pacis erant suppliciter postulare. Erat enim idem rex M[alcolmus], licet armis strenuissimus, vir circumspectus et modestus, et omni præditus sanctitate. Veniens igitur ad regem Angliæ Willelmum, humilitate sua regis flexit ferocitatem, asserens se nullum suorum recepisse vel receptum fore, nec tali intentione ut ipsos dominum suum recognoscentes regi persecutionibus suis mediantibus redderet purificator et fideliores. Mitigato igitur regi Willelmo, rex Scotorum M[alcolmus] fecit homagium et fidelitatem. Et sic magnis honoratus donativis ad propria cum prosperitate remeavit.—MS. Reg. 14, A. vii. fol. 14. b.

Lez cronicles de Escoce devisent qui estoit descouert a cesti roy Mauncloun qun dez grantz seignours de soun realme estoit par ascent dez autres grantz coumpassount de ly destruyer par puysoun.—p. 20.

There is no opportunity of ascertaining the chronicles to which our author here alludes. The story is to be found in *Wyntoun*, i. 259, and by *Fordun*, i. 255. It is also related by *Alred*, Geneal. Reg. Angl. col. 367, who adds additional interest and authenticity to the story by stating that he had it from the communication of David the First, king of Scotland. Higden, the compiler of the Policronicon, has also inserted it; see Trevisa's interesting translation, MS. Harl. 1900, fol. 272. Since it seems thus entitled to some credit, I here present the reader with the account given by Mathew Paris in the Royal Manuscript, in which the narrative is given with more spirit and appearance of truth than in the printed edition.

NOTA REGIS SCOTORUM MALCOLMI MAGNIFICENTIAM.

Quoniam de rege Scotorum Malcolmo tractatum est, non arbitror alienum a materia ejus quandam enudeare magnificentiam. Contigit ut quidam nobiles contra ipsum in regno suo conspirassent, ita ut in necem suam occulte conjurassent, quodam proditore qui omnibus videtur major ac fortior machinante. Hæc autem omnia cum per fideles suos regi innotuissent, convocatis cum ipso proditore sociis et venatoribus it venatum, et cum ad quondam saltum venissent, omnibus semotis ex industria sociis et venatoribus excepto solo proditore, rex ait; "ecce ego et tu mecum, solus cum solo, similibus equis et armis vecti et communiti, nullus nostrum melior condicio. Si igitur velis, audes et vales, ensibus eductis fortunam duelli experiamur; et redde hostibus meis, complicibus tuis me quem promisisti detruncatum. Si enim me occidendum speras quando melius, quando secrecius, quando virilius? Si venenum paras, hoc mulierculæ; si dormientem invadere proponis, hoc sicariorum et jugalatorum est: age igitur quod viri est et militis, et solus cum solo dimicandum, soli sumus confidenter." Miles igitur confusus hiis verbis quasi fulmine repercussus ex equo in terram corruit, projectoque gladio ad pedes regis cadens cum mœrore veniam de concepta temeritate et prodicione postulans, quod peciit impetravit.



.... le roy Mauncloun Descoce et Edward soun fitz furount tuez a Alnewyk.-p. 21.

A mystery, which probably will never be removed, hangs over the death of Malcolm; the story of his being pierced in the eye by a soldier, who afterwards attained in consequence the name Piercy, is justly exploded; but, like most stories of that character, seems to have had its origin in distorted truth. The early chronicles unite for the most part in stating that Malcolm and his son were slain by treachery, without specifying in what the treachery consisted. It is stated that he fell by the hand of Morel of Bambargh; but the following passage from the unpublished chronicle of Gaimar, which I must own I do not comprehend in every particular, divides the honour or disgrace with another individual, not elsewhere mentioned in history.

Quant li reis out sa curt tenue, La novele li est venue Ke Malcolumb estait oscis. Li reis ki ert ses enemis. Robert de Munbrai laueit mort. Cel rei v fust adreit v fust a tort. A Alnewic fu la bataille Treis mil homes, trestuz par mille, J ount oscis od Malcolum, E de ambes parz maint bon baron. Co fu Gefrai en gule vent (?) J le Morel, vn son parent, Ke Malcolumb tolurent vie. Quant la novele en fust ore Li reis pur le conte manda, Vienge a curt ses diz orra; E solum co kil orreit Bien fust guarniz de fere drait.

MS. Reg. 13, A. xxi. fol. 145. b.

See also M. Paris, Additamenta, p. 129; Sax. Chron. p. 199.

The student of early Scottish history will be glad to see the account of the death of Malcolm and of his son and wife extracted from the Royal MS. of Matthew Paris, fol. 15.

MORITUR REX MALCOLMUS SCOTORUM.

[M.XCII.] Eodem anno pius rex Scotorum Malcolmus, cujus actus in benedictione vivant immortales, cum non immerito contra tirannum Willelmum regem sibi injuriantem guerram movisset, interceptus est subito et, positis insidiis, interemptus. Quod ut audivit regina ejus Margareta, quæ tunc forte infirmabatur duplici contricione, ait orans ad Dominum, "Domine mil satis est quod vixi, tolle animam meam," et faciens sacerdoti demnoi-



bus plene confessionem, accepto salutis viatico, animam felicem Deo statim destinavit. Interfectus est autem cum memorato rege Malcolmo ejusdem regis M[alcolmi] filius, et heres si supervixisset, et hominum numerosa multitudo, quæ omnia sanctæ reginæ læthalem dolorem adauxerunt. Tunc Scotorum nobiles elegerunt Dunecanum, Malcolmi regis fratrem, in regem. Sed Dunecanus, filius Malcolmi, qui obses erat in curia regis Willelmi, auxilio ejus fretus, superveniens patruum suum aufugavit et post patrem suum regnavit.

La royne Margaret sa femme morust de doel le iij. iour qel auoit les nouelis.-p. 21.

The character which Margaret has earned for herself by her piety and sincere and unaffected religion has been placed in a favourable light by Lord Hailes (Annals, i. 33). The eulogetic and ambitious panegyrics of professed writers of lives of saints are always open to suspicion, but in this instance it appears from undoubted authority that any such scruples would be misapplied. In addition to the evidence of Turgot, I will willingly contribute a new and incontrovertible testimony of the piety of this excellent woman, by laying before the reader a letter addressed to her by Lanfranc, the celebrated archbishop of Canterbury, written in reply to her request that he would assume the character of her Christian father, and would send her fitting individuals to be employed in the conversion and civilization of her subjects. This interesting letter, decidedly the earliest contemporaneous written document connected with Scottish history, ecclesiastic or civil, has hitherto escaped notice, and is not to be found either in the edition of the works of Lanfranc published by D'achery, or in the Bibliotheca Patrum. It is now given from a very ancient manuscript in the Cottonian collection in the Museum, the great antiquity of which is observable in the peculiar application of the diphthongs.

Lanfrancus, indignus sanctæ Cantuariensis aecclesiæ antistes, gloriosæ Scotorum reginæ M[argaretæ], salutem, et benedictionem.

Explicare non potest epistolaris brevitas quanta cor meum læticia perfudisti, lectis litteris tuis quas mihi, Deo amabilis regina, misisti. O quanta jucunditate verba profluunt quæ divino spiritu inspirata procedunt! Credo enim non a te, sed per te, dicta esse quæ scripseras. Revera per os tuum locutus est Ille qui discipulis suis ait, "discite a me quia mites sum et humilis corde." De hac Christi disciplina processit quod regali stirpe progenita, regaliter educata, nobili regi nobiliter copulata, me, hominem extraneum, vilem, ignobilem, peccatis involutum, in patrem elegis, teque mihi in filiam spiritualiter habendam pecaris. Non sum quod petas, sed sim quia putas. Ne decepta remaneas; ora pro me, ut sim dignus pater orare Dominum et exaudiri pro te. Orationum et benefactorum sit inter nos commune commercium; parva quidem tribuo, sed multo majora me recepturum esse confido. Dehinc, igitur, sim pater tuus, et tu mea filia esto.

Mitto glorioso viro tuo et tibi carissimum fratrem nostrum, dominum Goldeuuinum, secundum petitionem tuam, alios quoque duos fratres; quia quod de servitio Dei et vestro fieri oportet, solus ipse per se explere non posset. Et rogo, multumque rogo, quatinus quod



pro Deo et pro animabus vestris coepistis instanter et efficaciter perficere studeatis; et si possetis aut velitis opus vestrum per alios adimplere, multo desiderio vellemus hos fratres nostros ad nos redire, quia valde in officiis suis necessarii erant secolesise nostros. Fiat tamen voluntas vestra, et per omnia desideramus obsedire vobis.

..... Walter Tirell voroit avoir treyte on cerfe, si fery le roy au quer de on sete mort, trebouche au tere en meisme le lieu ou soun pere auoit fait gaster un eglis.—p. 23.

The following curious poem, which probably exists only in the Cottonian MS., from which it is here printed, contains a romantic account of the manner in which William the Conqueror was made acquainted with the destiny of his three sons. Romantic though the groundwork be, it exhibits a correct estimate of the characters of the young princes; nor is it devoid of spirit and poetic merit, and as a literary curiosity it must rank high in the list of fictions founded upon English history. The manuscript from which it is taken appears to have been written in the time of Henry the Third; but we are probably to ascribe the composition of the poem to a much earlier period.

DE WILLELMO BASTARDO REGE ANGLLE, ET TRIBUS FILIIS EJUS.

Ly roys Wilyam li conquerur, Qui taunt auoyt conquis honur, Ke roys estait corune, Du tens auenir ad mut pense. E a pres ses wres quele sekel serait, E de se tray fytz quai avendrait, Mvt fv pensiues pur enquere, A quele fyn il deueraint treere. Le grant clers de fylosofye, E le methers de graunt clergye, E le sages houmes de son poer, Par de sa e de la la mer, A vn parlement fyt asemler; Ke par eus entendi sauer De ces enfaunz la destine, Que taunt auoyt desire. Kaunt touz estaient asemle Ly roys les ad aresune. "Seniurs," dit il, "qui estis si, De votre venu mut wus merci: De votre sen, e votre sauer. Oren drait en av mester.

Car vne pense me eht ay quer, Ke ne me soyt repos auer, De me trayz fytz, ke beers sunt, A quele fyne hy vendrunt. Pur ce wus pri, e requer, Qui entre wus veylez tretrer De mes enfaunz comment irra, E a quele fyn checun vendra; E sulum ce ke wus aueret troue, Ne me celes la verite."

Ly roys a taunt pri conge, E ly sages vnt en parle, Mot parlerent estraystment, E defosterent clergament Le qualites, e le continaunz, E le murs de les enfaunz, Lvr colurs e lur afers, Mes en taunt eplayterent gers Car divers furunt lyr resouns. E divers lur opyniones; Ne poaint pur nule resun Tvez assenter a vn. Taunt cum ile deposterent E deren eplaiterent, Estes, vne mester de meur age, Ben lettere e ben sage, Enter eus est sus leue Si ad mudutement parle. "Seniures, qui alez taunt dotaunt, Et tot leur despotaunt, Fetez les enfaunz maunder, E surment o nus parler." Quant cile out comaunde. Les enfaunz sunt tost maunde. Roberd Curthos, qui fu le ayne, De vaunt eus fu primes prisen. Quant le mesters Roberd ad vew. "Beu fyth," disaint, "been seez venu: Ne seez de ren espounte, De vaunt nus coneses vne verite.

Si Deus, qui est tot pussaunt, De wus wt fest vne oysel volaunt. De tuz hi ceus ki purunt voler, La quel voudriet resemler?" Roberd, ky fv bene nurri, E de parler asez hardy, "Sires," ce dit il, "a moun voler, Meus vodray estre esperuer; E la resun wus diray, Pur quay esperuer estre volay. Le speruer e gentile oysel, E la plus vyte qui vole de ele, En bosoyn ben volaunt, A pray prendre ben fesaunt, De tot gent prise, De princes cheri, honure. Issi dige en drayt de moy; Curtays e quaintes hester vodray, Cheualer pruz e vaylaunt, E en bosoyn ben fesaunt, De tot gent ben ame, E sur tuz honure." Roberd a taunt pri conge, Hors de la chaumber sen est hale.

Ly avtre freyer est pus entre, Wilyam le Rus sy nome. Curtaisment les ad salue. Encontur ly sunt tyz leue; Ly sages mesters avaunt nome, Wilyam vunt aresune. "Bey fytz," ce dit vn, "ne nus celez, Mes verite nus diez. Si Deus, qui a plener pouste, E de tote choses fet sa volunte, De wus vne oysel vst crie, La quel seriez a votre gre?" Wilyam se est purpense, E pus respundi cum sene; "Sire," ce dit il, "je wus diray; Si a mun voyl chire purrai,

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Wolunters vne egel serray, E la resun ovez pur quai. Le egel e fort e pussaunt, E mut cremu en volaunt. Des auters oyseus est il ray, E curtais d[e] sa prai. Issi dige ent drayt de moy; Rais e sires ester solay. Sur tot gent auer poer, E aset prender, e aset doner." Wilyam a taunt conge prist, A cele fayt plus ne dyst. Ly terce frer, Henri nome, Qui en clergy estait funde, En la chaumber est pus venu, O graunt honur ly vnt recu. Le graunt mesters adunc parla, "Beu fytz, entende sa; Pur ren qui sait ne lesses Que verite nv diez. Si Deus, qui tot le mund fyt, Cel e terre, cum est escrit, E kanc qui est ad en poste, De vus vne osel vst furme; La quele a voter gre vousisez, De tuz hi ceus ke vn auez?" Henri, qui fv jones e poyne, My sagment ad parle; "Sire," ce dist Henri, "en verite, De mvn quer dirrai le pense. Si Deus me vst destine, Ke oysel serrey par son gre, E je memes elyre purray Ester icele qui je voudray, De tvz iceus ke volent de ele, Meuus vodray ester estarnel; Si wus dirray ma resun, De waunt wus tuz en commun. Ben sauez qui le starnel Est deboners e simpel oysel.

En graunt sunder vot voler, E tot le pais emviruner, Simplement son viuer quere, Saun damage a nuly fere; Ne ad ja cure de rauine, Ne de guere nule vaysine. E si en kage sait nurri, Ja hvme greue sera par ly, Mes par parler, e par cheaunt, A tot jvres e solassaunt. Issi wus di de par mai, Deboners e simpels ester vodray. Par pais errer o grant mene, Dv men trouer les grant plente; Ne woudray houmm ja greuer, Ne par rauine quer auer, Si voudray en ma mesun, Av maunders ester compaynun. Viuer en pes e compayunge, E en salaz tot ma vye." Kaunt Henri ce auoyt dist, Sus leua e conge prist. Kaunt les enfaunz vunt conge pris,

Ke dist auaunt lur avis, Le mesters se asemlerent. E de le trai freres enterparlerent. Cil qui les avayt apore, E les avayt aresunne, Enter eus ad primes parle, E sa resun my ben mustre. "Senurs," ce dit il, "mut avum parle, E de les enfaunz disporte; Devaunt nus vunt tot trays este, E lvre voluntes vnt mustre. Trais oyseus les oy nomer, Le queus hi vodraint resemler, De queus en vaiment nus aver vens, Si av ray respunder voluems. De Roberd dewum primes parler, Qui volait ester speruer;

Le speruer e pruz e honnre,
Ben volaunt e mvt prise,
Mes trop a fort en cumberer,
Ke a son voyle ne pot voler;
Par le pes e ferm lye,
E tot sa vye enprisune.
De Roberd di je auer taunt,
Car pruz sera e valaunt;
Graunt los e graunt non auera,
E honure de toz sera,
Mes kaunt auera tot here,
Par fors sera pris e amene,
E a drain, ce est la sume,
Roberd murra en prisun.

De Wilyam le Ros parlum avaunt, Qui volait ester egel volannt; Le egel e fort e pussaunt, Mes mot est ord e maufesaunt, Pur pruez ne pur sa prise, Ne cheri, ne honure. Mau fyn ly e destine, De latounes pris v sete. De Wilyam voye a taunt dire, Car roys sera e grant sire; Riches sera e mot pussaunt, Mot cruel, e maufesaunt; Pur ses vtrages mot dote, De plusures hay e poy prise. Hord home sera, de mal vye, Malment murra pur vers wus die.

Parlum de Henri, le pvne frer,
Qui volait le stornel resemler;
Le stornel e simpels, e deboner,
E en grant sunder vot voler;
En pes vot viuer saunz meprender,
E en solaz sa fyn atender.
De Henri ce dire ben purrum,
Ki de le stornel troue avum;
Car sage sera, e de bon afer,
E a son voyl ne mouera ger.

Large terres e rentes auera, E graunt mene par pais amenera; Souent graunt auoy sentera, Mes aderayn en pes murra. De les enfaunz wus ay dit, Ce qui Deu en quer me myst. Wus ke me resun sauez, Si ay mepris si me amendez." Kaunt Estus ovt parle. Les autres vnt recunte: "Wus parlez resunabelment, Nule ny pot mester amendement. A voter dyt tvz asentum, Suz leuez, au ray irrum. A ce ki ci dit auez, De par nus tvz av ray mustrez." Devaunt le ray sunt tvz venu, Qui o graunt honur les ad rescu. Cile qui ben sauait parler, E graunt resun ben mustrer, Ce qui enter evs vnt trove Par order av ray vnt cunte. Cvment Roberd, qui fv ayne, Pruz serait e mot prise; Mes a drayn, ce est la sume, Robert murra en prisune. Issi Roberd, le bon barun, A Carduf murvt en prisun. E de Wilyam, ly auter frere, Qui serait de poer, Hord houm e demesure, E par mechaunz a draym tve; Issi avint pur sun pecche, En la Nouel forest fu berse. E de Henri qui fv pvne, Qui, par bon destine, Nobel roys e pruz serait, E a drain en pes murrait. Kaunt le ray ovt oy le mester dyz, Graunt dol ausyt pur se deuz fytz.

Mes de Henri fv hete,
E de ce en ad bev loe,
Le mesters ad tvz honure,
E riche dvnes les ad donie;
Cile li vnt mvt mercie,
E a taunt vnt pris conge.

De Wilvam volum avaunt parler: Qui volunters volait sauer De Engleterre la tenuz, E le leez, e la longuz, Tvz le fez, e le tenemenz, E le seruis de tvz genz, Kaunt de cuntez i sunt troue. E kaunt de viles en chescun cunte. Kaunt de barunes en la terre avoyt, E cum ben de tere checun tenait, Kaunt de feez de chevalers, E cum ben de franc fermers. Le sergauntises, e les sochages, Le petisocmen, e le wilenages, Cum ben de carues en checun vile, E kaunt de boues en la caru. Cum ben de terre checun houm avayt. E en quele maner ile la tenait, E quele seruise devayt, E cumben sa terre valer purrait; Tvt ensemble fyt enquerer, Par serment par my la terre. O graunt diligenz ce fyt escrifer, E de ce fyt vne grant liuer; Le lyuer e Domesday appelle, En la Tresori le roy huncor garde. Ly Conquerur, cum dient les escriz, De Maud engendra iiij. fyz: Roberd Curthos, qui fv le ayne, Richard le auter fv apelle, Wilyam le Rose le terce noma. Qui apres le primer aui regna; ' Henri ovt a nvne le pvsne, Qui de clergy fv fvnde.

Cync files Dev ly dona.

. De Mavd sa femme, ke myt ama: Le ayne Cecile apella, Ke abesse de Cham estait ja; La secunde Costauz estait. Que Alain le Fergaunt a femme avait: Qui quens estait de Bretayne, Que mvt e bon tere e sayne. Avd la terce vint apres, Ki Esteuen, quens de Bayes, O graunt honure esposa, E de ly devz fyz engendra; Le vue out a nvne Tebaud, ce cray, Le lauter Estenen, qui pus fu ray. Le deus drayners, a mvn cient, Se lesserent murrer en lur jouent. Quant ly Bastard devayt morer, Quant qui anayt fyt departer Soun heritage, a mvn scient, Normundi o kaunt ky apent A Roberd sun ayne fyce dona, E dvk de Normandi lapella. Tvt son conquest par de ca A Wilyam, son fyce, dona. A Henri dona son tresor, Dras de say, argent, e or. Quant ile out fest son testement De teres, de or, e de argent, E vint e vne ane sunt complis Pus ke Engleter a conquis A Cham se lessa murer; E iloke ly fyrent enseueler. Apres ly son fyc Wilyam regna, E tvt Engletere gouerna; E Roberd, par bon entente, Se myt dever la tere saynte. E Normendi myt en gage, A Henri son frer, qui fv ben sage. Pur le tresor ke fv a son pere, Mot se afy en son fiere;

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Qui lemunt se contentrait, E nvl mal ly gueravt. Wilvam le Rvs. qui ravs fv. Malment se est contenv; Ord hyme estayt, e mal enteche, My cruel, e demesure, Surquidrus, e orgelhus, E sur tot reue consytuus. Eveches e abbayes Tynt en sa maine plysures aunees; Pur prier, ne pur resun, Ne vout graunter eus eleccioun De eweke, ne de abbe. Si par rauncone ne fvt achate. Le provaundes, e les masters, Ke gadis auaint le clers, Ne vout doner sauunz argent, Wender les fys comunement. Lay en sun tenz ne fv wse, Si par auer ne fv plede. Or e argent, ses amys, Par my la terre fvrent justiz. Cil qui plus torcenus estayt, E le popel meuz rainder sauayt, A ly estait amy cher, E svn priue consayler. Pur ses vtrages, qui fvrunt si granz, Prit Dev [de] li cruel venganz. Car vne nvste, caunt fv coche, Oribel sunge ly est mystre; Qui en vne eglyse ad este, E od la croyce se est melle. La croyce de denz avoyt runge, E la dester brace tvt deworre. Av matyn, kaunt fv leue, Le synge a soues ad cunte. Dunt plusures fyrunt espunte, E durement amerevale; Mes vne sage home, qui fv present, Av ray pria en curtyment

Qui se dust purpenser, E penaunce fer de bon quer, E enavaunt say amender, E de se peches confesser. Car la mort saunz pyte, Ne permyt home de mere ne. Ly royes, qui fust de dur quer Tev consayl prist a legger; En hast maunda a diner, Au boys ce dit il volait aler. Ly sage ber parla a taunt, "Sire, voster messe oyez awaunt; Car burse par aumoune nerst amenuse, Ne jurnee par messe ja desturbe." Ly roys se volait haster, En hayr se fiste a son diner. Serui fv de venison, A merwale gris, e de bone sesun. Ly royes ad dunt parle A li sage home avaunt nome. " Or weez cete wenisun, Ke mvt e gras, e de bone sesun. Svr seez e je ws dy, Ke vncke messe la beste oy. Ia ne est le maynes a priser, Ne maines deliciws a manger." Apre diner ly roys munta, E en la Noul Foreste entra; Vne cerf ad ben tost trove. Sicum Deus avayt ordine; Mvst belement passa awaunt, Vnkes de pour ne fyt semlaunt. Ly roys en hair comaunda A cil, qui son ark porta, A vne vallet de Fraunce ne, Wauter Tyrel fv apelle,-" Treez, le debel, ke de cy ne pase, Trop a vequi, e mvt e gras." Wauter vne sete a la best tendy,

E la seste bersa le ray par my.

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Hok murrest par le maufe,

Kannt predilock trais [xiij.] avus avayt regne.

Le somes ly vut emporte,

E a Vyneester vut enterre.

MS. Cott. Cleop. A. xii. fol. 59.

Cesti Willam ... fust manueis, displut tout bounte, irous, conaitouse, delikat, luxurious ouertement.—p. 23.

So little of any thing approaching to the semblance of good or kingly qualities has been laid to the account of William the Second, that we cannot deny his memory the insertion of the following lines, even although they contain no great praise. They are from the unprinted Chronicle of the Dukes of Normandy, written by Wace, of which the only known copy is in the British Museum.

Li reis Ros fu de grant noblesce, Proz, et de mult grant largesce, Noist de cheualier parler, Qe de proeise oist loer, Qui en son brief escrit ne fust, Et qui par an del soen neust.

MS. Reg. 4, C. xi. fol. 274. b.

En le tempe cesti Willam le rous fust le roy de Norwai, qi fust fitz Holain le graunt, tuez dun sete com avoit conquys lez iles de Orkany.—p. 24.

Haco, earl of Orkney, intent upon the civilization and conversion of his subjects, having consulted Anselm, received from him the following letter.

Anselmus gratia Dei archiepiscopus Cantuariensis Haconi, comiti Orcadensium, salutem et benedictionem Dei.

Audio quia propter indigentiam doctorum, minus quam expedit, populus qui sub vestra potestate est cognoscat et colat Christianum religionem. Sed gaudio quia referente episcopo, quem nunc per gratiam Dei habetis, dedici quod prudentia vestra libenter suscepit verbum Dei et consilium quod pertinet ad salutem. Hae igitur fiducia mitto strenuitati vestræ litteras monitionis meæ, quatinus se studiose committat prædicationi et doctrinæ ejusdem episcopi; et, quantum in vobis est, studeatis ut populus vester hoc ipsum faciat. Nichil enim facere potestis unde magis remissionem peccatorum vestrorum et vitæ æternæ gloriam adipisci valeatis, quam si populum vestrum ad cultum Christianæ religionis monendo et quibus cumque modis potestis vobiscum attrahitis. Quod efficaciter, Deo dante, im-

plere poteritis, si, quemadmodum supra dixi vobia, vos devote et sancta humilitate et pura voluntate episcopo vestno subditis. Si vero consilio nostro et exhortationi, Deo inspirante, acquiescere volucritis, oro Deum omnipotentem ut Ipse ves et totum populum vestrum sua gratia dirigat et protegat, et suam benedictionem et absolutionem vobis attribuat, et quantum in me est means banedictionem et absolutionem et orationes humilitatis mese ex corde vobis mando. Omnipotens Deus sic vos faciat vivere in hoc seculo ut in futuro jangamini beato angelorum consortio.—MS. Cott. Claud. A. xi. fol. 157. b.

Le primer ane que cesti roy Henry fust corone il esposa la bele puscele Maude, la feile Margaret la royne de Escoce—p. 24.

The marriage of Henry the First to Matilda, the daughter of Malcolm the Third, king of Sections, is a subject upon which the ecclesiastical historians of the middle ages have much to advance in opposition. They assert that the princess had taken the wows of a monastic life, that her marriage was attained by coercion, and that upon being compelled to give her assent to it, she cursed her future issue. The manuscript chronicle of Matthew Paris is explicit, and contains much more than is inserted in the printed copy.

REX HENRICUS MATILDAM DUXIT, FILIAM REGIS SCOTORUM.

Redeuntes autem ad Anglorum historiam de regis Henrici gestis referamus in omnibus ad votum, nisi quod tantummodo impetus fratris sui R[oberti] formidavit prosperantis, Habuit autem rex Scotorum Malcolmus ex regina sua sanctissima filiam elegantissima speciei, et, quod pluris erat, vitæ sanctissimæ. Quæ vere regis piissimi M[alcolmi] et, regins Dee platitæ Margaretæ filia in omnibus studuit tam patrisare in moribus quam matrissare. Erat itaque puella in sanctimonialium claustro propter honestatem educata, et. ut dicitur, Deo sacro velo dicata, ac jam professa. Rex autem Henricus ipsam, propter ipsius mores et faciei venustatem, scienter adoptavit et instanter peciit in uxorem. Quod audientes pater puellæ et mater non sunt austi tam potentes viri instantiam propellare. Accedentes autem ad puellam de consensu tantæ copulæ sciscitabantur, et ipsa præcisé abnegans asserebat se ab alio amatore, scilicet Christo, præveniri; increpans patrem et matrem de zelotipiæ præsumpcione, nec ipsos debere de corpore suo fructum mortalitatis exposcere vel factum posteritatis infructuosum. Et sic pater tristis recessit; sed matri propositum puellare complacuit. Quod cum regi Henrico nunciaretur ex repulsa cepit flagrantis spiritu luxurize stimulante exardescere in virginialium amplexuum illicitam concupiscenciam. Missis igitur sollempnibus nunciis urgencius adolescentulam in reginam expostulans-imperium, promissa, preces, confudit in unum. Rex igitur Malcolmus, nesciente regina sua quam noverat tali matrimonio nullatenus consentire, abbatissam, quæ beatæ virgini Matildæ præerat in curia pastorali, fascinavit ut cor virginis suis sermocinacionibus ad consensum matrimonii prætaxati caucius inclinaret, proponens utilitatem unde proventuram, schicet, regnorum fædera, regum mutuam dilectionem, pacis tranquilli-







tateus, propagationis posteritatem, reginalem dignitatem, honoris magnificentiam, divitiarum affluentiam, amoris desiderium, amatoris pulchritadinem. Cum autem undique virgo circumveniretur, tandem patris sui et abatisse et aliorum consensit persuasionibus, maledicens fructui sui ventris affuturo. Archiepiscopus igitur Anselmus, qui jam vocatus advenerat, sollempaia dispensationis inter regem H[enricum] et reginam Matildam memoratam oelebravit.—MS. Reg. 14, C. vii. fol. 37. b.

I subjoin an extract from the unprinted "Breviarum chronicorum Thomæ Rudburni, monachi Wintoniensis."

Anno Domini 1101, et anno regni regis Henrici primo, duxit rex Henricus Matildam filiam Malcolmi regis Scotiæ et Margaritæ quæ fuit soror Edgari Adelinge, ut superius dictum est. Hæc Matildis fuit velo sacro Deo dicata ac professa, propter quam causam voluit consentire patri neque matri suadentibus ut tam excellentissimum principem causa pacis reservandse in maritalem thorum acciperet. Tandem ad ultimum quia consideravit quod melior foret obedientia quam victime, abbatisse hoc suggerentis paruit judicio, maledicens fructui ventris sui affuturo. Beatus Anselmus archiepiscopus solemnia despensationis celebravit. Qualis vero vindicta de isto zelotipio, quia Christum de sponsa sua rex Henricus defraudaverat, similiter et ex maledictione fructus per devotissimam reginam subsequata sit partim immediate sequentibus, partim cum de Henrico secundo et de matre ejus, filio istius nobilissimæ reginæ nomine Matildi, pertractabimus. Nam primogenitus istius Henrici Beweclark ex Matilda filia Malcolmi regis Scotise nomine Willelmus, post fidelitatem et homagium præstitum ab omnibus magnatibus et nobillissimis et omnibus plebanis, submersus est cum multis nobilibus non longe a terra, mare existente tranquillissimo quando absorbebantur, patrem in Angliam prospere navigantem sequi gestiens. Anno Domini 1120, anno regni regis Henrici 20, isti omnes qui submersi fuerant, vel fere omnes, ut fertur, Sodomitica labe polluebantur. Iste Willelmus, primogenitus Henrici, palam comminatus fuerat Anglis, quod si aliquando dominium super eos haberet, quasi boves ad aratrum trahere eos faceret.—MS. Cott. Cland. B. vii. fol. 1.

In these narratives there appears to be much fiction intermixed with some truth. That which is taken from Matthew Paris savours of the cloister, and involves the obvious absurdity of making Malcolm and Margaret alive when Henry was on the throne of England, whereas it is notorious that they both were dead anterior to that event. A short comment appended by a writer of the early part of the seventeenth century to the observations of Rudburn, given above, is worth transcribing. Immediately beneath it Sir Robert Cotton has affixed his usual signature, "Robert Cotton Bruce;" but whether he meant by doing so to convey the idea that he was the author, or only that the volume was his property, is not perfectly obvious.

Qued here Matildis regima maledixerit fructui ventris sui faturo, etc. ut iste scribit, vel quod dixerit, ut Matthæus Parisiensis scribit, 'irata in mentis amaratudine, iructum



ventria mei diabolo commendo'—sunt somnia monachorum sua vota mimis extollencium, quod evidentissime probari potest ex historia Edmeri, qui, eo tempore quo vixit Anselmas, monachus erat Cantuariensis. Convincitur etiam hoc commentum ex ipsa epistola Matildis prædictæ ad Anselmum exulem, ut inter epistolas Anselmi, numero 165, habetur; et in epistola etiam ejusdem Anselmi ad illam, epistola 167; et in epistola 34, centuria tertia, sic rogat, 'immo vero apud Deum pro ipso et me et communi sobole et regni nostri statu pium vos intercessorem exhibeatis.'"

The clearest and most probable account is that of Eadmer, a contemporaneous writer, who states that Matilda herself, having some doubt as to the propriety of entering into the married state, submitted her case to the consideration of archbishop Anselm, and furnished him with the following statement:—

"Attamen me velum portasse non abnego. Nam cum adolescentuta essem, et sub amitæ meæ Christianæ, quam tu bene nosti, virga paverem, illa servandi corporis mei causa contra furentem et cujusque pudori ea tempestate insidiantem Normannorum libidinem, nigrum panniculum capiti meo superponere, et me illum abjicientem acris verberibus et nimium obscœnis verborum conviciis sæpe cruciare simul et dehonestare solebat. Quem pannum in ipsius quidem præsentia gemens et tremebunda ferebam, sed mox ut me conspectui ejus subtrahere poteram, arreptum in humum jacere, pedibus proterere, et ita quo in odio fervebam, quamvis insipienter, consueveram desævire. Isto, non alio modo, teste conscientia mea, velata fui. Ac si me oblatam quisque dicet, et hoc quale sit ex eo colligi potest, quod, aicut plurimi qui adhuc supersunt noverunt, pater meus cum me, quemadmodum dixi, velatam forte vidisset, furore succensus, injecta manu velum arripuit, et dissipans illud, odium Dei imprecatus est ei qui mihi illud imposuit, contestans se comiti Alano me potius in uxorem quam in contubernium sanctimonialium prædestinasse."—p. 56.

Such evidence is more than enough to set aside the later tales of Paris and Rudburn.

I may add the testimony of the Winton Annals, which, from their antiquity and local minuteness, are entitled to credit.

m.c. Matildis, Malcolmi regis filia Scotiæ, de monacha Wiltoniæ, non tamen professa, regina Angliæ facta est.—MS. Cott. Domit. xiii. fol. 25.

Meisme la sesoun morust Edgar roy Descoce, apres qy regna Alexander soun freir..... p. 28.

The early and respectable authority of Gaimar adds weight to the testimony of other writers, who inform us that Edgar was seated on the throne of Scotland by the aid of the king of England, with whom he was on terms of intimacy, and to whom, it is said, his gratitude induced kim to secrifice the independence of his kingdom by doing homage for it to William the Second.



Ore ad li reis tut apessez,
Ainz ke cest ost seit repairez,
De vers Escoce li regnez.
Li reis Edgar est ais prinez,
De lui son regne ad receu,
En franc seruice sanz treu.
E li rels bien li otriad,
Ke quant li vers sa curt vendrat,
Seissante solz ait chescen ior,
Dunt serui seit par grant honour,
Estre presenz e akres dons,
Co fust sa dreite liaeraisons.

fol. 146.

In the absence of almost all authentic information regarding Edgar, the following letter from Anselm, the learned archbishop of Canterbury, cannot but be interesting. It is addressed to Alexander the First, upon his accession to the Scottish throne, and contains admonitions not only as to the future conduct of the new sovereign, but reflexions creditable to the memory of his predecessor.

ALEXANDRO, gratia Dei, regi Scottorum, Anselmus servus ecclesiæ Cantuariensis, salutem, et fideles orationes, et benedictionem Dei et suam, quantum valet.

Gratias agimus Deo, et gaudemus ego et tota congregatio ecclesiæ Christi Cantuariensis, quia Deus vos in regnum paternum hereditario jure post fratrem vestrum sullimavit, et quia vos moribus dignis regno decoravit. Pro fratre vestro, qui sancte vivendo meruit ut de hac vita bono fine, misericordia Dei, transiret, sicut pro dilecto dilectore nostro, secundum petitionem vestram oramus et orabimus ut Deus animæ illius gloriæ suæ cum electis suis gaudium seternum tribuat, et seternam benedictionem concedat. Scio quod celsitudo vestra meum amat et desiderat consilium. In primis, igitur, oro Deum ut ipse vos Sancti sui Spiritus gratia sic dirigat, ut in omnibus actibus vestris consilium attribuat ut ad regnum coeleste post hanc vitam vos perducat. Nostrum autem consilium est ut timorem Dei et bonos ac religiosos mores, quas in adolescentia et ab infantia cepistis habere, ipso adjuvante a quo cepistis studeatis tenere. Tunc enim bene reges regnant cum secundum volentatem Dei vivust et serviunt ei in timore, et cum super se ipsos regnant, nec se vitiis subjiciunt, sed illorum importunitatem constanti fortitudine superant. Non enim repugnant in rege virtutum constantia et fortitudo regia. Quidam enim reges, sicut David, et sancte vizerant et populum sibi commissum cum rigore justitiee et pietatis mansuetudine, secundum quod res exigit, rexerunt. Sic vos exhibete ut mali vos timeant et boni vos diligant, et ut vita vestra semper Deo placet semper mens vestra vindictam malorum et præmium bonorum post hanc vitam memoria retineat. Omnipotens Deus vos et omnes actus vestros nulli alii quam suze pise dispensationi committat. De fratribus nostris quos in Scotiam, secundum voluntam fratris vestri, qui de labore hujus vitze, sicut credimus, ad requiem transiit, misimus, benignitatem vestram rogare necesse non putamus, quia bonam voluntatem vestram non ignoramus.—MS. Cott. Claud. A. xi. fol. 144.

Et meisme cel ane la devorz fu fait entre le roy Louys de France et la royne sa femme, ge fust droit heyre de Aqitain.—p. 32.

Eleanor, the repudiated wife of Louis the Seventh, upon her marriage with Henry the Second of England, brought as her dower the duchy of Aquitain. She was the daughter of William the Tenth of that name, duke of Aquitain, and succeeded to the possessions of her father in the year 1137, he having died when on a pilgrimage to the shrine of Saint James of Compostella. His praise is recorded in somewhat dubious terms in the following lines.

EPITHAPHIUM.

Dux Aquitanorum, flos nobilitatis avitæ, Hic, Gvillelme, cita morte subacte jaces. Alta palatia, lata potentia, gloria mundi, Non potuere tibi tollere posse mori. Militiæ factus cum consule, cum duce, transit; Armorumque perit irrequietus amor. Pacis amator, eam nunquam sine marte petebas; Civibus ipse tuis senior hostis eras. Hostibus et patriæ metus atque ruina fuisti. Præsulibus terror, ecclesiæque labor. Regibus et ducibus, cum principibus populorum, Factus és excidium, pestis, et exitium. [N]omine victa tuo virtus elanguit orbis, Sola tua potuit mors superare manus. Ad templum Jacobi veniens, peregrinus, obisti: Sit tibi præsidium sanctus apud Dominum.

MS. Cott. Cleop. C. i. fol. 26.

En quel houre Dauid roy Descoce entra Engleter od grant ost, ou le count de Aumarell od autres norays ly descounfirent ioust Allertoun par sarmoun de Turstin, erosuceque Deuerwyk, qi lour souenoit de pruesce de lour auncestres, enmonestaunt a coumbatre pur lour pays. Il est dit qe lez Escoces furount illoeqes descounfits dez neyse en potes souts terre.—p. 33.

The best accounts of the Battle of the Standard are to be found in the treatise of Ailred upon that event, and in the chronicles of Richard and John of Hexham; all of which are

printed in the Decem Scriptores. The narrations of Huntingdon and Hoveden are of inferior value. In none of these accounts is there any notice of the defeat of the Scottish army by "dez noyse en potes soutz terre," as mentioned in the text; an apparently improbable and absurd contrivance, to which the English had no need to resort, and which would, in all likelihood, have produced no such effect upon their antagonists. It is, however, mentioned in another copy of the narrative Ailred de Bello Standardi, preserved in the British Museum, which, although of no great antiquity, has afforded some valuable various readings; and is the more worthy of notice since Twysden published his edition from a copy in Cambridge, which he believed to be unique.

Non latuit proceres Transumbranos ejus adventus, qui ammonicione et ortata Thurstini archiepiscopi et maxime Walteri de Espec, de quo postea dicemus, in unum convenientes, ejus conatui resistere decreverunt. Igitur parvum quidem numero sed armis et viribus robustissimum exercitum adunarunt. Regium quoque signum, quod vulgo dicitur Standerd, in campo latissimo, scilicet, super Cottewen-more, juxta Northaldertone constituens, illic hostes excipere decreverunt. Ipse autem Thurstinus fieri jussit in viis subterraneis quædam instrumenta sonos horribiles reddentia, quæ Anglice dicuntur "Potroutes," quibus resonantibus, feræ et cætera armenta quæ præcedebant excercitum prædicti David regis timore stepidus (?) perterita in excercitum regis David ferociter resiliebant. Sed et Thurstinus, etc.—MS. Cott. Titus, A. xix. fol. 144. b.

The following notice, omitted in the printed editions of Matthew Paris, is preserved in the Royal manuscript, and is curious both to the historian and philologist:—

.... et lan suaunt morust le roy David.—p. 34.

Associating, as we do, the name of David the First with the establishment and prosperity of the Monastic orders in Scotland, the introduction in this place of the following curious list of ecclesiastical establishments in that country seems by no means unappropriate. It forms the concluding portion of a catalogue, which embraces the monasteries, etc. of England and Wales, divided into counties, at the end of each of which its castles are enumerated. From internal evidence it might be easy to affix the date; the writing is of the early portion of the thirteenth century. Another list of a similar nature, but imperfect in the portion here printed, is contained in the Cotton MS. Vesp. A. xviii. fol. 157.





LAVDIAN.

Abbatia,	Newbotle,	monachi albi.
Abbatia,	Maylros; Sanctæ Mariæ,	monachi albi.
Abbatia,	Dreyeburgh; S*	canonici albi.
Abbatia,	Kelzho; Sanctæ Mariæ,	monachi nigri de Tyrun.
Abbatia,	Rokesburgh; S*	canonici nigri.
Abbatia,	Caldestream; S*	moniales nigree.
Abbatia,	Edeneburgh; S*	canonici nigri.
Abbatia,	Goddewrthe; S*	monachi nigri.
Prioratus,	Goldingeham; S*	monachi nigri.
Prigratus,	Hadintone; S*	moniales albæ.
Priomatus,	Suthberewik; S*	moniales albæ.
Prioratus,	Northberewik; S*	moniales nigræ.
Prieratus,	Eccles; S*	moniales albæ.

	IN SCOTIA.			
	Episcopatus	Sancti Andreæ,	canonici nigri, Keldei.	
	Abbatia,	Dunfermelin; Sanctæ Trinitatis,	monachi nigri.	
•	Abbatia,	Streuelin; S*	canonici nigri.	
	Prioratus	de May; de Readinge,	monachi nigri.	
	Prioratus `	in insula Sancti Columbæ,	canonici nigri.	
	Abbatia ·	de Lundres; Sª	monachi nigri de Tyron.	
	Prioratus	de Pert; S*	moniales nigrae.	
	Abbatia	de Scone; S*	canonici nigri.	
	Prioratus	de Nostinot; S*	canonici nigri.	
	Abbatia	de Cupre,	monachi albi.	
	Abbatia,	Aberbrothot,	monachi de Tyron.	
	¶ Episcopatus,	Dunkeldre; Sancti Columkille,	canonici nigri, Keldei.	
	Episcopatus	de Brethin,	Keldei.	
	Episcopatus	de Aberde,		
	Episcopatus	de Mūrene,	canonici seculares.	
	Prioratus	de Hurtard,	monachi nigri de Dunfermt.	
	Abbatia	de Kinlos,	monachi albi.	
	¶ Episcopatus	de Ros,	Keldei.	
	Episcopatus	de Glascu,	canonici seculares.	
	Abbatia	Sancti Kenewinii,	monachi de Tyron.	
	¶ Episcopatus	de Galeweye,		
	Abbatia	de Candida Casa,	menacki albi.	
	Abhatia,	M,	monachi nigri-	

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T Episcopatus de Dublin, Keldei.
Episcopatus de Katenesio, Keldei.
Episcopatus de Argull, Keldei.
Abbatia in Insula, Keldei.

MS. Cott. Cleop. A. xii. fol. 56.

Apres cesti roy Esteuen regna Henry fitz lemperice, et fust corone a Westmouster .- p. 35.

The accession of Henry the Second to the throne of England was exceedingly popular to the nation at large, wearied and impoverished by the long and distracting wars between Stephen and Maud. Upon this occasion a poet of the day addressed to the new king the following verses, now first published.

Dux illustris Normannorum, et comes Andegavorum, Pictavorum dominator, Turonorum propugnator, Cujus nutu vibrant enses; populi Cenomannenses Anglorumque plebs turbata gratulatur, pace data. Tibi cœtus cœli plaudit, te, victorem, Deus audit, Cum sis nepos magni regis, per quem stetit summa legis; Illius nam præfers nomen, cujus tibi ridet omen. Velint nolint inimici heres ejus potes dici, Magnitudine virtutis, per quem crevit lux salutis, Et redemptio multorum hoc in regno captivorum. Erant ante venatores, quorum tales scimus mores, Pecudes haud ambiebant, homines at capiebant, Redimentes eos dure, sine lege, sine jure, Donec Deus te reduxit, per quem nova lux illuxit. Dum libertas celebratur servitusque profligatur, Annus redit jubileus, quo respexit regnum Deus, Innocens ut glorietur et reus exterminetur. Mitibus es mitis agnus et tyrannis leo magnus, -Et, qui corde sunt opaco, eos terres quasi draco. A supremis Orchadarum finibus, es, insularum, Alpes usque divulgatus, dux a Deo nobis datus. Roma tibi gratulatur, et Apulia lætatur, Siculæque gentes ovant, Italique plausum novant. De te gaudet omnis mundus, et fit, pro te, lætabundus. Corruerunt ut castella, sævit fervens haud procella. Grates tibi fures multi delitescunt jam sepulti,

Et prædones exterrentur, ut insontes glorientur. Qui superbi fremuerunt, pauperesque depresserunt. Ingimescunt nunc afflicti, et terrore tuo victi. Sermo tuus pravos scindit, et ut ensis illos findit. Qui justitiam non colunt, et qui sponte flecti nolunt, Ab elacione sua curvat hos formido tua. Et mitescunt sic potentes ut disperdant haud egentes. Dives quondum gazis plenus nunc plus gemit quam egenus, Et qui solet imperare cogitur nunc supplicare. Angelusque cum sis Dei per te splendet lux diei; Et quæ regnum nox depressit in adventu tuo cessit. Sol æternus, radix Dauid, tuos actus illustravit, Et ubique manet tecum, quia colis jus et æquum. Muri Jericho ruerunt buccinæ dum sonuerunt, Quam Levitse circuibant, sacerdotesque presibant; Sic pontifices egerunt, qui de pace tractaverunt; Hoc consilio pollentes crudeles stravere gentes, Quorum corruerunt muri, in æternum perituri. Vincit, regnat, in te Deus, imperatque plastes meus, Vivas ergo sine fine, quia non nos terrent minse; Nec ingluvies raptorum vorat escas orphanorum; Sceptrum regni consequeris, beatusque princeps eris. Cum in vertice suprema cinget caput diadema, Tunc applaudent cœli cives, plaudet pauper, plaudet dives; Teque sanctum dicent regem qui sectantur Dei legem; Reges Ierosolimorum te condecorant decorum, Tui patruus et avus, quibus cedit quisque pravus; Fama sonat laude bona capta quod sit Ascalona, Babylonque confundetur, et Damascus capietur; Hique proximi sunt tibi, qui sic nunc triumphant ibi. Tribulantur Sarraceni immenso dolore pleni, Et exultant Christiani cultus casu jam prophani. Rex Christus per genus tuum sic conservat locum suum, Sepulchrique sancti decus haud delebit error cœcus. Hoc edoctus es exemplo, ut ubique Dei templo Per te jam sit restauratum, quod lugebat plebs ablatum. Ierusalem novam fundas hocque regnum totum mundas A spurcitiis eorum, servi qui sunt idolorum;



IL argentum ambientes, multas occiderant gentes. Vir Oratio Mecsenas, amoris laxans habenas, Suo tempore dilexit, et in multus hunc pervexit: Et Virgilius venusto carmine, carus Augusto, Auctus est mercede bona, ampla satis sumens dona. Josephus, spe non inani, filium Vespasiani, Titum, colens, liberatur servitute qua gravatur, Ergo manum dans Osberto, hunc gaudere fine certo In afflictione sua fac protectione tua. Ne ecclesia gravetur cui præesse se fatetur: Quam deprimere conantur qui perverse malignantur. Pax sit tecum, victor clare, qui scis jam triumphare, Ut sit regnum regnum paeis ensis tui vi minacis. Christus auctor veræ pacis, per quem nobis finem facis, Tibi regnum dans supernum, te conservet in æternum. Nutrix mundi, larga Ceres, gaudet tibi quod sit heres Potens, post te qui regnabit, et ex hoste tryumphabit; Lineaque styrpis claræ nesciet degenerare. Sed, sicut processit a te, sic sequatur probitate, Cujus honor genetricis est memoria felicis, Quia nulla laude pari illi potest coæquari, Tam prudens et generosa, tam est decens et formosa, Vincat omnes ut splendore quæ in mundo sunt decoræ. Salvet Christus auctor rerum speculum hanc mulierum. Sobolemque divæ prolis lustret splendor veri solis. Septem quondam sapientes, si nunc essent inter gentes, Magna de te et de tuis intimarent scriptis suis. Apollo si te videret, novem musas adhiberet, Decacordum temperaret, tuas laudes personaret; Orpheusque tangens liram amoveret fel et iram, Faceretque quercus segui te, ducem juris et segui. In te cunctaque completa speculamur fronte læta. Qui brutorum das naturam ut hoc fiat per figuram.

MS. Cott. Vitell. A. xvii. fol. 143.

These verses were written by Osbert de Stoke, prior of Daventry, who flourished about the year 1136, and was the author of various other productions which are enumerated in *Tunner's Bibliotheca*, p. 564. Although they do not abound in historical information they are valuable as showing the state of feeling to a certain extent at the period of the access-

sion of Henry the Second, and are worthy of preservation as one of the very few contemporaneous historical documents of that remote period which do not come within the denomination of chronicles.

... et nomement lez Flemyakes qi od Esteuen estoient grants maistern-p. 35.

Matthew Paris has preserved a picture of the character of these foreign mercenaries, and joined with it a rhyme which will appear valuable to those who take an interest in collecting early political songs. I give both from the Royal manuscript so frequently referred to.

Stipatus ergo comes milite copioso ad pugnam præparato, scilicet, tribus milibus Flandrensium; quos viæ participes tunc habuit, nec minimum in eisdem confidebat, quos sanguinis sitatores noverat et ad sancta invadenda sacrilegos. Qui etiam quando ad aliquam
planiciem, gratia pausandi, diverterant, choreas ducentes propria lingua saltitando cantabant,

"Hoppe, hoppe, Wilekin; hoppe, Wilekin! Engelond is min ant tin."

MS. Reg. 14, C. vii. fol. 64, ad an. 1173.

This passage is omitted both in the text and in the various readings of Watts' edition.

En cel temps fist le roy Henry serchere le corps Arthur et le troua a Glastinbery en vn sarcu.—p. 37.

Although this event be recorded by many of our early historians, none of them give such a good account as does Giraldus Cambrensis in that work to which we shall be indebted for so many curious illustrations. His statement is that of an eyewitness, and will be read with interest. Unfortunately, it is spun out to such a length that the whole cannot be introduced here; the first and more curious portion is given from the Cotton. MS. Julius, B. xiii.

DE REGE ARTHURO NOSTRIS DIEBUS INVENTO.

Arthuri quoque Britonum regis incliti memoria est non supprimenda, quoniam monasterii Glastoniensis egregii, cujus et ipse patronus suis diebus fuerat præcipuus ac largitor ac sublevator magnificus, historiæ multum extollunt. Præ cunctis enim ecclesiis regni sui sanctæ Dei genetricis Mariæ Glastoniensem ecclesiam plus dilexit et præ cæteris longe majori devotione promovit. Unde cum vir bellator extiterit in anteriori parte clipei sui beatæ Virginis ymaginem interius, ut eam in conflictu præ oculis semper haberet, depingi fecerat, cujus et pedes quociens positus in congressionis articulo fuerat, deosculari cum plurima devotione consueverat. Hujus autem corpus quod quasi fantasticum in fine et tanquam per spiritus ad longinqua translatum, neque morti obnoxium, fabulæ confinxerant, hiis nostris diebus apud Glastoniam inter lapides pyramideas duas in cimiterio sacro quondam erectas, profundius in terra quercu concava reconditum, et signatum miris indiciis et quasi miraculosis, est inventum, et in ecolesiam cum henore translatum, marmoreoque de-

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center tumulo commendatum. Unde et crux plumbea lapide supposito, non superius ut selet diebus, inferiori pocius ex parte infixa, quam nos quoque vidimus, namque tractavimus, litteras has insculptas et non eminentes et extantes, sed magis interius ad lapidem versas continebat—"Hic jacet sepultus inclitus rex Arthurus cum Wenneuereia uxore sua secunda in insula Auallona."

Occurrunt hie autem notabilia plurima, habuerat enim uxores duas, quarum ultima simul cum ipso sepulta fuerat et ossa ipsius cum ossibus viri simul inventa, sic distincta tamen ut duæ partes sepulchri versus capud, scilicet, ossibus viri continentis, deputatæ, tercia vero versus pedes ossa muliebria seorsum contineret, ubi et circa comæ muliebris cum integritate pristina et colore reperta fuit, quam ut monachus quidam avide manu arripuit et sublevavit tota statim in pulverem decidit. Cum autem aliqua indicia corporis ibi inveniendi ex scripturis suis, aliquia ex litteris pyramidibus impressis, quanquam nimia plurimum antiquitate deletis, aliqua quoque per visiones et revelationes bonis viris et religiosis factas, maxime tamen et evidentissime rex Angliæ Henricus secundus, sicut ab historico cantore Britone audierat anticho, totum monachis indicavit, quod profunde, scilicet, in terra per xvj. pedes ad minus corpus invenirent, et non lapideo tumulo sed in quercu cavata. Ideoque tam profunde situm corpus et quasi absconditum fuerat, ne a Saxonibus post necem ipsius insulam occupantibus, quos tanto opere vivens debellaverat et fere toto deleverat, posset nullatenus inveniri, et ob hoc etiam litteræ veritatis judices crucis impressæ, interius ad lapidem versæ fuerunt, ut et tunc temporis quod continebat occultarent.—fol. 107.

The narrative then proceeds to give an account of the island of Avalon, with the etymology of its name and that of Glastonbury; and passes on to describe the wounds distinguishable on the skull of Arthur and the superhuman magnitude of the bones.

Meisme le temps saynt Thomas de Cantorbirs fust exile, qi grant repair fist a Pountenay a grant freise del abbey.—p. 39.

It was during his residence at Pountenay that the following incident, unnoticed by any of the numerous biographers, ancient or modern, who have enlarged upon the life and death of Becket, occurred. I am induced to insert it here as an authentic anecdote, not unworthy of preservation.

Beatus Cantuariensis archiepiscopus Thomas agens in exilio, cum apud Pontiniacum moram faceret, lectioni pariter intendens et orationi, cum moris haberet ut fatigatus a stadio per singulos clericos suos singula loca studii causa tenentes deambularet, quærendo quod elegans dictum tunc invenisset. Veniens ad Alexandrum Valensem, Bangorensem archidiacomum, qui in ejus obsequiis tunc fuerat, quæsivit in quo libro studeret, et cum ille Marcialem Cocum tunc forte præ manibus et oculis haberet, dixit beatus Thomas, quantum talem virum talis liber decebat; erat enim ille vir jocularis et linguæ dicacis. Qui statim respondit quod liber ille dignus erat qui ab ipso transcriberetur; et si non propter aliud, propter versus duos quos in adventu viri saneti, quasi promostico quodam, tunc legebat præ-

scriptos, scilicet, qui fortunæ martiris expresse conveniebant; propter quod hiis auditis et librum a manibus ejus statim assumens, ipsum transcribi fecit. Hos quoque versus ibidem invenies;

> Dii mihi dent et tu quæ tu, Trajane, mereris, Dii michi dent et tu quæ volo si merui.

> > MS. Cott. Julius, B. xiii. fol. 92. b.

Martial was a greater favourite in the middle ages than might have been anticipated from his style and mode of writing. He is generally styled Martialis Cocus, as in the passage above, by John of Salisbury, *Policrat.* vi. 3; by Richard de Bury in the *Philobiblion*, and by many other writers, the reason for which is not, I believe, correctly ascertained.

Mauclom le roy Descoce morust a Jedworth et fust enterez a Dunfermelyn; Willam soun freir regna en Escoce apres.—p. 39.

Giraldus Cambrensis, in his treatise, "De instructione Principis," has some observations upon the Scottish sovereigns in general, and upon William in particular, which will be read with interest; especially since having been rejected in the edition of Bouquet, where alone any part of this work is to be found in print, they are now for the first time made public.

DE SCOTORUM PRINCIPIBUS RELIGIONE CONSPICUIS.

Scotorum autem principes, qui et reges dicuntur, sicut et Hispaniæ principes, qui nec coronari tamen consueverant nec inungi, bonos quidem et sanctos fuisse fama prædicat, et quorum bonitate qui nostris diebus præfuit non denigravit rex Willelmus. Hic etenim, quamquam juvenilibus annis interdum juveniliter agens, et motus trauis[carnis?] ad plenum non refrænans, sensualitatis insultus ratione prævia et prævalente non cohiberet; morum tamen maturitatem et venustatem simul cum annis, processu temporis, induens, et sic ætatum sic et virtutum gradibus feliciter ascendens, abjecto veteri homine, ex toto novus effectus et in virum alterum iam mutatus, cum lenitate simul et mansuetudine, cum religione magna et erga Deum ecclesiasque sacrae cultum, grandi et jugi devotione, ecclesiarum quoque in pauperes largicione, pius, providus et pacificus, justicia ubique cum æquitate servata Scotorum extitit nostris diebus rector felix et moderator. Proinde totum regni sui decus, quod apud Aunewicense castrum simul cum opidis electis hostili conflictu captus olim amiserat, Scotia quidem a tempore Claudii Cesaris usque tunc regno Britannico non existente subjecta, ab Anglorum rege tunc regnante, Ricardo, divina et justicia utriusque principis uno in facto merita pensante, pretio pecunize dato, prætereunte felici sibique suisque commercio quam in Christiano non tam inicium quam finis spectari solet rem impreciabilem viro magnanimo recuperavit. Porro quoniam nichil humanis in rebus omni ex parte perfectum natura expolivit, nichilque tam clarum in terris quod aliqua menda vel nævo non denigretur, vir tantus et tam laudabilis in multis totam gloriam suam ab ineunte ætate usque in senima, proch dolor! unica macula decoloravit. Per totam enim terre sue totius amplitudinem in cathedralibus ecclesiis cunctis nullas omnino nisi ad nutum ipsius, more tyrannico, fieri

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permisit electiones; enormes quidem Normannicæ tyrannidis per Angliam abusiones, nimis in hoc expresse sequens.—MS. Cott. Julius, B. xiii. fol. 111.

Giraldus then argues at some length upon the accusation here brought by him against William, of interfering with the election of ecclesiastics, alluding to the part which he took in the disputes relative to the election of Hugh and John Scot to the see of St Andrew's. Although not destitute of interest, I refrain from continuing my extract.

Willam roy Descoce entrast Engleter od grantz soudiers de Flaundres.-p. 40.

During this irruption into England, a portion of Henry's army advanced to Durham, and having committed some excesses, gave an opportunity to St Cuthbert to perform a miracle in defence of his patrimony, of which opportunity, as might be expected, he did not delay to avail himself. Reginald, a monk of Durham, and then living, thus narrates the event.

Qualiter miles qui ad cimiterium equo descendere noluit, subito cum equo præceps corruit.

Facta dissentione inter primates terræ et regem Angliæ, Willelmus rex Scotiæ, collecto exercitu, cepit fines circumpositas Northumbriæ lata depopulationis strage vastare. Ipse enim favebat partibus regi Henrico adversantium, conantes in regni solio regi patri regem nuper creatum præferre filium. Quod videntes australes Angliæ principes cum multa manu militari constipati cepere prævenire et tueri regni et populi irruptiones. Unde Dunelmum usque excercitu Anglorum veniente, multi eorum cum oblatione devota studuere beati Cuthberti se patrocinio commendare, et ipsius ecclesiam subituri discincti gladio et descendentes equo proni et supplices humilitatis ornatu sunt induti. Inter quos quidam miles laude preciosus, ore grandiloquus, pompa auctoritatis et cordis elatus, dum ad cimiterii fines ulteriores equo spumante devehitur, more cæterorum pedibus et vestigio humili ad ecclesiam sancti confessoris progredi vel ingredi dedignatur. Socii vero et multi alii illum sedulo hortati sunt ut equo descenderet, et humili ad ecclesiam gressu procederet. Set ille quo devocior ex monitu multorum fieri poterat, eo se rigidiorem corde, ore, et opere exhibebat. Nempe equum ferocem et furibundum calcaribus stimulabat, et se usque ad limina ecclesiæ equitaturum cum sacramento multiplici confirmabat, etc.—Harl. MS. 4843, fol. 148.

As might be expected from this exordium, the rider, persisting in his intention, is thrown from his horse and breaks his neck; but the story proceeding in the regular and established routine of such stories, the reader will easily excuse me for not continuing it.

... Willam roy Descoce ... assist Cardoil, ... se remua au chastel de Prodhou qi le conquist, se mist a Alnewyk qi le assist.—p. 40.

This irruption into England was made in the year 1173; and in Pipe Rolls for that year occur the following memoranda connected with it.



MINARIA CARLEOLI.

- Et Roberto de Vals, xx.1j. ad tenendum milites in castello de Carleo1; per breve Ricardi de Luci.
- Et Odinello de Vnfranvili, xx.ij. ad tenendum milites in castello de Prudho, pro dampno sibi a Scottis illato.
- Et Rogero filio Ricardi, xx.1j. ad tenendum milites in Novo Castello super Tinam; per breve Ricardi de Luci.—Pipe Roll, 19 Hen. II. in Carleilschire.

The liberality of the Commissioners of Public Records having placed these invaluable documents in the British Museum, where they are accessible to the public without the payment of a single fee, it is to be wished that some competent individual could be found to undertake the examination of them for the purpose of making a judicious selection of passages illustrative of Scottish history. From a careful examination of these rolls to the end of the reign of Richard the Second, I can say that notices of this nature are frequent and valuable; and enough would easily be found to fill a volume.

... en le Policronicon est assigne la cause de lour deuersete, en quoy est dit-p. 42.

The story here quoted from the Policronicon was not found in that history when looked for in more manuscripts than one. It is worthy of notice, however, that Fordun gives the same legend, referring to the same authority. Shall we suppose that the author of the Scalacronica cites his authority through that medium? or that he and Fordun allude to other versions of the Policronicon varying from the common copies?

Il en troue en lez cronicles que com cesti roy Henry envient on foitz de Irland-p. 43.

This revelation, the prototype of the spectral figure which admonished James the Fourth, king of Scotland, to desist from his headstrong adherence to the interest of France, appears to have furnished Pitscottie, directly or indirectly, with his graphic and admirable narrative of that event, now so familiar to all classes of readers by its introduction into the poem of Marmion. The version in the Policronicon, from which our author probably had the present notice, is an abridgment; so is that introduced into Brompton's Chronicle: it is in the treatise of Giraldus Cambrensis de Instructione Principis that we are to look for the full narrative. A future editor of Pitscottie will probably not fail to take advantage of this intimation. The more immediate origin of these stories recorded in the Scalacronica is the abridged narrative of Higden, which may be read with advantage in the Harleian manuscript, 1900, fol. 288, in the translation of Trevisa.

Autre foitz fust il garny par un Irroys damendre sa vie par si priuez enseigns qe nul ne conisoit qe ly meismes.—p. 43.

The second of these miraculous admonitions is thus given by Giraldus.

Post hanc revelationem et biennalem quæ secuta est persecutionem, quasi triennio, và quidam simplex, rectus et justus, in Hybernia manens, qui tamen non Hybernicus sed Anglicus erat, in sompnis hanc vocem audivit. "Vade ad Anglorum regem et dic ei quatinus jus suum cuique reddat, vitamque suam in melius emenderet; alioquin in brevi iram Dei incurret exterminantem." Cumque vocem eandem audisset nocte sequente et tertia quoque cum comminacione, interjectis et intersignis, regis dicentem ad se secretissima nulli hominum nisi ipsi soli cognita vel comperata, statim iter arripiens transcursoque duplici maris brachio, tam Gallici videlicet quam Hybernici, ad regem in Aquitannicæ Galliæ finibuss in verba prædicta pervenit. Sed rege per hoc non correcto nec commoto, nuncius ad propria, completa legatione, remeavit. Vir autem cum iter aggrediens, transmerso mari Hybernico per Galliam transiret, episcopum Sancti David, Petrum nomine, et illum qui scripsit hæc, archidiaconum ejus, in quodam monasterio Cisterciensis ordinis, cui nomen Alba Landa, invenit. Qui statim episcopo causam itineris sui secreto revelavit, et episcopus archidiacono.—MS. Cott. Jul. B. xiii. fol. 128.

La tierce foitz fust garny par un chiualer, qi out a noune Philip de Estderby, ly venoit somoundre de soy amendre de 7 articles.—p. 43.

This warning is in like manner to be referred to the treatise De Instructione Principis, from which it is introduced into the Policronicon in terms nearly similar to these employed in our chronicle. The introductory passage of the original, which, however, contains enough to serve our purpose, is here given from the Cotton MS. Julius, B. xiii. It is to be regretted that the length to which the narrative is extended prevents the insertion of the whole, for it is exceedingly curious, and would tend to illustrate the popular superstitions of the early period of the thirteenth century.

REVELATIO MILITI DE LINCOLNIÆ FINIBUS, ROGERO SCILICET DE ESTREBY, FACTA.

Circa heec eadem tempora, sed paulo post, militi cuidam de Lincolnies partibus, sui nomen Rogerus de Estreby, revelatio facta talis fuit. Cum ivit in campo solus audivit vocem majorem et postea minorem, quasi contestantes ividem, et dicentes ei quod iret Londone, ad archiepiscopum Cantuariensem Baldewinum, et Ranulphum de Glanuillis tunc Angliæ justiciarum, et diceret eis ex parte Dei ut statim transfertarent ad regem Hanricum et dicerent ei quod vij. mandata compleret quæ ei mandabant, et si hoc faceret honorifice per septennium viveret, et crucem Christi de inimicis ipsius perquireret, et vitam feliciter

terminaret, alioquin non ultra quatuor annos viveret, et ignominiose moreretur. Ipse vero putans fantasma esse, signo crucis se munivit; et diabolum, ut ab ipso discederet, adjuravit. Ipsi vero, quorum voces audiebantur, e contra dicebant se ex parte Dei esse, et cum inquireret quinam essent, dicebant quod Petrus et Gabriel erant. Multociens audivit cos hoc idem protestantes, sed fidem eis non adhibuit.

... vient Heraclius, patriarch de Jerusalem, au roy Henry, portaunt lettres de touz lez Cristiens orientalis demaundaunt eide vers lez paganes.—p. 45.

The fullest account of the unsuccessful mission of the Patriarch of Jerusalem to England, the manner in which Henry contrived to extricate himself from a crusade, and the angry conversation which passed at Dover when the failure of the schemes of the Patriarch was obvious, are detailed with much minuteness by Giraldus, in the work from which so many illustrations have already been derived. These passages, having been printed in the xviii. volume of Bouquet, are not here repeated; the reader who will take the trouble of turning to that work will feel amused with the narrative, especially with the chapter treating, "De patriarchæ monitis et commonionibus in regem Henricum, quasi prophetico spiritu, ter prolatis." It should be borne in mind, however, that Giraldus was a party writer, and his pictures of the violence and rapacity of Henry are to be viewed with an allowance for their overcolouring.

Il se remembra du vieu de la tere saint, a quoi il purchasa par toutez voyes le tresor qil pooît.—p. 48.

The chronicles are unanimous in their statement of the anxiety which Richard exhibited to proceed to the holy war, and of the modes which he adopted in raising money. An illustration of this occurs in the chronicle of Joceline de Bracelonde, a contemporaneous writer, who, being a party concerned in almost all the events which he relates, is deserving of great authority. It may be premised that he was an inmate of Bury St Edmunds.

Abbas [Sancti Edmundi] optulit regi Ricardo quingentas marcas pro manerio de Mildenhale, dicens illud manerium lx. libras et decem valere, et pro tanto esse rollatum in magna rolla de Wincestre. Et cum ita spem voti sui concepisset cepit res dilationem usque in crastinum. Interim venit aliquis dicens regi manerium illud bene valere c. libras. In crastino ergo abbati petitioni sue instanti dixit rex; "nichil est, domine abbas, quod quarris, vel mille marcas dabis vel manerium non habebis." Cum autem regina Alienor, secundum consuctudinem regni deberet accipere c. marcas ubi rex cepit mille, accepit a nobis calicem aureum in precium c. marcarum, et eundem calicem nobis reddidit pro anima domini sui, regis Henrici, qui eum primo dederat Sancto Edmundo.—Harl. MS. 1005, fol. 133.

Johan—enchasa le dit Willam leuesqe de Ely chaunceler qi sen fuyst hors Dengleter en draz de femme.—p. 49.

An exceedingly curious narrative, written by Hugo de Nunant, bishop of Coventry, giving an account of the adventures of this bishop of Ely when flying from England disguised as a woman, is inserted in Hoveden, fol. 400. Its details, although somewhat loose, are ludicrous in the extreme, and it must have been popular. It is quoted by Higden in his Policronicon.

Lessoms du roy de Fraunce, et parloms du roy Richard et de sez nefes.-p. 51.

One of the most curious unpublished English chronicles is that of Ricardus Divisiensis de rebus gestis Ricardi primi, which throws more light upon the eventful and striking history of the lion-hearted monarch than even that of Hoveden. It is to be regretted that such a chronicle should still be permitted to remain in manuscript: probably the period of its publication is not far distant. From it I extract the following account of Richard's navy.

Naves quas rex in littore jam præsto invenit erant numero centum, et buccæ quatuordecim, vasa magnæ capacitatis et miræ agilitatis, vasa fortia et integerrima, quorum ornatus et ordinatus hic erat. Prima navium tria gubernacula vacantia habuerunt tresdecim anchoras, triginta remos, duo vela, funes omnium generum triplices, et præter ista quibuscunque navis egere potest dupla, præter malum et scapham. Ascribitur navis regimini rector unus doctissimus, et quatuordecim ei æmuli (?) electi in ministerium supputantur. Oneratur navis quadraginta equis de pretio, exercitatis ad arma, et omni armorum genere totidem equitum, et quadraginta peditum et quindecim navigantium, et victualibus per annum integrum tot hominum et equorum. Una erat omnium navium depositio. Singulæ vero butiarum ordinatus et oneris duplum receperunt. Thesaurus regis, qui erat magnus nimis et inæstimabilis, divisus est per naves et bucias, ut si pars una sentiret periculum reliqua salvaretur. Quibus ita dispositis, rex ipse cum familia parva et majores exercitus cum sibi familiantibus, relicto littore, præcedunt classem, et per civitates maritimas dietim hospitantes, assumptis secum majoribus maris illius navibus ac buccis, prospere Massanam applicuerunt.

—MS. Cott. Domit. xiii. fol. 72. b.

The information here given in the text of the progress of Richard's navy appears to have been obtained from the journal of one who accompanied the expedition. It exists in a fuller and more correct form in the chronicles of Benedictus Abbas and of Hoveden, and has been abridged by the author of the Scalacronica from the last-named writer. The manuscript of Hoveden used upon this occasion has been corrupt, or the transcriber of the Scalacronica has been negligent in the performance of his duty, for, upon comparing the pages of our text with the narrative of the original, errors in names of places have been detected. As a protection against these, and an explanation of the disguise which the French dress throws over many proper names, it has been thought advisable to give first the reading of our ma-

nuscript, and in the opposite column the more intelligible form in which the word appears in Hoveden.

SCALACRONICA	HOVEDEN.
p. 51, l. 28. Legle	f. 380, l. 42. per Aquilam
29. par la cite de saint Nices	43. per civitatem de Nices
30. la cite de xx. Mille	43. per Wentemile civitatem
31. seint Marie de Funtz	45. sanctam Mariam de Funz
p. 52, l. 10. port de Bareth	f. 380, b.l. 1. portum de Barate
" a la vile saint Berthun	" in vigilia sancti Bartholomæi
12. chastell de Plumlin	3. castellum quod dicitur Plumbum
13. lisle Genust	5. insulam, quæ dicitur Genit
14. a le port Talamount	6. portum, qui dicitur Talemunde
17. la cite de Corne et Senes la vele	9. et Senes la veile civitatem; et
et la cite de Lanne et vn lieu —	locum—
25. vn chastel qe lem appelle Bettoun	19. castellum quod dicitur Lettum
33. au chastel de Cape del Espourn	27. ad castellum quod dicitur le cap
	del Espurun
p. 53, l. 1. lisle de Panteth	29. insulam, quæ dicitur le pantee
" la cite de Gaite Pantee	" a Gaeta civitate
3. lile de Stele maior	31. insulam, quæ dicitur Istellemanie
5. Lile de Irom	33. Ile de Girun
7. Pateroun	34. Baterun
p. 55, l. 16. a la port del cite de Suyle	f.381, b.l.49. ante portum Siluæ
18. la mount Alije	f. 382, l. 18. qui dicitur Muntalue
19. nome Abmylan	" quæ dicitur caput Almilan
" Salez	19. Saltis
20. Wondelkeker	20. Windelkebir
27. Alkalon .	25. Scaloniam
28. Mussian	28. Muncian
34. et en lile de Baltarye, Marcels,	37. et Jubaltarie insula, Mertell,
Wail, chastel de Maure	Swail castellum Maurorum
p. 56, l. 1. del mount en Beraltare	38. ad pedem montis Jubalariæ
3. Salamanettre	39. Salamame
5. Cappe de Mellik	42. Caput de Melich
14. Tyntuse	f. 382, b. l. 5. Turtusa
16. Tarracount	7. Taragutie
17. Cappe de Salyke	8. Caput de Salut
18. Emparise	12. Empiris
20. Cappe Lewgat	20. Caput Leucare
	00' 01

26. Odur.

22. Edur

... si troueret le bon roi [Richard] dormaunt, et by pristrent et renderent al duk Humbald...p. 76.

None of the printed chronicles, as far as I am aware, fix upon Richard's attendants the stigma of having betrayed their master into the hands of the duke of Austria; but in the manuscript chronicle of Winchester that accusation is advanced against one named Ioldan de la Pumerai.

Joldanus de la Pumerai accusatus est de prodicione regis post reversionem ipsius de Alemannia, in crastino coronationis suæ apud Wintoniam. Ex regia igitur dispensatione et miseracione, potius quam justicia, dictatur in eum sententia; videlicet, ut abjuraret terram suam, vel ut pateretur judicium curiæ suæ, vel ut religioni se exhiberet. Quod audiens, magis habitum quam actum religionis apud Fordam suscepit. Sed audito obitu regis non diucius deliberavit reverti ad seculum, spe recuperandæ gloriæ pristinæ quam olim deliberaverat religioni se debere causa vitandæ necis vel pæne.—MS. Cott. Domis. xiii. fol. 39, b.

The authority of these annals is considerable—they contain internal evidence of having been continued from time to time, and record facts of the reign of Richard and John in such a manner as to evince that they are contemporaneous productions. The accusation and conviction of the offender at Winchester (the place where these annals were written) lends additional weight to the story; and the distance of the Cistertian abbey of Ford, in the parish of Thorncomb, is not great from the residence of the writer of the above extract. If Ioldan de la Pumerai resided at Ford from Easter 1194 till April 1199, the fact must have been notorious at Winchester and elsewhere, and the great marvel is how the fact should have escaped the notice of our early chroniclers. It is also a curious fact that in the Monasticon should be found charters of Jocelin and John de Pomerai granting to Ford the vill of Tale: see vol. i. p. 785, etc. Upon the whole the story seems worthy of credit.

Richard le roy morust le x. ane de soun regne, et fust enterrez a Pountheurard. D. 81.

There is not perhaps a more remarkable instance of the contradiction observable in the accounts given by our early historians of events which happened when they were alive than the manner in which they narrate the death of Richard. The place of his death, and the individual from whom he received his mortal wound, are uncertain. As to the place, Hoveden and Diceto, contemporaneous writers, tell us that he was killed at Chaluz. Gervase of Canterbury, also alive at the time, says he was killed at a castle named Nantrum, belonging to the earl of Angolesme. Paris, Westminster, Trivet, and others, agree with Hoveden as to the place of his death. Hoveden says that he was killed by Bertram de Gurdon; Gervase of Canterbury names the individual John Sabraz; Diceto and M. Paris call him Petrus Basileus; Westminster, Trivet, and others, do not give his name. The contemporaneous chronicle of Ricardus Divisiensis, which is probably very good authority,

differs from all of these, by stating that he was killed at Chaluz by Petrus Basileus. I forbear to insert the stories of Richard introduced into the unprinted Chronicle of the Kings of Jerusalem, MS. de la Sarbonne at Paris, 454, although they are curious as shewing that even in the earlier half of the thirteenth century Richard had become a hero of romance, and his achievements, which surely did not require the aid of fiction, had even then been mixed up with false and absurd interpolations. The reader will be pleased to accept, as a good substitute, the account of the death of Richard as narrated in the Annals of Winchester, in the Cottonian manuscript.

1199. Hoc anno Ricardus rex Angliæ, totius miliciæ speculum speculumque libertatis, apud oppidum Chavlev nomine, quod a quibusdam interpretatur "casus lupi," a quodam milite, cui nomen erat Petrus Basilius, telo perfossus est vij. kal. Aprilis, obiitque viij. idus ejusdem mensis, die videlicet Martis ante floridam Pascha; sepultumque est corpus ejus ad pedes patris sui Henrici regis apud Funt Ever'. Cor autem ejus, jussu ipsius, extractum a corpore deportatum est Rothomage, et juxta fratrem suum Henricum reconditum. Testati sunt autem illi qui cor ejus viderunt, quod extractum de corpore fuit paulo majus pomo pini. Condonavit ante mortem suam huic qui eum wineravit, sed Marchadeus eum clam rege ad Johannam cometissam Sancti Ægidii, sororem regis, [misit], quæ fecit ei evelli ungues pedum et manuum et oculos, et postea excoriari et equis detrahi. Scitu quidem dignum est quod dictus rex sepultus est cum eodem corona et cæteris insignibus regalibus quibus præcedenti quinto anno coronatus et infulatus fuerat apud Wintoniam.

Pro miraculo habetur apud multos, quod per multum tempus ante obitum regis solebant puellæ Normannicæ canere in choris,

"In Limozin sagitta fabricabitur Qua tirannus mo[r]ti dabitur."

Sed mirum nobis videtur quare tirranus pronostice dicebatur qui princeps piisimus, ut æstimabamus, existebat. Revera, quod mirum dictum est, postremo ille telo occubuit quod in Limozin fabricatum est.—MS. Cott. Domit. xiii. fol. 39. b.

The narrative of the text obviously follows Hoveden.

APPENDIX.

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p. 509. NOTABLE THINGES TRANSLATID IN TO ENGLISCH BY JOHN LEYLANDE OUTE OF A BOOKE, CAULLID SCALA CHBONICA, THE WHICH A CERTEIN INGLISCH MAN (TAKEN YN WERRE PRISONER, AND BROUGHT TO EDINGEBURGH YN SCOTLAND) DID TRANSLATE OWTE OF FRENCHE RYME YN TO FRENCHE PROSE.

EX PROLOGO.

The name of the writer is obscurely lefte in the Prologe to be curiusly soute oute by numbres and conferring of lettres.

Gualter Archidiacon of Excestre [Oxenford] did translate the historie of Brute owt of Walsch vn to Latine.

The vicar of Tillemouth did write an historie, thus intitulid, Historia aurea, wherein is much to be seene of kinge William conquerors cumming yn to Englande.

Thomas Otterburne (a Master in Divinite, and of the religion of the Freres Minores), did write an historie of Englande.

I gesse, that one of the Greys of Northumbreland was autor of it by the imagination of the dreame that he showith of a ladder yn the prologe.

The Grayes give a lader in their armes.

[The coate is barry of 6. arg. & azure, a bend gobony, or and gueules.]

¶ Vicar of Tillemouth.

The bookes of the Gestes of Lindisfarne, Chester and Derham, make much mention de historia aurea Joannis Eboracensis. Therefore loke wither they be both one or no.

Thomas Otterburn historiographer.

THE Chronicle beginnith a CREATIONE MUNDI, and so to the Grekes and Romaines to bring it to Bratus.

Out of the Firste Booke.

The Britons foughte with the Saxons yn Vortimers (Vortigers sunnes) tyme iiij. sundry tymes. Firste by the water of Derwente.

The seconde tyme at Teforde in Lindesey, wher Raengeieres and Hors mette to gither.

Wherefore Vortimer causid the forteres of Horne castel* to be beten doune, and nerver† sins was ‡ refortied: the which castel was firste enstrengthid by Hors, Hengistus brother &c.

William Banestre and Thomas Ercledoune, § whos wordes were spoken yn figure, as were the propheties of Merline.

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Gorloius erle of Cornewalle in king Uthers tyme.

Sum chroniques say that Uther vanquished Otta and Oza at Wyndegate by Coquet ryver.

Tintagoil et Duvilioc castelles kepte in Cornewaile of the counte ther of agayne Uther.

The counte of Cornewaile killid by Uthers men at Duvilioc castel taken by force.

Uther had Tintagoil castel deliverid on to hym, and maried Igerne the counte of Cornewalles wife.

Arthure was crouned at Wynchestre.

Arthure faughte with Colgryne by the water of Duglas now caullid Done.

Arthure chasid Cheldrik in to a greate woode by Barlinges.

Arthure lefte Hoël of Litle Britaine his nephew sike at Alcluit in Scotland.

Arthure gave to Loth, ¶ Anguisel, and Urien (the 3 sunnes of Kahu) more landes than their auncetors had. He gave to Anguisel Scotland, to Urien Murref, to Loth Lownes and his eldest sister of whom he engenderid Gawin and Mordrede.

Arthure maried Genouer, cosin to Cador of Cornewail, and doughter to the king of Briscay.

Angusel of Scotland and Gawin killid at Dovar in the batel agayne Mordrede.

Geneur made her self a nunne at Cairleon.

¶ Mordred fled from Winchestre to Porchester, and so went by ship to Cornewalle.

¶ Arthure taried at Dovar wils Angusel, Gawin, and Cador were buried.

Mordred taried the cumming of Arthure by the water of Tamar, wher Hywain (to whom Arthure had gyven Scotland after the deth of Angusel as next heire) did kille Mordrede, in the which bataile Arthure was after deadely woundid, and cam to Avalon with Hiwayne.

A hole chapitre speking agayne them that beleve not Arthure to have beene king of Britaine, bicause that Bede spekith nothing of hym. And emong other thing these be sum of the reasons that he allegith that Bede did not speke of Arthure:

Peraventure he countid hym not emong kings, because he was begotten in adultery.

Or by cause the things that were writen of Arthure were greater then Bene** could wel beleve.

Or that Bede passid not to magnifie any Briton, wherby the Saxons glory might be defacid, or a thinge impertinent to his bokes de gestis Anglorum.

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Or that most lykelihod was that Bede had very small knowlege of Britons gestes, whos bookes were lossid, burnid, and many caried owt of Britaine, whereby knowlege might have rysen to hym. And Stoneheng, so notable a thing erect by the Brittanes, is nothing spoken of Bede, and a great many thinges beside.

• Horne Castelle in Lindesey. † Sic. ‡ Sic. ‡ Alciuit in Scotland. ¶ Loth maried Arthures sister. § Prophetiers. William Banestre. Thomas Erceldoup.



Sum say that Mordred lefte Wilshire, Somersetshire, and Dorset to Cerdik the Saxon that began the kingdom of Westsax.

Mordrede had 2. bastarde sunnes.

Sum say that in Constantine king of Britons tyme that Ethelbright and Edelsy were small kinges under hym, where of the first was king of Norfolk and Southfold,* and the other of Lindesay [Lindesey]. And these 2. kinglettes encresid, and Ethelbright toke to wife Orwenne, the syster of Edelsy, of whom he got a doughter caullid Argentile in Brutisch, and Goldes burg in Saxon. And this Goldeburge was after left with her uncle Edelsy on this condition, that he that yn feates of chevalry might be found most noble, that he shoulde have his doughter. And she was after maried to one Havelok, that was sun to a king of Dennemark, but conveyed by slaite in to England, and after, the treuth knowen, was restorid in Denmark as trew heire.

One Cuaran, † sun to Grime, a strong and a mightty yong felow, cam to Edelsy's court in to Lindesay, and ther was first a turner of broches yn the kechyn, and after by valiant deades rose to greate name.

Gryme had Haveloc (by commaundement of the king of Denmark stuard) to be drounid: but having pite on hym, he conveyid hym yn to Lindesey in England to a place, syns caullid of his name Grimesby.‡ But this historie ys countid of sum as but as an accorriphe.§ And sum say, that Sweyn of Denmark (father to king Knut) first attempted Lindesay by the firste cumming thither and mariage of Haveloc.

Octa, one of the linage of Hengist, recoverid Twhan Castel, refortifying it, and putting ther a garnison of men kept it.

King Gurmund seing that he could not wynne the cite of Circcestre, toke sparowes, and taying fier undre their winges let them in to the cite, and so brenned it. And king Caretius fled thens in to Wales.

Beldrik lord Cornewal, Godwin of Northwales, and Morgadu of Southwales gave batail to Ethelfrid," king of Kent, and Elfry of Northumbreland, and discumfited them. Ethelfrid flyid in to Kent, and after dying was buried in the abbey of S. Augustines at Cantorbyri. Elfry fled in to Northumbreland. At this viage was Beldrik and Morgadu slayne: and Goodwin of Southwales chosen of the Britons for king and coronid at Leyrcester.

Elfry of Northumbreland had Edwine a sun and heire.

Godwin king of Britons had a sun callid Cadwallein.

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Edwine over cam in bataile Cadwalein, that passed with his host over Humbre.

Cadwalein fled first in to Galaway; then into Ireland; and thens into Litle Britaine.

Edwine founde at Winchestre Brians sister, nece to Cadwalein, and maried her.

Brien toke Excestre for Cadwalein, and after was there besigid of Penda king of Merces; but Penda by the cumming of king Salamon of Litle Britaine was taken at Excestre, and at the laste, promising to holde of Cadwalein, was set at liberte.

[®] Sic. † Curan sun to Gryme, a poor fisschar, not able to keepe him for poverty. ‡ Grimesby unde. Sic. ‡ Lineam sub hac voce ductam habenus; et e regione in ora Codicis scribitur q? A manu, ut videtur, Antenii à Wood, non veto ipsius Leisadi.

And after Cadwalein destroied at Helfeld in Northumbreland Edwine, and Offrys his cosyn, and after ii. of Offrys nepheus.

Ethelfride king of Northumbrelande discomfitid Aidan king of Scottes.

Oswi over threw king Penda yn bataile.

Penda had a sunne caullid Penda.

Oswy had ii. sunnes. Alfrid the elder was a baster, and sent to schole in to Scotland.

Ecfrid the yongger and legitime reignid next after his father in Cuthebertes tyme.

Elflede, Oswy's doughter, was made a nunne at Whitteby. King Cadwallein was founder of the college of S. Martine yn the weste part of London.

The great pestilence that was in Britaine was chief cause of the destruction of the Britons, and losse of their countery.

The reigne of the Britons endid yn the yere of our Lord 700. after that it had continuid, as sum write, by the space of a 1815. yeres.

Out of the Secunde Booke of Scala Chronica.

Algarus, one of the kinges of Wales, a lecherous felow lovid Fredeswide.

Ecbright king of Westsax was the firste monarche of the Saxons.

Gye of Warwik was in king Ethelstanes tyme.

Egbalde, sun to king Ethelberth of Kent, performed the monasteri of S. Augustine that his father began.

The kingdom of Essex conteinid Estsax, Midlesex, and halfe Hertefordshire.

Kinges of Estsex-Reges Ostrosax.

Erkenwin. Gebert Erkenwine sunne. Then Segebert. Then Siberte that was nephew to Ethelbert king of Kent. He was christenid by S. Mellite. Then Sexred and Sewarde, sunnes to Sibert, the which both were killed of the West Saxons. These ii. drave a way S. Mellite. Then reignid litle Sigebert, king Sewardes sunne. He resignid his kingdom to Sichebert. Then reignid Swithelin his brother. Then Sicherine, sunne to Sigeberth. Then Sebbi and Sewarde junctely to gither. Sebbi after the deth of Seward becam a monk. His ii. sunnes Segeard and Senfredus reignid joyntely. Then Offa Sicherines sunne. This Offa refusid Ceneswide Pendas doughtter, and went to Rome with S. Egwine and king Kinred. Then reignid Selred sunne to Segebert. Then Switrede, at the very same tyme that Ecbright king of Westsaxons did conquere Kent, after that there had reignid in Estsax xvi. kinges.

Kinges of Kente.

Put this afore the kinges of Essex-

47. annis. Hengist. Esca Hengist sunne. Octa Esca sunne. Then Ermenric. Then Egelbert his sunne christenid of Augustine. Egbald his sunne performid S. Augustines that his father began at Cantorbyri. Erconbert his sunne reignid 24. yeres after hym. Ecbertus his sunne reignid after hym. Ercomberth had 2 cosins, Elberth and Egilbright, that lyvid

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not long. Then Lothair reignid 9. yeres after them. Then Edric and Vitred, that were not of the bloode royal, but by election made kinges, reignid a vi. yeres. Wilrede* reignid 33. yeres. Then Edbright his sunne xii. yeres. Then Ecfred† 24. yeres. Then Ecbright 3. yeres. Then Cutrede his brother 9. yeres. Alfred 18. yeres, whom Ecbright king of Weste Saxons drave owte of the kingdom of Kente.

Kinges of Southsex, to whom belongid Southsax, Suthery, and Hamptonshire.

p. 514. Ella primus. Tissa the secunde. Ethelwold the third convertid to the faith by S. Birine. And this was the first kingdom that cam by conquest to the kingdom of Westsax.

Kinges of the Estangles, to whom belongid Northfolk, Southfolk, and Grantebridgeshire.

Uffa. Titul. Redwalde. Corpuald. Then Sebert Corpualdes brother by the mother side. This Sebert made hymself a monk, and gave the kingdom to his cosin Egrit, whom Penda killid yn bataylle. Then reignid Anna, killid also by Penda in bataylle. Then Ethelher, killid with Penda, whos part he tooke with Oswy king of Northumbreland. Then Ethelwald, that resignid his kingdom to Aldoph, and to Elwald sunne to Edrede. Then Beorna. Then Etheldrede. Then Ethelbright, whom Offa king of Merces causid to be slayne. From the which tyme to S. Edmunde the kingdom in a maner lost the name. Edmunde was killid of Hinguar and Hubba 16°. of his reigne. Then Guthran, and then Edrike both Danes.

Edward, king Alfrede of Westsax sunne, conquerid the kingdom of Estangles 50. yeres after the death of sainct Edmunde, after that xvi. kinges had reignid yn it.

Kinges of Northumbreland.—Subreguli ante Idam in Northumbria.

Hengist having Kent sent his brother Octa and his sunne Jebus in to Northumbreland, and there they, and their successors, were dukes under the king of Kent on to such tyme that by pride the Northumbres chose them self a king. Of this realme was Hiring firste kinge, that begot Wodnam, that begot Witeglis, of whom cam Hors the king, that begot Uppa, that begot Hermiger, that begot Bernak. Al these were before the noble king Ida. And the gestes of them before Ida be litle knowen by croniques.

Ida caussid the castel of Banborow ‡ to be unalid with stone, that afore was but inclosed with woode.

Ida reignid xii. yeres, whos fathers name was Joppe, and Esk was Joppe father.

Alla, the next king to Ida, was not Ida sunne, but one Iffas, whos father was caullid Ursefrea.

S. Augustine cam in to England anno D. 182. a 150. yeres after the cumming of the Saxons yn to England.

Ethelfrid king of Northumbres sun to Alla. This Ethelfrid killid the Briton monkes of Bangor. This Ethelfrid was killid of Redwald king of Estangles.

• Forsan Uchtrede. † Forsan Edbert. ‡ Benburge.

Ethelfride had of Acca, the doughtter of Alla, and sister of Edwyne, ii. sunnes, Oswaid p. 515. et Oswyne. Edwyne their uncle was king after Ethelfride.

Osfrid, elder sunne to king Edwine, was killid with his father at the batel of Hetefelde [Hatefelde].

Eadfride, Oswynes yonger sunne, fled to Penda, and there was slayn agayne covenant.

Divisio regni Northumbriæ.

Osric, nephew to Edwine, succedid in kingdom of Deire, and Eanfride, sunne to Effride, reignid in Bernisia, that is to say from Tyne to Forthe. These 2. were baptisid in Scotland, but after fel to idolatrie, and were killid in bataile by Cadwalein king of Britons. Then reignid Oswald, king Ethelfrides sunne. He wan the victory at Henynfeld by Hexham agayn Cadwalein.

Oswald endid the chirch at York that king Edwyne his uncle began.

Oswald in the 8. yere of his reigne * at Maserfelde of Penda the first day of Auguste. His body was caried to Berdeney Abbay, by the commaundment of the quene of Meruces his cosyn, ther to be byried.

Oswyn king of Northumbreland [Bernicia] brother to Oswald, tooke the hedde and the arme of his brother Oswald from the stakes that they were set on at Maserfeld, and buried them in Halyeland, wher the hed afterward was buried with the body of S. Cuthberte. And whille Oswy reignid in Bernicia, Oswyn, sunne to Osfrid, was king of Deire. But Oswy enviyng hym caussid hym by strenght to fly to one counte Humwald, the which betrayid hym to Oswy. So that he was killid at Gillingham, and buried at Tynemouthe.

Then reignid Oswy both in Deira and Bernicia, and at the laste killid at Wounwed water king Penda the pagane in bataile.

Oswy reignid 38. yeres, and was buried in his abbay of Whiteby.

Ecfride, younger sun to Oswy [but legitime] then reignid. He toke Etheldrede to wyfe. He was killid of the Pictes in bataille 16. regni sui.

After Ecfride reignid Alfride, a good clerk, and eldest sun to Oswy, but he was a basterd. He dyed yn the thyrde yere of his reigne at Drifeld, and there is buried.

Osred his sunne reignid after hym 9. yeres, and in Merche was killid in bataille.

Then reignid Cenred 2. yeres. Then Osrik a 11. yeres. And these 4. kings immediately afore were yn the tyme of Ine king of Westsax. Then reignid Ceoluulph 8. yeres. He was after monk of Lindisfarne, and there buried.

Then reignid Edbright his cosin 31. yeres. In whos tyme Ethelbold king of Merces destroied Northumbreland. This Edbright following his uncle was made a monke.

Then Oswold his sunne reignid that of his mother was traiterusly killid.

Then Mol Edelwald reignid a 11. yeres, whom Alfrede [Acfrede] did sle. Then this Alfrede [Acfrede] reignid a x. yeres, and after driven away for his ille ruleing, the people chose for their king Ethelred, sunne to Molle Ethelwald, and after that he had reignid 4. yeres he

* F. was slayne in a cruel batayle at Maserfeld, &c. † Sic, cum duob, punctis sub f, et cum c, supra lin. Nec alitez mox infra.

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was dryven away by his barens, that did chuse Alfwold to their kinge, that was traiterusly slayne of a great man, and byried at Hexham after that he had reignid 11. yeres. Then Ourede, that after he reignid 2. yeres was dryven a way. And then they toke Ethelrede, sun to Mol Ethelwold, to their king agayne. And sone after Osred, attempting to put owte Ethelrede, and reign agayn hym self, was taken and killid, and burid at Tinemuthe. Ethelrede after maried Osredes wife: and at the last was killid of his owne people.

Eardulph then reignid, whom Ecbright, king of Westsax, vanquishid, putting Northumbreland to Westsax kingdom.

There were after Ecberght kinge of Westsax tyme ii. kinges of Northumbreland. The one was Osbright, the other was Ella.

The Kinges of Merche.

Ther was a se at Southwel of the Merches, that now longith to tharchebishop of Yorke. Crida the first king of Merchis. Then Vippa his sunne reignid 2. yeres. Then Ceorlus, cosyn to Vippa. Then Penda, sun to Vippa, that was slayne by Oswy, S. Oswaldes brother, and king of Northumbreland, by Wynwede ryvere. Penda had by his wyfe Kineswithe Panda* [Peada] Wulpher, Ethelred, Merewald, and Marceline, sunnes, and Kinneburd and Kinesuide, doughtters. Then reignid Wulphur a 20. yeres. He overcam Cenewald, king of Westsax, and got the Isle of Whight of hym, and gave it Athelwald [Athelbald], king of Southsax, at such tyme as Athelbald be cam a christian. This Wulwphur, and Estewyne, sunne to Ceneuuald, had a sore bataille togither. Wolpher had of Ermenild, doughter to king Erconbert of Kent, a sunne caullid Kinred, and a doughter caullid Werburg that lyith at Chestre. Then was Ethelred, brother to Wulpher, king, a man meter for religion than to fighte. And he, yn the 30. of his reigne, was made a monke, and after abbate of Berdeney. He had by Ostgidera, suster to Egfride king of Northumbrelande, a sunne caullid Ceolred. Then was Kinred (Wulphurs sun), king 5. yeres, and after made a monke, and went to Rome, and ther died. Then reignid Ceolred, sunne to king Ethelred, 8. yeres, and was buried at Lichefeld. Then reignid Ethelbalde, cosyn to Penda by Alwyne his brother, by the space of 40. yeres. He dispisid matrimonyni, otherwise lecherus, and a killer of his familiar servantes. Then reignid Offa of the fyfte degre in bloode to king Penda. He was a man of no greate vertue. He reignid 30. yeres, and over cam yn batel Kinewolph, king of Westsax, and killid Ethelberth, king of Estangles, by treason, and toke his kingdom.

Offa made Lichefeld the archebishop see, and toke it from Cantorbyri.

Offa maried Ethelburg his doughtter to Brithric king of Westsax.

Offa gave over his kingdom to his sunne Ecfride, that reignid but v. monithis, and died yn his floures.

Alquine, † wrytte to Osberte Patrick of Merche that the noble young Ecfride died not so sone for his owne faughtes, but by cause his father was a greate shedar of bloode.

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Penda, sunne to Penda, was alayne, but he was afore christenid. Pe. Sic in MS. Sed nihil amplius.
 † Flaccus Albinus.

Then reignid Kenwolp kyn to Penda in the v. degre. Kenulph destroied Kent, and toke Ecbright king ther of prisoner. Kenelm, king Kenwolphs sunne, was foully murderid by the mene of Quindreda. Then reignid Ceoluulph a 3. yeres, and he dryven a way Beornwolph was kinge, with whom Ecbright [28. regni sui] king of Essax fighting at Ellendune vanquisshid, and he flying was killid aboute the quarters of the Estangles. Then reignid Ludecan, the which yn the 2. yere of his reigne was killid, and with him v. of his countes.

Then Wilak [Wiglak] was king, in the secunde yere of whom Ecbright^{**} king of West-sax conquerid Merch, and drave hym a way. But in the yere folouing he restorid hym, graunting to be tributarie to Westsax. After Burherde was king, and in the 30. yere of his reigne he was dryven a way, and fledde to the Englisch schole at Rome, wher he died, and was buried yn owr Lady chirche. And thus the kingdom of Merches, that had 18. kinges, cam to the dominion of the king of Westsaxons.

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Kinges of Westsax.

Cerdik reignid 17. yeres.

Kenrik his sunne reignid 26. veres.

Cheuling his sunne after was king. He faught with Ethelbright king of Kent, and killid Oslaf and Kenban his great counselars, and a great numbre of his menne.

Cuta, brother to Cheuling, faute with the Britons at Bedforde, and discomfitid them, taking 4. castel there by, Lienbering, Alesbiring, Benesington, et Evesham. Cuta died about this season.

Chewlin and Cutwyn, sunnes to Cheuling, faught with the Britons in the 18. yere of the reigne of their father. And than they got Glocestre, Circcestre, and Bath. And in the 25. yere of his reigne he had a batel agayne the Saxons, wher yn his sunne Cutwyne was slayne.

Cheuling died the 30. yere of his reyne.

Ceolrik, sunne to Cuta, sunne to Cheuling, succedid, and died in the 5. yere of his reign. Then Ceolnuup his brother was king, and ever was in batail.

Then reignid Cinigil, king Ceolric sunne, the wich departid Westsax with his brother Chechiling.

Cinegil and Chicheline [Qhicheline] receyvid baptisme the 22. yere of their kingdom. Chichelin died, and Kinegil reignid to the numbre in all of 31.

Sum say that Cinegil was the sunne of Chicelin, and nat his brother: but Gul. of Malmesbyri and Huntendune be of contrarie opinion.

Then Cenwald was king 31. yeres, an yl man at the begynning, but after very good. He despisid matrimony, and drave away his wife, sister to Penda, of whom he was discomfitid, and feld † to the Esteangles; but after he toke corage, and had victories of the Britaines, and unitid the Isle of Wigcht to the Westsaxon kingdom.

Rauf le Noir I in his croniques.

* Bis occurrit in MS. † Sic. ‡ Radulphus Niger historiographus; incertum tamen an Anglus.

Cenwald dyed in the 31. yere of his reigne, in the which yere in his reanime was a conflict of fowles.

Then Chelburg his wife reignid one yere.

Eskewin then reignid a 2. yere, and Wulphur king of Merche bet him in bataille. And p. 519. sone after Wulphur died himself.

Oskwine [Eskwine] reignid 3. yeres after the deth of Wolphere.

Then Genwine [Chentwine] reignid 10 yeres.

Ecfride, king of Northumbres did fighte by Trente water with Ethelfride king of the Merches, wher Alwyne, the brother of Ecfride, whom he much lovid, was killid.

Then reignid Cedwalle the nephew of Cuda that was exilid. He destroied the people of Wigcht Isle, the which, in hope of help of them of Merche, did rebelle.

He killid Edrik and Elwalki that began to rebelle in Westsax. Wherapon the Kentismen were displesid. Wherapon Cedualle [3. anno regni sui] sente his brother Moyle, a puissant man, in to Kent, wher he was killid, and a good peace of the flour of the youth of Westesax. Apon this Cedwalla hym self wen yn to Kent, and brenned it on every side.

Cedwalle went to Rome, ther died, and was buried in Sainct Peters chirche.

Then reignid Ine 37. yeres, and went to Rome, and ther died.

Athelarde, cosyn to Ine, then reignid, and yn his first yere he fawte with Oswald that was of the very line of Cerdik, and chalauncid the kingdom of Westsax, but he was not able to countervaile with Athelarde.

Athelard died yn the 18. yere of hys reigne.

Then reignid Cutrede his cosyn 6. yeres, and faute with Ethelbald king of Merches, and after they felle to agreemnt, and faught both agayne the Britons.

Ethelbald apon pride after fought at Berford with Cudrede, wher greate murder was on both partes.

And 8. yeres after he faught with Cudrede at Secandune, wher he beyng ashamid to fly was killid.

Cudrede reignid 16. yeres.

Then was Sigebert his cosyn king, and wax so proude that at the laste he was fayne to fly in to Andredeswalde, and ther was slayn of a suineharde servant to one Cumbra that Sigebert slew.

He reignid 31.*

Then reignid + a Kenewolph, that at the laste, causid Kineard, brother to king Sigebert, to be exilid. Wherefore Kineard after killid hym, and his men killid Kinearde.

p. 220. Then Brithrik, that descended of the lineal stok of Cerdic, reignid 16. yeres.

Brithric maried Edburge, doughter to Offa king of Merches.

Brithrik after that he had reignid 16. yeres was poisoynid by consent of Edburge his wife.

Then reignid Ecbright sunne to Alcmund of the kindred of Ine 37. yeres. He was in

Alias uno anno,
 † Hesc nota est a manu ipsius Lelandi. Eademque habetur itidem in margine. Perinde ac si quid inseri debeat.



his yoth dryven owt of England, and was more than 3. yeres with Charles the Great yn his warres.

Ecbright made the Britons of Cornewal subject, and toke tribute of them. He overcam Berwolphus king of Merche at Hellendune. He sent Alston bishop of Shirburne, and Ethelwolp his sunne, in to Kent, and there Baldred king of Kent submitted hym self to the kingdom of Westsax. He drave Witglafe king of Merches owt of his reaulme, and after for pite restorid hym to be a tributarie to Westsax. He went with his hoste into Northumbreland, and there the Northumbres made an agreement with hym at the water of Done.

Ecbright, by the counsail of his barons, was crounid king of al Britayne at Wynchestre. And then was the name of Britaine chaungid yn to England.

This Ecbright* was extreit de Athilstan, one of the greatest dukes of the Saxons, the which Athelsta† enfefid the chirch of S. Peter of York with Amundernes in perpetual almoyne.

This Ecbright 1 by his mother side cam of the line of the kinges of Westsax.

This Ecbright causid the image in brasse of Cadwalein, § king of the Britons, to be throwen doune.

Sum chroniques say, that Ecbright did not conquere thorough owt the residew of the Saxon kingdoms: but yet they wer his tributaries.

In the 33. yere of Ecbrighth the Danis arrived at Lindisfarne, and faught with the Engles at Carham, wher ii. bisshopes, and 2. Englisch countes, were slayne, and greate numbre of people. And a 2. yeres after the Danes arrivid yn Westwales, where Egbright over cam them at Hengistendon.

Ecbright had ii. sunnes, Etheluuolp the eldeste, and Athelstane the younger. Of Athelstane is no very greate mention made, but that he, and duke Ealer faught with the Danes, and wan the victory at Sandewiche yn Kent the xvi. yere of king Ethelwolphes reigne.

Helena, Constantine the emperors mother, was translatid from Rome to S. Reyns in Fraunce in the tyme of pape Sergius.

Ethelwolphe reignid after Egbright. This Ethelwolp was a bisshop, as it is written, and yet after, because he was lefte the only sunne and heire of Ecbright, he was made king, and had 4. sunnes, and reignid 20. yeres and v. monithes. S. Swithwine was yn his tyme.

Then reignid Ethelbauld his eldest sunne, and gave Kent to his secunde brother Ethelberth, and toke his mother yn law Judith to wife agayne the law of the chirch. He reignid v. yeres, and was byried at Shirburne.

Then was his brother Ethelbert king of Westsex, and Kent also, reigning v. yeres, and also buried at Shirburne.

Then reignid Ethelred the 3. brother v. yeres, and was byried at Wynburne.

And about this tyme the Danes did much hurte in Northumbrelande.

And Osbright, king of Northumbreland, ravishid a faire lady of his cuntery, wife to

* Genus Echrighti. † Sic. ‡ Genus Echrighti a matre. § Statua Cadualionis deturbata.

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Buernbekarde, the which after defied Osbright, and fled to king Godrine ynto Denmark his kinnesman, by whose meanis he brought Hinguar* and Ubbe in to England, and arrivid at Haly Iseland, and so cam to Yorke, and there was king Osbright slayne.

At this tyme Ella was partiner with Osbright yn the kingdom of Northumbreland, and approaching to Yorke was there killid by Hinguar and Ubbe, and the place after was callid Elerofte. After Hinguar and Hubbe destroyid Lindissey, Holand, Northfolk, and Southfolk, and killid king Edmunde.

Hinguar and Ubbe cam to Reding, and ther faught ons with Ethelred king of Westsax. And straite ther agayne with Ethelred, and also his brother Alured.

And a non after they faught at Essendon, and the Danes drave them to Wichelade.

After they faught† Chipenham [Chepenham], and ther was Hubba slayne, and a great hepe of stones layed coppid up where he was buried.‡

And a nother tyme they faught at Whitingham, by the helpe of the barons of Somerset, Wilshire, and Dorset, wher the Englischmen (though many of them were slayne) wan the felde.

Then reignid the 4. brother, Alured, 38. so sore chasid of the Danes in the beginning of his reigne, that he had but Hampshir, Wilshir, and Somerset: but after victoriusly wan al agavne.

Alured maried Egelfied, doughter of counte Egelrede, and had by her Edward and Ethelwarde, that was a good clerke, and 3. doughters. Ethelsuuitha was maried to Baldewine, cog: Calvo, erle of Flaunders. Elfiede was the 2. and was maried to Ethelrede erle of Marche. The 3. was caulid Elwine, and was a nunne at Winchestre.

p. 522. Alured devidid the shires of England yn to hundredes.

He was a man greatly gyven to lerning.

He departid 24. howres of the day thus, viii. to prayer and estudie: viii. to eate, drinke, and slepe: the other viii. to the besines of his reaulme.

He had alway yn his chapel candelles brenning, wherby he knew how the tyme passid.

He gave to housis of relligions that he buildid half the landes that he had purchasid.

Alured was the maker of the Universite of Oxford.

He was first buried in the olde monastery at Winchestre, and after yn the new.

Cutrede was made counte of Northumbreland by Alurede at the admonition of S. Cutheberth appearing to hym yn vision.

Then reignid Edwarde sunne to Alurede.

Eduard first wife was Elfiede. By hir he had 2 sunnes, Athelstan et Edwin, and vidoughtters. Elfiede et Ethelhilde lye buried at Wilton. Edive was maried to Otho the emperour. The 4. Edilde was maried to Charles king of Fraunce. Edithe the 5. was maried to the king of Northumbreland that helde his kingdom of king Eduarde: and this was the fairest of al. The 6. Elfgithe was maried to Hughe Chapet, the great sunne to Robert duke of Parys. Edwarde 2 wife was caullid Edive. Of her he begot Edmonde, and Edrede, and S. Edburge that lyith at Winchestre.

* Caussa adventus Angeri et Ubbonis. † Adde, at. ‡ Hubbeslaw.

Edwarde set his sunnes, and also his doughters, to lerning.

Edward and his sister Elfied, countes of Merche, reedified many touses destroyed by the Danes.

Edward was buried with his father at Winchestre.

Elfride [Edwine], brother to Athelstane, had thought to have succeeded Edward his father, by cause he was legitime, and Athelstane was a bastarde; but the people chase Athelstane for his valiantnes.

The king of Northumbreland stale upon Ethelstane at Brimandburge, wylling to have slayn hym; but Athelstane, hering the noyse, starte up darkeling to fynd his swerde, and finding the scaberd with oute the swerde was greatly abashid. And praying to S. John of Beverley found his swerde, and vanquisshid the king of Northumbreland his brother yn law.

Henry the emperor sent great giftes to Athelstan, and emong them many reliquis, the which Athelstane sent to Malmesbiry.

Athelstane toke greate repentaunce for putting his brother Edwyne to dethe, and made abbayes to have hym praied for.

Athelstane chasid the Britons beyound yn to Cornewalle.

He chasid also the Britons on the other side over Wy yn to Wales, and had 20. poundes of gold and silver, and 1000 hunting dogges, and great numbre of hawkes for tribute.

Athelstane was buried at Malmesbyri.

Then reignid Edmunde, brother to Athelstane.

Peace was made betwixt the king of Northumbreland, Anlaf, and king Edmunde, that Edmunde should rule on the west side of Watheling streate in Northumbrelande, and Anlaf on the este.

And after he chasid Anlaf owt of Northumbreland, and Raynald Gutfrid sunne that claymid after hym.

Edmunde gave Cumbreland to Malcolin king of Scottes to hold it of him.

Edmunde gave great possessions to Glasteinbyri.

Edmunde was king by one Leof a thefe, and was buried at Glasteinbyri. He had 2. sunnes by his wyfe Elfgive, Edwyne and Edgar.

Then reignid Edrede 3. sunne to Edward.

The Northumbres chase one Eirik a Dane to their king. Wherefore Edredede sore destroied Northumbreland and brenid Ripon.

The Northumbres set apon Edredes company at Castelforth by Yorke. Wherefore he returned sparing to destroy nothing. But † apon they clerely submitted them self, and drave a way Eirik their new king.

Edrede lyith at Wynchestre.

Then reignid Edwine, sunne to king Edmunde. He was very lecherows, and a hater of monkes, and banishid S. Dunstane yn to Flaunders.

Sic. + Sic.

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The people set up his brother Edgar for king, and Edwine was glad to be king of a peace of this realme after precario a bove the Tamys. He lyith at Winchester.

Edgar‡ be yong was cruel, and a great lecheor, and killid with a darte in the isle of Warwelle in huntinge a counte, whos wife he lovid. This counte was caullid Ethelwold, and sent to spy the beautie of Estrild [Estridel], doughter and heyre to Orgar erle of Cornewalle [Devonshir] and he returning sayde that her bewty was but commune, and after got the mariage of hyr of the king for hym self, and was erle after the death of Orgar, and then absenting hym self ran yn to suspition with the king that he had begilid hym. And the king trying that she was yn bewty very excellent pursuid Ethelwold to dethe, and maried Estrilde. Sum say that Edgard sent Ethelwold in to Northumbreland to war with the Danes, and that he was there slayne.

Sum say that after Edgard had killid Ethelwold in the forest, he askid a bastarde sunne of Ethelwoldes, how he likid the venson: and he answerid seyng, "that it likith yow it can not not displease me." Wher apon the king made much of hym.

Quene Elfride made an abbey* for the dethe of hir aforesaid lord Ethelwold.

Edgare cam on De ryver to Chester, standing hym self at the helme, and certeyne kinges rowing.

Kunwak, king of Scottes, spake certeyne wordes of reproche by Edgare. Wherfore Edgare got the king of Scottes alone in a wood, and offerid to find thand to hand with hym, and there Kunwak cryid Edgare mercy.

Edgare was a greate maker and restorer of abbayes.

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Ailwine, privy councelar to Edgar, made Ramesey abbay.

Eilfled, the whighte doughtter to Orgar erle of Devenshire, had a sunne, caullid Edward, by Edgar, and Wilfride and Edithe nunnes of Wilton.

He had also after by Elifride, doughter to Orgar of Devonshire, Edmunde et Eilrede. Edmond died vi. yeres before his father.

Edgare saw in a dreame ii. pottes fleting in the water.

Sum say that Edgare was not in the very solemnite coronid on til he was 30. yeres of age, and that he livid not past 3. yeres after.

Edgare made every yere shippes for defence of his reaulme.

There was a yerth quake thorough England in the 13. yere of Edgars reigne.

Edgare was as much to be praysid of the Angles, as Charles the Great of the Frankes.

After reignid Edward [3. annis & dim.], Edgares sunne, and was killid by his step-dames menes at Corfe. First buried at Warham, and then at Shaftesbyri.

Aboute the tyme of the deth of king Edwarde a great part of London was brent.

Egelred reignid after his brother Edward.

This Egelred pissid yn the font at his christening.

The Danes sore persecutid England yn this kinges dayes.

Oilfrik capitayne of Egelredes shippes fied with them to the Danes part.

* Sic. † Werwel Abbay. # Sic.

Anelaf, a Danish king, was converted to the faith, and Egelred was his God father at the fonte.

The Danes brent Excestre.

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The Danes brent and spoilid Cantorbyri.

Egelrede toke Emme, Richarde duke of Normandies doughter, in the 18. yere of his reigne, and had ii. sunnes, Alurede and Edward, by her. But he had afore Edmande Yrenside by an other wife.

About the 23. yere of his realme the Danes arrivid about Northfolk shore, and burnid Norwiche.

William bastarde of Normandies mother was a pelters doughter.

Sweyn of Denmark made Egelred to fie to his brother yn lawe the duke of Normandy.

King Swein held a greate concile, or parlament, at Gaynesborow, and ther he died, striken, as sum say, by S. Edmunde with a spere.

After the deth of Swayn king Egelred cam yn to England agayne, and died wil London was besegid of the Danes, and was biried at S. Paules in London.

Then reignid Edmund Yrenside. Sum say that he was Egelredes sunne by the doughter of counte Correde. Sum say that he was a bastarde: but that is not autentique.

Edmund faught vi. tymes with the Danes in one yere. And at the vi. batel at Aschedon by Rocheford in Essax, wher, by the meane of false erle Edrik of Marche, the source of Englisch men were slain.

Edmund was slayn at Oxford, the morow after S. Andrews day, by the treason of counte Edrik of Lincoln.*

Knute had thought, by Edrikes counsel, to have killid Edward and Edmond, sunnes to Edmunde Yrenside.

Knute devidid the impery of England into 4. partes. He kept Westsax to hymnelf. He gave Estangle to † countie Turkille; the Marche to Edrike, and Northumbreland to Irice.

Knute put certein to turmentes, to know the treuth how Edmund Yrensid was slayne.

Knute, by il counsaile, ‡ caussid Edwine, caullid king of Villanes, brother to Edmunde Yrenside.

Walgare a Dane was commaunded by king Knute to cari Edward and Edmunde, Edmund Irenside sunnes, to the king of Sueuen, there to be killid; but he sent them to Salamon king of Hungary there to be kept.

Knute (to wynne the Englische mennis and the Normans hartes) toke Emme, the wife of king Egelrede, to hys wife.

Knut causid many chirchis to be made agayne that his aunceters had destroied in England.

‡ Sic.

At Ashedon in Estsax he made a fair chirch.

Knut caussid monkes to be set at Bederichworth, now caullid Bury.

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* Edrik erle of Lincoln, or Mercha. † Sic.

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He translatid hym self the body of Elphegus the bishop martyrid from London to Cantorbyri.

Knut reedified the abbay of Abbendon, and enrichid the olde monastery of Winchester.

Knut did 3. notable thinges. He maried Gunnild his doughtter to the emperor of Rome. He goyng to Rome made tolles and passages for pylgrimes. And commaundid the flouing se streme not to touch his foote, to thintent to show that all his pour was but a vanite.

After that king Knute had bene at Rome, and ther redemid diverse exactions (that were wont to be payde yn England to the chirch of Rome) and was safe returnid home, he went to Glasteynbyri, to se the tumbe of king Edmunde Yrenside, whom he did accustumably caulle his brother, and there gave a very riche paule to lay on his tumbe, embroderid with apples of golde, and set with perles, and confirmid al the privilegis that his predecessors had goven to that monastery.

Knute dvid at Shaftesbyri, and was buried at Winchestre in the olde minstre.

Knute made his sunne Suaine, (gotten as sum say, of a prestes wife) king of Norway.

He made Hardiknute (his sunne by quene Emme, that was king Ethelredis wife afore) king of Denmarke.

He made Harald Harefoote (his sunne by Elflege, doughter to counte Alfeline) king of England. But this Harald said hym self that he was quene Emmes sunne.

Sem say that Harolde was sunne Suo [Sua], and that the quene Emme made king Knut beleve that it was his.

The Englischmen wold have had one of Egelredes sunnes to their king. But erle Godwine made hym self gardian of quene Emme, and her sunnes, and of the kinges treasor. Wherfore he set up by poure Harald to be king.

Harald being king exilid quene Emme, the which after taried 3 yeres yn Flaunders with counte Baldewine.

After the deth of Harold, the Danes and Englischmen of one acord sent for Hardiknut that was with his motther yn Flaunders, and made hym king. And Hardiknute being king, the sames of king Ethelred, the right heyres of England, were little set by.

Hardi Knute reignid 2. yeres, saving x. dayes. He put Alurik, archebishop of York, yn prison, and also counte Godwine with other great menne. He caussid Haroldes bodi p. 527. to be taken oute of his tumbe at Westminstre, and to be caste into the Tamise, wher a fisher toke it up, and after it was byried at S. Clementes by Temple Barre. He did it for these causes: First be cause he exilid his mother. Secundly because that he toke him not for his brother. Wherfore he thought hym not meete to be byried emong kinges.

In Hardy Knutes tyme Elfrede and Edward (sunnes to king Ethelrede) cam oute of Normandie to Wynchestre to se Emme their mother, wherof counte Godewine having pryviency, toke Elfride on Gilesdon, and killid a 600. of his companie at Gildeforde, and sent Alfred, berevid of his yes, to the isle of Eley, wher for feble diete he died.

Emme seing this sent Edward again in to Normandie.

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Yet after cam Edward vn to Englande to his brother Hardiknut, and had great chare of hym: but he had no luste to tary, remembering Alfreds deth.

Godewine caussid Alfrede thus be made out of the way, be cause he knew hym so wise, and of so great corage, that he should bere litle stroke with hym: And so to many his doughter to Edward his vongger brother.

And Godwine told the barons of England, that Alfrede had promised the resulme of England to the Normans. And therfore sum tooke welle Goduines doings agayn Alfrede.

Sum say that Godwyne caussid this outrage to be done to Alfrede yn the interreigne betwixt Harolde and Hardy Knute, and that Stigand, archebishop of Cantorbyri, was of coansel of Godwines doing.

Hardy Knut put Livinge oute of his bishoprike of Excestre: but after, with yn the yere, knowing hym onculpable, he restorid hym to his dignite. And Hardikaut communation erle Godewin to purge hym self of Alfrid deth. But Godwyne plesid the king with a ship ful richely furnishid.

Hardy Knut was a very liberal fester of men.

Hardy Knut brent Wicestre, by cause the burgesis there killid to of his collectors, or treasorers.

He was buried at Wynchestre, and had no children to succeede hym.

Hardy Knute performid the mariage for his sister Gunilde, that his father had begun with the emperor.

Edward, sunne to Ethelrede, was sent for in to Normandi, and made king.

This Edwarde made the goode lawes of Englande.

Erle Godwine at this tyme was in Denmarke as a bannishid man, and had maried king Knutes doughtter by his firste wife and half sister to Hardiknut. He wel considered that almost al the right heires of England were gone, and that the title of the corone might com p. 528. to his sunnes by his wife, king Knutes doughtter, after that he was returned in to England be cā to stere agayn king Edward for a fray, that he was challengid for, made at Dever apon the counte of Boleyn that had maryed king Edwardes sister.

After this Godwine was banishid. But sone after, by meane of the nobils of the realisme, to whom he was nere king, he was restorid to the kinges grace, after that he had peacid with great giftes, and friendship of Leofrik erle of March, the king, accusing hym of his brother Alfreds deth.

Leofrik, and a xi. countes with hym, brought the king as much gold as they could cary betwen their handes to purchace Godwine grace.

King Edward, by counsel of his barons, did mary Agatha, doughtter to Goduine; but he never knew her carnally.

The king gave the counte of Oxford to Harald, Godwynes sunne.

Edward was hard to his mother, by cause she was harde to hym yn his minorite, and because that she was suspected with Alwin bishop of Winchestre, whom he put in prison, by counsel of the bishop of London and Robert archebishop of Canterbyri. But after that



his mother had purgid her self, Alwin was taken oute of prison, and Robert tharchbishop conveyed hym self out of England.

King Eduard made fre England of such tribute as Danes wer wont to have yn England by the surrendre of Swayne king of Danes, whom he holpe to recover his kingdom agayn Harald Harfager king of Norway.

King Eduard made great war by se apon the costes of Flaunders agayne Balduine.

Godwyne accusid at the table at Wyndesore of Alfride, king Edwardes brothers deth, according to his othe, was strangelid with a pece of brede, and burid at Winchestre.

Godewyn had six sunnes, Harold, Sweine, Costin, Wolnote, Grith, et Leofrik.

Wolnode dyed at Salisbyri yn prison.

Sweyn (that ravished Edgyve abbas of Leoff: whom he wold have had to his wife, but let by the nobles of his owtrages fledde, and after cumming agayn yn to England killid the counts Beomoga his cosyn by treason) dyed yn bataile in terra sancta emong the Saracenes.

Grith and Leofrik were killid with king Harald theyr brother at the batelle of Hastinges.

Edwarde made Sinarde erle of Northumbr: for his valiantnes.

Sinard killid Makacta, king of Scotland.

p. 529. Then was Maklow, * king of Cumbreland, made king of Scottes.

Sinard sent his sunne to warre in Scotland, wher he dyid of the flux. Where he after toke the same decease, and dyid of it. But he, much detesting to dy like a cow of the flix, caussid hym self to be armid at al peaces, and died yn his armure.

Walteof his sun was very yong, and had few frendes, and the king by procurent gave Northumbreland to Costin, Godwyne sunne, the which after, for his governing, was put owt of it, and then he desirid Haraldis help. But he preferrid the peace of the countery afore Costin promotion. Then went Costin into Flaunders.

Then was Malcher, Edgar sunne, made counte of Northumbr:

Harald over cam Ris and Griffyn brothern governors of Wales.

About this tyme cam Edward, sunne to Edmunde Yrenside, oute of Hungery in to England, and sone after dyid, and was buried at S. Paules yn London. This Edward was father to Edgar Atheling, and Margaret, after quene of Scotland as wife to Malcolin.

This Malcolin chaungid the names of the thaynes yn Scotland on to countes.

Malcolin causaid one of his brothers to be behedid, and put out the yes of a nother of his brethern, and kept hym in Gedworth castel yn pryson, fering lest they should put hym from his kingdom. He that was blynd got a mayd childe of a launder, that wold never leve on tyl he had maried her. This doughter was after gyven with landes yn mariage by Malcoline on to a sunne of the countie Comyn of Fraunce, the which young Comyn at that tyme duellid with king Malcoline.†

The Englisch men would have had, after king Edwardes deth, Edgare, sunne to Edward the exile, sunne to Edmunde Yrenside, to their king; but Godwines sunne, namid Harald, with great friendship, was straight coronid king.

* Malcolm. † Adventus Cominiorum in Scotiam.

Harald,* yn tyme of his captivite in Normandie, did promise to mary Gul: Bastarde doughter, and to kepe the castel of Dover after king Edwardes deth to his use.

Harold king of England killid at Stainforde by Yorke, wher Olave, sunne to the king of Norway, and Paule of Orkeney fled to theyr shippes, and Harold, brother to S. Olave, was slayne, and Costine king Haroldes of England brother.

At this bataile of Stanford ther was a Dane, that faught manfully, and killid many on p. 530. tylle he, under the bridge, was prively smitten to death.

King Harold toke so much of the spoile of Stanford bridg batel to his oune use, that many of his soldiors depertid, and many had but faint hartes.

King William Conqueror at his arrival made strait a castel at Hastinges.

William Bastard offerid 3. thinges to Harold, that other he should take his sister, or hold England of hym, or finally to try the quarel yn batel.

The bataile was faught at Hastinges on S. Kalixt day the 14. of Octobre yn the yere of our Lorde 1066.

Harald was king but a xL wekes, and yn the night afore the feld the Eaglish menne playid at dice, and had ministralcie almost al the night. But the Normans were much in silence and prayers.

William Bastard cumming owt of the ship to land in England flet † with hondes and face on the grounde.

King William was crounid at Lond; of Alred, archebishop of York, on Christemes day. King William repaired the castelles of Notingham and Lincoln, and made a castel at York.

Edgare with his mother and his 2. sisters fled by Humbre, with other nobles, in to Scotlande.

King William gave the counte of Northumbreland to Robert Comyn: and he enterid by force in to Duresme; but for his outerages ther done he and his were slayn yn the bishop palace that had hymself receyvid hym honorably.

Harald and Knut, sunnes to king Swayne of Dennemark, with Edgar, Waltheof, Morkar, and Cospatrik the counte, with al the poure of Northumbrelande, cam to York to encounter with the Normanns.

The Danes brenning the house aboute the new castel at Yorke were cause that al the towne, and S. Peters chirch, caught on fyer.

At this tyme were al the Normans slayn, except Mallet, vicount of York, his wife and children, Gilbert Gaunt, and a few other. This done the Danes and the Northumbres departid.

King § destroyid utterly Yorkshire, saving the liberties of S. John of Beverle by miracle of a thefe, or spoiler of the Normans, that ther brak his nek. So was much of Yorkshir left onhabited.

Malcoline, king of Scottes, on the other side cummyng yn by destroyid the p.531.

* Harold taken prisoner of the counte of Pontive at S. Waleries. † Sic. ‡ Sic. § It was written first "King John destroyld:" but "John" is struck owt by Mr Leland's own hand, and nothing added in its stead.



bisshop rike of Duresme almost to desolation, and also Cliveland. And at this tyme Edgare cumming yn to Weremouth was honorably receyvid of Malcolin.

A non after this tyme Cospatrik, erle of Northumbreland, went yn by force to Cumbrelande, that then was under Malcoline dominion, and ther toke great praye. Wherfore Malcoline cam agayn, with out mercy, yn to Northumbreland, and toke with hym so many prisoners, that almost every house in Scotland had sum of them.

King William gave Billingham and Houden to the chirch of Duresme.

King Willyam had thought to have made Hery, his yongest sunne, a bishop.

These were the 3. caussys that made king Wylliam conqueror to cum yn to England. Fyrst, by cause erle Godwyne caussid his nephew Alfrid to be killid at Ely. Secundly, by cause king Edwarde had promised to make hym his heyre. Thyrdly, by cause Godwyne and his sunnes had killid, and exilid, the noble men of the Normans that dwellid yn Englande.

William counte of Herford counselid king Wylliam to take the treasure of the chyrchis of England yn to his handes.

In the beginning of kinge William Rufus Edgare, the trew heire of the corone of England, was * dispossid of the landes that Wylliam Conqueror† gyven hym there, and was faine to fly the countery, and to cum to Scotland.

But after Rufus and Robert, being yn war yn Lodenes yn Scotland, caullid to them Edgar, and by his meanes Malcolin and they agreed.

King Malcolin, Gul: Garilef the bishop of Duresme, and Turgot the prior ther, dyd lay the first stone of the new chirch of Duresme.

Edgar askid leve of king Wylliam Conqueror to go to see his syster Christian a nunne in Russy.‡

Leyland. Yet after these wordes be wrytten yn the historie,

Agas, mother to Margaret quene of Scotland, and Christian her sister becam nunnes at Newcastel apon Tyne, after that king Malcoline was killid at Alnewik.

Robert Moubray, counte of Northumbreland, and William de Owe, with other, had conspirid to put down Gul: Rufus, and to have made his nephew, Stephen Blankmarle, king.

Edgar was sent with an host into Scotland to set his nephew Edgar, king Malcolines p. 532. sunne, yn to the kingdom, that Donald his uncle did occupy.

King William Rufus caussid king Edgar of Scotland to gyve Goldingham [Coldingham], that was one of his chiefest maners, to the college of S. Cuthbert of Duresme.

Wylliam Rufus caussid Res of Wales to be killid in batayle nere Brekenok. And after none bare the name of kinges, but of princes, in Wales.

Henry the first had with his wife Matilde the releace of the title of Edmondsyde* and his, in the reaulme of Englande.

These nobles were drownid cumming out of Normandie, in to England: Wylliam king Henry sunne, and his brother Richarde; Richard counte of Chestre, and Otinel his bro-

Sic. † Sic. ‡ This peace is set extra locum. § Sic in Autogr. Sed in Excerptis Galeanis, " Edmond Yrenside and his." &c.

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ther, Gaufrid Ridel, Walter of Euurcy, the kinges doughter countes of Perches, and Lucece the kinges doughter countes of Chester.

Randulph erle of Chester, Robert erle of Gloceter, Hugh Bigot, and Robert Oyly were the great men that toke part with Mawde emperes agayne king Stephane.

King Stephan cumming to Wilton, and ther myndeding to make a castel was almost taken by Robert erle of Glocestre. Wylliam Marcel [Martel] was there taken, for whos redemption Stephane delyverid the castel of Shirburn that he had won afore.

King Stephanes men toke Geffray Grauntville,* that had many castelles in keping, to the use of Mawde emperes.

Henry, sunne to king David of Scotland, was erle of Northumbrelande.

Wylliam, the eldest sunne of Henry the secunde, dyed beyng young.

In the 15. yere of Henry the 2. good Robert, counte of Leircester, dyed, the which foundid the abbay of Gerendon, the abbay of Leircester, the place of the nunnes at Eiton.

King Henry 2. causid the castel of Werke to be made.

Malcoline, king of Scottes, maried his sister to Conan, duke of Bretayn, and lorde of Richemont.

William king of Scottes enterid yn to England, having many Fleminges with hym, and wan the castelles of Appleby and Burgh. And after he wan Prudehow castel.

Robert de Stoteville, Randolph de Grantville [Mandeville], Barnard Bailliol, of whom p. 533. Bernards castel toke name, and Willyam de Vescy cam to New Castel, and after toke king Wylliam prisoner, and sent hym to London. And king Henry toke Wylliam with hym yn to Normandy, and also the erle of Leyrcestre, and prisonid them yn Roane.

King William was after delyverid at York for the raunsum of 4000 li.

The nobilles of Scotteland cam no never than Pembles yn Scotland to mete with theyr kinge. Wherfore he toke with hym many of the youngger sunnes of the nobyl men of England that bare hym good wylle, and gave them landes in Scotlande of them that were rebelles to hym. These were the names of the gentilmen that he toke with hym: Bailfiol, Breuse, Soully, Moubray, Saintclere, Hay, Giffard, Ramesey, Laundel, Bysey, Berkeley, Walenge, Boys, Montgomery, Vaulx, Coleville, Friser, Grame, Gurlay, and diverse other.†

King Wylliam of Scotland made, in the honor of Thomas of Cantorby, ‡ the abbay of Aberbrothok.

Among other castelles that Wylliam delyverid to king Henry, was Edingburg, the whiche king Henry gave hym agayne yn mariage with his cosyn Hermeger, the which quene after foundid the abbay of Balmorinagh.

Philip of Esterby warnid Henry the 2. to amend hym self yn 7. articles.

Rosamunde, the faire doughter of Clifford, was concubine to Henry the 2. at Wodestoke, and was poysenid, as sum think, by the quene Henry wife.

After the death of Rosamunde Henry toke prively king Lewys doughter of France, that was maryed to his sunne Richard counte of Petow, for his leman.

* Geffray Grandeville erle of Esteax.

† The historie rehersith thes names in the plurale numbre.

‡ Sic.



King Henry had practised afore for a dispensation of devorce betwixt hym and his quene Eleanor, yn thentent to have had her that his sunne Richard was after maryed onto.

King Richarde gave to his brother John Cornewalle, an Devonshire, and divers other countes.

Richard goyng to the Holy Land made wonderful shiftes for mony.

King Richard sold the dignite of the county of Northumbreland to Hugo Pisas, bisshop of Duresme.* This bisshop Hugh was cancellare of Englande; but at the very going of king Richard yn to the Holy Land William bisshop of Ely was made cancellar and procurator yn England for kinge Richarde, but for his extorsions he was deadly hatid of the nobils of Englande.

p. 534. This William put Hugh bisshop of Duresme yn custody, and kept hym on tille he had renderid up such castelles as he had of the kinges.

John brother to king Richard chasid William the cancellar owt of Englande.

About this tyme was great persecution of the Jues yn Englande. And the Jues at York, to fly the ignomy of the Christians, ther killid them selves.

King John toke homage of Wylliam king of Scottes at Lincoln.

Sum chroniques say that king John did mary the doughtter and heyre of the counte of Glocestre, and that he had heires males be her, that after *wer† [furent] countes of Glocester. But after that John was king, he was clerely devorcid from her, and yet had he afore a dispensation for degre of consanguinite betwixt them.

Sum say that Arture, nepheu to king John, dyed yn prison at Roan.

Sum say that as Arture should passe from one ship to a nother, to go yn to England as prisoner, that by the procurement of John, a mariner leyid a plank after such a sorte, that, as sone as Arture trode upon it, he fel yn to se, and was drounid.

King John, for riottes made by Wylliam king of Scotland, went to Berwik, and ther was aboute to make a castel on the hyther ripe of Twede, but then king Wylliam delyverid to hym great hostages, and so John returnid.

A chronique caullid Historia aurea.‡

King John sent his justices, Gerard le Peitewine, William de la Bruer, et John fitz Hughe, pledges for the safe cumming of Stephan Langton to the toune of his bisshoprik of Cantorbury.

The abbate of Waverle, for fere of king John, left his house, and fled to Cisteaux.

King John preparing toward Ireland toke great taskes of the Jues yn England, and great summes of the White Monkes.

Stephan Langton, archebisshop of Cantorbiry, kept a counsail [councail] at Reding for goodes to be restored to the clergy taken away by king John. Stephan had adjugid to hym 3. M. markes. The residew of the clergy 15. M. markes.

King John disenheritid sum nobyl men withowt jugement of their peres. And he wold have destroyid the good erle Randol of Chester.

p. 535. King John used to haunt the wife of his brother Geffray, counte of Britaine, whom

• Hugo de Puteaco comes Northumbr : † Sic, cum asterisco. ‡ Historia surea

Randol, counte of Chestre, had maried, and from whom he was devorcid by the counsel of king John, for the which it was supposed that counte Randol dyid with owte issue.

Then toke counte Randol Clemence, doughter of the counte Ferrars.

Randol often warnid king John for taking the doughtters of diverse nobil men, and deflouring them.

The barons of England made strong war apon king John.

King John sent for so many Pikardes, Normannes, and Fleminges that wen they cam the cuntery had much a do to fede them. Emong whom Faukes de Brente, a great tyrant, that nother sparid to spoile house of relligion or chirche that he could cum to.

Alexander king of Scottes, sun to king William, did entre yn to England, and did muche despite to king John. He assegid the castel of Mitteford and Norham, and toke Homages of divers nobil men of Northumbreland, and the counte of York. Wherfor king John after destroied much of theyr landes, and bet doune Morpeth castel.

Alexander assegid Cairluel, and toke it.

Gualo the legate, by assistence of Randol erle of Chester, William le Marescal counte of Penbrok, and erle Ferrars, William Burer, and Saverly de Mail

Gualo anon after the coronation caussid a great counsel to be kept at Bristow, both of the clergy and temporalite, and there made them swere to their new king Henry, and cursid Lowys the king of Fraunce sunne.

After this Lowys toke the castel of Berkhamsted and † [in] Herforde [Hertforde].

The barons toke Lincoln, and thither cam king Henrys hoste, and discomfitid them. Ther was slayne of Lowys parte the counte of Perches. Ther was taken Saer de Quincy erle of Wynchester, Humfre de Boum counte of Hereforde, and Robert Fitz Walter baron.

Lowys hering of that cam to London, and shut up all the gates savyng one. But the Londoners, at the cumming of king Henry hoste, yeldid the cite to hym. Wherfore he confirmid all the liberties that the Londoners had, or wer wont to have.

Aboute this tyme cam a navy of shippes out of Fraunce to help Lowys with divers nobil men, and Eustace le Moigne; was their admiral, with whom encounterid, with help of the v. Portes, Hubert de Burgh having only but viii. shippes.

p. 536.

There was Eustace taken and behided, and the other gentil lefte alyve put in prison, and ther escapid but xv. shippes. The residew were taken and drounid.

In the yere of our Lord 1221. Alexander king of Scottes maried Johan at York doughter of king John.

And the same yere Hubert de Burgh maried Margaret the doughter of William late king of Scotland.

Hubert de Burgh was made chief justice of England.

Faukes de Brente richely furnishid his castel of Bedford that king John gave hym, and kept it by force agayn king Henry.

^{*} See Stowe's Annals at the beginning of Henry IIIds. reigne. † Sic. ‡ Eustachius monachus navarcha.

Henry take Bedforde castel, and hangid up Falkes men: and Faukes hym self was some after founde yn a chirche at Coventre, and there he forsware the kinges lande.

King Henry had by Eleonor his wife, doughter to the counte of Province, Edward, and Edmunde flour of al liberalite and curtesy; Margaret after quene of Scotland; Beatrice counte of Britaine, and Katarine that died virgine in relligion.

Johan, doughter of king John of England, and wife to Alexandre king of Scottes, died with owt issue.

Alexander, sunne to Alexander king of Scottes, and Margaret the eldest doughter of king Henry the 3. being booth aboute the age of 4. yeres, were promisid yn mariage at New Castel, wher king Henry had a great host agayne the Scottes, but apon this alliaunce he returnid.

This Alexander got after of Margaret 2. sunnes, Alexander and David, the which boothe dyid afore their father. He begot on her also a doughter caullid Margaret, and she was after maried to the king of Norway, by whom she had a doughter also caullid Margarete.

King Henry kept, in the 43. yere of his reigne, a parlament at Oxforde.

In the 48. yere of king Henry reigne batel was begon betwixt his barons, and at the batail of Chesterfeld wer divers of the barons slayne, Rober counte Ferras was taken, and Bawdewine Wake, John Neville, and John de la Hay had much payn to escape.

In this XLVIII. yere of Henry the toun of Northampton was taken from the barons by force.

This yere the Jues of London were slayn, by cause they had provided Grekisch fier to have burned the cite of London.

p. 537 Prince Edward discomfitid Simond Montford at Kenilworth, [Killingworth] and he [Simon] had much payne to escape. But Baudewine Wake, William de Montchensy, and Adam de Newmark, Simons frendes, wer taken.

John, sunne to David the Scotte erle of Huntingdon, begotten of the sister of Randol erle of Chestre, maried the doughter Lewelin prince of Wales. Wherapon the warre seasid bytwixt Randol and Lewelin prince of Wales.

Randol, after his cumming home from the Holy Lande, dyed with owt heyre of his body begotten. So that the counte remaynid to his nephew John, sun to David erle of Huntingdon and of Gerviagh, and this John dyed with oute heir of his body begotten. So that the counte cam to the kinges handes, that greyd with the sisters of John that the counte should not be disperkelid emong women.

Henry the 3. got by parlament the wardeship of noble mennes sunnes tyl they cam to the age of 21. yeres.

William de Brewse was accusid of adulteri with the wife of Lewelin prince of Wales. Wherapon the princes was put in prison, and Gul: Brewse; was hangid by hym. Wherapon insuid much werre.

Prince Edward toke his viage in to the Haly Lande, having these noble menne with hym,

⁶ Gul: de Monte Canusio. Adam de Novo Mercato. § Genealogia comitum Castrin. † Sic. ‡ Gul: de Breuse suspensus ob adulterium.

John de Britaine erle of Richmunt, John Vescy, Thomas Clare, Roger Clifford, Othes de Garaunsun, Robert de Bruise, et John de Nerdon.

Edward, hering of king Henry his father, lefte his brother Edmunde, counte of Lancastre and Leircestre, at Acres, and cam home.

Margaret, king Edwardes sister, quene of Scotland dyed, leving 2. sunnes and one doughter by king Alexander. Edwarde and David her sunnes booth dyed at the age of a 20. yeres, Alexander their father then lyving. Margaret her doughtter was after maryed to the king of Norway.

King Edwarde gave inheritance to David, brother to Leweline prince of Wales, the lordship of Frodisham.

Roger Clifford, William de Lindisey, John Fitz Robert, Lucas de Towny* went to war on the Walsch men, and John Vescy also.

John Giffard and Edmunde Mortimer toke Lewelin, prince of Wales, and sent his hed to king Edwarde.

Dauid Lewelines brother was taken nighe Denbigh, and put to deth.

King Edward gave the landes of Wales emong his gentilmen to dwelle on them.

Thomas de Welande, Rauf de Engham, Hugh de Chauncelery, Adam de Straiton, Elys p. 538. de Ethingham, and John of Mechingham sore punished by the purce for ille usinge there office yn justice.

The Scottes sent to king Edwarde embassadors, that his sunne Edwarde mighte have yn mariage, by dispensation at Rome, Margaret, doughter to Margaret, quene of Norway, and heir of Scotland, and that Edwarde, during the life of his father, should stil remaine in Scotland, and after his dethe one yere in England, and a nother yn Scotland.

One Master Weland, a clerke of Scotlande, sent yn to Norway for Margaret,† dyed with her by tempeste on the se cumming oute of Norway to Scotland yn costes of Boghan.

King Edwarde, Guli⇠de Gaynesborow a Gray Frere and Hugh de Maunchester a Blak Frere to make homage for Gascoyne to the French king, whom the erle of Artoys toke going thorough his countery, and put them yn prison.

King Edwarde sent Mr John de Glaunton, archidecon of Richemonte, to the bisshop of Rome to showe the ontreuth of the Frenche king toward hym.

Leilandus.

There is in this history a long chapitre of the names and successions of the kinges of Scotland.

Ferguse, sunne to Ferthair of Ireland, was the fyrste that namid hym self king of Scottes. Ferguse brought oute of Ireland the Stone Royal, and layed it at the abbay of Scone [Stone] in Scotland, spon the which the kinges of Scotland were coronid on til suche time that king Edward brought it thens to the abbay of Westminstre by London.

Lelandus.

Ther folouith a nother hole chapitre of the names and successions of the kinges of the Pictes.

* Lucas de Toneio. † Margareta heres Scotie naufragio periit. ‡ Sic.



Cruthene Kenek the gentil was the first king of the Pictes.

The kingdom of the Pictes durid 1187. yeres.

Edmund king of England, brother to king Athelstan, gave to Donald, king of Scotland, al Combreland: wherfore the Scottes clayme the ground to the crosse in Stanmore.

Malcoline, (sunne to Henry counte of Garviagh, of Huntendune, and Northumbreland, that was the sunne of kinge David) reignid 12. yere and 6. monithes, the which dyed avant le pier a Jedworth, and lyith at Domfermeline.

Wylliam, sunne to the same Henry *counte § of Northumbreland, by the gifte of king Stephan, reignid 50. He dyed at Stryvelin, and lyith at Aberbrothok abbay, the which he buildid.

p. 539. Alexander his sun reignid 37. yeres. He dyed at Kembray yn Orkany, and lyith at Melros.

Alexander, sunne to Alexander, reignid 37. yeres, and brake his nek at Kinkorn, of the which thing rose great strife for the croun of Scotlande.

By cause ther was no issue lefte of the ii. aforesaide king Alexanders, it owte to cum to the issue of David, counte of Huntendune, brother to Willyam king of Scotlande, sunne to king David.

The which Davy, counte of Huntindon, had a sunre callid John, that dyid with owt issue, and 3. doughters. The first caullid" Margaret was maried to Alane lorde of Galaway. The 2. Isabella was maryed to Peter Bruse. The 3. Ade to John Hastinges.

Margaret had only a doughtter, caullid Doruergule, that was maryed to John Bailliol.

Isabelle had a sunne caullid Robert Bruse.

Ade had a sunne caullid John Hastinges.

Esche of these had great frendes, and desirid to have the croune of Scotlande.

The bridge of Berwike brake aboute this tyme, with great force of water, by cause the arches of it were to low. And after the making of it as it was then, it durid scars ix. yeres.

Antony Bek, bishop of Duresme, that had, by the gifte of William Vescy, the disposition of the honor of Alnewik, sold it to Henry for certain sclaunderus wordes that John Vescy, bastarde to William, spake by hym.

Edward was made judge of the title of Scotland, and cam, at a day apointid, to here the plee; where these many men put in theyr titles: Florence counte of Holand; John Bailliol, Robert Bruse, John Hastinges, John Comyn [Scottus], Partrik counte of Marche [Scottus], John Vescy, Nicolas de Sowlis [Scottus], William de Ros [Scottus etiam], and Patrik Galightly [ut opinor, Scottus.]

Edward after this returned in to England, and at Michelmas following cam to Berwik, wher in the chirche of the Trinite: the title of the 3. doughters of David, counte of Huntendune, was approved.

§ Sic, cum asterisco. † Hæc vox bis occurrit. ‡ Sic.

Gilbert Clare, counte of Glocestre, did greatly maynteyn the quarel of Robert Bruise, by cause he had maried his sister.

The counte Waren, and Antony Bek, bisshop of Duresme, maintenid thetitle of John Bailliol.

Robert Bruse allegid that he was immediately the sunne of Isabelle the secunde doughter, p. 540. and that John Bailliol was but the sunne of Dorvergule, doughter to Margarete, the eldest doughter of Davy erle of Huntingdon: so that Bruse saide, that he was one degre never in consanguinite.

Bailliol said, that seing that his mother,* that was the right heire, could not reigne, that he owte to have it by lineal descente.

To conclude, the right title was adjugid to John Bailliol by the 40. chosen peres, xx. of Scotland, and as many of England.

Robert Bruise, in presence of king Edwarde, denied to do homage to Bailliol, and apon that gave up his land that he had in Scotlande in the vale of Anande to Roberte his eldeste sunne, begotten by the sister of Gilbert de Clare counte of Glocestre: and he like wise denied to do homage to Bailliol. Then Robert Bruise said to Robert his sectunde sunne, engenderid upon the doughter and heire of the counte of Carrik, and after king of Scotlande, "take thow my lande yn Scotland." This Robert was a young man of king Edwards chaumbre, and toke it doing homage to John Bailliol.

John Bailliol, king of Scottes, had 3. sisters, Margaret lady of Gillislande. The secunde was lady Consy. The thirde was maryed to John Comyn, father to hym that Robert Bruise killid at Dumfres. And this John Bailliol had but one sunne caulid Edwarde.

John Bailliol, king of Scottes, cam to Newcastel yn the firste yere of his reigne, and did homage to king Edwarde.

The Scottes having 7. countes in their bande cam to Cairluel, and brent al the suburbes of it.

The same 7. countes with their bande brennid the priory of Hexham.

Patrik counte of Marche with the blak berde, that alonly of all the nobles of Scotland remained yn obedience of king Edwarde, complained, that the Scottes had taken his castel of Dunebar by treyne. Apon this king Edward sent from Berwike counte Waren, and the erle of Warwik, with great pour by se and land to Dunbar. Where were taken yn the castel the counte of Menteth, the counte of Athele, the counte of Ros, and 6. barons; John Comyn the yong", † William Saintclere, Richard Siuard the elder, John de Ynchemartine, Alexander de Murref, Edmunde Comyn de Kilbride. And beside 29. knightes, and 80. esquier, the which were to ‡ prison in to diverse partes of Englande.

King Edward toke at his parliament at Berwike homage of al the lordes of Scotland, p. 541. apon the which he had their writinges and their scales.

King Edward being at Newminstre abbay gave the gardianeship of Scoland to the

[•] Forsan intelligit Margaretam, socrum suam. † Mr Leland had first of all written "yongger." ‡ Sic.

counte Waren. He made also Hugh Cressingham his [treasorer alias] chambrelayn of Scotlande, and William Ormesby his justice.

Robert Fitz Roger lorde of Werkworth castel.

John Fitz Marmaduke.

Gul: Waleys sent Henry Haliburton a knight to sease Berwik, and so he did. But after this Henry hering of a discumfiture of the Scottes, left Berwik as voyde.

King Edward wan the batel of Fawkirk yn Scotland apon S. Maria Magdalena day in the yere of our Lorde 1295. where Wylliam Waleys their capitayne ran a way. Antony de Bek, bishop of Duresme, had this batail such a retinew, that in his cumpany were 32. baners. At this tyme was the toune of S. Andreas destroyed. The yere after cam letters, by procurement of the Scottes, from Boniface, bisshop of Rome, that saide, that Scotland did hold of the court of Rome. For this cause king Edwarde kept a parlament at Lyncoln, and there provid that the king of Scottes oute to hold of the king of Englande.

Wylliam Waleys was taken of the counte of Menteth aboute Glaskow, and sent to king Edward, and after was hangid, drawen, and quarterid at London.

Robert Hastinges, an Englisch man, capitayne for king Edwarde of the castel of Roxburge.

Hugh Andeley cumming yn to Scotland with king Edwarde having with hym 60. men of armes divertid for loging to Melros abbay. John Comyn, gardiane of Scotland, hering of this, cam thither pryvely in the night, and brasting the gates killid divers of them. Thomas Gray knight fled over the bridge, and kept a house on til he saw it bren over his hed. Then he cam owte, and was taken prisoner.

Edward kept his Christemas at Linlithcow in Scotland, wher John Comyn submittid hym self to hym, and was taken to grace, and kept hys landes.

John de Sowlys, not willing to submit hym self to king Edwarde, went in to Fraunce, and there dyed.

Olifart, a young bachelar of Scotland, furnished the castel of Strivelyn agayn king Edward. But Eduarde wan it by the seage of 19. wekes, and toke Olifart.

Thomas Gray knight in this seage of Strivelin wil he rescuid his master Henry Beaumont p. 542. from the Scottes was striken with a garon under the yes thorough the hedde, and fel doun for dede, and after, when he was caryed to be buryed, he began to stere, and after was helid of his sore wounde.

King Edward made Eymer de Valoyns counte of Penbroke his gardian yn Scotlande, and gave hym the forestes of Selkirk and Etrik. This Eymer made a pile in Selkirk, and put a garnison in it.

Robert de Bruse counte of Carrik, that bare hym self very bold of his kinsmen in Scotland, trusting to wynne his title of the corone of Scotland, caussid John Comyn, by sending to hym his 2. bretherne,* to meete with hym at the Gray Freres at Dunfres to speke with hym. And wen he cam thyther, Bruse told hym hys mynd, and bad hym, "other take hys enheritaunce of Carrik, and help me to be king of Scotland, or let me have thyne,

^{*} Thomas et Neil fratres Roberti Bruse.

and I wyl help the to be king." But John Comyn not consenting to this was slayn, and his uncle also, that strake Bruse afore such a blow that if he had not been harnessid he had slayn hym.

The countes of Boughan, by cause her sunne was absent lying at his maner of Witnik by Leircestre, toke apon her to corone Robert Bruse at Stone in Scotland.

This countes was taken the same yere, and put in a tour at Berwike.

Edward caussid Eymer Valoyns to war agayn Bruse. So he went as he was commaundid, and cam to S. Johns Towne, having yn company the frendes of John Comyn late slayn. And thens went to Methfen, * and wan the feld, wher John Haliburton let Robert Bruse escape, after that he knew hym, for he ware not his kingly cote of armes.

Thomas Randolf, nephew to Robert Bruse, and after counte of Morref, was taken at this feld, and after, at the prayer of Adam Gordon, deliverid, and byd† Englisch on til he was taken at a nother tyme of the Scottes.

Robert Bruse hym self fled in to Kentire, wither the Englisch men folowid hym, and besegid the fortres of it, supposing that Bruse had beene in it. But when they had taken it, thei founde hym not: but there they toke his wife, the doughtter of the counte of Hulster, and Neil, his brother.‡ And a non after was the counte of Athelis taken, that fled from the aforesaid fortres.

Neil, brother to Robert Bruse, with Alane, Durnard, and divers other were hangid, drawen, and quarterid at Berwik. And Robert Bruse wife was sent to prison in to Englande.

The counte of Athelis (by cause he was cosyn to the king of England, and sunne to p. 543. Maude of Doure his aunte) § was sent to London, and there was hangid apon a pair of galows 30. foote hyer than other.

Thomas counte de Lancastre, and Humfrede de Bouhun counte of Hereford, passid the montayns of Scotland, and assegid the castel of Kyndronn yn Marre, and wan it, and there toke Christopher de Seton with his wife, sister to Robert Bruse, the wich, as an Englisch renegate, was sent to Dunfres, and ther hangid, drauen, and quarterid: wher he had afore killid the viscounte of that cunteri, sent thither by the king of Englande.

The bisshops of Glasgow, and S. Andres, and the abbat of Stone wer sent in to England to be in custody.

Peter Gavirston was accusid to the king of many crymes, and as not worthy to be about his sunne prince Eduarde, wherapon he was banishid owt of England.

Brother [Roberte] Brusce returned oute of the Isles, and hering that prince Edward was at the Toun of S. John, desired to have safe conducte to treate of peace with hym. But after king Eduarde hard say that they had tretid, he ragid that it was done with oute his knowledge, and sent word from Dunfermelin that thei should treate no farther.

The king and his returned toward England, and Aimer Valoyns was left as the kinges lieutenant in Scotland.

Robert Bruisce sent his 2. brethern, Thomas and Alexander, toward Nidesdale, and the

The bataille of Methfen. † Sic. ‡ Neil, frater Roberti Bruse. § Matildis de Doura.

vale of Anaund, to reise the people; but the Englisch men toke them, and after ward they were sent to Cairluel, and ther hangid, drawen, and quarterid.

Robert Bruse repaired to the counte of Carrik, wher he reisid the people.

Eymer de Valoyns hering of this, cam thither, and at Loudon was discumfited by Roberte Bruse, and dryven to the chastel of Are. And a 3. days after he skirmochid with Rafe de Monhermer,* that was caullid counte of Glocestre (by cause that Johan, the kinges doughtter, and countes of Glocestre, toke hym for love to her husband) and over cam hym, and drave hym also to the castel of Are on tyl rescue cam. And then was Bruse so beten with il fortunes, that he was left alone to take passage at the isles with ii. mariners in a bote, that askid hym if he could tel any tyding of Robert Bruse.

p. 544. King Edward had but one sunne that lyvid by his first wife, doughter to the king of Castel. By his secunde wife, sister to the French king, he had 2 sunnes, Thomas and Edmunde. He gave to Thomas the countes of Northfolk and Southfolk, with the Erle Marescalship of England; the which countes and Marescalship longid to Roger Bigot,† the which had no issue: and apon that he made the king his heire, parteley for fere because the king should not give hym reporte of a certeyn disceit that he with other wrought againe hym at Lincoln.

And he gave to his sunne Edmunde yn his testament 4000. markes by yere of landes, to be performed by his sunne Edwarde apon his benediction. In party wher of Edmunde had after the counte of Kent, but he had not the hole summe afore Edwarde the 3. dayes. King Edwarde the first had diverse doughters. One was maried to the erle of Glocester; a nother to the duke of Brabant; the 3. to the counte of Baris; the 4. to the counte of Holand, after the death of whom she was maried to the counte of Hereford. The fifte doughter was a nunne at Amesbyry.

Edwarde the secunde was maried at Amias to Isabelle, the doughter of Philip the Fair king of Fraunce, and then he brought her to London, and ther she was coronid.

King Edwarde the secunde after this passid with his wife agayne yn to Fraunce, and at S. Germanes, hard by Parys, treatid with king Philip for maters of Gascoyne, and richely festid king Philip at S. Germanes.

The quene of Navare, whos doughter and heyre was maryed to Charles the youngest sun of king Philip of Fraunce, did mary Edmund, brother to Edwarde the first, by whom she had 2. sunnes Thomas and Henry, after countes of Lancastre.

King Philip of Fraunce, knowing his doughters to be of very light conversation, askid of Philip Dawnay, an anneient knight and counselor of his, what thei were worthy to have that committed frequent adultery the with his sunnes wifes? He answerid to be burned alive. Them said the kinge, they be thy sunnes, and shaul have thy jugement. Wherapon one was straite condemnid. The other escapid into Englande, and was taken at York, and sent agayne (with no small murmur of the Englisch men, seing that he cam to hym for socour) to the French king, and ther was brent alyve. And 2. of the ladies, wives to the French

[•] Joanna de Acres, mortuo Gilberto comite Claudie, nupeit Rodolpho Monhermerio. † Thomas Broyerton donatus hereditate Rogeri Bigotii. ‡ Graviss: adulterii supplicium.

kinges sunnes, were put to villaine death. The thirde was murid up, and dyed for langer. This thing was opened by Isabelle, quene of England, to her father Philip: but many belevid that the thing was not trew, and that therapon, for vengeance of cruelte, Philip p. 545. shorteley dyed, and eche of his sunnes reignid but a wile after hym.

Charles, the yongest sunne of king Philip that was king of Navar, his father lyving, had but one doughter by his wife heir of Navare, that after was maried to the counte of Everus, that after was king of Navar.

Isabel, doughter to king Philip, her 3. brethern beyng deade with owte issue male, was countid the next heire to the kingdom of France, wher apon the right cam to Eduarde her sun by Eduarde the secunde her husband.

Thomas Gray, warden of the castel of Couper and of Fife of the kinge of Eglandes part in Scotland, cumming from Edwardes coronation toward the aforesaide castel, was layde for privile by Walter Bickirkton, knight of Scotlande, that had prive intelligence when, and by what way, he could cum, and lay yn waite with 400. menne of armes with hym. The which thing being told to Thomas Gray at hand, that had with hym but 26. men of armes, wel appointid and wel horsid, causid his varlettes to cum yn sight, behynd with a baner, and with his smaul band rood thorough the rankes of Scottes by force, and bak agayn by force thorough them, killing dyvers of them. And then they espying Grayes verlettes cumming toward them, fledde alle, and levyng theyr horses tooke the marresis, or bogges. And Thomas drave their horses a way for his pray to the castel of Couper.

A nother tyme Alexander Fresile a Scotte, frend to Robert Bruse, was sent with in a litle of Couper castel with an embuschement, and caussid certen of his to pille a village ther by, so supposing to bring Thomas Gray in to a trappe: the which hering the cry went to horse to se what it was. The embuschement seying that, roode of force to the very castel gates. Thomas seing this returnid his horse, and cam faire and softely thorow the toune of Couper, and then laying spurres to his horse, and rode thorough them, and got within the barres of the castel, wher he founde his oune * meny cumming out to help hym.

King Edward caullid a gayn Peter Gaverston, a yong man of Gascoyne, afore exilid by his father; caussing Thomas erle of Lancastre, with other, to swere to the accomplischement of the banischment, and caussid hym to take to wife † the doughter of his sister and the erle of Gloscestre, and made hym counte of Cornewalle.

Peter Gaverston then became noble, liberal and gentil in summe facions: but after ful of pride and disdayne, of the which the nobilles of England tooke great despite.

It chauncyd about this tyme, that Peter was in the kinges werres yn Scotland, and let p. 546. the toun of Dundee to ferme, and hering of debate of barons yn England cam to Scarburge, and ther was taken, and delyverid to Eymer Valoyns, erle of Penbrok, apon condition that he should send hym to the king by them that toke hym: but he was taken agayne by Oxforde, and brought to the erle of Lancastre, that caussid hym to be behedid by Warwike.

Adam Banester, a bachelar of Lancastreshire, movid ryot agayne Thomas of Lancastre

• Sic. † Peter Gaveston maryed Johan of Acres doughter.

by crafte of king Edwarde; but he was taken, and behedid by the commaundement of Thomas of Lancastre.

Robert Bruse cam agayne in to Scotland, and wan such counterys agayne as Edward the father had conquerid: and all by the government of Englischmen, that usid their autorite in Scotland to theyr singular profite.

Rokesborow was yn garde of one Gilleminge de Fenigges, chevaler, and Burgonion: of whom James Duglas wan it, and ther was Gilleminge slayn in defending the great tour.

Pers Lelande* knight a Gascoyne was vicount of Edenburge, apon whom cam the menne of Randol counte of Murref: and Pers fledde to the kepe of the castel roche, and after becam suoren to Bruse: the which after surmisid treason apon hym, because he thought that he had an Englisch hart, and made hym to be hangid and drawen.

Edward the secunde cam to socour Strivelin, and ther his host was discumfitid, and the erle of Glocestre slayn.

Humfrede de Bouhun, erle of Hereford, was taken at Botheville, and delyverid after for the wife of Robert Bruse and the bisshop of S. Andres.

Philip Moubray knight, capitayne of Strivelin, for the king of Englande, made promise to Robert Bruse to render the castel if he had no socour by a certen day.

The counte of Glocester was capitayne of the vaunt garde of Edwardes host.

Bruse with his owne handes killid Pers Monfort, an Englisch knight, in the wooddes by Strivelin. Clifford and Henry Beaumont with 300. men of armes closid the other side of the wodde. Then Thomas Randolf, counte of Murray, nephew to Bruse, hering that his uncle had vanquishid the vantgard of the Englisch men, cam with his batel owt of the wodde apon Clifford and Beaumont, wher William Dayncourt knight was slayn, and Thomas Gray was taken. The residew of king Edwardes hoste escaping the woddes to the water of Forth beyond Banokesburne, a deade depe water, and pitchid there by a marres.

p. 547. Then one Alexander Seton a Scotte, beyng in king Edwardes hoste, made owte prively yn the night hym self to Bruise being yn the woodde, telling hym, that if he wold cum erly yn the mornyng, that he should easely overcum the Englisch menne. Wherapon Bruse cam erly yn the morning with 3. batelles on foote, taken exemple of the Fleminges that on foote a litle afore had discomfitted the pour of Fraunce at Courtray.

The Englisch men, loden with harneys and horsemen, were not wonte to fight on fote. And at the laste in fightting, the Englischmen were dryven yn to the diche of Bannok-burne hedelinges one apon a nother.

The king hym self with a few fled to Dunbar, by the counsel of Giles de Argentine, a stoute warryer, and a late cum from the werres of Henry Lusenburg emperor.

The king in chase foute sore, and had his horse paunchid, but he got a nother.

But Giles Argentein saide, that he was not wont to fly, and so returned to the Englisch host, and was slayne.

Counte Patrik of Marche ful gentely reseived king Edward in to his castel of Dunbar, and thens the king cam by water to Berwik.

* Petrus Lelandius vicount of Edenburg.

Edwarde de Bruse, brother to Bruse kinge of Scottes, desyring to be also a king, went yn to Ireland with great poure, supposing to conquere it, wher he remaynid 2. yeres and a half, doing wonderful feates, and proclayming hym self king of kinges yn Ireland. But at the laste he was slayn of the Englischmen at Dundalge yn Irelande by his owne wilfulnes, that wold not tary for his ful cumpany that were almost at hand.

King Edwarde sente the erle of Arundel as capitayne yn to the marches of Scotlande, where he soferid reproche by James Dugles at Lincelly yn the forest of Jedworth, and ther was Thomas of Richemont* slayne.

The same James Duglas discumfitid the garnison of Berwik at Staithmore, wher were many Gascoynes slayne.

The same James Duglas, by treason of the marchers, discomfitted the band of Englischmen at Berwike, wher Robert Neville was slayn, the which Neville had afore slayn Richard Fitz Marmaduke at the olde bridge of Duresme for despite who might rule moste.

The same James Duglas, by help of Patrike counte of March, and Peter Spalding † of Berwike, got Berwik owt of the Englischmennes handes. But the castel kept a xi. wekes after, and then, for lak of vitaile and rescue, was gyvin up. Ther Roger Horseley, the capitayn of the castel for the Englischmen, lost one of his yes.

Eymer de Valence, counte of Penbroke, goyng toward the court of Rome, was taken by p. 548-one John de la Moiller, a Burglion [Burgonion], and sent to the emperor, and raunsomid for 20. M. poundes of sylver. By cause the saide John allegid, that he servid the king of England, and had not his wages.

Robert de Bruse caussid al the castelles of Scotland to be beten down saving Dumbretain, wher William de Sowles was put for treason and dyed.

Gilbert Midleton about this tyme made riottes in Northumbreland, robbing ii. cardinalles, and taking Lewys de Beaumont bisshop of Dursme, and Henry Beaumont his brother, by cause the king had arrestid Adam de Swineburne his cosyn, by cause he had spoken of the marchers maters to sharpely to the kinge hym self. This Midleton, by the abetting of other marchers, did much harme in Cleveland, and toke all the castelles of Northumbreland, excepte Alnewik, Baniburg, and Northam.

Gilbert Midleton was taken yn his owne castel of Mitforde, with pryvi intelligence had with his owne men, by Gul: Felton, Thomas Heton, and Robert Horneclife, and hangid, drawen, and quarterid at London.

The Scottes cam yn to the marches of Engeland, and destroyed the castelles of Werk and Herbotel, and over ran much of Northumbreland marches.

At this tyme Thomas Gray, and his frendes defended Norham from the Scottes.

It were a wonderful processe to declare what mischefes cam by hungre and asseges by the space of xi. yeres in Northumbreland. For the Scottes be cā to be so proude, after they had got Berwik, that they nothing estemid the Englischmen.

Aboute this tyme there was a greate fest made yn Lincolnshir, to which cam many gentil men and ladies. And emonge them one lady brought a heulme for a man of were, with

* Thomas of Richemonte. † Petrus Spalding

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a very riche creste of golde, to William Marmion knight, with a lettre of commaundement of her lady, that he should go in to the daungerust place in England, and there to let the heualme to be seene, and knowen, as famose. So he went to Norham, whither, with yn 4. dayes of cumming, cam Philip Moubray, gardian of Berwike, having yn his bande 140. men of armes, the very flour of men of the Scottisch marches.

Thomas Gray, capitayne of Norham, seying this, brought his garison afore the barriers of the castel, behynde whom cam William, richly arrayed, as al glittering in gold, and wering the heaulme his ladys present.

p. 549. Then sayd Thomas Gray to Marmion, "Syr knight, ye be come hither to fame your "helmet. Mount up on yor horse, and ryde lyke a valiant man to yowr "even here at "hand, and I forsake God if I rescue not thy body deade or a lyve, or I myself wyl dye "for it."

Wherapon he toke his cursore, and rode emong the throng of ennemyes, the which layed sore stripes on hym, and pullid hym at the last oute of his sadel to the grounde.

Then Thomas Gray with al the hole garnison, lette prik yn emong the Scottes, and so wonded them, and their horses, that they were over throwen, and Marmyon sore beten was horsid agayn, and with Gray pursewid the Scottes yn chace. There were taken 50. horses of price, and the wemen of Norham brought them to the foote men to follow the chace.

Thomas Gray hym self killid one Cryne, a Fleming, an admiral, and great robber on the se, and yn hy favor with Robert Bruse. The resydew that escapid were chacid to the Nunnes of Berwik.

Adam de Gordon, a baron of Scotland, cam with 160. men to dryve a way the catel, pasturing by Norham, but the yong men of the countery ther aboute encounterid with them, whom Thomas Gray seeing to stande in jeopardy, went owte with onely 60. men, and killid most parte of the Scottes and their horsis.

This same Thomas was tuise assigid yn the castel of Norham by the Scottes, one tyme by the space almost of an yere, the other vii. monithes.

His ennemies made forteresses before the castel, one at Upsedelington, a nother yn the chirch of Norham. The castel was tuise vitailid by the lord Percy and Neville, that be cam very noble men, and riche and great socorers of the marches of England.

The utter ward of Norham castel was one taken yn Thomas Grays tyme, on the vigile of S. Catarine, but they kept it but 3. dayes; for theyr purpose yn myning fayllid them.

About this tyme Gosselyn Daivel† caussid the maner of Allerton to be made warlike, [fist en forcer.]

John of Ireland ravishid the lady Clifford.

Great hungre was aboute this tyme in Englande.

King Edward kept much the se costes, al delighting in shippes, and to much using the vile company of maryners, wher by he lost much favor of his people.

9 Sic. † Gosselin Daivel.

Whil king Edward layid sege to Berwik, the Scottes enterid by Cairluel far in to Eng. p. 550. land, and discomfitted the Englisch men at Mitton.

Then the king left of the sege of Berwik, supposing to have faught with the Scottes yn his oune,* but they hering that the sege of Berwik was left (for the which they ragid) they returned by montaynes and waste groundes in to Scotland.

John de Lilleburne toke the castel of Knaresburg, the which after renderid hym self to the king apon condition.

The quene Isabel assegid the castel of Ledes, to whom it was renderid. For the barons, in reverence of her, wold not rescue it.

Souldiors of the kinges, going with hym againe toward Scotland, faught with the communes of the toune of New Castel, at the very bridg, for certen displeasures; and ther was syr John Perith knight slayne, and other esquiers, longging to the Conestable and Marescal.

King Edward beyng at Leth to go to Edenburg was constraynid to recoil for lak of vitavle.

Robert Bruse cam with a great pour of Scottes in to Yorkshir, and King Edward being at York, and hering of this, cam to Blakehoumore, with such pour as he could sodenly gather, and toke a hylle bi Bylaund abbay for his fortresse, wher the king and his company were discomfitid, and the counte of Richemont taken, and the lorde Sully, a baron of Fraunce, and many other: and the king self hardely escapid to Rivalles abbay.

Then the Scottes did much hurt aboute York, and the wold of Yorkshir.

Then toke Edwarde peace for xiii. yeres with the Scottes.

Edward sent his brother counte of Kent yn to Gascoyne, wher he loste much, and wan naught.

King Edwarde gave the dukedom of Gascoin to Edwarde his sunne, but the barons of Gascoyn wold bere no homage to hym, but alonly to the corone, during his father's life.

The erle of Kent left the war of Gascoyn, and cam to Parys to treate with the erle of Henaude for a mariage betwixt Philip the countes doughter, and prince Edward his nephew.

King Edward hering of the cumming of his quene, his sunne, and Mortimer, with theyr host, towarde hym, toke shipping at Chepstow: but tempest kept hym from flying xv. dayes yn the Severn se, and after of necessite arrivid yn Glamorganshire.

Many of the kinges household cam from Chepstow to Bristow to the quene.

Donald, erle of Marre in Scotland, was made by king Edwarde gardian of the castel of p. 551. Bristow, the which he delyvered to the quene, and so repaired into Scotlande.

Hugh Dispensar made bargayne with certen galays of Wales, but after they had attempted the se ii. or iii. tymes to passe, and wind servid not, they delyvered Hugh Dispensar to the quene, that after was hangid, drawen, and quarterid at Glocester.

King Edwarde the secunde had 2. sunnes, Edwarde that was crounid king he beyng a life, and John't that was after counte of Cornewalle, and dyed at the toun of S. John yn

• Sic. † Joennes filius Eduardi 2, comes Cornub:

Scotlande, having no issue. Isabelle, the elder doughter of this Eduarde the 2. was maried to the counte of Gelders, that after was made duke. The secunde doughter was maryed *sunne to Robert Bruse king of Scotlande.

King Edwarde the 3. sent the countes of Lancaster and Kent with these lordes, Wake, Ros, Moubray, and Beaumont to Newcastel apon Tyne, to strenkith the marche. Yet James Duglas cam with yn 3. miles of them, brenning the countery; and they for lak of knowlege of war, kept them with yn Newcastelle.

After this the king hym self cam toward Stanhop with a great host, booth of Englisch men and of estraungers, and after loggid at Eiden, when they had cumpasid the bakkes of the Scottes in the Scottisch marches, and could see none of them. Wherapon proclamation was made yn king Edward hoste, that he that could discry the Scottish host shold have a 100. li. land by the yere. Then one Thomas Rokeby brought certein newis, that the Scottish host was at Stanhop. Wherapon the king went thither, and loggid his host beyond them to stop theyr flite.

At this tyme Archibald Duglas toke great prayes in the bisshopriche of Duresme, and encounterid with a band of Englisch men at Darlington, and killid many of them.

Shortely after the Scottes by covine fledde clere away from Stanhop Park in the night. Wherfore the yong king Edward wept tendrely, and returned to York.

Robert Bruse king of Scottes had assegid the castel of Norham, wher Robert Maners was capitayne: wich with his garnison issuid oute one day, and discomfitted the Scottes, killing William Mouhand, a baron of Scotland.

The counte of Morref, and James Duglas, besegid the lorde Percy in his castel of Alnewic: but they sone depertid to Robert Bruse theyr king, lying at the seage of Norham.

The counsel of king Edward sent one William Denoun, a man of law, to Bruse beseging p. 552. Norham, to treate for a mariage betwixt Johan, king Edwardes sister, and David, Robert Bruse sunne.

There was a parlament set after this at York, and there peace was concluded betwixt the Englischmen and the Scottes, and all the wrytinges of the homages of Scotland to England were delivered. But these lordes, Percy, Wake, Beaumont, and Souche, wold not agre apon this condition, that the Englischmen shoulde lese such landes as they had by enheritance yn Scotland.

Henry counte of Lancastre, and other barons, began to make riottes, as not content with the government of quene Isabel and Mortymer. But after their peace was made to the king at Bedeford, saving that the lord Wak, and the lord Beaumont, and Thomas Russelin were exceptid, that had avoydid the reaulme to have cum agayn with strenkith.

Ther was a voyce went a brode, that king Edwarde the secunde was yet alyve: and with this tale cam one of the erle of Marches retinew to erle of Kent, saying, that if he wold assist hym, he might be brought agayne to his kingely dignite. And the erle promisid to help it foreward; and so he was apon thos wordes accusid of treason to Edward

Sic MS. "The Sunne," sine " was," in Excerptis Galeania.

the 3. and therapon, by the meane of quene Isabelle and Mortymer, was behedid at Winchester.

The king being wery of the governing that his mother and Mortimer had, caussid Mortimer, by counsel of his nobils, to be taken in the castel of Notingham.

Hughe Turpington, stewarde of Edward the kinges house, and favorer of the government of Isabelle and Mortymer, was ther slayne by John Neville at the taking of Mortimer.

Mortimer was jugid at a parlament at London to be hangid, drawen, and quarterid, as a traitor for thes causses, First, for consenting to the death of Edward the secunde: for caussing the erle of Kent to be put to death: for disinheriting the king of his homage to be had of the Scottes; and for destroying the kinges treasor. Then the lordes, that were banishid, were restorid to theyr landes, and William Montacute was chefe of counsel with the king, and all way gave hym good counsel, and for his honor.

The Englisch lordes that were disinheritid of theyr landes in Scotland made supplication to king Edwarde, that they might be restored to them. The king sent this supplication to the counte of Murrefe, theu gardiane of Scotlande in the nonage of king Davy, whos father Robert Bruse dyed of the lepre: and the erle sent the king a gentil answer in wordes. But for lak of effect, the lord Beaumont, the countes of Atheles and Anguse, Richard Talbot, Henry Ferrars, John Moubray, and many other: * so that apon they found meanys p. 553. to send for Edward Bailliol, (sunne to John Bailliol, late king of Scotlande,) the which had beene owt of Scotland 30. yeres. And he toke shipping at Ravinsher, and landid at Kinkorn, having a 400. men of armes with hym: wher the counte of Fife was discomfitid, and Alex: Seton the sun slain. And went thens to Dunfermelin, and there found a great numbre of staves, wel heddid with yren of the purveying of Thomas erle of Murref dede a xii. dayes afore: and thens went to the Toune of S. John, wher they found a great band † the Scottes. For ther the lordes, hering of the arrival of Edward Bailliol, were gatherid to chose a gardian, and appointed to that office the counte of Marre.

The lord Beaumond, seying the ennemyes at hand, encoragid al the company, with Bailliol and the disenheritees, appointing to passe over the water of Earne by the night, and manfully to sett apon the Scottes, very erly yn the morning. And yn passing over Roger de Sewarton was drownid, and they set fiersely apon the varlettes first that kept the horses of the Scottisch hoste, and went forth, and, as sone as any day apperid, stoutely set on the batelles of the Scottes, and over cam them: wher were slayn the counte of Marre, Alexander Fresil, Robert de Bruse, bastard to Robert Bruse king of Scotland, and many barons, knightes, and esquiers. Thens Bailliol and the barons went into S. Johns toune, and welle fortified it.

But with yn an viii. dayes of the batel cam an infinite numbre oute of all partes of Scotland afore S. John's toune, and sone after for lak of vitayle, were constraynid to recoyle and disparkle themselves.

After the barons coronid Edward Bailliol at Stone.

* Sic in MS. nostro, Desiderantur nempe paucula, quæ ex historicis sunt petenda. † L. "of the Scottes."

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After they goyng toward Galeway were layd for by Jedworth by Archibald Duglas, whom they discomfitid, and toke Robert de Lowedre the sunne, with other.

After they went to Roxburg, and ther Andrew Murref, gardian of Scoteland for David Bruse, set apon them, but he was ther taken prisoner.

Edward Bailliol went toward the vale of Anand, and Archibalde Duglas lay by the waye to take prayes, but the Englischmen drave hym a way, and killid many of his men.

Embassadors of Scotland cam to king Eduard to his parlament at York, and theyr desirid the king to help Davyd his brother yn law. But answer was made, that the king p. 554. could not help them agayn his subjectes, whom they had disenheritid.

Edward Bailliol gave up Berwik, Roxburg, Dedingburg, Pebilles, and Dunfres, to king Edward, and promisid to make hym homage for the residew.

After that the hole Englisch hoste had faught with the Scottes, and had so great a victory* of the toune of Berwik was given up to king Edward.†

The secunde yere after the batel of Berwik, Edward Bailliol, king of Scottes, cam to Newcastel to do his homage to king Edward of England.

Edward Bailliol beyng at Stryvelyn, debate and envy fel emong his chief councelars, and apon that every one of them repayrid to theyr holdes. And Edward hym self cam in to England.

Henry Beaumont, erle of Boghan by thenheritance of his wife, went to Dungarg, a castel that he had newly fortyfied yn Boghan.

The counte of Atheles repayrid to his cuntery.

Richard Talbot was beyond the montaynes yn the landes of thenheritance of his wife, doughter to John Comyn of Scotland, and hering of these news went toward England, and was taken in Lownes.

Henry Beaumont was assegid in Dungarg, wher he surrendred his castel apon condition that he might frely repayre in to England.

The counte of Atheles turnid to the part of Davy Bruse.

So that al the Englisch enheritors of Englischmen in Scotland wer none left of any great reputation.

The counte of March held on the Englische kinges part, and cam to hym to Newcastel apon Tine, and goyng homeward agayn was sore hurt of ille people in Northumbreland for covetusnes of mony that king Edward gave hym.

King Edward the 3. repayrid the castel of Roxburg, and that in wynter, that was beten down in his fathers tyme, and after went to London to prepare shortely to returne with a great host yn to Scotland.

At this tyme was Edwarde de Bowne, king Edwardes cosyn, drounid yn a ryver yn the vale of Anande, whil he went yn to save a varlet, that toke holde of his shoulders, and pullid hym oute of his sadel. The varlet was savyd.

King Edward sent with Eduard Bailliol the countes of Warren, Arundel, Oxford, and

• Sic. † The batel of Berwik.

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Angous, and the lordes Percy, Neville and Latimer, with an hoste to enter by Berwik in to Scotlande.

King Edward hymself went yn to Scotland by Cairluel with the flour of his chevalry, p. 555. having also with hym the erle of Geders, that after was marquise and duke with a greate bande of Alemayns.

These 2. hostes mette [cam nere] to gether about the ryver of Clude.

There was a great trobylle in Bailliols hoste for an esquier caullid Gurnay, whom the marchers killid apon a surmise that one of name was consenting to the deth of the kinges father.

Bailliol got the castel of Combrenald by assaute.

At the Toune of S. John yn Scotland the counte of Atheles, Godefray de Rose, and Alexander Moubray, with other, cam to the kinges peace.

Whil king Edwarde lay at S. John's toune the counte of Nemure cam with his band to Berwik, and so be land thought to cum to king Edward of England: but he was constraynid at Edingburg by the counte of Murref to take the roche of the defacid castel of Edingburg; and, apon condition that after he should not bere wepen agayn the quarel of Davy Bruse, he was soferid to returne to England. The Englischmen that were with hym were taken prisoners, and theyr ranson appointid.

The counte of Nemure cam agayn to Berwik, and in company of the quene cam to S. John Toune by the se to king Edwarde.

The counte of Murref, about this same tyme, was by chaunce taken yn the marches by one William Presfen.

About this tyme the erle of Hulster was killid yn Ireland of his own people (the which counte was sunne and heyre of one of the doughtters of the erle of Glocester, and cosyn to the king of England) whos doughter and heyre Lionel, sunne to Eduarde the thyrde, after maryed.

Edwarde the 3. cam from S. John's Tounne to Edingburg and repayrid the castelle, whither cam Robert the seneschal of Scotland on to hys peace. This Robert was sunne to the doughter of Robert Bruse, king of Scotland.

King Edward put a great garnison yn the castel of Edinburg, and returnid in to England.

The wynter after king Edward sent the counte of Atheles to be gardian beyond the Scottisch se: and there fightyng with Andrew Murref, with the counte of Marche, and William Duglas, that were of David Bruse part, was slayne.

And about the same tyme Thomas Russelin cumming from the se was slayne at Dunoter, but his band had the victory.

The somer after this king Edwarde sent his brother John erle of Cornewale, to S. John's p. 556. Toune in Scotland to succurre Bailliol, and after dyed ther of fayr death.

King Edward, hering that the Scottes had appointed to fight with his men at S. John's, cam yn a wonderful spede thither, and disapointed their purpose, and after rode beyond the mountaynes of Scotland, and there rescuid the counte of Atheles wife, that was besegid yn

the castel of Loghindorm: and he having great scarcite of meate in his hoste, but he was holp by foraging of Robert Ogul and other marchiers. Then he went to Strivelyn, and repaired the castel.

Thens he went to Botheville, and there repayrid the castel yn * wynter", and put a strong garnison yn it. The lord Barklay conveyid vitailles from Edinburg to Botheville, and descomfitid apon a night William Duglas, that lay yn wayte to intersepte hym.

King Eduarde lost sone after al the castelles, and tounes, that he had fortified for lak of diligent pursuing of his victory. King Eduarde made at his parlament at London his eldest sunne, erle of Chester, duke of Cornewalle. *Henry of *Lancaster † was made erle of Darby, Willyam de Bowne erle of Northampton, Willyam de Montague erle of Salisbyri, Hugh de Audeley erle of Glocester, Robert Ufford erle of Southfolk, Guliam Clinton erle of Huntingdon. And the king gave such landes and possessions to these menne, that no very great summe of landes, apperteyning to the corone, was lefte. So that the king was fayne to lyve of subsidies, and taskes, to the great payn of his ‡ people.*

At this parlament at London the king was advisid by his counsel to prosecute his title to the coroune of France.

Wherapon king Edward sent embassadors to the duke of Baver, beyng emperor, that had weddid the other sister of the erle of Henaude, for surety of alliaunce, and to retayne nobile men about hym with no smaul coste. Henry Burwasche bisshop of Lincoln, the countes of Saresbyri and Huntendune were the embassadors, and returnid to the parlament at London with theyr answere.

Andrew de Murref, gardian of Scotland for David Bruse, did much hurt in the counte of Cairluel, and thens went to assege the castel of Edinburg, yet in the Englisch mennes handes.

The marchers of England, hering of the sege of Edenburge, cam to rescue it. So that the cam thens to Clerkington; and the Englischmenne cam to Krethtoun, where betwixt p. 557. them and the Scottes was a great fighte, and many slayne on both parties. Then the Scottes made as they wold go yn to England, and loged them self at Galuschel, and the Englisch went over Twede.

The erle of Saresbyri, that was nere of pryvi counsel with king Edwarde, tolde hym, that is alliaunce with themperour, and the Alemayn, was very costely, and to a smaul profite to hym. And apon this the king went toward Scotland to excuse hym of the farther intelligence with the Alemayns, and toke the countes of Arundel and Glocestre with hym, and the lordes Percy and Neville to the sege of Dunbar, on til he cam to Whitekirk, and ther, for other of his afferes, could not be at the sege. But the lordes lay al Lent, and to Pentecoste, on tylle the bishop of Lincollne, and the counte of Saresby wer cum again from the Allemayns. So at the last the alliaunce with the Alemans was taken by king Edwarde: and then the lordes being at a point of rendering the castel of Dunbar, hering that they, that lettid the king passage in to Fraunce for prosecuting his title thereof, shuld be

Astericum supra hanc vocem posult Leiandus.
 † Sic in MS. nlmirum cum astericis duob: uno in texu, altero in argine.
 ‡ Sic, cum asterisco.

countid as traditors, disloggid them self thens with treuues, lest they should have bene countid as letters of the kingges passage.

King Edward went over to Antwerp, keping great justes there: wher also his sunne Lionel was borne.*

The marchers of Scotland, that were left behind the lordes that went in to Scotland, where discomfitted at Pressen. Robert Maners was taken, with many other prisoners, and many slain: because that for certen displesaunt wordes emong them self, they brake order, and faught in an onconvenient place.

King Edward, with yn 2. monithes of his arrival yn to Fraunce, went to themperor Lewis to Colayne, wher king Eduardes title to the corone of Fraunce was pronouncid as good.

Whil Edwarde was in Braban the Frenche galays cam to Hampton, and toke the toune by assaute, and destroyed it: but taryid not ther; and toke goyng thems 4. Englisch shippes lying be Midleburge, tarying to know wither Edwarde wold commaund them any service.

King Eduarde was made vicar general of thempire, and they to be at his commaundement.

King Edward sent for the duke of Braban his cosyn germayn, for the duke of Gelder that had maryed his sister, and for the marquis of Julers his brother in law to mete with hym at a certen day to enter into the marches of Fraunce.

The Englisches and the Almayns assegid Honicourt, but they could not take it: at the which assaute Thomas Poninges was slayn, and other good Englisch menne.

p. 558.

The king of Fraunce cam to Berenfos with yn 2. miles of the Englisch host.

The king of England remivid for lak of vitaile to Avayne; wher felle varyaunce betwixt the Englisch men and sum of the Almayns, so that in the night the Almayns killid and spoillid certen Englisch men yn a litle village ther by, and so departid.

King Edward went bak to Antwarp, wher the lordes did hym homage as the very king of Fraunce. And he toke to hym the armes of Fraunce at Gaunt: and ther was John† his sun borne.

King Edwarde returned for a tyme into England, and lefte the countes of Saresbyri and Southfolk his gardians in Braban, which, by reason of a folisch yorney enterprised by them, were taken a fore Lisle of the French men, and sent prisoners to Paris.

The erle of Warwik was made gardian of Flaunders for king Edward.

King Edwarde having his horses redy shippid to passe over at Orwel to his allies, hering that the navy of Fraunce, and the admiral of Normandy lay at Scluse to stop vitaile, and let his passage, sent his horses to land agayn, and forth sailid to Scluse, and the morow after S. Johns day in somer faught with the French navy, and got a glorius victory.

King Edwarde layed sege to Turnay, wher yn was the counte of Owe, conestable of Fraunce, and the counte of Foys, with xv.c. men of armes: and when he had lyen a xi. wekes at the sege, Philip Valoyce, that caullid hym self king of Fraunce, cam with yn a 2.

Liquel borne yn Flaunders.

† Joannes de Gandavo.



myles of Turnay with his great hoste, and there began treatice, and there conclusion was made for trewys for one yere, and that prisoners shoulde be delyvered on booth partes: wherapon the erles of Saresbyri and Sothfolk wher delyvered to king Edwarde, and monseir Montmarauncy, that was taken at the sege of Turnay, with other, to Philip Valoys: And that the obligations, wher yn the Fleminges were so straitly bounde yn the court of Rome that they should beare no armure agayn the corone of Fraunce, shoul be cassate, and utterly vovde.

Whil the king was at the sege of Turnay, the erles of Marche and Sothirland made a rode vn to England, and were discomfitted by Thomas Gray there.

Robert Maners, and John Coplande, with the garnison of Roxburg, then yn the Englisch mennes handes, but after won by covyne of the Scottes on Ester day, at the very hour of the Resurrextion. But al they that were capitayne of this covyne dyed after an il death. Alexander Ramsey, capitayne of this deade, dyed for hunger, put in prison for very envy that Wylliam Duglas bare hym.

King Edwarde repayrid into England, and was in yeopardy of drouning at the Tamys mouth, and at his arrival caussid his treasorers to be arrestid, by cause he was so il furnishid of monv: the which was the great cause of leving of his sege at Turnav.

The wynter after the sege of Turnay king Edward went to Melros, and rode thorough part of the forest of Etrik in a very il season, and cam to Melros agayne, wher Henry, erle of Darby, sunne and hevre to Henry counte of Lancastre, justid with Wylliam Duglas by covenaunt vn the kinges syte.

The * king" Edward taking a trews departid from Melros half in a melancholy with them that movid hym to that yornay.

The counte of Derby went to Berwik, and there were justes of werre by covenaunt with yn the toune of many knightes and esquiers: and ther were killid ii. Englisch knightes.

This season David Bailliol cam † out" of Fraunce, and yn the wynter after, about Candelmas, made a roode in to the Englisch marches, and brent much corne and houses: and yn somer after he made a rode vn to Northumbreland on to Tyne.

The same yere debate rose in Britayne, by the death of John duke there, betwixt the counte Montforte, brother by half bloode to duke John, and Charles de Blovs, that had to wife the doughter to the counte of Penthuvir, brother to duke John by father and mother.

Counte Montfort escapid out of prison in Fraunce, and cam to king Edward as king of Fraunce, and Edwarde mayntenid his quarel, and sent Water Mauney vn to Britayne; and after sent the counte of Northampton into Britayne, as his lieutenant, with Robert of Artoys, that dyed ther on fayr death.

The counte of Northampton't faught with the barons of Britayne and great pour of France at Morlays, and discomfitted them, wher Geffray de Charny was taken.

King Edwarde cam yn to Bretayne, and assailid the toune of Vanes, wher ii. cardinales cam to make treuse betwene the kinges, and the toune was delyverid to them; but king Eduarde wan it afterwarde.

· Bis habetur.

1 Bohun comes Avonim Mediterranes

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p. 559.

† Hac etiam vox bis occurit,

King Edwarde with great peril of tempest, and ther he gave his eldest sonne the prin- p. 560.

The countes of Saresbyri and Southfolk, that had beene prisoners yn Fraunce, and were deliverid for the counte of Murref in Scotland, and 3000 poundes sterlinges, with many other knightes of England, toke there yorney into Spayne to the fronter of Granate to the sege of Algesirs,* a great toune of the Saracenes apon the straites of Marok, that the good king Alphonsus had besegid, and after wan it by famyne.

King Edwarde made a great fest at Wyndesore at Christemes, wher he renewid the Round Table, and the name of Arture, and ordenid the order of the Garter, making Sainct George the patrone thereof.

King Edward sent an army yn to Flaunders by the meane of James Arteville, capitayn of the communes of Flaunders, the which when they saw the army [at Scluse] they [of Gaunt | cutte of Artevilles hed.

King Edward sent the counte of Derby, the erle of Lancasters sunne, with many gentil men yn to Gascoyne, wher he discomfitid his ennemyes at Albaroche. Ther the erls of Lisle and Valentinoys wer taken, and ther they did many great feates of armes beside.

The baron of Staford, that after was erle, and many other Englisch men were besegid yn Agiloune yn Gascovne by John duke of Normandy, eldest sunne to Philip king of Fraunce: but he left the sege be cummyng of king Eduarde yn to Normandy.

King Edward sent the counte of Northampton and Oxford, with counte Montfort in to Britayn, that claymid to be duke there, and that shortely after dyed there of favr death. The aforesayd counte assegid the toune of Kemperkaretyne, and at the laste toke it by assaute.

Charles de Bloys cam with great pour to rescue the toune, and the aforesaid erle cam foreward to fight with them; but yn dede they fought not to gither.

The counte of Northampton rode through the cuntery, and wan the toun of Rochedirien by assaut, and so returned yn to England with yeopardy of tempest. Thomas Dagworth sent warden yn to Brytainne, anone after this fought with Charles de Bloyse, and put hym to flyte. A nother tyme he layd wayte for Charlys de Bloys, where he had assegid Rochedirien, and toke hym, and sent hym prisoner yn to England. And at this tyme were many p. 561. of the barons of Britayn slayn. Abowt this season king Edwarde landid at Oges in Normandy, and wan the towne of Cane by force, wher the counte of Owe [Ew], the conestable of Fraunce, and Tankerville the chambreleyn wer taken and sent yn to Englande.

King Edward went up yn Lenght yn Normandy apon the ryver of Sene, wher al the bridges wer broken, and made the bridg of Pontoyse, wher many French men wer slayn.

Then went king Edwarde thorough Beauvoisin and Pykardy to the water of Sowme, wher a great sorte of Frenchmen, wylling to stop the passage were slayn.

Philip Valoyse cam with his great hoste to have stoppid king Edward at the passage of Soum, but he was over or he cam.

* Algesiers won partely by the aide of Englisch men. † Sic in autogr. "The army (at Scluse) they cutte of Artevilles hed," in excerptis Galeanis. ‡ The first erle of Statfford of the Staffordes.

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King Edward passing the forest of Crescy was sodenly beset with Philip Valoys great hoste: but yet he chase a plott of ground equal to fight yn, and wan a great victory of hym; wher wer taken John king of Boheme, the duke of Loreyne, the counte of Alaunsun, the brother of Philip Valoys that caullid hym self king of Fraunce, the counte of Flaunders, and many other countes.

King Edward went thens to Calays, wher he lay a whole yere at the sege.

King Davy of Scotland, yn the meane while, wan agayne, part by strenght, part by treason, part by famyne, al the holdes that king Eduard had yn Scotland, saving the only toun of Berwik. And the tyme of the ii. firste monithes of the assege of Calays, he enterid ons in somer in to the parties of Cairluelshir; and a nother by Sulwath, and after assaylid the pile of Lidel, and wan it by assaute, and then cut of the hedde of Water Selby capitayne there, that afore had beene of the covyn of Gilbetert Midleton, that kept Mitford Castel and Horton pile agayn king Eduarde. Davy king of Scottes went forth in to the bisshoprik, and there did much hurte, wher the archbishop of York, the counte of Angous, the lorde Percy, the lorde Neville, and lord Moubray, with other marchers wan the batelle, and John Coplande toke hym prisoner. The countes of Murref and Strathern wer killid, and also Morice Murref, with many barons, banerettes, and knightes wer killid. The counte of March, and the seneschal of Scotland, fled. The counte of Marche was taken, and the counte of Menteth, that shortely afterwards was hangid and drawen at London. Wylliam Duglas, that had greatly holp the quarel of king David, was restorid to his castel of the Heremitage, apon conditions that he never after should bere wepen agayn king Edwarde, and alway be ready to take his part. This Duglas was sone after slavn of the lorde Wylliam Duglas vn the forest of Selkirk.

Many lordes, knightes, and esquires of Scotland, taken yn batayle with theyr king David, wer sodenly ransomid, the which after they cam yn to Scotland, made great riottes agayn. After this batayle cam to the king of Englands peace the countes of Berwik, Roxburg, Peblys, and Dunfres, with the forestes of Selkirk and Etrik; the valleis of Anand, Nide, Esk, Euwide, Muffet, Tevyot, with the forest of Jedworth. The castelles also of Roxburg and Hermitage wher delyverid in to the Englisch mennes handes.

King Edwarde lay stille afore Calays, and there the counte of Flanders practisid with hym to have his doughter Isabelle.

King Philip of Fraunce* to the borders of Calays to remeve the sege; but he prevailed not.

Calays beyng over cum with famyne, the capitayne and burgeses of the toune cam with halters about theyr nekkes, submitting them self to king Edwarde: the which put a right strong garnison yn the toune, and so cam yn to Englande.

Then cam to king Edward messagers from Rome to treate for peace for viii, yeres follouing.

About this tyme the electors of the empire sent to king Edward, offering hym theyr voyces to be emperor,† Lowys of Bavar beyng deade. But he for his other great afferes refusid it,

* Sic. † Edwarde the 3. refusid to be emperour,

and then was electid Charles king of Boëme, sun to king John, that was killid at the batail of Crescy. This Charles electid emperor fled at the batail of Crescy.

Henry duke de Lancastre chalengid at the coronation of Charles themperor at Rome a greate part of Province, the which by deathe of his auncestors was fallen to hym, by reason of his fathers mother quene of Navar.

King Edward had prepared to armyes, one at Sandewiche and a nother at Orwelle, to go yn to Flaunders, to thentent to help them of Gaunt and Ypers, the which wer at debate with them of Bruges for his quarel. But trewse taken betweet them brake this yorney.

King Edward knowing a pryvy practise that a Genuoyse of the garnison of Calays had for a great summe of mony with the French king for delyveraunce of Calays cam very secretly thither, and caussing as many of the French men to be let yn as might be welle over cum, slew them, and brake al their purpose: and there was taken Geffray Charnay very prive of the French kinges counsel, and a great cause of thys conspiracy.

Geffray Charney delyverid for raunsom toke in a castel the aforesaid Genuoyse, whom king Edward had made knight, and for he had bene cause of his taking he put the Genuoyse to great tormentes.

King Edward faught with a navy of the Spanyardes cummyng from Flaunders (by cause they had * afore" done hys navy greate hurte) and vanquished them taking many great shippes of Castelle.

The Englisch men of the garnison of Calays toke the castel of Gisnes.

The Englischmen toke a great parte of the counte of Bretayne, wher Thomas Dagwort theyr capitayne, a man to hy a corage to fly, was slayne yn a skirmouche of the French menne. This Thomas Dageworth had often tymes over cum the French menne.

Gualter Bente was gardian of Bretain after Dagworth did wondrous feates yn Britayne: but after he was put yn the tour by fals suggestion, as it was said.

King Eduarde and his counsel wher much occupied by the space of a peace of viii. yeres, procurid as it was spoken of afore by the messagers of Rome; and for the delyveraunce of king David of Scotland, and Charlis de Bloys duke of Bretayn, the which had beene, in these space of viii. yeres, yn divers castelles on England yn prison. In this tyme was a very great pestilence yn England, and many noble men dyed of it beside the communes. In this season at a parlament was Henry counte of Lancastre made duke, and Rafe Stafford counte.

Henry duke of Lancastre made after a rode to Boloyne. And this Henry was at a nother tyme yn wynter in Spruce [Prussia]: but his yorney faillid to fight with the infideles. Henry went thens to Cracow, whither the Tartares enterid, and were departid a litle afore his cummyng. Henry, at his cummyng to Colayne, fel, by chaunce, at hy wordes with the duke of Brunswik, that gave hym gage of bataile, and receyvid it, and had leve of king Eduarde to try it. The bataille was apointid at Parise before John king of Fraunce; and there they were armid an a horse bak redy to fight, but king John toke up the quarel. Henry laborid sore for the peace of viii. yeris afore spoken of, yn so much that at the last,

* Ris occurrit.

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by great difficulte, it was concluded apon conditions at Avinion afore certayn cardinales and the counsel of Fraunce. But this peace cam to right smaul effect.

About this tyme John Beauchamp, that was capitayne of Calays, was taken aboute Arde goving owt of Calays: wher the syre Beauin, capitayne of the French band, was slavn; but the French men, beyng iiii. tymes doble as many as the Englische men, had the victory.

Clement was bisshop of Rome * after Benedict. This Clement was a monk of Cluny ordre, and archbisshop of Roan, and had beene before prior of a celle of the French ordre in Englande. He was a good clerk in divinite.

In the meane whyle that king Davy was prisoner, the lordes of Scotland, by a litle and a litle, wan al that they had lost at the bataille of Duresme: and there was much envy emong them who might be hyest; for every one rulid yn his owne cuntery; and king Eduarde was so distressid with his afferes beyound the se, that he toke litle regard to the Scottisch matiers.

At this tyme a baronet of France, caullid Garenceris, cam with 50. men of armes yn to Scotland, and brought with hym x. m. markes of the French kinges treasor to be given emong the prelates and barons of Scotlande, apon the condition that they should breke their trewis with the king of England, and mak werre apon hym.

About this tyme in playne parlament the jugement of Mortymer,† that was erle of March by king Eduards gift, was revokid at London; and so was the sunne of the sunne of Roger Mortymer restorid to the therledom of Marche, and to al his possessions, by the meanes of his great frendes, that allegid that Mortimer dyed with oute answering to such thynges as were lavid agavne hym.

About this tyme king Edward was long deteynid, by reason of a treatice of alliance betwixt the king of Navar, that was the sunne of the erle of Ewerous and hym. The which alliaunce by tretice afore was offerid, when Henry duke of Lancastre was at Avinion. Apon the which king Edwarde was with his navy apon the costes of Gascoyn the hole somer for performance of this alliaunce. But his yorney faillid. For the king of Navar though to have more avantage at the French kinges hand.

King Edward went with his hoste to Calays, and rode thorough Artoys and Pykardy, destroying 700. paroches. And apon this king John of Fraunce, sumwhat to redubbe the rebuke of king Eduardes actes in his reaulme, sent his marescal to king Edwarde, that he should apoint a day by gages. And king Edwarde assignid the place in the marches of Calays; but king John cam not nere it by vîii. lieus.

At this season Eduard the prince of Wales was sent by king Edward with a 1000, men of armes, and the erles of Warwike, Oxford, Saresby, and Sothfolk, yn to Gascoyn, the p. 565. which, with the Gascoynes, rode over the hilles of Langedok with yn 2. dayes yorney of Avinion, and brennid the suborbes of Narbone, and destroyed Karkason, and the counteries about: and yn their returning to Burdeaux rode over the counte of Ermeniak [Erminak], and cam to Burdeaux with out batail.

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Clement bisshop of Reme sum tyme a prior yn Englande. † Rogers Mortimers beir was restorid to the erledom of March.

In the same tyme the Englischmen that wer in Britayne vanquished the vicounte of Roan, and the syre Beaumaners. This Beaumaners had afore faught with the Englischmen by covenant 30. to 30. The Englischmen at the begynning had the better: but at the ende they were vanquished.

The lordes Percy and Neville, gardians of the Englisch marches, toke trewis with the lorde William Dugles at the tyme that he had conquerid the landes that the Englisch men had won of the Scottes.

Patrik erle of March, that was * patisid with Garaunceris the baron of Fraunce, king John of Fraunce agent ther, wold not consent to this trews, and so with other cam yn roode to the castel of Norham, and imbuschid them self apon the Scottisch side of Twede, sending over a banaret with his baner, and 400. men to forage, and so gathering prayes drove them by the castelle.

Thomas Gray (conestable of Norham, sunne to Thomas Gray that had beene 3. tymes besegid by the Scottes in Norham castel yn king Edwarde the secunde dayes) seing the communes of England thus robbid, issuid out of Norham with few mo the 50 menne of the garnison, and a few of the communes, and, not knowing of Patrikes band be hynd, wer by covyn be set both before and behind with the Scottes. Yet for all that Gray with his men lighting apon foote set apon them with a wonderful corage, and killid mo of them than they did of thenglisch men. Yet wer there vi. Scottes yn numbre to one Englisch man, and cam so sore on the communes of England, that they began to fly, and then was Thomas Gray taken prisoner. Patrik of Dunbar counte of Marche, and Thomas le Seneschal, that caullid hym self counte of Angus, one and twenty dayes after this preparid them self apon a nighte with scaling laders cumming to Berwik, and with yn vi. dayes after tok be assaute one of the strongest toures of Berwik, and enterid the toun.

This tydinges was brought to king Edwarde at his very landing at Calays yn to England. Wherfore he taried at his parlament apointid at London but 3. dayes, and with al spede cam to Berwike, and enterid the castel, and then the burgeses tretisid with hym, and the toune of Berwik was redely verid ful sore agayn the Scottes wylle to king Edwarde.

King Edward went to Rokesburg, and there the xxvi. day of January, anno D. 1355. p. 556 Edward Bailliol king of Scottes resignid his corone, and all his title of Scotland, to king Edwarde, saying, that the Scottes were ful of rebellion: and be cause he had no heyre, nor ane very nere of his linage, and that he was of king Edwardes blode: wherfore, he said, he could not telle wher better to bestow his title, and the corone of Scotlande, better than apon hym. Apon this king Eduarde went be youd Lambremore in Lownes, destroying the countery on to Edingburg.

Then he repayrid yn to England, and left the erle of Northampton gardian of the marches, which toke a trews with the Scottes that was not wel kept.

John king of Fraunce toke by covyne the king of Navar, that had afore treatid with king Eduard for alliaunce.

In the yere of our lorde 1355. and the 3. yere of the reygne of king Edward, prince Edwarde went out of Burdeaux the 6. day of July, and went by Rule, and thorough

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Agencys, Parragore, Lymosine, and Berry, where many fortresses were delyverid to hym. Then he cam to Remorentyne, a toune in Saloigne, where [whither] the syres Croun, and Bursigaude, a knight wel travelid, wer sent by the French king, and wan the toune by assaut. Then Croun and Bursigaud toke a strong toure: but they after, with 50. knightes and esquiers, put them self in prince Edward mercy.

Then cam prince Edwarde to the ryver of Loyr, and cam before Toures: and this passing by Loyr he toke a 200 men of armes of Fraunce, by whom he knew that king John of Fraunce was cummyng toward hym.

The cardinal of Perogor cam to prince Edward for treatice of pece: and he answerid, that he was ready booth to take and to do that should be reasonable.

Prince Edward passid over the ryvar of Vian, and hard by prisoners that king John was cumming toward Poyters. Wherfore prince Edward made great haste to prevent king John with passage over Pont Chaneny: but when he cam nere he perceyvid, that king John was passid, and a great band of French to be left there whom he vanquishid: and there were taken prisoners the countes of Ausoir and Juny, and with them an hunderith men of armes, knightes and esquiers. The residew wher dryven to Chenany: and this was on a Saturday the 17. of Septembre, the tennith weke of this yorney. The next day prince Edwarde drew toward Poyters, and shortely harde that king John was there by redy in bataylle. Then prince Edwarde light on fote, and set his bataylle yn order. Then the cardinal of Peregor cam to treat agayne of peace: and after that were ix. sent of eche party to reason the mater; but all cam to no effect. For the French kinges purpose was to foode forth that the princes hoste should lak vitayle, and by that, or other, meanes to take hym at avantage.

To marescalles of the French hoste having envy, as it was sayde, one to a nother made great haste, and set apon the vaunward and rerega[r]de of the prince, and were discomfitid.

The bataile of the delphine, eldest sunne to John, set apon the princes batel, and was dryven bak.

Then cam the bataile of the duke of Orleaunce, brother to king John, apon the prince. The 2. other batailes that had won their victory gatherid toward the helping of prince Edwarde, and wan emong them enterly, with the prince, the prince the batayle. There were taken king John, and Philip his sunne, and 13. countes, and an archebisshop; and of barons and banerettes 66. and 2000. men of armes.

The duke of Burboun, and the duke of Athenis, then conestable of Fraunce, and the marescal of Clermont, and a bisshop, with many vicountees, barons, and banerettes, and about 3000. men of armes, were slayne yn chace of the batelle. The numbre of men of armes with cotearmours at this feld on the French party were numbered to an 8000. And on the prince scant a 1900. and 15. hunderith archers. Wylliam Duglas, that at thys was about to go on pilgrimage beyond the se, at such tyme as king John was preparing his hoste went with king John to the aforesayde felde, and was made knight of his hande, fledde the bataille beying A and sum of his men slayne, and returned yn to Scotland: and

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^{*} Sie, cum inductionis nota, pacula desiderari subindicante.

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this William a non, apon the delyverance of Davyd king of Scottes, was made erle of Duglas, And this king David Bruse, about the same tyme, made William Ramsey counte of Fiffe, by the meanes of his wife, whom he lovid, as it was sayde: the which counte king David sayde that he gave it of right for a forfaitur, that Duncan, counte of Fiffe, had done in king Robert Bruse dayes, for killing of an esquier, caullid Michael Betoyn, whom he killid for very displeasure in a ryvere. Wherfore this saide William Ramesey surmisid, that Dunecan, for to have pardon for his forfaite, made, by endenture, Robert Bruse king of Scottes his heyr in reversion; so that he dyed with owt heyr male. But the afore saide Dunecan had a doughter of his wif, doughter to the king of Englande, countes of Glocester: the wich doughter was yn England, and should have bene solde to Robert Seneschal de p. 568. Scotland; the which toke for love to her husbande William Felton,* a knight of Northumbreland, the which at that tyme claymid the counte of Fiffe.

Prince Edwarde returnid with his prisoners to Burdeaux.

Two monithes after the batel of Poyter, the cite of Basile al to shaken and rent with an yerth quake.

Duke Henry of Lancaster lay a great while at the sege of Remes, on tille such tyme that trews was taken for 2. yeres betwene the kinges, and then he left of his sege, having therefore a great sum of mony of them of Britayne, that favorid Charles de Bloys parte.

The prince Eduarde sent king John to London to his father, and after a certen tyme John was sent thens to Wyndesore. At the fest of S. Michael following king David of Scotland was delyverid for a 1000 markes of sylver, and his ostages cam to Berwike, the counte of Southirland, and his sunne, that was born of the sister of king David, and Thomas Seneschal, that was namid in Scotland counte of Angose, Thomas de Murref baron of Bothevil, with other 20. sunnes of nobyl men of Scotlande.

The quene of Scotland, sister to king Edward, cam oute of Scotland to Wyndesore to speke with hym, and after was with her mother quene Isabel at Hertford, and ther dyed abowt the 30. yere of her age.

King Edward kept his great feast of Saynct George at Wydesore, and there were great justes, to the which cam the duke of Braban, and the duke of Luneburge, brother to Charles king of Boheme and emperor, desiring help agayne the erle of Flaunders.

About this tymes the cardinales of Peragor and Urgen cam yn to England to treate of peace, and for the delyverance of king John.

Thomas Lisle, a frere preachar and bisshop of Ely, answering not formally to the law of England, to an enditement of felony surmisid apon hym by his adversaries, the counsile of the lady Wake, had the temporalities of his bisshoprik seasid in to the king handes by the declaration of the justices of the kinges benche; and he beyng attachid, and delyverid to tharchbisshop, went to Avinion to the bisshop of Rome, and made such processe there that the bisshop of Rome began to take up this matier of seasing the temporalities.

During the tyme of trews by twixt England and France, many lusty, yong Engilsch

[·] Felton maried the duches of Glocester.

men, that were wont to lyve by warre, made such riotes yn Normandy, by help of yong p. 569. men, that dayly resortid out of England to them, dyd very wonderful feates, and having no hed or chief capitayne, got them self good forteresses bothe ther, and in counterys ther about, as in Paitow, yn Angeow, and Humein.

And about this tyme the communes of Fraunce, theyr king beyng absent and prisoner, made grete riotes apon the gentilmen of Fraunce, killing theyr wifes and childerne: .wherapon the gentilmen raysid an host, and discomfitted them.

A brefe rememberaunce of feates done yn Gascoyne, not specied of afore yn their placys.

In the yere of our Lord a 1333. in the begynning of the clayme of king Eduarde to the corone of Fraunce, dyvers provostes of the French kinges cam to assaute the abbay of Gisters, fortified by the Englischmen and the Gascoynes, havyng Hugh de Genefe, capitayne for the king of Englande: to the rescue wherof cam the aforesaid Hugh, with certeyne barons of Gascoyne, with 400. men of armes, and an 860. servientes and archers. And of the French men ther were about a 1000. men of armes. The ryver of Ille was betwixt these 2. bandes. They that were assegid in Gistres issuid forth, with oute assent of the capitaynes, and so skirmouchid with the French band, that they drew bak to be more at large, and seing the Englisch band, cryed, "let us go on, they be discomfitid." After this tyme many greate feates and yorneys were in Gascoyne, by the space of about a 12. yeres after the departure of Henry of Lancastre, that was lieutenant there for the king of England, and afore the coming of prince Eduarde thither. As at the rescous of Lishinyane [Lishinian uc], wher Thomas Cok, a knight of England, was seneschal after the departure of Henry of Lancastre, and being abrode with 500. glayves mette sodenly with a 1500. glayves of Fraunce on horse bak devided into thre batayles, and discomfitid them.

The castel of Lisinian was after, by treason of one in the castel, got owt of the Englische mennes handes. And as after apperid at the yorney of S. George at the rescous of S. John le Angelin, wher John Ceverstoun, knight of England and seneschal of Gascoyne, and the barons ther about, with 900. men of armes, faught with 1200. French men of armes, and, with much payne, wan the victory of them, and toke the mareschalles of Neel and Oudenam.

This marischal de Neele was after slayne by the Englisch men yn Britayne nere the p. 570. wod of Onglis, where many barons of Britayne were slayne, as in one of the merveluste yorney that thenglisch had in Bretayne, except the yorney of Lankaderet, wher Thomas Dagworth, knight of England, wonderfully discomfitted the barons of Britayne.

The Englisch men did great feates yn France for the king of Navar, that had bene there prisoner yn the castel of Grevequer,* and therfore had warre with the French menne.

· Crevecure castel.

Neere to Neneuers John Waldebeouf, an Englisch man, cumming oute of the proade castel of Coruen with 56. men of armes, faute with a young ruffeling capitayn of Fraunce, that caullid hym self Lerchiprester, having 200. menne of armes, and discomfitted them, taking Lerchprestre, but, apon conditions, suffered hym to go at large apon his faith to be trew prisoner, and apon the delyveraunce of a forteress that Lerchiprester had, whither Waldbouf cam by the fayre wordes of hym, and there by treason was detayned, and after murderid.

The Englisch men were discomfitted by fore the cite of Troyes by counte Vadimonte, that cam sodenly apon them disperkelid.

John Dault, knight of England, gathering men of warre out of the garnisons of thenglisch men in Britayne and Normandy, toke by night the cite of Dansoir. Then the citisens, and the lordes of the countery there aboute, entretid with the Englisch men for great summes of mony, that they shoulde depart, not brenning * the. Apon this thinglischment pullid doune moche of the walles of the toune, and taking of the mony (for they could not kepe welle to gither wher every man wold be a lorde) and depertid thens. As sone as the Englisch men were † they gatherid this mony, and there with hyred Almayns and estraungers for garnison of theyre toune: and making it far stronger then it was afore, payde not a penny to thenglisch men.

A nother tyme a hunderid glayves of Englisch men cumming to the rescow of the castel of Brien, that was in the Englisch mennes handes, discomfitted yn Burgon 500. French men.

John Foderingey cumming of the toune of Crael with other Englisch capitaynes assegid an abbay by twixt Crael and Compin that was incastellatid, and wan so much of it, that the capitayn ther of cam, and yelded hym selfe to one of the Englisch capitaynes: wher of the other having envy, and requiring parte of the prisoner quarelid. And emong the French capitayne was slayne. Apon this ‡ capitaine, to whom the prisoner had yeldid hym self, went away with his band yn a great displeasure. They that were with yn the forteres, hering such a noyse emong the Englisch capitaynes, cam doune ward toward them with such a brute and cry, that thenglisch men thought them self betrayid, and fledde one faulling apon a nother yn the ditches, wherof summe were drounid, and sum fledde to horsis, and made away. So that by this meanis the forteres was left stille in the French mennes possession.

John Griffith, capitayne of the forteres of Espernoun, that that James Pipe an Englisch man had won, made a rode forth nere to Chres: wher one Bek cam with 120. men apon 6. men of armes, and 12. archiers of the Englisch ban that § strgelid from theyre bande. Yet thenglisch men, with help of a few || mof theyr company that were behynde as wel as they, and cam to help them, discomfitted the French men, and toke Bek as prisoner. This Bek had bene afore that taken prisoner of thenglisch men.

In the yere of our Lorde 1359, thenglisch men wan the toune of S. Walery.

* Sic. † Sic. ‡ Sic. § Sic. 1 Sic.

About this season thenglich men enforcement the toun of Veylye yn the vale of Sessoun. And after wan the toun of Pontarsy: from whens they went to rescow the castelle of Sassoun, (wher the Alemayns theyr companions were besegid) met sodenly with a 100. men of armes of Britayn whom they discomfitid. But they not following the rescow of Sauson, it was given up.

Apon a tyme, nere our Lady of Puy yn Auvern, Thomas de la March cam with a very great band of men ner to Hugh Calverley, a capitayn of thenglisch men, but 900. with hym, and yet de la March set not apon hym.

After the concorde was made betwixt the king of Navarre and the dolphin of Vyen, sunne to John king of Fraunce, many of the forteresses, that thenglisch men had wonne, were voyde, and delyverid agayn.

About this tyme Thomas Holland knight, that was in Normandy, made a strong forteres of the chirch of Barflu, and taried ther pur constrainder Costentyn. The which Thomas dyed hu pays apres lieutenant to the king of England of his landes conquerid, and was counte of Kent by thenheritance of his wife.

Gilbert Rodom having 53. glayves with hym, and 80. archers, faught with Reynald de Gilion, capitayne of Parys, nere Stampes, that had 700. men of armes and 400. brigantes with hym. Gilbert was slayn there; yet had thenglisch men the victory, and Reynald was there taken prisoner, but he, by the help of a false Englisch man, was convayid or ever he had payid his raunsom.

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In this yere of our Lord a 1359. Henry duke of Lancastre * with his retinew to Calays to bring forth with hym the marquise of Mise, with the Alemayn that taryed for tharrival of king Eduarde: and they to gither went over the ryver of Soume, asegyng the toune of [B]Dray, and passing behynd the walles, caussid his men to wade up to the shoulders thorough the water, and yet faylid of theyr purpose of taking the toune, and so returnid to Calays. The erle of March arryving at Calays 8. dayes afore king Edwarde, mad a rood beyond Bolayne, and cam to Calays agayn. King Edward cam to Calays, and taryed ther † 8. deviding his host in to 3. parties, keping one to hym, delyvering a nother to his sunne Eduarde, and the 3. to the duke of Lancastre. The king went, the Monday afore S. Martines day, from Calays to S. Omers by Arras, and Cambray, and Champaine toward Reyns.

Prince Edward went by Mountroil, Heding, Pontive, and Pykardy by yound the water of Soume per Neel, by Haan, by Vermendois, where Baudewyn Daukyn, knight, master of the arblasteris of Fraunce, was taken prisoner, and dyvers other knightes.

About this tyme the vicoun Benoge, that was caullid capitayne de Busche, an Englisch Gascoyne, cam owt of his counte from garnison to garnison of thenglisch men, and cam over the ryver of Seyne by conduct of the king of Navar, and cam to Crael, then holden of thenglisch menne: from the which toune he scalid in the night the castel of Cleremont in Beauvaisin. This Crael was kept by John Foderingey, knight of Englande, by thassigne-

ment of the king of Navarre, apon condition that he should render it to hym when he shoulde require: but when * was often required by the king of Navar he kept hyt, saying, that he wold not delyver it on to such tyme as he were payde such mony as the king of Navar owt hym: and after that John Foderingey had gatherid up this mony the delyvered the toune.

Strait a pon this John Foderingey made hymself a sure fortres at the bridge of Sainct Menseus apon Ese ryver, and there taryed.

Prince Edward went forth by S. Quintins, and by Retieris, wher the French men them self did bren the toune. Then he passid by the castel of Purcien, and so thorough by p. 573. Champain to meate with his fathers host.

The duke of Lancastre kept the mide way betwixt the other 2. hostes approching toward them, and al 3. meting at Reins, and lying afore the cite at Christmestide.

Ther went this tyme a certen numbre out of the prince host, and scalid the toune of Curmousse, and wan the castel by throuing down a great tour with myning.

Barptolemew Burghersch, a capitayne in the duke of Lancasters band, had justes of warre by covenaunt with men of warre, that cam owt of Reins: wher one French man was slayne, and other ii. naufrez de fere de glayve.

The duke of Lancaster, the erles of Richmont and Marche made owte of the kinges hoste, and wan too tounes, Otry and Semay, apon the ryver of Aine, and the march of Lorayn.

A nother band roode out of the kinges hoste to the very gates of Paris, wher no man durst cum owte to fight.

Ther was a route caullid the great cumpany, that was all the yere in Burgoin, yn Brie, yn Champeyn, in Dairres, and the best partes of the counteris there aboute, to seke vitaile. This route scalid the toun of Chalouns in Champaine in the night; but they in the toune got them to the bridge of Mairel ryver, that rennith thorough the toune, and so they kept the Englischmen owt of the best part of the toun: and so the Englischmen sodenly departed.

A nother rout of Englisch men, at the first cummyng of king Eduard to Reins, went and scalid the toun of Attinie in Chaumpain.

The king left the sege of Reins, and went by Chalouns, wher he had tretice with them of Baires.

James Audeley, knight of England, tok by assaut the forteres of Chaven in the vale of Saxsoun apon the Britaynes.

Huwen Trevidig, a capitayne of the aforesaid James Audeley, cam from his castel of Ferte in Brye to the hoste of prince Edwarde nere to Chalouns, having yn his cumpany capitain de Busche that cam from Cleremont.

King Edward † repayre the bridge over the ryver of Mairel, and bridge over other great ryvers, and then went toward Troyes; wher the marquis of Mise, and the counte of Midow, and other lordes of Alemayne, that cam yn his yorney with king Eduarde, returnid home

in to their countereis, part for lak of vitail, part for fere of Lent, that was at hande: to whom king Eduard gave theyr costes.

p. 574. King Edward passid over the ryver of Seyne by Meriz, keping his way nere by Ceins, and Pounteney: and yn Burgoyne the prince Edward, and the duke of Lancaster followid hym: but for lak of horse meate the prince chaungid the way that his father went, and loggid at Eggliny nere Anser, wher the princes host toke more damage then it did in al this yorney beside: and summe of his knightes, and esquier, and divers variettes, foragers wer slayn.

Nere the forteres of Regentz, that the Englischmen had in custodye by Anseir, v. esquiers [with a few other] of the princes band went half on harnisid to a certen mille for grynding of corne, and ther cam apon them 50. of the route of Moseir de Hanget; but the v. Englisch esquires over cam them, and toke xi. of them. Wherapon the Frenchmen yn gest caullid it the yourney of 50. agayne 5.

King Edward lay at [B]Golion in Burgoin nere Montreal, for tretice of the duche of Burgoin. Where Roger Mortimer, counte de la Marche,* mareschal of the kinges hoste, and one of the most secretest with hym dyid of the ague the 24. day of February.

The king toke trews with Burgoyne for 3. yeres, that should give to king Edwarde, at 3. termes, 2000. floreyns, at 4. shillinges sterling the pece.

The toun of Flaveny in Burgoyn, that was taken by Arleston an Englischman, was delivered by the handes of Nicolas Dagworth, by cause it was taken in the beginning of the tretice of the aforesaid trews. Nere the which toun of Flaveny, Nicolas Dagworth, having but 13. [Englisch] men of armes with hym, faught with 66. French men, and vanquishid them by meane of charettes, that the Englisch men had had sette aboute them for defence, leving a way to entre at pleasure; wherby they wonddid, toke, and killid their ennemys. Norman Lesselin a Scot was taken prisoner.

At this tyme William Aldeburg, capitain of Honissu in Normandy, cumming oute to make a rode was taken prisoner of the Frenche men, and his bande discomstid. Thomas Fogge, knight, hering of this, cam to Honyssew, and finding it disgarnished of vitailes, foragid ther about to revitail it, having with hym men of other garnisons there about, and met sodenly with 250 menne of armes, and 200 archers, and arblasteres of the French men lyyng yn waite for them. The Englisch men were in numbre 40 men of armes, and an p. 575. 100 archers, and cam to the French men with their stakes, and discomstid them. Lewis Darcourt, and Bandren de la Husee, theyr [French] capitaynes, wer taken, with other knightes and esquiers. Lowys Darcourt was shortly after delyvered by the same Englisch men that tooke hym.

A French man, caulid the White † Knigh, cam to Fregeville, a forteres agon the march of Beaux, that thenglisch men had, demaunding of the conestable to have batel ii. for ii. and had: wher the Whight Knight, and his esquier, were discomfitted of the ii. Englisch, whos armure wer al grene, and brought the ii. French in to the forteres with them.

Rogerus Mortimarius, comes Marcianus, febre obilt in Burgundia.

About this tyme John Neville, knight of Englande, with 13. glayves, desconded by Stampes 50. Frenche men, taking dyver of them.

The Gascoynes and thenglisch of the fortres of Daubeny fought with the French men by yound Heere in Berry, discomfiting them, and taking dyvers prisoners.

Thre thousand of the coste of Normandy went to the coste of England with countenance to tary there, and so to cause * king to recoile to save his own land; and cumming in Lette to Winchelsey toun taryed there a day an a night, and then brent the toune, and recoyling to theyr shippes left ii. behynd, beyng fast in land, and a 3. hunderith men by the communes that cam to the socour of the towns.

Nere Paris Robert Scot, an Englisch knight, was taken, and his men discomfitid by the French men, and his forteres that he had enstrenkid loste.

As prince Edward passid thorough Gastinoys v. knightes, with 60 men of armes, and a 100 of the cummunes, had made a bastoil agayn the forteres of Turnelles, that the Englisch men helde; apon whom the prince cam sodenly to assaut it: but Jakes de Greville, and Hageney de Boville, with all the other rendered theyr selves to the prince.

King Edward cumming out of Burgoin loste ii. knightes, and 3. Alemayns, that wer slayne by night in theyr loginges by Ine de Vepount, a knight of France, and his company.

As king Eduard cam thorough Beaux nere Turry the castel by fortune was a fler, and they with yn put them selves in king Edwardes mercy. The capitayne kept the dungeon a ii. daies after, and then renderid hym self to the king.

About this season thenglisch men of the garnison of Nogent in Brye, being 30. in numbre, discomfitid, apon the river of Mairel, an 100. men of armes of Fraunce of the garnison of Terry, and toke 60. of them prisoners.

p. 576.

About the Christemes afore James Pipe, an Englisch knight, was taken yn the tour of Espernoun, that he had won of the French men, and toke no good way, trusting to much to the strenkth of his dungeon, wher in a mason had made of purpose a sklender and fals window, wherby he was taken in his bedde, and Thomas Beaumont, an Englisch knight, that cam from a nother garnison as a gest on to hym, and the goodes were caryid to the French king sun regent of France.

This Thomas was an other tyme byfore taken, and with hym Otis de Holand, a knight of England, about Graunsoures.

Robert † Her[ke]le, knight of England, and gardein of Britayne for king Edwarde, made a rode agayne the Bretons Galloys nere Dowle; and as they went, thinkking to finde a bridge that was broken with a great rysing water, Robert Knolles, knight of England, that cam on the other side oute ‡ of at the commandement of the aforesaide Robert Herle, strake his horse with spurres, having but 17. of his companions with hym, the residew of his band not knowing of it, and he thinkking that Herle had bene cum over the ryver was sodenly entrappid by his ennemyes, and taken, but sone rescuid of the residew of his bande knowing his distresse: and so the French were discomfitid, and Knollys taken from them.

Sic.



About the capitayne* Busche askid leave of king Edward to go in to Normandy to spek with the king of Navar, having yn his company 20. glayves of Englischmen and Gasceyna, and aboute Drewes ther mette sodenly with 24. men of armes, knightes and esquires, that lay in embuschement to waite for men of Englisch garnisons: but the French men were discomfitid, and Bek theyr capitaine, caullid communely Capitayne of villains, was taken prisoner.

King Eduard in the year of our Lord 1360. logid hym self afore Parys, the Wennesday in Ester weke, behynd the suburbes of Saintclou. Pilerin de Vadencourt, a French knight, was taken at the barreis, where his hors wondid threw hym doun. The new knightes of the band of prince Edward set apon them that issuid oute of the cite of Parise. Richard Baskerville the sunne, an Englisch knight, streken to ground, rose, and defendid hym self small he and his horse were rescuid.

The counte Tankerville cam oute of Parise to treate with king Edwardes counsail: to whom answer was made, that king Eduard wold be conformable to reason.

p. 577. King Edward departid from Parise to Monthery, and his host with hym: and the 13. day of April, for lak of horse meate, he toke a great yorney toward Beaux, and the tyme was ille what with haile, snow, and cold, with wynd and wete, that many feble horses and varlettes dyed by the way.

About the wich tyme James Audeleis, with the garnisons of Ferce and Nogent in Brye, scalid the castel of Huchie in Valoyse nere Sessoun.

A xi. men of armes, and viii. archers, Walsch men, of the retinew of the lorde Spensar, going to a mille nere to Bonevail yn Beaux were set apon with 26. glaves, and 22. archers of French Britons: but thenglischmen discomfittid them.

King Edward taryed xv. dayes in Beaux near Orliaunce for treatice of peace that the counsail of France went about. Thabbat of Cluny, and monseir Hugh de Genefe wer mediators in this treatice.

Too knightes of the duke of Lancaster retinew, Edmund Purpoint, and Bawdewin Malet adventurid emong the French out of reason, and therby wer taken et fiaunces.

Mounseir Brian de Stapleton of the erle of Salisbyri, and other with hym, skirmouchid in foraging with the French men, and discomfittid them nere Yanville.

In vengeaunce of the arrival of Normans at Winchelsey the navy of the v. Porthes and the North navy, went a 1000. armid men, and 1500. arches to the isle of Dans with in 15. dayes after Estre, and wan the toune of Luce, and brent it. But this yorney was letted to procede by commandement of Edward, that was by the French counsail meanes in treatise of trewes.

The peace betwen England and Fraunce was concluded, nere Chartres, apon these covenauntes that king Eduarde should have Gyen enterly, with all the olde marches, and the countery of Rogerus, the counters of Pontive and Gienes with the appertinaunces, and Calays with the seignory there about, clerely with oute paying any thing for it: And to have

3. millions of gold for the Frenche kinges raunsun. And the title of Britaine, bytwixt Mountfort and Charles de Bloys, to be jugid by the discretion of the 2 kinges. And that the prince of Wales, and the duke of Normandy, and the king of Navar, with 20, other persons of * France"; and the duke of Lancaster, with 20. persons of England, to be jums in this matiers of counsel as sucren to it.

And apon this treatice were right pretius reliques sent by the regent of Frances to the prince of Wales, as of the corone of thorn, and the holy crosses.

And apon this the king of Navar cam to Newburg to king Edwarde, persparing toward p. 578. Hunflew to saile into England, and leving in Nermandy the erle of Warwike gardian of the treues.

The duke of Lancastre and the counte Stafford cam with parte of the hoste after homewarde, and founde in the partes as thei cam great scarcite of vitaile, as in a countery destroied.

And thus partid owte the 3. Englische hostes owt of Fraunce, in hope of peace, after that this warre had endurid 20. and 4. yeres.

About this tyme, in the yere a 1360, one Catarine Mortimer, a damoisel of London was so belovid of Davy Bruise, king of Scottes, by acquaintaunce that he had in tyme of imprisonement with her, that he could not forbere her companie. Wher at the leader of Scotland were angry, and causid one Richard de Hulle, a variette of Scotland, to go to hur as for busines from Bruise: and he stikkid her, and killid her, ryding from Melros to Soltre; wherapon Bruise toke great dolor, and causid her to be burid honourably at Newbotelle.

This yere 1360, king John of Fraunce was delivered at Calays, apon the aforesaide conditions, after that he had bene at London, Windesore, and Somerton prisoner by the space of 3. yeres, and payid at his departure one million of gold, and left hostages for performing of the residew of covenauntes: that is to say, his 2. summes, the countes of Angeow and of Patiers; his brother duke of Orliaunce; his cosin duke of Burboun; the countes of Blovs, Alaunson, Sainct Poul, Harcourt, Pocien, Valentinoys, Brein, Vademont, Fores, and the vicount Beaumont, seignior Coucy, de Fenys, de Preux, de Sainct Venaunte, de Garensers, de Mount Marauncy, de Haunget, the daufine Dameryne, sir Pers de Alaunson. William de Cinoun, Lowys de Harcourte, John de Ligny, and al these to tary in Englande to the final ende of the treatice. And apon these treatice John Chaundos, knight, was sent, with sufficient autorite, that † delyveraunce of such fortresses and holdes as the Englischmen had there wonne.

And then divers Englisch bandes (that had made war of their own adventure yn Fraunce, and then resorting to gither were caullid the great bande) voidid Fraunce by king Edwardes commaundement, and after got the toune of Sainct Spirite, and made war in Province, and livid wonderfully apon praies.

In the yere a 1361. Henry duke of Lancaster dyed in March, and was buried at Leices- p. 579.

ter. He was wise and glorious in fortune, and in his youth ful of honor in armes. He had to his heires 2. doughters. Duke William of Bavare and counte of Henaw, Seland and Holand, and after becam madde, had the elder, John erle of Richemont, sunne to king Edward the 3. had the secunde.

The king Eduard buildid of new the castel in Tamise mouth in the isle of Shepye.

About this tyme Lionel, counte of Hulster by his wife, and sun to king Edwarde, went yn to Ireland to recountre the Irisch men that vexid there the Englisch.

Edwarde prince of Wales toke, aboute this tyme, to wyfe, by dispensation, the doughter of the counte of Kent, uncle to his father king Edwarde. She had bene maried afore. She was a gentil lady, and right heire to her father, and her uncle the lorde Wake.

A rowte of the great company of the Englisch men, commanded to depart owte of Fraunce, discomfitted in Auverne the French men, and toke divers prisoners of the nobyles of Fraunce, that had bene afore taken of the Englisch men, and there was slayne Jakes de Burbon, and the counte of Salbrog. At this tyme a route of Britons, part of the great company aforesaide were † discomtid in Limosine a la Garet, by William Felton, knight of England, and stuard at that tyme of the countery for king Eduarde.

Aboute this [1362] was a route of Englisch men, with one Robert Dyer, discomfitted by Bertrein de [C]Glekin Briton nere Ho yn Normandy.

At this tyme king Edwarde gave to prince Edward the duchie of Gien.

Johan quene of Scottes, and wyfe to Davy Bruis, and sister to king Edwarde the 3.‡ and was buried in the Gray Freres at London by her mother.

King Edward, at his parlament at London, made Lionel § his sunne counte of Hulstere, then being in Ireland, duke of Clarence, and his sun John duke of Lancastre, and the names to remaine to theire heires males. He made Edmond his sun counte of Cambridge.

Davy Bruis, king of Scottes, toke to wyfe, by force of love, one Margaret de Logy.

John of Gaunte erie of Richemont.
 † Sic.
 ‡ Adde, dyed.
 § Lionelle duke of Clarence.
 § Edmunde counts of Cambridge,



APPENDIX II.

EXTRACTS FROM THE EARLY PORTION OF THE SCALACRONICA.

On* FIST mettre en memoir en escript lez parolis qu Merlyn ly dist, dez queux les vns estoint oscuris, com dites od diuers significatiouns. Pur quoi cest cronicle de eaux touz nen fait mencioun, pur ceo qe creables ne sount, verrays, et parolis futures, dount nul defininacioun purra estre pris en certain, parlez en tiel maner, noun coungeables au droit foy. Et pur ceo qe plusours estoient qe sount dites Merlyns predestinours, se passe cest cronicle a parler dez ditez Merlyns; pur ceo qe en certain ny estoint sez parolis, et lez queux sount exponez diuersement, aptez as cheaunces du ciecle, quant sount escheuz; lez queux estoient parlez en figure et pus comparez par ymaginacioun de diuers comentours diuersement, com par similitude avenire, dez dragouns, sengleris, lowys, egles et liouns, coufles, chaielis, chenys, anes, taupes, cheuyrs, arbres, et russeaux. La signifiaunz de queux tout fussent ils prophecies, com noun doient estre croiables, pusque parlez estoient de entendement demoniak, ne purra estre determyne en certayne si fussent en le hour de lescriuer de cest cronicle passe ou avenir, pusque tauntez des roys sount passez, tan com durerent lez regnes des .vij. reaulmes Saxsouns, en queux la Grant Bretaigne estoit deuise, et dez autres puscedy Engles et Normandes; pur quoy ne agreast a le deuissour de cest cronicle plus dez parolis de Merlyn ede soy entremettre, ne dez autres queux hom disoit en le houre predestinours, com de Willam Banastre, ou de Thomas de Erceldoun. Lez parolis de queux furount ditz en figure od divers entendementz aptez a lestimacioun de les comentours, qe en casse purroint desacorder.

Le Roy† Arthur, qi de la descounfiture de Nichol estoit departy en Escoce pur destruyer sez enemys,—qe touz iours prest estoint a leuer od qi qe venoient, Picis, Danoys, ou Sax-

Extract from fol. 61, b. After giving the history of Merlin, as in Geoffrey of Monmouth, the author proceeds as abov >.
 † From fol. 70.

souns,--oy lez nouelis ge Cheldrik oue lez soens estoit rearyues, encountre couenant et lour serement, en sa terré; si fist al hour comander a pendre lour ostages, et lessa Hoel soun neuew de la Petit Bretaigne a Alclud en Escoce maladez, qi ne se poat bouger, si se hasta vers lez foriurez quanque il poait, qe lez troua al auauntdit assege, qe aperceurent la venu Arthur, si estoient tretz au somet dun mountayn pres un grant forteresce. Endrementres ge Arthur se armoit, lerceuesque Drubrice de Carlioun sarmouna le poeple en monestaunt com par le comaundement du souerayn qils defendissent lour pays, la souerayne charite, aumoine, et hommesce, au profite du comune generalement et singulerement, si lour garny de le meschief aparaunt si ils ne ceo feissent peniblement, pur murrir qe plus uaudroit qe viure, a ceo voire com quaunt nul est digne dauoir honour qi ne le vaut a defendre, si lour moustra coment pur a reachater lygne humaigne Dieu morust pur nous. Pur quoy ils ses buteroint le plus de gree en auenture pur defendre sa loy encountre sez enemys, qe ceo enuoroint abatre et lez destruyer en captiuison. Arthur od soun ost prist la forteresce du mountayn, si se auaunsa deuaunt touz en tiel maner qe a touz donoit baudour de tost assembler, lez vns a porter pris, lez autres pur eschuer hount. Arthur enfist de sa mayne tiel pruesce par qoy lez enemys estoint touz desaroutez, qe pristrent a fuyr, le roy chargea Cador, soun freir, de Cornewail a pursuyr lez fuauntz, qar il se voroit retreir deuers Hoelle, soun neuew, qe en le hour ly veint message qil estoit assys de lez Escocez. Cador sauoit vn plus pres chemyn deuers lour nefes, si lour forcloa, si lour encountra en my le vice, qe touz lour fist decouper en pece, lez cheuetayns, et Colgryn, et lez comuns touz; et se hasta deuers le roy, qe ly troua a Alclud, qe deuaunt ly estoit venuz, ou il auoit troue Hoelle savn et havtez, lez enemys departys seeu la venu le roy, qe sez estoient retreitez a Caumfer en Murref, ou Arthur lez purssuy, et outre en lisle de Dumeloi, ou par autre nonn Loghlunloc, yn grant estank, en goy descenderent xl. ryueris, ou sount dedenz l. isles, hantes roches, ou solaient lez egles ayreir, que acoustomez estoint a faire signes encountre guere par queux lez gentz du pays enpristrent grant signifians; dedenz quel isle Arthur auoit lez Escocz assys, qe fist feir barges, bateaux et flotes, pur lez surcoure.

Qaunt nouels ly vindrent qe Gillemarus, roy de Ireland, estoit illoeqes pres aryuez pur rescoure lez Escoces, Arthur se delogea, se trey deurs ly, qe auoit aparsu la maner dez enemys, qe nestoient pas armez, mais launsours des launces et dartez, mais grant poeple furount. Arthur fist mounter dereire chescun de sez gentz darmes vn archier, se cheuaucha le petite pas, et pres le assembler fist descendre lez archers, qe saunz aparsayuanz dez enemis lez lardisoint dez setes qe ils ne sez pooint eyder, et oue ceo qils sez meruaillerent de ou lour venoit cel encombrer, fery cheueaux dez esperouns et touz al assembler, qe touz lez porterent a terre fiches oue launces par my lez corps com gentz desarmez, ceaux qi purroint fuerent oue lour cheuetaigne as nefes, qi ses remistrent en lour pays. Arthure repaira a lestank, qi en grant carouce de eaux se enforsa par touz lez engynes qil poait de lez greuer, qe graut occision enfist faire. Les Escocez, qe aparsocurent la descounfiture dez Irroys et le grant purpos et ire le roy, maunderent a ly lour euesqes et prelates, portantz lour corps sayntes, et od femmes et enfauntz plurauntz, qeraunt sa mercy; qi lez resceut com hom playn de pite. Arthur enqist de eaux lez meruails du pays, qe ly counterent dez isles qes-

toient remuauntz de vn lieu en autre oue le vent en le estank, et dez pessouns de diuers maners, lez vns saunz bowail, qe conuersoient en diuers lieus saunz entreaprocher dedenz lestank; si luy counterent dun maner dez oyseaux qe cressent sur arbres dedenz lez roches de mere, qe quant ils sount mures cheount en mere, uolount auaunt; ceaux qe cheoint sure sek tere enuentissount aveint, ceaux oyseaux sount appellez Bernakes. Hoel, roy de la Petit Bretaigne, qe oy lez meruailles du pays, enauoit meruail; qi bien lez recorda. Arthur prist lez homages de lez Escoces, qe enuice le firent, com tesmoigne Bede, qe meutz voloint murrir qe estre sutzgis. Arthur repaira a Euerwik, ou il fist redresser par assent dez prelatez le deray qe fust fest a saint eglis de ruyne de eglis, qi bien lez fist reparailler, et fist rebailler as touz espirituels et temperales touz lour possessiouns droiturelis et lour bon auncien loy bien garder il fist. Erceusque illoeqes, Adam Piran soun cosyn, bon saint, hom religious; lez .iij. freirs, fitz Rahu, Loth, Anguysel, et Vrien, y furount as queux le roy rendy plus de terre, qe lours auncestres nauoint: a Anguisel dona Escoce; a Vrien, Murref; a Loth, Lownesse; a cely dona il sa sore eyne, de qey il engendra .ij. fitz, neuews le roi, Gawayn ly prus, et Mordret ly malerous. Hoel se trey en soun pays.

Donges com* Conwak le roy Descoce out dit vn foitz en deduyt, "ieo me meruail coment ceo pust estre qe tauntz dez grantz seignours sount sutzgiz a sy petite hom." Et ceo ly fust counte. Il le teint longment en soun quer, mais au darayn se descouery en tiel maner. Il prist cesti Kunwak vn iour od ly au boys, com pur chacer; et quant lez gentz furount alez de eaux et ils estoient tot soul, il prist soun espey en sa mayn et vn autre qil out porte de gree et bailla a ly, si ly dist, "ore assayomes si vous deuez estre sutzget a cely qi vous escharnistez le autre iour a la fest, ou il a vous; qar lede chos est au roi estre sure soun bank pur sez bobauns, autres despisant, et quant il al mister veynt nul rien fesaunt." Et quant ceo oyst le roy Descoce il auoit vergoyn, et fust enpooury, et cheoit as peese le roy et cria mercy, et se excusa et dist qil le dist en deduyt et par nul despit de ly.

IL Y † out vn fort cheualer et prus hu pays, qi out a noun Siward, de qi cesti roy Edward enfist count de Northumberland pur sa pruesce. Cesti Syward tua en batail Makacta, roy Descoce, qi mouoit riot countre cesti roy Edward. Apres qi Makacta, Mancloun Grostest, fit le roy de Coumbirlande, deueint roy sur lez Escoces. Autre foitz Siward enuoya soun fitz a gerroyer en Escoce, ou il murrust de fluxs. Et quant le pier le sauoit si disoit, "Ha," fesoit, "ne poast moun fitz finy dautre mort? il ne enuailly rien!" En coroucz de qoy il se voloit venger; si mouoit od ost en Escoce, ou meisme la malady ly surueint si cruel qe a murrir ly coueint. "Allas," fesoit il, "pur quoy ne huse departy du siecle en

[•] From fol. 134, b. After mentioning the widely-extended conquests of Edgar, the above narrative is introduced.

+ From fol. 137, b.

tauntz de batails ou iay este, qe ore doy murrire com vn vache. Endosez moy," fesoit il, "moun hauberk, si me lacez de healm, y mettez moy lesq, si me seinez de lespey, baillez moy la launce hu poyn, qe com vn fort chiualer pius morir." Soun comaundement acomplye, il se lessa morir.

Apres mort de qy, Walteu, soun fitz, estoit de si trestendre age qil ne pooit le pays iustifier, ne nestoit de grant parenty, pur qoy la counte de Northumbreland fu done du roy Edward a Tostin le fitz Godwyn et freir Harald; qi Tostin fust enchace pur sez extorsiouns du poeple, qi meutz voloint morire qe noundroiturelement estre gouernez en seruitude. Quels extorsiouns conuz de soun freir Harald par messageres de Northumbreland, qy venoit od poair, le roy a rescour soun freir departy soun ost, qi plus amast la peise du pays qe soustenaunz soun freir en deresoun; pur corouce de quoi Tostin sen departy en Flaundres, et Malche fitz Edgar deueint count. Cesti Harald fitz Godwyn se entremist dez bosoignes le roy, qi chiualerousement lez gouernoit. Il descounfist deus frers le roy de Galis, Rys, et Griffin, et soutzmist la terre a gouernement le roy Edward.

Meisme le temps veint Edward fitz Edmound Irneside de Hungry, qi procheignement se lessa morir et fust enterre a saint Poel a Loundres. Cesti fust pier Edgar Atheling, et de Margaret qu puis fust roine Descoce, espouse Mauncloun Gros-test, de quy il engendra Edward et Dauid. Edward, le eyne, morust od soun pier en batail; Dauid regna apres sagement en Escoce en le temps Willam de Malmesbery. Mancloun auoit de Margaret ij. feilles; Maude, qe Henry le roy Dengleter, fitz Willam le conquerour, esposa; lautre, Marie, qe Eustace count de Boloyn prist a femme. Lez cronicles Descoce tesmoignent qe ceste Margaret fust enchace par tempest de mere en Escoce en Forth, com ele venoit deuers Engleter, de ou ele estoit amene au roy Mancloun, qi amarier estoit, qi la prist en espous. Lez cronicles tesmoignent qe cesti Mancloun estoit fitz bastard le roy, qi droit clama en Escoce, quoit ij. freirs moillers, od les queux il estoit en Engleter a nurrir. En quel temps, pur juvenesce de ditz heires, les seignours Descoce auoint chescun lour pays a gouerner com roys; lez queux al hour nauoint my le noun de countis mais de thayns. Vn qi se tenoit le plus grant meistre, cely de Murref, fist somoundre toz lez autres thayns qils fussent prestes od lour cariage pur aporter meryme et pere au edifiaunce dun chastel qe ly plesoit a fair fermer, qe toz vindrent et fesoint le mandement. La charge du thain de Fyffe failloit au vieu de cely de Murref qi lour auoit somounne, qi se countrefist lour souerayne, demaundoit a qy la charge qe failloit apartenoit. Ils ly disoient qe ceo estoit au thayn de Fyfe. "Voir," fesoit il, "faitez ly venyz, si mettez soun cole propre a sustener ceo qe ses bofes deueroint surtreier." De quel comaundement le thain de Fiffe auoit despit, si se aloigna et sen alast en Coumbreland, ou lour droitz seignours furount a nurrire, qi ne lez troua my araiez de volounte, poair, ne corage al hour de mettre claym. Qy demaundoit Mancloun lour freir bastard, qi parcru estoit, sil vousist venir et il ly eydroit a estre roys, qi se assenty, sen ala od ly; par eide de qy il endeuint roi, destruyt touz qi contrairs ly furount, si graunta a cesti count Macdouf, [qi] ly auoit ensi eide, la franchise de Clacmacdouf, vn exempt priuilage du comune loy, issint qe pur touz trespasses touz extreitz de soun lyne ne portassent punisement for raunsoun dun some dargent.

Cesti Mancloun, qi esposa la dit Margaret, fist chaunger lez nouns de thains en countis. Meismes les cronicles tesmoignent qe cesti Mancloun fist puscedy decoller lun de sez freirs, et envoegler lautre, pur ceo qils ne ly tollacent soun estat, lez fist mettre en gard en le chastel de Jedworth, ou cely qi fust esvoeglez engendra vn feile de vn lauender, qe ne ly voroit lesser refeter tanque il lauoit espose. Quel feile lauantdit roy Mancloun donast a vn dez fitz le count de Comynge de France, qi od ly demuroit, qi du roy demaunda la dist puscel. Vn iour, com le roi cheuaucha pres de Jedworde a Roul, la dit puscel en compaigny dez autres paisenis crioit au roy, "bele vnkel, festis moi bien, qe su la feil toun freir." "Voir," fesoit il, "veignez auaunt;" si la vist bel meschein, qe au prier del auaunt dit freir le count de Comenge la dona od la terre en quoy il cheuauchea, pur quoi auyndrent lez Comynes Descoce.

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