

THE CHRONICLE

OF

ROBERT OF GLOUCESTER.

Cotton MS. Caligula, A. xi., fol. 3.

ENgelond his a wel god lond · ich wene ech londe best · [1]
 Iset in þe on ende of þe · worlde as al in þe west ·
 þe see geþ him al aboute · he stond as in an yle ·
 Of fon hii dorre þe lasse doute · bote hit be þorȝ gyle ·
 Of folc of þe sulue lond · as me haþ iseye ȝwile · 5
 Fram souþe to norþ he is long eizte hondred Mile ·
 & tuo hundred mile brod · fram est to west to wende ·
 Amidde þe lond as hit be · & noȝt as bi þe on ende ·

1. *a wel . . . best*] ryght a merye lond · of alle oþere on w^t þe best δ. *a wel god lond*] AB; swiþe goud *a*; ryȝt good βγ. *ich*] ABa; I βγ. *ech*] of eche B; hit is aβγ.
2. *Iset . . . west*] In on (one βγ) ende hit is iset (ysette βγ); of þe worlde al in þe west aβγ. *on*] om. B. *as*] as here δ.
3. *þe*] ABδ; And þe aβγ. *geþ him*] goþ him B; get *a*; goþ βγ; gothe hyt δ. *he stond as in an*] he stont as an B; hit stond also on *a*; hit stondeþ also in one βγ; hyt stant ryght as an δ.
4. *Of*] Here B. *hii dorre*] heo durre B; hit þarf *a*; hit þar βγ; we dar δ. *lasse*] lesse γ. *bote hit*] Bot yf it δ.
5. *folc*] fol B. *sulue lond*] selue lond B; sulfe londe *a*; selfe londe βγ. *me*] men βγ. *haþ iseye*] hit isey *a*; hit seþ βγ; hath seyne δ. *ȝwile*] wyle B; while aβγ; sum whyle δ.
6. *Fram . . . long*] Fram þe souþ ende to þe north beþ (northe ben βγ) aβγ; Fram þe sothe to þe northe hit is longe δ.
7. *tuo*] foure B. *fram*] from B. *est*] þe Este δ. *to west*] west aβγ.
8. *Amidde*] Amyddes βγ. *þe*] þo B. *as*] ase þei *a*; as þouȝ βγ. *& noȝt as*] AB; & norþest *a*; and norþwest β; and norwest γ. *þe*] om. aβγ.

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- Plente me may in engelond . of alle gode ise .
 Bote volc hit vorgulte . oþer zeres þe worse be . 10
 Vor engelonde is vol inoz . of frut . & ek of tren .
 Of wodes & of parkes . þat ioye hit is to sen .
 Of foweles & of bestes . of wilde & tame also .
 Of salt fichz & eke verss . of vaire riuers þer to .
 Of wellen swete & colde inouz . of lesen & of mede . 15
 Of seluer or & of gold . of tyn & ek of lede .
 [2] Of stel of yre & of bras . of god corn gret won .
 Of wit & of wolle god . betere ne may be non .
 Wateres he hap ek inouz . ac at uore alle oþere þre .
 Out of þe lond in to þe se . armes as þei it be . 20
 Zware bi þe ssipes mowe come . fram þe se & wende .
 And bringe alonde god inoz . aboute in eche ende .

9. *me*] *men* βγ. *in engelond*] *on engelond* α; *on Englonde* βγ. *alle gode ise*] *alle goude*. *iseo* α; *al good yse* βγ.
 10. *Bote . . . be*] *Bot yf hit be for oure gulte that þe zerys þe wers be* δ. *Bote*] *Bute* B; *Bote þa* α; *But zif* β; *But yf* γ. *vorgulte*] *for gulte* Ba; *forgilt* βγ. *þe*] *þat* αβγ. *be*] *beo* α.
 11. *Vor*] *For* Baβγ. *englonde*] *englonde* A. *vol inoz*] *ful ynow* B; *goud ynou* α; *good ynouz* βγ. *frut*] *fruyt* Ba; *frute* βγ. *ʒ ek of*] & of Bδ.
 12. *parkes*] *parkes* boþe αγ; *parkes* boþ β. *hit*] *yt* B; *om.* αβγ.
 13. *of wilde*] *wilde* αβγδ. *ʒ*] & eke αβ.
 14. *eke verss*] *eche fresch* B; *of fersch* α; *of fresche* βγ. *of vaire*] and *fayre* Bδ; *of faire* α; *and of faire* βγ. *riuers*] *riuere* α.
 15. *wellen*] *wellene* α; *welles* Bβ; *wellys* γδ. *swete*] AB; *goud* α; *good* β; *goode* γ. *lesen*] AB; *lese* αβγ; *lese* δ. *ʒ*] & eke αβγδ.
 16. *or*] *om.* δ. *ʒ of*] AB; & eke of α; *and also of* βγ. *ek*] A; *eke* α; *om.* Bβγ.
 17. *yre*] *yrn* B. *ʒ*] & eke α; *and also* βγ; *om.* δ. *gret*] & *gret* α.
 18. *wit*] *whyte* B; *whyte* α; *whete* γ. *of*] *om.* γ. *wolle god*] *good wolle* δ. *ne*] *om.* δ.
 19. *he hap*] *þer* beþ α; *þer* ben βγ. *ek*] *eke* gode B; *goud* α; *good* Bδ; *goode* γ. *ac*] & αβγ; *bot* δ. *at uore*] *at before* B; *to for* α; *to fore* βγδ. *þre*] *ben þreo* α; *ben þre* βγ.
 20. *þei*] *þou*; βγ. *it*] *om.* Bδ.
 21. *þe*] *om.* αβγ. *mowe*] *mowen* α; *may* βγ. *fram*] *fro* B. *fram . . . wende*] & to þe see wende δ.
 22. *alonde*] *on lond* B; *to lond* α; *to londe* βγ. *in*] *bi* α; *by* βγ.

Severne · & temese · homber is þet þridde ·
 & þanne is as ʒwo seiþ · þat pur lond amidde ·
 Homber bringʒ bi norþe · muche god & wide · 25
 Severne bi west souþ · temese bi þe est side ·
 So þat of god inoʒ · þat in oþer londes his ·
 þer bi comeþ to engelond · þat non defaute nis ·
 Yles þer beþ manion · aboute engelonde ·
 Ac þer beþ at uore alle oþere · þre ich vnder stonde · 30

Commendacio Anglie.

þe yle of man þat me clupeþ · bitvene vs & irelonde · fol. 3 b.
 & þe gret yle of orkeneye bi ʒonde scotlonde ·
 þe þridde is toward normandie · þe yle of wīʒt bi souþe ·
 þre þe beste yles · þese beþ & mest couþe ·
 þe werste louerdes & maistres · þat in engelond were · 35
 þe chef tovnnes hii lete · in engelonde arere ·
 Londone · & everwik · lincolne · & leicestre ·
 Golchestre · & kanterbury · bristowe · & wireestre ·

23. *homber*] and *humbre* δ. *is þet*] yt is þe B; is þat a; is þe Bγδ.
 24. *þanne*] þenne B; om. Bγ. *ʒwo*] wo B; who Bγ; who so a.
þat pur] þe pure Bδ; þat poure a.
 25. *bringʒ*] bringeþ aβ; bryngeþ B; bryngeth γ. *muche*] meche δ;
moche γ.
 26. *west*] weste a.
 27. *of*] om. aβγ. *his*] ys Bγ; is aβ.
 28. *þer*] þar a; Where Bγ. *non*] no BaBγδ. *nis*] þer nis a; þer
 nys Bγ; ys δ.
 29. *beþ*] be γ. *aboute*] a bouten a; Allabowte δ.
 30. *Ac þer . . . þre*] Ac bifore þe oþere alle · beþ þre a; But bifore þer oþer
 alle · þen þre Bγ; Bot þre þere bethe by fore Alle oþere as δ. *at uore*]
 to fore B. *ich*] I Bγδ.
 31. *þat me clupeþ*] þat me clepuþ B; hit is iclepid a; is called β; ys
 callyd γ; þat ou me clepeth δ.
 32. *ʒ*] om. B. *orkeneye*] orcadas aβδ; Orchadas γ.
 34. *yles*] om. aβγ. *þese beþ*] þat beþ a; þat þen Bγ. *ʒ*] and
 eke δ. *mest*] mest of name a; most of name Bγ.
 35. *werste*] firste B; ferste a; first β; fyrst γδ. *louerdes*] lordes BBγδ
 (and passim). *þat in engelond*] in engelond þat a; in englonde þat
 β; in Englonde that γ.
 36. *þe chef*] Thes grete & chief δ. *þe*] þese Bγ; þeos a; Thise β.
hii] heo B; hi a; þei β; þey γδ. *lete*] lette β. *arere*] Aδ;
 rere BaBγ.
 37. *ʒ*] om. δ (before *everwik*).
 38. *Golchestre*] Colchestre BaBγ.

Chichestre . & granteburgh . and þanne cirencestre .
 Derceestre . & winchestre . and suppe Gloucestre . 40
 & oþer grete tovnnes . þat were þo in wales .
 þis was þo in engelond brutons were iwis .
 Engelond haþ ibe . inome & iwerred ilome .
 Verst þoruþ grete louerde . þe emperours of rome .
 þat wrozte & wonne engelond . & þat lond nome . 45
 Suppe þorz picars & scottes . þat to engelond come .
 þat werrede & destruede . ac al clene ne wonne it nozt .
 Suppe þorz engliss and saxons . þat hider were ibroz .
 þorz brutons for to helpe hem . & suppe hom over come .
 þe brutons þat hom heder broz . & þat lond hom
 binome . 50
 Suppe haþ engelond ibe iwerred ilome .
 Of þe folc of denemarch . þat ne beþ nozt zvt isome .

39. *cirencestre*] Circestre β ; Cyrcestre γ .

40. *Derceestre*] Dorchestre B; Dorkchestre $\alpha\beta\gamma$; Derkchestre δ . *suppe*] seþpe B; seth δ ; þanne $\alpha\beta\gamma$.

41. *were þo*] þo were B; weren þo $\alpha\delta$; were þan β ; were thanne γ .

42. *þo*] om. $\alpha\beta\gamma$. *brutons*] whenne Brutons $\beta\gamma$.

43. *haþ*] haueþ α . *ibe inome*] ben inome α ; be benome δ ; be ytake $\beta\gamma$. *iwerred*] iworred B; werred δ . *ilome*] lome $\alpha\beta\gamma$; ryght lome δ .

44. *Verst*] First B β ; Ferst α ; Fyrst $\gamma\delta$. *emperours*] amperurs α . *of*] were of δ .

45. *wrozte*] fozte B; fowghte δ ; ferst α ; furst $\beta\gamma$. *þ wonne*] ywonnen α ; wonne $\beta\gamma$. *þat lond*] þulk lond δ ; to ham hit α ; to hem hit $\beta\gamma$. *nome*] name $\beta\gamma$.

46. *Suppe*] Seþpe B α ; Sithen $\beta\gamma$; Seth δ . *þorz*] þoru B α ; þurgh β ; thorough γ . *picars*] picardes B $\alpha\beta\gamma\delta$. *to engelond come*] bare come α ; þer came $\beta\gamma$.

47. *þat*] And $\alpha\beta\gamma\delta$. *werrede*] A α ; worrede B; werred B δ ; werryd γ . *destruede*] destruiode B; destruide α ; distroied $\beta\gamma$. *ac*] but $\beta\gamma$; bot δ . *al*] om. $\alpha\beta\gamma\delta$. *ne*] þei β ; þey $\gamma\delta$.

48. *Suppe*] Seþpe B α ; Sith $\beta\gamma$. *þorz*] om. $\alpha\beta\gamma$. *engliss*] engliche B $\alpha\beta$; Englyssh γ . *hider were*] were hidere α ; were hider $\beta\gamma$. *ibroz*] brouzt $\beta\gamma$; broght δ .

49. *suppe*] seþpe B α ; sithen $\beta\gamma$. *hom*] hem B $\beta\gamma$; ham α . *come*] came $\beta\gamma$.

50. omitted in δ . *hom*] hem B; ham α ; þei $\beta\gamma$. *heder*] hyder B; hedde α ; hadde $\beta\gamma$. *broz*] ybrought γ . *hom*] hem B $\alpha\beta\gamma$. *binome*] byname $\beta\gamma$.

51. *Suppe*] Seþpe B α ; Sithen $\beta\gamma$; And seth δ . *haþ*] haueþ α . *ibe iwerred*] iworred ben α ; ben werred $\beta\gamma$; y worred be δ . *ilome*] lome δ ; also many tyme $\beta\gamma$.

52. *denemarch*] denemark B; Denmark $\beta\gamma$. *ne beþ . . . isome*] beþ

pat ofte wonne engelond . and helde it bi maistrie .
 þe vifþe time zwan engelond . þat folc of normandie .
 pat among vs wonieþ zvt . & ssulleþ euere mo . 55
 We ssulleþ her after in þise boc . telle of al þis wo .
 Brutons was þe verste folc . þat to engelonde com .
 Voure kinges hii made þo . in þis kinedom .
 þe king of westsex and of kent . & of norþhomber .
 þe þridde .
 & þe kyng of þe march . þat was here amidde . 60

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þe saxons & þe englisse . þo hii hadde al an honde . fol. 4.
 Viue & þritti ssiren . hii made in engelonde .
 Souþsex . & sobereye . kent . & estsex .
 Barcssire . & hamptessire . & þanne middelsex .
 Dorsete . & wiltessire . & somersete . al so . 65
 Deuenessire . & cornewaille . & gloucestre þer to .

nouȝt zet wel ysome B; zuyt ne buþ nouȝt some a; zit is nouȝt longe syne Bγ; bethe nouȝt zet hydȝr welcome δ.

53. pat] They δ. wonne] wonnen aβγ. helde] hulde Ba.

54. vifþe] fiftē Baβ; fyft γ. zwan] won B; wonnen aβγ; þey wonnen δ. þat] Aa; þo Bδ; þe Bγ.

55. vs] ous a. wonieþ] Aa; woneþ Bδ; wonneþ Bγ. zvt] zet B; zuyt a; zit β; yit γ; zet δ. ssulleþ] schulleþ Ba; schullen Bδ; shullen γ.

56. ssulleþ] schul Bδ; schulle a; schal β; shal γ. in þise boc] in þis boke B; on þis booc a; on þis boke Bγ.

57. was] Aa; were Bβγ. þe verste folc] þe firste folc B; þat ferste folc a; þe first folke Bγ. þat to engelonde] to engelond þat a; to Englonde þat Bγ. to] in to δ.

58. Voure] Foure Bγ; Four aβ. hii] heo B; hi a; þei β; they γ; þey δ (and passim). made] maden Ba. þo] her þo a; here þan Bγ. in] on aβγ; al in δ. kinedom] kyndome B; kingdome a; kyngdome Bγ.

59. &] om. aβγ (after Kent). norþhomber] norþhober A.

60. &] om. δ. þat] & þat δ.

61. & þe] & aβγ. þo] when β; whenne γ. hadde] hadden B. an] on aβγ.

62. ssiren] schiren Ba; schyres Bδ; shyres γ. made] maden B.

63. sobereye] subereriȝe a.

64. hamptessire] hamptschire B; hampteschire a; hampschire β; hampshyre γ. þanne] þenne B (and passim); þer to aβγ.

65. &] om. δ (before wiltessire).

66. Deuenessire] Deneschire B. & gloucestre] of Gloucester δ.

- Ssropssire . & wurcestressire . & al so hereford .
 Chestressire . & warewikssire . Derbi . & stafford .
 [4] Lincolne . & hontindone . & al so bedeford .
 Bokingham . & norþhamtone . & of oxenford . 70
 Norfolc . & souþfolc . & grantebbrugge al so .
 Hertford . & leicestre . & notingham . þer to .
 Euerwik . & cardoyl . & norþhomberlond .
 þes ssiren wiþ oute walis . beþ alle in engelond .
 Seventene bissopriches in engelond beþ al so . 75
 Cardoyl . & duram . & everwik þer to .
 Of ely . & of kanterburi . of norþwik . & of roucestre .
 Of londone & of salesbury . of chichestre . of win-
 cestre .
 Of lincolne . & of chestre . & ek of wrcestre .
 Of hereford . & of baþe . & al so of eccestre . 80
 þanne beþ þer in walis . þre wiþ oute Mor .
 Sein dauid . & landaf . & supþe bangor .

67. *Ssropssire*] Schorpschire $\beta\gamma$. *wurcestressire*] of wircestre B; wircestre α ; Worcester $\beta\gamma$; of Wyrcestre δ . $\&$ *al so*] and of B.; þer to α ; & þer to $\beta\gamma$; and eke of δ .
 68. *warewikssire*] warwil B; warewyk α ; Warwyk $\beta\gamma\delta$. *Derbi*] dorbi α .
 69. *al so*] of B δ ; so α .
 70. *of*] so $\alpha\beta\gamma$; om. δ . *oxenford*] oxenfox B.
 71. *Norfolc*] Norþfolc B; Northfolc α ; Northefolke β ; Northfolke γ . *grantebrugge*] grauntebrugge B.
 74. *þes*] þese B; þeos α ; Thise β ; These γ . *ssiren*] schires B; schiren α ; schire $\beta\gamma$; schyres δ . *wiþ oute*] with outen $\beta\gamma$. *beþ alle*] buþ α ; ben $\beta\gamma$.
 75. *bissopriches*] bishopes α ; Byschopes $\beta\gamma$. *in*] on α . *beþ*] buþ α ; ben $\beta\gamma$.
 76. $\&$ *duram*] of Duram δ . $\&$ *everwik*] of Euerwyk δ .
 77. *ely*] hely α . *of norþwik*] of norþwiche B; Northwich α ; Northwyche β . $\&$ *of*] of B; & $\alpha\beta\gamma$. *roucestre*] rouchestre B γ .
 78. $\&$] om. Ba $\beta\gamma$. *salesbury*] salusburi α . *of wincestre*] of wynchestre B; and wincestre α ; & Wynchestre $\beta\gamma$.
 79. *ek*] om. Ba $\beta\gamma$. *wrecestre*] wirecestre β ; wirecestre α ; Worcester $\beta\gamma$ (and line 94).
 80. *eccestre*] excestre Ba $\beta\gamma$.
 81. *beþ þer*] A α ; þer beþ B; ben þer $\beta\gamma$. *þre*] foure $\alpha\beta\gamma$. *wiþ oute*] with outen $\beta\gamma$.
 82. $\&$] om. $\beta\gamma$. *landaf*] landaf B. $\&$ *supþe*] & sepþe B; genitass θ & α ; Seyntasse and $\beta\gamma$.

Of everwik · & kanterbury · beþ erchebissopes tvo ·
 Duram beþ & cardoyl · vnder everwik ido ·
 & alle þe opere of engelond · & also of walis · 85
 Vnder þe erchebissop beþ · of kanterbury iwis ·
 þe saxons þo in her poer · þo hii were so riue ·
 Seve kynges made in engelond · & supþe bote viue ·
 þe king of norþhomerlond · & of estangle al so ·
 Of kent · & of westsex · & of þe march þer to · 90

Descriptio Anglie.

þe kyng of þe march · þulke time hadde wel þe beste · fol. 4 b.
 Muchedel of engelond · þe on half al bi weste ·
 Wircestressire & warewik · & also of gloucestre ·
 þat neiȝ is al o bissopriche · þe bissopes of wrcestre ·
 He hadde ek þer to chestre ssire · & derbi ssire al so · 95
 & stafford ssire þat beþ alle in o bissopriche ido ·
 þe bissopriche of chastre · & ȝut he hadde þer to · [5]
 Scropssire som & aluendel · of warewik ssire al so ·

83. *ȝ*] & of *βγ*. *beþ*] þat ben *βγ*.
 84. *Duram*] Durham *αβγ*. *beþ* & *cardoyl*] & *Cardoile* ben *βγ*. *ido*] do *βγ*.
 86. *þe*] þan *α*. *beþ*] om. *αβγ*. *beþ of kanterbury*] of Caunturbury beth *δ*.
 87. *þe*] om. *αβγ*. *þo*] om. *βαβγδ*. *her*] heore B ; here *αβγ*. *þo*] *whenne β* ; when *γ*.
 88. *Seve*] *Seuene βγ*. *made*] heo maden B ; here hij made *α* ; here þei made *βγ* ; þey made *δ*. *supþe*] seþen B ; seþþe *α* ; sithen *βγ*. *bote*] *Aα* ; bute B ; but *βγ*.
 89. *ȝ*] om. *αβγ*. *of estangle*] of estangle ek *α* ; of þe Estangle *βγ* *al so*] þo *βγ*.
 90. *ȝ of westsex*] and Westsex *γ*.
 91. *þulke*] þilke B ; þat *αβγδ*. *þe*] þat *αδ*.
 92. *þe on*] þat on *αβγ*.
 93. *of*] om. *αβγ*.
 94. *neiȝ is*] *ys neȝ B* ; is neȝ *αβγ* ; *ys nyȝ δ*. *al*] om. *αβγ*. *o*] þe B. *þe bissopes*] om. B ; of þe Bysshoprich *δ*.
 95. *He hadde . . . chetressire*] *Chestreschire* he hadde ek *α* ; *Chesterschire* he hadde eke *βγ*. *derbi ssire*] *dorbischire α*.
 96. *beþ*] ben *βγ*. *alle*] om. *δ*. *o*] on B.
 97. *þe*] In þe *Bδ* ; & þe *αβγ*. *chastre*] *chestre βα*. *ȝ*] om. *αβγ*.
 98. *ȝ*] om. *βγ*. *aluendel*] half B ; halfuendele *α* ; halfdel *βγ*. *of*] om. *Bδ*.

þis king hadde ek herefordssire . þat o bissopriche is .
 Ac ssropssire zeldþ haluendel . to þulke bissopriche iwis .
 & som of gloucestressire . & of warewikssire al so . 101
 Zut hadde þe kyng of þe march wel more lond þer
 to .

Norhamtessire . & bokingham . & þe ssire of oxenford .
 Leicestre ssire . & lincolne . & þe ssire of hertford .
 þat is al o bissopriche . þat of lincolne is . 105
 þat zwile was at dercestre . beside oxenford iwis .
 Zvt hadde þe king of þe march . notingham ssire þer to .
 In þe bissopriche of everwik . ac þo nas hit nozt so .
 & al walis zvt þer to . þat a gret lond is .
 Al þis was zwile icluped . þe march of walis . 110
 Vor þe lond bitvene homber . & þe water of temese iwis .
 Ich wene in þe bissopriche of lincolne hit is .

99. *þis king hadde ek*] Also he hadde *a* ; And he hadde *þγ*. *ek*] also *ð*.
o] on B ; a *ð*.
 100. *Ac*] And *aþγð*. *zeldþ*] *naþ* B ; om. *aþγð*. *haluendel*] *halfuendel a* ;
halfel þγ. *þulke*] *þilke Bþγ* ; *þat ð*.
 Lines 111, 112, are here inserted in *aþγ*.
 101. *& som*] Sum *a* ; Somme *þγ*. *& of*] and *γ*.
 102. *Zut*] *zet* B.
 103. *Norhamtessire*] Northamptschire B ; Northamteschire *a* ; Northehamp-
 teschire *þ* ; Northehampschyre *γ* ; Norhamtoñ schyre *ð*. *oxenford*]
oxenfort B.
 104. *Leicestre ssire*] *Leycetre* B ; *Leicestre a* ; *Leycestre þγ*. *& þe*]
 and half the *γ*. *hertford*] *hertfort* B.
 105. *o*] on B.
 106. *zwile*] *wule* B ; *while a* ; *somme tyme þ* ; *somtyme γ* ; *sum tyme ð*.
dercestre] *dorchestre Bþγ* ; *dorkcestre a*. *oxenford*] *oxenfort* B.
 107. *of þe march*] of Marche *γ*.
 108. *In*] That in *þγ*. *everwik*] *Euerwyk is þγ*. *ac*] but *þγ*.
ac . . . so] *þat was noht þo ð*.
 Lines 113, 114 inserted here in *aþγ*.
 109. *al*] *eke aþγ*. *zvt*] om. *aþγ* ; he had *ð* *a*] *o aþγ*. *is*] *ek is a* ;
eke is þγ.
 110. *þis*] *þes ð*. *zwile*] *þenne* B ; *whilene a* ; *þat tyme þγð*. *icluped*]
ycleped B ; *icleped a* ; *clepud ð* ; *callyde þ* ; *callyd γ*.
 111. *Vor . . . iwis*] *Bedefordeschire* and *Huntyngdoñ schire* with al his *þγ*.
þe lond] *þat lond þat* B ; *þulk londe ð* ; om. *a*. *þe*] *þat a*. *iwis*]
þat is iwis a.
 112. *Ich wene*] *I wene þγ* ; *As I wene ð*. *hit*] om. B.

And þe bissopriche of lincolne . & bi weste al þat lond .
 þe king wule of þe march . adde al in his hond .
 þe king of westsex adde þo . al wiltessire iwis . 115
 & dorsete . & barcssire . þat a bissopriche his .
 þe bissoprich of salesburi . & al souþsex þer to .
 þe welde . & al þe bissopriche . of chichestre al so .
 & souþhamtessire . & souþereye . þat on bissopriche . is .
 þe bissopriche of winchestre . þat ʒvt is þere iwis . 120

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& somersete þat to welles . þulke time drouʒ . fol. 5.
 & nou it is þe bissopriche of babe . ʒe wetep wel inoʒ .
 ʒvt adde þe king of west sex . al deuenessire iwis .
 & cornewaille . þat in þe bissopriche . of eccestre is .
 þe king of kent was þo louerd . of al þe lond of kent . 125 [6]
 þat were tvo bissopriches . & ʒvt nis it noʒt iwent .
 þe bissopriche of kanterbury . þat of engelond is hext .
 & þe bissopriche of roucestre . þat in þe west side is next .

113. & bi weste] bi west aβγ.

114. þe king wule] That tyme þe kynges δ. wule] while a; som tyme B; somme tyme βγ. þe] om. βγ. in his] on is a.

116. a] o Baβγδ.

117. al] om. aβγ. souþsex] Sousex γ. þer to] he hadde also B; ek þer to a; eke þer to βγ.

118. al] om. aβγ. þe] om. γ. al so] þer to B; eke al so aβγ.

119. souþhamtessire] souþhampshire B. souþereye] soberey B; sobereize a. on] o aβγδ.

120. is] om. a.

121. &] om. aβγ. þulke] þike B.

122. &] om. aβγ. it] om. Baβγδ. wetep] wteþ A; wyteþ B; wete δ; whiteþ hit a; wetep hit β; wetyth hyt γ.

123. ʒvt] Seþþe B.

124. þat were] þat γ; There were þo δ. bissopriches] bischopes B.

125. was . . . lond] hadde (had β) þo in þe londe aβγ. loterd] kyng B; kynges δ. al þe] al þo B.

126. þat were] þat γ; There were þo δ. bissopriches] bischopes B. nis] ys γδ. it] om. aβγ. iwent] y went B; ywent aδ; ywente βγ.

127. of engelond is hext] is noble & hey (hye β; hygh γ) aβγ.

128. &] om. aβγ. side] om. aβγ. next] ney a; nye β; nʒgh γ.

þe king of estangle · king was of norþfolc ·
 þe bissopriche of norþwik · & al so of souþfolc · 130
 & þe bissopriche of ely þat þe yle of ely is ·
 & of grantebbrugge ssire · þat þer to valþ iwis ·
 þe kyng of norþhumberlond · was king ich vnder stonde ·
 Of al þe lond bi zonde homber · anon in to scotlonde ·
 Alle þes kinges were þo · ac bote on nov þer nis · 135
 Vor þe king of westsex alle þe opere wan iwis ·
 & was supþe al one kyng · as oure kyng nov is ·
 Her after in þis boce · me ssal ihere al þis ·
 In þe contrey of kanterbury · mest plente of fiss is ·
 & mest chas a boutte salesbury · of wilde bestes iwis · 140
 At londone ssipes mest · & win · at winchestre ·
 At herevorde ssep · & orf · & frut at wircestre ·
 Sope aboute couentre · & ire at gloucestre ·
 Metal as led and tyn · in þe contreie of eccestre ·

129. *estangle*] þe Estangle $\beta\gamma$.

130. *þe*] Of þe $a\beta\gamma$. *norþwik*] norþwych B; Northwich a ; Norwyche γ .
al so of] ek of a ; eke $\beta\gamma$.

131. $\&$] & of B; And of δ . *þe yle*] in þe yle a ; in þe londe $\beta\gamma$.

132. $\&$] A $\beta\gamma$. *of*] of al B; of alle δ ; om. $a\beta\gamma$. *grantebrugge*
ssire] grantebbrugge ssire A; Cambrugge schire B. *valþ*] falleþ
 Ba; fallip β ; fallyth γ ; longeth δ .

133. *was king*] kyng was B.

134. *Of al þe lond*] Al $a\beta\gamma$. *þe*] þo B. *in to*] to $a\beta\gamma\delta$.

135. *Alle þes*] þese fyue B γ ; þus vif a ; Thisse fyue β ; Thes fyue δ .
were] weren β . *ac . . . nis*] þar nou bote on þer nis a ; þer now but
 one is $\beta\gamma$; þere now bot on ys δ .

136. *opere*] oper B. *wan*] won a ; wonne δ .

137. *was supþe*] was seþþe B; seþþe was a ; siþe was β ; sythe was γ ;
 was þo δ . *one*] o δ . *as*] so $a\beta\gamma$.

138. *Her after*] Here afturward B; Asse her after a ; Alle here aftir $\beta\gamma$.
boce] bok B. *me*] men $\beta\gamma$. *ihere*] A a ; here B $\beta\gamma$; here of δ .
al þis] ywis $a\beta\gamma$.

139. *contrey*] contreiþe a . *mest*] most $\beta\gamma$; moste δ (and passim) *of*
fiss is] is of fischs a ; is of fische $\beta\gamma$.

140. $\&$] om. $a\beta\gamma$. *chas*] A a ; chase B; chaas $\beta\gamma$. *iwis*] is $a\beta\gamma$.

142. *herevorde*] herford B. *frut*] mest fruyt a ; most fruyte $\beta\gamma$.

143. *Sope*] Ba $\beta\gamma\delta$; & ope A. *couentre*] couintre a . $\&$] om. Ba $\beta\gamma\delta$.
ire] yrn B. *at*] abowte β ; aboute γ .

144. *Metal*] Metel B.