Handy Guide, 20 July 2008 (Guidelines v. 2.0)

Chapter I.

Summary of Formatting Guidelines.

INLINE FORMATTING, FOOTNOTES, ILLUSTRATIONS, BLOCK QUOTES, POETRY

OFTEN, the first word or words of a chapter were typeset in all capitals or small capitals; change these to normal capitalization. Words set in **bold characters** should be surrounded by special markup tags, and *italicized words and phrases* should also be set off by their own markup tags.

Words that appear in Small capitals, when they contain a mixture of bigger and smaller letters, are changed to mixed case and tagged. Match the case of the original: regular-sized capitals stay capitals while smaller ones become lower-case letters. On the other hand, spans of capitals that are ENTIRELY SMALL should be left in all upper case, and tagged in the same way.

In general, ignore changes in font and font size. Bold and ALL SMALL CAPS should not be marked in a chapter or section heading since this is usually just a change of font or font size, and the extra blank lines already serve to set it apart from the regular text.

When inserting markup for italics, bold, &c., punctuation should be placed outside of the closing tag unless that punctuation **belongs** with the text that is being marked, e.g. in the case of an abbreviation or complete sentence.

Thought breaks.—A blank line or space within a chapter (often with a horizontal line or some kind of decorative mark), indicating a change of topic or scene, should be replaced by a blank line, then <tb>, and a 2nd blank line.

Footnote markers stay in square brackets as proofread. Keep letters or numbers if used in the original, but convert special symbols to capital letters. Mark the footnote text at the bottom of the page like this: [Footnote 1: text] and retain the line breaks¹. If there is more than one footnote, separate them with blank lines as for paragraphs.† Ignore any horizontal lines separating the footnotes from the normal text.

As correctly formatted

Leave four blank lines above each chapter heading.

<i>Chapter I.</i>

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Put one blank line between each part of the chapter heading.

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Leave two blank lines between the heading and the chapter text.

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[Footnote A: If a footnote continues onto the next page, mark it as usual but then add an asterisk] \star

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[†] If a footnote continues onto the next page,

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Fig. 1. Modern proofreader.

illustration simply: [Illustration] with no colon or space before the closing bracket.

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Apart from adding the markers, block quotations should be formatted as any other text. Text within this markup will be rewrapped during post-processing.

When the line breaks and/or indentation need to be kept as in the original book, use the *no-wrap* markers /* and */. In poetry for example:

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As with block quotes, put each marker on its own line and separate it from the regular text with blank lines. Use even numbers of spaces to recreate any relative indentation within the poem, but do not indent the whole thing—that will be done automatically during post-processing.

Other Topics.—Always check the Project Comments for special instructions before starting a new book. You should also check the Project Discussion, where you can read questions and answers from other formatters of the project. If a topic isn't covered in the Formatting Guidelines it may have been addressed already during the proofreading rounds, but ask in the forums if you are unsure. If you have a question about a particular page please mention the png (page) number when posting.

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