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1 Cleaning

The sources were the Gutenberg plain text UTF-8 files.

1. Convert to unix line endings.
2. Remove non-authorial text.
3. Reformat the book title and author to make consistent across all texts.
4. Reformat chapter headings to make consistent across all texts.
5. Convert to 7-bit ASCII.

Steps 2, 3 and 4 were done manually. Step 5 unifies the use of hyphens, apostrophes and quotes across the texts; 7-bit ASCII¹ is a subset of UTF-8² and so the files may be treated as UTF-8. Step 1 can be achieved using the following command

```
dos2unix *.txt
```

Step 5 was achieved using Version 1.30 of the Perl module Text::Unidecode³ with the following command

```
perl -C -MText::Unidecode -n -i -e'print unidecode($_)' *.txt
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2 Corpora

2.1 ChiLit - Children's Literature

From work by Anna Čermáková.

¹ <https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc20>

² <https://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc3629>

³ <http://search.cpan.org/perldoc?Text::Unidecode>

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