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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 1 was achieved using the following command

```
for f in ChiLit/*.txt; do dos2unix -m $f; done
```

Some specifics of step 2:

- Tables of content are removed.
- Lists of illustrations are removed.
- Any preface text attributed to a person other than the author is removed. When attribution is unclear the text is left.
- Transcriber notes are removed.
- In the texts illustrations are usually indicated by text enclosed in square brackets. Where this text includes a caption the caption is kept, for example

[Illustration: THE WONDERSTONE.]

becomes

[THE WONDERSTONE.]

Where there is no authorial caption the construct is deleted. All the following example would be deleted

[Illustration]

[Illustration: Chapter Seventeen]

[Illustration: Page 91]

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 5 was achieved using Version 1.30 of the Perl module `Text::Unidecode`³ with the following command

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

2 Corpora

2.1 ChiLit - Children's Literature

From work by Anna Čermáková.

2.1.1 Included texts

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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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