

unto the bishop of Wynchestre and his successours ; which ordinaunces, rules, and custumes, as well for the salvation of mannes liif, as for to eschew many mischiefs and inconveniences that daily be like there for to falle, owe to be rightfully kept and due execution of theym to be doon, withought extorcion in taking mo fees than be heere rightfully expressed.

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PROVERBS.

[*From MS. Harl. 3362, of the end of the fifteenth century.*]

- 3oung seynt, old devyl.
- Here 3e and sey nawt.
- Ofte me kessyt the chil for . . .
- A scallyd mannys hed ys good to be broke.
- Ewyl weed ys sone y-growe.
- He ys an happy man that ys war be anothyr mannys dedys.
- Tunge brekyth bon,
thow hyrself have non.
- Labbe hyt whyste,
and owt yt muste.
- Schorte hosin behowythe longe . . .
- The mows lordchypythe ther a cat ys nawt.
- Whan thou gest by the wey3e, be war where thou drowe.
- Zelde y-sey3e sone for3ete.
- Whan the scho harmt the fot, war . . .
- Onys y-brend ever dret feer.
- For my slefe y-broke . . .
- Newe thyng lykyth, old thyng lothyth.
- The mo cuntremen the wers.
- A man purposyt, God dysposyt.
- Whan the vox ys ful, he pullyth gees.
- A envyows man wexit lene.
- Whan me byddyth the, yt ys no synne to drynke,
- Nede makyth an old wyf . . .
- Krakenel hornys havyth non.
- Of a lytyl sperk ys mad gret feer.
- Betyr plesyth a ful wombe than a newe cote.
- Feld hath eye, wode hath ere.
- Betyr ys a byrd in the hond, than tweye in the wode.
- Sum man bet the buschys, another hath the bryddys.
- Wel wot the cat whas berd he . . .
- Of other mennys lethyr men makyt large laynerys.
- Whyll the dogge gnawyth, the cat wolde ete.

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