

misies of fortune take theym as thei fall
Refuse hem nothe and eft thou shalt haue neede
Byme is to take. I shan me pfree and bede
Quote repentina. non gaudere maloy
felices obemur quoy sine crimine. vita est
Reioye thou neuer. my childe in al thy lyf
The sodeyn deyth of cursid man or vbreache
I shan he is dede. ve soule may nat reuue
fro payne to ioye. that spirite may nat streche
The fendes holde so soore that thei may keche
Who leueth well ful wel eke depeyth he
That soule is sure of greet felicitye
Quoniam tibi sit in res et fama laborat
vitandū ducas inimicū nomen amica
If thou haue a wiff in assurance
I shan trust her self and loue her in wardy
With hert with thought. is alle in affiance
Be not infecte with suspect. relosy
yf noon defaute in her. thou canst aspe
And if thy frende telle the. suche is in fame
He is a frende. and she no thyng to blame
Quoniam tibi contigerit studio cognoscere multa
fardistas multa. vita nescire doceri
Whan thourgh studie and longe exercise
Thou knowest moche. and haste greet conyng
yt doo thy deligence. in best wise
More to conne. it is an holsom thyng
So greet honoure. conyng may the bring

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And an eschewe nat for to will be taught
With oute teching. science shall not be kaught
Quoniam verbis nudis me scribere versus
hec breuitas sensus fecit. coningere bmos
And if thou ought meruayle or hyst to muse
In naked wordes. why I my verse write
In noo wise. I may me better excuse
I shan sey my witte so dull. and inparfite
Arrechith me thus rededy for to endite
By this and this. my matter for to knytte
Not causeth me. but simplenesse of witte

Temone

Quoniam in fatuata honor etas femina vniu

Worshyp women some vnselde age
maketh men to fomme for lak of ther reson
Ode causeth dulnesse and dotage
Worshyp causeth change of condicion
Exesse of vme blindeth discrecion
And lookes alle that poetes wroote and radde
Seyn women moste maken men to madde
Desceyt desceyeth. and shall be desceyed
ffor be descey. who is desceyable
Though his desceyte be not a payued
So a desceyuous desceyte ys retornable
fraude quit with fraude. is guezdon most couenable
ffor who with fraude. fraudlent is founde
So a defraudour. fraude wil ay rebounde