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Transcriber's Notes:

This early English text was printed in a black-letter font. Some of the letters used are not found on a typewriter. In the e-text those letters that have no modern equivalent are transcribed with their meaning. For example, there is a letter that looks like a "w" with a "t" over it. This means with. You will find this in the text as [with]. Others you will find are [the], [that], and [thou]. You will also find the suffix [us].

All typos were kept as close as possible to the original. This e-text is based on the 1907 edition which included a long list of these typos and some of their possible meanings along with the editor's note. This list had many letters typeset upside down. For this e-text they were righted.

Long s's are used as the html entity `ſ` and look like this: f. If that character does not look right, your font does not support long s's and you may want to try a more complete font.

In the original most of the stage directions were not set apart from the rest of the text. I separated the stage directions from the text and put them in italics.

**⁂ An enterlude of
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(. .)**

¶ The Names of the players.

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Lybertie.**

**Itwyl.
Shrowdwyt.**

**Hance.
Remedy**

Foure may easely play this Playe.

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REPRINTS

1907

This reprint of *Wealth and Health* has been prepared by the General Editor and checked by Percy Simpson.

March 1907. W.W. Greg.

Early in the craft year which began on 19 July 1557, and was the first of the chartered existence of the Stationers' Company, John Waley, or Wally, entered what was no doubt the present play on the Register along with several other works. The entry runs as follows:

To master John wally these bokes Called Welth and helthe/the treatise of the ffrere and the boye / stans puer ad mensam another of youghte charyte and humylyte an a b c for cheldren in englesshe with syllabes also a boke called an hundreth mery tayles ij^s [Arber's Transcript, I. 75.]

That Waley printed an edition is therefore to be presumed, but it does not necessarily follow that the extant copy, which though perfect bears neither date nor printer's name, ever belonged to it. Indeed, a comparison with a number of works to which he did affix his name suggests grave doubts on the subject. Though not a high-class printer, there seems no reason to ascribe to him a piece of work which for badness alike of composition and press-work appears to be unique among the dramatic productions of the sixteenth century.

'Wealth and health' appears among the titles in the list of plays appended to the edition of Goffe's *Careless Shepherdess*, printed for Rogers and Ley in 1656. The entry was repeated with the designation 'C[omedy].' in Archer's list of the same year, and, without the addition, in those of Kirkman in 1661 and 1671. In 1691 Langbaine wrote '*Wealth and Health*, a Play of which I can give no Account.' Gildon has no further information to offer, nor have any of his immediate followers. Chetwood, in 1752, classes it among 'Plays Wrote by Anonymous Authors in the 16th [by which he means the seventeenth] Century,' calls it 'an Interlude' and dates it 1602. This invention was only copied in those lists which depended directly on Chetwood's, such as the *Playhouse Pocket-Companion* of 1779. Meanwhile, in his *Companion to the Play-House* of 1764, D.E. Baker, relying upon Coxeter's notes, gave an essentially accurate description of the piece, except that he asserted it to be 'full of Sport and mery Pastyme,' and described it as an octavo. This entry has been copied by subsequent bibliographers, none of whom have seen the original.

The play was among those discovered in Ireland in the spring of 1906 and sold at Sotheby's on 30 June, when it was purchased for the British Museum at the price of one hundred and ninety-five pounds. Its press-mark is C. 34. i. 25.

The extremely careless typography of the original makes the task of reprinting a difficult one. Ordinary misprints abound, and these have been scrupulously retained, a list of irregularities being added below. It has, however, proved impossible to arrive at any satisfactory method of distinguishing between 'n' and 'u.' In the first hundred lines, which are by no means the worst printed, there are thirty-two cases in which the letter is indistinguishable, eighteen cases of an apparent 'u' which should be 'n,' and seven cases of an apparent 'n' which should be 'u.' When it is further remembered that there are few cases in which it is possible to say for certain that a letter really is what it appears to be, and none in which it may not be turned, some idea of the difficulty in the way of reprinting will be obtained. To have followed the original in this matter would have been to introduce another misprint into at least every fourth line, while even so several hundred cases would have remained which could only have been decided according to the apparent sense of the passage. The only rational course was to treat the letters as indistinguishable throughout, and to print in each instance whichever the sense seemed to require. Again, as the superscript letters 'c,' 'e,' 't,' are seldom distinguishable, the printer has been given the benefit of the doubt. Another difficulty arose in connection with the speakers' names. In the original these have often dropt from their proper places, which can now only be ascertained from the sense and the not very regular indentation. With some hesitation it has been decided to restore them to

the positions they should apparently occupy, noting all cases in which they are a line or more out in the original. Lastly it may be remarked that in the speeches which aim at imitating foreign languages the apparent readings of the very indistinct original have been scrupulously reproduced, and no attempt has been made, even in the subjoined list, to suggest any corrections.

In the last sheet some of the pages are cropt at the foot. In most cases nothing more than the catchword has disappeared, and although between lines 768 and 769 something seems to be lost, it is doubtful whether this is due to the cropping, since D1^v has already one line too many.

The original is printed in the ordinary black letter of the period, of the body known as English (20 ll. = 94 mm.).

Irregular and Doubtful Readings.

Tit. att his
5. tcowe
7. fleepe(?)
13. nof
24. Weith
25. Iam
27. ofcomparifon
29. fo (too?)
38. yeth
41. dyfpayre (dyfprayfe)
50. marualufly
52. iu
54. ts
57. ftander ... nowe
58. felte
62. Inlykewife
63. Wh en (?) (no catchword)
66. defyred
70. thouart
74. anfwerrd
75. wellh
76. thou' fagetyue (or ?tagetyue)
80. Thai
84. benefites
95. welth hatg ... freafure
98. ftands (the 'f' doubtful)
100. cempetent
105. Ye
107. otherwelth
109. Euerywife
110. dtfpoficions
127. faue (the 'e' doubtful)
134. woth
137. ftealetth
144. hit
149. a wreke
150. nf
159. (no catchword)
164. nhw indifferenily
165. me
168. Weith
177. tryafure
178. yfthey
191. (no catchword)
195. please youto
197. libert
201. werwhy (me, why?)
207. feloweh
214. fhalde
216. crow
224. beholde (be bolde)
234. wyfe (the 'f' doubtful)
 ifye (if he?)
237. yllibert
238. notfore
249. lubftaunce
250. werr
251. whyce

253. luft (lufty)
257. lybertye
258. H elth (?)
267. ran
270. loboure
275. ofliberty ... futer
278. alytle
286. acquainted
289. Dryue (the 'y' doubtful)
290. Wy ll (?) ... C (I)
294. [H]ealth
306. Chrif
312. kindes
315. Arquaintance
318. fo
319. lybertyeis
320. lyberfye, wili
 bebolde (be bolde)
322. Thyrfore
324. lybrtye
328. ano
337. pas (paft)
364. ther
367. let hym (hem)
373. Wytte (Will)
379. felfe
383. caa
386. thought (fought)
391. frhon (?)
397. be gins
398. fleminge
400. flemminges
 wilmar (?)
405. icvell
408. lonck
410. ic compte hore
414. Nae
424. ffaunders
425. fleminges
426. theris
433. deuofe
440. ftyll (?)
443. fhred wet
445. Wyll ... cun
447. thing
450. geeat actortty
452. hach
453. luft (iuft) ... indifference
460. fhalbe (the 'f' doubtful)
470. berter
473. mayay (or ? nayay, reading very doubtful; may fay?)
475. Forfoth ... vrother
479. in (the 'n' doubtful)
485. wel ... flye (flyt?)
498. you
501. vegyled
502. councell
507. Wy ll (?)
508. fhe (?)
509. chat ... alw ay
511. meaneth (the 't' doubtful)
520. [Liberty?]
531. oardon
534. am be(?) ... well
545. Gngland
547. renlmes
548. thy (they)
551. rm
553. apart ... aceoritie
554. R[e]md[i]
558. for (the 'f' doubtful)
561. prefercing (?)
567. ehis
568. percelue
596. b e (?)

600. yoor (?)
 601. tohether
 605. exchewe ... Ill
 607. tēp
 609. fach
 613. [(]wil
 616. apare
 618. larye
 622. chat
 624. afryde
 629. Hew
 630. p=omife (the '=' doubtful)
 631. fftyeft (fpyeft?)
 632. lok e
 633. crooke (the 'e' doubtful)
 636. Wyll. (below l. 637)
 tor
 653. euey
 654. ofhell(?)
 662. falfe
 666. libertidefpife
 667. mateer
 668. wet, ler ... [Will.]
 669. a none
 675. thiag
 676. Afirr (After)
 685. I tis
 686. ihe
 693. with ... conoenient
 695. Wyll. (opposite l. 696)
 angey
 699. tor
 705. he
 711. Wytte (opposite l. 712)
 716. rhe
 719. Wyll. (opposite l. 718)
 724. wich
 731. welco me
 health (opposite l. 730)
 734. (no catchword)
 735. her (hert ?)
 736. v s (?)
 740. .abor
 742. fha me (?)
 753. H ance (?)
 755. Hance (the 'e' doubtful)
 756. nothin
 757. H ance (?)
 760. allaunts ... reale
 764. felfeloue (?)
 defcone (?)
 766. fubtel tiget
 768. (catchword cut off?)
 769. [Remedy.] (but a whole line probably missing)
 772. Ic ... Remdi (the 'i' doubtful)
 773. i (I or ī)
 776. Fleming (the 'f' doubtful) ... lenger
 780. tiberty
 782. Health (opposite l. 781)
 785. nof (?)
 787. affirmity
 790. Health (opposite l. 791)
 791. maladi (the 'l' doubtful)
 796. ye t
 798. people (the second 'e' doubtful) ... detelt
 799. theroffor (?)
 801. A mendes
 (catchword cropt)
 803. doone (the 'd' doubtful)
 804. helpe a mendes
 807. neceflitie (?)
 820. thinketh (the second 't' doubtful)
 821. herc
 822. ve
 823. eafe ano

826. warre
 828. boyde
 830. weae ... uhat hrlth
 831. faw faw
 833. tfte
 834. (catchword cropt)
 836. liuingl
 838. abouf (?)
 841. blam
 842. Co ftaunder
 vndefrrued
 843. drpart
 846. fpy&nardo
 847. folse chefe ... Health
 849. wiltel
 850. ia
 851. peca (the 'e' doubtful)
 853. meae
 856. fhefe
 861. contra
 863. three
 864. I Iyfgo ... them
 (there is no lead between Wyll. and Wytte.; the speakers' names to ll. 862-3 are
 half a line too low, those to ll. 865-7 half a line too high)
 866. Remd[i]
 867. abd ... (signature and catchword cut off?)
 868. ful
 871. fpeake
 873. feason
 881. Remdt
 882. thete (?)
 887. in continent
 888. wif
 889. lake
 891. behanged
 893. fhalf
 901. fhrew de
 903. althre
 907. fhaibe ... warding
 alonge
 909. wel
 912. remābre ... a nother
 917. difplefur
 918. vngrocious
 919. diffulation
 923. devyl
 924. liberty= (the '=' doubtful; opposite l. 923)
 925. ymanginacien
 927. myfcef
 928. prifon
 933. (catchword cropt)
 940. yfye (?)
 941. rcftore
 954. Thar (?)
 955. remdy
 956. deuer
 958. riagne
 960. rontinue
 961. w ([with])

In the 1907 text, the 16th-century first page was reproduced at this point. A sample is shown here along with the 1907 version.

¶ Here entreth Welth, and Helth synging together
a balet of two partes, and after speaketh
Welth.

Why is there no curtesy, now I am come
I tcowe that all the people be dume
Or els to god helpe me and halydum
They were almost a sleepe.
No wordes I harde, nor yet no talking
No instrument went nor ballattes synging
What ayles you all thus to syt dreaming
Of whom take ye care?

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Of whom take ye care?

Of my coming ye may be glad
Therefore I pray you be nof fad
For all your defyre fhall be had
I can amende your cheare
By God I thinke ye haue forgotten me

I am welth of this realme looke upon me
For I am to euery man louing and frendly
For welth hath no pere.

Helth. Brother welth haue ye not yet doone? 20
ye prayfe your felfe aboue the moone
Euery man may perceyue therby foone
That you lacke difcrefyon

Weith. Wherefore, by god I cannot fay to much
Iam fo welthy of fubftaunce and rych
In all the worlde where is one fuch
As I am ofcomparifon.

Helth. Welth is good I cannot deny 30
Yet prayfe your felfe fo mucche ye may
For welth oftentimes doth decay
And welth is nothing fure.

Welth. Welth hath ben euer in this countrey
And here I purpofe ftyll for to be
For this is the lande moft mete for me
And here I wyll endure.

Health Therin ye fpeake full louingle 40
For in this realme welth fhould be
yeth no difpleafure I pray you hartely
But in the way of comunicacion.
And for paflyme I would fpeake fome wayes
Of no comparifon, nor to you no dyfpayre,
I doo not intende that maner alwayes,
But for a recreation,

Wealth Brother what foeuer ye fay to me.
I wyll heare you paciently
I am content and I thanke you hartely
Begyn and fay your pleafure

Health I thanke you hartely then wyll I 50
Some what unto my purpofe apply
Though welth be praifed marualufly
Yet to myne underftanding.
Welth is mutable, and that iu fhame
And welth is hauty and proude of name
Welth is cruell, and in great blame
For welth ts euer wauerynge.

Wealth. To whom haue I doone any harme can ye fay,
Ye ftander me nowe, yet I truft I may
Aunfwere for my felte in euery maner way
Ye wyl not deny that?

Health God forbyd but ye fhould do fo 60
And ye may doo it whether I wyl or no
Inlykewife, I muft anfwere you alfo
When ye fay not true.
Though I be but to you a poore man
yet helth I height, the fame I am
That is defyred vniuerfally than
Some calles me as good as you

Welth. As I, mary ther in deede ye do compare. 70
Such wordes myght brynge you foone in care
Lewde parfon, thouart not ware
Of what fubftaunce I am

Health. Yes I can tell what you are, be not dyfpleafed
welth is of great fubftaunce, that cannot be denyed
yet fhew your comodities, and ye fhall be anfwerrd
I promyfe you wellh is fugitiue.

wealth What fayft thou, am I a fagetyue
I was neuer fo taken vp in my lyfe
Nor called vnfure, well I wyll make no ftryfe
yet where as thou doft fay,

	<p>Thai I shoulde flow my commodities alwayes The best for my selfe wherof I aske prayfe yf I shoulde stand her all my lyfe dayes yet I coulde not say.</p> <p>Nor halfe the benefites that commeth of me yt cannot be tolde nor refyted shortly Welth is the floure of althing earthly That you cannot denye.</p> <p>Ferfte god faue, our soueraine Ladye the Queene With all the counfel and all that with them bene Am not I welth with them euer at ene Who shoulde be there but I?</p> <p>Men of the lawe, and ioly rych marchauntes There be welthy both of goodes and lands, Without comparyson is in their handes I welth hatg all freasure.</p>	80
Health.	<p>O good fyr, of whom commeth all this Of god only, to you no thanke I wys And yet mans welth stands not all in ryches I dare saye that boldly,</p> <p>Whan a man hath a cempetent liuing with the grace of god that paffeth all thyng Loue of his neyghbour, and good reporting Then is he welthy,</p> <p>Welth of goodes is but a fame Ye is welthy that hath a good name Euery wyfe man wyll coueyte the fame For otherwelth I not reche</p> <p>yf a man haue neuer so much good name Euerywife man wyll coueyte the fame if his dtfpoficions be nought and wood Then he is but a wretch,</p>	100
Welth.	<p>Nay thou art a wretch, and a foole vnwyfe welth of ryches thus to despyse Doeft thou not se all the worlde aryse By goodes and substaunce</p> <p>He that hath plenty of fyluer and golde May haue all thyng whatsoeuer he woulde Whan can welth lacke, feing all thing is folde And welth is of affuraunce.</p>	
Health	<p>I denye that, your faying is nought Grace, heauen, nor cunning, cannot be bought without great paine, and good dedes wrought Els man cannot them haue.</p>	120
wealth	<p>Stop thereat, and hold thy peace May not men by heauen with richeffe As to bylde churches and make bye wayes Such dedes mans foule doth faue</p>	
Health	<p>Yea, but yet ye must marke one thyng yf these goodes came with wronge doynge Shall ye haue heauen for so spendynge Or yet any mede.</p> <p>Nay nay except that man himselfe doo meeke And make refytance the ryght honour to seeke Els all such good dedes is not woth a leeke welth hereof take heede.</p>	130
wealth.	<p>Why thinkest thou that all men which hath welth Getteth theyr goodes with brybry and stealeth Thy reporte is nought therefore Helthe I counfell thee to say the best.</p>	
Health	<p>So I wyll, but yet I muft say true And now a lyttle more I wyll say to you Much forowe and care welth doth brewe He is feldome in rest.</p> <p>whan a man is a lyttle hit and welthy And hath in his chefte treasures plentye Then wyl he wrangle, and do fhredly By his power and might.</p>	140

With his neighboures he wyll go to lawe
And a wreke his malyce for valew of ftrawe
welth is fykle and out nf awe
wylfull in wronge or ryght

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Welth. Thou speakest with a flanderous tonge
All of euyll wyll, and yet it is wronge
welth in this realme hath bin longe
Of me commeth great honour.
Because that I welth hath great porte
All the worlde, hyther doth resorte
Therefore I welth, am this realmes comfort,
And here I wyll indure.

Helth. So I wold ye fould, and I fhall do the fame
Helth I am called, and that is my name
If I would not abyde heare I were to blame
For here I am well cherifhed
Yet fay your felfe, nhw indifferenily
And if euery man doo not loue me
Helth as well as welth, yes verely
Therof I dare be reported

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Weith. Why fould they loue thee? that woulde I knowe
As wel as me, I pray you fhowe
I am the fuperiour of hie and lowe
No man may compare with me.

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Helth. To fhew why I wyll not be afraied
For I can bide by that I haue fayde
Yf welthy men be very well apayd
Or muche they fet you by.
But of welth, if they haue neuer fo much
Goodes, tryafure and golde, and be called ryche
Yet yfthey lacke helth, there payne is fuche
That they were better dye.
A man to were golde, and be in payne
What ioy hath he? none, but would be fayne
To giue all his treafure for helth playne
Or els he were very mad:
For if a man be neuer so poure
Yet if he haue helth, that is a treafure,
Then for his liuing, he may labour
And in his harte be glad,

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Welth. I neuer marked thus mucche, nor vnderftood
That Helth was fuch a treafure, and to man fo good
Wherfore I am fory, and I wil chaunge my moode
Now I pray you forgiue me.

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Health I will forgiue or els I were to blame
And I pray you to forgiue me the fame
I loue you hartly, and wyll prayfe your name
yf it pleafe youto keepe my company.

¶ Here entreth lyberty with a fong & after fpeaketh

libert Why tary fyrs whether are ye going
I fee well ye looked not for my comming
Loe, out of fyght out of remembryng
Abfence is caufe of ftraungnes,
What looke ye on werwhy are ye fo ftraunge
From your fellow liberty, doth your minds chaūge
In your company I was wont to range
What nedes all this bufines,

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wealth By liberty now I doo not fet
Seyng that helth and I am met
As feloweh together no man fhall let
Me for to loue hym beft.

liberty. Let me heare what ye do fay
Then ye are about to caft me away
How happes this? mary then I may
Goe pyke ftrawes and take me ref.

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I pray you tell me whom I haue offended
yf I haue made a faute it fhalde amended
with fo fhorte warning let me not be voyded
I crow yet ye do but iest.

- Helth.** Why do ye make this cauelacion
we entende to make no alteracyon
welth and I haue had communication
He is my freende of olde. 220
- liberty** What was the matter, I pray you tell
Me thinkes I ought to be of counfel
Or els I promyfe you ye doo not well
With you I fhould beholde.
- Welth.** The matter is doone we are agreed
To refaon it more it fhall not neede
O brother helth, thou art in deede
More precioufer than golde.
- liberty.** Gods bodi how commeth this gere to pas
I am caft out at the cartes arfe
The worlde is nothing as it was
For I am here refufed 230
- Health** Why be you angry that we doo agree
Then are ye not wyfe, for ifye loue me
I will loue hym agayne, fo it fhould be
Or els I were myfaduised
- yllibert** Then of my loue ye fet no ftore
My company I fee well ye looked notfore
Farewell I wyll get me out of the doore
yet I am your betters and fo am I called. 240
- wealth** Such prefumptuoufe wordes wyll haue a fall
your comparyfon is but feble and fmall
What can ye do nothyng at all
As you haue reputed.
- liberti.** What were ye both two, were not I.
Wretches and caytyfes, looke not fo hye
Thinke no fcorne hardly
For I may be your peare
yf welth haue neuer fo much lubftaunce
Lacking Libertye and werr in durance
Within a whyce, I am in affurance
ye woulde pray me come nere. 250
Yf Helth be neuer fo luft and ftronge
yet if Lyberty were kept from him longe
Then forow and care wolde be his fonge.
yt would abate your cheare.
Fye of welth which lacketh lybertye
Fye of Helth and be in captiuitie
Fye of riches and lack good company
Lyberty hath no pere, 260
- Helth.** Wyll ye heare how he doth clatter?
What neede ye to rehearfe all this matter.
ye know that we twayne afore any other.
Lyberty muft nedes haue ftyll.
Lybertie on vs is glade to wayte
ye ftande to farre in your owne conceyte
I wys lybertye ye ran make no bayte
To catche vs at your will.
- liberty.** Now there ye lye, I can fuffer no longer
Welth for Lybertye doth loboure euer
And helth for Libertye is a great ftore
Therefore fet me not fo lyght 270
- wealth** Libertye I pray the reafon no more
ye are welcome to vs as ye were before
In dede ofliberty it is great futer
Therefore welcome by this lyght

- liberty,** Now I thanke you both full kindly
your ftrange wordes alytle did greue me
And now at your cōmaūdemēt I am redy
And at your owne wyll. 280
- ¶ Here entreth with fome iest yllwyll*
- Wyll..** Mary I am come at the firft call
Wyll, your owne man haue me who fhall
For I am will feruaunt to you al
Ye fhall not neede to fende for me.
- Welth.** Who is acquainted with this man
He is very homely and lytle good he can
To come in here fo boldly, then
Dryue him away quickly,
- Wyll.** Why, I cam not tyll I was called 290
your owne wyll openly ye named
Then I came a pace left I fhould be blamed
Therefore I pray you let me byde ftyll,
- ealth** Whofe wyll, or what wyll, doth he meane
Thou art not my wyl, I forfake thee cleane
My wyl and their wylles is often fene
Our wylles can none yll
- Wyll.** Alas good mafters I can none yll
yet by my trouth I am your euyll wyll
your wil, & your will, & your will, therefore keepe me 300
I loue ye by goddes mother,
- liberty.** This is a ftraunge faying vnto me
My wyl, your wyll, and his wyll, this cannot be
For in our wyles is a great diuerfitie
For one is not lyke another,
- Wyll.** Yet by Chrifft your owne wyl I am
The maddeft wyl, and the merieft, than
For goddes fake now, let me be your man
Tyl ye haue better acquaintaunce.
- wealth** I perceyue this felow is kynde 310
And oweth to vs good wyl and mynde
Some kindes agayne then let hym finde
Let him haue fome furderaunce
- Wyll.** By god fir and I durft be fo bolde
Arquaintance of this man clayme I would
and kynred to, yf the trouth were tolde
we be of one confanguynitie
- Health** How fo? let me here that I pray thee hartly
- Wyll.** Wyl and lybertyeis, of aunciterie olde
with out lyberfye, wili dare not bebolde 320
And where wyl lacketh, lybertye is full colde
Thyrfore wyl and lybertye muft nedes be of kyn.
- liberti.** In dede as he faythe it may well be
For wyl euer longeth vnto lybrtye
Therefore good freende welcome to me
I praye you al be good to him *And goeth out*
- Welth.** For your fake he is welcome to vs all
Let him come to our place ano than he fhall
Haue fuccoure of vs and helpe withal
& now we wil depart. *And welth & helth goth out.* 330
- Wyll.** Wyl ye go hence. I thanke ye mafters with al my hert
I wyl feke you out I warrant you feare not
Now they be gone I am glad by faint mary
A lyttel while heare I purpofe to tary
How to deceyue welth, helth, and libertie

Now muft I deuyfe.

For I am a chylde that is pas grace
Ilwyll I am called that in euery place
Doth much mifchiefe this is a playne cafe
Uertue I doo vtterly difpife,

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But if they wyft what I were
Then of my purpofe I fhould be neuer [the] nere
I wyl kepe my tonge lefte that I mar
My whole intent and wyll.
But now I meruayle by this day
Where fhrewd wit is gone a ftray
Some crafty touche is in his way
I here him, peace, ftand ftyll.

¶ *Entreth fhrewd wyt with a fonge.*

¶ Dieu vous garde playfaunce
On feuē or no mumchaunce, what yonkers dare auauce
To playe a grote or twaine.

350

Loe heare I haue in ftore
Two or three grotes and no more
I take great thought therfore
For to kepe it, it is much payne

I come now out of a place
where is a company of fmall grace
Theues and hores that fpēdes a pace
They were dronken all the forte.

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One of their purces I did afpy
Out of his fleue where it dyd lye
And one wynked on me with his eye
But ther began the fporte

Their falfe falefhode, and I crafty wyt
got the purfe loe, heare I haue it
I ran my way and let hym fyt
Smoke and fhitten arfe together.

And yf that I had yll wyll here
with this money we wolde make good chere
Gentle brother wyll, I pray the apeare
For thou art in fome corner.

370

Wytte I woulde come in but I am a fearde
Leafth that I be taken by the bearde
Wyth fome catchepol, I haue heard
How thou hafte ftollen a purfe

wylle Thou horfon art thou mad, cum in I fay
This is not the fyrfte hazard that I haue fcaped
yf I make an hand to decke my felfe gay
what am I the worfe.

380

wyll From thy company I cannot abyde
I must nedef holde upon thy fyde
yllwyll and fhrewdwit who caa hyde
For they will be together.

wytte. Now welcome wyll and what cheare:
By god I thought for thee a thoufand yere
Peace for gods body who cummeth there
Hance bere pot Afcon router.

¶ *Entreth Hance with a dutch fonge*

Gut nynen fcone rutters by the moder got
It heift ōwne frhon, for ftaue ye nete
De qufteker mau iche bie do do
Uau the groate bnmbarde well ic wete
Dartyck dowfant van enheb it mete
Ic beft de mauikin van de koining dangliler
De grot keyfer kind ic bene his bufketer

390

Wyll. Here ye not dronkē hance how he be gins to prate
The malowperte fleminge is a little to cheke mate

wytte Let the knaue alone, for his name is war.
Such dronken flemminges your company wil mar

400

- Hance.** Ic beft nen emond, ic beft in foche
ye fecte nete vell ic forftaue ye in doche
- Wyll.** Cumpt hore leyf with your gound ftand nere
yt becummes you better to handle a potte of beare
- Hance** Dat maght icvell dan, ic can fkynke frelyck
Tab bers frow, ic briuges brore, begotts nemerick
- wytte.** The horfen knaue by the maffe is dronke
A winking for depe his eyen be cleane lonck
- Hance** Ic forauē ye vell ye feg dac ic flope
Nenike, nenike, ic compte hore for an andor cope 410
- Wyll.** Wel coppin I pray the hartly tell vs trew
Wherfore comeft thou hether for any thing to sew
- Hance** yeicke feger, en būbardere vā de koyning wei it be
Heb twe fkelling de dagh ic con fcote de culueryn
- wytte.** Nay ye fhall walke a fleming knaue, wyl ye not fee
We haue Englifh gunners ynow, there is no rome empty
- Hance** Ic beft en bomberde mot ye to me fpreken
what fegye ye bones, it fal ye yode flaen
- Wyll.** We fpeake not to thee thou art a fcone man
But goe thy way they be not here that promot [the] cā 420
- Hance** Caut ye me a de houfe dragen van degrot here.
- wytte.** Hance ye muft go to [the] court & for welth inquire
- Hance** What fegre ye welth nenyke he is net hore
welth beft in ffaunders, it my felf brought him dore
- Wyll.** Befhrew your horfon fleminges hert therefore.
in dede as he faith, by war in flaüders theris welth ftore
- Hance** Segt ye dat brower, by the moder got dan
Gut naught it mot wast, to fent cafrin to mi lanmā
- wyll.** Is be gone, farewel hanykin bowfe & goeth out
I pray god giue him a hounded droufe 430
For I trow a knaue brought hym to houfe
But now brother wyt.
We muft deuofe how that we may
Be in feruice with welth alwaye
Let me here what thou canft do or fay
To helpe for to contryue it.
- wytte.** For thy pleafure that I fhall
This wyll I doo first of all
Flatter and lye, and euermore call
Them my good mayfters ftyll. 440
Then with fwering, lying and powlinge
Brybry, theft, and preuy pyking
Thus I fhred wet, wyll euer be doinge
I warrant ther yllwyll.
- Wyll.** I cun thee thanke, this is well deuyfed
And I yll wil, wolde haue euery man difpifed
But now another thing muft be contriued
Or els al wilbe nought
There is one they call good remedy
In this realme, he hath geeat actortty 450
He is a noble man and much worthy
Many thinges he hach wrought
He is called luft, difcrete and indifference
Willing to fulfil his foueraines commaundement
He is not fraide to do right punifhment
Therefore of him I am afrayde

wytte.	So am I to this maketh me very fadde Yet oftentimes I haue bene harde beftadde Now [that] I am warned of him I am very glad Sum crafty wyle for him fhallbe hade	460
Wyll.	Peace no mo wordes but mum My think I heare maft welth cum Knele downe and fay fum deuout orifon That they may heare vs pray Now Iesu faue Welth, Helth, and Lybertie.	
	<i>Liberty and helth returneth back with welth</i>	
Wealth	Syrs you fhall haue both gods bleffing So are ye worth for your praying ye are wel difpofed and of good liuing I wyll loue you the berter alway	470
Wyll.	Sir this do we vfe euery day For welth helth and liberty to pray This fame is my brother, to you I mayay He is an hard honeft man.	
wytte.	Forfoth mayfter I am his vrother To be your feruant, was my cūming hether As longe as we two be to gether ye fhall not peryfhe than	
Health	To haue you both in feruyce I am content How fay you libertie wil you therto confent Wyll and wit, god hath vs lent We may be glade of them	480
liberti.	Yf we fholde refufe wyl and wyt we were to blame for they be fyt Therefore by my wel they fhall not flye They be welcome to me,	
Wyll.	God thanke you maifters all three ye fhall finde vs pore but true we cannot be My tonge ftomble, I cry you mercy We wyll be true I fhould fay,	490
wealth	Syrs go your way home vnto one place And we wyl hye vs after apace And when we come we fhall fet you in cafe To haue a lyuing alway.	
Health	Then loke ye do both truely and iuft For we muft put you in great truft All our houfhoule guide ye muft Behaue you felfe well.	
wytte	Maifters feare not for I haue wit inough To beguyle my felfe, and to beguyle you I haue vegyled many one I may fay to you I pray you kepe that in counceill	500
liberty.	Beware of that, what doth he fay? Beguyle vs all, yet I charge ye nay Ye fhall not beguile vs yf I may I wyl beware betyme.	
Wyll.	Syr be not angry I you praye fhe foole woteth not he doth fay He meneth chat he wil be profitable alw ay And faue you many thinges.	510
Health	What he meaneth I cannot tell But his faying is not well Depart hence fyrs by my counceill And tary vs at our lodging.	
wytte.	¶ Now and it pleafe ye, wyll ye here any fynying Therein I tell you I am fomwhat connyng	

ye fhall heare and ye lift.

liberty Syr I pray you fing and ye can

wyll. Now wil I begin like a lusty bloud thā. *thei fing & go out*

Sirs now go your way of you I am glad
As of any feruauntes that euer I had
For thefe can do both good and bad
We muft needes haue fuch men
What were we yf we lacked wyll:
And without wyt we shoulde lyue yll
Therefore wyll and wit I wyll kepe ftyll.
I promife you I loue them

520

¶ Here commeth remedy in and to him faith

Welth. Syr your mayfterfhip is hartely welcome
Take your place here aboue as it is reafon.

530

Health I pray you oardon vs, we know not what ye be
ye feme a man of honour, and of great aucturity

liberty Syr to know wherfore ye come we are defyrous

Remdi I am he that ought for to be well knowen
Of you thre fpecially, and of duetie
Great payne and bufines as for mine owne
For you I haue taken becaufe I loue you hartely
To maintaine you is all my defyre and faculty
yet hard it is to doo, the people be fo variable
And many be fo wilfull, they will not be reformable.

540

wealth Syr I pray you pardon vs of our ignoraunce now
I fe well ye know vs better than we do you

Remdi I pardon you, for I doo know you wel both
welth, and helth, is your right names
The which England to forbere were very loth
For by welth and helth commeth great fames
Many other renlmes for our great welth fhames
That they dare not prefume, nor thy dare not be bold
To ftryue againe England, or any right with holde.

Health Sir ye be welcom, I befech you fhow vs your name

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remedi Good remedy forfouth I rm the fame.

liberti. yf I durft be fo bolde I wolde pray you hartely
To fhewe vs apart of your great aceoritie,

R md My achoritie is geuen to me moft fpeciall
To maintaine you three, in this realme to be
What mine intent is. I wyl tel, but not all
For that were to longe to reherfe of a furety
And I defyre you all for to be louing to me
For your owne eafe, come welth and profyt

Wealth Good remedy, then we muft defyre your aydyng
For by good remedy cometh all our prefercing.

560

Remdi All that I doo intende, if ye wil therto agree
And to be reformable for your owne eafe
It is not the thyng that lieth only in me
But my good wyl, therefore I wyl not ceafe
To haue your loue and fauour, and therby to please
Al the worlde ouer, and to promote ehis realme
That you thre may proffer, ye percelue what I mene
The chiefe parte of all welth lyeth in great eftates
Theyr fubftance and landes. is right commendable
Prelates of the church is welthy of ryches
Merchautes hath marchaūdife & goods incōperable
Mē of law & franklins is welthy which is laudable
Thus welth of riches is deuided diuerfe wayes
And to thefe many charges, come now a dayes

570

that he hath ben euer as true as I
yet fometyme he will fteale and make a lye
He is of my alyauunce.

Remdi In good fayth the fame thinke I 640
That ye be both lyke, full unthrifty
Syr how do ye lyue, fhew me quickly
Or I fhall put you in duraunce

wytte. How liue we? mary our meate
Cummeft thou hether for to threte:
So lowly fyr wittam doth fpeake
From whence doth he come can ye fhewe

Wyll. What doft thou ayle canft thou tell?
Haft thou any thing with vs to mell?
By the maffe thy handes doth tykell 650
Thou fhalt beare me a blowe.

remedi you falfe theues I know ye well
I fhall let your purpofe euey deale
yllwyll, and fhrewd wit, the deuyll of hell
Take ye both for me.

wytte. Mary thou lyeft, our names be not fo
Call vs but wit, and wyll, adde no more thereto,
yf thou doeft thou were as good no
We fhall handle you fhrewdly

Remdi Syrs farewell here I wil no longer abide 660
For you both fhortly I wyll prouide
That all your falfe craft fhall be out tryed
And our subtillitie knowen *and goeth out.*

wytte. To go fo foone the horfon was wyfe
therfore fome now I muft deuife
that each man may welth, helth and libertidefpife
Or els he wyll marre all our mateer.
Brother wet, ler me alone
When they come you fhall fee me a none
Complayne of him, vnto them echone 670
And put him out of fauour

Wytte Peace no mo wordes, for they come yonder

wealth Syrs I am glade that you be heare
How doth all our houfhold, with them what chere?
Is euery thiag in order there
Afirr our intente?

wyll. ye fyr they be all mery and glad
With reuell and rout fomtime they be mad
Pipe whore hop theef, euery knaue and drabe
Is at our commaundement. 680

Helth turneth hym.

What do ye fay, then ye are to blame
And we put you in truft for the fame
To kepe fuch rule, it is a fhame
I tis not for our honour.

wytte. By the maffe ihe horfon doth lye
There is no fuch rule by gods body
A man may breke his neck as lyghtly
As his faft in your kechin, or feller truly.

Liberty turneth him

690

With that nother I am not content
I wolde there fhould be liberalitie competet
And with honefti it is conoenient
That our neighbour fare the better

Wyll. you be angey with all that we haue done

Cum away brother let us go hens foone
I know a new maifter wher we fhalbe welcome
God be with you gentyll maifter

Welth. Why wil ye begone tor a worde
Peraduenture we did but boorde 700
Me thinke ye fould your mayfter foorde
For to fpeake my minde.

wytte Nay nay, I can tel what was the matter
Remedy was here, and he dyd flatter
ye truft he more than vs and better
But marke the ende, what ye fhall find

Health With good remedy we fpake in dede
To folow his counfel we had neede
He warned vs that we fhould take hede
Of exceffe and prodigalitie. 710

Wytte I meruayle ye fpeake fo of good remedy
It is I that can do more than he
Wyt can make fhyft at neceffity
When Remedi cannot be hearde
I know fome that hath this thoufand yere
Sought god remedy and yet neuer rhe nere
wit can put remedy by, yea this is cleare
For wit is a crafty lad.

Wyll. And wyl is an vngracious ftay
Wyl hath doone many thinges men fay 720
And yf ye let wit and wil goe his way
ye wil repent it foone.

liberty Why what caufe haue you to go your way
ye fhall abyde wich vs though you fay nay
I wyl folow wyl, and wit alway
And fo I haue euer done

wytte. yf I wift al my mafters wolde fo do
Then from your feruyce I wolde not goo
Speake now whether ye wyl or no
And let vs know your minde 730

Health Syrs ye be welco me to me playne
And for your company I am full fayne
I had leuer fuffer great payne
Then to leue my wit and wyl,

Wyll. Then let vs go hence, with kindnes my her ye do kyll

Health I pray you let vs go, wherfore do we byde ftyll.

and goeth out

Remdi As touching my firft purpofe hither I am com again
I trow ye know me, good remedy is my name
That euery day doth take great labor or payne 740
To amende all faultes, I am chofen to the fame
yf any mans confcience here doth grudge or fhome
Hauing in him felf remorfe, & mendes in tyme & fpace
I am good remedy, and god is ful of mercy and grace
Therefore I wyl ftand afyde, & a lyttel whyle remaine
Of welth, Helth and Lybertye, for to inquire
How they be ordred, and yf any man complayne
I wil be glad to fhew me remedy, my think I fe one a peare.

Hance Begots drowfe ic my felfe bin cūpt heye fcō lanfmā 750
Ic mot in ander land lopen, al is quade dan

Remdi Thou Fleming frō whēce comeft [thou] & what doft [thou] here.

Hance Ic my felf cumt frō fent Kattryns dore mot ic fkyne de cā beer

Remdi Get [the] thether againe, & tary here no lōger

Hance	Syr ic mot mid ye fpreken ic my felf be en fcomaker	
Remdi	What and thou be therwith I haue nothin a doo.	
Hance	Ic deft al forlore, copin is dod, ic maght aot do therto	
Remdi	I pray thee go hence, for thou doft trouble me yll.	
Hance	Nen ic feker, ic wyl not gon, ic wold fain liue hore ftill	
Remdi	There is to mainy allaunts in this reale, but now I good remedy haue fo provided that Englifh men fhall lyue the better dayly.	760
Hance	What fegt ye by gots drowfe, dai is de quade man Be de moro goi, ic my felfe loue de fcone Englifhman.	
Remdi	Fie on [the] flattering knaue, fie on you aliaüts al I fay ye can [with] craft & fubtel tiget englifhmēs welth away	
Hance	O fkon mefter, ic heb hore bin, this darten yeore ic canfkote de coluerin, & ic can be dr beare broer, truft fee fo prouide that welth from you haue I fhall	
Hance	Ic feg to you dat welth is lopen in an ander contry wat hebegy dar brough, forftan ye net, fegt me	770
Remdi	Ic vnderftand the wel, yet thou lieft lyke a knaue welth is here ī Englād, & welth ftill i truft we fhall haue	
Hance	Ic ment no quad ic loue de englifh man by min here Cūp vp fent Katrin and ic fhall ye geuē twe ftope bere,	
Remdi	Get [the] hence drōkē fleming [thou] fhalt tary no lenger here	
Hance	Mor it net mare herebin, woder fal ic geweft kifkin Ic wil to de Kaizer gan, dar fall ic wal fkinkin & goth out	
Remdi	Is he gon? I pray god the deuyll go with him wher is welth, helth & tiberty. I wold fee thē come in	780
	<i>Helth commeth in with a kercher on his head.</i>	
Health	¶ O good lorde helpe me, by your licence my fouerain I am homely to com her in your prefēce thus difeafed Nede conftraineth me, for remedy I wold haue faine I am ifect both body & sful, I prai you be not difplefed	
Remdi	Why what aile you fhew me, yet you I do not know Glad I am to remedy any man, that is affirmity I perceiue by your phifnamy, [that] ye ar veri weke feble & low yet fhew me your grieffe, & I wil help you gladly.	
Health	Gracio[us] remedi I thank you, yet I am half afhamed to fhew you mi maladi & mi name, I was called helth Therefore I am wel worthi to be punifhed & blamed Because I haue not folowed your coufel, but al thing may be fuffered faue welth.	790
Remdy	Are you helth, this maketh me very penfife and fad ye t be of good chere, & fhew how you were infect To remedy you and fuccour you I wold be very glad For god wyl punifh the people when they be detelt	
Health	Syr I thanke god therof for wel worthy I am My confcience doth iudge, fome trouble haue I muft A mendes I wyl make to god and if I can Wil ād wit hath deceiued me in them I put my truft.	800
Remdi	yf thou haue doone amife, and be fory therefore Then helpe a mendes is made, for that is contriffion Let that paffe, now wil I axe you one thyng more Wher be welth ād Libertie, be they of good difpoficiō	
Health	As for welth is fallen in decay, and neceffitie	

By waft & war, thorow ytt wyll, and fhrewdwit
And lybertie is kept in duraunce and captiuite
God helpe vs all, and fende vs good remedy for it

810

Remdi For to heare this tale it maketh my hart heaue
yet be of good cōfort, god is ful of grace, & I am good

Health ¶ Sir, thē I befech you help vs in the way of charity

Remdi I would fayne but I cannot tel which way to begin
Except I might catch wil & wit, then I trow I could
Tye thē fhorter, for they deftroy welth, helth & liberty bi fin
yf I had [the] theues, punifh thē extremly I wole.

Health You may soone catch them, if ye wil ftande a yde
From this place they two, wyl not longe abide.

Remdi Me thinketh I here them com, helpe to holde thē ffat *will turneth*

820

Wyll. Cum in wit for herc is no body
We may ve bolde and talke largely
Our hartes to eafe ano fhew plainly
What we haue doone.

wytte I muft nedes laugh I cannot forbear
To remember warre that knaue wil ye heare
The horfon fleming was befhitten for feare
Because he fhould boyde fo foone.

Wyll. Herke now do I meruayle by this bread
For I weae furely uhat hrlth be dead
I faw faw him go with a kercher on his head
As he fhould go at hangyng.

830

wytte Harke in thine Eare, yf tftē horfon hap
To complayne to him that weres the red cap
I feare then fhortly he wyl us clap
By the heles from our liuingl

Wyll. Nay nay, there is no doubt
By hym I haue reported all about
That he doth not wel, his good name to put out
ylwyl cannot fay wel,

840

remedi. Frende therin thou art the more to blam
Co ftaunder me wrongfully, and vndefrued
But or thou drpart thou fhalt anfwere for the fame,
wher is Welth & liberty, how haft thou thē ordred?

Wyll Qury cicis queft is vn malt ombre
Me is vn fpy&nardo compoco parlauere.

Health Thou folfe chefe is thine Englifh tonge gone
as mifcheuo[us] il wil & fhrewdwit, ye haue deftroyd ma ni on

Wytte. Sir hurt not me, & I wiltel you trouth anone
This fame ia as falfe a knaue as euer cam [with]in faint Iohēs

850

wyll. Per amor de my as peca vn poco
Eo queris and ar pour lagraunt creae fo

Remdy I can not tel what thou doft meae blabber
But [thou] fhalt fpeake Englifh & confeffe an other mater,

Health Syr I befech your lordfhip, in the way of charity
Let not fhese thefes efcape your hands they haue dfstroyed
us utterly.

wytte: Syr, beleue hym not he fpeakes but of malice onely
we be true men, therof we fhall fetch good witnes
An honeft man that fhallbe bound for him and me
The law fayth plaine, nulla fides contra teftes

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Remdi that is trouth, but who wilbe witnes or boūd for the

Wyll. There is three amonge you in this howfe
I Iyfgo to fetch them quickly

Wytte. They wil come vnfēd for I warant you if they wyft

Remd what be theyr names, tel me what they be,

Wyll. That on is Iohn Irifche abd Iohn fholer
But ful thefe be honeft men all three

Health Truft not their wordes they wyll deffemble ftyll
They are fo falfe and crafty, all theyr intent is yll. 870

Wyll. ye lye falſely I fpeake but right and reaſon
And by the law of armes ye muft nedes be tane
you are called good remedy which at al feaſon
Sholde leaue to mans lyfe, and maintaine the fame
we be here both your prifoners wrongfully accufed bi defame
Kepe one of vs faft let him lye for all
That other for frendes and wytnes goo ſhall.

wytte, Syr let hym not goo and leue me behynde
He wyl euer be a falſe knaue, for I know his mynde

Wyll. Holde thy tonge foliſh knaue I do not meane fo 880

Remdt I here now ye cannot agre, which of you ſhould go

Wyll. No by gods body there ſhall none go but I

Wytte. Thou playeft the knaue it muft nedes be I

Health Kepe them fafe I pray you for yf they ſcap againe
Many men ſhal repent it, it ſhalbe to our payne

Remdi They be here yet, to kepe them faft is myne intent,
Haue them away both to prifon in continent.

wyll. Lo falſe knaue this is for thy crafty wif.
Now faft by the heeles we are lake to fyt.

Wytte. I am content fo that I may haue compeny 890
yf I fhould behanged, I wold be hāged honeft & goth out

Remdi Go hence with them & bring welth & liberty.

helth, Com away ye theues, now I fhalf kepe you furely, & goth out

Wyll. Lock vs vp & kepe vs as faft as ye can
yet yll wyl and fhrewdwit ſhalbe with many a man.

Remdi I am halfe afhamed, that long it hath ben fayd
That noble men by fuch wretches hath ben deceiued
they did reioyce and ieft, and were very well apaide
Truſting to ſcape cleare, and ftyl for to haue rained
But now they ſhall not fo, let them be wel affured 900
That yl wyl and fhrewde wyt ſhal haue but yl reft
For wherefoeuer they be I wyll breake theyr neft

wealth In the honour of god we afke you forgeuenes althre
we ought to be afhamed to looke you in the face
By our foly & negligence, we haue done fo vnwifely
we were fowle deceyued, we put vs to your grace
Thys ſhaibe a good warding for vs alonge ſpace
whan man is wel puniſhed then he wyl beware
who that knoweth what nede is, wel after drede care

Remdi I may not blame you gretly for by mine owne reaſō
I know yl wyl and fhrewdwit deceiueth great & ſmal
yf ye can remābre thys. and beware a nother ſeaſon
This is a good example and lerning to you all
Now ferue god and loue him, & for grace euer call
And yl wyl and fhrewdewyt, from you I fhall abſtaine
ye haue vfed them to longe to your damage and pain. 910

health. Forfoth fyr ye fai trouth, they did vs great difplefur
Full hard it is to vanquifhe the vngrocious ylwyl
He is fo croked, by flattery, diffulation & fuch other
Mannes mynd is fo variable, & glad to report yl
I feare many one yet wolde haue him raine ftyll
For some vnto their owne wyl hath fo much affection
yet the devyl and yl wyl is both of one complexion 920

liberty= yll wyll is nought, but worfe is fhrewdwyt
For he contryueth al fubtil ymanginacien
yt were vnpoffyble for a man els to doo it
fhrewdwyt breweth myfcef, & falfe confpyracion
He hath put me lyberty in prifon, ād great tribulacion
if it had not bene for your good remedi & forberaūce
I & other [that] hath libertie, fhold haue bē in duraunce. 930

Remdi Be al of good chere, and haue no miftruft
The ende of yl wyl and fhrewd wyt is but fhamē
Though they reygne a while, wrongfully and uniuft
yet truth wyll appeare and their mifdedes blame
Then wronge is fubdued, and good remedy tane
Though falfehōd cloke, and hide his matters all
Craft wyll out and difceite wyll haue a fall
Whereas ye are now, in diftreffe all three
Neare were ye brought in cafe lyke to marre
Now haue ye no doubt, yf ye wyll be ruled after me
I fhall rcftore ye agayne as well as euer ye were
Welth kepe ftyll this realme, looke ye ftray not farre
And Helth be of good chere, your difeafe I can foone mēde
Liberty now ye be releafed do no more offend, 940

wealth Now let vs al thāke god [that] good remedy hath fende
Truft to hym only for his grace and goodnes
we are forgiuēnes of our trespas I truft we wil amēd
And cleane forfake fyn, foly, and unthriftines
th[us] we wil here cōclude, foueraine of your gracioufnes
we befech you to remyt our negligence, & mifbehauor
There we haue fayd amis, we cōmit al to your fauor 950

Health And for your preferuacion hartely we wyl pray
your realme to increafe, with ioy and tranquility
That welth, helth & liberty, may continue here alway
By the ouerfight and aide of him that is good remdy
which willingly doth his deuer, vnder your actoritye
As parte here apereth your purpofe to maintaine
God rontinue his goodnes, that longe he may riagne

Remdi Iefu preferue quene Elizabeth, [that] noble p̄cis worthy
Iefu continue her helth long for to endure
Iefu indue her w vertue grace & honour
Iefu maintaine the lords of [the] coufel to execute good remedi euer
Iefu fpede and helpe al them gods honour to further
Iefu increafe the comunaltie to profper and doo wel. 960

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