

<County: Staffordshire>

<Code: L0193>

<MS reference: Oxford, Bodleian Library, Gough Eccl. Top. 4, Hand A>

<Text: Mirk's Festial>

<Tranche 1>

<fol. 17r>þ<sup>e</sup> byrth of crist benn set to-gedyr Jn tokenyng~ þ<sup>t</sup> who  
 soo sufferth any of þ<sup>e</sup>s he schall be sett next cryst  
 yn heuenn seynt steuen he ys set next for he had  
 passyonn and wyll þ<sup>e</sup>r-to ¶ Seynt Jonn had wyll  
 but he was not slayne ¶ The Innocentys thay  
 suffredenn deth but þay had no wyll þerto but not  
 a3eynes wyll þus may a mann be a+martyr þagh  
 he sched no blod þat ys whenn he suffereth wrong~  
 and ys pursued of euell menn and þonketh god þerfor  
 and taketh hit wyth good wyll and prayth for his  
 enmyes to god yn full scharyte ¶ For martyrdome  
 wyth-out charyte as seynt poule saythe profutyþ<sup>e</sup>  
 noght wherfor taketh good hede and 3e schull fynde  
 þat þ<sup>e</sup>s þre wernn full of charyte ¶ Seynt Ste  
 venn whenn he schuld dye . he knelet a-downn forto  
 pray for his enmyes ¶ Seynt Jonn whenn he went  
 to hys deth he sayde to homm þat laydenn hymm my  
 chyldyrenn loueth to-gedyr and þat ys ynogh ¶ The  
 Innocentes for þay wernn so 3ong~ þat þay cowthe  
 not speke þay schewet hor loue by openn sygne for  
 þay dyddenn lagh on homm þat slowenn hem and playde  
 wyth hor hondes when þay seenn hor bryght swer  
 des schyne ¶ Then for enchesenn þat Saynt steuenn  
 was so glorious martyr god schewet mony my  
 racles for hymm of þ<sup>e</sup> wheche þis ys onn <lat>narracio</lat> Ther  
 was an honest womann and had seuenn sonnes and  
 þre doghtyrs but yn a myshappe a-ponn a day all  
 þay wrap<sup>e</sup>denn hor modyr so þat scho yn a gret

maleyse cursod hom all and a-nonnn þ<sup>e</sup>r-wyth fell  
 vengeans a-pon homm so þat þ<sup>e</sup> membrys of homm  
 qwokenn þat all þat seenn homm had compasyonn of  
 homm and rewedenn homm gretly and for þay myght  
 not do no good þay 3eden as maset bestes þurgh  
 <fol. 17v>all þ<sup>e</sup> contre ¶ Then hapenet hit so þat a bruthur of  
 hem þat het Pole and a sustyr þat het Pallyda comen  
 yn-to a chyrche of saint steuenn and whenn þ<sup>s</sup> mann herd  
 how deuotly seynt Steuenn prayde for hemm þat sloghenn  
 hymm he had full tryst þat he wold pray for hymm and  
 he wold be hys seruant alway aftyr And so yn þ<sup>s</sup> full  
 hope he 3ede yn-to chausele and wyth all hys hert prayde  
 seynt steven of helpe. And a-nonnn yn seght of all menn  
 he was all hole þ<sup>e</sup>n whenn his syster segh hyr broþer  
 hole prayde þ<sup>e</sup> same wyse þ<sup>e</sup>n to seynt Steuenn and  
 þ<sup>e</sup>nn as scho prayde scho fell on slepe and whenn scho  
 woke scho was hole and wyth all hyr hert thonket  
 god and seynt Steuenn ¶ a-noþer myracull Seynt aus  
 teynn telleth þus a Senatour of rome wyth his wyfe  
 went to Jerusalem and ther byld a fayre chapell ynn  
 worschyp of seynt Steuenn and whenn he was ded  
 he ordeynet hym-selfe to be buried þ<sup>e</sup>r-ynn by seynt  
 Steuenn but longe aftyr hys deth his wyfe wold  
 goo a-3eyne to hyr contrey scho wold haue þ<sup>e</sup> bonys  
 of hyr maystyr wyth hyr and soo wyth prayes  
 and yftes þ<sup>e</sup> byschop broght hur þ<sup>e</sup> bones of steuenn  
 and of hyr husbond and sayde to hyr I know not  
 wheþer ben þ<sup>e</sup> bonys of þy maystyr þ<sup>e</sup>nn sayde scho syr  
 I know well þ<sup>e</sup>s benn my maysters bones and toke  
 seynt Steuens bonys yn-stude of hyr maystyrs  
 vnwytyng~ þ<sup>e</sup>nn whenn scho come on þ<sup>e</sup> see anges  
 songenn yn þ<sup>e</sup> ayre and as swete sauornn come out of þ<sup>e</sup>  
 bones þat passed any spyces and þ<sup>e</sup>r-wyth fendys  
 cryedynn wo ys vs wo ys vs for steuenn goth and  
 byttryly brennyth vs and betyth vs and þerwyth  
 reryth a tempest þat þ<sup>e</sup> schepmenn wendenn to haue  
 bynn downet and cryed to seynt Steuenn and he a-nonnn  
 <fol. 18r>aperet to homm and seyde be not a-dred and a-nonnn þ<sup>e</sup> tem  
 pest sesud ¶ Thenn herdenn þay fendes cryyng~ þ<sup>u</sup> wykked womann our mayster brenne þ<sup>e</sup> scheppe

for steven<sup>n</sup> þat

ys our aduersary ys þ<sup>e</sup>r-ynn ¶ Thenn þ<sup>e</sup> prince of fendys  
 sende fyue fendes forto brenne þ<sup>e</sup> schyppe but þ<sup>e</sup>nn  
 was þ<sup>e</sup> angell of god redy and drownet hom<sup>m</sup> yn-to þ<sup>e</sup>  
 grownde of þ<sup>e</sup> see and whenn þay come w<sup>t</sup> þ<sup>e</sup> schyppe to  
 londe fendes cryedynn ¶ Goddys seruand comyth þat was  
 stenet to deth wyth wyket Jewys ¶ Then yn þ<sup>e</sup> wor  
 schyppe of seynt Steven<sup>n</sup> menn madenn a chyrche & put  
 hys bonys þerynn wher god wrought mony myracles  
 for hymm ¶ Now pray we to þ<sup>s</sup> blesset martyr of crist  
 þat he woll pray for vs þat we may come to þ<sup>e</sup> blysse  
 þat euer schall last to þ<sup>e</sup> wech blys god bryng~ you  
 and me to amenn . <lat>De festo sancti Johannis apostoli et

euangeliste sermo breuis </lat>

Goddys blessyd pepull 3e benn comenn þ<sup>s</sup> day to holy  
 chyrch to worschyp god and our lady & seynt Jonn  
 þ<sup>e</sup> Euangelyst þat ys goddys owne derlyng~ wherfor  
 all holy chyrche þ<sup>s</sup> day maketh mencyon<sup>n</sup> of þ<sup>e</sup> specyall  
 grace þat cryst 3af hymm befor all oþer dyscyples he 3af  
 hymm grace of vyrgynyte . and grace of kepyng~ of his  
 modyr fre . And grace of schowyng~ of hys pryuyte  
 he 3af hymm grace of virgynyte þat ys of maydenhode ¶ For  
 as þ<sup>e</sup> story tellyth and summe hann an opyneonn whenn he  
 schuld haue wedded mary mawdelenn cryst called hymm  
 and bede hymm sewe hymm and he a-nonn laft all þis  
 worldes vanyte and sewed crist forth and kept hymm  
 clene maydenn tyll his endyng~ day ¶ Jn preuyng of þis  
 as we redenn whenn domiciann þ<sup>e</sup> emperour of Rome herd  
 þat Jonn prechet yn a contrey þat ys called asy and byld  
 mony chyrches he was wroth þerwyth and send aftyr  
 Jonn and made put hymm ynn a brasynn tonne full of  
 <fol. 18v>oyle and soo settyth hym þerynn But whenn he had long~  
 sothenn þerynn and all menn went he had benn sothynn to  
 pesys þen þ<sup>e</sup> Emperour bade aponn þ<sup>e</sup> tonne and whenn  
 þ<sup>e</sup> tonne was openet Jon come out of þ<sup>e</sup> oyle and of  
 þ<sup>e</sup> brennyg~ of þ<sup>e</sup> fure as hole and as sond yn ych parte  
 of his body as he was clene of part of womonnys  
 body boþe of þoght and of dede . And oþer assay he had  
 full hard . whenn he see a tempull of Jewes full of

mawmetry he prayde to god forto dystre hit . & þer-w<sup>t</sup>  
 a-non<sup>n</sup> hit fell downe yn-to powdyr wherfor arysto  
 demus a byschop of þ<sup>e</sup> tempull pursewed Jon<sup>n</sup> to þ<sup>e</sup> dep<sup>e</sup>  
 þ<sup>e</sup>n sayde Jon<sup>n</sup> to hymm . what woll þ<sup>u</sup> þat J do forto  
 make þ<sup>e</sup> byleue on ihesu crist my+lord þ<sup>e</sup>n sayde he J  
 wyll make venymm and do menn forto dryngke hit befor  
 þ<sup>e</sup> and whenn þ<sup>u</sup> sest hom ded drynke þ<sup>u</sup> þat w<sup>t</sup>-out harmm  
 and þen J schall leue on þy god ¶ Thenn sayd Jon<sup>n</sup>  
 goo & do as þ<sup>u</sup> sayst þenn ordeynet þis byschop poy  
 senn and getenn two menn þat wernn dampned to þ<sup>e</sup>  
 deth and made homm drynke of þat poysenn befor Jon<sup>n</sup>  
 and whenn þay hadenn drongkenn þay werne ded a-non<sup>n</sup>  
 ryght ¶ Thenn Jon<sup>n</sup> toke þat poysenn and blessed h<sup>t</sup>  
 and so drangke hit of and was neuer þ<sup>e</sup> wors & semede  
 lyflaker aftyr þenn he was before. for as clene as he  
 was wyth-out venymm of lechery . so clene he was  
 of þat poysenn aftyr he had drongkenn hit ¶ But  
 3et þ<sup>s</sup> byschop seyde he myght not leue tyll he segh  
 þ<sup>e</sup> menn reyset a-3eyne to lyue þat wernn sleine by  
 dryngkyng~ of þat venymm ¶ Then Jon<sup>n</sup> cast oft h<sup>s</sup>  
 cote and sayde haue þis and lay hit a-pon þ<sup>e</sup> ded bodyes  
 and say þus Jon crystys a-postole send me to you  
 & bede you ryse vp yn crystys name and when he  
 had don so þay rysynn a3eyne to lyue ¶ Then this  
 byschop wyth mony oþer leued ynn cryst and weronn  
 <fol. 19r>folowet of Jon<sup>n</sup> and he was aftyr a full holy mann ¶  
 Thus he þat hath grace to kepe hymm clene yn body &  
 sowle þagh þ<sup>e</sup> fende held yn-to hymm venymm of lechery  
 or of oþyr synne hyt schall do hym no harme but  
 yn þ<sup>e</sup> a-3eyne-standyng of his lust he ys a martyr be  
 for god and he schall be taken as for worthy to be  
 keper of crystys modyr ¶ Then þus for þ<sup>e</sup> clennes  
 þat cryst sygh yn Jon<sup>n</sup> befor all oþer whenn he schuld  
 dye he charget Jon<sup>n</sup> w<sup>t</sup> þ<sup>e</sup> kepyng~ of hys modyr~ and he  
 as a goode sonne schuld take hyr yn-to hys kepyng~  
 ¶ So þat whenn cryst was ded and ley in his tombe Jon@  
 wyth oþer help bare hyr yn-to his hous & kept  
 hir þer tyll cryst was rysenn a-3eyne to lyue and  
 eft whenn cryst stegh yn-to heuenn he kept hyr yn þ<sup>e</sup>

same chambyr as long~ as scho lyued aftyr here  
 yn erthe ¶ Thus had he grace of kepyng~ of crystus  
 modyr~ fre ¶ And he had also grace ynn schowyng@  
 of goddys pryuetye ¶ Thus was furst when cryst  
 sate at hys soper on schorþursday for gret loue þ<sup>t</sup>  
 he had to cryst he lenet his hed to crystys brest and  
 þenn ryght as a mann leneth to a well & dryngketh his  
 body full of watyr . ryght soo Jonn drangke of þ<sup>e</sup> well  
 of wysdoun þat ys yn crystys brest & fulled hys sowle  
 so full of gostly wysdome so þat aftyr he passed all  
 othyr yn wysdome ¶ Thus crist showed hymm of h<sup>s</sup>  
 priuete be-fore all othyr ¶ Also for he wold not stynte  
 to preche goddys worde the Emperour exilet hym alonly  
 ynto þ<sup>e</sup> yle of pathmos ¶ But whenn he was þ<sup>e</sup>r h<sup>s</sup>  
 one god schewet hymm þ<sup>e</sup> apocalypys of þ<sup>s</sup> world þat  
 wer~ forto come and most of Antecryst & of þ<sup>e</sup> worldes  
 endyng~ and of þ<sup>e</sup> day of dome . and as he segh hit he  
 wrot hit yn gret confyрмаconn of holy chyrche ¶ But  
 aftyr whenn þ<sup>e</sup> Emperour was ded Jonn was callet a  
 <fol. 19v>3eyne to þ<sup>e</sup> cyte of Ephesim þer he was byschop ¶ And  
 whenn he come þedyr a wydow þat het drusyann lay  
 ded on bere þen for Jonn segh mony wepe for hyr Jonn  
 sayde to hyr Drusyann ryse vp & go & make me some  
 mete & scho a-nonn ros vp as þogh scho had rysen from  
 slepe ¶

## <Tranche 2>

<fol. 76r><line 31>¶ wherfor good men & woymenn J  
 <fol. 76v>charch you heyly in god-ys byhalue þ<sup>t</sup> nonn of you to-day  
 com to god-ys bord but he be in full charyte to all god-is  
 pepull & also þ<sup>t</sup> 3e be clene schryuenn & yn full wyll to  
 leue your synne for yf J wyst wech of you wer out of  
 charyte & vnschryuenn J most be techyng~ of holy menn  
 w<sup>t</sup> a foule mouþ<sup>e</sup> say þus to hymm in audyens of all menn  
 J 3eue þ<sup>e</sup> here not þy howsyll but þy dampnacomm in-to  
 euerlastyng~ payne tyll þ<sup>u</sup> com to a-mendement wherfor  
 for crist-is loue yche mann sech well his conciens & clanse  
 h<sup>t</sup> þat he may abull receyue hys sauour & 3et forto

styr you more *in concyens* y tell you þ<sup>s</sup> ensampull <lat>narracio</lat>  
 J rede of a holy byschop þ<sup>t</sup> prayd god bysily to 3eue hymm  
 grace to wytte which wer worþy to receyue þ<sup>e</sup> sacrament  
 & which onn-worthy ¶ Thenn whenn þ<sup>e</sup> pepull com to god-ys  
 bord he sagh <exp>homm</exp> somm com w<sup>t</sup> hor face red as blod &  
 blod droppynge~ out of hor mowþ<sup>s</sup> . somm hor face as blacke  
 as any byche . summe as whyte as snow & summe fayre  
 & rody & lusty forto hold ¶ Thenn among~ oþur he sagh  
 two comynn wymen comyng~ & hor facys schonyng~ as  
 bryght as þ<sup>e</sup> sonne þen had he moch wondyr of þ<sup>s</sup> syght  
 & prayde to god to 3eue hymm reuelaconn & knowyng~ what  
 all þ<sup>s</sup> bytokenyd ¶ Thenn come þer angyll to hymm & sayd  
 þes þat hann bloody facys & blod droppe out of hor mow  
 þes þo benn envious men & woymen & full of dedly wrap<sup>e</sup>  
 & woll not amend homm & gnawenn hom byhynd & be vsed  
 to swere horrybull oþ<sup>s</sup> by god-ys sydys & his blod &  
 vmbrayden god of his passyon & donn hymm no reuerence  
 wherfor hor mowþ<sup>s</sup> schull droppe of blod tyll þay  
 com to amendement þay þ<sup>t</sup> haue blak facys benn lecherys  
 men & woymen þ<sup>t</sup> wyll not leue hor synne ne hor lyst  
 ne schryue homm þerof . þay þ<sup>t</sup> haue whit facys as snow  
 <fol. 77r>ben þay þ<sup>t</sup> haue donn gret synnys & benn schryuen þerof & w<sup>t</sup> þ<sup>e</sup>  
 wepyng~ of hor eenn hann wasshenn hor soules so whyt &  
 clene . þylke þat benn fayre & rody benn good comynn lyuers  
 þ<sup>t</sup> lyuenn truly by hor maynn swynke & so kepyþ<sup>e</sup> homm out  
 of dedly synne . & þes two woymen þ<sup>t</sup> schynenn passyng~ all  
 oþur wer two comynn woymen & of euell lyuyng~ But  
 when þay come in-to þ<sup>e</sup> chyrch þay toke suche repentans in  
 hor hertys þ<sup>t</sup> þay maden a vow to god þ<sup>t</sup> þay wold do neuer  
 more amys w<sup>t</sup> þ<sup>e</sup> helpe of hys grace . wherfor god of hys  
 mercy hap for3euenn homm hor synne & so clene wasschenn  
 hor sowles þ<sup>t</sup> þay schyne þus passyng~ all oþer ¶ Then þ<sup>s</sup>  
 Angyll went his way & þ<sup>s</sup> byschop þonkyd god of hys  
 hegh grace þ<sup>t</sup> he schewed hymm reuelaconn & serued god euer  
 aftyr w<sup>t</sup> all hys myght & had þ<sup>e</sup> blysse of heuenn the  
 wheche blysse god graunte you & me Amen . <lat>de festo  
 sancti georgij martpris</lat>  
 Good men & woymen such a day 3e schull haue þ<sup>e</sup>  
 fest of saynt George þ<sup>e</sup> wheche day 3e schull



come to holy chyrch *in* worschyp of god & of þat holy mar  
 tyr seynt George þ<sup>t</sup> bo3t his day full dere ¶ For as  
 J rede *in* hys lyfe J fynde þat þer was an horrybull dra  
 gonn þ<sup>t</sup> men of þ<sup>e</sup> Cyte wer so a-ferd þ<sup>t</sup> þay by cownsell  
 of þ<sup>e</sup> kyng~ yche day 3euenn hymm a schepe and a chyl  
 forto ete for he schuld not come *in-to* þ<sup>e</sup> Cyte & ete hom  
 ¶ Thenn whenn all þ<sup>e</sup> chyl<sup>dur</sup> of þ<sup>e</sup> Cyte wer etenn for by  
 cause þ<sup>t</sup> þ<sup>e</sup> kyng~ 3af hom þ<sup>t</sup> concell þay constrayned  
 hymm þat he put on doghtur forto 3eue hyr to þ<sup>e</sup> dragon  
 as þay had hor chyl<sup>dur</sup> before ¶ Then þ<sup>e</sup> kyng~ for  
 fere of þ<sup>e</sup> pepull wyth wepyng~ & gret sorow ma  
 kyng~ delyuerd homm hyr doghtyr yn hyr best a  
 ray ¶ Then þay settyn hur yn þ<sup>e</sup> place þ<sup>r</sup> þay wer  
 <fol. 77v>wont to set oþur chyl<sup>dur</sup> and a schepe w<sup>t</sup> hyr forto abyde þ<sup>e</sup> tyme  
 tyll þ<sup>e</sup> dragon wold come ¶ But þen by ordenance of god seynt  
 George come rydyng~ þ<sup>t</sup> way & when he saw þ<sup>e</sup> aray of þ<sup>s</sup> dame  
 sell hymm þoght well þ<sup>t</sup> hyt schuld be a womon of gret re  
 nonn & askyd hur why scho stode þer w<sup>t</sup> soo mornyng~ a chere  
 þen vnswared scho and sayde . gentyll kny3t well may J be  
 of heuy chere þ<sup>t</sup> am a kyng~ys doghtur of þ<sup>s</sup> Cyte & am sette  
 here forto be deuoured a-nonn of an <exp>horb</exp> horrybull dragon  
 þ<sup>t</sup> haþ etonn all þ<sup>e</sup> chyl<sup>dur</sup> of þ<sup>s</sup> Cyte . & for all benn etenn now  
 most J be etenn for my fadyr 3af þ<sup>e</sup> Cyte þ<sup>t</sup> consell wherfor  
 gentyll knyght gos hens fast & saue þy-selfe lest he les  
 þ<sup>e</sup> as he woll me ¶ Damesell <lat>quod</lat> george þ<sup>t</sup> wer a gret vy  
 leny to me þ<sup>t</sup> am a kny3t well J-armed yf J schuld fle & þ<sup>u</sup> þ<sup>t</sup>  
 art a woman schuld a-byde ¶ Thenn wyth þ<sup>s</sup> worde þ<sup>e</sup> horry  
 bull best put vp his hed & spyttyng~ out fure & proferet  
 batayll to George þenn made George a cros befor hymm &  
 set hys spere *in* þ<sup>e</sup> grate & w<sup>t</sup> such myght bare downn þ<sup>e</sup> dragon  
*into* þ<sup>e</sup> erth þat he bade þis damysell bynd hur gurdull  
 a-bout his necke & lede hymm aftur hur *in-to* þ<sup>e</sup> Cyte ¶ Thenn  
 þ<sup>s</sup> dragonn sewet her forth as hyt had benn a gentyll hownn  
 de mekly w<sup>t</sup>out any mysdoyn~ ¶ But whenn þ<sup>e</sup> pepull of  
 þ<sup>e</sup> Cyte saw þ<sup>e</sup> dragonn come þay floenn ych mann *into* h<sup>s</sup> hyrnn  
 for ferd ¶ Then callyd George þ<sup>e</sup> pepull a-3eyne & bade þay  
 schuld not be a-ferd for yf þay woldenn leue *in* crist and  
 take fologht he wold befor homm all sle hymm & so dely  
 ver homm of hor enmy ¶ Then wer þay all so glad þat

xx<sup>ti</sup> þowsand of men w<sup>t</sup>-out woymenn & chyldrenn wer  
 folowed & þ<sup>e</sup> kyng~ was fyrst folowed and all hys  
 houshold þenn George slogh þys dragonn and bade  
 bryng~ . x . exen to hym & draw hym out of þ<sup>e</sup> cyte  
 þat þ<sup>e</sup> sauer of hymm schuld do homm no greue &  
 <fol. 78r>bade þ<sup>e</sup> kyng~ byld fast in euery hurne of hys lond chyrches  
 & be lusty forto here god-ys *seruyce* & do honour to all men  
 of holy chrych & euer haue mynd & compassionn of all menn  
 þat wer nedy and pore ¶ Thenn when þ<sup>t</sup> George had þus  
 turnyd þ<sup>s</sup> lond to god-is fayþ<sup>e</sup> he herd how þ<sup>e</sup> Emperour  
 Dyaclisiann dyd mony *cristen* men to deþ he went to hymm bol  
 dely & repreued hymm of þ<sup>e</sup> cursed dede ¶ Then þ<sup>e</sup> Emperour a-non  
*commawndyd* forto do hymm in-to prisonn and lay hymm þer vp-ryght  
 & a mylne-stonn vponn his brest forto haue so cruschet hym  
 to deþ ¶ But whenn he was *seruet* so he prayd to god of help  
 & god kept hym so þ<sup>t</sup> he feld no harme ny no party of hys  
 body ¶ But whenn þ<sup>e</sup> Emperour herd þerof he bade make a  
 wlele set full of howkes yn þat on syde of þ<sup>e</sup> whele swerde  
 poyntys in þ<sup>t</sup> oþur syde aþeyne þat . & set George in þ<sup>e</sup> myddys  
 & so forto turne þ<sup>e</sup> wheles & all to rase hys body onn ay-þur  
 syde But whenn he was yn þ<sup>e</sup> turment he prayd to crist of  
 socour & was holpenn anonn aftyr he was put in hote bren  
 nyng~ lyme-kylne and closed þerynn forto haue benn brent  
 but god turnet w<sup>t</sup> hys my3t þ<sup>e</sup> hete into cold dew ¶ 3ette þ<sup>e</sup>  
 þryd day aftyr whenn all menn wendon he had benn brent  
 to coles þenn was he fonde lyght & mery & þonked god  
 aftur whenn he was fatte & sette be-fore þ<sup>e</sup> Emperour he re  
 preuyd hymm of hys false goddys & sayde þay wer but  
 fendys and wyth-out myght & false at nede ¶ Thenn  
 made þ<sup>s</sup> Emperour forto bete his mouþ<sup>e</sup> w<sup>t</sup> stonys tyll  
 h<sup>t</sup> was all to-pounet & made to bete hys body w<sup>t</sup> dry  
 bolle-senows tyll þ<sup>e</sup> flessch fell from þ<sup>e</sup> bonn & hys guttes  
 myght be seyne ¶ 3et aftyr þay made hymm to drynke  
 venomm þ<sup>t</sup> was made strong~ for þ<sup>e</sup> nonus forto haue poy  
 sont hymm to þ<sup>e</sup> deþ a-non . but whenn George had made þ<sup>e</sup>  
 syngne of þ<sup>e</sup> cros on hit he dranke h<sup>t</sup> w<sup>t</sup>-out any greue  
 <fol. 78v>soo þ<sup>t</sup> for wondur þerof þ<sup>e</sup> man þ<sup>t</sup> made þ<sup>e</sup> poysenn anon turned to the  
 fayþ<sup>e</sup> & a-nonn was donn to deþ<sup>e</sup> for cryst-ys sake ¶ Then þ<sup>e</sup>  
 ny3t aftur as George was in prisonn prayng~ to god god come



to hymm w<sup>t</sup> gret lyght and bade hymm be of good comfort for  
 in þ<sup>e</sup> morow he schuld make an end of hys passyonn & so comm  
 to hymm into þ<sup>e</sup> joy þ<sup>t</sup> euer schall last & whenn he had set a crownn  
 of gold a-ponn hys hed he 3af hymm hys blessing~ & stegh  
 into heuenn ¶ Thenn a-nonn on þ<sup>e</sup> morow for he wold not do  
 sacryfice to þ<sup>e</sup> Emperour-ys false goddus he made to smyte  
 of hys hed & soo passed to god & when þ<sup>e</sup> Emperour wold  
 haue gonn to hys palys þ<sup>e</sup> layte fure brent hymm and all h<sup>s</sup>  
 seruantes <lat>Narracio</lat> Jn a story of Antioch ys wryttonn þat  
 whenn cristen men beseget Jerusalem a fayre 3ong~ kny3t  
 aperut to a prest & sayde þ<sup>t</sup> he was saynt George & leder of  
 cristenn men & commaundyd þ<sup>t</sup> he schuld bere w<sup>t</sup> hom h<sup>s</sup> rely  
 kes & com w<sup>t</sup> homm to þ<sup>e</sup> sege ¶ But whenn þay comen to þ<sup>e</sup> wal  
 les of Jerusalemm þ<sup>e</sup> sarecens werenn so strong~ w<sup>t</sup>-yn þat  
 cristenn men durst not clymbe vp hor laddres ¶ Then comm  
 seynt George clopyd yn whyte and a red crosse on hys  
 brest and 3ode vp þ<sup>e</sup> laddys & bade þ<sup>e</sup> cristenn men comm aftur  
 hymm & so w<sup>t</sup> þ<sup>e</sup> helpe of seynt George þay wonenn þ<sup>e</sup> Cyte  
 and slogh all þ<sup>e</sup> saresyns þay fondenn þer-ynn ¶ And þer  
 for pray we to saynt George þat he wyll be our helpe  
 at oure nede & saue þ<sup>s</sup> reemm to þ<sup>e</sup> worschyp of god & his  
 modyr mary & all þ<sup>e</sup> company of heuenn Amen .