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## THE PROLOGUE.

To the right worshipfull syr Thomas Chalonee  
knight, and Clerke of the Kynges maiesties  
yntre Counsayle.



Ibeit right worshipfull, that this  
my treatise is bothe to vyle and base to bee  
set forthe vnder your protection, beyng  
worþely esteemed of all men, to be as well  
learned wyse and vertuous, as any gen-  
tlemans in this realme, notwithstandinge  
upon hope of the humantree and gentlenesse, which is euer in-  
cident to persons of suchte worþie qualites, I am at this  
present holde, having no acquaintance with your maistership,  
to dedicate this my rude collections vnto you, praiyng you to  
accepte it as a thinge written by me to induce chilzen to the  
Latine tonge, not moued thereto with the desire of vaine glory  
but with a seruente affection and loue I beare vnto my coun-  
try. For accordyng to the sayinge of the deuine philosopher  
Plato. We are not boȝne onely for our owne commodite, but  
partly our parentes, partly our frendes, and partly our coun-  
try, doth clayme a certayne deuote of vs, whiche thinge made  
Codrus kyng of Athens, Curtius and Decius Romayne  
knights, also Zopirus the noble person, with divers others  
to iopard their liues for the sauegard of their countreis, whiche  
examples of Infidels were sufficient to reprove me, if I shold  
refuse to take a little peyne for the prosperte of the publyke  
wealthe, and specially to preserue the tender yonthe therfore  
from the infection of barbarousnesse, whiche therewith wil bee  
sone corrupte, not possible of longe tyme to be restored.

So as Horace doth witnesse, the potte will longe fauour of  
the lycour wherewith it is seasoned. Also the finist colours  
will sonell be stayned, neyther can they be so sone purifid  
and made cleane agayne. These thynges considered, I haue  
resorted to the most famous and ancient authours, out of the

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Whiche as out of cleare fountaynes I haue drawnen as di-  
gentlye as I coulde, the propre names of thinges conteyned  
vnder one kynde, and disposed them in suche ordre, that a very  
childe heyng able to reade, may with little labour perfittely im-  
printe them in memory: Whiche shal not be onely profitable  
for them nowe in their tendre age, but hereafter when they  
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I haue herde many profounde clerkes bothe in disputacion as  
also in familiar comisunication to vse in stede of the pro-  
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Now is in the translatyng, or in the englyshyng of these woor-  
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correction, whome I knowe to bee excellentlye well learned  
bothe in the Greeke and in the Latine, prayinge you here-  
after, whan occasion shall serue, to put your helpeynge hande  
to the finisshyng of this little booke, whiche if you do by the  
eraumple of syr Thomas Elyot the worthy knyghte, you  
shall not onely binde all that be studious to praye for you, but  
also purchase to yow selfe immortall fame and honour, whiche  
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### Aether.

In zthere haec sequentia.

**T**he skie, hic aether, aetheris.  
sed aether quandoq; elemētū  
ignis, quandoq; aerem signi-  
ficat.

The sphere, sphera, græce.

A starre, stella, lœ. Sed stella est vni-  
ea, sidus plurimum stellarum conuen-  
tus dicitur.

The, by, starres, septentriones,  
pleiades, Vergiliæ dicuntur.

Cometes, tis, vel cometa, tœ.  
stella est crinita, a blasing starre.

The nozthpole, polus, lœ.

Charles waine, vrsa minor.

The day starre, dieper, vel luci-  
fer, ri, id est stella Veneris, dum manne  
cum lucio oritur.

Deserit, it wareth day.

The even starre, besper, vel bespe-  
rus, & vesper.

Vesperascat, it draweth towarde  
night.

### The. xii. S ignes.

Duodecim Signa.

Aries, Taurus, Gemini, Cancer, Leo,  
Virgo, Libra, Scorpio, Sagittarius,  
Capricornus, Aquarius, Pisces.

### The. vii. Planets.

Septem planem.

Saturnus, Jupiter, Mars, Sol, Venus,

Mercurius, Luna.

The chaunge of the moone,  
Novilunium, coniunctio lune, vel col-  
lus lune.

The full of the Moone, plenilu-  
nium, oppositio lune.

The time betwene The old  
Moone and the newe, Interlus-  
nium.

The Moone is at the full, luna  
est semestrus.

The Eclipse of the Moone, delis-  
quium lune, eclipsis, græce.

The wane of the Moone, lunase-  
nescens.

### Tymes.

Tempora:

Tyme past, tempus præteritum.

Tyme now, tempus præsens.

Tyme to come, tempus futurum.

The time when all thinges be  
stille, conticinium. sed aliquid die  
ciruit primum tempus noctis.

Gallcinium dicitur tempus quo galli  
canunt.

The downinge, aurora, vel tem-  
pus matutinum. Diluculum dicitur  
tempus, quo lux diei incipit.

Ditaculo, las, to ware daies.

The light, lumen, nis.

Mane dicitur dies principium quum  
dies clarus est.

A little dictonarie

The beginnyngc of the daye, *apricus*.

Exorsus dies, & agnatus dies.  
Crepusculum dicitur & tempus ante  
solis exorsum, & post solis occasum,  
maste commonly vsed for the  
twylight of the euening.

Lucescit, it wareth light.

The day, hic vel hec dies, & die-  
cula, diminutiu.

Diescit, it wareth day.

The risinge of the sunne, exor-  
tus solis.

Oreor, resis, vel oriris, ortus sum,

to rise as the sunne riseth.

Fulgeo, ges, si, sum, to shyne as  
the sunne doeth.

The sunne beames, radij solares.

Radio, as, &c. genue light as the  
sunne beames doo.

Brightenesse, splendor, doris,

Iubar, iubaris. Sed iubar signifi-

eth sometime stellam matutinam,

somtime the brightnesse of the

sunne, of starres, and of golde,

or silver, &c.

splendescit, it wareth bright.

Cleerenesse, claritas, ratis.

Cleere, as fayre weather, sere-

nus, na, num. Clarus, ra, rum, inter-

dum certus, & indubitatus.

Fayre & cleere, as after rasne,

sudum, di.

Clarescit, it wareth clere,

Warine by reason of the sun,

Apricor, caris, significeth, in  
loco aprico esse.

The middes of the daye, mer-  
dies, medius dies.

But merdies, is sometime ta-  
ken for the south parte of the  
worlde.

The shadowe, umbra, bta, &  
umbella, i.e. diminutiu.

Umbraculum, locus in quo umbras,

the place where shadow is.

Umbro, bras, to shadowe.

The goynge downe of h sunne,

occasus, sus.

Occido, dis, di, casum, to goe  
downe, as the sunne dothe.

The cueninge, vesperata, vel

tempus vespertinum.

Serum substantium, est extrema par-

tiei. Item serum, significat, whey-

eth sometime stellam matutinam,

vt infra, ubi de lactariis habetur.

The night, nox, tis.

The first sleape in the nighte,

concupitum, biij.

Noctescit, it wareth night.

Starrelight, nox sublustris.

Darkenesse, obscuritas, tatis, te-

nebre, brorum in plur.

Tenebrosus, sa, sum, full of

darkenesse.

Darke, as in shadowe, or so-

lache of light, opacus, paca.

Darke, as a sentence that is

harde

harde to be vnderstante, ob-  
scurus, ras, rum.

Quatuor anni tempora-  
cum appendicibus.

The. iiii. partes of  
the yere.

The spryng of the yere, ver-  
eris. The spryngyng of the  
leafe, germinatio, onts.

Grenewesse, viriditas, ratis.

Vires, vires, rati, caret supi. & vis-  
resco, cis, to ware grēne.

Germino, as, & pubesco, cis.

Cresco, cis, creui, cretum, to  
spryng or growe.

The sommer time, astas, ratis.

The tyme when the day is lon-  
gest, solstitium, astrium, vel estiuale,  
equidium dicitur, when the daye  
and nighte be of one length.

Aestiuo, uas, to sommer.

Heyng time, scenifacium.

Hey, foenum, nt.

The time to gather corne and  
fruite, messis, s. But mesis some-  
time is taken for ripe corne.

Moto, tis, fui, ssam, to reape  
corne or other thinges.

Cleanyng or leasinge of corne  
in handfulls together, spicile-  
gium. Aliquando spicilegium dici-  
tur tempus ipsum.

Colligo, gis, legi, clam, to ga-

ther togither.  
Winter time, hyems, mis, bru-  
ma, ma. But bruma is properly  
when the day is shorlest.

Hyemo, mas, to winter.  
The tyme when y daye is shor-  
lest, solstitium brumale vel hyemale.

Other times in the yere.  
Alia tempora.

A yeaire, annus, ni.

A leape yeaire, annus bisextilis,  
annus intercalaris.

Biennium est tempus duorum anno.

Of this yere, as wine, wheat,  
fruite or other thinge, hornum,  
& hornotinum, vt vinum, vel triti-  
cum hornotinum. i. hucus anni.

Halse a yere, dimidium anni.

A quarter of a yeaire, tempus tri-  
mestre.

The tyme of two monethes,  
Tempus bimestre, duorum mensium.  
sic timestre, quadrimestre, quinque-  
mestre &c.

The tyms of sixe weekes, se-  
quimensis.

A moneth, mensis, sic.

A softenighte, dimidium mensis,  
vel dimidiatus mensis.

A weke, septimana, ne, hebdo-  
mada, de, vel hebdomas, madis,  
græce.

The tyme of. xiiij. howers,  
B.ij. dicitur

A little diaconarre

dicitur dies, ei.

The tyme of twoo dayes, bi-  
duum.

The tyme of. iij. dates, triduum.

The time of sower dates, qua-  
triduum.

A day and a halfe, sesquidies.

That that durceth all the dape,  
perdius, dij.

An hower & an halfe, sesquihora.

An houze, hora, r.e., horula, la, &  
horuncula, diminutive.

Halse an houze, dimidium hora,  
vel semihora.

A quarter of an houze, quarta  
pars hora, vel quadrans hora.

The shorkest tyme that can be,  
Momentum, punctum temporis,  
Also the estimation, weigthe,  
or valure, of a thinge is called  
momentum.

Dies hebdomadæ.  
The daies of the weeke.

Monday, dies lunæ.

Tuesday, dies martis.

Wednesday, dies mercurie.

Thursday, dies Iouis.

Friday, dies veneris.

Saturday, dies sabbati.

Sunday, dies dominicus, vel dies  
solis.

Holy day, dies festus.

Halfe holp day, dies intercessus.

Worke day, dies professus.

Fastinge day, dies ieiunij, vel se-  
rie esuriens.

A least day, epularis dies.

Quatuor elementa,

The. iiii. Elementes.

Fyer, ignis, nis.

The ayze, Aer, ris.

Water, aqua, que.

The earth, terra, r.e.

Pyra, a fyze wherein dead bo-  
dies were buried, vel rogs  
called of some, a bonfire.

The ayze. Aer.  
In Aere.

Thonder, tonitru, tonitus, vel  
tonitruum.

Tonat, it thundreth.

The lightninge, fulgur, fulgoris  
fulgaratio, nis.

Fulgorat, it lightneth.

The thunder bolte, fulmen, nis,  
Fulminat, fulgorio, rus, riui, id est  
fulgur iacio.

Echo, or echus, a sounde or noyse  
that is made in a valleye, or  
in a woodde, or suche other.

Frost, gelu, indeclinabile, & gell-  
cidium, est ipsum gelucadens.

Gelat gelasct, it freezeth.

A hoare