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yst in the prologue is conteyued how Elgyne wi-
th his fusters entred in to this Isle and named
yt Albyon

Chi begynnyng of the booke conteyned how Brute was
engendred of them of troye & how he felde his fadre and mo-
ther

Chow Brute was driven oute of his londe & how he helpe
de him in grace And delivred the troyans thare out of bor-
dage

Chow cornyn became Brutes man and how kyng Gof-
far was discomfited And of the foundacion of touris in eu-
rayne

Chow Brute arruied atte wittenesse in the Isle of Albyon
And of the bataille betwene cornyn & gogmagog

Chow Brute made londyn & named this londe Britayne
& Scotland alaynpe & Walys cambre And of the devision
of the londe to his thre sones

Chow kyng Mada regned in perse of the deafe of his
sones & how that one felde that oþer & how after bulues
felde him that felde his brother

Chow kyng Ebrac conquerid fraunce & begate þy. sones &
þyin. daughters

Of kyng Brute greues held first sone of kyng Ebrac ca. viii

Of kyng Leyl Brute greues heldis sone

Of kyng End ludibras that was kyng Leyls sone ca. vii

Of kyng Bladud that was soe of kyng End ludibras ca. vii

Of kyng Leyr & of his iii. daughters & how the yongest was
maried to the kyng of fraunce

How kyng Leyr was driven out of his londe by his folle
and how cordeill his yongest daughter helpe him in his ne-
te

How Morgan & edenage whiche were newes to cordeill
werid ey hit & had hit in prison

How the lande of Englond was fyrt namid Al
bion And bi what enchelon it was so namid.

D In the noble lande of Surre ther was a no-
ble kyng ad myghty & a man of grete renome
that me called Dioclsian that wyl ad dor,
thelz hym gouned and ruled thurgh hys noble thinalrie
So that he conquered al the landes about hym so that
almost al the kynges of the Worlde to hym were entedat
Hit befell thns that this Dioclsian spoused a gentill
damisell that was woder fair that was his Emes dou-
ghter labana ad scheloued hym as wsd wold so that he
gate vpon her. vyyij. doughtres of the whch the eldest
me called Albyne & thees damiselles whan they comen
vn to age bicomē so fair that it was wonder wherfor
that this Dioclsian anon let make a sō pnyng and cō-
maund by hys līez that all the kynges that helden of
hym shold come at a certain day as in hys līez were con-
teyned to make a vall feste At whch day thider they
comē and brought wth hem amirallys princes et dukes
and noble thinalrie The fest was rialy arayed and ther
they lyued en Joye and mirth y nough that it was wō-
der to wit And it befell thus that this Dioclsian thou-
ght to marie his doughtres amdg all the kynges that tho
were at that solempnise and so they spaken & ded that al
byne his eldest doughter and all hit susteris richely were
maried vn to. vyyij. kynges that were lordes of grete ho-
nour ad of wō wer at this solempnise And whan the so-
lempnise was done euery kyng tolde his wif and lad he
in to her o wone cōtre and ther made hem quenes And it
befell thus after wārd that this dame albina bcomes stou-
te and so sterne that she tolde hitel pris of her lorde ad of
hym had scorne and despit and wold nat done his wīll

hem for euermore so that they neuē shuld come ayre. And so he dyde. And Dioclsian that was her fadre anone commaunded hem to gone in to shipp and deliuered to hem vitailles for half ayre. And whan this was done all the sustren went in to the shipp and sailed forth in the see and bitorke all her frēdes to Appolyn that was her god. And so longe they sailled in the see till at the last they come and arruined in an yle that was all Wyl dernes. And wen dame Albyne was come to that londe & all her sustres this Albyne went forth out of the shipp and said to her othis sustres. For as moche quod she as I am the olde suster of all this companie and first this land haue taken and for as moche as my name is. Albyne I wull that this londe be called Albyon after myne owne name. And anone all her sustren graunted to her. With a good will. Tho went out all the sustres of the shipp and token the land. Albion as her suster called it. And ther they went up to the land and fonde nether man ne wo man ne childe but wilde bestes of diuerse kyndes. And whan her vitailles wher he was pended and hem failled they fedde hem with herbes and frutes in seson of the yere and so they leued as they best myght and after that they token flesh of diuerses bestes and bicame wonder fat and so they desyred mannes companie and manrys kynde that hem failled and for besy te they woyen wonder coragions of kynde so that they desyred more manrys companie then eny oþer solace or mirthe. Whan the deuel that peynd and went by diuerse cōtreys and nommed body of the er and kynginge Natures shad of men and come in to the lande of Albion and lay by too wymen and shad tho natures upon hem and they conceyued after they broght forth Geantz of the whiche one me calle Gogmagog and an oþer langherigang so they were nempned by diuerse names and in this mas

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ner they come forth and were borne horrible geantz in Al
byon and they dwelled in caues and in hulkes at his will
and had the londe of Albyon as hem liked Un to the ty
me that Brute arriued and come to Totnesse that was
the yle of Albyon and ther this Brut conquered and scō
fited ther geantz abone said

Here endeth the prolog of Albion that tho was
an Ile and her keneth now how Brute was gotē
and how he slowe first his moder & after vārd his
fadre and how he conquered Albion that after he nē
pned Bretaigne after his owne name that nowe is
called Englond after the name of Engl of Saxon
me

Capitulo primo

In the noble Cite of grete Troye ther was a no
ble kynght & a may of grete poer that was cal
led Eneas & when the Cite of Troye was lost
and destroyed thurgh hem of Grece this Ene
as with all his meyne fledde thens and come in to lumb
ardie that tho was lorde and gouernour of that londe a
kyng that was called Latyne & And an oþer kyng the
was that was called Eurocelyne that strongly warrēd
pon this kyng Latyne that ofteyn tymes did hym moche
harme & And when this kyng Latyne herde that Eneas w
as comen he vnderfeng hym with mochel honour & hym
wyth helde for as moche as he had herde of hym and wist
well that he was a noble kynght and a worthy of his bo
dy and of his deies This Eneas helpe kyng Latyne i his
were & shortly for toalle so well and worthely he did that
he slowe Eurocelyne and discomfited hym and all his pe
ple & And when all this was done Kyng Latyne yaf all
that loude that was Eurocelynis to Eneas in mariage