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Owain: Corresponding Texts

Welsh	Translation from Welsh	Translation from French	French
	and the fourth six [maidens] removed		
a'r petweryd chwech a diodassant vy	my traveling clothes and put another		
lludedwisc a dodi gwisc arall	garment about me, namely, a shirt		
ymdanaf, nyt amgen, crys a llawdyr	and trousers of bliant, and a tunic		
o'r bliant, a ffeis a swrcot a mantell	and surcoat and mantle of yellow	when she had robed me in a short	
o bali melyn ac orffreis lydan yn y	silk-brocade with wide orphreys on	mantle of scarlet stuff spotted with	Puis m'afubla un cort mantel
vantell.	the mantle .	a peacock's plumes	Ver d'escarlate peonace,
	a blond woman with her hair over		
	her two shoulders, and many a		
gwreic velen a'e gwallt dros y dwy	wound of blood in her tresses, and a		
ysgwyd, ac a gwaet briw amyl yn y	garment of yellow silk-brocade		
brigeu, a gwisc o bali melyn	about her, having been torn, and two		
ymdanei gwedy y rwygaw, a dwy	buskins of speckled cordovan		
wintas o gordwal brith am y thraet.	about her feet.	She tears her hair and rips her dress	Ses chevos tire et ront ses dras ,
		while every day she has him bathed	Si le fet chascun jor beignier
		and washed and groomed. And	Et bien laver et apleignier.
		besides this she prepares for him a	Et avuec ce li aparoille
		robe of red scarlet stuff, brand new	Robe d'escarlate vermoille
		and lined with spotted fur . There is	De ver forree a tot la croie.
	[Luned dresses Owain in] a tunic and	nothing necessary for his equipment	N'est riens, qu'ele ne li acroie,
	surcoat and mantle of yellow silk-	which she does not lend to him: a	Qui covaingne a lui acesmer:
peis a swrcot a mantell o bali	brocade, with wide orphreys on the	golden buckle for his neck,	Fermail d'or a son col fermer,
melyn, ac orffreis lydan yn y vantell	mantle of cloth of gold, and two	ornamented with precious stones	Ovre a pierres precïeuses,
o eurllin , a dwy wintas o gordwal	buskins of speckled cordovan	which make people look well, a	Qui font les janz mout gracïeuses,
brith am y draet a llun llew o eur yn	about his feet, with an image of a	girdle, and a wallet made of rich gold	Et ceinturë et aumosniere ,
eu kaeu .	gold lion fastening them.	brocade.	Qui fu d'une riche seigniere,
			Lors li monta uns torbeillons
			El chief si granz que il forsane,
		tears his flesh and, stripping off his	Lors se descire et se depane
Ac ef a vu y velly ar dro hyny daruu y	And he was wandering thus till his		Et fuit par chans et par arees
dillat oll	clothes perished	and fields	Et leisse ses janz esgarees,

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			Robe veire, cote et mantel
			Li fet porter de soie an grainne .
			Cele li porte et si li mainne
			An destre un palefroi mout buen.
			Et avuec ce I met del suen
		She sends him also a robe of spotted	Chemise et braies deliiees
		fur, a coat, and a mantle of scarlet	Et chauces nueves bien tailliees .
		silk . The damsel takes them, and	
		leads in her right hand an excellent	Et puis s'an vient la, ou cil dort,
		palfrey. And she added to these, of	A tot la robe et l'oignemant;
		her own store, a shirt , some soft	
		hose , and some new drawers of	La boiste an porte, si s'an fuit,
		proper cut she came with the	Si s'est vers ses chevaus reposte.
		clothes She carries off the box, and	Mes la robe mie n'an oste
		takes hidden refuge by her horse.	Por ce que, se Deus le ravoie,
		But she leaves the robe behind,	Viaut qu'apareilliee la voie
		9	Et qu'il la praingne et qu'il s'an
		life, he may see it all laid out, and may	veste.
	garments a short way off from him	take it and put it on He sees the	
dillat	until he reached the garments	new robe lying before him	Devant lui voit la robe nueve,
			Et par antre les peus leanz
		three hundred maidens, working at	Vit puceles jusqu'a trois çanz,
		different kinds of embroidery. Each	Qui diverses oevres feisoient.
		one was sewing with golden thread	De fil d'or et de soie ovroient
	But the garments on them were not	and silk, as best she could. But such	Chascune au miauz qu'ele savoit.
	worth twenty four silver pennies		Mes tel povreté i avoit,
	and he took away our horses and our		Que desliiees et desçaintes
			An i ot de povreté maintes,
ac an eur ac an aryant A thrannoeth		were torn about their breasts and at	Et as memeles et as cotes
	twenty four ladies and their horses	the elbows, and their shifts were	Estoient lor cotes derotes
hugeint a'e meirch a'e dillat	and clothing	soiled about their necks.	Et les chemises as cos sales

Geraint: Corresponding Texts

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	a young, brown-haired		
	squire, bare-legged and		
	princely, on [the horse]. A		
maccwyf gwineu ieuanc	gold-hilted sword at his		Sor un destrier estoit montez,
eskeirnoyth teyrneid ar	knee. And a tunic and	Mounted on his horse, and clad in an	Afublez d'un mantel hermin ;
arnaw. A chledyf eurdwrn ar	surcoat of silk-brocade	ermine mantle, he came galloping down	Galopant vint tot le chemin,
glyn. A pheis a swrcot o bali	around him. And two low	the road, wearing a coat of splendid	S'ot cote d'un diaspre noble ,
ymdanaw. A dwy eskid issel	shoes of cordovan on his	flowered silk which was made at	Oui fu fez an Costantinoble.
o gordwal am y drayd. Allen	feet. And a <i>llen</i> of blue-	Constantinople. He had put on hose of	Chauces ot de paile chauciees,
o borfor glas ar warthaf	purple over that with a	brocade, well made and cut, and when	Mout bien feites et bien tailliees,
hynny. Ac aual eur vrth pob	gold apple at each corner	his golden spurs were well attached, he sat	Et fu es estriers afichiez,
cwrr idi.	of it.	securely in his stirrups.	Uns esperons a or chauciez;
	He dismounted in the hall		
	and left his horse there		
	and proceeded towards		
	the loft, he and the gray-		
A diskynnu a oruc yn y	headed man. And in the		
neuad ac adaw yno y uarch a	loft he saw a rather old		
dyuot racdaw tu ar loft ef ar	woman sitting on a pillow,		
gvr gwynllwyt. Ac yny lloft y	with old tattered		
gwelei gohenwreic yn eisted	garments of silk around		La dame s'an est fors issue,
ar obennyd a hen dillat	her. And when she had	The lady came out with her daughter, who	Et sa fille qui fu vestue
atueiledic o bali amdanei. A	been in her full youth, he	was dressed in a soft white under-robe	D'une chemise par panz lee,
ffan uuassei yny llawn	supposed that no one had	with wide skirts hanging loose in folds.	Deliëe, blanche et ridee.
ieuengtit tebic oet ganthaw	seen a woman as fair as	Over it she wore a white linen garment ,	Un blanc chainse ot vestu dessus;
na welsei neb wreic degach	she. And he found a	which completed her attire. And this	N'avoit robe ne mains ne plus.
no hi. A morwyn a ged gyr y	maiden beside her with a	garment was so old that it was full of	Mes tant estoit li chainses viez
llaw a chrys a llenlliein	shift and linen-llen	holes down the sides . Poor, indeed, was	Que as cotes estoit perciez .
ymdanei gohen yn dechreu	around her, rather old and	her garb without, but within her body was	Povre estoit la robe defors,
atueilaw	beginning to be ragged .	fair.	Mes dessoz estoit biaus li cors.
Na wiscet y uorwyn dim	Let the maiden wear	Tomorrow at dawn I wish to take your	Demain par son l'aube del jor
ymdanei onyt y chrys ae	nothing about her except	daughter to court, dressed and arrayed as	An tel robe et an tel ator
llenlliein yny del y lys	her shift and her linen-	she is at present. I wish my lady, the	An manrai vostre fille a cort.
arthur y wiscaw o	<i>llen</i> until she comes to	Queen, to dress her in her best dress of	Je vuel que ma dame l'atort

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wenhwyuar y wisc auynho	Arthur's court, and	satin and scarlet cloth." There was a	De la soe robe demainne,
ymdanei.	Gwenhwyfar dresses her	maiden near at hand, very honourable,	De samiz et de dras an grainne ."
	in the clothing she	prudent, and virtuous. She was seated on	Une pucele estoit leanz,
	desires.	a bench beside the maid with the white	Mout preuz, mout sage, mout vaillanz.
		shift , and was her own cousin the niece	Lez la pubele au chainse blanc
		of my lord the Count. When she heard	S'estoit assise sor un banc,
		how Erec intended to take her cousin in	Et sa cosine estoit germainne
		such very poor array to the Queen's court,	Et niece le conte demainne.
		she spoke about it to the Count. "Sire," she	Quant la pucele ot antandue
		says, "it would be a shame to you more	Que si tres povremant vestue
		than to any one else if this knight should	An voloit mener sa cosine
		take your niece away with him in such sad	Erec a la cort la reïne,
		array." And the Count made answer:	A parole an a mis le conte.
		"Gentle niece, do you give her the best of	"Sire", fet ele, "mout grant honte
		your dresses ." But Erec heard the	Seroit a vos plus qu'a autrui,
		conversation, and said: "By no means, my	Se cist an menoit avuec lui
		lord. For be assured that nothing in the	Vostre niece si povremant
		world would tempt me to let her have	Atornee de vestemant."
		another robe until the Queen shall herself	Et li cuens respont: "Je vos pri,
		bestow it upon her." When the damsel	Ma douce niece, donez li
		heart this, she replied: "Alas! fair sire,	De voz robes , que vos avez,
		since you insist upon leading off my cousin	La mellor que vos i savez."
		thus dressed in a white shift and	Erec a la pucele oïe
		chemise , and since you are determined	Et dist: "Sire, n'an parlez mie!
		that she shall have none of my dresses, a	Une chose schiez vos bien:
		different gift I wish to make her"	Ne voudroie por nule rien
			Qu'ele eüst d'autre robe point
			Jusque la reïne li doint."
			Quant la dameisele l'oï,
			Lors respondi et dist: "Hai"!
			Biaus sire, quant vos an tel guise
			An blanc chainse et an sa chemise
			Ma cosine an volez mener,
			Un autre don livuel doner,

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		It is poverty that has compelled her to	Povretez li a fet user
		wear this white linen garment until both	Cest blanc chainse , tant que as cotes
		sleeves are torn at the side. And yet, had it	An sont andeus les manches rotes.
		been my desire, she might have had	Et neporquant, se moi pleüst,
		dresses rich enough. For another damsel,	Buenes robes affez eüst;
		a cousin of hers, wished to give her a robe	Qu'une pucele, sa cosine,
		of ermine and of spotted or grey silk .	Li vost doner robe d'ermine ,
		But I would not have her dressed in any	De dras de soie veire ou grise ;
		other robe until you should have seen her.	Mes je ne vos an nule guise
		Gentle lady, consider the matter now and	Que d'autre robe fust vestue
I		see what need she has of a fine becoming	Tant que vos l'eüssiez veüe.
		gown." And the Queen at once replies:	Ma douce dame, or an pansez!
		"You have done quite right; it is fitting that	Grant mestier a, bien le veez,
		she should have one of my gowns , and I	D'une bele robe avenant."
		will give her straightway a rich, fair gown,	Et la reïne maintenant
		both fresh and new." The Queen then	Li respont: "Mout avez bien fet!
		hastily took her off to her own private	Droiz est que de mes robes et.
		room, and gave orders to bring quickly the	Et je li donrai buene et bele,
		fresh tunic and the greenish-purple	Tot or androit, fresche et novele."
		mantle, embroidered with little	La reïne erraumant l'an mainne
		crosses , which had been made for herself.	An la foe chanbre demainne
		The one who went at her behest came	Et dist qu'an li aport isnel
		bringing to her the mantle and the tunic ,	Le fres blïaunt et le mantel
		which was lined with white ermine even	De la vert porpre croisilliee
		to the sleeves. At the wrists and on the	Qui por le suen cors fu tailliee.
		neck-band there was in truth more than	Cil, cui ele l'ot comandé,
		half a mark's weight of beaten gold, and	Li a le mantel aporté
		everywhere set in the gold there were	Et le blïaut qui jusqu'as manches
		precious stones of divers colors, indigo	Fu forrez d'erminetes blanches .
	And the maiden had a	and green, blue and dark brown. This	As poinz et a la cheveçaille
A dewis ar holl wiscoed	choice of all Gwenhwyfar's	tunic was very rich, but not a whit less	Avoit sanz nule devinaille
Gwenhwyuar y'r uorwyn; a'r	garments, and whoever	precious, I trow, was the mantle . As yet,	Plus de demi marc d'or batu;
neb a welei y uorwyn yn y	saw the maiden in that	there were no ribbons on it; for the	Et pierres de mout grant vertu,
wisc honno, ef a welei olwc	garment, he would see a	mantle like the tunic was brand new. The	Indes et verz, bloes et bises,
wedeidlwys delediw arnei.	seemly and beautiful sight.	mantle was very rich and fine: laid about	Avoit par tot sor l'or assises.

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		the neck were two sable skins , and in the	Mout estoit riches li blïauz ,
		tassels there was more than an ounce of	Mes por voir ne valoit noauz
		gold; on one a hyacinth, and on the other a	Li mantiaus de rien que je sache.
		ruby flashed more bright than burning	Ancor n'i avoit mise atache;
		candle. The fur lining was of white	Car toz estoit fres et noviaus
		ermine ; never was finer seen or found.	Et li blïauz et li mantiaus .
		The cloth was skillfully embroidered with	Mout fu buens li mantiaus et fins:
		little crosses, all different, indigo,	Au col avoit deus sebelins ,
		vermilion, dark blue, white, green, blue,	Es tassiaus ot d'or plus d'une once;
		and yellow. The Queen called for some	D'une part ot une jagonce,
		ribbons four ells long, made of silken	Et un rubi de l'autre part
		thread and gold. The ribbons are given to	Plus cler que chandoile qui art.
		her, handsome and well matched. Quickly	La pane fu de blanc ermine ;
		she had them fastened to the mantle by	Onques plus bele ne plus fine
		some one who knew how to do it, and who	Ne fu veüe ne trove.
		was master of the art. When the mantle	La porpre fu mout bien ovree
		needed no more touches, the gay and	A croisetes totes diverses,
		gentle lady clasped the maid with the	Indes et vermoilles et perses,
		white gown and said to her cheerily:	Blanches et verz, bloes et jaunes.
		"Mademoiselle, you must change this	Unes ataches de quatre aunes,
		frock for this tunic which is worth more	De fil de soie a or ovrees,
		than a hundred marks of silver. So much I	A la reïne demandees.
		wish to bestow upon you. And put on this	Les ataches li sont bailliees,
		mantle, too." she takes the robe she	Beles et bien aparelliees.
		took off her frock as being of no further	Ele les fist tot maintenant
		value she dons the tunic and girds	Metre el mantel isnelemant,
		herself, binding on tightly a golden belt	Et s'an fist tel home antremetre,
		and afterwards puts on the mantle."	Qui bien estoit mestre del metre.
			Quant el mantel n'ot rien que feire,
			La jantis dame demoneire
			La pucele au blanc chainse acole
			Et si li dist franche parole:
			"Ma dameisele, a cest blïaut ,
			Qui plus de çant mars d'arjant vaut,
			Vos covient cest chainse changier;

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			De tant vos vuel je losangier.
			Et dest mantel asublez sus!
			La robe prant
			La a son chainse desvestu;
			Que nel prise mes un festu;
			Puis vest le blïaut , si se çaint,
			D'un orfrois a un tor s'estraint,
			Et le mantel aprés afuble.
			Aparellirez vos or androit;
			Por chevaunchier vos aprestez.
a chyuot titheu a gwisc	Arise and dress		Levez de ci, si vos vestez
ymdanat, a ffar gweiraw dy	yourself, and ready your	And now at once prepare yourself to take	De vostre robe la plus bele ,
uarch, a dwc y wisc waethaf	horse, and take your	the road. Rise up from here, and dress	
ar dy helw gennyt vrth	worst garment to protect	yourself in your richest robe , while she	Que bien et bel f'est atornee
uarchogaeth.	you while riding	dressed herself fitly in her richest robe .	De la mellor robe qu'ele ot,
deffro a gwisc ymdanat	arise and dress yourself	Erec has armed and dressed himself	Erec s'est armez et vestuz .
		The maiden was rending her garments ,	La pucele aloit detirant
uorwyn-wreic ieuanc ae	a young maiden with a	and tearing her hair and her tender	Ses mains, et ses crins descirant
marchawc wisc ymdanei	riding garment about her	crimson face.	Et sa tandre face vermoille.

Bown: Corresponding Texts

Welsh	Translation from Welsh	Translation from French	French
Yna y dywawt bradmwnd yn uchel.	Then said Bradmwnd loudly,		
Ermyn heb ef. Dyro di ymi dy verch	"Ermyn," said he. "Give to me your	"Hermin," said Brademund, "give	"Hermine", dist Brademound, "vostre
di oth vod.	daughter willingly.	me your daughter.	file me donez,
ac om gomedy. Mi ay mynnaf	And if you refuse me, I want her		
othanuod.	against your will.	By Mahomet, if you refuse,	e, par Mahumet! Si vus la deveez,
	And I will not leave neither land	I'll leave you neither castle nor	
ac ny adaf na thir na dayar	nor earth	city	jeo ne vus lerrai chasteus ne citez
	nor town nor castle to you after		
na thref na chastell itti wedy hynny.	that.	nor even half a foot of your land.	ne de vostre tere ne mie demi pez;
A 1 1 CC	And after it happens that I approve	T . 1 11 12 1 1 1	
A gwedy darffo ym gytsynnyaw a hi.	of her	Josiane shall lie by my side,	Josiane girra delez le moun costé,
mi ay rodaf hi	I will give her	and then she'll be given in grief and shame	e puis serra doné a doel e a vilté
IIII ay 10dai iii	i will give her	and Shanie	a le plus mauveis ke seit en ma tere
yr dyn bawhaf om holl gyfoeth.	to the vilest man in all my land.	to the poorest man in my land!"	trové!"
Os oth anuod y cahaf.	If I get her against your will.		
		"By Mahomet!" said Hermin,	"Par Mahun!" dist Heremine, "glotoun,
		"you're lying, scoundrel;	vus mentez,
		nothing will happen as you say."	il ne serra mie ausi com tu dist avez."
Disgynnu a wnaeth Ermin o ben y	Ermin descended from the top of	Then he descended from the	
castell	the castle	tower,	A donkes se en est de la tur envalez,
a galw y varchogyon y gyt.	and called his knights together.	called all his knights to him,	ses chevalers tretuz ad a sei apellez,
a datcanu udunt ymadrodyon	And told them the words of	told them all about Bradmund,	de le fort roi Bradmound les ad il tut
bradmwnd	Bradmwnd	the strong king,	countez,
	and his companions, and their		
ae getymdeithon. Ac eu bygwth.	threat.		
		and asked for their counsel: "My	conseil lur demaund: "Seignurs, que
a gofyn kyghor udunt a wnaeth.	And he asked their advice.	lords, what do you advise?"	me loez?"
	This is what Iosian his daughter		
Sef a wnaeth iosian y verch dywedut	did: she spoke first. "I know good	Josiane began to speak and said:	Lating and the Michael Company
yn gyntaf. Mi a wn gyghor da.	advice."	"My lord, hear me!	Josiane emparla e dist: "Sire, escotez!
urdaw bown yn varchawc urdawl.	Elevate Bown as a knight.	By Mahomet, if you knight Boeve,	Par Mahumet! Se Boefs adubbez,

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ac ef a wna nerth mawr it a	And he will provide great strength	be sure he will give you valuable	bon socours vus freit, sachez de
chanhorthwy.	for you and assistance.	help.	veritez.
	Because the other day I was		
Canys y dyd arall yd oedwn o ben y	watching him from the top of the	For with my own eyes I saw him	Car jeo vi de mes oilz, quant fu
twr yn edrych arnaw.	tower	when he was weaponless	desarmez
		and ten foresters challenged	
pan y hachubawd dec fforestwr.	when he attacked ten foresters.	him;	e dis foresters li urent defiez,
a hwyntwy yn aruawc.	And they were armed		
ac ynteu heb dim arueu. Gwedy	And he without arms, having left	he had no sword because he had	il ne avoit point de branc, car il l'out
ryadaw y gledyf heb gof yn lle	his sword thoughtlessly where	left it behind	obliez
		when he killed the mighty, raging	
y lladyssei pen y baed.	he had cut off the boar's head.	boar;	la ou il tua le fort sengler devez,
ac eissoes a dryll y paladyr a oed	And with a piece of a spear that	he had only the stump of a thick	il ne avoit ke un tronsoun de une
yny law.	was already in his hand	lance	launce quarrez
		and with it he killed six of them	
ef a ladawd hwech onadunt.	He slew six of them	and maimed the rest.	si en tua sis, les autres ad afolez,
		But they fled, so frightened were	mes il en fuirent, taunt furent
ar petwar a ffoyssant.	And four fled.	they."	espuntez."
		"By Mahomet!" said the king, "he	"Par Mahun!" dist li roi, "il serra
A minneu ae hurdaf ef.	"I shall elevate him."	shall be knighted."	adubbez."
Bown a elwit attunt.	Bown was called to them.	Then Boeve was called forward.	A taunt fu Boefs avaunt apellez.
		"Boeve," said the king, "listen to	
ac ermin a dywawt wrthaw.	And Ermin said to him,	me:	"Boefs", dist li roi, "a moi entendez:
Mi ath urdaf yn varchawc urdawl. A	I will elevate you to be a knight.	I shall knight you and then you	
gwedy hynny ti a arwedy	And after that you will carry	will carry	jeo vus frai chevaler e pus si porterez
		my banner into battle in front of	ma banere en bataile devaunt mon
vy stonderdi ymlaen vy gallu.	my standard before my forces."	my barons."	baronnez."
Mi a wnaf dy ewyllys di arglwyd	"I wll do your will, lord, in	"My lord," said Boeve, "let it be	"Sire", ceo dist Beofs, "si seit com vus
ymhobpeth. Herwyd y gallwyfi oreu.	everything,	as you wish."	comaundez."
	according to the best I am able."		
Ac yna y hurdawd ermin ef yn	Then Ermin elevated him to be a		
varchawc urdawl.	knight.		
ac y gwiscawd arueu ymdanaw.	And dressed armor about him,		

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Nyt amgen.	namely		
actwn da dilis ysgafyn.	a good, secure, light aqueton		
		He laced up his leggings very tightly,	Une chauses lassa, ke mult furent sarrez,
a lluryc dwy dyplic.	and a doubled breastplate	then put a hauberk on his back,	aprés ad un hauberk en son dos endosez,
yr hon ni ffwysei dec arugeint o fwnei y wlat.	which did not weigh 30 [pieces] of money of the land.	weighing less than ten coins in money	ke ne peise mie dis deners demoné,
		but nevertheless very close-knit;	mes nequedent mult esteit serré,
ac nyt oed aryf aallei argywedu un o hynny trwy y lluryc .	And there was no weapon that could injure one of them through the breastplate .	it could not have been damaged by a sharp weapon.	par arme trenchaunt ne poeit estre empiré.
Ac ar uchaf hynny quire diogel.	And over that a secure cuirass .		
a chynsallt hossaneu lluryc.	And a surcoat, armored hose [i.e., chausses]		
a chrimogeu am y draet ay ysgeired.	and greaves on his feet and his legs		
ac ar warthaf hynny ysparduneu eureit.	And over that, golden spurs	King Hermin attached his gilded spurs	Roi Hermine li chause les esporouns deorrez ,
Am y ben y dodet penguch bwrkum a ffaylet .	On his head was placed a [1] coif and a fillet.		
ac ar warthaf hynny helym eureit echdywynedic.	and under that a glittering golden helm.		
A gwedy hynny y rodes y brenhin cledyf idaw. Ac y gwisgawd ymdanaw.	And after that the king gave his sword to him and dressed it about him.	and girded his sword on to his left side.	seinte l'a espeie par le senestre costez,
ac ny bu eiroet y gystal.	And there was never its equal	No better blade was ever forged from steel;	unkes meilour braunc ne fu de ascer forgé,
kan ny phylei. Ac ny phlygei.	because it would not blunt and not bend		

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	despite how one struck with it.		
yr a ffustit ac ef. Ac nyt oed well y	And it was no better for anyone to		
neb y vot yn aruawc. Noc yn noeth.	be armed than naked if one struck		
Or y trewit ac ef.	with it.		
		it was as long as an arm and as	un braz out de long, de large out un
		wide as a foot.	pe;
		It was called Murgleie and had	l'en le apele Murgleie, conquis out
a morglei oed y enw.	And Morglei was its name.	conquered many kingdoms.	meint regné.
		The girl gave him a valuable	
A iosian a rodes march idaw.	And Josian gave a horse to him.	horse.	La pucele li doune un destrer prisé,
ac arwndel oed y enw.	And Arwndel was his name.		
ac ny bu na chynt na gwedy y gystal	And there was never previously		
na y ganfuanet.	nor after his equal nor as swift.	No better horse could be found:	unkes meillour cheval de li ne fu trové,
		God never made an animal, you	unkes deu ne fist beste, sachez de
		can be sure,	verité,
		that came within a mile of	
		overtaking it.	ke li ateindereit de un arpent mesuré.

[1] "bwrkum" appears to be corrupt. Compare the "penngwch pwrqwin" (Burgundian coif) of Owein, but possibly instead "bwcram" (buckram).