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<fol. 102r>Off the thonderes

Jf it thonder Jn Januarij then it betokenyth that yere
moche Frute & great warre

Jf yt thonder in Februarij / . yt betokenyth that yere
that the Ryche shall lye low / & a good yere to sowe

Jf it thonder in Marche yt betokenyth that yere / gret
wyndes and Moche wreche a-Monge the people

Jf it thonder in Apriell it be-tokeneth that yere / peryll
of sedes & of shyppes / & wycked men shall dye

Jf it thonder in May it betokenyth that yere grete hunger
& great derth of corne

Jf it thonder in June it betokenyth that yere / that
woodes w^t gret wyndes shall ouer-throwe & folke & trees shall sprede

Jf it thonder in July it betokenyth that yere a good
croppes of corne & a good yere of beastes

Jf it thonder in August it betokenyth in that yere
moche sykenys a-monge the people

Jf it thonder in September it betokenyth in that yere
that many Ryche shall dye / & great plenty of corne

Jf it thonder in October it betokenyth that yere / moche

<fol. 102v>wynde / & moche good in water loste & lytell Frute

Jf it thonder~ in November~ it betokenyth that yere
plenty of corne / & a good yere of myrthes

Jf it thonder~ in december it betokenyth in that yere
peace & good acorde & amonge the people & a good
yere of corne & grasse <empty line>

When the yer~ begynnith on~ sonday / that yere shal+be lytell
whete / moche wyne / hony as sayth the prophete Ezechyell
woll & Flex / shall a-fall the furste^[frutes] of harvest shall com~
well the^r shall no wynter them hurte moche harme that

yere shal+be do / in the ende of wynter~ ther shall come
 froste / that shall dystroy many yonge tree / & then shall
 ther+be many blacke stronge wyndes but they shall not
 laste longe / the ende of somer shal+be wete / w^t grete
 Raynes & moche wyndes / the cornes shall *comme* full
 well / the rayne shall not hurt them~ The *princes*
 of landes wyde shall that yere to batell For pryde
 warre & wrake then shal+be / that ~~all~~ yere shall be robbyng
 & revyng in londe euery ma~ take hym~ to hys hond
 When the yere begynnyth on monday / that yere shall
 be a stronge wynter of thonder & lyghtenyng /
 frostes / tempest & stormes wete / yvell eyres shall come
 wherby many a ma~ shall fall in-to great sykenes
 & in the Feveres / lytle whete that yere shal+be / grete
 <fol. 103r>plenty of Frute / corne shall dye in the grounde
 The ~~towen~~ townes with wynd shall stonde / prynces
 & erles shall make warre that yere / & bytwyxt them~
 shal+be grete murther / wymmen~ shall wepe & be
 sory for the murther that they shall see / the *princes*
 wyll slee eche other~ yf they may / sorow & wepyng
 ther wyll a-ryse / amonge men then in many a+wyse / <empty line>
 When the yere begynneth on Tewysday / there shal+be plenty
 of nottes / in that wynter shall fall grete wete & shall
 drye euery strete grete dethe of people that yere shal+be
 corne & wyne plenty / & hony / grete warre / stronge wyndes
 shall do moche hurt / shypes shall perysshe on the see / & there
 shal+be plenty of shypes on the see of Ryche men & theyre
 mayne men that yere shal+be nyghe brought for~ dere <empty line>
 When the yere begynneth wyth wensday / the trees shall
 blewe & the blossomes fall / lytle frute shall they bere /
 wynter shal+be colde wythe grete showers / Jn the ende of
 wynter shall com snowe & ly longe / grete colde wyndes
 & tere houses / whete shall com well in that yere & be
 grete plenty / & also of wyne in somer-tyde that yere
 shal+be grete plenty and all that yere wythout care /
 men~ of theyre londe well shall Fare
 <fol. 103v>When the yere begynneth on Thursday / that yere shall be
 colde wyth mystes & frostes that long shall laste / the
 wynter shall drye wythe all that no raynes shall fall



but in the later ende of the wynter shall the rayne
com~ / tempest on somer-tyde shal+be of wynde / & rayne
the harvest shal+be wete / the water shall the corne ouerflow
wherby there shal+be moche loste / Moche sykenesse in
londe there shal+be / on many women~ & theyre Many /
in the somer after the wynter~ as in tymes of the yer~
there shal+be Jnough of corne & mele / hyt shal+be no nede
for~ to stele / that yer~ shal+be grete moreyne of pygges <empty line>
When the yere begynneth on~ Fryday / that yere the husband
moste sew well hys plow & then he shall haue corne
J-nough / also of wyne there shall be plente / yf the vynes
well orderyd be / grete dethe of chylderen that yere / shall be
wyth the chynke kough / the trees shall blew well & bryng
forth neueradell / of oyle hony & wolfe shal+be plenty /
felles and hydes plenty shall come to the towne / & chepe shone <empty line>
When the yere begynneth on saturday that yere shal-be plenty
of ootes & haye / dryth shall do yt harme a Moryn~ of
fatte swyne / dethe of olde people / & great warre shall be
that yere
<lat>Fynys</lat>