Thomas Chatterton Manuscript Project (TCMP)

'In the merry merye Vale'

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★ From A Life of Thomas Chatterton, 1930, Meyerstein.

(Yes, this little ditty has only six lines.)

Panel 1: Original Manuscript

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Panel 2: First Printing in Meyerstein, 1930:

*The following Rowley fragment, designated "worthless," by Skeat, has not yet found a place in print, barring the first line:—

"In the merry merye vale
Where leavis gre grene & longe
Eclyped of Eld Ayerdale
Of Guillaume de Pictevongue
A Cisterce Freere dhere baied¹
Whychen...

"To Obay (O.), to abide." Kersey.

5766 B. f. 89.

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