of Dido,” Aeneas (see eneas, enyas, enee [aeneas]) meets a huntress in the Libyan forest (LGW 971, 981) that she says is filled with wild boars (LGW 980).

REFERENCE

Lin Shu

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Nine tales from The Canterbury Tales appeared in classical Chinese prose in the form of tradaptation (creative adaptation marketed as translation) in influential literary magazines in Shanghai between 1916 and 1917. These rewritings were the teamwork between prolific prose stylist Lin Shu (pen name of Lin Qinnan, 1852–1924), who did not read English, and his collaborator Chen Jialin, who rendered orally the gist of English texts. Most of their pieces did not identify the sources that inspired their short stories. As the following list shows, Lin and Chen gave the rewritings titles that reflected not the storyteller’s identity but what was perceived to be the most outrageous and moralistic elements of each tale:

- Jitian (Discourse of Chickens), The Nun’s Priest’s Tale, Xiaoshuo yueba (Short Story Monthly) 7.12 (December 1916). Original author and title unidentified.
- San shaonian yu sishen (Three Youths Meet the God of Death), The Pardoner’s Tale, Xiaoshuo yueba (Short Story Monthly) 7.12. Original author and title unidentified.
- Geleixida (Griselda), The Clerk’s Tale, Xiaoshuo yueba (Short Story Monthly) 8.2 (February 1917). Original author and title unidentified.
- Gongzhu yunan (The Misadventures of a Princess), The Man of Law’s Tale, Xiaoshuo yueba (Short Story Monthly) 8.6 (June 1917). Original author and title unidentified.
- Xi kou neng ge (Mouth of the Dead Can Still Sing), The Prioress’s Tale, Xiaoshuo yueba (Short Story Monthly) 8.6 (June 1917). Original author and title unidentified.
- Linghunfuti (The Possessed), The Squire’s Tale, Xiaoshuo yueba (Short Story Monthly) 8.7 (July 1917). Original author and title unidentified.
- Juedou de qi (Winning a Trophy Wife After a Duel), The Knight’s Tale, Xiaoshuo yueba (Short Story Monthly) 8.10 (October 1917). Original author and title unidentified.

Philological tracing reveals that Lin based his rewritings on Charles Cowden Clarke’s 1833 Tales from Chaucer in Prose, a prose rendition of ten tales intended for young audiences. Lin rewrote nine out of the ten tales that Clarke appropriated. The tales were categorized mostly as fairy tales (shenguai), except for WBT, which was published under “fables” (yuyan), both of which were popular genres of traditional Chinese narratives with a ready audience. In early-twentieth-century China, Lin Shu was the most influential...
translator of foreign literature who, in addition to rewriting Chaucer and Shakespeare (see Shakespeare, William), rendered more than 180 Japanese, German, French, Spanish, and English dramas and novels into classical Chinese.

Despite the fact that he was a prolific translator, Lin Shu was a traditionalist. Radical reformers of his time attacked all aspects of traditional Chinese culture, but Lin sought to counter their arguments by presenting a Chaucer founded on ancient Chinese ideals. Lin tried to demonstrate that Chaucer upheld the same Confucian morality and values. He used rewriting, in the guise of translational Chinese narrative styles, to make a case for the affinity between Chaucer and traditional Chinese modes of storytelling.

Lin’s short stories rendered Chaucer in the Ming- and Qing-dynasty narrative tradition of love, filial piety, and exotic adventures. He applied a Confucian moral framework to turn Clarke’s Victorian rewriting intended for women and children into stories for the predominantly male elites in China. Lin’s texts gave the impression that Chaucer concentrated on fairies and ghosts. Lin used this strategic rewriting to counter the rhetoric deployed by those of his contemporaries who were in favor of total Westernization and had been influenced by the Enlightenment and rationalism.

SEE ALSO: Chaucer, Geoffrey: Reception in China; Cook, The

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Introduction

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The Chaucer Encyclopedia provides a comprehensive overview of the life, times, works, and influence of Geoffrey Chaucer (d. 1400) for a new millennium of general readers, students, and scholars. It has been designed to be useful not only to students and non-academics who want descriptive information about people, places, things, and concepts in Chaucer’s works and Chaucer’s influence on generations of writers after him, but also to scholars seeking a more in-depth overview on topics of particular significance to Chaucer scholarship. The encyclopedia benefits from and makes available to students and scholars alike a variety of scholarly trends and new methodological approaches important to contemporary readers. It includes, for example, the latest information on the scribes, scribal networks, and the transmission of Chaucer’s works; current approaches to Aesthetics, Animal Studies, Cognitive Science, Ecocriticism, Feminism, History of Emotions, and Sensology (or Sensory Studies) as applied to Chaucer; and the broad approach to the reception of his works that is understood as “global Chaucers.” The Chaucer Encyclopedia also takes account of the most recent archival discoveries concerning Chaucer’s biography that were revealed publicly on October 11, 2022, just weeks before the initially planned publication date of the encyclopedia. The editorial team has commissioned entries from 512 contributors from around the world, not only from established specialists but also from young scholars who are helping to open up the study of Chaucer’s works to new generations of readers. In all cases, the general reader has been kept in mind among the intended audience for the encyclopedia, so that, for example, all non-English phrases and titles referred to in the entries have been accompanied by Modern English translations.

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The Chaucer Encyclopedia consists of around one million words contained in 1,399 entries that have been selected because they are inclusive in some areas (Chaucer’s works, his direct sources, his immediate family) or because they are representative in other areas (placenames and personal names mentioned in his works; critical theories and approaches prominent – or becoming so – in Chaucer Studies; analogues to Chaucer’s works; writers influenced by Chaucer, especially among the “global Chaucers” reception of his works). Analogues have been selected with an eye to Chaucer’s place in the longue durée of literary history as well as to their proximity to specific works in Chaucer’s canon. A selection of Chaucer scholars has been included, though to maintain peace within the community of Chaucer Studies only those scholars who are deceased came into question. All the entries were chosen through a process involving the general editor, the associate editors, and the members of the advisory board.

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The entries contain the headword, the name and institutional affiliation (if there is one) of the author of the entry, the body of the entry, often a “see also” section with cross-references to related entries in the encyclopedia, and finally in most cases a list of references, with complete bibliography, that are mentioned as in-text citations in the entry. Numerous cross-references (set in small caps) to related entries in The Chaucer Encyclopedia will also be found within the body of the entry, and, at times, bibliography for some publications not included in the list of references.

The headwords of the entries represent, first, Chaucer’s Middle English spelling (according to Chaucer, Riverside) if the word occurs in his works, followed in parentheses by Modern English if needed. In alphabetization we have followed the letter-by-letter system as explained in The Chicago Manual of Style 17, section 16.59. The reader should be aware that in Middle English the letter “y” can be used to indicate the sound [i]; in such cases, the headword will be alphabetized as if the letter “y” were an “i.” For further information on Chaucer’s Middle English, see the entry on “English: Pronunciation Guide for Chaucer’s Middle English (With Sound Files).”

Abbreviations for Chaucer’s works follow those used in Studies in the Age of Chaucer. The encyclopedia also includes an extensive list of Abbreviations: for any items mentioned in abbreviated fashion in an entry, but not found in that entry’s References section, readers are directed to consult this list of Abbreviations, where the expanded bibliography for the items will be given.
All Latin and Greek texts referred to in the entries are taken from the Loeb Library series unless otherwise noted. For early English printed books down to 1640, all dates are taken from the Short Title Catalogue.

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