

REFERENCES TO HISTORICAL COMETS FROM 497 A.D. TO 1402 A.D. IN ENGLISH MANUSCRIPTS. E. G. Mardon¹ & A. A. Mardon², ¹Antarctic Institute of Canada(Board Member, Post Office Box 1223, Main Post Office, Edmonton, Alberta, CANADA. T5J 2M4. E-mail: amardon@shaw.ca), ²Antarctic Institute of Canada(Director, Post Office Box 1223, Main Post Office, Edmonton, Alberta, CANADA. T5J 2M4. E-mail: amardon@shaw.ca).

Introduction: The following is a compilation of the cometary references found in English Medieval Manuscripts from the 5th Century to the 14th Century AD.

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Anglo-Saxon Chronicle: Peterborough Manuscript, Flores,
 Matthew of Paris, Chronica Majoro;
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Cronicon Angliae;
 Henry of Hutingdon;
Chronica Johannes Oxenedes.
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 892 AD Anglo-Saxon Chronicle: Winchester Manuscript;
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Cronicon Anglice.
 1368 AD Thomas Walsingham Historiarum Anglicana;
Cronicon Angliae;
 John Capgrave, Chronicon a Monarch Saints Albaril.
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Cronicon Angliae.
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Conclusion: Due to the nature of written historical references spelling was variable. The references to

comets in England over the Medieval period shows an interest in cometary astronomy in England.

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