

Specululm Gy de Warewyke: Here for the First Time Printed and First Edited from the Manuscript

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Createspace, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Somewhere about 1300, in Midland, England, a priest bethought him of the consecrated life and, looking round for a subject, selected the wonderful theme of Guy of Warwick, a choice hero of early England, for his octosyllabic poem - a spiritualized Guy, however, well indoctrinated in the theology of the day. The secular Guy of Warwick romances, as shown by Zupitza in his remarkable edition, bad been among the most abundant and fascinating of the early English middle ages; delightful food for the fancy of many a poet. What more natural than that this Guy, after his marvelous round of ad venture, should, like Faust, have a Part Second to his career - should in deep remorse expiate his offenses against God, and fall in with a benevolent friar able to teach him the discrimination between good and evil? This is the theme of the remarkable work before us. The old monks who could illumine a martyrology or curse a crucifix are here rivaled by a woman who with extensive learning combines indefatigable patience and who overlays a...



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