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The sources for this volume are those listed in the Abbreviations and in the Explanatory Notes. The text is presented in accordance with the principles described in Volume I of this edition, pp. 25–27. Expansions of abbreviations in the manuscript are indicated by italics, emendations by square brackets. The first letter of each verse line is capitalized, according to scribal practice. Punctuation and section marking are scribal.

The Appendices provide additional information about the closing sections of Cursor Mundi. Following the policy of previous volumes in this edition, we have noted the errors in Morris' texts in Appendix A, and in Appendix B have recorded the lines where MS B substitutes for the last 1900 lines of Cursor Mundi some 2300 from the Pricke of Conscience (a manuscript version not recorded in Morris' edition of Pricke). Appendix C offers explanatory notes to lines 21347–846, the Finding of the True Cross, omitted from the southern version of Cursor Mundi. Appendix D provides explanatory notes to lines 23909–24968, Mary's lament at the crucifixion and the establishment of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, also omitted from the southern version.