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I am thankful for the travel bursary of 350 GBP from the Society for the Study of Medieval Languages and Literature (SSMLL) in support of my research in Oxford and Cambridge in June-July 2015.

As planned, I worked at the Bodleian Library in Oxford 23-27 June and at the Fitzwilliam Museum in Cambridge 30 June-3 July.

In Oxford, I completed a collation of my transcription of the amplified version of *La Terre des Sarazins* (Dean § 332) with the manuscript, Oxford, Bodleian Library, MS Bodley 761 (2535), fols. 195b-200b. This was my first opportunity to consult the MS. Until this summer, I had only had access to a microfilm reproduction. I feel that the transcription is faithful and complete. I continue to refine my critical edition of / essay on this work and plan to submit it by the end of this year for consideration for publication.

In Cambridge, I finished my transcription of the unique Anglo-Norman version of the *Epistola Alexandri ad Aristotelem* (Dean § 166). It is a complete and careful transcription, although at some point I will need to return to Cambridge to double-check my work. Hoping to gauge interest in my planned critical edition of the work, I have sent the draft transcription to a publisher in the UK.

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