

I have not written anything for Chapter 8 recently. The only thing that I have written for Chapter 8 apart from the text already published in the draft 3 document is the lyrics of a song for inclusion in the chapter. I wrote those lyrics around a month ago.

I had a computer crash a few days ago and I was fortunate to have about a month ago sent myself an email with a copy of the text file with the original text of the song that I had written as an attachment to the email. I use webmail and so the email was conserved there.

I was able to retrieve a copy of the text file.

So as to minimize the risk of losing the song I have decided to publish the song lyrics now and to send a copy for legal deposit to The British Library.

So I have produced a PDF (Portable Document Format) document with the text of the song typeset in the format of the novel and published it on the web.

I then wrote an email to the appropriate department of The British Library, added a copy of the PDF document as an attachment to the email and then sent the email.

The idea, in the story, is that Jane sings the song while standing in front of the Statue of Gutenberg in the City of Mainz, having written the song during her train journey on the way to the conference.

I am enjoying writing the novel.

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