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## **The Effects of Canonicity and the Authorial Weight in Translating *Dickens' Oliver Twist* into Arabic Language**

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### **Abstract**

This research investigates whether 'canonicity and authorial weight' affect the translation product of Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*, and whether the source text (English) aesthetic features are maintained in the target text (Arabic). It aims to link aesthetic features with the figurative elements that are used in the translation which may express the role the authorial weight plays in the translation process. The importance of preserving the author's intended meaning of the source text (SL) in the target language is crucial. Consequently, this research uses a comparative qualitative research analysis that compares two randomly Arabic translations (TT1 and TT2) with the source text (ST) according to canonicity and authorial weight features. The features of figurative language are located in the source text (ST) then compared to their counterparts in the target text (TTs). The random sample discussed thoroughly of whether it is equivalents to ST. This study is based on Nida's (1975 & 1964) dynamic or formal equivalence backgrounds. It concludes that figurative elements in translation play a major role in the fluency of the translator taking into the translators' authorial weight

in the target language. It also concludes that the translation is affected by the canonicity and aesthetic features used.

**Keywords:**

Authorial weight, aesthetic features, canonicity, Dickens' *Oliver Twist*, figurative elements, translation

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**Introduction**

This research investigates if the target equivalents' (TT1 and TT2) can/ cannot be achieved without professional translators or authors who have the same authorial weight as the original author. Figuring out the aesthetic features and the figurative elements in the source text (ST) and compare it with its counterparts in TTs that is implied by authoritative translators. It illustrates the canonicity of Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*, which is considered as a canon work, compared to its Arabic equivalent translations (TT1, and TT2) by *Ba'albki* (2007) and *Shanaway* (2013).

Translation has been regarded as equivalent representation of linguistic structures, and translation studies have long been concerned with different levels of text equivalence (Jiang, 2008; Bajnaid et al., 2019). Ural and Akdağ (2017) indicate that translating a literary work can be analyzed from various points of view. Multidimensional implications of both source and target cultures and languages are involved. Figurative language is also must be clearly indicated in the translation process and it is considered much more than replacing words between languages. In addition, these qualities as its defining characters are not given as readymade or finally formed realities, but as possibilities or inherent images for realization. They emerge as gestalt in the activity of aesthetic faculties, waiting to be actualized in the interaction with the translator (Jiang, 2008).

***The statement of the problem***

The importance of the authorial weight and canonicity is rarely taken into accounts in translation. Many Arabic translators would translate any type of work with no sense of canonicity for the original author and what might do that mean. Therefore, this study focuses on the authorial weight and canonicity and how this may could affect the translation. As a result, this study discusses Charles Dickens's canonicity and authorial weight in his masterpiece *Oliver Twist* and two Arabic translators. Charles Dickens is very known writer. He was indeed very much a public figure, actively and centrally involved in his world, and a man of

confident presence (Gasson, 1998). Therefore, knowing the canonicity and the authorial weight of the author in any canon literary work is crucial in a text to be translated. This issue may lead to misunderstanding the ST compared to its translations (Arabic language). Though, having a canon translator may represent the same quality of the ST.

### **Research questions**

As many translation theories mention the affects of canonicity on the published literary work, canonicity may affect also the translated work as well. Therefore; this paper investigates whether (i) 'canonicity and authorial weight' affect the translation product of Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*, and (ii) whether the ST aesthetic features are maintained in the TTs?

### **Significance of the study**

Literary text is universally recognized as work of art, which contains aesthetic essence within and beyond the linguistic structure. It is constituted by the possession of aesthetic qualities as a necessary though not perhaps a sufficient condition. Consequently, the translator must have a high degree of ability to represent certain combinations of the ST. Aesthetic features are such example of these combinations (Jiang, 2008, p. 864). This study includes the study of these features with a canon work and a canon author. This study discusses whether canonicity and the authorial weight of Charles Dickens in the history of English literature and in the 19th century are represented in the target texts (TTs). It also shows the quality of translation where it may affect the original literary work, e.g. it may make the work lose or maintain its value.

### **Effects of Canonity and the Authorial Weight in Translation**

Munday (2001) defines translation as it can be referred to the general subject field, the product (the text that has been translated) or the process (the act of producing the translation, otherwise known as translating). He adds that the process of translation between two different written languages involves the translator changing an original written text (the ST) in the original verbal language (the SL) into a written text (the TT) in a different verbal language (the TL). Nida (1964) defines translation as "Translating consists in reproducing in the receptor language the closest natural equivalent of the source language message, first in terms of meaning and secondly in terms of style". (p.12)

Wheeler (2015) states that the term canon has three generally accepted senses: (i) an approved or traditional collection of works. Originally, the term "canon" applied to the list of books to be included as authentic biblical doctrine in the Hebrew and Christian Bible, as opposed to apocryphal works (works of dubious, mysterious or uncertain origin); (ii) today, literature students typically use the

word canon to refer to those works in anthologies that have come to be considered standard or traditionally included in the classroom and published textbooks. In this sense, "the canon" denotes the entire body of literature traditionally thought to be suitable for admiration and study; and (iii) in addition, the word "canon" refers to the writings of an author that scholars generally accepted as genuine products of said author, such as the Chaucer canon or the Shakespeare canon. Chaucer's canon includes *The Canterbury Tales* (Wheeler, 2015).

Along with their texts, authors have significant weight or authority (Haan, n.d.). Winning the Nobel Prize is an indication of an author's authorial weight in literature (Trodd, 2007), researcher explains why we consider, the famous writer Charles Dickens and his "*Oliver Twist*" with its Arabic equivalent by the translator *Ba'albaki*, them as famous and huge things. Bani Abdo (2017) writes: "we can initially characterize a literary canon as a group of literary works that are considered 'authoritative', i.e. having central status in the literature of a particular time period and/or place". He adds that the notion of authority is hard to determine and leaves us with the key question of who has the power to determine what works are worth reading and teaching, and to be considered as canonical.

Williams and Chesterman (2014) defines professionalism as a translator has the competences required for translation or interpreting services and constantly tries to improve them, so it means that she/he is striving for excellence. Alwazna (2014) writes that translation as an important profession and as an enjoyable activity has been variably viewed by different translation scholars and translator. Nord (1997) sees the first step in the translation process is the interpretation of the brief, drawing on whatever information there is or can be obtained about the profile of the target text the client needs. She adds that translation is offered by translators of capability and it may cause problematic issues especially in the medical or the legal fields.

Pym (2012) believes that there are limits to the translator's professional responsibility. According to Pym (2012) there are many responsibilities that the translator should take into account such as: responsibility to the content of the text, responsibility to the client, and responsibility to the profession. According to Baker and Maier (2014), professional translators have started to show particular interest in translation ethics, which emanates from their belief that they have become influential figures in the movements of human rights that mark today's world.

### ***Figurative language and aesthetic experience in a translated text***

This paper tries to figure out if the authorial weight of translators appears in the translated text into its equivalents TT (Arabic) by showing and improving its aesthetic features and figurative elements. Figurative language is a language that is difficult to understand by those who are less aware of the meaning that embedded in the words or phrases (Abdul Wahid, 2017). In addition, figurative language is one of the features that give literature its distinctiveness in the form of the “suggestion or indirection, and imagination or invention” that characterize its method of expression (Egudu, 1979).

Figurative elements mostly carry meaning beyond what is written or told (Pierce et al., 1932). Abdul Wahid (2017) says that “translating figurative language not only requires the knowledge of the language and cultures of both source and target language” (p. 1). He adds that translating figurative language needs a deep understanding and should be interpreted to get the actual meaning. Abrams (1988) states that figurative language involves a deviation from what speakers of a language apprehend as the ordinary or standard significance or sequence of words, in order to achieve some special meaning or effect. Furthermore, figurative employs to indicate the speaker’s deep perception of or emotive identification with the idea being expressed. It is also freely adopted for general oratorical effect (Teilanyo, 2007).

Akdağ and Ural (2017) illustrates that the translated literary works can be analyzed from various points of view. They involve multidimensional implications for both source and target cultures and languages. Figurative elements are one of the detailed framing of the language used in the novel which in turn helps in linking the figurative language that the qualified translator uses in his/her translation and the figurative language that the unqualified translators use in their language. Figurative language is important in terms of the cultural aspects too. However, translating figurative language is more than just handling terminology. In the TL, It is presented in an accurate complete possible form and that the information can be used correctly and effectively (Abdulla, 1994).

There are four challenges in translating figurative language that are highlighted by Baker (1992) as follows. A figurative language has no equivalent in the target language, a figure of speech might have the same equivalent in the target language, but may vary with the context, a figure of speech in the source language may be translated literally and idiomatic in the target language, and the use of figurative language in writing discourse, context and frequency of usage may differ with the source language and the target language. She also adds two translation procedures for figurative language that used in translation. The first procedure is using a figure of speech that is similar in meaning and form, and the

second is the use of figurative language is similar in meaning, but differs in form and the last is translated by the paraphrase.

Figurative language refers to a non-literal meaning of a word or a phrase (Nida, 1975). This may happen in any literary text especially while having the sense of aesthetic features in the figurative language. This in turn shows the importance of using aesthetic features in literary translation because aesthetic features are stylistic features that are used by the original author to fulfill different messages as Zhang (2008) states. He adds that the translator must take these features into account between a source text and a target text.

Jiang (2008) explains that the translator must have a high degree of ability to represent, in the mind's eye, certain combinations of the ST, like a painter who has an uncommon visual imagery, the musician auditory imagery; the translator must have verbal imagery. Art is what it has become its concept refers to what it does not contain (Adorno et al., 2002). They add that the tension between what motivates art and art's past circumscribes the so-called questions of aesthetic constitution. The gesture of experimentation, the name for artistic compartments that is obligatorily new has endured but now, keeping with the transition of aesthetic interest from the communicating subject to coherence of the object, it means something qualitatively different.

Zhang (2008) explains that different translators with different operations of psychological faculties might produce different comprehension of a literary text, hence different translated versions, and this point is described by the personalized aspect in the following way: In the same way two people gazing at the night sky may both be looking at the same collection of stars, but one will see the image of a plough and the other will make out a dipper. The stars in a literary text are fixed; the lines that join them are variable (Viehoff, 1986). In the aesthetic progression the translator is required to perceive the images.

The aesthetic experience is the imaginative faculty of the translator. Jiang (2008) adds that translation usually projects a certain image in the service of a certain ideology, and this fact is most apparent in the altered images in the translations. Some translators have tried to make the reproduced images fit their ideology by using all kinds of manipulative techniques, while other translators try to merge the poetics of the original with a poetics acceptable in their own ideology.

Zhang (2008) writes that the images in the literary texts simply refer to mental pictures, influenced by the author's moods or feelings, which need to be evoked and reproduced by the translator's imagination, and the translator is unconsciously concerned about expressing visual images. Although, Zhang insists upon getting the exact arrangement of words to express attitudes, ideas, and

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even moods, as well as a piece of literary works is usually composed of a series of images. The transition from the images into target-language exponents would produce more effective and equivalent translations than item for item replacement, and it is therefore indispensable for a good translator to comprehend the text in various manifested aspects through aesthetic actualization of the images; during this kind of translating process imagination is actually involved in the image actualization (Zhang, 2008).

### Methodology

Two passages were randomly chosen from Charles Dickens's "*Oliver Twist*" and their Arabic equivalents (*Ba'albaki, 2017*; and *Shanaway, 2013*). This research is a comparative qualitative research analysis that compares the two passages according to the canonicity and authorial weight features. As Dickens is considered a canon author; whereas, *Ba'albaki* is very well-known but *Shanaway* is not canon or has no authorial weight at the time.

Each translation will be then compared through the use of the aesthetic features and the figurative elements and to find out whether TT1 and TT2 maintain these aesthetic features in TTs. These features of figurative language will be first located in the ST then would be compared to their counterparts in TTs. These figurative elements related to canonicity and authorial weight which is considered to be creative aspect of Dickens and would be analysed in the TTs. Classifying the canon author in compared to the two translators and how well are to have authorial weight or not. The data (random sample) will be discussed thoroughly in terms of whether it equivalents to the aesthetic features of the ST. This sample will also be classified into the different strategy of Nida's (1964) dynamic or formal equivalence. The images in the ST are also represented in TTs (Zhang 2008).

### Data Analysis

**Table 1. The random texts passages taken from the source text (ST)**

No.	ST
1	Among other public buildings in a certain town, which for many reasons it will be prudent to refrain from mentioning, and to which I will assign no fictitious name, there is one anciently common to most towns, great or small: to wit, a workhouse; and in this workhouse was born; on a day and date which I need not trouble myself to repeat, inasmuch as it can be of no possible consequence to the reader, in this stage of the business at all events; the item of mortality whose name is prefixed to the head of this chapter.
2	For a long time after it was ushered into this world of sorrow and trouble, by the parish surgeon, it remained a matter of considerable doubt whether

	the child would survive to bear any name at all; in which case it is somewhat more than probable that these memoirs would never have appeared; or, if they had, that being comprised within a couple of pages, they would have possessed the inestimable merit of being the most concise and faithful specimen of biography, extant in the literature of any age or country.
3	The surgeon had been sitting with his face turned towards the fire: giving the palms of his hands a warm and a rub alternately. As the young woman spoke, he rose, and advancing to the bed's head, said, with more kindness than might have been expected of him: 'Oh, you must not talk about dying yet.' 'Lor bless her dear heart, no!' interposed the nurse, hastily depositing in her pocket a green glass bottle, the contents of which she had been tasting in a corner with evident satisfaction. 'Lor bless her dear heart, when she has lived as long as I have, sir, and had thirteen children of her own, and all on 'em dead except two, and them in the wurkus with me, she'll know better than to take on in that way, bless her dear heart! Think what it is to be a mother, there's a dear young lamb do.' Apparently this consolatory perspective of a mother's prospects failed in producing its due effect. The patient shook her head, and stretched out her hand towards the child. The surgeon deposited it in her arms. She imprinted her cold white lips passionately on its forehead; passed her hands over her face; gazed wildly round; shuddered; fell back- and died. The blood had stopped forever. They talked of hope and comfort.

Table 2. The target text (TT1) passages' equivalents

No.	TT1 (Ba'albaki)
1	<p>بين المباني العامة في مدينة ما، أرى لأسباب متعددة أن من الحكمة أن أحجم عن تسميتها ولن أعمد إلى اختيار اسم متخيل أخلعه عليها، مبنى كان يقوم مثله، في العهود القديمة، في معظم المدن، كبيرة كانت أو صغيرة: أعني ملجأ للفقراء. وفي هذا الملجأ وُلِدَ - ذات يوم من الأيام وفي تاريخ لن أكلف نفسي عناء ذكرهما إذ لا يمكن أن يكون لهما أية أهمية بالنسبة إلى القارئ، في هذه المرحلة من الأحداث على أية حال- المخلوق البشري الذي صدرنا باسمه هذا الفصل.</p> <p><i>bayn almbani aleamat fi mdynt ma, 'araa li'asbab mutaeadidat 'ana min alhikmat 'an 'ahjam ean tasmiaatiha walan 'aamad 'iilaa aikhtiar aism mtkhyanl akhleh ealayha, mabnaa kan yaqum mthlhu, fi aleuhud alqadimati, fi mezm almoduni, kabirat kanat 'aw saghirat: 'aeni maljaan lilfgra'. wafi hdha almalja wulid - dhat yawm min al'ayam wafi tarikh In 'uklif nafi eana' dhakrahuma 'iidh la ymkn 'an yakun lahuma ayt 'ahamiyatan balnsbt 'iilaa alqari, fi hadhih almarhalat min al'ahdath ealaa ayt hal- almakhluq albasharii aldhyy sddrna biaismih hdha alfasl.</i></p>
2	<p>وخلال فترة طويلة مضت على إدخال جرّاح الأبرشية المتمرّن ذلك الغلام إلى عالم الآسى والمتاعب، ظل القوم في ريبٍ شديد من أن الطفل سوف يحيا مدة من الزمن تؤهله لحمل أيما اسم على الإطلاق. ولو صحت ظنون القوم وفارق الطفل هذه الدنيا مبكراً، إذن لكان من شبه الثابت أن لا تظهر هذه المذكرات إلى دنيا الحرف البتّة. أو قل لكان خليقاً بها، لو ظهرن، أن تتمتع بحكم</p>



	<p>اقتصارها على صفتين اثنتين- بهذه الميزة التي لا تقدر بمال: كونها أوجز وأصدق سيرة قدر للأدب أن يعرفها في أيما عصر أو بلد.</p> <p><i>wakhilal fatrat tawilat madat ealaa 'iidkhal jrrah al'abrashiat almtmrn dhlk alghulam 'iilaa ealam al'asaa walmataeibi, zilu alqawm fi ryb shadid min 'ana altifl sawf yahya mdtan min alzaman tuahiluh lihaml 'ayama aism ealaa al'iitlaq. walaw saht zunuw alqawm wafariq altifl hadhih aldunya mbkraun, 'iidhan lakan min shbh alththabit 'an la tazhar hadhih almudhakirat 'iilaa dunya alharaf albitati. 'aw qul lakan khlyqaan biha, law zaharn, 'an tatamatae -bhakm aigtisaraha ealaa sifhatayn athntyn-bihadhih almayazat alty la taqddr bimal: kawnuha 'awjaz wa'usdiq siratan quddr lil'adab 'an yaerifuha fi ayma easr 'aw bald.</i></p>
3	<p>وكان الجراح قاعداً، موجهاً وجهاً وجهه نحو النار، فاركاً راحتيه حيناً، مدفناً إياهما حيناً. حتى إذا تكلمت المرأة الفتية نهض، ومضى نحو الفراش، وقال في جرس أحفل بالحنان مما كان متوقعاً منه. - "أوه، يجب أن لا نتحدثي عن الموت الآن."</p> <p>- "لا، لا، فليبارك الله فؤادها العزيز!" كذلك اعترضت الممرضة، مُقحمة في جيبها، على نحو خاطف، زجاجة خضراء كانت تذوق محتوياتها في إحدى الزوايا بارتياح واضح. "فليبارك الله فؤادها العزيز! لئلا أنها عُمرت بقدر ما عمرت، يا سيدي، ولو رزقت ثلاثة عشر ولداً كما رزقت، وماتوا كلهم ما خلا ولدين اثنين، أجل ولدين اثنين قُدر عليهما أن يعيشا معي في الملجأ، إذن لكأنت أعقل من أن تتفعل وتهتاج على هذه الشاكلة، فليبارك الله فؤادها العزيز! فكري قليلاً ما معنى أن تكون المرأة أمّاً.. إن ههنا حملاً صغيراً غالباً فكري!" ولكن هذا التصوير المؤاسي لمستقبل أم من الأمهات عجز في ما يبدو عن إحداث أثره المناسب. لقد هزّت الأم رأسها، وبسطت يدها نحو الوليد. ووضعها الطبيب بين ذراعيها. فطبعت شفتيها البيضاوين الباردتين، في انفعال، قبلة على جبينه، ومزّرت يديها على وجهه. وأجالت في ما حولها نظرة شاردة، وانقلبت على ظهرها.. وماتت. ولكن الدم كان قد كَفَّ عن الجريان إلى الأبد. لقد حدثاها حديث الأمل والسلوان.</p> <p><i>wakan aljirah qaedaan, mwjhaan wjhaan wajhah nahw alnaari, farkaan rahatayh hynaan, mdfyaan 'iiaahuma hynaan. hataa 'iidha takalamat almar'at alfityat nahda, wamadaa nahw alfarashi, waqal fi jaras 'ahfal bialhanaan mimma kan mutwqeaan minhu.</i></p> <p>- " 'awha, yjbu 'an la tatahadathay ean almawt alana."</p> <p>- " la, la, fulaybarik allah fuaaduha alezyz!" <i>kdhk aiataradat almunridatu, muqhmt fi jaybiha, ealaa nahw khatifi, zujajat khadira' kanat tadhawuq muhtawayatiha fi 'ihda alzawaya biairtiah wadih. "flaybarik allah fuaaduha aleaziz! laz 'anaha eumrt bqadr ma emrtu, ya saydi, walaw razaqat thlatht eshr wldeen kama razaqta, wamatuu klhm ma khala waladayn aithnyn, aji waladayn athnyn qudr ealayhima 'an yaeisha maei fi almaljai, 'iidhan lakant 'ueqal min 'an tanfaeil watahtaj ealaa hadhih alshaklt, falaybarik allah fuaaduha aleazyza! fkkry qlylaan maa maenaa 'an takun almar'at 'umaan.. 'iin hahunaa hamlaan sghyraan ghalyaan fkkry!" walakun hdha altaswir almuaasi limustaqbal 'am man al'amihat eajiz fi ma yabdu ean 'iindhath 'atharah almunasib. laqad hztt al'um rasuha, wabisutt yadaha nahw alwalid. wawadeah altabib bayn dhiraeha. fatabaet shiftayha albaydawin albaridatayni, fi ainfieali, qiblat ealaa jabinihi, wmrirt yadayha ealaa wajhihi. wa'ajalat fi ma hawlaha nazrat sharidat, wainqalabat ealaa</i></p>

	<i>zahrha.. wamatat. walikuna aldarn kan qad kf ean aljuran 'iilaa al'abd. laqad hudthaha hadith al'amal walsulwan.</i>
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**Table 3. The target text (TT2) passages' equivalents**

No.	TT2 (Shanaway)
1	<p>كان الوقت متأخراً ليلاً في إنجلترا أثناء الثورة الصناعية. في ذلك الوقت كانت معظم المدن الإنجليزية تحتاج إلى أشخاص لكي يعملوا في المصانع التي بدأت تفتح في كل أنحاء القطر. أتى الكثير من الناس إلى المدن لكي يجدوا عملاً، ولكنهم كانوا غالباً فقراء جداً لدرجة أنه لم يكن باستطاعتهم شراء ما يكفيهم للطعام ولم يكن لديهم أي مكان للنوم. لذلك كانوا يذهبون إلى الملاهي حيث كانوا يجدون على الأقل سريرًا ونوعاً من الطعام.</p> <p><i>kan alwaqt mtakhraan lylan fi 'iinjlirtira 'athna' althawrat alsinaeiati. fi dhalik alwaqt kanat mezm almodun al'iinjliziat tahtaj 'iilaa 'ashkhas likay yaemaluu fi almasanie alty bada'at taftah fi kli 'anha' alqatar. 'ataa alkthyr min alnnas 'iilaa almodun likay yajiduu eamlana, walakunahum kanuu ghalba fuqara'an jiddaan lidarajat 'anah lm yakun biastitaeatihim shira' ma yakfihim liltaeam walam yakun ladayhim 'ayu makan lilnuwmi. Idhlk kanuu yadhhabin 'iilaa almalaji hayth kanuu yajidun ela alaqli sariraan wanaweana min alta'am</i></p>
2	<p>في أحد هذه الملاهي كانت ممرضة عجوز وطبيباً يعملان في حجرة صغيرة مظلمة ينظران إلى ولد رضيع كان قد وُلد للتو. كان الطفل يجد صعوبة في التنفس. ولم يعرفا إذا كان الطفل سيعيش. سأل الطبيب الممرضة، "ما اسم والدة الطفل؟" فقالت الممرضة، "لا أعرف. هي وصلت إلى الملجأ الليلة الماضية. كانت مريضة وواهنة عندما وصلت".</p> <p><i>fi 'ahad hadhih almalaji kanat mumaradatan eajuz wtbybaan yaemalan fi hujrat saghirat muzalamat yanzuran 'iilaa wld radie kan qad wuld liltaw. kan altifl yajid sueubatan fi altanfuf. walam yaerafa 'iidha kan altifl sayaeishu. sa'al altabib almodridati, "ma aism walidat altafla?" fqalt almodrdati, "la 'aeraf. hi wasalat 'iilaa almalja allaylat almady. kanat maridat wawahinat eindama wasalat".</i></p>
3	<p>عندما بكى الطفل قالت الأم بوهن، "هل يمكنني أن أرى طفلي الجديد؟" رفعت الممرضة الطفل الصغير ورأته الأم للمرة الأولى. قامت بتقبيله برفق على خدّه وابتسمت. قم ماتت الأم. قالت الممرضة: "يا لها من امرأة مسكينة، إنها جميلة جداً. نحن لن نعرف أبداً من هي".</p> <p><i>eindama bakaa altifl qalat al'um buhuna, "hl yumkinuni 'an 'araa tiflay aljdyd?" rafaeat almodridat altifl alsaghir wara'atah al'umu lilmarat al'uwalaa. qamat bitaqbilih birifq ealaa khddh waibtasmat. qum matat al'ama. qalat almodrdt: "ya laha min aimra'at maskinatin, 'iinaha jamilat jdaan. nahn ln naerif abdaan min hia."</i></p>

These chosen texts (ST, TT1, and TT2) show that Dickens starts his novel by portraying the place of the story. Dickens (ST) used these words (public buildings, town, workhouse, parish surgeon, couple of pages, and child) to indicate the location. TTs use words in the TL (Arabic) that made a noticed change in understanding the original text as in the following table.

**Table 4. Words used in the target language (TL)**

No.	Words used in TL	Transliteration	Meaning
1	بين المباني العامة	<i>bayn almabani aleamat</i>	public buildings
2	المدن الإنجليزية	<i>almudun al'iinjiliziat</i>	British towns
3	الطفل	<i>altifl</i>	child
4	الطبيب	<i>altabib</i>	surgeon
5	أنحاء القطر	<i>kli 'anha' alqatar</i>	in the country parts
6	الثورة الصناعية	<i>althawrat alsinaeiati</i>	industrial revolution
7	جراح الأبرشية	<i>jrrah al'abrashiat</i>	Parish surgeon
8	الغلام	<i>alghulam</i>	child
9	صفحتين اثنتين	<i>sifhatayn athntyn</i>	couple of pages

Table 5 shows the different words choice of translating the ST.

**Table 5. The target language (TL) different words choice**

No.	SL	TT1	Transliteration	TT2	Transliteration
1	Public buildings	المباني العامة	almabanī al'ama	-----	-----
2	Child	الطفل	atifel	ولد رضيع	wald rade'
3	The parish surgeon	جراح الأبرشية	<i>jrrah al'abrashiat</i>	الطبيب	attabib
4	Couple of pages	صفحتين اثنتين	safhatin ethnatain	-----	
5	-----	-----	-----	المدن الصناعيّة	almudun assenaaya
6	-----	-----	-----	كان الوقت متأخراً	kana alwaqtu mata'kheran

The equivalents of the ST for this sample are varying. The way each translator translates the text and the procedures they used is different. Both translations make sense for reader. Some words make a special taste for the whole text. *Ba'albaki* uses literal translation with taking into account the source text. *Ba'albaki* uses Nida's procedure in his translation equivalents (Nida, 1964) states that there are two basic orientations or types of equivalence in translation: (1) formal equivalence and (2) dynamic equivalence. He adds that the formal equivalence focuses attention on the message itself, in both form and content. Also, he focuses on the content by preparing it in very well form too so reader can taste the text with its scenes and images. Table 5 indicates the following results.

- It shows that some words have more formal equivalents in *Ba'albaki*'s translation (TT1) as in the *parish surgeon*, which has been translated into جراح الأبرشية *jrrah*

*al'abrashiat*. As well as the term *child*, which has been translated into *altif* الطفل. These two terms (*the parish surgeon* and *child*) don't have the same accuracy equivalents as in *Shanaway's* translation (TT2). The term *altabib* الطبيب doesn't exactly represent the term *the parish surgeon*. As well as the term ولد رضيع *wald radi'a* doesn't exactly represent the word *child*.

- *Ba'albaki's* tends to match TT1 with the ST; whereas, *Shanaway* (TT2) adopts a strategy related to the target language (Arabic) culture. This result indicates that there is ordinarily no full equivalence between code-units (Baker, 1992). Jakobson (1976) believes that there is "no exact synonyms between languages, *Shanaway* adds extra words that are not mentioned in the original text such as *althawrat alsinaeiati* الثورة الصناعية and *kan alwaqt mtakhraan lyalaan fi 'iinjiltira* كان الوقت متأخراً ليلاً في إنجلترا.
- Adorno (1997) also mentions that the aesthetic experience should reflect the aesthetic interest of the writer to communicate in the subject and coherency. This means something qualitatively different. *Shanaway's* translation (TT2) uses the term الثورة الصناعية *althawrat alsinaeiati* which is not used in the ST to express the industrial revolution happened in England at the time.
- *Shanaway* (TT2) uses a dynamic equivalence by using extra and informative words that suits the Arabic readers (Nida, 1964). This shows how figurative language has been represented in *Shanaway's* translation (TT2). As mentioned before, some translators have tried to reproduce images that can fit their ideology by using manipulative techniques.
- *Ba'albaki's* translation (TT1) matches the same ideas of the ST; whereas, TT2 does not exactly match the ST. The following example is represented in table (6) (Among other public buildings in a certain town, which for many reasons it will be prudent to refrain from mentioning. بين المباني العامة في مدينة ما، أرى لأسباب متعددة أن bayn almabani aleamat fi mdynt ma, 'araa li'asbab mutaeadiat 'ana min alhikmat 'an 'ahjam ean tasmiatiha walan 'aamad 'iilaa aikhtiar aism mtkhyanl akhleh ealayha).

**Table 6. Phrase example extracted**

No.	SL	TL	Transliteration
1	Among	بين	bayna
2	Buildings	المباني	almabani
3	Public	العامة	al'ama
4	In a certain town	في مدينة ما	fi madina ma
5	For many reasons	لأسباب متعددة	la'sbaab mat'adida
6	From prudent	من الحكمة	man alhekma
7	To refrain	ان يحجم / ان يمنع	an yahjum / an yamna'
8	Mentioning	تسميتها	tasmiatuha

- Zhang (2008) states that the translator is unconsciously concerned about expressing visual images, although he insists upon getting the exact arrangement

of words to express attitudes, ideas, and even moods. *Ba'albaki's* translation (TT1) uses the same exact arrangement of the ST as shown in table 6.

- The following translations of TT1 حتى المرأة الفتية نهضت، و قال في جرس احفل بالحنان *hata almar'at alfityat nahdat, waqal fi jaras 'ahfal bialhanaan* فليبارك الرب فؤادها *altaswir* التصوير المؤاسي لمستقبل ام *falaybarik allah fuaaduha aleazyza!* العزیز، بسطت يدها نحو الوليد، *wabisutt yadaha nahw alwalid* اجالت *fatabaet shiftayha albaydawn albaridatayni* شفتيها البيضاوين الباردين، حدثاها حديث الامل *wa'ajalat fi ma hawlaha nazrat sharidat,* حولها نظرة شاردة، *alshudthaha hadith al'amal walsulwan.* The aesthetic features used in TT1 portray the full image of the ST. This figurative language involves the well known translator and author (*Ba'albaki*) who has authorial weight. This translation indicates a profession of the translator where he uses the formal and dynamic equivalence in (TT1). This involves that the translator must have a high degree of ability to re-present, in the mind's eye, certain combinations of the ST, like a painter who has an uncommon visual imagery, the musician auditory imagery; the translator must have verbal imagery. Zhang (2008) states that the images in the literary texts simply refer to mental pictures, influenced by the author's moods or feelings, which need to be evoked and reproduced by the translator's imagination, and the translator is unconsciously concerned about expressing visual images. This figurative language is clearly shown in *Ba'albaki's* translation (TT1) such as (صحت الظنون، دنيا الحرف البتة، بحكم اقتصارها على صفتين، ريب شديد) as in the following paragraph. These following paragraphs show that *Ba'albaki* has lived this experience by his uncommon visual imagery in his mind, and he shows us that he is in the place at the same time (Jiang, 2008).

(i). وظلّ القوم في ريبٍ شديدٍ من أنّ الطفل سيجيا مدةً من الزمان تؤهّلهُ لحمل أيما اسم على الإطلاق. وصحت ظنون القوم وفارق الطفل هذه الدنيا مبكراً، إذ لكان من شبه الثابت ان لا تظهر هذه المذكرات الى دنيا الحرف البتة. او قل، لكان خليقاً بها لو ظهرت ، ان تتمتع- بحكم اقتصارها على صفتين *zilu alqawm fi ryb shadid min 'ana altifl sawf yahya mdtan min alzaman tuahiluh lihaml 'ayama aism ealaa al'iitlaq. walaw saht zunuwn alqawm wafariq altifl hadhih aldunya mbkraun, 'iidhan lakan min shbh alththabit 'an la tazhar hadhih almudhakirat 'iilaa dunya alharaf albitati. 'aw qul lakan khlyqaan biha, law zaharn, 'an tatamatae -bhakm aiqtisaraha ealaa sifhatayn athntyn- bihadhih almayazat alty la taqddr bimal).*

(ii). حتى المرأة الفتية نهض، جرس احفل بالحنان مما كان متوقّعا منه. *hata almar'at alfityat nahda, wamadaa nahw alfarashi, waqal fi jaras 'ahfal bialhanaan mimma kan mutwqeaan minhu).*
- Ba'albaki's* translation (TT1) represents a certain image in the service of a certain ideology; whereas, other translators try to merge the poetics of the original with a poetics acceptable in their own ideology. Adding, the social and cultural diversities may make the pursuit of simpatico difficult if not impossible for the intra-lingual translator.

- There is immense match coherence between Dickens's *Oliver Twist*'s (ST) ideology and its equivalent TT1 (*Ba'albaki*). TT2 translation is a direct language without take into account the literal translation of the ST. TT2 uses omission and replaces other terms that involves the readers' language as in the following examples; *يا عمالان في حجره صغيرة مظلمة yaemalan fi hujrat saghirat muzalamat; wld radie* *قالت الام بوهن qalat al'um buhuna; كانت مريضة وواهنة kanat maridat wawahinat; قامت بتقبيله برفق على خدة وابتمت ثم ماتت tiflay aljdyd; قامات bitaqbilih birifq ealaa khddh waibtasmat; يا لها من مسكينة انها امرأة جميلة and ya laha min aimra'at maskinatin, 'iinaha jamilat jdaan.*
- Shanaway (TT2) uses very brief, short, and clear words. He replaces the procedure of literal translation with the use of short and deep and brief figurative language. This shows that the use of figurative language in translation involves a deviation from what speakers of a language apprehend as the ordinary or standard significance or sequence of words, in order to achieve some special meaning or effect as (Abrams 1988).
- Figurative language employs the speaker's deep perception of or emotive identification with the idea being expressed. Shanaway's translation (TT2) includes that translating figurative language not only requires the knowledge of the language and cultures of both source and target language, but also choosing the appropriate word and translation strategies as shown in table 7.
- TT2 characterizes the literary text by using figurative and aesthetic ways. TT2 methods that are not the same as in the ST as shown in Table 7.

**Table 7. The target text (TT2) example as a figurative language**

ST	TT2 by Shanaway	Transliteration
As the young woman spoke	قالت الام بوهن	<i>qalat al'um bewahan</i>
-----	كانت مريضة وواهنة	<i>kanat maridat wawahinat</i>
Child -----	ولدي رضيع يا لها من مسكينة انها امرأة جميلة	<i>wld radie ya laha min aimra'at maskinatin, 'iinaha jamilat jdaan</i>

- Shanaway (TT2) makes many changes to the ST. He deletes too details and replaces these details by using figurative and meaningful words. He adapted the target language features. Shanaway uses dynamic equivalents in TT2. He uses figurative simple words to be more expressive than translating literal one or word by word.

## Conclusion

The study concludes that the translation of *Ba'albaki* (TT1) is very meaningful and helpful. He uses clarified procedures while translating, and he takes into his

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account both the formal and dynamic translation for the source text (Nida 1964). Because of his authorial weigh, he applies the aesthetic features, the figurative language and the tasteful senses to his translation. *Ba'albaki* (TT1) is very smart in his translation. He takes care of Nida's dynamic and formal equivalent in translation because this text is a literary text. Reader wants to enjoy while reading it, and they want to taste every word and scene in the novel (Wheeler, 2015). On the other hand, *Shanaway* (TT2) translation tends to be very brief. He doesn't take into his account the sensitivity of the literary text as a canon and big work. The reader of any literary work is thirst to read more and in details. Reader wants to taste the literature as it is with no deletion and no omission.

Dickens's work already has its authorial weight, Dickens too. So, the translator of any canon work should be more careful while translating the literary work (Wheeler, 2015). There is no exact translation, but there is more accurate translation than another. The authoritative translator, like *Ba'albaki*, knows how to preserve author's intended meaning of the ST (Zhang, 2008).

From researchers' point of view, there is a relationship between the authorial weight of a work and the translator and his/her proficiency in translating or writing. *Ba'albaki* (TT1) has his authorial weight to some extent, and he translates the text in a very reprehensive form similar to the ST. Reader of his translation still can taste the sense of literature and Dickens's touch in his literary work; whereas, *Shanaway* translation (TT2) has lost the sense of literature, it seems that his translation is for educational issues not for enjoying *Dickens's Oliver Twist*.

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