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HyperCard: Script for Importing Comma-Separated Text (7/92)

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TOPIC -----

This article provides a script that will import a comma-separated text file into HyperCard. It assumes that:

- There is a comma between fields.
- There is a return between records.
- If a field itself contains a comma, then the field has quote marks around (though it will work just as well if ALL fields have quotes around them).

DISCUSSION -----

on mouseUp

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answer file "Import from which file?" of type text
if it is empty then exit mouseUp
put it into fileName
open file fileName
go to last card
repeat forever
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read from file fileName until return
if it is empty then
  go to first card
  close file fileName
  exit mouseUp
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else
  doMenu "New Card"
  put "," into last char of it
end if
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repeat with x=1 to the number of fields
  if char 1 of it is quote then
    put char 2 to offset(quote&","it) - 1 of it into field x
    delete char 1 to offset(quote&","it) of it
  else
    put char 1 to offset(","it) - 1 of it into field x
    delete char 1 to offset(","it) of it
  end if
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end repeat
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end repeat
end mouseUp

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