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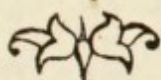


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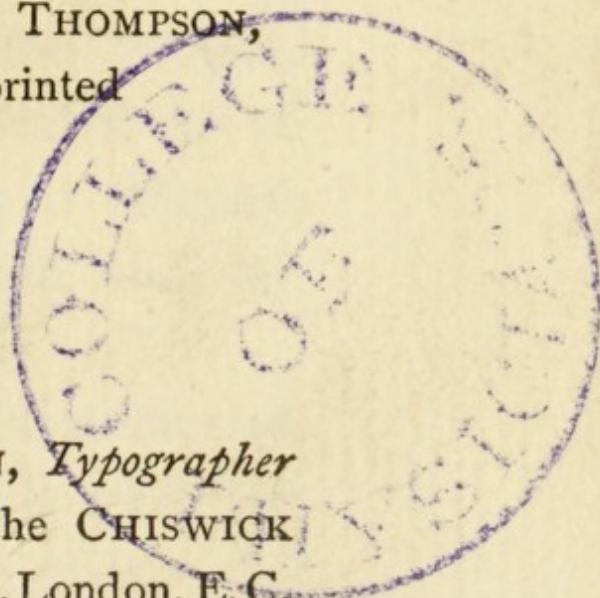
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## Prefatory Note concerning our Year-Bokes.

**A**LTHOUGH such a publication as a Year-Book may not ordinarily need to be introduced by a formal preface, the appearance of this, the first Year-Boke of the Sette of Odd Volumes, seems to demand some brief explanation of its origin and intention.

The Annals of the Sette, during the small and early days of its existence, were duly recorded in two "Bokes," containing respectively the first and second five years of our history. But, with the continuous growth, and ever-widening



connections and interests of the Sette, it became yearly more and more desirable that the publication of its proceedings should no longer be deferred to these quinquennial periods, but should take place at much shorter and more convenient intervals. The general feeling that this should be so was at length embodied in a motion by our *Librarian*, Brother Quaritch, at the annual Business Meeting of the Sette, held on March 7th, 1890, and a Resolution was then passed that our transactions should henceforth be published yearly, at the close of each President's term of office.

Such a Resolution, though relating mainly and more directly to the future, necessarily bore also a retrospective aspect, in order that our Annals, continuing unbroken, should include the history of the two years intervening between the issue of the "Seconde Boke" of the Odd Volumes and the date of our decision to publish our proceedings annually.

Obviously, the inauguration of this new de-



parture presents a favourable opportunity for the introduction of certain alterations in, and additions to, our "Bokes." From this time our Annals assume a somewhat more business-like form, and accordingly the *Treasurer's* financial account, and the Secretary's inventory of the property belonging to the Sette will henceforward be included in our Year-Boke, while there will also in future be incorporated with it any short Papers read to the Sette during the year, such as have heretofore been issued separately under the inappropriate and sometimes inaccurate title of *Miscellanies*.

In the production of this work the *Historiographer* has kept ever in view the fact, that, as the first of what may, and he hopes will, prove a long series of Odd Volume Year-Bokes, the present will probably serve to some extent as the pattern of our future annual volumes; and he has considered that he should therefore devote special care to its scope and the arrangement of its various details, so as to include in it



in convenient and readily accessible form such of our proceedings as may be likely to interest present and future members of the Sette, and any of our guests into whose hands it may chance to be placed. He is very far from feeling completely satisfied with his own ideal as here realized. In order to render such a publication truly worthy of a Society which now includes within its ranks so many Brethren honourably distinguished in literature, in science, and in art, various improvements will no doubt from time to time be suggested, and be duly introduced into subsequent issues of our Year-Boke, either by the present *Historiographer*, or by some abler successor to his office.

*It is perhaps proper to mention here, in reference to the two excellent illustrations, the work of Mr. W. Heydemann, which do so much to invest this volume with artistic merit, that the scope of our Year-Bokes extends, so far as the Sette is concerned, only to the letterpress, and does not comprise*



*pictorial embellishments, which, if such expensive luxuries should happen to appear, are to be provided by the President himself whose rule is commemorated in each particular Year-Boke, and entirely at his own private cost, and according to his own personal munificence, taste, and discretion.*





The First Year-Boke of the Odd  
Volumes,

RECORDING THE TRANSACTIONS OF THE  
SETTE FROM APRIL 6TH, 1888, TO  
APRIL 5TH, 1889.

President.

BROTHER T. C. VENABLES, *Antiquary.*

Vice-President.

BROTHER C. WELSH, *Chapman.*

Secretary.

BROTHER J. W. BRODIE-INNES, *Master  
of the Rolls.*



DULCE EST DESIPERE IN LOCO.—*Horace.*

DULCE—*Delightful*, says the poet,  
EST—*is it*, and right well we know it,  
DESIPERE—*to play the fool*  
IN LOCO—*when we're out of school.*

*W. M. T.*

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## Rules.

AS REVISED AND SETTLED IN MARCH, 1888.

### I.

**T**HE Sette of Odd Volumes to meet on the first Friday in every month, unless the day be previously altered by the President.

2. Each Odd Volume on his admission to receive a Badge and a Certificate, and to pay Three Odd Pounds and Three Odd Shillings, as his first Subscription. The future Annual Subscription to be One Odd Pound, Eleven Odd Shillings, and Sixpence, to be paid in advance.



3. The Election of Odd Volumes to be by Ballot.
4. The place of Meeting to be fixed by the President and Councillors. Seven days' notice to be sent by the Secretary to each Odd Volume.
5. No Odd Volume to talk *unasked* on any subject he understands.
6. Any Odd Volume leaving his Annual Subscription unpaid for six months, to cease to be a Member of the Sette. Any Member and any Office-Bearer desiring to resign to place his resignation in the hands of the President, to be by him laid before the Sette at the next Meeting, and to be dealt with by them as they shall think fit.
7. Every new Odd Volume, on the first night of his admission, to make a speech, to sing a song, or to recite a piece of poetry or prose.
8. Every Odd Volume to have the privilege of bringing Guests.



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9. Any Odd Volume losing his temper and failing to recover it, to be fined by the President the sum of five shillings.
  10. Discussions about Anthropology, Religion, and Politics to be put down by the President at his pleasure.
  11. Any O. V. giving to another O. V. *unasked* advice to be fined five shillings.
  12. Annual Subscriptions to be due on the First of April, and to extend to the end of March of the following year. Subscriptions of new Odd Volumes to be due for the current year on the day of election. The Election of Office-Bearers and the Revision of the Rules to be effected every March.
  13. No Odd Volume to be elected President for two consecutive years. Ex-Presidents to form a Sette of Odd Councillors.
  14. The Sette of Odd Volumes to consist of Twenty-one, this being the number of volumes of the Variorum Shakespeare of



- 1821 ; but Supplemental O. V.'s to the number of Twenty-one to be elected, and to be incorporated in the Sette as vacancies arise.
15. Each monthly meeting to pay its own expenses.
16. The first toast at every meeting to be the National expression of loyalty, "Her Majesty the Queen."
17. GUESTS to be introduced to the PRESIDENT and the Sette by the M.C.
18. CANDIDATES for Election into the Sette of Odd Volumes to have been previously received at least *twice* as Guests. Each Candidate to be in due form proposed and seconded at one of the regular Meetings.
19. The BALLOT for the Election to take place prior to the Meeting in the following month. Three black balls to exclude the Candidate.
20. No Odd Volume's speech to last longer

than three minutes; if, however, the inspired O. V. has any more to say, he may proceed until his voice is drowned in the general applause.

21. The above Rules, or any of them, to be SUSPENDED at any Meeting of the Sette by consent of two-thirds of the Members *then present.*









## The Valedictory and Inaugural Addresses.

**W**HEN our Year-Boke comes to be duly issued at its proper date, that is to say, shortly after the end of each yearly presidency, and, therefore, in its complete form, it is proposed here to give in it the Valedictory Address of the out-gone President, and the Inaugural Address of his newly elected successor. But these Addresses for the years 1887-88, and 1888-89 having been already issued as *Miscellanies* Nos. 18 and 20, they are omitted from the first and second Year-Bokes, as their reproduction in these volumes appeared in the judgment of the *Historiographer* to be altogether unnecessary.







## General Summary

OF THE

History of the Sette of Odd Volumes.

*From April, 1888, to April, 1889.*




SINGLE year forms so inconsiderable a period in the existence of such a Society as the Sette of Odd Volumes, that an epitome of its history during that space of time must necessarily be very brief, its events having most probably been but few and of slight import even to its most devoted members; and the year's presidency of Brother Venables, 1888-89, was of this comparatively uneventful



character, being marked chiefly by the steady growth and placid well-being of the Sette. Six new members, Messieurs Hamilton, Gordon, Hollingsworth, Lane, Todhunter, and Elgar, joined the Society, making a total of thirty-seven, consisting of twenty-one Odd Volumes, and sixteen supplemental Odd Volumes; the Brethren continued to dine together in reasonable unity; many able and interesting addresses were delivered at our meetings; and the contributions, by members and guests alike, to that discreet hilarity for which the Sette is famed were as profuse, varied, and excellent as heretofore.

### Our Guests.

S the list of a hundred and thirty guests given later on in this Year-Boke testifies, the reputation of the Brotherhood for agreeable hospitality was amply sustained under the rule of President Venables, and some




exceptionally welcome visitors did his Oddship and the Sette the honour and pleasure of dining with them. For many songs, recitations, histrionic imitations, musical performances, amusing anecdotes, and eloquent speeches we admit our indebtedness to our friends our guests. While it is of course impossible to give here the names, and enlarge on the merits and services of all who thus gratified us, it will perhaps scarcely be deemed invidious to single out for special mention one visitor, whose near relationship to the President himself, apart from the shining gifts and virtues possessed by him in common with many other of our guests, seems to entitle him to this distinction, if such it be. Our December meeting was graced, then, by the presence of the learned and amiable Canon Edmund Venables, uncle of his Oddship, who, in responding for his companions and himself to the customary Odd Volume toast of "Our Guests!" entertained and charmed the whole company with a model after-dinner speech, presenting many vivid reminis-



cences of his own life and times, and a sprightly account of the very earliest days, indeed hours, of his nephew, our august President ; nay, claiming for the genial speaker the honour of having rendered even pre-natal services to his Oddship, in that it was he who, hastily beclad, and with fitly hurried step, had fetched the family doctor on the deeply important and interesting occasion of his birth. But, the dull pen of your *Historiographer* can do no worthy justice to the *viva voce* eloquence of the accomplished speaker. It must suffice to say, that the short speech of Canon Venables presented a rare, and racy combination of quaint memories of a bygone day, apposite quotations, airy wit and shrewd wisdom, deftly touching on many topics and gracefully adorning all : in brief, a charming specimen of leisured, courteous, old-school oratory.



## Literary and Artistic Productions.

HE year 1888-89, added four new works to our bibliography: two *Opuscula*, No. XVIII., *Ve Seconde Boke of Ve Odd Volumes*, by the *Historiographer*, and No. XIX., *Repeats and Plagiarisms in Art* by Brother Orrock, the *Connoisseur*, and two *Miscellanies*, No. 18, the *Inaugural Address* of Brother Venables, the *Antiquary*, as President, and No. 19, *Ve Papyrus Roll-Scroll of Ve Sette of Odd Volumes*, by Brother Brodie-Innes, the *Master of the Rolls*.


The artistic character of the Sette was fully and ably exemplified in our Menu Cards, many of which we owed, as we have done in former years, to the facile, dexterous pencil of our *Art Critic*, Brother Haité, ever ready to devote his time and talents to the use of the Sette. Nor must omission be made of two excellent Menu designs given us by our guests, Mr. J. Grego and Mr. C. L. Pott; while the appropriate illustration



with which the President's Ball programme was embellished was furnished by the clever, graceful pencil of Miss Violet Wyman, our *Treasurer's* daughter.

Thanks doubtless to the unrivalled skill and unremitting care of two members, Brother Murrell, our *Leech*, and Brother Gervis, our *Apothecary*, no death occurred in the Sette during this year, and the *Historiographer* has great satisfaction in not having occasion to introduce the sad heading *Necrology* into the Index and pages of our Year-Boke for 1888-89, and can but express his fervent hope that these skilful Brethren may succeed in keeping our death-rate at this very creditably low point for many years to come.

### Our Gaudy Day.

HILE every meeting of the Sette has its gaudy side, some portion of each being devoted to those lighter pleasures whose frivolities so suitably relieve the more severe



studies of the Brethren, and the inspired and inspiring strains of our *Organist* are often supplemented by those of Signor Bisaccia, or some other musical genius, and our own fraternal drolleries are quite outdone by the inimitable imitations of Mr. Dillon Croker, or some other great mimetic, or histrionic artist, we still feel that the world demands from the Sette of Odd Volumes something even yet gaudier, a still more pronounced rejoicing and solemnly ordered hilarity, and the Sette, rising as one Volume to the giddy height of the requirement, long ago sternly resolved that the world shall not be disappointed, but that one bright day shall annually be set apart for the special entertainment and delectation of the wives and daughters, sons and cousins of Odd Volumes, and their friends. How to make this yearly recurring festival each fresh year once again a true red-letter day to our young people, and their elders, has been a grave puzzle to each successive President. How each one has discovered



some satisfactory solution of it, the curious in *soirées* and *conversazioni* may learn from our *Seconde Boke*. Brother Venables in turn gave his presidential mind to the consideration of this hair-bleaching problem, and accordingly he too solved it triumphantly: he would give a Ball and Supper. It would be that rare thing, a new novelty, an innovation that really innovated. Say not — !? The *Historiographer* writes only in Sette sense, in Odd Volume sense. A ball and supper! What delicious possibilities the words suggested. The staid Sette going to its first ball! The *Librarian* could not at first grasp the idea of such very high jinks, and was almost scandalized at the notion of Odd Volumes dancing; no doubt expecting next, and shortly, to see his own, his rarest and oldest books nimbly skipping, instead of decorously being skipped. The event proved, however, that the thought was as happy as it was audacious, or, say, Oddacious. The writer is well aware that the President a month or two after this most



successful evening attempted to throw the credit of the idea partly upon the *Historiographer*. This was a pure afterthought, and quite contrary to the truth: the suggestion came distinctly from Brother Venables himself, President, and *Antiquary*; and the *Historiographer* feels goaded to add further his secret belief that the original inspiration proceeded from Mrs. Venables. It was so apt and happy, so worthy of a quick-witted, accomplished lady imbued with the innate, incommunicable grace of a daughter of France. Beyond question her delicacy and tact alone prevented her from acknowledging this, and may even now induce her to disclaim her due honour in favour of the President himself.

The matter, if the heart's truth of it must be extorted, came about something on this wise. One day the *Historiographer* was lunching with the President and his wife, avowedly for the purpose of discussing the fittest mode of celebrating the approaching Gaudy Day, when his Oddship, after sagaciously remarking that a



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touch of originality would seem not to be wholly out of place in an Odd Volume, and that the President especially should eschew above all things dull monotony and wearisome routine, appeared to fall into an agreeable reverie. Evidently absorbed in pleasantest thought, he ever and anon raised his wine-glass, quasi-mechanically, to his lips, and, as though half-unconsciously, gravely sipped his champagne ; thus, all the while, however, distinctly punctuating to the observant mind's eye of the *Historiographer* the wise and delightful train of thought he was pursuing. And now, rise, O my historiographic pen ! rise to the high dignity of this unique occasion, and essay worthily to depict the striking scene ! There sits his museful Oddship. Short sip—denoting a mere comma. Longer sip—this time clearly a semicolon, marking more complete sense. After brief musing, a slow, deliberative sip, with slight glance upward—obvious note of interrogation. Sip, sip, with uncertain expression playing around the lips—



colon, indicating some general statement, with particular examples or explanatory qualification following. Sudden, hasty sip, with a sharp jerking back of the presidential head—clearly a crisp note of exclamation. Finally, a preliminary sip, followed by a longer draught, and a sigh, as of unwelcome relief—plainly a period, or full stop, the train of thought and the wine having curiously come to an end together. With a somewhat wistful glance at the empty glass, the President then said, with unfaltering voice, “I shall give a Ball and Supper.” “Ah, but that will be charming!” said Mrs. Venables in gleeful, silvery accents, adding immediately, with great spirit and vivacity, “And I will see that they are worthy of the Sette of Odd Volumes, and of my husband, its President.” “Good, very good!” said the sententious *Historiographer*, raising to his lips, and, after a becoming interval, lowering his glass.

In order that he might not disturb, and perchance break off for ever, presidential meditations



fraught with such auspicious promise to the Sette, the *Historiographer* had, far from unwillingly, promptly seized the favourable opportunity to indulge his well-known taste for gallantry, and had directed his attention and conversation entirely to Mrs. Venables, but still keeping close watch on the regular succession of his Oddship's thoughts, sips, and stops—,—; —?—:—!— . It is the recognized gift of all historiographers to pry at will into the hearts, and to spy out the secret motives, of those unfortunate persons whom they may choose to portray in their so-called histories; and your *Historiographer*, therefore, by virtue of this useful faculty, which he possesses in exceptional development, clearly perceived the current of thought which passed through the mind of the President, the very words even in which his reflections were embodied, and the mental stops so vividly illustrated by their corresponding sips. His Oddship had silently soliloquized as follows :—



“To dance, or not to dance? Why not? Why, indeed? We learn from our very Bibles that there is a time to dance; and surely that time is in the hey-day of youth, and at a season of festivity! Indeed, at such times it were a keen reproach to young men and maidens that, when piped to they would not dance. And, in sympathetic enjoyment of the recreations of our sons and daughters, we conscript fathers, and the matrons our home rulers, may recall many a pleasant memory, and in some sort renew our own happy youth-tide.

I am sure so mature a scholar as my Brother Walford, of Balliol, could cite me classical authorities and precedents in plenty, if need were; for I know that in the wisest and bravest days of ancient Greece and Rome the poetry of motion found worthy appreciation; while those great and learned societies, our old Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, still fitly maintain the honour of Terpsichore, and at least once a year, like our own Sette of Odd Volumes, sing, or say, *Dulce est desipere in loco*; and the wisest College is the one that gives the gayest ball.

Is not dancing, moreover, an honest, harmless, old English pastime, dear to the heart of the people of once merry England? In the good days of yore, simple and gentle alike danced, and often together: the rustic youth tripped around their May-pole, and frisked about on their village green, while the old folks looked on admiringly and lovingly; the town-bred courtiers, too, in their stately halls, deemed it not beneath their dignity to pace a



solemn minuet, nor disdained even to tread the brisker measure of a lively country dance, such as the ever famous Sir Roger de Coverley.

The poets love dancing, royal Shakespeare above all. Gray tells us how, on fit occasion,—

“The grave Lord Keeper led the brawls,  
The seals and maces danced before him.”

and even the grand, sublime John Milton can turn aside from his loftier strain to note, without censure—

“When the merry bells ring round,  
And the jocund rebecks sound  
To many a youth, and many a maid,  
Dancing in the chequer'd shade.”

and can invite the Nymph, heart-easing Mirth, and her companions to—

“Come, and trip it as you go,  
On the light fantastic toe.”

I can desire no better, no nobler authority than the immortal puritan poet.

And then, after the fitting imbibition, aloud, in meetly decided tone, “I will give a Ball and Supper.”



“And I will see that they are worthy of the Sette of Odd Volumes, and of my husband, its President;” and, as we know, Mrs. Venables was better than her word, giving us an evening, all too short, greatly enjoyed, long to be remembered. Never had the sons and daughters of the Sette, and their young friends of both sexes, and all ages, a more thoroughly delightful evening, never had the elder Brethren present, howsoever hoary, spent a pleasanter social evening than this. The spacious Marlborough Rooms were comfortably filled by a brilliant assemblage of jovial youth and beaming beauty, with just a reasonable admixture of sedate age, and maturing, not too matured, comeliness. Brightness and loveliness, inspiring music and graceful dancing, choice viands and sparkling, exhilarating wines, and everywhere a refined and genial welcome, provided abundant means of enjoyment for each and all; and the little brooch representing the O.V. monogram, which was given to everyone on entering the room, will no doubt, as it de-



serves, long be treasured up in memory of Brother Venables' presidential Gaudy Day.

Having a wholesome dread of a possible anticlimax, the *Historiographer* will bring his epitome of a good year's pleasant and prosperous history to a summary end with the record of this signal festal success.



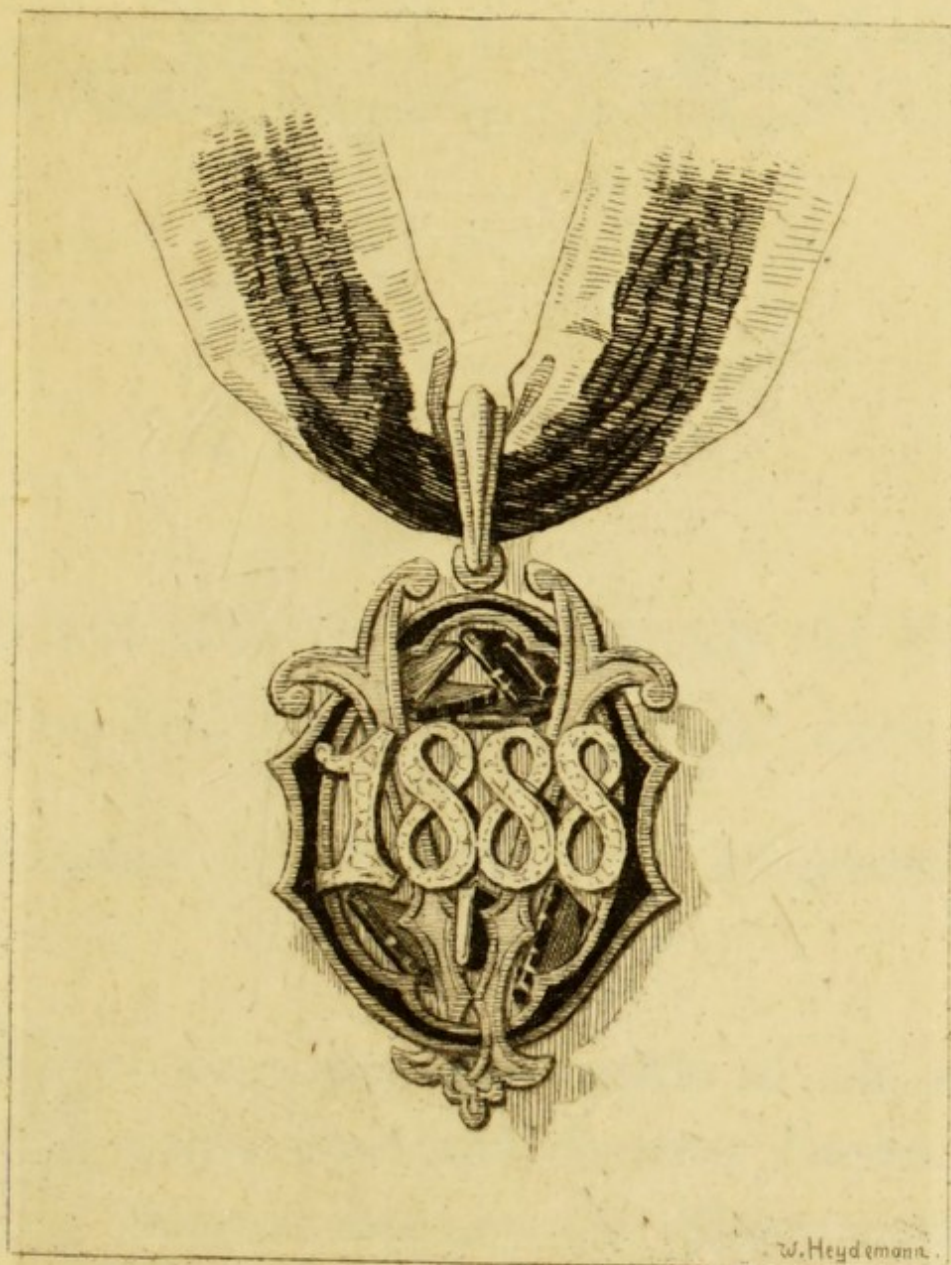
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The President's Badge 1888







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## A Brief Chronicle

OF THE

Principal Events occurring in the Year

*From April 6th, 1888, to April 5th, 1889.*

*President—T. C. VENABLES, Antiquary  
to the Sette.*

N proposing the health of the outgoing President, Brother Davies, of fragrant memory, the *Historiographer* took occasion to say,—

“We this night illustrate one of the fables of our youth. In the President of the Sette of Odd Volumes you behold the true Phoenix—the ancient pioneer of modern incrimination. Yes, you see him on his very funeral pyre, spicy



as ever ; and from his expiring ashes arises the new fledgeling, which, according to the orthodox Odd Volume creed, is to prove a yet finer Phoenix.

So be it ; but I belong to a small and dwindling cult which worships the setting sun. I like the old Phoenix. Good old Phoenix ! I expect very great things from the new President ; but I have had very great things from the late one ; and memory is more trustworthy than hope."

The expectation then expressed was very fully realized : the new President amply justified the wisdom of the Sette in their selection of him to fill that honourable, but arduous post. It was especially difficult successfully to follow so excellent a predecessor as our *Attorney-General*, and it is no small credit to our *Antiquary* that he so admirably maintained the prestige of the Office.

It is but just, and what Brother Venables would himself most desire, to state here, at the very outset, the good service rendered to the President by his zealous fellow-officials, the Vice-President and Secretary. To the able



support of the former some considerable portion of the year's prosperity was undoubtedly due, Brother Welsh, our *Chapman*, giving in his new office full proof of the possession of valuable business qualities, and Vice-Presidential abilities of a high order. The *Historiographer*, too, having to depend to so great an extent on the Minutes for the material of his "Bokes," whether quinquennial, or annual, cannot but revert with humble pride to the confidence he expressed, in *Ye Seconde Boke*, that Brother Brodie-Innes would prove a highly efficient Secretary; for our *Master of the Rolls* surpassed all expectance, not merely performing the lowlier, but important, clerical duties of his office with most commendable punctuality, neatness, and despatch, but rising also to a just appreciation of its higher functions, and giving us in the Minute Book a record of our doings, grave and gay, worthy of himself, and of the Sette of Odd Volumes.

To return to the President himself, with whom



we have here mainly to do. The continuous growth of our fraternity necessarily implies a correspondingly increasing variety of dispositions and tastes, of sympathies, prejudices, and susceptibilities, all requiring delicate consideration and skilful treatment by the Brother who would make his tenure of the presidency agreeable to the Members in general, and creditable to himself. It will be evident therefore that in the presidential rule of so large and miscellaneous a society as the Sette of Odd Volumes has now become—needful firmness being of course taken for granted—tact, suavity, and a dutiful, diligent, and just regard for all interests alike will prove more valuable, more conducive, that is to say, to pleasant well-being, than would even more heroic qualities and virtues. The open secret of Brother Venables' popularity and esteem as a President lay very much in the fact, that before his elevation to the Chair he had been a thoroughly good Odd Volume, in other words, he was as an ordinary Member eminently



clubbable, and in his subsequent official position he continued so, only growing more so, with an inexhaustible pertinacity of good nature never to be wearied nor daunted, apparently setting aside all his own personal predilections, and becoming almost ostentatiously retiring and self-abnegatory. From his first assumption of office he set himself to be all things to all members; and this attitude he consistently retained to the very close of his term, so giving universal satisfaction. Sparing no personal pains nor expense in the fulfilment of his multifarious duties, which to him were pleasures, he found his reward in the cordial recognition of his efforts by the entire Sette, in its regard for him during his occupancy of the Chair, and its warm thanks and good wishes on his vacating it.

Attention to even the smallest details is admittedly one element of genius; and it is perhaps characteristic of his Oddship, Brother Venables, that in him this was not wanting. For an illustration of this we have his famous



rectification of the arrangement of the colours of the Sette. The *Historiographer* must be pardoned for making here a brief digression, in order once for all to place on permanent record for the information of Odd Volumes of recent election, and of the outer world folk, the origin of our choice of the beautiful, tasteful, and finely artistic combination of colours now for ever associated with the Sette. Like most Odd Volume peculiarities, it was not the outcome of deliberation and eccentricity aforethought, but was purely fortuitous, happening thus. To do all honour to the first meeting of the few friends who conceived the crude idea of our Society, and thereupon founded, and inaugurated it, our *Librarian*, Brother Bernard Quaritch, perceiving with Thomas Carlyle—who was himself worthy to have been an Odd Volume, had fate so favoured him—the significance, emblematic and philosophic, of vestments, determined to add lustre and grace to the august proceedings by robing himself in suitable attire. Finding



among his partially discarded wardrobe a bright red velvet waistcoat, he saw in it a garment well befitting the solemn inception of our Society. Further search brought to light a neck-tie of light blue. Fortune was auspicious. Intuitively discerning the perfect appropriateness of the costume to the occasion, he forthwith arrayed himself therein, and, troubled by no æsthetic misgivings, in due course appeared at our inaugural dinner in this strikingly effective, and now historic, red and blue attire. That gules and azure should be the colours of our newly established Sette of Odd Volumes was spontaneously proposed and seconded by everyone present, and carried unanimously by loudest acclamation.

Long after this memorable dinner, the acclamations too having subsided, we made the horrible discovery that we had accidentally lighted on the colours, and even on the identical pattern, of the ribbon of the English Mark Masons. The punctilious spirit of our *Antiquary* was ever sorely fretted by this unlucky coincidence ; and



on his election to the Presidency, with its attendant enhanced sense of responsibility, the manifest absurdity of a Sette which is nothing if not original, proudly displaying false colours, borrowed, if not stolen, became absolutely intolerable to him. He resolved to change all that, and, long and carefully ruminating, he at last discovered a beautifully simple means of rectifying the error into which we had inadvertently fallen. The pattern of the Mark Mason's ribbon consists of a central stripe of sky blue, with side stripes of red. Now, the President did but ingeniously reverse this arrangement,—boldly placing the gules in the centre, the azure at the sides, and hey ! presto ! our colours and ourselves were called to order.

By those, the wise, who know on what slight things the fate of a nation, nay, even of a Sette, may turn, the importance of making our colours heraldically speaking “proper” will be adequately realized. With those, the otherwise, those profane and practical folk, not without a



certain worthiness of their own, who regard such matters as mere trifles, of small consequence in a work-a-day world, your *Historiographer* will not argue, but only wish them all sorts of prosperity, with a little deeper insight into the philosophy of ribbons.

But, to resume our chronicle, we must now condescend a little on particulars of Brother Venables' official career. The meeting held on April 6th, 1888, our hundred and second, was auspiciously commenced by the reception and initiation, both in our preliminary private gathering, of three new members, Brothers W. J. Goode, *Potter*, Hermann Vezin, *Poor Player*, and Alfred East, *Aquarelliste*, very worthy additions to our ranks, bringing up the number of Supplemental Odd Volumes to eleven, in continuation of our Sette of twenty-one, forming together a goodly society of thirty-two Odd Volumes over which to preside. An unusually large company of Brethren and their guests assembled to speed the parting, welcome the



coming President. The last act of the outgoing President, our *Attorney-General*, appropriate in itself, and very characteristic of him, was the presentation to the Sette of the Deed, prepared by himself and at his own cost, investing its property in trustees chosen by the members. Brother Davies then laid down his office, but not his honours, with fitting dignity, and delivered his Valedictory Address, a pattern of a presidential Farewell, replete with such sterling wisdom, wit, and good feeling as ever find kindly admiration and hearty welcome among Odd Volumes. The transfer of office and allegiance was made in the usual form, and with the customary quaint ceremonial, the retiring President investing his successor with the presidential badge, which each President provides for himself new for the occasion, and handing to him the massive key of the Archives of the Sette. The *Herald*, in loudly-resonant tones, proclaims the rightful title and authority of the newly elected officer, with brave defiance to any who



should dare dispute them, and demands the loyal fealty to him of every true-hearted member of the Sette, and Brother Venables has duly entered on the office of President, and therewith the full possession and unmitigated enjoyment of all the rights, emoluments (if any), distinctions, and privileges appertaining, or commonly attached thereto ; and for one short, sweet year is no longer mere Brother Venables, or our good *Antiquary*, but has exchanged such homely designations for the high-sounding title of His Oddship the President. Hardly has the Proclamation ended, and he entered on his full-blown dignity and delights, ere he is greeted with rapturous applause by the entire strength and voice of the company met to do honour to his installation : with ringing cheers, loud and prolonged, and honours meant to be musical and certainly hearty enough.

The enthusiastic greeting being at length hushed, his Oddship proceeded to deliver his Inaugural Address, which is in the hands of all



the Brethren, and so may be left to speak for itself.

One of the first duties of a new President after the delivery of his "Inaugural," is that—to him no doubt very agreeable one, as prophetic of good in store for himself also in his season—of presenting to his predecessor the Testimonial invariably given to the Past President in recognition of his exceptional merit and super-excellent conduct while in office. That to Brother Davies consisted of a handsome time-piece, and a pair of charming statuettes of Mercury and Fortune entirely undraped and unabashed. The clock bore the inscription, in this instance really strictly veracious,—

PRESENTED

BY THE SETTE OF ODD VOLUMES TO  
HIS ODDSHIP, BROTHER A. J. DAVIES,  
IN APPRECIATIVE COMMEMORATION OF  
HIS SINGULARLY EXCELLENT SERVICES  
AS PRESIDENT FOR THE YEAR 1887-88.



An illustration of, so-called, Thought-reading by Mr. Alfred Capper followed, giving rise to much amazement and amusement; Mr. Douglas Gordon was nominated as a candidate for membership; and grave and earnest conviviality filled up the remainder of the evening.

Our May Meeting, unlike the ordinary type of May Meetings, was of a remarkably cheerful character, Brother E. Walford, *Rhymer*, reading—but, it may be necessary to explain, in prose—a highly interesting, and in some portions diverting paper on “Names,” which gave rise to an instructive, animated discussion, in which the President, the *Librarian*, Mr., now Brother, Hamilton, Mr. Herman Merivale, Mr. Birch, of the British Museum, and others took part. The *Master of the Rolls* next, after a short digestive interval, read to us a marvellous, metrical, and mirthful legend entitled “*De Papyrus Roll-Scroll of De Sette of Odd Volumes*,” issued as *Miscellany* No. 19, in which, as he very dexterously, and with much tact, wit,



and humour soundly complimented each individual Brother, we all discerned extraordinary ability applied to worthy purpose, and were agreed that Brother Brodie-Innes had for once incredibly surpassed himself, each Brother being unanimously of opinion that the line, or couplet, referring to himself was the bright, particular star of the constellation. Thus to please every member of a large body is given only to genius, or at least to talent of the very highest order.

During this evening Mr. Walter Hamilton was duly proposed for membership in the Sette.

The Meeting held on June 1st, our hundred and fourth, commenced by the initiation in impressive form, and in the usual comparative privacy of the presence of members only, of Mr. Douglas Gordon into the mythic mysteries of our confraternity, the new Brother taking the title and office of *Remembrancer*. The mystic rites duly honoured, the Brethren next turned to the ballot-box, and proceeded to elect Mr. Walter



Hamilton a Member of the Sette, after which they rejoined their waiting guests in the ante-room, and sat down to dinner with the hearty appetite engendered by wholesome toil, and stimulated by the gentle titillation of a moral sense conscious of duty well done.

Brother Welsh, our Vice-President and *Chapman*, having on previous occasions read to us Papers entitled "Some of the Books for Children of the Last Century," and "Coloured Books for Children," afterwards issued as *Opuscula* XI. and XIII., this evening discoursed to the Sette on the first book for children ever made, "The Babies Book," a curious and entertaining work translated from the Norman French of the latter part of the 15th Century, and designed to teach little ladies and gentlemen of the highest station how to behave themselves as such. The reading of some excerpts from these counsels of consummate juvenile priggism proved highly entertaining to the hearers.

Later on, two new candidates, Mr. Alexander



T. Hollingsworth, and Mr. John Lane, were proposed for Membership, and two new books, "New Year's Day in Japan," by Brother Holme, *Pilgrim, Opusc: XVII.*, and "Ye Papyrus Roll-Scroll of Ye Odd Volumes," by Brother Brodie-Innes, *Master of the Rolls, Misc: 19*, were presented to the assembled members and their guests, the former book the gift of the author himself, the latter that of his Oddship the President.

On Wednesday, the 27th of this month, the President and Sette, kept Gaudy Day, more or less vicariously rejoicing themselves in their youth as represented in the persons of their sons, daughters, nephews and nieces, not to mention their young wives and fond sweethearts; all which is set forth at large in the Summary, as being too noteworthy for brief chronicling.

Several important matters of business of the Sette demanding attention, the July Meeting, held on the 6th, was confined to Members, the



presence of guests being regarded as inconsistent with the proper, unrestrained discussion of all the weighty affairs pertaining to the Sette. The proceedings began with the election by test of ballot of two new Members, Mr. Alexander T. Hollingsworth, and Mr. John Lane, which was followed by the initiation of Mr. Walter Hamilton, *Parodist*. This business featly despatched, dinner was served and eaten, and the post-prandial conclave then devoted itself for the rest of the evening to wine, tobacco, and the serious consideration of those delicate, esoteric matters alluded to above, which, it seems needless to add, were all settled with the utmost wisdom and accord. It cannot however be considered any breach of confidence, nor even indiscreet, to divulge the fact that a most acceptable candidate for Odd Volume fraternity was that evening put forward in the person of Mr. John Todhunter, M.D.

The Sette reassembled on October 5th, reinvigorated by its annual long vacation, the



Meeting again being free from the agreeable restraint imposed by the presence of guests. Mr. Hollingsworth and Mr. Lane were received into the fellowship of the Sette with the customary initiatory ceremonies, becoming respectively *Artificer*, and *Bibliographer*, and Dr. Todhunter was duly elected an Odd Volume. The evening was spent chiefly in desultory, but pleasant conversation. Our amiable and courteous Brother, Gordon Ross, asked to be allowed to shed his title of *Master of Ceremonies*, and to assume the, to him as a lawyer, more appropriate one of *Solicitor-General*, at that time in abeyance, which was granted with the cordial approval of the Sette. Brother Ross, it ought here to be said, had so thoroughly well, so politely and indefatigably discharged the duties of the office of *Master of Ceremonies*, that, while his valuable services in that capacity could ill be spared, and caused regret at our losing them, they also gave full assurance, since abundantly justified, that he would do no less honour to his



new title and function. On the office of *Master of Ceremonies* thus falling vacant, it seemed to be generally thought that it should henceforth, like those of the President, Vice-President, and Secretary, be one of annual appointment, and become, so to speak, rotatory. From this opinion your *Historiographer* ventured humbly to dissent, inasmuch as the office is pre-eminently one of precedent and routine ; and it appeared to him therefore very desirable that one who had acquired the requisite knowledge of its duties, and experience in their performance, should continue to render them from year to year, rather than that a novice should annually be invested with the office, and give it up at the year's end, just when he had become familiar with its duties.

At the Meeting of November 2nd, the hundred and seventh, we returned to our habitual practice of hospitality, and a large muster of guests materially contributed to the enlivenment of the evening. Previously and privately, as always,



Dr. Todhunter had entered our Brotherhood with the usual ceremonial of initiation, taking the title of *Bard*. Having, wisely, well dined, the company thus fortified, for—

“ Wi’ tippenny we fear nae evil ;  
Wi’ usquebae, we’ll face the Devil ! ”

listened in fearsome awe, and breathless attention, to the dread secrets of the ghostly prison-house disclosed to them by brother Brodie-Innes, a recognized master of occult science, in his weirdly interesting paper on the Inter-relation of Supernatural Phenomena.

Our Meeting of December 7th, the last of the year, brought together another goodly assemblage of members and visitors, including Canon Edmund Venables, to whose pithy and polished speech in returning thanks for the guests, fuller reference is made in the Summary. Next followed a formal—yet not altogether formal, Brothers Holme and East !—leave-taking of our *Pilgrim* and our *Aquarelliste*, who had projected



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a visit together to Japan and some other Eastern lands. In view of their coming departure the *Art Critic*, Brother Haité, had designed a strikingly appropriate Menu card for the evening, for which he deservedly received the praise and thanks of the Sette ; while the President, looking forward to their probably somewhat prolonged absence, in the name of the Brethren and Guests bade them Farewell, wishing them a pleasant tour and safe return. The toast of Health and prosperity to them ! was then drunk with our wonted cordiality and depth ; Brothers Holme and East responded with equal fervour, both solemnly declaring that they would always strictly observe the appointed nights of our Meetings by taking at least one extra glass (or cup was it ?), or whatever is the Japanese equivalent for that elastic quantity, that they would, that is to say, convive as freely as two only could do, and mutually admire each other like a perfect Sette. The recently elected *Parodist's* paper "Songs in praise of



Tobacco," read on this occasion, proved very agreeable hearing, and the enlarged edition of it, subsequently given to the world in book form, is no less pleasant reading. Although, being designed for general publication, it could not be issued as one of the Odd Volume *Opuscula*, our Brother Hamilton considerately and generously presented copies of the later, complete work to all his Brethren of the Sette, and to such guests as had the good luck to be present at the time of its distribution among us. A semi-scientific discussion, which ensued after the reading of the paper, revealed the hitherto unsuspected facts, that it was better to smoke in moderation than in excess ; and that it was foolish to refuse a good cigar, but more so to smoke a bad one. The crucial question, to smoke or not to smoke ? was settled practically enough.

Having in December 1888 duly honoured the closing year, the Sette and its guests met on January 7, 1889, to as cordially welcome the New Year ; and the announcement of a dis-



course on "Repeats and Plagiarisms in Art" by our *Connoisseur*, Brother James Orrock, the strenuous promoter and advocate of a National Gallery of British Art, naturally drew a crowd of members and guests to hear, all of whom listened with delight to the *Connoisseur's* admirable paper, issued in due course as *Opusc.* XIX. Serious and critical in thought, forcible and entertaining in expression, it could not fail to prove suggestive also, and accordingly it elicited some lively, earnest criticism, and so afforded Brother Orrock a good opportunity, of which it is scarcely necessary to say he promptly availed himself, not merely to defend those of his positions which had been attacked, but also to sally forth therefrom in bold onslaught on his friendly, but rash assailants. In illustration of his subject, and in order to enhance the attractions of the evening, the *Connoisseur* exhibited on the walls of the dining-room several typical pictures—repetitions, or plagiarisms, by G. Morland, R. Wilson, R.A., David Cox, and J. Constable,



R.A., an exhibition very curious and instructive.

The last meeting to which visitors are invited, that of February 1st, was devoted to the delivery of an Address by the earliest, and still most energetic Odd Volume of the Sette, Brother Bernard Quaritch. The *Librarian* had chosen for his topic the British Copyright Act of 1842, in treating of which he incidentally strongly protested against the injustice of compelling publishers to give to the British Museum and the four great University Libraries a copy of each work produced by them for sale, five copies in all. Presently the well-worn grievance of the non-existence of an international copyright with the United States of America received its wonted, but merely academic attention.

His Oddship also on this evening made presentation to one of the Sette of a handsome time-piece, inscribed as follows :—



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PRESENTED TO BROTHER W. MORT THOMPSON,  
HISTORIOGRAPHER TO THE SETTE OF ODD  
VOLUMES,

BY THE UNITED SETTE.

(DURING THE PRESIDENCY OF HIS ODDSHIP,  
BROTHER T. C. VENABLES)

IN GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF HIS  
LABOUR AND TALENT IN THE COMPILATION OF  
“YE SECONDE BOKE OF YE ODD VOLUMES,”  
FEBRUARY 1ST, 1889.

Carried away by the intensity of his amiable fraternal feeling the President gave the rein to his fancy and eloquence, and said many things too kindly flattering for reproduction in print. To these inflated compliments, in agreeing with which all the Brethren and guests seemed to have conspired to humour his good Oddship to the very top of his bent, the *Historiographer* is, in the “City Press,” reported to have replied as follows :—

“ Mr. President and Brethren.—First of all, I have to offer you my heartiest thanks for the handsome clock you



have just presented to me, and for the very kind expressions with which you accompanied your munificent gift. Herodotus, who was, like myself, a *Historiographer*, has been entitled, indifferently, the Father of History, and the Father of Lies ; and Sir Robert Walpole, too, has said, 'Anything but history, for history must be false.' Now, on behalf of Father Herodotus and myself, I should like to explain that we are not—at least, not always—wilful liars. Sometimes, though but rarely, we are ourselves deceived, or mistaken, but more often, however, we merely run short of facts, and so have to fill up our work with fiction. In writing 'Ye Seconde Boke of ye Odd Volumes,' I frequently found myself in this predicament of wanting material. I had, you see, to make 'bricks' of you all, and when straw failed me—for you are not men of straw, you know—I naturally fell back on 'chaff.' For this chaff you are now rewarding me, as though it were the finest wheat. Were I to regard this beautiful testimonial as representing the measure of my poor deserts, it would stand before me as a perpetual reproach ; but, viewing it as a token of your good-will to me, no expression of this can be too great for me, so greedy am I of your approval and esteem. For much the same reason, I wished not to receive mere sordid cash, which being yours yesterday and mine to-day would certainly have passed to someone else to-morrow, if not to-night. I desired, rather, some more permanent embodiment of your kindness and courtesy—something, moreover, not strictly personal to myself, but in which all my family could share ; and in this timely, striking



proof of your brotherly regard, these objects are perfectly attained. Whenever I see its handsome face I shall be reminded of you all ; when in the stillness of the night I hear its mellow voice telling me the hour, this pleasant scene will at once be reproduced to my mind's eye, and I shall again be surrounded by the perfect Sette of Odd Volumes ; and long hence, when I see and hear no more, it will remain, an heirloom, to testify to my children how cordially that Sette appreciated the first, and the least worthy of its Historiographers. Mr. President, brethren, and guests,—I am well aware that I ought at this point to be overcome with emotion and to break down and stop, but I really cannot do it. With all your kindly, cheerful faces smiling on me it is impossible. Stay ! I think I have it. Let me try. Brethren, my feelings quite overpower me. I can say no more. Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. True ; but, while out of the full heart flows eloquent, silvery speech, from the overfull heart, vainly struggling for utterance, comes only more eloquent golden silence."

And so, with smoking, joking, conviving, mutual-admiring, singing, and speechifying, the night, waxing ever merrier and wiser, sped swiftly away.

March brought its usual Business Meeting, presaging the inevitable retirement of the President, howsoever excellent, to give place to his



successor; for is it not laid down in our Rule 13, inflexible as fate, "No Odd Volume to be elected President for two consecutive years." But for this Rule, no doubt——, but to our Chronicle. On March 1st, then, the Sette sat in solemn session on the claims and merits of possible Presidents; and the *personæ gratae* for unanimous election to office for the forthcoming year proved to be—

PRESIDENT . . .	H. J. GORDON ROSS.
VICE-PRESIDENT .	BURNHAM W. HORNER.
SECRETARY . . .	DOUGLAS H. GORDON.

In the ensuing debate as to the desirableness of repealing, revising, or otherwise modifying, any of the rules—which are unalterable for each current year only—the *Historiographer*, in the face of an agreeably swollen balance in hand, proposed a reversion to the original rate of subscription, One odd pound, and one odd shilling, but his proposal although it was feelingly seconded by the *Librarian*, was freely over-



ruled. Finally, a well deserved compliment was paid to our now out-going President by the election by acclamation, without test of ballot, of his friend and nominee, Professor Francis Elgar, as a Member of the Sette of Odd Volumes, to which he is now *Shipwright*, and from whom therefore any orders for Iron-clads, Gun-boats, or other vessels of war required by the Sette will no doubt receive all due attention and despatch. And so ended the hundred and eleventh Meeting of the Sette, the last evening of Brother Venables' undivided authority.

From the above short record of our *Antiquary's* Presidential rule, it will be seen that he was content to observe the best traditions of the Sette, without serious innovation, and to study and promote the comfort and well-being of every individual Member, and so of the Society as a whole; and his pursuit of this laudable, if modest, ambition was as successful as it was indefatigable: he sought the hearty approval of the entire Sette, and gained it. Strictly im-



partial, courteous, considerate and kindly to all, unflagging in the performance of the various duties of his post, no one can wonder that his Presidency was a peaceful and prosperous time, the annals of which are necessarily interesting rather than exciting; and perhaps no Testimonial yet given by the Sette to an out-going President has expressed more sincere and general goodwill to its recipient than the handsome cigarette casket in silver *repoussée* work presented to Brother Venables on the expiration of his term of office, the kindly sentiment of the Brethren, one and all, being truthfully set forth in the inscription it bears,—

PRESENTED BY

THE SETTE OF ODD VOLUMES

TO HIS ODDSHIP, BROTHER T. C. VENABLES

ON APRIL 5TH, 1889

IN APPRECIATIVE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF HIS  
EXCELLENT SERVICE OF THE OFFICE OF PRESI-  
DENT FOR THE YEAR 1888-89.



## Supplemental Members

ADDED TO THE SETTE OF ODD VOLUMES IN  
THE YEAR 1888-89.

WALTER HAMILTON, *Parodist*.

DOUGLAS H. GORDON, F.G.S., *Remembrancer*.

ALEXANDER T. HOLLINGSWORTH, *Artificer*.

JOHN LANE, *Bibliographer*.

JOHN TODHUNTER, M.D., *Bard*.

FRANCIS ELGAR, LL.D., F.R.S.E., *Shipwright*.





# TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

*April, 1888 to April, 1889.*

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Cash Subscriptions :—		Balance due to Treasurer as per	
1 Member at £1 1s. . . . .	1 1 0	last Account . . . . .	7 0 5
29 Members at £1 11s. 6d. . . . .	45 13 6	By Cash—	
7 New Members at £3 3s. . . . .	22 1 0	Renton (Badges) . . . . .	6 0 0
		Collingridge (City Press) . . . . .	0 19 0
		Testimonial to President . . . . .	10 10 0
		Wyman and Sons (Printing	
		and Stationery) . . . . .	24 14 9
		Secretary's Expenses . . . . .	3 11 3
		Balance in hand . . . . .	16 0 1
	<u>£68 15 6</u>		<u>£68 15 6</u>
Balance in hand	£16 0 1		

I have examined the above Accounts, compared the various Vouchers, and hereby certify the same to be correct.—JOHN LANE.

# TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

FOR

## De Seconde Boke of ye Odd Volumes.

January, 1889.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Cash—		By Cash—	
Subscriptions for 83 copies of		Wyman and Sons, Printing	
“Ye Seconde Boke of ye		“Ye Seconde Boke of ye	
Odd Volumes” at £1 is.		Odd Volumes” (six Meisen-	
each. Leaving 6 copies		bach portraits not charged)	53 8 0
unsold, and handed over		F. Anderson and Sons, En-	
to the Secretary at the		graving 4 portraits . . .	14 3 0
above date.		Hill and Co., Engraving 2	
		portraits . . . . .	7 10 0
		Testimonial to Brother W.	
		M. Thompson . . . . .	11 12 6
		Balance to credit of Sette .	0 9 6
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Balance carried to current Ac-			
count of Sette . . . . .	0 9 6		





## Inventory

OF PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE SETTE OF  
ODD VOLUMES, WITH THE NAMES OF THE  
DONORS THEREOF.

*April, 1889.*

I.



ARTOUCHE, illustrative of the Sette of Odd Volumes, designed to serve as a framework for the Rules. L. C. Henley (Ex-Brother), April, 1878.

2. Seal used on Certificates of Membership. E. H. Renton, April, 1878.

3. Portrait Album, in leather case. Alderman G. R. Tyler, January, 1880.

4. Cartouche displaying the names and offices of the Members of the Sette. G. C. Haité, March, 1884.

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5. Candidates' Book. T. C. Venables, March, 1884.
  6. The President's State Chair. H. G. Liley, March, 1884.
  7. Carved Oak Coffe, to contain the Archives, Books, etc., of the Sette. E. F. Wyman, May, 1884.
  8. Album for original Sketches, by Members and Guests. J. R. Brown.
  9. Emblematic Gavel, in case. T. C. Venables, December, 1886.
  10. Three burlesque heraldic Proclamations. E. H. Renton.
  11. Great Key, symbolic of the Presidential Authority.
  12. **Deed of Grant and Assignment in Trust.**

This Deed was prepared by Brother Alfred J. Davies, our *Attorney-General*, President for the year 1887-88, at his own cost, and was presented by him to the Sette, at the close of his Presidency, on April 6th, 1888.



BOOKS, ETC.

13. O.V. *Opuscula* to date, bound.
14. O.V. *Miscellanies*, bound.
15. Large Scrap-book of Documents relating to the Sette, 1878-81.
16. Three Minute Books, 1878 to date.
17. Visitors' book, 1878 to date.
18. Letter Book, 1878 to date.
19. Heraldry in England. The Author, E. H. Renton.
20. In a Good Cause. One of the Authors, per B. Quaritch.
21. A Bookseller of the last Century. The Author, C. Welsh.
22. The Rubáiyát of Omar Khayyám. Edition of 150, on Japanese paper, issued by the Grolier Club of New York, U.S.A., 1885. W. Matthews, of the Grolier Club, N.Y., June, 1885.
23. An Odd Volume for Smokers. The Author, W. Hamilton.





## Hospitality.

**I**N the Year beginning with April, 1888, and ending with March, 1889, there were ten ordinary Meetings of the Sette, three of which, being business Meetings, were confined to Members only, as it would have been manifestly improper to discuss the affairs of the Society under the restraint imposed by the presence of visitors at such dinners. To the remaining seven Meetings Guests could be invited, and at these the Sette entertained a hundred and thirty Guests, whose names are recorded in the two lists given below: the first, chronological; the second having the names of the Guests under those of their Hosts.



The Ball given on June 27th, is of course not included among the above Meetings, as all present on that occasion, nearly two hundred, were the Guests of the President and Mrs. Venables personally.

## CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF GUESTS. 1888-89.

1888.

*April 6th.*

T. B. CHRISTIE, C.I.E.  
CHARLES E. SHEP-  
HEARD.  
A. M. CLARK.  
EMIL BEHNKE.  
JOHN FORBES-ROBERT-  
SON.  
HENRY HERMAN.  
F. V. WHITE.  
G. F. MACDONOGH.  
JOHN LANE.  
JAMES M. THOMPSON.  
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F. YORK POWELL.  
E. LAKE.  
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## The Legend of the Odd Volumes.

DONE INTO VERSE BY THE HISTORIOGRAPHER,  
IN DECEMBER, 1878.

### I.

LONG ago, when such ventures but few undertook,  
Some one printed and published a capital book,  
But when all the copies were suitably bound,  
One copy was missed and could nowhere be found,  
Whether stolen or lost was a point never cleared,  
But the twenty-one volumes had all disappeared.  
Odd volumes turned up here and there now and then,  
But the once perfect sette never turned up again.

Yet every odd volume, on stall or on shelf,  
Seemed somehow or other to speak for itself,—  
“As a single Odd Volume I’m matchless, but yet  
The whole twenty-one of us perfect a sette !”

### II.

The work, cyclopædic in plan, was designed  
To embrace every subject then known to mankind ;



Thus one volume treated of working appliances,  
 While another was wholly devoted to sciences.  
 Statistics and politics, chemistry, history,  
 Sport, poetry, fiction, jests, magic, and mystery,  
 Law, heraldry, medicine, music, and art,—  
 Some filled a whole volume, some only a part.

Yet each of these volumes, on stall or on shelf,  
 Seemed somehow or other to speak for itself,—  
 “As a single Odd Volume I’m matchless, but yet  
 The whole twenty-one of us perfect a sette!”

### III.

These odd volumes were scattered in all sorts of places,  
 In cupboards and cabinets, boxes and cases,  
 Some were seen in a shop, and some more on a stall,  
 And one simply filled up a hole in a wall.  
 One lay in a lumber chest, out in a shed,  
 While another was stowed away under a bed.  
 If some had been kept with a fair share of care,  
 Some others were certainly worse for hard wear.

Yet every odd volume, on stall or on shelf,  
 Seemed somehow or other to speak for itself,—  
 “As a single Odd Volume I’m matchless, but yet  
 The whole twenty-one of us perfect a sette!”

### IV.

Thus year after year they continued to lie,  
 Father Time very stupidly passing them by,  
 And seeming indifferent what might become of them,  
 Although his own imprint was plain upon some of them ;

Until one day it struck him that if he could bring  
All the volumes together 'twould be a good thing.  
So he started collecting, and still he keeps on,  
And the sette will be certainly made up anon.

For every odd volume, on stall or on shelf,  
Seemed somehow or other to speak for itself,—  
“As a single Odd Volume I'm matchless, but yet  
The whole twenty-one of us perfect a sette!”

V.

Even now Father Time looks with something like pride  
At his sixteen Odd Volumes all ranged side by side ;  
But still hurries on lest he seem to neglect  
Three more he is now on his way to collect.  
His task it is plain will be very soon done,  
And Time have assembled the whole twenty-one ;  
Odd volumes no more when together are met  
The twenty-one volumes which perfect the sette.

But the perfected sette won't be laid on the shelf ;  
Each volume will somehow still speak for itself,—  
“When together we perfect a Sette, if you will,  
But apart each is matchless—an Odd Volume still !”

W. M. T.







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composing the Sette of Odd  
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“ There is Divinity in Odd Numbers.”—SHAKESPEARE.

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