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Abstract

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1 DANCES

1.1 Esperans

Esp[er]ans de 3[bus]

Trace

Al the vj si[n]glis w[ith] a trett; þen þe fyrst man goo compas till he come behend whil þe medyll

- retrett thre and þe last iij singlis 3 and þe medil iij singlis levyng the last on; the left hand and the last iij retrette thus þe medill endyth before þe ^{last} in þe m
 - eddist; and the ferst behynd y[us] dannce iij tymes callyng ev[er]y man as he standdith; Aft[er] be
- 3 end of the t[ra]ce þe ferst iij furth outward t[ur]nyng Ayen his face; then þe last co[n]tur hym and the medill to þe fyrste & then þe first to his place; yen
- 1 the i last to the medyll and be

medyll to be last mans place; the

- 1 first and the last chance place whil
- 1 the medyll tornyth; Al at onys retrett iij bake; bak al at ons; then
- the first t[or]ne whyll be last t[or]ne i[n]
 in hys own place; then al toged[er]
 thre furth;

1.2 Talbott

Talbott de 2[bus]

- 1 Aft[er] the hend of the
- 1 trace trett retrett and dep[ar]t the

doble t[ra]ce

hyme and t[ur]ne face to face; then 2 brawle at onys and then com togydd[er]; then trett & retrett togeds

first furth right be secn[o]d [con]tr[ar]y

2 w[ith] iij singlis forth and chance

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hande; on the same wyes Agayn
then to ged[er] ij doblis ij rakis and
A t[ur]ne;

1.3 Mowbray

Mowbray de 3bs with t[ra]ce

- 1 Ev[er]y man trett & retrett then þe first & þe last turne outward
- 2 the medyll furth iij singlis; then

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all trett and retrett w[ith] halfe a t[or]ne
Face to face then mett toged[er] þen
medill ent[er] w[ith] halfe a turne; Þen þe

4 ffrest iij singlis outhward and the last od[er] iij [con]tr[ar]y hym þe m[e]dill retrett þe same tyme; then the First and þe last iij bake and þ[e] medill iij furth and mett All togeder; then iij forth w[it] halfe A torne; then þe last iij singlis outhwartt the first [con]tr[ar]y hym the medill retrett þe same ty[me]; then þe first and þe last iij bak the medill come betwen them; then half A torne All at onys.

1.4 Egle

[Egle] de 3bs All to gedir trett & retrett then iij singlis forth

Trace 3

then the medill torne into be first manys place befor hym; be first into be medils manys place whil be last Brawlyth; then trett and retrett ayen and iij forth; then be first brawll as he standith whill be secn[o]d and the thred change place

both on the right shuld[er] pis dance iij tymes and then ev[e]y ma[n] shal be in hys Awne place;

1.5 [unnamed]

a Aft[er] the end of the t[ra]ce ev[er]y ma[n] at onys retrett to A t[ri]angle then the first thouth oder two whyll þay chance place then all beyng in a t[ri]angle the first though as he com froo; ben oder two chance places bem benig all in A t[ri]angle then b[e] first

A long brawll alone be secn[o]d a Flowr de lice whith iij retrette; then be last ma[n] trett & retrett & torne

After the end of the t[ra]ce

1.6 Bugill

Bugill de 3us

ev[er]y ma[n] toged[er] two doblis þan þe first and þe last fourth right the medill [con]t[ra]ry hy[m] and torne face to face met in to a t[ri]angle wyse; then all toged[er] iv singlis

- Whith t[ra]ce
- 3 compass; then be last ma[n] throth whill be oder two [con]ter hym; then all ronde iv singlis then come all toged[er] and dep[ar]t w[it] A torn
 3 the d[er] bay come fro[m]; then the
- medill throth while be first & the last chance place then mett All togedere; then e[ve]ry ma[n]
- 1 From od[er] retrett iij; then torn All
- 1 at onys than all at onys trett & ret[re]tt then be medill tourney be first

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aboute and leve hym on his left hand whill be last torne in his Awn[e] place;

1.7 Prenes a Gard

P[re]nes a gard de trib[us]

Af[er] the end of the tr[ac]e the first ma[n] lepe be secn[o]d

A doble tr[ac]e

- 3 lepe the iij thred torne; then the last lepe be secn[o]d lepe be first torne the first lepe be last lepe be medill torne; then be
- the medill forth iij singlis w[t]
 halfe a torne whill be first and the
 last retrett; then the first
 torne b[e] last lepe; then be medill ma[n] throth whill be first &
 the last change place and the
 medill to his place Agayn; then
 the first t[or]ne retrett & rake

3 whill ^ pe 2[d] t[or]ne rake and retrett and p[e] third retret rake & torne then Al at onys a flour dilice & com togeders;

1.8 Pernes on Gre

Pernes on gre de 2[0]bs

The t[ra]ce

Trace forth right vj singlis ather torne ob[er] aboute & forth right vj singlis Ayen; Aft[er] the end of be trace rak both to-

- 3 ged[er] and torne; then face to face
- 2 vj singlis ethir [con]t[ra]ry od[er] and iij retrette Ayen; then A flowr deli
- of both at onys; then change place and torne face to face; then A flowr delice and come toged[er];

1.9 Princitore

Princitore de duob[u]

Whith t[ra]ce

After þe end of þe trace A longe torne both

at onys; then be first ma[n] iij forth and be od[er] iij bak and then loke

ov[er] be shuldyr the secn[o]d ma[n] be

same whill be first ma[n] followith hyme in the same forme w[t]

obeysaunce at be last end thus

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doo thre tymes and at be thred ty[m] both retrett then ether pase odyr two tymes & torne; then ether come to od[er]; then the last ma[n] trett retrett and torne;

1.10 *Armyn*

Armyn de 3[bus]

A doble t[ra]ce

- 3 After the end
 - of be trace the last iij bak be medlis od[er] iij bak the first od[er] iij bake then be first meve be secn[o]d half
- 3 torne þe secn[o]d move & þe last half torne the last move þ[e] first halfe torne; then þe last
- 2 vi singlis forth be meddist as many to hym; then be first trett
- 1 retret and torne as he standith
- 3 then brawle al at onys on way & ayen the od[er] way; then ev[er]y ma[n] at onys change place; then be last
- 1 man thruth w[t] A torne whill be first torne the secn[o]d A bought

1.11 Whatsoever You Will

What so eu[er] y wyll de 2 b[us] a After the end of the t[ra]ce trett

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T 1 1	- 1	r	
Dobl	e t	ra	lce

- 2 And retrett to geders and thre forth forth w[ith] A step; then trett & retrett
- 1 to geder and both torne at onys; then both forth to ged[er] w[ith] vi sing=
- 2 lis and then change hands then Forth w[ith] od[er] sex singlis & change
- 1 hands; then trett & retrettt at onys
- 1 then rake both at onys

then torne all at onys

1.12 Petygay

Petygay de 3[bus]

After be

end of the tr[ac]e ev[er]y ma[n] ii[i] singlis after od[er]; then be doble trace Agayn

Doble t[ra]ce

1.13 Tamrett

Ta[m]rett De doubus

After

- 2 the end of the trace trett & retret and iij forth to ged[er]; then trett & retrett and iij bake then ethir
- 2 torne othir Abought ^ii; then brayl

whith t[ra]ce

1 ethir [con]t[ra]ry to od[er] ij tymes & retrett
iij other fro od[er] & then com toged[er]

1.14 Green Gynger

Grengy[n]g[er] de doub[us]

After be end of be t[ra]ce rak both

Duble t[ra]ce w[ith] a hertt in the

end Cherwell thy wyne

- on way and iij the end t[or]ne bak to
- 2 bak; then rake ayen bak to bake and in the end torne face to face then iij singlis ethir [con]t[ra]ry od[er] &
- 3 thre bak Ayen; then ethir retrett from 'odir iij singlis; then come toged[er]
- 1 and mak a hertt Ayen

1.15 Sofferance

Sofferance de duob[us]

After the end of be trace the first iij

A doble t[ra]ce

- 3 forth and torne whyll be last retrett; then the last forth & torne whyll be first retrett and then both retrett ethir
- 2 From od[er]; then the first A flowr delice the sec[o]nd Anothir; then
- 3 ethir [con]tr[a]ry other iij singlis on þ[e] left syd and then come to ged[er]
- 2 then trett and retrett and torn

1.16 Lybens

[]nens de 2[bus]

Lebens di aⁿ After the end of be t[ra]ce the first iij forth and torne² whill the

> Sec[o]nd retrett iij bake then com to ged[er] and ethir torne into oders plas; then last ma[n] iii forth & torn

- 2 whill be first retrett; then come to ged[er] in suchwys as bay ded Afore and ethir end in ther own place
- 1 then trett and retrett and torn

1.17 *Aras*

Aras de 2[obus]

After the end of the trace rak both on way; then the first ma[n] torne whill be sec[o]nd retrett; ben

- 2 face to face rak [con]t[ra]ry way; then the sec[o]nd torne whill be first retrett; then trett and retrett
- 2 at onys and come to ged[er] whith obeysawnce; then torn bessily to b[r] Awn place Ayen; then e[ver]

² Added in the bottom margin

	[con]t[ra]ry other iij singlis and iij bak1 Ayen; then A flowre delice and torne	
	1.18 Eglamore	
Eglamowr de trib[us]	After the end of the tr[ace]	65
Double t[ra]	The first thre forth be sec[o]nd be 3 same the 3 ^d the same; then the first ma[n] outward on the left shulder and goo behend be 2 ^d 3 the same the 3 ^d be same; then the first out be 2 ^d out be 3 ^d out	 65
New yer de t[ri]b[us] A doble tr[ac]e	1.19 New Year 3a After the end of the t[ra]ce þe firste ma[n] iij forth the 2 ^d þe same þe 3 ^d 3 the same; then Al togeder halfe torne thre tymes; then the last 3 thre forth the sec[o]nd the same þe 3 ^d þe same; and then al togedeer 3 half torne ³	
Roye de 3 b[us] A doble t[ra]ce & iij bak i[n] þ[e] en[d]	After the end of þ[e] trace the first man thre furth the sec[o]nd the same þe iij the sam then Al rak togeders forth; then bak rak Ayen and All torn toged then the first man move þen þe sec[o]nd and þe 3 ^d move & þe first ma[n]	6.6
	 2 torne Abought; then be sec[o]nd ma[n] 3 me[v]e; the first and be last meve 3 Marginal 3 could apply to either this dance or the next 	 66

toged[er] & the 2^d t[or]ne Abought the be last meve; ben be first & 2d meve and al t[ur]ne Abowth toged[er]

1.21 Orange

Oringe de 3 b[us] A doble t[ra]ce & lok at b[e] end bak and al to[ge]d[er] do obbey

After the end of be trace the first iij forth; þe 2^d þe same þe 3^d the same; then [be] first man throth ba[m] and go behend; then the 2^d ma[n] iij forth be 3^d be sam 3 be first be sam; and throth ba[m] and goo behend; then 3d man thre forth the fi[r]st be same be 2^d be sam & the 3^d throth ba[m] & goo

- 3 behynd; then be first iij bak b[en]
- 3 be secn[o]d iii bak; then all toged[er] thre forth and thre bake & t[or]ne

1.22 Hawthorne

Hawthorne de duob[us] Thre singlis and thre Rakkys & a stop and torne; then b[e] First 3 synglis and bre retrette be ijde e[con]tra the same tyme be 2^{de} thre singlis & thre retrette; the First e[con]tra the same ty[m]; the first trett & retrett and torne then be sec[o]nd be same ;then face to face be first make A floure delice and bre retrette the 2^d be same; then at onys A Flo[ur] delice and cu[m] to gedd[er]; then be horne horne pepy to gedd[er] then at onys A long trett retrett and torne

1.23 Newcastle

Newcastell de dubus Suff

The first thre forth & torne whyls be last retrett rek the last torne whils be first retrett; then be first aflo[ur] delice be 2^e be

a dubull t[ra]ce

same; then thre singlis a be [con]tra to od[er];

And in the same wis [con]tr[ar]y agayn & come togedd[er]; then trett retrett and torne;

1.24 Damesyn

Damesyn de 3b[us]

All togedd[er] thre singlis w[ith] t[ra]ce⁴ a stope + iij retrett & thre forth and so ij tymys; then at þe iij^d t[ra]ce 3 singlis w[ith] a stope; then be first & be last a holl torne the medyll A halfe torn be same ty[m]; the first and the last forth right be medill [con]tr[ar]y them and the end bay two changs place whil; be medill torn hy[m] to bam; the first to be last; manys place; be last to his place all togedd[er] 2 whill be medyll goo throth bame; the first lepe all togedd[er] lepe then be last; lepe; ben the medyll; ben torn all at onys; the first & be last;

Forth right be medill [con]tr[ar]y hem& in be end bay chang place whils the medyll torn toward bam and in the sam wys agayn savyng in in the end ev[er]y ma[n] kep his one place; then be last to be first ma[n]is place and first to be last manys

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⁴ "trace" appears in the margin, has been moved into the text

place the medill come to w[ith] thre singlis

1.25 Rawty

Rawty de 2bus

Trett retrett togedd[er]s

then thre singlis w[ith] a stope and

thre retrett w[ith] a stop both togedd[er]

A dubel [trace]

in be sam wis agayn; then trett and retrett and dep[er]t be first forth rygh; aflo[ur] delice and cum togedd[er] and athir rak [con]tr[ar]y to; othir agay aflo[ur] delice and cu[m]

togedder

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1.26 Temperance

Temp[er]ans de 3b[u]

All trett and retrett thre singlis

w[ith] a stop then be first and b[e] me=

dyll togedd[er] retrett; while þe last goth forth and cu[m] togedd[er] Agayn in the same forme sav= vng in the end wher be laste:

yng in the end wher be laste;

Trace dep[er]tytt þe secn[o]d shall þe thred

the first shall; then ev[er]y man togedd[er] two dubles on be left fott and halfe a torn; then ev[er]y man the same [con]tr[ar]y wyes agayn

then all togedd[er] trett retrett and thre Rakke then all toged[er] Aflo[ur] delice; then be first ma[n] throw whils be tothir two change place; then be first 3 forth w[ith] a torn be 2^d be same be 3 be same w[ith] out a torn then the

first lepe the secn[o]d lepe be last lepe; then all torn w[ith] a rest in the meddys

1.27 Northumberland

Northhu[m]b land de 3[bus]

Trace

Togedd[er] thre si[n]g=
lis w[ith] a stop trett and retrett;
then be first be ma[n] torn in hys
own place whill the last torn
the medyll abowytt; togedd[er]
agayn w[ith] thre singlis and a stop
trett and retrett; then halfe
a torn and torn agayn 3 toge=
dd[er] then agay w[ith] thre singlis
and a stope & trett and retrett
then be first; torn be meddyll
abowt whils be last ma[n] torn
in his own place; then ev[er]y
man a mevyng; then be first
and the last torn owtward go=

yng forth vj singlis the 2^d forth

right torn all face to face and be thred brayll be tobe two cu[m] to hy[m] and goo to be place agay[n]; then be 3^d and be 2^d brayll the; meddyll cu[m] to bem and go to his awn place agayn; then the first and be last lepe to gedd[er] be meddyll lepe Alone; then be meddyll throw whils othir two hym t[ur]nyg all face to face; All at onys aflo[ur] delice the first and be meddyl rak tell þay mett whill þe last; retrett; aflo[ur] delice at onys be meddell and be last rake whil bay mett while the first retrett than all cu[m] togedder

2 A SECTION

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