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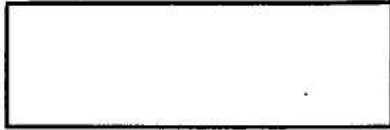
LIST OF CHARACTERS,

in order of entrance.

The Presenter.	The Duke of AVERO	} his follow- ers.
ABDELMELEC, uncle of the Moor.	The Duke of BARCELES	
ALSEPIUS BASSA	LEWES DE SELVA	
ARGERD ZAREO	CHRISTOPHERO DE TAVERA	} his follow- ers.
ABDIL RAYES	Ambassadors from the Moor.	
MULY MAHAMET XEQUE (SETH), brother of Abdelmelec.	Ambassadors of Spain.	
ROBIN ARCHES, widow of Abdel- munen.	a Legate.	
MULY MAHAMET, the Moor.	a Follower of Stukley (?).	
MULY MAHAMET, the younger, his son.	DON DE MENYSIS, governor of Tangier.	
PISANO, his captain.	two Captains in his service.	
a Messenger.	LORD LODOWICK.	
a Queen.	CELYBYN, a follower of Abdelmelec.	
DIEGO LOPIS, governor of Lisbon.	a Boy, serving the Moor.	
TOM STUKLEY.	a Portuguese soldier.	
JONAS	a Moorish soldier (?).	
HERCULES	In the Dumb Shows.	
CALIPOLIS, wife of the Moor.	two young Brothers of the Moor.	
ZAREO, a follower of the Moor.	two Murderers.	
SEBASTIAN, king of Portugal.	ABDELMUNEN, uncle of the Moor.	
	three Ghosts.	
	FAME.	
	Moors, Janissaries, Ladies, Soldiers.	

The names are to some extent corrupt. Muly Mahamet Xequé is called Muly Mahamet Seth in his later entrances. The two Zareos are probably due to confusion. Calipolis properly enters in I. ii, and is addressed, though she has no part in the scene (cf. l. 221, and see Plot). Lord Lodowick is addressed (l. 1052), but has no part. He is presumably the Lodevico Caesar mentioned later (l. 1114).

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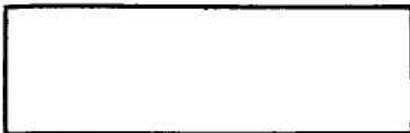
THE
BATTELL
OF ALCAZAR, FOUGHT
in Barbarie, betweene Sebaftian king
of Portugall, and Abdelmelec king
of Marocco. With the
death of Captaine
Stukeley.

As it was fundrie times plaid by the Lord high Admi-
rall his feruants.



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The Tragicall battell of Alcazar in Barba-
ric. With the death of three Kings, and
Captaine Stukley an Englishman.

Enter the Prefenter.

Act 1

Honor the spurre that pricks the prince-
ly minde,
To followe rule and climbe the stately
chaire, (gall,
With great desire inflames the Portin-
An honorable and couragious king,
To vndertake a dangerous dreadfull warre,
And aide with christian armes the barbarous Moore,
The Negro *Muly Hamet* that with-holds 10
The kingdome from his vnkle *Abdilmelec*,
Whom proud *Abdallas* wrongd,
And in his throne instals his cruell sonne,
That now vsurps vpon this prince,
This braue Barbarian Lord *Muly Molocco*.
The passage to the crowne by murder made,
Abdallas dies, and deifnes this tyrant king,
Of whome we treat sprong from the Arabian moore
Blacke in his looke, and bloudie in his deeds, 20
And in his shirt staine with a cloud of gore,
Presents himselfe with naked sword in hand,
Accompanied as now you may behold,
With deuils coted in the shapes of men.

A 2

The

The battell of Alcazar

The first dumbe shew.

Enter Muly Mabamet and bis sonne, and bis two young brethren, the Moore sheweth them the bed, and then takes bis leaue of them, and they betake them to their rest. And then the presenter speaketh.

Like those that were by kind of murther mumd,
30 Sit downe and see what hainous stratagemes
These damned wits contriue. And lo alas
How lyke poore lambes prepard for sacrifice,
This traitor king haies to their longest home,
These tender Lords his yonger brethren both.

The second dumbe shew.

Enter the Moore and two murderers bringing in bis vnkle Abdelmunen, then they draw the curtains and smother the yong princes in the bed. Which done, in sighs of the vnkle they strangle him in bis chaire, and then goe forth. And then the
40 *Presenter saith.*

His brethren thus in fatall bed beheart,
His fathers brother of too light beleeve,
This Negro puts to death by proud command.
Saie not these things are faind, for true they are,
And vnderstand how eager to inioy
His fathers crowne, this vnbeleeuing Moore
Murthering his vnkle and his brethren,
Triumphs in his ambitious tyrannie,
Till Nemisis high mistres of reuenge,
50 That with her scourge keeps all the world in awe,
With thundering drums awakes the God of warre,
And cals the furies from Auernus crags,
To range and rage, and vengeance to inflict
Vengeance on this accursed Moore for sinne,
And now behold how Abdelmelec comes,
Vnkle to this vnhappy traitor king,

Armed