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Ship of Fools

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Club —

And they very politely to give him something on his departure and in
fact instead his departure with the life and of the Club.

by the Ship of Fools

The company gave farewell dinner in Ballot's restaurant somewhere
a copy of Voltaire's La Henriade appropriately given to Dr. Silva his great friend,
Physician to Louis XIV with inscription by Voltaire on fly leaf. Bound by Padeloup for
presentation by V. to Dr S.

To Dr Bales.

Your messmates in the Ship of Fools
Drink to your health and offer you
This product of the pen and tools
Of Voltaire and of Padeloup.

A famous leech receive it then,
And now once more it feels content
Because in you it finds again
An owner no less eminent.

Observers given him the game
We filch our present from his past;
So may you, since our wit is small
For his first verse ~~X~~ verse ~~X~~ cordone our last

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* "A Monsieur Silva
En enlevant François recevez cet hommage,
de votre frère en Apollon,
Et dieu vous a laissé "son plus tel héritage,
Tous les dons de l'esprit, tous ceux de la raison,
Et si vous êtes une des vers relisez-moi"

Well Buckler
Mon partage"
(Voltaire)