La Danse de Cleves

Note: There are a number of other reconstructions. This is Madeleine Inglehearn's. I just like it. - Joanna

Reverence Branle

Then going forward: 2 Singles LR

3 Doubles LRL 2 Singles RL

Backwards: 1 Démarche *1 (reprise) R

The Gentleman going forward with:

2 Singles LR

1 Double R ending in a turn of 90° to the right.

while the Lady turns in place over her right shoulder (clockwise) with:

2 Singles LR (180°) and

completing the turn (180°) by swinging the left foot around and then

turning the body in the time of one double.

The Lady going forward to join the Gent with:

2 Singles RL

1 Double R ending in a turn of 90° to the left (to face the gent)

while the Gent turns in place over his left shoulder (anti-clockwise) with:

2 Singles RL (180°) and

completing the turn to face the Lady (180°) by swinging the right foot around and then turning the body in the time of one double.

Both: Reverence

Branle (to the Presence, ie forward, first)

Take hands while turning to face the start of the dance (i.e. improper) proceed toward the start of the dance with:

2 Singles LR1 Double L2 Singles RL

1 Démarche *1 (reprise) R, turning so as to face one another

Turning toward the start of the dance, do 1 Double L, separately.

Continuing toward the start of the dance but curving in to face one another, do 1 Double R

Facing one another: Reverence

Branle (to the Presence, ie forward, first)

Taking usual hands and going forward in the original direction:

2 Singles LR3 Doubles LRL2 Singles RL

1 Démarche *1 (reprise) R

Reverence

^{*1} This step is always backwards.

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Brussels ms (c. 1450)



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