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LOBBY AS STAGE

DICKENS OUT-OF-DOORS.

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By the loyalty of the Old Tabard Players, the characters created by Charles Dickens live again. Oliver Twist again asks for more, with the Mayor of Southwark looking on. Again Oliver doesn't get it. Every year from a lorry at the Old George Inn, Southwark, these players celebrate Dickens' birthday in this way, keeping green the memory of the famous novelist, whose books drew attention to many social evils of his time. On this occasion they reproduce a scene with nice, pleasant Mr. Fagin teaching Oliver how the picking of a pocket is done in the best circles. The artful dodger setting a skilful example to the young recruit. Many thousands of Dickens lovers stand by and watch the well-known types come to life in the yard of this historic inn, after having come from the laying of a memorial wreath on the nearby Dickens statue.