

## Webber Andrew Lloyd

### "The ad-dressing of cats"

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You've heard of several kinds of cat  
And my opinion now is that  
You should need no interpreter to understand our  
character  
You've learned enough to take the view  
That cats are very much like you  
You've seen us both at work and games  
And learnt about our proper names  
Our habits and habitat  
But how would you ad-dress a cat

So first, your memory I'll jog  
And say: A cat is not a dog  
So first, your memory I'll jog  
And say: A cat is not a dog

With cats, some say, one rule is true  
Don't speak 'til you are spoken to  
Myself I do not hold with that  
I say, you should ad-dress a cat  
But always bear in mind that he resents familiarity  
You bow, and taking off your hat, ad-dress him in this  
form "O Cat!"

Before a cat will condescend  
To treat you as a trusted friend  
Some little token of esteem is needed, like a dish of  
cream  
And you might now and then supply  
Some caviar or Strausburg pie  
Some potted grouse or salmon paste  
He's sure to have his personal taste  
And so in time you reach your aim  
And call him by his name

A cat's entitled to expect  
These evidences of respect  
So this is this and that is that  
And there's how you ad-dress a cat

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