

*Verg.* Yes, I thank god, I am as honest as any man living, that is an old man, and no honefter than I.

*Dogb.* Comparisons are odorous, *palabras*, neighbour *Verges*.

*Leon.* Neighbours, you are tedious.

*Dogb.* It pleases your worship to say so, but we are the poor duke's officers; but, truly, for mine own part, if I were as tedious as a king, I could find in my heart to bestow it all of your worship.

*Leon.* All thy tediousness on me! ah?

*Dogb.* Yea, and twice a thousand times more than 'tis; for I hear as good exclamation on your worship as of any man in the city; and though I be but a poor man, I am glad to hear it.

*Verg.* And so am I.

*Leon.* I would fain know what you have to say.

*Verg.* Marry, fir, our watch to-night, excepting your worship's presence, hath ta'en a couple of as arrant knaves as any in *Messina*.

*Dogb.* A good old man, fir; he will be talking; as they say, when the age is in, the wit is out; god help us! it is a world to see! well said, i' faith, neighbour *Verges*; well, he's a good man; an two men ride an horse, one must ride behind: an honest soul, i' faith, fir; by my troth, he is, as ever broke bread: but, god is to be worship'd; all men are not alike; alas, good neighbour!

*Leon.* Indeed, neighbour, he comes too short of you.

*Dogb.* Gifts that god gives.

*Leon.* I must leave you.

*Dogb.* One word, fir; our watch have, indeed, comprehended two auspicious persons, and we would have them this morning examin'd before your worship.

*Leon.* Take their examination yourself, and bring it me; I am now in great haste, as may appear unto you.

*Dogb.* It shall be suffigance.

*Leon.* Drink some wine ere you go: fare you well.

*Enter a Messenger.*

*Mess.* My lord, they stay for you to give your daughter to her husband.