

Sexton side, 4.2

DOGBERRY Well, stand aside.—'Fore God, they are both in a tale. Have you writ down that they are none?

SEXTON Master constable, you go not the way to examine. You must call forth the watch that are their accusers. 30

DOGBERRY Yea, marry, that's the eftest way.—Let the watch come forth. Masters, I charge you in the Prince's name, accuse these men. 35

FIRST WATCHMAN This man said, sir, that Don John, the Prince's brother, was a villain.

DOGBERRY Write down Prince John a villain. Why, this is flat perjury, to call a prince's brother villain!

BORACHIO Master constable— 40

DOGBERRY Pray thee, fellow, peace. I do not like thy look, I promise thee.

SEXTON, *to Watch* What heard you him say else?

SEACOAL Marry, that he had received a thousand ducats of Don John for accusing the Lady Hero wrongfully. 45

DOGBERRY Flat burglary as ever was committed.

VERGES Yea, by Mass, that it is.

SEXTON What else, fellow?

FIRST WATCHMAN And that Count Claudio did mean, upon his words, to disgrace Hero before the whole assembly, and not marry her. 50

DOGBERRY, *to Borachio* O, villain! Thou wilt be condemned into everlasting redemption for this!

SEXTON What else?

SEACOAL This is all.

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SEXTON And this is more, masters, than you can deny. Prince John is this morning secretly stolen away. Hero was in this manner accused, in this very manner refused, and upon the grief of this suddenly died.—Master constable, let these men be bound and brought to Leonato's. I will go before and show him their examination. *He exits.*

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