## **TRINCULO**

Here's neither bush nor shrub, to bear off any weather at all, and another storm brewing; I hear it sing i' the wind: yond same black cloud, yond huge one, looks like a foul bombard that would shed his liquor. If it should thunder as it did before, I know not where to hide my head: yond same cloud cannot choose but fall by pailfuls. What have we here? a man or a fish? dead or alive? A fish: he smells like a fish; a very ancient and fishlike smell; a kind of not of the newest Poor-John. A strange fish! Were I in England now, as once I was, and had but this fish painted, not a holiday fool there but would give a piece of silver: there would this monster make a man; any strange beast there makes a man: when they will not give a doit to relieve a lame beggar, they will lay out ten to see a dead Indian. Legged like a man and his fins like arms! Warm o' my troth! I do now let loose my opinion; hold it no longer: this is no fish, but an islander, that hath lately suffered by a thunderbolt.

## Thunder

Alas, the storm is come again! my best way is to creep under his gaberdine; there is no other shelter hereabouts: misery acquaints a man with strange bed-fellows. I will here shroud till the dregs of the storm be past.

## **TRINCULO**

Monster, I do smell all horse-piss; at which my nose is in great indignation.

## **STEPHANO**

So is mine. Do you hear, monster? If I should take a displeasure against you, look you,--

## **TRINCULO**

Thou wert but a lost monster.

# **CALIBAN**

Good my lord, give me thy favour still.

Be patient, for the prize I'll bring thee to

Shall hoodwink this mischance: therefore speak softly.

All's hush'd as midnight yet.

#### **TRINCULO**

Ay, but to lose our bottles in the pool,--

## **STEPHANO**

There is not only disgrace and dishonour in that, monster, but an infinite loss.

## **TRINCULO**

That's more to me than my wetting: yet this is your harmless fairy, monster.

#### **STEPHANO**

I will fetch off my bottle, though I be o'er ears for my labour.

## **CALIBAN**

Prithee, my king, be quiet. Seest thou here, This is the mouth o' the cell: no noise, and enter. Do that good mischief which may make this island Thine own for ever, and I, thy Caliban, For aye thy foot-licker.

## **STEPHANO**

Give me thy hand. I do begin to have bloody thoughts.

## **TRINCULO**

O king Stephano! O peer! O worthy Stephano! look what a wardrobe here is for thee!

## **CALIBAN**

Let it alone, thou fool; it is but trash.

## TRINCULO

O, ho, monster! we know what belongs to a frippery. O king Stephano!

#### **STEPHANO**

Put off that gown, Trinculo; by this hand, I'll have that gown.

## **TRINCULO**

Thy grace shall have it.

## **CALIBAN**

Let's alone

And do the murder first: if she awake, From toe to crown she'll fill our skins with pinches, Make us strange stuff.

## **STEPHANO**

Be you quiet, monster. Mistress line, is not this my jerkin?

## **TRINCULO**

Do, do: we steal by line and level, an't like your grace.

## **STEPHANO**

I thank thee for that jest; here's a garment for't: wit shall not go unrewarded while I am king of this country.

## **CALIBAN**

I will have none on't: we shall lose our time, And all be turn'd to barnacles, or to apes With foreheads villanous low.

## **STEPHANO**

Monster, lay-to your fingers: help to bear this away where my hogshead of wine is, or I'll turn you out of my kingdom: go to, carry this.

## TRINCULO

And this.