Prince of Denmarke.

Importing the furrender of those lands Loft by his father, with all bands of lawe To our most valiant brother, so much for him: Now for our felfe, and for this time of meeting, Thus much the busines is, we have heere writ To Norway Vncle of young Fortenbraffe Who impotent and bedred scarcely heares Of this his Nephewes purpole; to supprelle His further gate heerein, in that the leuies, The lifts, and full proportions are all made Out of his subject, and we heere dispatch You good Cornelius, and you Valtemand, For bearers of this greeting to old Norway, Giving to you no further personall power To busines with the King, more then the scope Of these delated articles allowe: Farwell, and let your haft commend your dutie.

Cor. Vo. In that, and all things will we showe our dutie. King. We doubt it nothing, hartely farwell.

And now Laertes whats the newes with you? You told vs of some sute, what ist Lacrtes? You cannot speake of reason to the Dane And lofe your voyce; what wold'it thou begge Laertes, : That shall not be my offer, not thy asking, The head is not more native to the hart The hand more instrumentall to the mouth Then is the throne of Denmarke to thy father, What would'st thou have Lacrtes ?

Laar. My dread Lord, Your leave and favour to returne to Fraunce, From whence, though willingly I came to Denmarke, To showe my dutie in your Coronation; Yet now I must confesse, that duty done My thoughts and wishes bend agains toward Fraunce And howe them to your gracious leane and pardon.

King. Haue you your fathers leave, what faies Polonius! Polo. Hath my Lord wroung from me my flowe leaue By laboursome petition, and at last Vpon his will I feald my hard confent,