

Prince of Denmarke.

So much as from occasion you may glean,  
Whether ought to vs vnknowne afflicts him thus,  
That open lyes within our remedie.

*Quee.* Good gentlemen, he hath much talkt of you,  
And sure I am, two men there is not living  
To whom he more adheres, if it will please you  
To shew vs so much gentry and good will,  
As to expend your time with vs a while,  
For the supply and profit of our hope,  
Your visitation shall receiue such thanks  
As fits a Kings remembrance.

*Res.* Both your Maiesties  
Might by the soueraigne power you haue of vs,  
Put your dread pleasures more into commaund  
Then to entreatie.

*Guyd.* But we both obey.  
And heere giue vp our selues in the full bent,  
To lay our seruice freely at your feete  
To be commaunded.

*King.* Thanks *Rosencrans*, and gentle *Guyldensterne*.

*Quee.* Thanks *Guyldensterne*, and gentle *Rosencrans*.  
And I beseech you instantly to visite  
My too much changed sonne, goe some of you  
And bring these gentlemen where *Hamlet* is.

*Guyd.* Heauens make our presence and our practises  
Pleasant and helpfull to him.

*Quee.* I Amen.

*Exeunt Res. and Guyld.*

*Enter Polonius.*

*Pol.* Th'embassadors from *Normay* my good Lord,  
Are ioyfully returned.

*King.* Thou still hast been the father of good newes.

*Pol.* Haue I my Lord? I assure my good Liege  
I hold my durie as I hold my soule,  
Both to my God, and to my gracious King;  
And I doe thinke, or els this braine of mine  
Hunts not the trayle of policie so fare  
As it hath vsd to doe, that I haue found  
The very cause of *Hamlet's* lunacies

*King.* O speake of that, that doe I long to heare.

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