

TROUBADOUR

Gideon jumped the horse clear over the fence and landed safely on the other side, in an explosion of spattered mud.

MASTER TRAMMEL

I just had that fence painted!

GIDEON

Yeeeah!!!

NOT IMPOSSIBLE

WHAT I WANT'S NOT IMPOSSIBLE

I MAY BE A PEASANT STUCK WITH A CHORE

I MAY BE A COMMONER SWEEPING THE FLOOR

BUT I CAN BE MORE!

I HAVE JUST GOT TO FIGURE OUT WHAT I CAN DO
SO THAT I CAN BE PART OF THE CAVALIERS TOO

TROUBADOUR

At this moment, a royal crier arrived, bearing important news!

(A ROYAL CRIER arrives, reading from official parchment.)

ROYAL CRIER

Hear ye, hear ye!

SHILLELAGH

She's wearing the red and the purple. It's a proclamation from the king!

TRAMMEL

These announcements are always so boring.

ROYAL CRIER

The Northern Forest has been attacked by a Blundersnorp!

(TRAMMEL spasms with fear, dropping whatever he was carrying.)

ROYAL CRIER

The creature is fully-grown and very angry! It has already terrorized villages, overturned merchant wagons, and destroyed a species of fern! All subjects are advised to secure their loved ones and find a safe place to cower!

(turns to leave, but:)

TRAMMEL

Is the monster coming this way?

ROYAL CRIER

This is a big kingdom. I've got a lot of ground to cover.
(exits)

TRAMMEL

Bring everything to the basement! Start with the crucial stock!

SHILLELAGH

The horses?

TRAMMEL

No, the ale!

GIDEON

A monster in the Northern Forest? But that's where the cavalier went!

TRAMMEL

(to GIDEON)

Boy, lock the gates, then help us move into the basement!
Now!

(TRAMMEL and SHILLELAGH rush off in panic. We hear the clatter of hastily-moved possessions.)

GIDEON

(pacing)

That cavalier doesn't know about the Blundersnorp! He even sent his partner home because he thought it would be safe! If that monster can destroy villages, a lone cavalier could be in terrible danger!

TRAMMEL (O.S.)

Boy! We're moving the larder!

SHILLELAGH (O.S.)

It's a three person job!

GIDEON

I'm just a commoner, but... someone's got to warn him!

(GIDEON is struck by a realization. **2B. Not Impossible (Reprise)**)