FRANCIS SIDE 2.4

HENRY, PRINCE OF WALES
Come hither, Francis.
FRANCIS
My lord?
HENRY, PRINCE OF WALES
How long hast thou to serve, Francis?
FRANCIS
Forsooth, five years, and as much as to -
POINS (within)
Francis!
FRANCIS
Anon, anon, sir!
HENRY, PRINCE OF WALES
Five year! By'r Lady, a long lease for the clinking of pewter. But, Francis, darest thou be so valiant as to play the coward with thy indenture, and show it a fair pair of heels, and run from it?
FRANCIS
O Lord, sir, I’ll be sworn upon all the books in England, I could find in my heart –
POINS (within)
Francis!
FRANCIS
Anon, sir!
HENRY, PRINCE OF WALES
How old art thou, Francis?
FRANCIS,
Let me see; about Michaelmas next I shall be –
POINS (within)
Francis!
FRANCIS
Anon, sir! (to the Prince) Pray, stay a little, my lord.

HENRY, PRINCE OF WALES
Nay, but hark you, Francis. For the sugar thou gavest me, ‘twas a penny worth, was’t not?

FRANCIS
O Lord, I would it had been two!

HENRY, PRINCE OF WALES
I will give thee for it a thousand pound. Ask me when thou wilt, and thou shalt have it.

POINS (within)
Francis!

FRANCIS
Anon, anon,

HENRY, PRINCE OF WALES
‘Anon’, Francis? No, Francis. But tomorrow, Francis; or, Francis, o’Thursday; or, indeed, Francis, when thou wilt. But Francis—

FRANICS
My lord?

HENRY, PRINCE OF WALES
Wilt thou rob this leathern-jerkin, crystal-button, not-pated agate-ring, puke-stockling, caddis-garter, smooth-tongue, Spanish-pouch?

FRANCIS
O Lord, sir, who do you mean

POINS (within)
Francis!

HENRY, PRINCE OF WALES
Away, you rogue! Dost thou not hear them call?