

likewise actively useful in promoting confusion; in breaking the ranks, and in vociferating contradictory orders; whilst those of you who are of the lower classes may be watching for opportunities of plunder.

3. When there, be sure to keep clear of those meddling fellows, who are for ever dragging decent people into the filthy ranks. If you see one of them approaching to exhort you to assist, it is a good plan to fall back a little behind your neighbours, and let them stand the brunt of entreaty, or get into some corner or deep shade, where you may contemplate the exhilarating scene in tranquility. Or, if you have a sufficiency of brass, you may stand your ground, and give an insolent answer, (observing first, however, whether the man has got a cane) or colour your refusal with a lie, such as, "you have been working all night, and must have time to rest," or that "your shoulder is lame," or "your hand severely cut," or say that "you will come directly." Nay you may even pretend to do your endeavour and hand a bucket or two, by which you will have the advantage of being able to break the ranks easier, and discourage others. And perhaps this may be the best means of getting near enough to the fire to enjoy the sight more satisfactorily.

4. Always get as close to the burning houses as you can, without as before said, endangering number one; for not only will you be more in the way there, and impede the labours of others, but, what you will hereafter find of great benefit, you will be-times get seasoned to blazing fires and rolling clouds of smoke, which will stand you in great stead when the time comes for being fetched away to fulfil your servitude in my mansion.

5. If you possess the faculty of out-heroding Herod, be loud in blaming all that is done, and