

Cicero : In Catilinam (chapters 1-19)

A Running Vocabulary prepared by Terry Bird

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[1] Quo usque tandem abutere, Catilina, patientia nostra?

1. quousque - how long ? till when ?
long, for goodness' sake... ?
abutere = abuteris, future

tandem (at last) emphasizes the question 'how
abutor (3, dep.), abusus sum + abl. - abuse

quam diu etiam furor iste tuus nos eludet? quem ad finem

quamdiu - how long ? etiam - still
iste, ista, istud - this of yours, that of yours
finis finis (m) - end, final point

furor furoris (m) - madness
eludo (3), elusi, elusum - deceive

sese effrenata iactabit audacia? Nihilne te nocturnum

sese = se effrenatus - unrestrained, violent, unbridled

iacto (1) - throw; flaunt, show off (OLD 12b) *nihil* is internal acc. with
moverunt - in no way, not at all *nocturnus* (adj.) - (of the) night

praesidium Palati, nihil urbis vigiliae, nihil timor populi,

praesidium - garrison; protection, defence *Palatum* - the Palatine Hill

vigiliae (f.pl) - watchmen, the watch, patrols

timor populi - the people's fear (subjective gen. - contrast Gould and Whiteley)

nihil concursus bonorum omnium, nihil hic munitissimus

concurrus (4) - a (rapid) gathering (running together)

habendi senatus locus, nihil horum ora vultusque

omnes boni - all right-thinking people (*boni* is almost a technical term in Cicero)

munio (4) - fortify, protect

os oris (n) - face, mouth *vultus* (4) - expression, features (in pl.)

moverunt? Patere tua consilia non sentis, constrictam iam

pateo (2) - lie open (for all to see) *sentio* (4), sensi, sensum - realize, be aware
constringo (3), constrinxii, constrictum - restrain, inhibit, control (OLD 4)

horum omnium scientia teneri coniurationem tuam non

coniuratio coniurationis (f) - conspiracy

vides? Quid proxima, quid superiore nocte egeris, ubi

proximus - next, nearest, 'last'
night before last

superior superioris - earlier; *noct. super.* - the

fueris, quos convocaveris, quid consilii ceperis, quem

convoco (1) - summon to attendance
consilii is partitive with *quid*

consilium capere - form a plan

nostrum ignorare arbitraris? [2] O tempora, o mores!

nostrum is one of the genitives of *nos*

arbitror (1) - think

2. mos moris (m) - custom (in pl. - character, morals)