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# From the Minutes

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## Comprehension Questions

1. What condition does the Orator suffer from, and how does it affect his actions?
2. What does the term "Unblotted Escutcheon" symbolize in the story?
3. Describe the reaction of the Unblotted Escutcheon when it feels scorn directed at it.
4. How do the colleagues of the Orator respond to his death?
5. What do you think the author is trying to convey through this story?

## Vocabulary Exercise

Match the words to their correct definitions.

| Word | Definition |
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| 1. Orator | A) An emblem or shield that signifies honor and reputation. |
| 2. Escutcheon | B) A person who delivers speeches or addresses a public audience. |
| 3. Mortification | C) A feeling of shame or humiliation. |
| 4. Atrophy | D) The wasting away or decline of a body part or function. |

## Writing/Reflection Task

Reflect on the moral of the story. What lesson do you think can be learned from the Orator and his situation? Write your thoughts below.

Feel free to print this worksheet and complete the activities!