

the island's natural habitat by the intruders, Prospero has been using the invisible spirit, Ariel, to confuse and separate them.

The mischievous spirit has also caused havoc by leading Ferdinand, the King's son to Prospero's cell where Miranda, who has never seen a human man, has fallen instantly in love. Apparently Ferdinand feels the same and Prospero is rumoured not to be happy about this at all. We can show you unseen footage of this incredible meeting now:

MIRANDA: **There's nothing ill can dwell in such a temple:
If the ill spirit have so fair a house,
Good things will strive to dwell with't.**

FERDINAND: **O, if a virgin,
And your affection not gone forth, I'll make you
The queen of Naples.**

4. MURDEROUS PLOTS!

An appeal has gone out from the shipwrecked King of Naples who is still searching for his lost son, Ferdinand whom he fears is drowned. But it seems the king has other problems. His sister, Sebastian is apparently plotting to kill him and seize the crown!

And this isn't the only plot to be forming on the island. The king's drunken butler, Stephano, and his jester, Trinculo, have met the witch's son Caliban. After being rejected by Prospero for getting too close to Miranda, Caliban wants revenge and is trying to persuade his new friends to kill Prospero! In Caliban's words:

CALIBAN: **As I told thee before, I am subject to a tyrant, a
sorcerer, that by his cunning hath cheated me of the island.**

It seems Ariel is continuing to make mischief between the plotters who are now rowing among themselves! But we have breaking news coming in from our Royal correspondent!

5. WEDDING BELLS

Yes indeed, wedding bells can be heard all over the island. Proud and protective mother, Prospero, is finally satisfied that Ferdinand has met all the challenges she set for him. In a touching ceremony, Prospero presented the young couple with a 'betrothal masque' - a ritual blessing celebrating their love. We heard some of this singing today:

JUNO (sings): **Honour, riches, marriage-blessing,
Long continuance, and increasing,
Hourly joys be still upon you!
Juno sings her blessings upon you.**

However, all is not bliss yet on the Island. The wedding has distracted Prospero from her enemies and Caliban's plot. What will come of this? Are we to be robbed of a happy ending? We ask our Island reporter to sum up:

6. AND FINALLY, SOME GOOD NEWS!

Well, it seems there can be a happy outcome to these dramatic events. Prospero has finally vowed to abandon her magic arts. Ariel brought Alonso and his followers to Prospero's cell, where Prospero, the true Duke of Milan, confronted her enemies and forgave them. Through the marriage of Ferdinand and Miranda, the division between Naples and Milan has been healed.

And finally, Prospero has granted Ariel her freedom and is prepares to leave the island for Milan and her restored Dukedom. Prospero gave this statement today:

PROSPERO: **Now my charms are all o'erthrown,
And what strength I have's mine own,
But release me from my bands
With the help of your good hands:**

I think she is asking us all to applaud the good news, and why not?