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Mending Soles

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A bungling performance constituted all his life
He was known as a knave, a base, a crafty rogue
And now, he was there, in front of the judge

Asking about his job, he simply said:
“A cobbler”-as Shakespeare put-
the one who “mends the sole”

But now he was in danger more and more
Poverty caused him to kill his soul
He was an immature killer, quite on his own--
to feed his children a dish or two more bowls

The sentence was clear without a play or show
The verdict issued: Death, the punishment for sure