

## A Fifth Monarchy Man

Non-Specific Humans A Privy-Counsellor o the Kingdom of Heaven A Minister of State His Viceregents a Fool Hypocrites holy-court Princes The Wicked Every Man, that had a Mind to it his Posterity his Brethren The Turks the Britons The poor Wicked Subjects Slaves Lords Masters Gamesters

Proper Names Perkin Warbee Lambert Simnel John of Leyden

Mythological Figures Romulus King Oberon The Devil Aeneas King Author Merlin the Pharisee Whittington Mahomet

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I<sup>2</sup>S one, that is not contented to be a Privy-Counsellor of the Kingdom of Heaven, but would fain be a Minifter of State of this World, and tranſlate the Kingdom of Heaven to the Kingdom of Earth. His Deſign is to make Chriſt King, as his Forefathers the Jew did, only to abuſe and crucify him, that he might ſhare his Lands and Goods, as he did his Vicegerents here. He dreams of a Fool's Paradiſe without a Serpent in it, a golden Age all of Saints, and no Hypocrites, all holy-Court Princes, and no Subjects but the Wicked ; a Government of Perkin Warbec and Lambert Simnel Saints, where every Man, that had a Mind to it, might make himſelf a Price, and claim a Title to the Crown. He fancies a fifth-Monarchy as the Quinteſſence of all Governments, abſtracted from all Matter, and confifting

wholly of Revelations, Viſions, and Myſteries.  
John of Leyden was the firſt Founder of it, and

though he mifcarried, like Romulus in a Tempeft, his Pofterity have Revelations every full Moon, that there may be a Time to fet up his Title again, and with better Succefs ; though his Brethren, that have attempted to fince, had no fooner quartered his Coat with their own, but their whole outward Men were fet on the Gates of the City ; where a Head and four Quarters ftand as Types and Figures of the fifth-Monarchy. They have been contriving (fince Experiments, that coft Necks are too chargeable) to try it in little, and have depofed King Oberon, to erect their Monarchy in Fairy-Land, as being the moft proper and natural Region in the whole World for their Government, and if it fucceed there to proceed further. The Devil's Prospect of all the Kingdoms of the Earth, and the Glory of them, has fo dazzled their Eyes, that they would venture their Necks to take him at his Word, and give him his Price. Nothing comes fo near the Kingdom of Darknefs as the fifth-Monarchy, that is no where to be found, but in dark Prophefies, obfcure Mythologies, and myftical Riddles, like the Vifions Aeneas faw in Hell of the Roman Empire.

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Next this it moft refembles Mahomet's Coming to the Turks, and King Arthur's Reign over the Britons in Merlin's Prophefies ; fo near of Kin are all fantaftic Illufions, that you may difcern the fame Lineaments in them all. The poor Wicked are like to have a very ill time under them, for they are refolved upon arbitrary Government, according to their ancient and fundamental Revelations, and to have no Subjects but Slaves, who between them and the Devil are like to fuffer Perfecution enough to make them as able Saints, as their Lords and Mafters. He gathers Churches on the Sunday, as

the Jews did Sticks on their Sabbath, to fet the  
State on Fire. He humms and hahs high Trea-  
fon, and calls upon it, as Gamesters do on the  
Caft they would throw. He groans Sedition,  
and, like the Phariffee, rails, when he gives  
Thanks. He interprets Prophefies, as Whitting-  
ton did the Bells, to fpeak to him, and governs  
himfelf accordingly.

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