

AGES

A golden age of
absolute, sovereign power,
enormous, unshared wealth,
knowledge and learning confined to monasteries
and democracy a platonic fantasy.
Europe was a place to fight wars,
peasants cheap labour and crusading canon fodder.
We were in control.

The same feudal families
send their children to exclusive schools,
dominate our two Houses
and force ever wider the gulf between
wealth and poverty,
self-interest and common good.
Expert opinion challenges bias,
European democracy outlaws hereditary privilege.
They must be resisted.

Peasants are needed for their vote
in a solitary plebiscite,
won by a whisker
to determine our future for ages.
Close down parliament,
Deal with dissenters,
Take back control.
A dark age.

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