

LENIN

Der bräunliche Hirtenknabe David, der die Philister besiegen soll, wird von Samuel zum König, d.h. zum Feldherrn gesalbt. Der neunjährige Hannibal gelobt, ein ewiger Feind der Römer zu sein, und wird vor dem Altar des Baal zum Feldherrn geweiht. Zu Napoleon ist kein Hoherpriester gekommen. Er hat auch vor keinem Altar des Baal gestanden. Dennoch war bereits der korsische Knabe vom "feu sacré" durchglüht. Der Sohn der Revolution wird sich, ein zweiter Prometheus, das Feuer vom Himmel gestohlen haben.

(The bronzed shepherd-boy David, who was to conquer the Philistines, was anointed by Samuel as King ; that is, army commander. The nine-year-old Hannibal swore eternal enmity to the Romans, and was consecrated to command before the altar of Baal. To Napoleon no high priest came. Nor did he stand before the altar of any Baal. Nevertheless, the Corsican boy glowed with the genuine *feu sacré*. The son of the Revolution must, like a second Prometheus, have stolen his fire from heaven.)

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