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QUERY

"Folly is the cloke of knavery."

Morton D. Paley

I had always thought of this Proverb of Hell as originating in The Marriage. However, Walter Scott in Waverley, in speaking of Davie Gellately, says: "Davie had no mind to explain, and had wit enough to make his folly cloak his knavery..." (Andrew Hook, ed., Penguin, 1972 [116]). This seems too close for coincidence, and so there must either be a common source or an intermediary source, unless we assume that Sir Walter had been conversing with Blake's Devils. Does anybody know?

NEWSLETTER

COLERIDGE SUMMER CONFERENCE

The Friends of Coleridge in Somerset will be holding the first Coleridge Summer Conference from 25 to 28 July 1988, in Nether Stowey, Somerset, England. This is the first conference held in this region, within one hundred yards of Coleridge Cottage, and at the center of the Quantock countryside which influenced the major poetry of Coleridge and the early writing of Wordsworth. The main speakers will include Coleridge scholars Jack Stillinger, K. M. Wheeler, and Peter Larkin, and the distinguished local historian Robert Dunning. If you wish to submit a proposal for a conference session or a paper on Coleridge or related areas of the romantic movement please contact Dr. David S. Miall, Coleridge Summer Conference 1988, The College of St. Paul & St. Mary, The Park, Cheltenham, GL50 2RH, England. For further information contact Mrs. Rosemary Cawthray, Coleridge Cottage, 35 Lime Street, Nether Stowey, Bridgwater, TA5 1NQ, England.

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David Worrall, associate editor for Britain, has informed us that Tobias Churton is preparing a television program on Blake for Channel 4 and Border Television. We will provide further information as we receive it.