

Kings, Kingmakers, and the Kingsbury Kingmaker

The history of the Kingmaker family of Kingsbury, Warwickshire, England, is a fascinating tale of power, ambition, and betrayal. The family rose to prominence in the 14th century, and for over a century they played a key role in English history.



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The Rise of the Kingmakers

The Kingmaker family originated in the village of Kingsbury, Warwickshire. The family's fortunes began to rise in the 14th century, when Sir John de Neville was appointed Constable of Warwick Castle. Sir John's son, Ralph Neville, was created Earl of Westmoreland in 1397. Ralph's son, Richard Neville, was the most famous member of the family. He was known as "Warwick the Kingmaker" because of his role in the Wars of the Roses.

Warwick the Kingmaker was a powerful and ambitious man. He was one of the richest and most powerful nobles in England, and he commanded a large army. Warwick played a key role in the Wars of the Roses, and he helped to put Edward IV on the throne in 1461. However, Warwick later turned against Edward and supported Henry VI. Warwick was killed at the Battle of Barnet in 1471, and the Kingmaker family's power declined.

The Kingsbury Kingmaker

One of the most famous members of the Kingmaker family was Sir William Neville, known as the "Kingsbury Kingmaker". Sir William was a younger son of Ralph Neville, Earl of Westmoreland. He was born in Kingsbury in 1405, and he inherited the manor of Kingsbury from his father.

Sir William Neville was a successful military commander. He fought in the Wars of the Roses, and he helped to put Henry VI on the throne in 1461. Sir William was also a close advisor to Henry VI, and he played a key role in the government of England.

Sir William Neville was known as the "Kingsbury Kingmaker" because of his role in the Wars of the Roses. He was one of the most powerful and influential nobles in England, and he helped to shape the course of English history.

The Legacy of the Kingmakers

The Kingmaker family left a lasting legacy on English history. The family's power and influence helped to shape the course of the Wars of the Roses, and they played a key role in the government of England.

The Kingmaker family's legacy is still visible today. Warwick Castle, which was once the seat of the Kingmaker family, is now a popular tourist attraction. The village of Kingsbury is also a reminder of the family's history. The village church contains a number of memorials to the Kingmakers, and the village school is named after Sir William Neville.

The history of the Kingmaker family is a fascinating tale of power, ambition, and betrayal. The family rose to prominence in the 14th century, and for over a century they played a key role in English history. The Kingmaker family's legacy is still visible today, and their story continues to fascinate historians and the general public alike.



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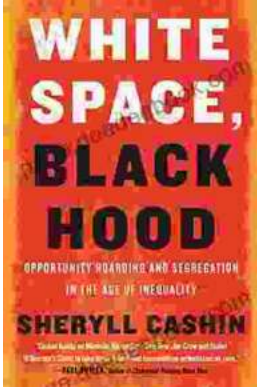
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