

“ There shall be in England seven halfpenny loaves sold for a penny : the three-hooped pot shall have ten hoops ; and I will make it felony to drink small beer : all the realm shall be in common ; and in Cheapside shall my palfrey go to grass : and when I am king, as king I will be . . . ”—SHAKESPEARE, *Second Part of King Henry VI.*, Act iv. Sc. ii.