

MEMORIAL

OF THE

DE FORSYTHS DE FRONSAC

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EXPLANATION.

Sons are marked I., II., III., etc.

Grandsons, 1, 2, 3, etc.

Great-grandsons, *a*, *b*, *c*, etc.

Great-great-grandsons, i., ii., iii., etc.,
unless otherwise specified.



ARMS OF FORSYTH OF FAILZERTON,
County Ayr, Scotland.



ARMS OF FORSYTH OF TAILZERTON,
County Stirling, Scotland.

Arms of Comte de Forsyth de Fronsac, Aquitania, France, 825 A.D., were the Imperial Eagle, with the Count's coronet between the heads. The shield and crests were added in Scotland as borne by the present families. The Vicomte's coronet



ARMS OF COMTE DE FORSYTH DE FRONSAC,
Aquitania, France. 825 A.D.

over the shield was added by Nicolas Denys, Vicomte de Fronsac, 1650 A.D., Royal Governor of Acadia, his mother being Margaret, daughter of David Forsyth, Lord of Dykes, and heir of the Comtes de Forsyth de Fronsac, in France.



ARMS OF FORSYTH OF THE FIRS,
Berkshire, England.



ARMS OF FORSYTH OF CROMARTY AND ELGIN,
Scotland.

FORSYTH DE FRONSAC.



IN the 9th century the Emperor Charlemagne built the Castle Forsath, on the banks of the Dordogne, in Aquitania, twenty miles above Bordeaux, as a restraining influence on the Gascons. It was afterwards called Forsath de Fronsac,* later spelled Forsyth, in Scotland.

He made it the capital of the district, and appointed as first Comte de Forsyth, one of his sons, who bore as armorial the imperial eagle sable, with a coronet between the heads, and he was ancestor of the Comtes Forsyth de Fronsac, whose possessions in the eldest line male continued down to the 15th century.

It was then that the English, at war with the French, invaded Aquitania under command of the Earl of Derby, and in their course destroyed the Castle Forsath, or Forsyth de Fronsac.†

* "Histoire General" (Lavisse), Vol. I., p. 310.

† "Froissart's Chronicles," Chap. CIV.

Before this, in the latter part of the 13th century and the beginning of the 14th, Scotland entered into an alliance with some of the princes and nobles of France, in order to gain her independence from the claims of suzerainty England proclaimed over her.

Among those who went over from Aquitania to aid the Scottish king, Robert de Bruce, was the Chevalier Osbert de Forsyth, son of Robert de Forsyth, spoken of in Haddington's Historical Collections as receiving for fealty a hundred solidates terrae tenemento de Salkill, in Co. Stirling, from the king. He belonged to a younger branch of the Comte de Forsyth de Fronsac, the elder line disappearing at this time from French history.

In the meantime the fief of Forsyth de Fronsac reverted to a branch of the Valois family, as next claimants in France under the title of Vicomte de Fronsac, and a new castle was rebuilt under the name of Chateau Fronsac.

In 1551 the title was once more made a count, and in 1555 Antoine de Lustrac, as next in succession, was created Marquis de Fronsac. From him the title passed to the family of DE CAUMONT, and in 1608 Fronsac was erected into a duchy and passed to FRANCIS D'ORLEANS LONGUEVILLE, Comte de St. Pol. At his death, in 1631, without direct heir, the peerage became extinct.

The cardinal, DUC DE RICHELIEU, PRIME MINISTER of FRANCE, however, revived some claim to it in 1634, and transferred it to his nephew, the MARQUIS DE BREZE, who was an admiral of France.

In 1646 his sister, the PRINCESS DE CONDÉ, the next heir, became Duchess de Fronsac, and at her death the title went to the next relative:

ARMAND JEAN DE VIGNEROT DU PLESSIS, DUC DE RICHELIEU and DE FRONSAC, with whose descendants it remained until the French revolution of 1798.

Descended from OSBERT DE FORSYTH, settled in Scotland, tempo Robert de Bruce was his son:

ROBERT DE FORSYTH,* an officer of the crown, who rendered an account to King Robert II. of the custom of Stirling, and received from the king £100 per annum from the lands of Polmaise Marischall, Co. Stirling. He was Constable of Stirling Castle in 1368, and his brother, William de Forsyth, in 1364 was Baillee of Edinburgh. Robert's son was :

JOHN DE FORSYTH,* an officer for the crown in 1379. His son was :

WILLIAM DE FORSYTH,* an officer for the crown in 1399. His son :

ROBERT DE FORSYTH, witnessed a charter of Robert Keith, Earl Marischall of Scotland, in 1426. His son :

JOHN DE FORSYTH, acquired the lands of Gilcairnstorm, Co. Aberdeen, in 1470. He married the daughter of James Douglas, Lord of Dykes, Co. Lanark. He was also a relative of Thomas de Forsyth, who was Canon of Glasgow in 1487, who bore "Two buckles on a bend." John's son was :

DAVID DE FORSYTH, of Gilcairnstorm, Lord of Dykes ; he obtained the Barony of Nydie. His son was :

DAVID DE FORSYTH, Baron of Nydie, Lord of Dykes, etc., 1507. His son was :

JOHN FORSYTH, of Dykes, Baron of Nydie, 1540, whose arms as Forsyth of Nydie are emblazoned in the Heraldic MS. of Sir David Lindsay of the Mount, Knight of the Rose Haunche, and Principal Herald of Scotland in 1542. He had a brother, James Forsyth, who was signer of a feudal charter before the Lords Commissioners at Edinburgh in 1560, as Lord of the Monastery of Dumblane, "Dominus James Forsyth, manu propria," for the brother of Patrick Murray of Tibbinuire.† Another one of his relatives in 1542 was Henry Forsyth, Rector of Monymusk. John Forsyth, of Dykes, Baron of Nydie, etc., in 1543, transferred his estates of Gilcairnstorm, Co. Aberdeen, to Lord Gordon of

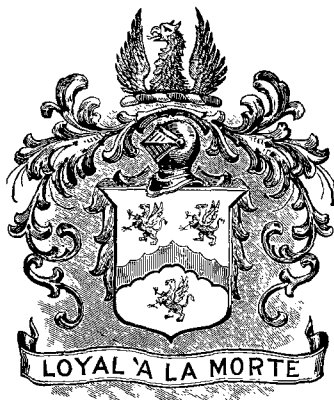
* "Exchequer Rolls of Scotland."

† Oliphants in Scotland.

Pittwig. He was also in one of the military companies of France in 1560, and assumed the title of Comte Forsath de Fronsac. His son was :

DAVID FORSYTH, of Dykes,* 1571. He was commissioner of Revenue for Glasgow in 1594.† His children were :

- I. *Margaret*, m. Jean Denys, of Honfleur, and St. Vincent de Tours, France.
- II. *James*, Commissioner for Glagow, 1608, d. s. p.
- III. *William*, his successor.
- IV. *Matthew*, of Auchengray, an advocate.
- V. *Robert*, Failzerton,‡ Co. Ayr. He was in the French Army, was a claimant of the title of Forsath de Fronsac.



FORSAYTH OF FAILZERTON.

CAPT. JAMES FORSAYTH, son of Robert, of Failzerton, a captain by land and sea, m. his cousin, Marguerite, dau. of the

* The arms of Nydie were confirmed to his posterity through the families of Dykes, Failzerton, etc., by the Heralds' College of Scotland.

† Act of Scot. Parl. IV., p. 79 (1594) : " Act in favor of the citie of Glasgow . . . recites a commission formerly given for remeid of defects . . . full power and commission . . . to David Forsyth of Dykes . . . and raise and lift the beer and malt mercat. "

‡ Arms of Nydie confirmed to the Forsayths of Failzerton by Sir Geo. McKenzie, King of Arms for Scotland.

Chevalier Nicolas Denys, Vicomte de Fronsac and Royal Governor of Acadia.

WILLIAM FORSYTH, of Dykes, son of David as above, was Commissioner to Parliament for Forres in 1621. His children were :

- I. *William Forsyth*, of Dykes,* his successor, whose dau. Barbara m. Baron Rello.
- II. *John Forsyth*,† M.P. for Cullen (1652) and one of the signers of the commission to meet the English Parliament. He m. a daughter of Sir William Livingston, of Kilsyth. Issue :
 1. James (of whom hereafter).
 2. Walter,‡ Provost of the University of Glasgow, m. Margaret, dau. of Capt. James Forsyth, of Failzerton, by wife Marguerite, dau. of Nicolas, Vicomte de Fronsac, Royal Governor of Acadia.
- III. *James*, from whom are the Forsyths of Elgin and Cromarty, etc.

THE FAMILY OF DENYS acquired a great renown in France in connection with early American explorations. In 1506 Capt. Jean Denys, of Honfleur, published a chart of that Gulf of N. America, afterwards known as the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

He was also one of the companions of Verazzani commissioned by the king, Francis I., to find lands in the New World for France in 1524. His grandson Jean, also a captain on the sea, married the eldest child of David Forsyth, Lord of Dykes in Scotland, and claimant of the de Fronsac title in France. Among his children by this marriage were :

* Ret. Scot. Parl. Abbrev. Inq. Spec. Lanark (199), Jan. 18, 1640: "Heres William Forsyth de Dykis, patris, in 40 solidates terrarum antiqui extentus de Gayne, 40 solidates de Untheos, infra dominium de Newburgh et baronium de Munckland."

† Act Scot. Parl. (1652).

‡ Act. Scot. Parl. (1678).

I. Nicolas, who, for the services of his ancestors in discovering lands for France in America, received in full sovereignty from the king, the northern half of Acadia in 1632, a domain of about 32,000 square miles. The other portion was bestowed on the Commander de Razilly and the Chevalier Claude de St. Etienne de la Tour.

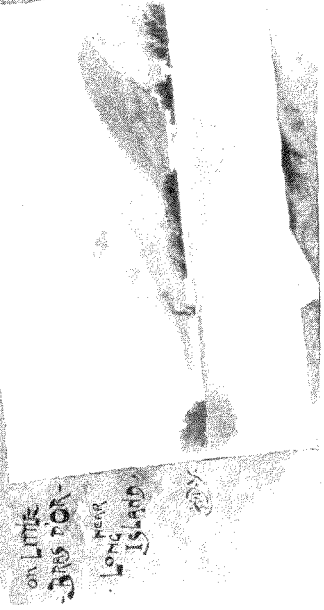


IN DE FRONSAC'S DOMAIN, TRACADIE, ACADIA.

Nicolas Denys was born at St. Vincent de Tours in 1598, and was claimant of the de Fronsac title. He was also made by the king Royal Governor of Acadia entire. On account of trouble with the Catholics, he being a Huguenot, a bigoted officer, Le Borgne, secretly planned an ambush against the governor, and, with others, captured him, when alone, and carried him a prisoner to Port Royal (Annapolis).

He obtained, however, the aid of the Protestant English, with whom he was forced to form an alliance for his own safety, and they released him by armed intervention. In the meantime he had opened the country to colonists, fostered trade with New England, built ships, established the town of Gaspé as his capital, had a fort on the Straits of Canseau to protect his treasures, which were on the Cape Breton shore, from the spoliation of his enemies. His enemies next proceeded to petition the king for his removal from the governorship. They succeeded in getting Giraudière appointed, and de Fronsac retired into his own territory. The new governor,

CLIMPS OF CAPE BRETON



(From I.S.S. Co.'s collection.)

DE FRONSAC'S DOMAIN.

Near the straits of Causseau was de Fronsac's Fort and Treasury, and Baddeck was one of his ports of entry.

with the aid of the king's ships and troops, made war on de Fronsac, seized the ships by which he traded with New England, besieged and drove him from the fort at Canseau, got his treasury at Cape Breton, and finally drove him from the country. Charlevoix, in his History of Canada, says, "The loss of the most important enterprising, liberal, and best educated person was a great blow to the country." But in 1663 he so far recovered the authority that the king appointed him Lieutenant-General for Acadia, and in 1667, at the instance of his friend, the minister Talon, his claims on the title of Vicomte de Fronsac were recognized and ordered to be enregistered by the king, Louis XIV. Four others were enrolled at the same time with him in the nobility of New France, Canada. In 1672 there was published in Paris his history, in two volumes, entitled, "Description Geographique et Historique de l'Amerique Septentrionale avec l'Histoire Naturelle du Pays." He is mentioned by Charlevoix as the best instructed of the governors of New France. He m. in France Marguerite de La Faye. His children, born in France, were: *

1. *Richard*, Vicomte de Fronsac, Seigneur de Mirimachie and Governor of Gaspé, m. 1st, Anne Parabego; 2d, Françoise, dau. of Jacques Cailteau, Sieur de Champfleury. His children were:
 - a. Nicolas,† Vicomte de Fronsac, Governor, etc., born 1682, m., 1700, Marie Sauvagesse. He and his children, Françoise, born 1708, Gabriel, born 1716, and Jacques, born 1717, all died in 1732, probably of an epidemic.
 - b. Anne, m. Jean Merçon, Quebec, 1709.
 - c. Louis, born 1690, was a student in 1707 with Mesire Jacques Le Blond, curé of St. Francis Xavier, Petite Rivière.
2. *Marguerite* m. at Honfleur, France, in 1650, her cousin Capt. James Forsyth (son of Robert of

* Denys, "Registre Genealogique." Tanguay, "Dict. Gen. du Canada."

† Tanguay's "Dictionnaire Genealogique Canadienne."

Failzerton, Co. Ayr), a captain in land and naval enterprises. May 17, 1654, he was a prisoner of war among the English and escaped from the vault below the Parliament House where he had been confined. His daughter and heiress was:

MARGARET FORSAYTH,* of Failzerton (Vicomtesse de Fronsac), who m. Walter Forsyth, Provost of the University and Subdeaneries of Glasgow in 1678 (see p. 7). Their son was:

JAMES FORSAYTH,* of Failzerton (Vicomte de Fronsac). He was a captain in King William of Orange's Irish Campaign. He m. Margaret, dau. of Maj. Hugh Montgomerie, of Co. Ayr, who was a petitioner to the king in 1660. His children were:

I. MATTHEW,† born Co. Ayr, 1699, went first to Ireland where he married Esther, dau. of Robert Graham,‡ ancestor of the Grahams of Drumgoon, Co. Fermanagh (Maguires Bridge), and descended from the Earls of Menteath through Lang Will Graham, of Stubble, Cumberland, England. Matthew, on account of the political troubles in Ireland, went to America in 1742, and settled at Chester, N.H., bringing considerable wealth with him and family silver with armorials thereon, which had been confirmed to the family by the Principal Herald of Scotland, Sir George Mackenzie, Knt. of the Rose Haunche, etc. He was one of the most prominent mentioned in the history of Chester. Name very frequent in town and provincial records. He was lay preacher in absence of minister and deacon of the church. He several times

* Records of Forsayth of Failzerton.

† "Chase's Hist. of Chester," pp. 524, 109, 127, 129, 130, 140, 142, 144, 152, 259, 456, 621, 231; "Town Papers, N.H.," Vol. XI., p. 309; Vol. IX., pp. 109, 115; "State Papers, N.H.," Vol. IX., pp. 109, 115; "Granite Monthly," Vol. VIII. The name is spelled on the Chester Records Forsayth, Forsaith, and Forsyth. Some descendants follow the first, others the last, way of spelling. He had an estate in Ireland for which his descendants lodged papers.

‡ "Drumgoon MSS." Robert Graham's wife was Janet Hume, of the family of Castle Hume and Hume's Wood, whose estates join those of Drumgoon, and have passed into the family of Loftus, Marquis of Ely, with whom they intermarried.

represented petitioners of Chester to the Provincial legislature for improvements and for the remedy of grievances. He was chosen President of the Local Committee of Public Safety in 1776, and although his attitude and that of some of his sons leaned towards a resistance of Parliamentary tyranny in America, he was a firm believer that a royal form of government is best conducive to the interests of a people. He died 1790. His children were:

1. MATTHEW, b. in Ireland, was a loyalist and a physician in the Royal Navy; m. — Orr; came to Fredericksburg before 1774. His only son was Robert,* b. 1754; captain in Lee's Lgt. Horse, 1776; Major, 1777; Deputy Quartermaster-General of the Southern Army, 1778; and A.D.C. to General Washington; member of the Virginia Order of Cincinnatus, 1783; appointed U.S. Marshal of Georgia, 1786; killed in performance of duty, 1794; buried with funeral honors by the Order of Cincinnatus; a monument was erected to his memory at Augusta, Ga.; Congress voted a sum of money for the education of his children; he m. Mrs. Fanny (Johnston) Houston, a widow, sister to Judge Peter Johnston, of Fredericksburg, and aunt of Lieut.-Gen. Joseph E. Johnston, C.S.A. Issue:

a. ROBERT, died, *aet.* 19.

b. JOHN,† b. in Fredericksburg, Oct. 10, 1780; member of Society of the Cincinnati; 1st Attorney-General of Georgia, 1808; Rep. of U.S. Congress, 1813–1818; Minister Plenipotentiary to Spain, 1819–22; Rep. of U.S. Congress 1823–1827; Governor of Georgia, 1828–1830; U.S. Senator, 1830–4; Secretary of State for United States, 1834–41; died in Washington, Oct. 22, 1841; introduced the culture of

* "Stevens' Hist. of Georgia," Vol. II., p. 302. "Old Encyclopedia Americana."

† "Virginia Hist. Coll.;" "Whyte's Hist. of Ga.;" "Van Holst's Hist. of U.S.;" "Bench and Bar of Ga.," Vol. II., etc. The family estate in Georgia was about 50,000 acres, with about 10,000 additional in Louisiana.

nankeen cotton into America; Georgia erected a monument to his memory in the Congressional Burying Ground at Washington; m. Clara, dau. of Hon. Josiah Meigs, LL.D., 1st Prest. of the University of Georgia, and son of Col. Jonathan Meigs of the War of '76. Issue:

1. *Julia*, b. 1803; m. Hon. Alfred Iverson, Judge of Supreme Court of Ga., U.S. Senator, and General in Confederate Army.
2. *Mary*,* b. 1807; m. Arthur Shaaff, Georgetown, D.C.
3. *Clara*, b. 1810; m. Capt. Murray Mason, U.S.N., afterwards Commodore in Confederate Navy, son of Gen. John Mason, of Virginia, whose brother was U.S. Senator James M. Mason, and whose sister was Mrs. Sidney Smith Lee,† mother of Gen. Fitz-Hugh Lee (nephew of Gen. Robert E. Lee, Commander in Chief of the Southern Confederacy); a daughter of Clara Forsyth Mason m. Capt. S. B. Davis, C.S.A., living in Alexandria, Va.
4. *John*,‡ b. in Augusta, Georgia, 1812; member of Society of the Cincinnati (S.C.); Adj. 1st Ga. Regt. in Mexican War; U.S. Minister to Mexico, 1856; Mayor of Mobile, 1860; Confederate Commissioner Plenipotentiary, 1861; the Chief of Staff of the Confederate Army of Tennessee, 1863; and author of the "Proclamation of the South to the people of Kentucky;" since the war editor of "Mobile Register" until his death

* A daughter of Mary (Forsyth) Shaaff m. Richard Tighlman Brice, grandson of Gen. Tench Tighlman, of Maryland.

† "Lee Family History."

‡ "Stevens' War between the States," Vol. II.; "Davis's Rise and Fall of the Southern Confederacy," Vol. II.; "Southern Historical Papers; Correspondence between the U.S. and C.S. Governments." John Forsyth, Jr., enjoyed the soubriquet of "Prince of Southern Journalists."

in 1878; he m. Margaret, dau. of Latham Hull, of Augusta, Ga., and had:

1. *Charles*, b. Mobile, Col. 3d Alabama Regt., C.S.A.; distinguished at battles of Bull Run, Shiloh, Seven Pines, and about Petersburg; m. Laura, dau. of Lorenzo M. Sprague, and had as children: 1. Charles Sprague, b. Mobile, 1861. [Member of the S.C. Society of the Cincinnati, Supt. Becker Leather Co. of Milwaukee; m. Margaret, dau. of Rev. C. F. Knight, 4th Bishop of Milwaukee, their children being Elizabeth Pickering, b. 1891, and John, b. 1892.] 2. Elizabeth Hunter, m. Irwin M. Meyer, d. 1895; and 3, Margaret Angela, d. 1883.
5. *Virginia*, m. George Hargraves, had Clara F.; m. Capt. Chas. Wood, C.S.A., of Ivy, Albemarle Co., Va.
6. *Anna E.*, b. 1823.
7. *Rosa M.*, b. 1823; m. Wm. Aubrey, of Baltimore, afterward of Cartersville, Ga., Commissary, C.S.A.
8. *Robert*,* b. in Augusta, Ga., 1826; Capt. 1st U.S. Voltigeurs, Mexican War; Colonel of Artillery, C.S.A.; Commandant of Confederate Fortifications in Mobile Bay; m. Julia, dau. of Latham Hull, of Augusta, Ga., and had:
 1. John.
 2. Angela.
 3. Margaret.

2. DAVID,† born in Ireland. Ensign in Chester Co. 1st N.H. Regt.; wounded, Ticonderoga, and died May 21, 1778.

* See "Correspondence between the U.S. and C.S. Governments."

† "Hist. Col. N.H.," Vol. VII., p. 83; "Chase's Hist. of Chester," p. 524; "State Papers N.H.," Vol. XIV., pp. 554, 634.

3. JONATHAN,* born in Ireland. Soldier in Chester Co. 1st N.H. Regt., killed, Ticonderoga, July 9, 1777.

4. ESTHER, died unm.

5. WILLIAM,† born in Ireland, 1740. Ensign in the Royal Provincial Regt., 1763-7. An United Empire Loyalist in the War of 1776-83. One of the founders of the Derry (N.H.) Public Library. Settled in Deering, Hillsborough Co., N.H. Married Jane, dau. of James Wilson,‡ formerly of Ireland, "Surveyor of the High Ways of Chester," whose wife, Mary, dau. of John Shirley (a relative of Gov. Sir Thomas Shirley), Chase, in his History of Chester, claims was a relative also of the celebrated Countess of Huntington, the patron of Wesley. He died in 1808. His children were:

a. Matthew, settled in what is now Manchester, N.H.

b. James, a physician, an alumnus of Dartmouth College, a son of whom, Dr. F. F. Forsyth, was one of the founders of the Weymouth (Mass.) Hist. Society, and a contributor to the Hist. of Weymouth.

c. David, captain of the Deering Rifles.

d. Thomas,§ born Sept. 1, 1775; was a scholar at a military school, France, at age of eleven. In 1792, at age of seventeen, joined the Brigade de Navarre, Marquis de Montmarte commanding, in the campaign of the royalists and French princes against the first French Republic. Was at Coblenz, Treves, Grevenmaker, and Stadbredimus.

* "Chase's Hist. of Chester," pp. 377, 379.

+ "Provincial Papers, N.H.," Vol. VI., p. 767; "Town Papers, N.H.," Vol. XI., pp. 493, 497, 498; Vol. IX., p. 759; "Hist. of Hillsborough County (N.H.)."

‡ "Chase's Hist. Chester" (Wilson Family). James Wilson lived to be 118 years of age. *Vide*, also, Shirley Family. His family was very celebrated.

§ "Burke's Colonial Gentry," Vol. II. "Dufaure's Notes sur les Emigrés." "America Heraldica, American Ancestry," Vol. VII.

Was a captain in the Illyriens, at the siege of Thionville. Given by command of H.R.H. the Comte d'Artois the decoration of the Royal and Military Order of St. Louis at the siege of Verdun. His claim on the title of de Fronsac was recognized by the Emperor Francis II. in 1798, principally on account of his adherence to royalist principles. He came to Savannah, Ga., U.S.A., about 1800, and had been previously inscribed a member of the Society of the Yellow Rose, of the old loyalists, now known as the Aryan Order. He entered into commercial business in 1806, at Portland, Me., St. John, N.B., and Savannah, Ga. He was one of the wardens of the Ancient Landmark Lodge of Freemasons at Portland. He projected the scheme of a railway from Montreal to Portland as early as 1830, but it was not concluded until 1854 — five years after his death. He married at Savannah, 1809, Sallie, dau. of Admiral John Pray,* formerly of the Colonial Navy of Georgia, by wife Mary, dau. of Col. John Hamilton,† who commanded the N.C. Loyalist Regt. in 1776, and was after 1783 British Consul at Norfolk. His children were :

- i. Jane, b. 1810, m. R. P. Ilsley, of Portland, whose dau. Eliz. m. Hon. Boise de Veber, M.P. and Mayor of St. John, N.B., in 1886, a descendant of Col. Gabriel de Veber

* "Stevens' Hist. of Georgia," p. 152.

† "Sabine's American Loyalists" (Hamilton).

Note. — Sallie Pray, b. 1778. Admiral Pray, b. 1746. Mary Hamilton, b. 1760. Col. Hamilton, b. about 1735.

- of the Prince of Wales' American Regt. of 1776-83.
- ii. Hamilton, b. 1812. Army of Texas, 1834. Captain on staff of Gen. Mirabeau B. Lamar. Died, Galveston, 1839.
 - iii. Sarah Ann, b. 1815, m., as second wife, Hon. W. P. Preble, LL.D., Judge of the Supreme Court of Maine, First Prest. of the Grand Trunk Ry. of Canada (1854), and U.S. Minister to the Netherlands, etc. They had one son Edward, m. to Caroline S., dau. of Geo. Capron, Newton Centre, Mass.
 - iv. Eleanor, b. 1817, m. Samuel Sawyer, of Portland. Their son, George, d. at New Orleans 1853.
 - v. Frederic, Vicomte de Fronsac, of Montreal and Portland, b. 1819, was one of the pioneers to California in 1849, at Realejo, Nicaragua, 1850. Returned East 1852, Captain of the Portland Rifle Corps and commanded Guard of Honor to the Prince of Wales at Portland in 1860. Believed in the right of the Southern cause of 1861-65. Was a member of the Odd Fellows, of the Society of California Pioneers, and Chancellor of the Aryan Order of St. George in 1891. The fiftieth anniversary of the reign of Queen Victoria in 1886 was celebrated at his house in Portland by British residents. He died June 11, 1891. He m. Harriette Marie, dau. of Maj. Gen. Joseph Scott Jewett,* of Portland, who had commanded

* General Jewett belonged to a celebrated family from Yorkshire, Bradford, W. R., England (see "Savage's Genealogical Dict. of N.E., and the Essex Institutes"). He m. Mary Parker Marr, of a Scottish family, claiming descent from the Earls of Marr.

the 5th Military District of Maine in 1839, had been a commissioner on the boundary between Maine and New Hampshire, and had represented Maine in the General Court of Mass. before 1820. His children, Frederic Gregory, Vicomte de Fronsac, b. Montreal; founder of the United Empire Loyalist Association of Canada in 1895; chancellor of the Seigneurial Order of Canada, and Herald Marshal of the Aryan Order of St. George; noted as a historian, poet, and music writer; and Thomas Scott, now living in Boston, a musician and litterateur and dramatist.

vi. George; b. 1821, Lieut. 78th U.S.C. Troops, 1863, Asst. Q.M. and A.A.G. with rank as Major, at camps at Washington, 1865; customs officer at Sitka, Alaska, afterwards removed to San Francisco; m. Albertina, dau. of Capt. Albert Jewett, of Portland; their dau., Albertina; m. Dr. Macallester, of Honolulu.

vii. Caroline Augusta, b. 1823; m. James Albert Macnabb, of Greenock, Scotland, a cousin of Sir A. N. Macnabb, of Canada.

e. Robert.

f. Josiah, barrister, at Goffstown, an alumnus of Dartmouth College, whose son, Hon. William L., is justice of the Boston Municipal Court (1896).

His father, Joseph Jewett, who came from Mass. to Portland, had held a naval appointment from Washington, and his wife was Ruth McLaughlin, of the MacLaughlin of Clan Owen, from near Londonderry, Ireland. General Jewett's wife, Mary Mary, had for mother, Olive, dau. of Judge Roger Plaisted, son of Judge Ichabod Plaisted, of York, at one time a royal councillor of Maine, whose father, Capt. Roger Plaisted, also a royal councillor, commanded the garrisons at Berwick and Salmon Falls, where he was killed in repelling an Indian attack. He is called by Williamson in his *Hist. of Maine*, the "Hero of Berwick."

g. Hannah, m. a Mr. Paige.

6. ROBERT,* b. Chester, 1746; Lieut. in the War of 1776-83; m. Mary, dau. of Dea. William Tolford, of Walnut Hill. One of his sons was Robert, who m. Sarah Luvkin. His son Robert m. Sabrina Ramesay, and their son, James, was one of the prominent men in New York State. He was Prest. of the Renssalaer Polytechnic Institute; Prest. of the Renssalaer & Saratoga Ry.; Prest. of the Troy Bridge Co.; Judge of the County Court; Judge Advocate of Division; author on the Law of Contracts, etc. He m. 1st a dau. of Hon. Elisha Tibbetts, of New York City; 2d, a Miss Pempelley, of the family of the explorer. His children were: 1, Robert, Civil Engineer and Manager of the Union Steel Co., of Chicago, and 2, James, Atty.-at-Law, b. 1860, living at Riverside, the home of the Pempelleys, in Owego, N.Y.

7. JOSIAH,† born Chester; Lieut. in War of 1776-83; m. Kitty, dau. of Caleb Richardson.

II. ALEXANDER, born Ayreshire, 1700. Came to Boston, 1719. He was an eminent merchant and ship-owner. He was selectman, 1735, and afterwards for several years, and captain in the Colonial Regt. He was a subscriber to Prince's Chronology, and a patron of art and literature. His autograph is in Vol. II., "Memorial Hist. of Boston." He was a firm loyalist. He left Boston with his family about 1765, at the beginning of the dispute between the Home Government and the Colonies. His children born in Boston were:

1. *Alexander*,‡ b. Oct. 20, 1721.

2. *Robert*,‡ b. Aug. 18, 1723.

3. *John*,‡ b. Nov. 5, 1731. He went with his father to Ayreshire. He was a captain in the

* "Chase's Hist. Chester," pp. 118, 344, 446; "Provincial Papers, N.H.," Vol. VII., p. 755; "Town Papers, N.H.," Vol. XIII., pp. 196, 198, 751; Vol. XI., pp. 320, 685.

† "Chase's Hist. Chester," pp. 231, 373, 383, 457, 630; "Town Papers, N.H.," Vol. XI., p. 315; "State Papers, N.H.," Vol. XI., p. 315.

‡ Vol. 24, Commissioners' Reports of the Records of Boston.

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Capt. Alex. Forsyth, besides his other appointments, was one of the commissioners to make a treaty with the Indian tribes for the Colony of Massachusetts Bay in 1724.

Royal Army during War of 1776-83. His son John, b. 1771, in Ayreshire, was a captain in the Volunteers, or in a regt. of the line, and his son William, b. in Ayreshire, came to Boston in 1828, and was for nearly a quarter of a century connected with the Boston Belting Co., the original manufacturers of vulcanized India-rubber goods in the U.S. He m. Jane, dau. of Hamilton Bennett,* of an old English family, the head of which is the present Earl of Tankerville. Mr. Bennett's mother was a Hamilton of Ayreshire, of the Boreland branch of that family, tracing their ancestry to Sir David Hamilton, Lord of Cadzow, from whom, also, are descended the Dukes of Hamilton and Abercorn. Mrs. Forsyth died Sept. 8, 1860, at Roxbury, where Mr. Forsyth also died Dec. 12, 1876. His children were:

1. *William*, d. July 1, 1877.
2. *John*, Superintendent of Boston Belting Company.
3. *Anne Jane*, d. Sept. 7, 1848.
4. *James Bennett*, General Manager of Boston Belting Company, one of the foremost inventors of India-rubber appliances in America, having procured over fifty patents for machinery and for improved methods for manufacturing mechanical rubber goods.
5. *Margaret Bennett*, d. April 8, 1890.
6. *Mary Elizabeth*, d. Sept. 5, 1848.
7. *Thomas Alexander*, Manufacturing Agent of Boston Belting Company.
8. *George Henry*, Assistant General Manager of Boston Belting Company.

*The Bennett family is represented in England by the Earls of Tankerville. One of them, Sir George Bennett, was Baronet in Poland, 1671.

III. THOMAS,* died in Cork, Ireland, in 1768. Mary, his widow, survived him, having a private estate. Issue :

1. *Robert*, merchant in Cork ; m. Catherine, dau. of Thomas Campion, Esq., and had :

a. THOMAS, m. Mary Ann, relative of Sir J. Grant, of Kilmurray, Fermoy. Issue :

i. *Robert*, b. 1807 ; curate in Bristol ; m. Fanny — ; died 1840, leaving a dau., Frances Jane, author of poems “ *Armos Waters*.”

ii. *Thomas Gifford*, b. 1808 ; H.M. Attaché to the Embassy at Morocco ; musician and poet ; m., 1st, Rose D'Arguilar ; 2d, Lucy H., dau. of Colonel O'Toole, of Wicklow.

iii. *Catherine*.

iv. *Mary*.

v. *John Brabazon*, artist, settled at Bunbury, Western Australia, in 1845.

vi. *Eliza*.

2. *John*, b. 1735 ; Pensioner at Trinity College, Dublin, 1749 ; Fellow 1762, with degree of D.D. ; Archdeacon of Cork, 1781 ; fine classical scholar ; died unm., 1781.

3. *Margaret*, died unm.

4. *Samuel*, entered H.M. Customs Service at Cork, 1752 ; appointed by the Viceroy, Inspector General of Customs for Ireland, Dublin, July 24, 1776 ; m. Margaret — ; died 1801 ; buried at St. Ann's, Dublin. Issue :

a. JOHN, A.B., appointed Vicar of Leighmoney, March 30, 1826 ; priest at Cloyne, Sept. 29, 1786 ; in 1803 was “ *Thieshers Leducer* ” in

* Arms of Failzerton confirmed to this family : Crest ; a griffin's head between two wings displayed, vert. Motto : “ *Loyal au Mort*.”

Cork; died Sept. 16, 1826; buried at St. Nicholas, Cork. He m. Ann Courteny, and had:

- i. *Thomas*, educated at Trinity College, where he distinguished himself by classical attainments; barrister at law; Queen's counsel; recorder of Cork; died 1879.
- ii. *Samuel*.
- iii. *Robert*.
- iv. *Charlotte*.
- v. *William*.
- vi. *John*, Curate of Upper Shandon, Cork.

b. JAMES, A.B., scholar at Trinity College, 1780; priest at Cloyne, 1784; rector of Kilfetimone, County Tipperary, 1798; m. Jane, dau. of Hugh Evans, Esq., of Cashel. He was author of the "History of our Lord and Saviour." Issue:

- i. *Samuel*, settled in Halifax, N.S.
- ii. *Robert*.
- iii. *Richard Martin*, studied medicine in Dublin and Edinburgh; degree of M.D., Edinburgh, 1827; degree of Surgery, Glasgow, 1828; at Hotel Dieu and other hospitals, Paris; settled at Templemore, Ireland; m. Kate Craven, dau. of Wm. Chadwick, Esq., of Ballinard, Tipperary; his children were:

Richard William, who entered H.M. Military Service —, served in India; retired in 1884, as brigade surgeon; m. Harriet Margaret, dau. of

Rev. J. Baird, had issue, and settled at Cork.

Kate Thomas.

John C. C., entered medical profession; died of fever in forest of West Africa while employed in an expedition.

Jane E., m. Dr. Robert T. Huston.

iv. *John*, commanded the "Indian Queen" in the Merchant Marine, and made the shortest voyage then known between Liverpool and Barbadoes.

c. CHARLOTTE, m. Richard Martin, Esq.

d. ELIZABETH, m. the Rev. Charles Smith.

e. A DAUGHTER, unm.

DENYS DE LA TRINITÉ.

SIMON DENYS,* brother of the Vicomte Nicholas Denys de Fronsac (see p. 8), Royal Governor of Acadia, etc., was born at St. Vincent de Tours, 1599. He married first, Jeanne Dubreuil; secondly, Françoise du Tartre. He was the Seigneur de la Trinité in Canada.* His children were (all born in France):

- I. Pierre, b. France, 1630. *Sieur de La Ronde*, under which head see.
- II. Charles, b. France 1638. *Sieur de Vitré*, under which head see.
- III. Françoise, b. 1644; m. Michel Le Neuf, Seigneur du Herisson.
- IV. Catherine, b. 1646.
- V. Paul, b. 1649. *Sieur de St. Simon*, under which head see.
- VI. Marguerite, b. 1651; m. Michel Cressé.
- VII. Barbe, b. 1652; m. Antoine Pécody-Contrecoeur.
- VIII. Simon Pierre, b. 1654.

* Denys' "Registre Genealogique" and Tanguay's "Dictionnaire Genealogique."

- IX. Marie, b. 1656.
- X. Claude, b. 1657. Deacon.
- XI. Gabrielle, b. 1658.
- XII. Charlotte, b. 1663; m. Pierre Dupas; secondly, Pierre Boucher.
- XIII. Jacques, b. 1664.
- XIV. Marie Françoise, b. 1666; m. John Outlan; secondly, Noël Chartrain.
- XV. Jean Baptiste, b. 1669.

Pierre Denys, *Sieur de la Ronde*, eldest son, as above, m. 1655, at Quebec, Catherine, dau. of Jacques Le Neuf, *Sieur de La Poterie*, member of the Superior Council, by wife Margaret Le Gardeur. He was brother of Matheu-Michel Le Neuf, *Sieur de Herisson*, Lieut.-Gen. for the king. Pierre d. 1708. Children:

- I. Marguerite Renée, b. Three Rivers, 1656; m., 1672, Thomas de La Nouguère; secondly, Jacques Alex. de Fleury, d. 1722.
- II. Jacques, b. 1657.
- III. Simon Pierre, b. 1659, *Seigneur de Bonaventure*; Chevalier and King's Lieutenant in Acadia in 1689; captain of frigate, Royal French Navy, 1691; announced relief at Quebec, captured several English prizes, even at the gates of Boston, and took them into Port Royal. He failed to capture Pemkrut, but his arrival and conquests on the coast of Acadia in 1695 * raised the spirits of the provincials. He defeated the Boston man-of-war "Sorlings" off St. John. In 1707 he was one of the most energetic naval commanders against the English. He m. Geneviève, dau. of Louis Couillard, *Sieur de l'Espinay*; secondly, Jeanne Janière, of Hombourg. Children:
 - a. Charles, b. 1687, d. 1688.
 - b. Claude, *Seigneur de Bonaventure*, Chevalier of

* Charlevoix, "Hist. de Nouvelle France."

the Royal and Military Order of St. Louis, Admiral of France; m., 1748, Louise, dau. of Louis Denys, *Sieur de La Ronde*, by wife Louise, dau. of René Louis Chartier de Lotbinière, Councillor for the King, Lieut.-Gen. Civil and Criminal. Claude was also Major of the Battalion of Isle Royal. He had a child, Marie Louise, b. Louisbourg, 1758.

- IV. Marie Angelique, b. 1661; m. Charles Aubert.
- V. Claude, b. 1663.
- VI. Françoise Jeanne, b. 1664; m. Guillaume Bonthier; secondly, Nicolas D'Aillebout.
- VII. Catherine, b. 1666.
- VIII. Marie Charlotte, b. 1668; m. Claude de Ramezay, Governor of Montreal, who built the Chateau de Ramezay there, 1705.
- IX. Joseph, Priest-Recollect.
- X. Nicolas, b. 1669.
- XI. Pierre, b. 1671.
- XII. Marie Louise, b. 1671; m. Pierre D'Aillebout.
- XIII. Louis, b. 1675; *Sieur de La Ronde*; m. Louise Chartier de Lotbinière.
- XIV. Anne Ursule, b. 1677; m. Françoise Aubert.

Louis Denys de La Ronde, son, as above, of Pierre, m. Louise, dau. of René Louis Chartier Lotbinière, Lieut.-Gen., etc., and son of Louis Therandre Chartier de Lotbinière, Lieut.-Gen. of the Prevoté of Quebec. He drove the English from Acadia. Royal Envoy sent to New England, 1711, by the Governor, Count de Costabelle. Most likely he is the *Sieur de La Ronde* mentioned by Garneau as introducing the manufacture of salt into Canada. Two of his children were:

- I. Francis Paul Denys, b. 1722, *Sieur de La Thibaudière*, officer, m. Marguerite, dau. of Alex. Celles-Duclos, son of Gabriel, *Sieur du Saily*, Civil and Criminal Judge at Montreal in 1652. Children:
 - a. Louis, b.



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- b.* Paul, killed in war of 1777.
- c.* Marie Archange, b. 1757, at Detroit.
- d.* Elizabeth, b. 1760.

II. Philippe Denys, *Sieur de La Ronde*, captain of a detachment of marines; m., Quebec, 1753, Louise Marguerite, dau. of Jean Baptiste Gaillard, son of Guillaume, Seigneur de l'Isle et Comté de St. Laurent, Royal Councillor, etc. Children:

- a.* Philippe Ambroise, b. 1753.
- b.* Roch, b. and d. 1755.

DENYS DE VITRÉ.

CHARLES DENYS, *Sieur de Vitré* and *Sieur de La Trinité*, second son of Simon, *Sieur de La Trinité*, Councillor for the king; m., 1668, Quebec, Catherine, dau. of Charles de

Lostelnau, of St. Nicolas des Champs, Paris, d. 1703.
Children :

- I. Catherine Phillippe, b. 1672.
- II. Marie Gabrielle, m., 1687, Pierre Descayrac.
- III. Charles, *Sieur de Vitré*, Councillor of the king; m., at Lorette, 1700, Charlotte, dau. of Jean Chretien.
Children :
 - a. Charles Amboise, b., Quebec, 1700 ; d. 1701.
 - b. Charles Paul, b. 1702 ; d. 1703.

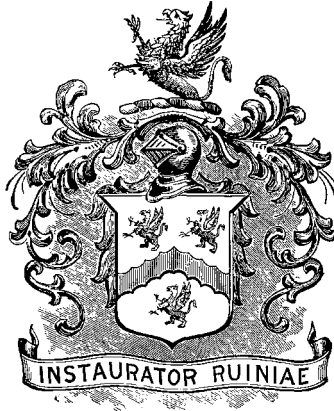
DENYS DE ST. SIMON.

PAUL DENYS, 3d son of Simon Denys, *Sieur de La Trinité*, was *Sieur de St. Simon*. He was Grand Provost of the "Maréchaussée;" m., Quebec, 1678, Marie Madeleine, dau. of Jean Dupeyras, *Sieur de Santerre*; secondly, Marie Theresa, dau. of Ignace Duchesnay, *Sieur de Beauport*. He d. 1737.
Children :

- I. Catherine, b. 1679 ; m. Dominique Bergeron ; secondly, Guillaume Gaillard.
- II. Louise Madeleine, b. 1681.
- III. Marie Angelique, b. 1684.
- IV. Marie Antoinette, b. 1686.
- V. Charles Paul, b. 1688 ; *Seigneur de St. Simon*; Royal Councillor and Provost of the Maréchaussée; d. 1748; m. Marie Joseph, dau. of Louis Prat, Captain of the Port of Quebec. Children :
 - a. Marie Louise, b. 1714 ; d. 1717.
 - b. Marie Angelique, b. 1716.
 - c. Jean Paul, b. 1717.
 - d. Matheu Paul, b. 1718.
 - e. Louise Françoise, b. 1722.
 - f. Marie Madeleine, b. 1724.
 - g. Marie Jacqueline, b. and d. 1729.
 - h. Anne Charlotte, b. Charlesbourg, 1730.
 - i. Paul Charles, b. 1733.

- j.* Antoine Charles, b. 1734; d. at Leszanne, Hayti, 1785.
- k.* Catherine Angelique, b. 1736.
- l.* Louis Achille, b. 1738.
- m.* Hugues Mathurin, b. and d. 1739.
- n.* Guillaume Mathurin, b. and d. 1741.
- VI. Elizabeth, b. 1690; m. Mathurin Collet.
- VII. Guillaume Emanuel Theodore, b. 1693, *Sieur de Vitré*; m. Marie Joseph, dau. of Raymond Blaise Des Bergères, Captain of Marines and Major-Commandant at Three Rivers. Children:
 - a.* Theodore Mathieu, b. 1724; Captain French Royal Navy, made prisoner by the English, 1759, afterwards entered the British Navy; d. England.
 - b.* Marie Nöelle, b. 1725.
 - c.* Pierre Marie, b. 1727, d. 1730.
- VIII. Alexandre, b. 1696; priest.
- IX. Marie Anne, b. 1698; m. Michel Berthier.
- X. Jean, b. 1702.
- XI. Charlotte François, b. Charlesbourg, 1704.

FORSYTH OF TAILZERTON.



REV. JAMES FORSYTH,* of Tailzerton (son of John, and Miss Livingston, Forsyth, see p. 7), inherited the lands of Tailzerton and Kilsyth Easter from his mother. He was minister to the church at Airth in 1661, and to that at Stirling in 1665. He married a daughter and heiress of Bruce,† Laird of Gavell, cadet of Bruce of Airth through a daughter of Sir William de Airth of that ilk. Issue, a son:

I. JAMES FORSYTH,‡ his successor, of Tailzerton, Member of the Council of Stirling, in company with the Duke of Hamilton, Earl of Calender, Lords Elphinston and Livingston of Kilsyth, the Earl of Mar being the convener (1685). In

* Act. Scot. Parl. (1661-5).

† General Armory (Burke), *vide* Bruce and Airth. Rev. James Forsyth was a famous preacher. Sermons published at London, 1666.

‡ Ret. Scot. Abbrev. Inq. Spec. Stirling (277), Sept. 1, 1676: "Heres tallia et provisionis Magistri Jacobi Forsyth de Tailzertoune, magistri vobi Dei apud ecclesium de Stirling . . . in terris de Polinaiis, vocatis Polinaiis-Tailzertoun pro principali, teris de Kilsyth: Easter in speciale warrantum earundam."

1696 he sat in Parliament, as "Forsyth of Gavell." Children :

- I. *Rebecca*.* II. *William*, see below.

I. WILLIAM FORSYTH† (son of James Bruce Forsyth, as above) was born 1687; granted freedom of Glasgow, 1735; married Elspet, daughter of — Gerard of Walkerhill, County Aberdeen. A son was :

I. WILLIAM FORSYTH, born Dec. 18, 1721; granted freedom of Glasgow, 1746; married Jean, daughter of George Phynn,‡ Lord of the Corse of Monelly. Issue :

1. *George*, b. April 2, 1756; m. a Miss Taybrook.
2. *William*, b. April 5, 1756. His daughter m. Prof. Means, D.D., and was mother of Rev. W. Means, D.D., of Disblair, County Aberdeen.
3. *Alexander*,§ b. Nov. 17, 1758.
4. *James*, b. June 23, 1759; Captain of Dragoons; m. Ann, dau. of John, 9th Baron Colville. §§
5. *Thomas*, b. March, 1761.
6. *John* (of whom hereafter). See Forsyth of Ecclesgreig Castle.
7. *Joseph*, b. June 24, 1764; m., first, Miss Bell; second, Alice, daughter of Maj. James Robbins, R.A. Issue :
 - a. *William*.
 - b. *James Bell*, b. Dec. 25, 1803; M.P. for Quebec. One son was Burnet Bell, Captain

* Inq. Spec. Stirling (342), April 26, 1699 : "Heres tallia et provisionis, Jacobi Forsyth, alias Bruce de Garell, patris in terris de Polinais hunc vocatis Polinais-Tailzertoun pro principali, et in speciale warrantum earundam in terris de Kilsyth : Easter."

† Ecclesgreig Mss. : Crest of Tailzerton, a demi-griffin vert, armed and membered gu. Motto : "Restaurator Ruiniac."

‡ Another daughter of Geo. Phynn was mother to Right Hon. Edward Ellice, M.P.

§ Ecclesgreig Mss.

§§ Burke's Peerage (Colville).

60th Rifles, was lost in a cyclone on board H.M.S. "Persia," in Bay of Bengal; another was Col. Joseph Bell Forsyth, of Quebec, Collector of Revenue in 1890.

c. Thomas, Lieut. 32d Foot.

d. John Richardson.

e. Euretta Jane.

f. Mary Ann.

8. *Robert*,* b. 1766; Ensign 61st Foot, 1783; 68th Foot, 1785; 72d Foot, 1785; Lieutenant 72d Foot, 1787; Captain 112th Foot, 1795; 2d Battalion 90th Foot, 1795; 60th Foot, 1795; Major 60th Foot, 1797; Retired from service by the sale of his commission, March 6, 1802; died 1824.

9. *David*,† b. Sept. 2, 1767; m. a Miss Jackson, of Kendall, Westmoreland, England. Issue:

a. William, m. Susan, dau. of Judge Leigh (sister of Maj. H. Leigh, 98th Foot) of Madras Presidency.

b. James, Lient. R.A.

c. George.

d. Henry.

e. Emily, m. William Skinner, Barrister, nephew of Right Rev. William Skinner, D.D., Lord Primate of Scotland and Bishop of Aberdeen.

10. *Morris*, b. Jan. 27, 1771; minister to the church at Mortlach; m. Isabella, dau. of James Donaldson, of Kinairdie.

11. *Margaret*, b. May 3, 1777.

* Record of Services of Maj. Robert Forsyth, 60th Rifles. No. 7353. F. 214. War office. London, England.

† Ecclesgreig Mss.

By royal license the Forsyths of Ecclesgreig added the name of Grant in 1824, and quartered the Grant arms with that of Forsyth.

FORSYTH OF ECCLESGREIG CASTLE.

COUNTY KINCARDINE, SCOTLAND.

JOHN FORSYTH (son of William and Jean Phynn) was b. Dec. 8, 1762. See p. 29. He came to New York during the American Revolution, but would not renounce his allegiance to the king, and was one of the United Empire Loyalists who settled in Montreal after 1783. He was in partnership there as a ship-owner and foreign merchant with another United Empire Loyalist, Hon. John Richardson, Prest. of the Lachine Canal Construction Company. He m. Margaret, dau. of Charles Grant, third son of Grant, Laird of Kinworth. Children :

1. *William*, b. Feb. 10, 1804; succeeded his uncle, Frederic Grant, to the estates of Ecclesgreig; m. Euretta, dau. of Joseph Forsyth, Kingston, Canada. Issue :
 - a. Frederic Grant, b. Sept. 2, 1836; Captain 3d Hussars, A.D.C. to His Excellency, the Marquis of Lorne, Governor-General of Canada; afterwards A.D.C. to Her Majesty Queen Victoria; m. Margaret, dau. of Col. William A. Orr, C.B., of Bridgetown.
 - b. John Joseph, b. Oct. 23, 1840; Captain 46th Foot; m. Annie, dau. and heiress of John Littleton, of Trewin, St. Germain, Cornwall, England.
 - c. William, b. May 26, 1843; Captain 82d Foot.
 - d. George James, b. March 7, 1847.
 - e. Annie Gregory, m. William Owen, Bridgestock, Gettydyvyl, Carmarthenshire, Wales.
 - f. Euretta Alice.
2. *John Blackwood*, b. Nov. 21, 1805; m. Mary, dau. of Samuel Gerrard, of Montreal. Issue :

Capt. William Forsyth, of the 82d Foot, m. Minnie, dau. of Hon. John Beverley Robinson, Lieut.-Governor of Ontario, and son of Sir John Beverley Robinson, Bart.

- a. John Gerrard,* Major 57th Foot; served with most distinguished gallantry in the Crimean war; decorated with the Grand Cross of Commander of the Legion of Honor by Napoleon III., with the Sardinian War Medal by the King of Sardinia, and with the Victoria Cross by Queen Victoria; m. Elizabeth Egberta, dau. of John Horsey, of the Madras Civil Service, and granddaughter of John Byng, 5th Viscount Torrington.
 - b. Frederic Arthur, b. April 2, 1830; Captain 5th Fusileers.
 - c. Margaret, b. March 6, 1831; m. Rev. C. N. Williams, M.A., Rector of St. Andrew's, Hereford, England.
 - d. Euretta Vivian, b. Dec. 8, 1831.
3. *Jane*, m. Capt. Geo. Gregory, 19th Light Dragoons.

FORSYTHS OF THE FIRS.

MORTIMER, BERKSHIRE, ENGLAND.

I. THOMAS FORSYTH, of Liverpool; m. Jane, dau. of William Hamilton, Greenock. Some issue:

1. *William*, b. 1812; Chancellor's Medallist of Cambridge University and Fellow of Trinity College, 1837; at Bar of Inner Temple, 1839; Counsel for Secretary of State for India; Commissioner for Cambridge University; M.P. for Cambridge, 1859; M.P. for Marylebone, 1874-1880; author of (1) "Law of Compensation

* Morgan's "Biographies of Celebrated Canadians," p. 728: Major Forsyth was present at the battles of Balaklava, Inkermann, Sebastopol, and The Quarries, and led the storming party at the Redan and at Kinbourn.

with Creditors," (2) "Hortensius, or the Duties of an Advocate," (3) "Law relating to the Custody of Infants," (4) "History of the Trial by Jury," (5) "Napoleon at St. Helena," (6) "Life of Cicero," (7) "Cases and Opinions in



- Constitutional Law," (8) "Novels and Novelists of the 18th Century," (9) "Hannibal in Italy," (10) "Essays, Critical and Narrative," (11) "Selavonic Provinces South of the Danube," etc.; m., first, Mary, dau. of Geo. Lyall, M.P. for London; second, Georgiana Charlotte, dau. of Thos. Plummer, Esq., and grand-dau. of Sir Thos. Plummer, Master of the Rolls.
2. *Thomas Douglas*,* b. 1827; took four medals at the University examinations; Asst. Commissioner in the Punjab, India, 1848; decorated Companion of the Bath for active service in suppressing the mutiny of 1857; Secretary of Oudh, 1858; Civil Judge of Punjab, 1859;

* Burke's Peerage — List of Orders of the Bath and Star of India.

Embassador to Yarkund, 1870; Envoy, 1873; for illustrious service in India, made Knight Commander of the Star of India, 1874; Envoy to the king of Burmah, 1875.

FORSYTH OF GLENGORM.

ARGYLLSHIRE, SCOTLAND.

I. JAMES FORSYTH (descended from the *Forsyths of Tailzerton*) was J.P. and Deputy Lieutenant of the county; m. Maria Magdellena, dau. of Emanuel Muller, of Clifton, Gloucestershire. A son was:

1. *James Noël Muller Forsyth*, b. 1844; m., 1872, Mary, dau. of Thomas Constable, of Kirkland, Midlothian. James was Lieutenant 82d Foot and Magistrate for County Argyle.
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FORSYTH OF WHITSOME.

NEWTON, BERKSHIRE, ENGLAND.

I. REV. JAMES FORSYTH, D.D., of Aberdeen (descended from Forsyth of Tailzerton); m. Elizabeth, dau. of Robert Brown, of Whitsome-Newton. Issue:

1. *Robert Brown Forsyth*, b. 1834; Asst. Surgeon 18th Lgt. Dragoons; afterwards Magistrate for the County Berwick; and member of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons at Edinburgh; m. Tempé, dau. of Loftus T. L. Clarke, F.R.S., and Barrister at Law, Calcutta.
2. *John S.*, b. 1841.

Note.—This branch of the family have recently made other additions to their armorials.

FORSYTH OF CROMARTY AND ELGIN.



JAMES FORSYTH, 3d son of William of Dykes (see p. 7), left quite a posterity, who are considerably scattered. One of his sons was :

WILLIAM FORSYTH, of Barmuckety, who m. Jean Thomson. Their children were :

I. JAMES, m. at Cromarty Sept. 20, 1720, Katherine Morison ; d. 1739, leaving :

1. *William*,* merchant and magistrate at Cromarty, b. 1721 ; m. 1st, Mary Russell ; 2d, Elizabeth, dau. of Rev. Patrick Grant, of Duthel, Strathspey, incumbent of Nigg, Rosshire. Issue :
 - a. William.
 - b. Patrick.
 - c. James.
 - d. William.
 - e. Isabella.
 - f. Margaret. All died in infancy.

* Life of William Forsyth, by Hugh Miller.

- g.* John, b. Cromarty, 1779; in civil service of Bengal; m. at Calcutta, 1816, Mary Ann Farmer; his dau., Mary Eliz., b. Calcutta, 1817, m. Henry H. Harwood, J.P. and D.L. for Co. Middlesex, whose children are Henry W. Forsyth Harwood, Barrister of the Inner Temple, another son, and a daughter.
- h.* Catharine, m. Isaac Forsyth, of Elgin.
- i.* Isabella, m. Alex. Mackenzie, Captain in Royal Marines, and grandson of Sir Roderic Mackenzie, 2d Bart. of Scatwell.

2. *Ann*, b. 1725.

3. *John*, settled at Dingwall.

4. *Arthur*, merchant.

II. *ELSPET*, b. 1704.

III. *ALEXANDER*, b. 1707; merchant and magistrate at Elgin; m. 1st, Margaret Ross; 2d, Ann, dau. of William Harrold, by wife, a Miss Gordon, dau. of Gordon, laird of Cairnfield, Banffshire. Mr. Harrold was a follower of Prince Charles Ed. Stuart, and was robbed of everything by the brutal followers of the brutal Duke of Cumberland. Mr. Forsyth was one of the most prominent citizens of Elgin. He had 21 children, of whom a few were:

- 1. *John*, m. Sophie, dau. of Rev. Patrick Grant, of Nigg, Rosshire, and his dau. Ann m. Adam Longmore, of the Court of Exchequer, Edinburgh.
- 2. *Elizabeth*, m. Thomas Stephen, Provost of Elgin.
- 3. *Joseph*, b. Elgin; author of the "Antiquities, Arts, and Letters of Italy," etc.
- 4. *Isaac*, author of "Memoire of Joseph Forsyth;" m. Catherine, dau. of William Forsyth, of Cromarty, and had:
 - a.* Elizabeth.
 - b.* Isabella.
 - c.* Catherine.

d. Ann, m. William Duncan Macandrew, of Liverpool and Elgin, whose sons are Major-General Isaac Forsyth Macandrew, of the Bengal Staff Corps, and William Macandrew, Esquire.

e. Justina, m. Arthur Duff, Sheriff-clerk of Morayshire.

IV. ARTHUR, went to America with his family and settled in New York State.

His children were John and Timothy, with perhaps Gilbert and Jason, who went from Connecticut and settled in King's Co., Nova Scotia, about 1760.

I. JOHN, son of Arthur, m. a Miss Smith, of Lyme, Ct., who claimed descent from the Princess Pocahontas. Issue :

1. *Russell* (hereafter).

2. *Dana*.

3. *George*.

4. *A dau.*, m. Mr. Rathbone, of Albany, the father of Gen. Rathbone.

1. *Russell* (as above), physician in Albany; m. Sarah Seymour, of the family of Gov. Horatio Seymour. Issue :

a. Douglas.

b. William Wallace, m. Cornelia Kane Strong, niece of Dr. Kane, the explorer, and descendant of Governor Winthrop. Issue :

i. Emily Howe, m. Herman Bruen, of N.Y., and had Emily Howe and Herman.

ii. Sarah Seymour, m. Matthias Ellis, of South Carver, Mass., their dau. Zaidee (who m. Thos. T. Gaff, of Cincinnati) and Helena.

iii. Russell, m. Helena Annette, dau. of Benj. Davies K. Craig, of N.Y. city, and had Beatrice.

II. TIMOTHY, son of Arthur, m. —, and had :

1. *George* (hereafter).
2. *David*.
3. *Sanford*.
4. *Frederic*.

GEORGE (as above), m. Lucy, dau. of Abner Howe. He d. 1821. Issue :

1. *Orlando*.
2. *Amanda M.*, b. 1806 ; m. Darwin Hill, of Clarkson, N.Y., and had :
 - a. *Cornelia Frances*, b. 1832 ; m. Thos. Southworth, Holly, N.Y.
 - b. *Helen Louise*, b. 1834 ; m. E. Bradford Greenleaf, Milwaukee.
 - c. *Mary Seymour*, b. 1836 ; m. W. H. Rogers, Mount Vernon, O.
 - d. *Harriet Evelyn*.
 - e. *Emma Amanda*.
3. *Russell*.
4. *Lucy*, b. 1812 ; m. Hon. J. D. Perkins.
5. *George Hamilton*, b. 1813 ; m. Julia Harman.

He d. 1857. Issue :

- a. *Lucy*.
- b. *Amanda*.
- c. *William*.
6. *Anne*, b. 1815 ; m. W. M. Gorham, M.D., Newburgh, N.Y.
7. *Jane*.

FORSYTH, OF NEWBURGH, NEW YORK.

THREE brothers, Alexander, John, and a third (who went to South America), grandsons of Alexander, merchant of Elgin (see p. 36), are given below :

I. ALEXANDER, b. July 5, 1787. Came to Martha's Vineyard, 1808. He settled in Maine, and m. at Farmington, Deborah, dau. of Ephraim Norton, grand-uncle of *Lillian Nordica*, the prima donna. His children were :

1. *James Brander*, b. Farmington. Mayor of Chelsea, Mass., two terms. He was a physician of high standing. He m. Octavia Augusta, dau. of Joseph Bacon, Prest. of the Brantle Bank of Boston. His children are :
 - a. Sarah E., m. Allen E. Engles, M.D., surgeon U.S.N.
 - b. Annie, d. s. p.
 - c. Margaret Hopkins, m. Arthur Pratt, Boston.
 - d. Isabella, d. s. p.
2. *Ephraim*, b. Farmington. Merchant in Gardiner, Me.; m. Emily Williamson, relative of Williamson, the historian. Children :
 - a. Martha, m. Charles Duren, Chelsea.
 - b. Alex, b. 1875, Gardiner.
3. *Elizabeth*, b. Farmington, Sept. 3, 1813; m. Henry Stone. Children :
 - a. Lucy Augusta.
4. *George*, b. Farmington, July 9, 1815. Merchant; m. Rebecca, dau. of Samuel Richardson, of Princetown, Mass. Children :
 - a. Harriette A., m. John Quincy Adams, of Derry, N.H., now of Chelsea, whose son, William R., m. Addie, dau. of Edwin Smyth, of East Boston, and has a dau., Hester Forsyth Adams, b. 1893.

- b.* Isabella Instance, d. s. p.
 - c.* Walter, b. Chelsea, m. Angie E., dau. of Capt. E. B. Winchester, Boston. Children :
 - i. Annabella, d. s. p.
 - ii. Ernest W., d. s. p.
 - d.* James Brander, b. Chelsea, 1855, of the firm of Stone & Forsyth, Devonshire street, Boston; m. Elizabeth, dau. of Capt. Clifton Blanchard, U.S.V.
 - 5. *Alexander*, b. Farmington, 1819. Gentleman farmer.
 - 6. *William*, b. Farmington, 1822, d. s. p.
- II. JOHN, b. Aberdeen, 1791. He came to Newburgh, New York, where he m. Janet Currie. Children :
- 1. *John*, Doctor of Divinity and LL.D., educated at Edinburgh. Prof. at Princeton College, N.Y., and Chaplain at U.S. Military Academy, West Point; d. 1887, without issue.
 - 2. *Robert Alexander*, b. Newburgh, N.Y., 1814; m. Charlotte Pierson, dau. of Samuel Williams, of Newburgh; d. 1873. Children :
 - a.* Mary W., m. E. A. Wikes, of Poughkeepsie, and had, Mary Forsyth and Forsyth Wikes.
 - b.* George Wallace, b. 1854; m. Emily Vermilye, dau. of John E. Burrill, of New York city.
 - 3. *Isabella*, b. Newburgh, m. Mr. Little.
 - 4. *James Christie*, b. Newburgh; m. at Kingston, N.Y., Mary Catherine, dau. of Severyn Bruyn, son of Lieut.-Col. Jacobus Severyn Bruyn.
- III. THE THIRD SON went to South America, and one of his descendants was the late Faulkner Forsyth.

It is to this family also that Dr. Alex. Forsyth belonged, who invented the percussion-lock and fulminate which revolutionized the art of war. Napoleon III. offered him the title of count, and £40,000 for his invention, but he refused and gave it freely to the British government, and while deriving the greatest benefit from his invention, an ungrateful dynasty allowed him to die in poverty and neglect. (See Encyclopedia Britannica.)

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James Brander Forsyth married Ruth instead of Elizabeth.