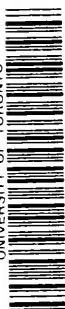


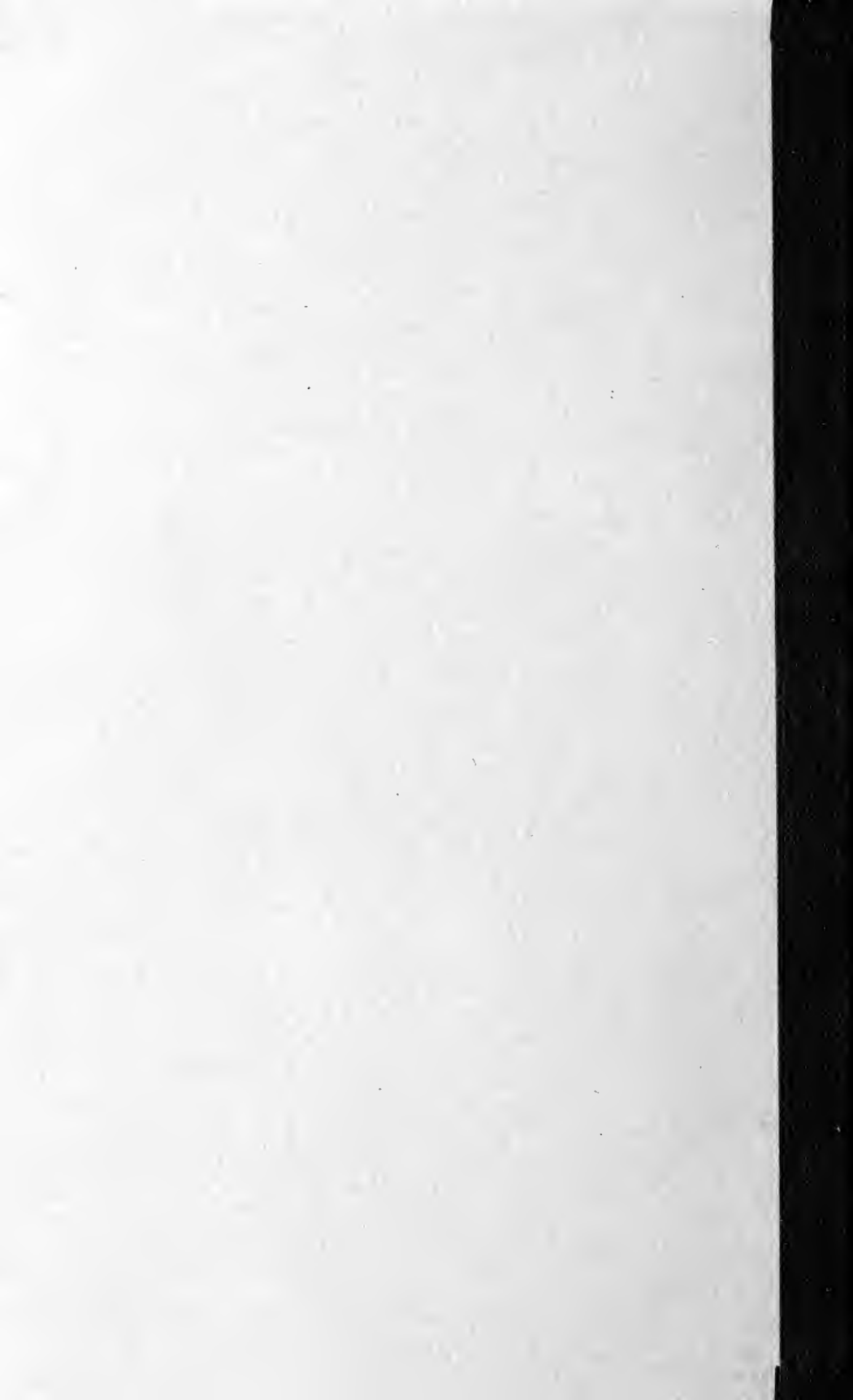
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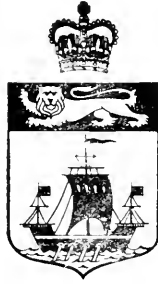
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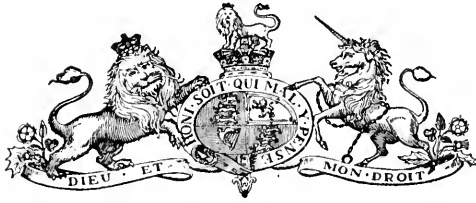
The arms of New Brunswick



**“Or on waves a lymphad, or ancient galley,
with oars in action proper on a chief gules
a lion passant guardant or.”**

These arms were granted by Royal Warrant dated May 26, 1868. But it is said that in 1784, the Provincial seal granted by Royal Warrant, represented a ship sailing up a river on the borders of which could be seen a settlement beneath pine trees. This was our first coat of arms. Most unfortunately, it was a very poor heraldic design! The Motto of the Province of New Brunswick was, “SPEM REDUXIT”. (She restored hope!) This was an allusion to the rising timber trade which still makes New Brunswick prosperous. The floral emblem of New Brunswick is the purple Violet. This flower, was adopted by an Order in Council December 1, 1936.

DEDICATION



To His Excellency, The Right Honourable,
Vincent Massey, Governor-General

FOREWORD

Edmundston, N. B.
December the 31st.

Men often choose mottoes which reflect their ideals, their ambitions, professions or even their names. Mottoes are a stimulant: in a concise form, they render an idea which, otherwise would perhaps be difficult to explain.

Why should'nt the New Brunswick English-speaking families, use their own mottoes? This struck me! I went to work, and to-day I offer this modest booklet on the subject!

In it can be found mottoes of leading New Brunswick families. Also, the reader will find four short essays on four of New Brunswick illustrious families, the Duncan, the Flemming, Skynner and the Mac Nutt families. There are also five crests.

The author wish that this booklet will be of some utility.

J. A. Robert PICHETTE

The Duncan Family

The Scottish family name Duncan is derived from the personal name Duncan, the lowland representative of the Gaelic, Donnchadh, probably the founder of the clan Robertson, who lived about 1130, whence the sub clan, DUNCAN

Of the ten coats of arms recorded by Burke's peerage for Duncan, six show as principal charges a chevron between two cinquefoils. The coat-of-arms blazoned here with, is recorded for the Duncan of Seaside, later Duncan of Lundie, Scotland.

A member of the Duncan family, was created an admiral in 1795 as a reward for his splendid victory over the Dutch navy at Camperdown. Admiral Duncan was also created viscount Camperdown and baron of Lundie.

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The arms of the Duncan family

The Flemming Family

The Flemming were originally a Germanic tribe. The name Fleming, signifies a native of Flanders. A member of that distinguish family, Sir Roger Le Fleming, took part in the second Crusade.

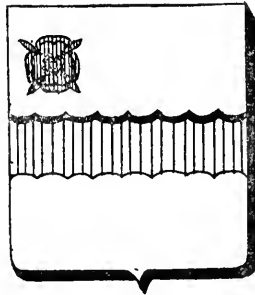
It is believed that the name was first assumed by a person of distinction who lived under king David 1st, a Fleming by name who transplanted himself in Scotland.

Robert Le Fleming, the direct and immediate ancestor of the earls of Wigton, was one of the great barons of Scotland, under King Edward 1st, of England.

For many years, Furness Abbey in Lincolnshire was a burial place of the Flemming family.

The Honourable Hugh John Flemming, New Brunswick's Premier, belongs to that very ancient and noble family.

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The arms of the Flemming family

The Skynner Family

The first mention of the Skynner Family is made in 1273, when Henry le Skyniar was registered in the Hundred Rolls of the County of Oxford. It is believed that the firsts Skynar, were merchants of skins.

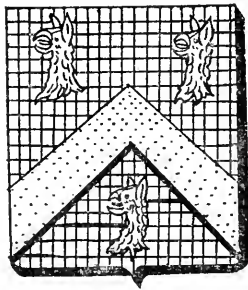
Robert Le Skynner was also mentioned in the writs of Parliament in 1302, and Robert le Skynar in Kirby's Quest for Somersetshire in 1327.

In 1379, Robertus Skynner and Willelmus, both associated, were recorded in the poll tax of Yorkshire.

Though the name of that family is written in many ways, it is proved now, that these different personages were belonging to the same family.

The Skynner family is also related to many of England's noble families. As for example, Thomas Skynner of Bradsfield, county Nottingham, England; married on the 11th of June 1573, Elizabeth Hall.

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The arms of the Skynner family

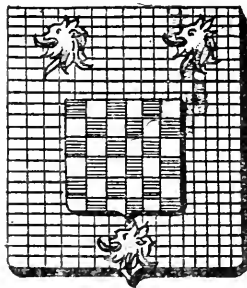
The Mac Nutt Family

That family was originally a Scottish family, but a sudden financial crisis obliged the four sons of Alexander Ist, to pass in the county of Ulster, Ireland.

One child of one of these brothers, Alexander the III, was born in Kalquhanity, county of Galloway, in Ireland, in 1725. Alexander III was the first of the Mac Nutt family to cross the Atlantic and search fortune on the new coasts of Virginia. He arrived there in 1753.

The Mac Nutt of Nova Scotia are descendants of William, the second son of Alexander III.

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The arms of the Mac Nutt family

— 8 —

— A —

ABBOT: By labour!

ARMSTRONG: Unconquered by fatigue!

ANDERSON: Give and forgive!

— B —

BAIRD: Vi et Virtute!

BLAQUIERE: Tiens le droit!

BARRY: Boutez en avant!

BAKER: The Cross is the touchstone of Faith.

BATEMAN: Let my friendly star be present!

BURKE: Salvation by the Cross!

BOYD: I trust!

— C —

CONWAY: By fidelity and love!

COX: Boldly and faithfully.

CRABTREE: Safety in God alone!

CRAWFORD: A spur with honour!

CAMPBELL: By arms and fidelity!

— D —

DUNCAN: Learn to bear!

— E —

EDMONSTONE: Gauge and measure!

— F —

FLEMMING: Peace, Plenty, Wisdom!

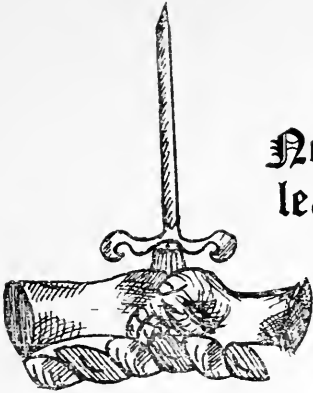
FRANK: We are not born for all!

FRASER: I am readie!

FOSTER: The Glory of the Country is from God!

FYFE: Decens et Honestens!

Crests of
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leading families



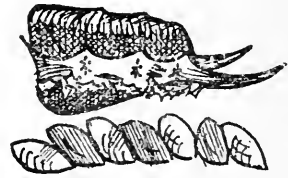
Moorehead



Crabtree



Flemming



Irving



Gregg (For description, Cf. page 12)

— 10 —

— G —

GALBREATH: I watch and hope!

GERMAIN: Either do not attempt a complete!

GUILFORD: With resolution and Faith!

GREGG: S'rioghal mo dhream! . . . My race is royal!

— H —

HARDING: Bold to endure all things!

HUNTER: Cursum Perficis!

— I —

INGLIS: (Brighter in darkness!

(Nobilis est ira leonis!

IRVING: Yielding under no wind!

— J —

JANSSEN: En vaint espère qui ne craint Dieu!

JESSOP: Peace and love!

— K —

KENNEDY: I cling to Virtue!

KERR: Light from God!

— L —

LANG: Mercy is my desire!

LOCHEIL: (Cameron) For King and Country!

— M —

MASSEY: For the liberty of my Country!

MACLAREN: Forward!

McDUFF: God Assists!

McINTYRE: Through difficulties!

MILLS: Honour is the price of Virtue!

MOOREHEAD: By the help of God!

MATHESON: Fac et spera!

— N —

NESBITT: I byde it!

NICHOLSON: Generositatae!

— P —

PAISLEY: Be sure!

PETTIGREW: Nothing without the sun!

— R —

RICE: Nothing strange!

— S —

SINCLAIR: Commit thy work to God!

STEIN & STEVENS: I long for ðay!

SMYTH: Caraid' am feum! . . . A friend in time of need!

— T —

TWEEDIE: Thol and think!

— W —

WILLIAMS: Cadam a'r cyfrwys! . . . Mighty and cunning.



Description of the crests at page 9

MOOREHEAD

Two hands conjoined, coupéd supporting a sword in pale.

CRABTREE

In hand erect, a dagger in pale.

FLEMMING

A hand issuant, plucking a rose gules.

IRVING

A red chapeau, turned ermine, wreathed round the crown with gold holly.

GREGG

Out of a ducal coronet, proper, an eagle's head, per pale, argent, guttée-de-sang and sable, in beak a trefoil, slipped, of the last.

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