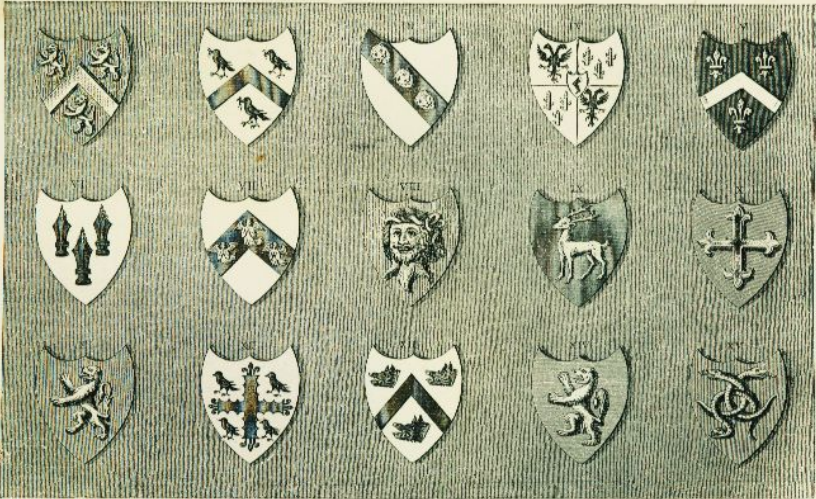


XV. TRIBES OF NORTH WALES.



THE FIFTEEN TRIBES

The Fifteen Tribes of *North Wales*; from a MS. in the Possession of the Reverend *L. Owen*.⁽¹⁾

I.

HWFA* AP CYNDDELW (the first of the fifteen tribes) lived in the time of *Owain Gwynedd*, prince of *North Wales*. Some books of pedigrees allege that he was steward to the said Prince. His office, by inheritance, was to bear the Prince's coronet, and to put it upon his head when the Bishop of *Bangor* anointed him, (as *Nicholas*, Bishop of *Bangor*, affirmeth.) His house, I believe, was *Presaddfed*, in *Anglesey*. What lordships he had besides that, are mentioned, in the Extent of *North Wales*, to be divided among his five sons, viz *Mthulalem*, *Cyfnernth*, *Jeuan*, *Jorwerth*, and *Blettrws*. Many of the gentlemen of *Anglesey* hold lands

(1) The Reverend *Lewis Owen*, of *Erwgod*, in the parish of *Dolgelley*, was rector of *Llanbedr Dyfryn Clwyd*. This manuscript was given by his son, the Reverend *Robert Owen*, to the late Colonel *Vaughan* of *Rug*, and it is now preserved with the *Hengwrt* manuscripts at *Peniarth*. It is in the handwriting of *Robert Vaughan*, the antiquary. *Robert Owen*, who died in 1850, was the list male descendant of *John*, the eldest son of Baron *Lewis Owen*, now represented in the female line by Mr. *Evan Garnons Lloyd* of *Blaen-y-glyn*, the present owner of *Erwgoed*. T.P

+ Commonly called ford of *LLys, llifon*, in *Anglesey*.

t Mon .Ant p.131.

from him by lineal descent, but who his heir is, I know not. Sir *Hewel-y-Pedolau** was a famous man in his time, and descended from him, being the son of *Griffith ap-Jorwerth ap Meredydd ap Methusalem ap Hwfa ap Cyn ddelw*. Sir *Hovel's* mother was King *Edward* the Second's nurse; and he being the King's foster-brother, was in great favor with him, who knighted him. He was a very strong man, insomuch that he could break or straiten horse-shoes with his hands.-His arms he beareth *gules between three lioncels rampant, a cheveron or*.

DESCENDANTS EXTANT IN THE MALE LINE.

Owen of *Bodeon, Anglesey; and Orielton, Perm*
 brokeshire.
 ... of *Penrhos, Montgomeryshire.*

DESCENDANTS EXTINGUISHED, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE,

WILLIAMS, ... of *Llanbeder.*
BOULD, ... of *Tre'r Ddol.*
OWEN, ... of *Porkinton, Shropshire.*
 of *Llanvaethley.*
MORRIS, ... of *Tre Jorwerth.*
WYNNES, ... of *Bodychen,* }
 of *Bodowyr,* }
GRIFFITHS, ... of *Chwaen,* } *Anglesey.*
LEWIS, ... of *Presaddfed,* }

* Or, of the horse-shoes.

II.

LLOWARCH AP BRAN, (the second of the fifteen tribes) lived in the time of *Owain Gwynedd*, and was the Prince's brother-in-law, for both their wives were sisters, the daughters of *Grono ap Owain ap Edwyn*, Lord of *Tegaingle*, (as *Griffith Hiraethog*, and *Sir Thomas ap Jevan ap Deicws*, and also an old parchment MS. written about four hundred years ago, do testify.) What office he bore under the Prince, I do not know. Some say he was *Owain's* steward, as in a book of *Sir Thomas cep Williams of Trefriw*, I found. I believe he dwelled in the township which from him is called *Tref Llowarch*, which hath in it *Caer Gybi*, (or *Holyhead*) and three parcels of land, bearing the name of his three sons, viz. *Gwely Jorwerth ap Llowarch*, *Gwely Cadwgan ap Dow,arch*, and *Gwely Madoc ap Llowa-rch*, as in the Extent of *North Wales* is manifest. He had a grand-child by his son *Jorwerth*, called *Meredydd*, who, for his good services, had the freehold of the township of *Escyniok*, given him and his heirs for ever, by Prince *Llewelyn ap Jorwerth*; whose posterity, viz. *Jeuan t lVyddel*, and *Tudur ap Howel ap Tudur*, held the same by the grant aforesaid, in the twenty-sixth year of King *Edward* the Third, as is to be seen in the Extent Book of *North Wales*. *Jeuan Wyddel's* mother was the daughter of the Lord *Cywchur* in *Ireland*, descended of the Earl of *Kildare*, of whom

the gentlemen of *Mosoglen*, *Bodowyr*, *Porthamal*, and many others are descended.-He *beareth argent, between three crowns with ermine in their bills, a cheveron sable.*

DESCENDANTS EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE.

- LLOYDS, of *Rhiwgoch*, }
 of *Maes-y-Neuoedd*, } *Merionethshire.*
 of *Hendre'r Mur*, }
 of *Bryn Htr.*
 of *Coed-y-Rhygyn.*
 of *Llandecwyn.*
 of *Cefnfaes.*
 of *Cae Adda.*
- WYNN, of *Mosoglen.*
- PRICE, of *Bodowyr*, } *Anglesey.*
- PARRY, of *Bodafon* },
- GRIFFITH, of *Celynnog fawr, Caernarvonshire.*
- MEREDYDD, of *Mon.achdy Gwyn.*
 of *Hafod Lwyfog.*
 of *Porthamal.*
- OWEN, of *Ruthin, Denbighshire.*

III.

GWEIR YDD AP RR YS GOCH, of the hundred of *Tal-Ebolion* in *Anglesey*. He dwelt at *Caerdegog*, the hamlets and tenements whereof bear the names of his children and grandchildren, as *Gwely Madoc ap Gweirydd*, *Gwely Llowarch ap Gweirydd*, *Gwely Howel ap Gweirydd*, and *Gwely 111euric ap Gweirydd*, whose great

grand-child *Howel ap Jewan ap Ednyfed ap Meuric ap Gweirydd*, enjoyed *Gwely Meuric* in the twenty-sixth year of *Edward III.*- " *He beareth argent on a bend sable, three lions' heads caboched of the first.* He lived in the time of *Owain Gwynedd*, and of his son *David ap Owain*.

DESCENDANT EXTANT IN THE MALE LINE.

FOULKES, ... of *Gwernygron, Flint shire*.

DESCENDANTS EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE.

LLOYD, ... of *Gwardog*,
 WYNN, ... of *Bodewryd, Anglesey*.
 HUGHES, ... of *Beaumaris*,

IV

CILMIN TROED-DU lived in the time of *Meifyn Frych*,* *King of Man*, being his brother's son, with whom he came from the north of *Britain*, when *Meifyn* married *Esyllt*, the daughter and heir of *Conan Tindaethwy*, king of the *Britons*. What offices he bore, I have not been able to find out. His posterity were wise and discreet men in all their ages; and many of them were learned in the laws in the time of the kings and princes of *Wales*, and were judges; as *Morgeneu § Ynad cap Gwrydr*, and

* According to other authors, *he bore argent, on a bend sable, three leopards' faces of the first.*

t For a further account of *Cilmin Troed-du*, or *Culmin with the black foot*, see *Tour in Wales*, vol. ii. p. 391.

§ *Merfyn Frych* reigned from the year 818 to 843.-*Powel's Hist. of Wales.*

§ Or Judge.

Cyf nerth his son, whose Law-Book is yet extant, fairly written on parchment; *Morgeneu Ynad ap Madoc*; *Morgan Ynad ap Meuric*, and *Madoc Goch Ynad*. *Robert ap Meredydd ap Hwlfkin Llwyd*, a wise and couth gentleman, lived in the time of *Henry* the Seventh; and of him are descended the *Glynns* of *Nanlley*. His house, I believe, was *Glynllifon*, whence some of his descendants took the name of *Glynn*.—He beareth quarterly 1, argent; an eagle displayed with two heads sable; 2, argent, three fiery ragged sticks, gules; the 3d as the second; the 4th as the first. Over all, upon an escutcheon of pretence argent, a man's leg coupe a la cuisse, sable.

DESCENDANTS EXTANT IN THE MALE LINE.

GLYNNS, ... of *Hawarden Castle, Flint shire.*
 of London.

HUGHES, ... of *Bodryn.*

DESCENDANTS EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE.

GLYNNS, ... of *Glynllifon,*
 of Lleyar, Caernarvonshire.
 of Nanlley,

V.

COLLWYNAP TANGNO is said to be Lord of *Efionydd*, *Arduwly*, and part of *Llyn*: and it is true, that his progeny have, and do to this day, possess and enjoy the greatest part of the said country. His grand-children *Asser*, *Meirion*, and *Gwgan*, the sons of *Merwydd ap*

Collwyn, lived in the beginning of *Griffith ap Cynan's* time, as by the Life* of the said *Griffith* is manifest, whereby may be known what time *Collwyn* lived and flourished. It is said that he lived for some time in *Bronwen's* tower at *Harlech*, calling the same town after his own name *Caer-Collwyn*. But his said grand-children, when *Griffith ap Cynan* challenged the principality of *Wales*, lived in *Llyn*, as in the said book of his life is extant. His posterity were always the noblest and best men in *Efionydd* and *Ardudwy*, next to the princes and their issue. His heir, from eldest son to eldest son, is hard to be known, in regard that by the *British* laws every man's inheritance was to be divided among his children, and the youngest son had the principal house; whereby every one having an equal portion of his parent's land, his posterity was forgotten.—He beareth sable, between three flower-de-lutes a cheveron argent.

SIR *Howel-y-Fwyallt*, descended of *Collwyn*, was a noble warrior, and was in the battle of *Poictiers* with the *Black Prince*, when the *French King* was taken prisoner where, with his pole-ax, he behaved himself so valiantly, that the prince made him a knight, and allowed a mess of meat to be served before his ax or partizan for ever, to perpetuate the memory of his good service : which mess of meat, after his death, was carried down to be given to the poor for his soul's sake; and the said mess had eight yeomen attendants found at the king's charge, which were afterwards called *Yeomen of the Crown*, who had eight

- written in the *British* tongue, by a very antient bard.
- t Of the Ax.

pence a day of standing wages, and lasted to the beginning of the reign of *Elizabeth*: (as by the relation of Serjeant *Roberts*, of *Hafod-y-Bivch*, near *Wrexham*, and *Robert Turbridge*, of *Caeifallen*, near *Ruthin*, esquire, is recorded in the history of the noble house of *Gwydir*, wherein you may find this relation more at large.) Besides, he had the constableness of the castle of *Crickieth*, where he kept house; and the rent of *Dee-mills* at *Chester*, for the term of his life. His father was *Griffith ap Howel apMeredydd ap Einion ap Gwrganen ap Merwydd ap Collwyn*. His arms* were sable, between three flower-de-luces a pole-ax argent.

DESCENDANT EXTANT IN THE MALE LINE.

WILLIAMS, ... of *Aberarch*, *Caernarvonshire*.

DESCENDANTS EXTINGUISHED, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE.

BODWRDA, ... of *Bodwrda*,

BODVELS, ... of *Madryn*, *Caernarvonshire*.

JONES, ... of *Cast ell-March*,

WYNN, ... of *Pant-du*.

of *Pennardd*. of *Bodsanan*.

of *Pen-y-Berth*.

of *Pen Coed*.

LLOYD, ... of *Bodfan*.

of *Gardd*.

of *Dol-y-Penrhyn*.

RHYDDERCHS, of *Tregaenan*.

* *Sir Howel y Fwyall's*.

- VAUGHANS, ... of *Plas Hen*, *Caerna-rvonshire*.
 of *Perkin*,
 OWEN, ... of *Plas-du*, *Merionethshire*.
 of *Maentwrog*,)
 ELLIS, ... of *Ystymlyn*, *Caernarvonshire*.

VI.

NEFYDD HARDD, of *Nant Conwy*, lived in the time of *Owain Gwynedd*, who gave *Idwal* his son to be fostered by him; but *Nefydd*, for what cause I know not, caused *Dunawt* his son to kill the young prince, at a place called of him *Cwm Idwal*. Wherefore *Nefydd* and his posterity were degraded, and of gentlemen were made bond-men of *Nant Conwy*. His son *Rhithn*, to expiate that foul murder, gave the lands whereon the church of *Llanrwst* was built, whose grand-child, (and *Madoc Goch ap Jorwerth ap Gwrgynon ap Cyfaerth*, his son) were stewards to *Llewelyn ap Jorwerth*, Prince of Wales, (as *Griffith Hiraethog* says.) He dwelled at *Crygnant*, as I take it, near *Llanrwst*.--**He beareth argent, three spears' heads imbrued, sable pointed upwards.*

DESCENDANTS EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE.

- EVAN MORGAN,^t of *Gwibernant*, *Caernarvonshire*.
 EVANS, ... of *Llanrwst*.
 DAVIES, ... of *Coed-y-Mynydd*.

* Other books say, that *lie bore argent, a cheveron inter three javelins sable, pointed upwards gales.*

^t This family produced the learned Dr. *W. Morgan*, Bishop of *St. Asaph*, who translated the Bible into the *Iiellsh* tongue.-*Tour in Wales*, iii. p. 166.

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VII.

*MAELOC CRWM, of Llechwedd-isaf, and Creuddyn,** lived in the time of Prince *David ap Owain Gwynedd*, about the year of our Lord 1175, (as *Sir Thomas ap Williams'* book averreth.) What offices he bore, I have not learned. The most famous men descended of him were, *Sir Thomas Chaloner*, and others of that name, descended of *David Chaloner, of Denbigh*, whose ancestor *Trahaiarn Chaloner* was so called, because his grandfather *Madoc Crwm of Chaloner* had lived in a town in France called *Chaloner*, whence he took that name.-*He beareth argent, on a cheveron sable, three angels or.*

DESCENDANT EXTANT IN THE MALE LINE.

OHALONERS, ... of *Gisborough, Yorkshire.*

DESCENDANT EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE.

THOMAS, ... of *Caer Pill.*

VIII.

MARCHUDD AP CYNAN, Lord of *Abergeleu*: His house was *Bryn Ffenigl*. He lived, (as *Sir Thomas ap Williams'* book saith) in the time of *Rodri Mawr*,^t King of the Britons, about the year of our Lord 849.* Of him was *Ednyfed Fychan* descended, who being general of the prince's host, was sent to the Marches, to defend the

*Both these places are in *Caernarfonshire*
:Roderick the Great :Dr Powelsays 856 *Llewelyn*ap Jorworth

frontiers from the approach of the *English* army, which was ready to invade them, under the command of *Ranulph*, earl of *Chester*, (*who* met them) and killed three of their chief captains and commanders, and a great many of the common soldiers. The rest he put to flight, and triumphantly returned to his prince; who, in recompence of his good service, gave him, among many gifts and honors, a new coat of arms; for the coat, which he and his ancestors had always given before, was the coat of *Marchudd*, being *gules*, a *Saracen's head erased proper, wreathed or*. -The new coat was thus displayed, *gules between three Englishmen's heads, a cheveron ermin*. -From the death of the last *Llewelyn*, *Ednyfed's* posterity were the greatest in *Wales*, (as by the works of the bards and records is very manifest.) If I should go about to reckon all the famous men descended of him, it would require more time than I can well spare. Let it be sufficient to remember *Henry* the Seventh, king of *England*, *Henry* the Eighth, *Edward* the Sixth, *Queen Mary*, and *Queen Elizabeth*, all of whom were descended lineally and paternally of *Ednyfed Fychan*, who likewise was descended of *Marchudd*.

DESCENDANTS EXTANT IN THE MALE LINE.

WYNNS, ... of *Melay*, now *Lord Newborough*. of *Garthewyn*.
 FOULKES, ... of *Eriviet*.
 LLOYDS, ... of *Plus Madog*, in *Llansannan*; now
 of *Plas Power*.

- *PRICE, ... of *Maentwrog, Merionethshire ; now of Gerddi Bluog.*
 MORGAN, ... of *Gwlgre, Flint shire.*
 GRIFFITH, ... of *Garreg Lwyd.*

DESCENDANTS EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE.

- WYNNS, ... of *Dyffryn Aled, Denbighshire. of Trefarth.*
 ROBERTS, ... of *Gwasane, Flint shire.*
 LLOYD, ... of *Gydros.*
 of *Dol.*
 of *Trebul.*
 HUGHES, ... Bishop of *St. Asaph.*
 SMITH, ... Chancellor of *St. Asaph.*
 VAUGHANS, ... of *Hen Blas and Bronheulog.*
 LLEWELIN, ... of *Llanelian.*
 JENKIN, ... of *Efenechtyd.*
 JONES, ... the Regicide.^t
 WILLIAMS, ... of *Cochwillan, Maenol, Marl, Meillionydd, and Ystumcolwyn.*
 HOWEL MAELINYDD.
 CONWAY, ... of *Nant.* GRIFFITH,
 ... of *Festiniog.*
 HUGHES, ... of *Cefn y Garleg.*

* Of this family was *Edmund Price*, Archdeacon of *Merionydd*, who collected the Psalms into Welsh metre.

^t Vide *Tour in Wales*, ii. p. 265,

HEDD MOLWYNOG, ;; of *Uwch-Aled*, (as *Sir Thomas ap Williams'* book hath it) was steward to Prince *David ap Owain*. His lands and lordships were *Llanfair Talyhaern*, *Dyffryn Elwy*, and *Nanhaled*, the which his three sons, *viz. Meuter*, *Gwillonon*, and *Gwrgi*, divided, and their posterity have enjoyed, and do still enjoy, some part of them. *Rhys ap Jeuan ap Llewelyn Chwith of Chwibren*, was an esquire of the body to King *Edward* the Fourth, (as the book of *Evan Lloyd Jeffrey* hath it) he and his cousin-german, *David Jenkin*, were very turbulent in the *Lancastrian* war.

Meuric Llwyd, of *Llwyn y Maen*, near *Oswestry*, was a valiant captain under the earl of *Arundel*, who by his prowess atcheived a very noble coat of arms, *viz. The field argent, an eagle displayed with two heads sable*.

And here, I think, *Jolo Goch*,^t *Owain Glyndwr's* bard, whose mother was the Countess of *Lincoln*, (as *Griffith Hiraethog* saith) may well bear a place among the worthy descendants of this tribe; who, for his lofty strain, and singular skill in *British* poetry, was and is as famous and renowned as any that hath been these four hundred years. -And also ^t *Tudur Aled*, another learned bard, and a doctor of the chair in his profession; but their learned works will make them famous and ever glorious. -He beareth *sable, a hart passant argent, attired or*.

* He lived at a place called *Y• Henllys*, in the parish of *Llanfair Talyhaern*.
t *Oliver the Red*.

*. This celebrated poet lived about the year 1490.

DESCENDANTS EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE

- LLOYDS, - "of *Havodunnos, Denbighshire.*
 of *Llwyn- y-Maen, near Oswestry.*
 of *Llanforda.*
 of *Dre-newyld, in Whittington parish.*
 of *Blaen-y-Ddol.*
- PARRY, of *Llangerniw.*
- WYNN, of *Bryn Cynrick.*
- GRIFFITHS, of *Bodychwyn.*
 of *Hafod-y-Garreg.*
 of *Blaen ItU, Denbighshire.*
 of *Plus Newydd.*

X

BRA-TNT HIR, of Is-dulas, lived, as I conjecture, about the time of the sons of Roderict the Great. His posterity did not much increase, for there are not many, at present, known to be descended from him, yet some there are.-His arms are vert, a cross flowery or.

DESCENDANTS.

VAUGHANS, ... of *Pont-y-Givyddel, Mrs. Gi ford, of Nerquis.*

* These *Lloyds*, descendants of *Hedd Molwynoq*, were the first persons that bore that name in *north Wales*.

t Others say that he lived about the year 650, in the time of *Cadwallon*, whose nephew and chancellor he was.

XI.

**MARCHWEITHIAN* was called Lord of *Is-aled*; his lands were *Carwed Fynydd, Dincadfael, Prees, Beryn, Llyweni, Gwytherin*, and many other townships within the hundred of *Ts-aled*, as appears by the extent of the lordship and honor of *Denbigh*, made in the eighth year of *Edward* the Third; at what time, *Cynwric Fychan*, being the ninth in descent from *Marchweithian*, lived; whereby some aim may be made at the time he flourished.

The families and houses descended of him are many, but the most eminent are these, *Berain*, formerly incorporated to the house of *Llyweni*, by the marriage of Mrs. *Catherine*, of *Berain*,^f the daughter and heir of *Tudor ap Robert Fychan*, of *Berain*, esquire, with *John Salisbury*, the son and heir and of Sir *John Salisbury*, of *Llyweni*, knight; after whose death she married *Richard Clough*, esquire, of *Denbigh*, a rich merchant; after whose decease she married *Maurice Wynne*, of *Gwedir*, esquire, and had issue by both; and last of all she married *Edward Thelwall*, of *Plots y Ward*, esquire. Mr. *Robert cop Rees*, descended of this tribe, and ancestor to the family of *Rhiwlas*, was chaplain to Cardinal *Wolsey*, and a very great man in the reign of *Henry* the Eighth. -*Ellis Price*, of *Phis Yolyn*, doctor of the law, who, I believe, was one of the scholars of *Cambridge* that disputed with *Throgmorton*, and 'other scholars of *Oxford*, at *Cam bridge*, in

* His court is said to be *Llys Lyweni*
 #See her singular story in vil ii p141

the year of our Lord 1532, and got the best; (as *James Caius*, in the first book of *The Antiquities of Cambridge* affirmeth.) *He bore, in a shield gules, a lion rampant argent, armed azure.*

DESCENDANTS EXTANT IN THE MALE LINE

- . PRICE ... of *Rhiwlas*,
 of *Boch-y-rhaiadr*, *Meirionethshire*.
WYNN, ... of *Llangynhcfal*, *Denbighshire*,
PANTON, ... of *Coleshill Manor*, *Flintshire*.
PARRY, ... of *Tyavysog*, and *Pistill*.

DESCENDANTS EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE.

- PRICE, of *Giler*, *Denbighshire*.
 of *Tyddyn Sieff rey*.
 of *Cwmmein*.
 of *Fedw deg*.
 of *Llanrwst*.
 of *Dugoed*, in *Penmachno*.
WYNN of *Voelas*, *Denbighshire*.
 of *Plds Newydd*, *Yspytty*.
 of *Hafod-y-maidd*.
FOULKES, of *Llys Llywarch*.
 of *Carwed Fynydd*, and *Meriadog*.
VAUGHANS, of *Pant Glas*.
 of *Blaen-y-Cwm*.
 of *Llysfaen*.
WILLIAMS, of *Aberconwy*.
 of *Hafod Garregog*.
DAVIES, of *Llathwryd*.
GETHIN, of *Cernioegeu*, *Denbighshire*.

XII.

EDWIN,, commonly called King of *Tegainagle*, `was the twelfth tribe, whose son *Owain* had a daughter called *Angharad*, married to *Gri f th ap Cynan*, king of *Gwynedd*, or *North Wales*. Many worthy and noble gentlemen in *Flintshire* and *Denbighshire* are descended of him, as the Bishop of *Bangor*, now living-(I believe he means *William Roberts*, D.D. who was consecrated Bishop of *Bangor*, in *September 1637*, and died at *Llandurnog*, *August 12th*, 1665, aged 80.) *Thomas Owen*, judge of - , father of *Sir Roger Owen*, late of *Cundover*, knight. *tHowel Gwynedd*, a very valiant and stout man, who, siding with *Owen Glyndwr*, against *Henry the Fourth*, did much annoy the *English*; but on a time, being more secure than he ought to have been, he was taken by his adversaries of the town of *Flint*, who, upon a place called *Moel-y-Gaer*, cut off his head; and long time before, one *Owain ap Uchtryd*, being grandson of *Edwin*, kept by force of arms all *Tegaingle* under subjection, notwithstanding all the power of the king, lords, and country to the contrary; and the third year, having his pardon, he delivered the owners their lands.-He *beareth argennt, between four Cornish choughs armed gales, a cross floury engrailed sable*.

Or *Englefeld*; it is a division of *Flintehire*, consisting of three hundreds, *viz. Rhuddlan, Coleshill, and Prestatyn*.

t For a fuller account of *Howel Gwynedd*, see vol. i. pp. 107, 108.

DESCENDANTS EXTANT IN THE MALE LINE.

LLOYDS, ... of *Pentre Hobin*, now of *Trefor*.
 WYNNS, ... of *Copparleni*.
 PARRIES, ... of *Llaneurgain*.

DESCENDANTS EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE.

MOSTYNS, of *Illostyn*, &c.}
 LLOYDS, of *Farm*, }*Flintshire*.
 WYNNS, of *Nhercwys*,}
 EDWARDS, of *Stansty*.
 of *Rhual*.
 of *Gallt-y-Celyn*, and *Crogen Idclon*.
 of *Llangollen Fechan*.
 EVANS, of *Coed Llai*, and *Treaddyn*.
 HUGHES, of *Diserth*.
 JONES, of *Gwerna ffCeld*, and *Mold*.
 OWENS, of *Coed Llai*, *Gwasane*, *Caerfallwch*,
 Treuddyn, *Arddunwynt*, and *Hope*.
 PRICE, of *Llwyn Ynn*.
 BROMFIELDS, ... of *Brommfield*.

XIII

EDNOWAIN BENDEW was Lord of *Tegaingle* in the year of our Lord 1079 (as the book of *Ednop* saith.) He is said by *Peter Ellis*, the counsellor, to be chief of the fifteen tribes. Of him are descended *Ithel ap Rotpert*, Archdeacon of *Tegaingle*, the *Bithels*, and a

Great many worthy families besides –*He beareth argent, between three boars heads, a chevron sable.*

The residence of *Ednowain* is supposed by some have been at *Ty-maen* in the parish of *Whiteford* (see History of *Whiteford* and *Holywell* p. 119)

DESCENDANTS EXTANT IN THE MALE LINE.

LLOYD,	. of <i>Wygfair</i> ,	
FOULKES,	of <i>Mert yn</i> ,	
GRIFFITH,	of <i>Rhual</i> ,	Flintshire.
HUGHES,	of <i>Halkyn</i> ,	
	of <i>Bagillt</i> ,	
GRIFFITH,	of <i>Pleas isa'</i> , <i>Caerwys</i> ,	

DESCENDANTS EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE.

WYNNS,	... of <i>Galedlom</i> , and <i>Caerwys</i> ,	
PUGHE,	... of <i>Skeifiog</i> ,	
PIERS,	... of <i>Llanasap</i> } <i>h</i> ,	
PARRY,	... of <i>Coleshill</i> , and <i>Basingwerk</i> } <i>Flintshire.</i>	
GRIFFITH,	... of <i>Pant y Llongdu</i> ,	
	of <i>Caerwys Hall</i> ,	
EVANS,	... of <i>Llaneurgain</i> ,	
JONES,	... of <i>Skeifog</i> ,	
WILLIAMS,	... of <i>Clommendy Skeifog</i> ,	
HUGHES,	... of <i>Coed- y-Brain</i> ,	

XIV.

EFNYDD, commonly called the son of *Gwenllian*, the daughter of *Rhys ap Marchen*, who was lord of seven townships in *Dyffryn Clwyd*, called *Ruthin land*, viz. *Tref-ben-y-Coed*, and *Fenechdyd*, *y Groeslwyd*, *Pant Meugen*, and three more, all freehold land. He had no children besides *Gwenllian* aforesaid, who by the interest of *Blethyn ap Cynfyn*, king of Wales, was given in marriage to this *Efnydd*'s father, being nearly related to the said king, who gave him likewise seven townships, to wit, *Almor*, *Tref-alen* (or *Alynton*), *Gresford* in *Bromfield*, *Lleprog fawr*, *Lleprog fechan*, and *Tref-y-nant*, in *Tegaingle*, &c. He had a daughter called *Hunydd*, who was the wife of *Meredydd ap Blethyn*, prince of *Powys*. *Ofhim* was descended *John Almor*, one of the marshals of the hall to king *Henry* the Seventh, father of *John Almor*, serjeant at arms to king *Henry* the Eighth, (as I think,) *who bare azure, a lion rampant or, armed and langued gales*; and of *Sir William Meredith*, who lived in *Yorkshire*, or somewhere else in *England*.-*He bare a lion rampant saliant or, wherewith he quartered his mother's coat, being azure, between three nags heads era sed argent, a fess or.*

DESCENDANTS EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE.

SIMUNT, ... of *Coed Llai*,
PRICHARD, ... of *Caergwrley*, } *Flintshire*.

* This *Gwenllian* was stiled the heiress of *DyffynClzoycl*, in regard that she possessed a very great portion of it.

ROGERS, ... of *Flint*.
 MEREDYDD, ... of *Trefalen*.
 of *Pentre Bychan*. of *Stansty*.
 AUNIORS, ... of *Almor*.
 ALYNTONS, ... of *Alynton*.
 LLOYDS, ... of *Gresford*, and *Alynton*.

xv.

*EDNOWAIN AP BRADWEN** is by writers called *Lord of Meirion ydd*: but surely the princes and their issue were always lords of *Meirionydd*; howbeit it might be, that he (as others) took the same to farm, and therefore might be called lord thereof. And yet he and his issue were possessed of all *Tal-y-Bont*, save *Nanney*, and the prince's demesnes, and for the most part of *Ystumanner* in the like manner. The offices he bore under the prince, I know not. Some books of pedigrees say that he lived in *Griffith ap Cynan's* time, but I think he was not so antient.† The ruins of his *Llys*, or palace, are to be seen in the township of *Cregenau*, in *Tal-y-bont*, *Iscregenau*. *Llewelyn ap Tudor ap Gwyn ap Peredur ap Ednowain ap Bradwen*, lived in the time of *Edward the First*, and did him homage with the lords and gentry of *Wales*, as by the said King's records, is manifest. *Aaron*, his

grandchild, by his son *Ednyfed*, had two sons more eminent than the rest of his children, *Ednyfed* and *Griffith*; of the last of whom *William David Lloyd*, of *Peniarth*, esquire, lately deceased, was descended; whose inheritance is come to *Margaret*, the mother of *Lewis Owen*, of *Peniarth*, esquire, now living. *Ednyfed ap Aaron* is said to have entertained *Owain Glyndwr*, when he was overcome by King *Henry* the Fourth, the usurper, but secretly in a cave, by the sea-side, in the parish of *Van Gelynin*, which of him is called **Ogof Owain*. Of this *Ednyfed* was descended *Morgan ap Griffith aj) Eineon*, a courageous and stout man, who, as it is reported by his kinsmen, by chance, in the streets of the city of *London*, late in the night, met with king *Henry* the Eighth, with a small guard about him, coming to see what rule was kept in the city; and when neither would yield to the other, they drew and fought hardly, until a person, who accompanied *Morgan*, bade him take heed what he did, for that he feared it was the king with whom he fought. Whereupon *Morgan* crying mercy, yielded, and craved pardon; and the king did let him go, saying that he *was* a lusty man, and ever after he was called *Lusty Morgan*. *This is a report, I cannot tell how true.*

*"Morgan her, mawr gan Harri,
Mae Llundain dan d'adain di."*

*-He bore gules, three snakes enowed in a triangular knot
argent.*

DESCENDANT EXTANT IN THE MALE LINE.

OWENS, ... of *Cae'r Berllan, Merionethshire.*

DESCENDANTS EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE.

LLOYDS, ... of *Nant-y-Mynach, and Peniarth.*

OWENS, ... of *Peniarth, and Morben.*

GRIFFITH, ... of *Garth, and Cloddiau Cochion.*

Out of our antient books of pedegrees, we are enabled to add another *Tribe*; by no means inferior to any of the foregoing, in the respectability and number of its descendants.

xv'.

TUDOR TREVOR, the *Tribe of * March*, called likewise in our books *Llwyth Maelor* (or the *tribe of Maelor*) Was the son of *Ynyr ap Cadfarch*, descended of *Cadell Deurnllug*, King of *Powys*. He is said to have been the founder of, and to have resided at, *Whittington Castle*, which continued in his posterity for many generations after. His mother was *Rhiengar*, daughter to *Lluddocca ap Caradoc Vreichfras*, earl of *Hereford*, who was one-of-the knights of King *Arthur's Round Table*. *Tudor* had large possessions in *Herefordshire*, in right of his mother, as well as in that country called *Ferlys*, which lies between the rivers *Wye* and *Severn*. He was contemporary with *Bowel Dda*, king of *Wales*, whose daughter

Angharad he married, by whom he had three sons and one daughter. *Poivell, of Edenhope*, in his *Pentarchia*, describes his arms in the following manner:

Erminiis fulgens *Theodori* parma *Trevori*,
Dat rapidum fulvumque sinistro verte leonem;
Illostonis sunt nota satis simul arma *Trevoris*.

Which may be thus expressed in plain *English*: '*Parted `per bend sinister ermine and ermines, over all a lion `rampant or; the well-known arms of the Mostyns, and `also of the Trevors.*'

DESCENDANTS EXTANT IN THE MALE LINE.

Viscount *Hambden*, and Baron TREVOR.

MOSTYNS, ... *of Mostyn*,
 of Trelacre,) Baronets.
 of Bryngwyn.
 of Segroit.

PENNANT, ... *of Bychton*.

RICHARD PENNANT, Baron *Penrhyn*.

JEFFRIES, ... *Of Acton*.

EDWARDS, ... *of Chirk*.

WYNNE, ... *of Gerwyn fawr*.

JONES, ... *of Llwyn-onn*.

DESCENDANTS EXTINCT, OR IN THE FEMALE LINE

TREVOR, ... *of Brynkinallt*.
 of Pentre Cynric.
 of Daywen.
 of Trefalen.

TREVOR,	<i>of Plds-Mg.</i>
	<i>of Oswestry.</i>
LLOYDS,	<i>of Halton.</i>
YOUNG,	<i>of Bryn Yorkin.</i>
DYMTIZOCK,	<i>of Willington.</i>
PTGHE,	<i>of Llan-y-Mynach.</i>
LLOYDS,	<i>of Plds isa' y Clawdd.</i>
	<i>of Dal-y-wern.</i>

Here it may not be improper to mention, that though the tribes are generally considered as the nobility of *Wales*, yet are there many antient *Welsh* families of high respectability, who derive not their descent from any of them. Such as the *Middletons*, of *Chirk* castle and *Gwaunynog*; the *Vaughans*, of *Glan-y-llyn*, afterwards of *Llwydiarth* and *Llangedwyn*, but now extinct, who are descended from *Ririd Flaidd*, lord of *Penllyn*, &c. The *Vaughans*, of *Cors-y-gedol*; and the *Wynnes*, of *Dolegwyn*, whose stock was *Osborn Wyddel*, (or the *Irishman*.) The *Eyttons*, of *Leeswood*; the *Wynnes*, of *Tower*; the *Davises*, of *Gwasane* (whose representative in the male line is *Peter Davies*, esquire, of *Broughton*); the *Parrys*, of *Pwllhalog*, and the *Williamses*, of *Fron*, who are descended from *Cynric Efell*, baron of *Eglwyseg*.

In *Anglesey* are the *Williamses* of *Ty, fry*, descended from *Cadrodd Hardd*, (or the *Handsome*) lord of *Talebolion*; and from them the *Williamses*, of *Nantanog*, ancestors of the present *Sir Watkin Williams Wynne*; the *Williamses* of *Penbedw*, and the *Williamses* of *Bodelwyddan*.

Though many others may be added to these, we shall now close this account with the descendants of *Brochwel Ysgithrog*, prince of *Powys*, *vi.* the *Blaneys of Tregynon*, the *Wynnes of Garth*, the *Lloyds of Leighton*, and the *Thomases of Llechiveddgarth*, whose present representative is *Tho. Thomas*, esquire, of *Downing Ucha*'.⁽¹⁾

(1) Referring to the manner in which the founders of tribes were selected, Mr. *Yorde* writes forcibly. "Why *Jestyn ap Gwrgant*, a petty lord of *Glainorgan*, and a character in everlasting disgrace, should be thus dignified, while he was the founder only of ignominy and loss of dominion to himself, of slaughter and slavery to his country, is difficult to adjust; and that *Brochwel Ysgithrog*, a prince of *Powis* in its highest splendour, having *Shrewsbury* for his capital, and a chief of great power and martial character, should have his name omitted even in the fifteen tribes, is alike inscrutable." T. p

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