

SIR  
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who left, by Catharine Lumley, his wife, two daughters, his coheirs, viz. Margaret, who married sir William Stourton (now represented by William lord Stourton); and Catharine, who became the wife, first, of sir William Stafford, and, secondly, of sir John Arundel of Lanherne. This lady had by her first husband an only child, Humphrey Stafford earl of Devon, who died without issue; and, by her second marriage, sir Thomas Arundel, whose heirs-general and representatives are now Henry-Benedict lord Arundel of Wardour, and Hugh-Charles lord Clifford of Chudleigh.

ARMS.

Quarterly, per fess indented, Ermine and Gules.

CREST.

A wyvern Argent, eared and langued Or.<sup>1</sup>

XXVIII.

ROBERT UFFORD FIRST EARL OF SUFFOLK.

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THIS celebrated warrior, who was the son and heir of Robert lord Ufford, by Cecily the daughter and coheir of Robert de Valoines, had served in Gascony in the reign of Edward II, and enjoyed uninterruptedly the high esteem of that king's successor. In 1329 he was selected to be one of the chief attendants of the young king upon occasion of the homage at Amiens to Philip VI, for the duchy of Guienne and his other territories held under the French crown;<sup>2</sup> and, in the following year, was greatly instrumental in effecting the arrest of Mortimer and his adherents in Nottingham castle; for which service he was, in 1331, rewarded with large additions to his patrimonial estate. On the 16th March

<sup>1</sup> Sir Ivo Fitzwaryne appears to have adopted for his crest, probably out of respect towards his commander, the duke of Lancas-

ter, "a swan naiant between two ostrich feathers."—C 12. p 147.

<sup>2</sup> Rym. vol. ii. pp. 3, 27.

1336-7 he was raised to the dignity of earl of Suffolk; and, soon afterwards, associated with Bohun in the commission to treat with David Bruce. From that period he was seldom unemployed. In the expedition into Flanders, in 1339, he was one of the marshals of the host at the siege of Cambray, and in the array at Vironfosse. When king Edward passed into England in December of that year, he engaged with the Flemings that the earls of Northampton and Suffolk should join the earls of Derby and Salisbury, whom he left at Antwerp as sureties for his return. In 1340, Salisbury and Suffolk having, in an expedition from Ipres for the succour of d'Artevelle, approached too near the entrenchments at Lille, they had the misfortune, after a desperate resistance, to be made prisoners, and were conducted from that town to the châtelet at Paris. Upon their exchange, we find Suffolk, in 1342, in the war of Brittany with a retinue of one banneret, fourteen knights, thirty-five esquires, and fifty mounted archers. In 1343 he was sent to the court of the pope, in order to treat, in the presence of the pontiff, with the ambassadors of France concerning the differences then depending between the two crowns. In 1344 he was appointed admiral of the whole fleet from the mouth of the Thames northward. He is said to have attended the king to France in 1346.<sup>1</sup> In 1348 he was one of those to whom the king presented harness of Indian silk and other accoutrements for the tournament at Canterbury;<sup>2</sup> and, about that time, he was probably elected into the Order upon the death of sir Richard Fitz Simon, one of the Founders. In 1355, he accompanied prince Edward into Gascony;<sup>3</sup> and was at Bordeaux on the last day of June in that year, when the Black Prince presented him with 440 leopard florins, each of the value of 4s. 6d., by the hands of sir Thomas van Dale, and 100*l.* by the hands of Emericus de Biron lord of Monteferrand.<sup>4</sup> He is also named in the indenture between the king and the prince, 10th July 1355, con-

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<sup>1</sup> Froissart (Buchon), tom. ii. p. 294, and the MS. "Acta Eduardi fil. Ed. III," formerly in C. C. C. Camb.; but we have seen no corroboration in the public records of the fact of Suffolk's presence in

that expedition.

<sup>2</sup> Comp. Joh. Coke, prov. M. Garderob. m. 11.

<sup>3</sup> Rot. Vasc. 29 Ed. 3, m. 2.

<sup>4</sup> Journale de Solut. in Vasc.—in Duchy of Cornwall office.

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cerning the payment of the troops on that service.<sup>1</sup> At the battle of Poitiers "he gained to himself immortal fame by his signal valour and skilful conduct."<sup>2</sup> In 1359 he attended the king again into France;<sup>3</sup> after which date we have not found any further mention of his engagement in military affairs.

The earl made his will 18th November 1368, in which he directed the interment of his body in the abbey of Campesse, in Suffolk, under the arch betwixt the chapel of St. Nicholas and the high altar.<sup>4</sup> He died on Sunday after the feast of All Saints, 4th November 1369; having, by his two wives, 1. Eleanor (who was living at the period of his elevation to the earldom, but whose filiation we have not ascertained), and 2. Margaret, the daughter of sir Walter Norwich, and relict of sir Thomas Cailly, had issue four sons and four daughters: 1. Robert de Ufford "le fitz," who was summoned to parliament among the barons in 1342, but died without issue in the lifetime of his father. 2. William, who, after having been summoned to parliament in 1364 and 1366, succeeded as earl of Suffolk, and was also a Knight of the Order.<sup>5</sup> 3. Sir Thomas

<sup>1</sup> Appendix, No. III.

<sup>2</sup> Dugd. Bar. vol. ii. p. 48.

<sup>3</sup> Froissart, tom. iv. p. 9.

<sup>4</sup> It may be interesting to offer a more ample abstract of the will than is given by Dugdale:—"A mons<sup>r</sup> le Roi le nouche q. madame la princesse me dona—a William mon eisne fiz lespeye q. le Roi nos. dona ove le nom de Counte, le litz entier ove legle, le vestement v<sup>r</sup>mail poudrez ove lepardes, un chaliz etc. p<sup>r</sup> sa chapell al houstell.—Item qil eit touz mes armes q. sont en ma garderobe a Orford et ailleurs forpris ceux q. ieo ai ailleurs deviseez—le biker sinsore q<sup>e</sup>. sa miere moi devisa—la belle croix et le livr. de Genesy a terme de sa vie et apres son decees les dits croix et Genesy dem'gent de heir en heir.—Itm. a dame Johane sa compaigne un anel diamand, etc.—Itm. a John mon fiz un hanap ove cov<sup>r</sup>cele oue la beniceon de Dieu et de moi, etc. et xx liv<sup>res</sup>. a prendre a t<sup>r</sup>me de sa vie al maner de Wyckyn.—Item q. Maud ma file eit un anel, etc.

et C s. añuelem<sup>t</sup>—q. mons<sup>r</sup> Esmond de Ufford mon trescher frere eit le hanap, etc.—q. ma tresch. soer de Breuse eit un anel et 10 li. dargent a payer en trois ans et le lit oue les tapitz qestoit a mons. Thomas de Ufford.—It. q. mons. Esmond mon tresch. cosyn eit un peir de pat. nostres daumbre de faceon de Puce q. le roi moi dona.—Itm. a Rob<sup>t</sup>. de Ufford le petit corn. q. le roi moi dona h<sup>r</sup>noise d<sup>r</sup>or—q. madame Oulnest menorese eit xx marc. et un anel qestoit a mons. le duc son frere [Maud Plantagenet, sister of Henry duke of Lancaster, widow, first, of William de Burgh earl of Ulster: secondly, of sir Ralph de Ufford, the testator's brother]. Itm. q. les jours des festes useez de pestre 100 povers, etc. en mon hostel dont ma treschere compaigne soit chargée." The will was proved by William de Ufford and Edmund de Ufford, knights, executors, 3<sup>o</sup> id. Nov. 1369.

<sup>5</sup> N<sup>o</sup> LVII. where the present representatives will be stated.

Ufford, K. G.<sup>1</sup> 4. John Ufford, rector of Hengham, in Suffolk, who died in 1375.<sup>2</sup> The daughters were Cecily, who married John lord Willoughby d'Eresby; Catharine, the wife of Robert lord Scales and Nucelles; Margaret, who married William lord Ferrers of Groby; and Maud Ufford, abbess of Barking.

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## ARMS.

Sable, a cross engrailed Or.

## CREST.

A man's head, affrontée, proper, ducally crowned Or.

## XXIX.

## WILLIAM BOHUN EARL OF NORTHAMPTON.

IF illustrious birth, eminent abilities, and undaunted prowess had alone given him title to a place amongst the original Knights of the Order, the choice of the royal Founder must have fallen on William Bohun, in whom those qualities were signally united. He was the fifth son of Humphrey de Bohun, earl of Hereford and Essex, constable of England, by the princess Elizabeth, seventh daughter of king Edward I. Having mainly assisted in the overthrow of Mortimer, and given other proofs of courage and loyalty, he was, on the occasion of conferring the dukedom of Cornwall upon the Black Prince, in 1337, created earl of Northampton, and endowed with extensive grants for the support of that dignity. In the same year he was appointed one of the commissioners to treat with Philip of Valois touching the right to the French crown, and also to negotiate a peace with David Bruce. He was one of the marshals in the third battalia of king Edward's army drawn up at Vironfosse in 1339; and, in the following year, bore a part in the naval victory

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<sup>1</sup> No. XXXV.

<sup>2</sup> Will dated 10th August 1375,

proved at Norwich 5th September following.