

JOHN  
SECOND  
EARL  
OF  
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BROKE.

was made at the coronation of Richard II, to carry the golden spurs, and they were allowed to be borne by Edmund Mortimer earl of March, as his deputy. He married Philippa daughter of that earl; but left no issue. He was slain on the 30th December 1389 by sir John St. John in a tournament at Woodstock; when his estates passed to Reginald lord Grey de Ruthyn, as his next heir, descended from his great-great-aunt Elizabeth Hastings, wife of Roger lord Grey and grandmother of Reginald.

## ARMS.

Quarterly, 1st and 4th, Or, a maunch Gules, for Hastings: 2nd and 3rd, Barry of twelve, Argent and Azure, an orle of eight martlets Gules, for Valence.<sup>1</sup>

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## SIR THOMAS DE GRANSON.

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THE family of this knight had its origin in Transjurane Burgundy,<sup>2</sup> and derived its name from, or gave appellation to the town of Granson, whose ancient and extensive castle, the site of many an eventful struggle, rises before us, in majestic grandeur, as we pass along the north-west margin of the lake of Neufchâtel towards Yverdun. Otho de Granson, the lord of that fort and territory, and allied in blood (as asserted) to the dukes of Burgundy, flourished at the commencement of the thirteenth century. He was father to William lord of Granson and Sainte-Croix, who, by his wife Blanche of Savoy, daughter of Louis baron de Vaud and lord of Chillon, a cadet of that illustrious house, had two sons, Otho and William de Granson. The former attended prince Edward, afterwards

<sup>1</sup> He was the first subject who followed the example of Edward III, in quartering arms.

<sup>2</sup> Histoire de Bourgogne par Dunod, tome iii. p. 43.—Guichenon, histoire de la maison de Savoye, tom. ii. p. 1275.—In the cathedral

of Lausanne there is a tomb, having thereon the figure of a recumbent knight, armed *cap-a-pee*, and on his shield the arms of Granson. It is, according to tradition, in memory of a sir Otho de Granson.

king Edward I, to the Holy Land in 1270; and, on that monarch's accession, was appointed governor of Guernsey and Jersey. His talents, displayed on various military and diplomatic services, were rewarded by large grants in England and Ireland; and he sat amongst the barons in parliament from 1298 until 1304. William de Granson, the brother of Otho, was of the household of Edmund earl of Lancaster, through whose patronage he obtained considerable grants, and his highly advantageous marriage with Sibilla, one of the two daughters and co-heirs of John de Tregoz. He had also summons to parliament among the barons from 1298 until 1325; and, dying in 1335, was buried in the Lady chapel of the cathedral of Hereford.<sup>1</sup> William de Granson left, by Sibilla—1. sir Peter, also summoned to parliament, who married Blanche Mortimer, and died without issue in 1358.<sup>2</sup> 2. John, bishop of Exeter, who died in 1368.<sup>3</sup> 3. Sir Otho de Granson, a distinguished warrior, and father to our knight, by Beatrice his wife, daughter and coheir of sir Nicholas de Malmaines, died in 1358,<sup>4</sup> leaving the subject of this notice, and a daughter Elizabeth.<sup>5</sup>

Sir Thomas de Granson, of Chelsfield, in Kent, was of full age at his father's death; but we find no mention of his public employment until 1369, when he attended the duke of Lancaster on his expedition, with the earls of Salisbury and Warwick, to Calais.<sup>6</sup> He probably gave, on that occasion, some proof of valour which obtained for him the honour of the Garter, as successor to the gallant Audeley, who died in that year. In 1370 he accompanied sir Robert Knolles into Picardy and Vermandois; but had the misfortune, on that chevauchée, to be taken prisoner after a desperate conflict; and was, with others, conducted to Le Mans.<sup>7</sup> We find him again at large in 1375, and in the army assembled by the duke of Brittany, at Southampton,

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<sup>1</sup> Guichenon asserts that this William was one of the first knights of the Order of the Collar of Savoy; but this is doubtful on a comparison of dates.

<sup>2</sup> His will in the reg<sup>r</sup> Islip, fo. 144.

<sup>3</sup> His will in reg<sup>r</sup> Wittlesey, f. 109.

<sup>4</sup> His will in reg<sup>r</sup> Islip, fo. 148; and see esc. 33 Ed. 3, No. 41.

<sup>5</sup> Who died without issue before her brother.

<sup>6</sup> Froissart, tom. v. p. 100.

<sup>7</sup> Froissart, tom. v. p. 228.

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which landed at Saint Mahé, in Brittany, about the beginning of Lent in that year.<sup>1</sup> He probably did not return from that expedition; for, according to a wardrobe account,<sup>2</sup> robes of the Order were issued for him under a privy-seal of the 14th April 1375; and, by a similar warrant dated 4th April 1376,<sup>3</sup> robes were to be provided for sir Thomas Percy, the successor to his stall.

The family name of his wife, Margaret, we have not discovered. Upon her death, 23rd October 1394, the estates of her husband, which she had held by settlement for the term of her life, became divisible amongst his next heirs, who were descended from his aunts on the paternal side, viz. Agnes, the wife of John de Northwood; Katharine, who married William Montacute earl of Salisbury; and Mabel, the wife of sir John Patishull. Agnes Northwood was represented, in 1396, by Elizabeth, the wife of Peter Catt, and Eleanor, the wife of John Adam. The heirs-general of Katharine countess of Salisbury are now George-Augustus-Francis marquess of Hastings, and William Lowndes and William Selby Lowndes, esquires. Mabel Patishull having left four daughters, her coheirs, the representation is shared by many persons. The heirs-general of her daughter Sibilla Beauchamp are the sisters of George the last duke of Gordon, or their representatives. Alice Wake, the second daughter of Mabel Patishull, is represented by the heirs of sir Baldwin Wake of Clevedon, in Somersetshire, bart. (who died in 1748); Catherine Tudenham, the third daughter of Mabel, is represented by sir Henry Richard Bedingfield, bart.; and the coheirs-general of Maud Fauconberg, the fourth daughter of Mabel, are the heirs (if any) of Robert Roos, of Igmantorpe, in the county of York, (living anno 36 Hen. 8,) and Francis-Godolphin-D'Arcy Osborne, now duke of Leeds.

ARMS.

Paly of six, Argent and Azure, a bend Gules charged with three eagles displayed Or.

CREST.

Out of a ducal coronet Sable a plume of feathers Argent.

<sup>1</sup> Froiss. tom. vi. p. 88.

<sup>3</sup> Page 10.

<sup>2</sup> Antea, p. 9.