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Royal Descents.

THE ancestry referred to in our last number is as follows: Charles Martel, d. 741, was grandfather of the Emperor Charlemagne, who through his great granddaughter Judith, was ancestor of Baudouin the Bold, Count of Flanders and Artois, who married Elfreda, daughter of Alfred the Great, King of England, from which marriage was descended Matilda, Queen of William the Conqueror, ancestor of the Norman and Plantagenet kings. Alfred the Great was ancestor of Margaret, Queen of Malcolm Canmore, King of Scotland, and their daughter was Matilda, Queen of Henry I., of England.

Most English Royal descents are traced in female lines from Edward I. and Edward III. There are a very few families who derive from ultimate heiresses of Plantagenet princes, and are thus entitled to quarter the Royal Arms of the Plantagenet dynasty. One of these is represented in this province by Mr. Horace Wilson of Walkerton, and his brother Mr. Archdale Wilson of Hamilton, and others. Of the former class there are several families in Ontario.

Scottish Royal descents are probably numerous, in consequence of marriages of chiefs of clans with ladies of the Royal Family; this class is also represented in Ontario.