

Duke of Argyll, cousin german n, Mrs. Ussher's ne Right Hon. ughter, Susan, ircleek Park and r grand-daugh- ioness of Tho- ily of William rien Boroinhe, ne was continu- nd of Thomond ing of England Ussher's family s even more in- Elizabeth Mar- e Rev. Joshua ounty Kildare. o Ireland early tttled at Platten ook "Maynooth esent Duke of ildare, on page y, Lord Justice tess Johanna de Earl of Ulster, Robert Bruce, lason, William, from whom the are lineally de- ed by George t Hyde Park, rke's "Landed ounty Families"), glish and Irish of twenty-eight n. The Irish Ireland in the ds, with extra- ver to appoint a mpson remarks, granted to any ood (and which occasions). A Arcy of Platten on who carried oulders through own in Christ he was obliged , in 1488. This scendant, Vice- 1523, was the "The Decay of f it," the MS. rary of Trinity ite beyond the a full history of

a family dating back to their ancient seat in Arcques, in Normandy, whence they came to England with the Conqueror, into whose family they had married previously—then settled in Lincolnshire and are given *in extenso* in Burke's "Extinct Peerages." The Yorkshire histories contain a full pedigree of about twenty-five generations, and the English and Irish pedigree illuminated by Camden, the historian, and author of the "Brittania," dating from 1066 to 1617, is in the possession of the present head of the D'Arcy house, Mrs. Ussher's cousin. This history says, that Nicholas D'Arcy, of Platyn, espoused the cause of King James II., and was a captain in his army. He was consequently attained in 1690, and his estates were forfeited and sold in 1691; his only son Christopher, dying unmarried, George D'Arcy, the surviving lineal heir, male, succeeded to the family headship. This George D'Arcy entertained James the Second in his Castle of Dunmow the night after the battle of the Boyne, and King William was his guest previous to the battle. King James in his hurried departure next morning forgot his pistol which yet remains in the D'Arcy family. It is related of him that on the occasion he repeated the following couplet:

"Who will be king I do not know,
But I'll be D'Arcy of Dunmow."

He was declared an innocent Papist in 1693, and died in full possession of his estates in Meath and Westmeath, in 1718. His descendant John D'Arcy, born 1700, married, 1727, and was the first of the family to conform to the Protestant faith, which took place before his marriage with Miss Judge, of Grangebey, county Westmeath. He died in 1785, leaving four sons, Judge, Francis, Arthur, and James. Francis D'Arcy, on the death of his brother, Judge D'Arcy, became heir male of Sir William D'Arcy, of Platyn, second son of Lord D'Arcy, viceroy of Ireland. On the death of Robert D'Arcy, fourth Earl of Holderness, in Yorkshire, 1778, heir male of John D'Arcy and Norman D'Arcy. Francis D'Arcy died in 1813, without issue, and his youngest brother James D'Arcy, who alone had sons and daughters, thus continued the line—his eldest son, John, claimed the older D'Arcy baronies, held by the last Earl of Holderness, and this claim after trial was established. But it appears that as Robert D'Arcy, fourth Earl of Holder-

ness, left an only child, Lady Amelia, who married the Marquis of Carmarthen, afterwards fifth Duke of Leeds, thus carrying off the Yorkshire estates into the Osborn family, the title has not been resumed by the present family. James D'Arcy, born in 1740, had three sons, John, born 1767, Joshua, the grandfather of Mrs. Ussher, and Thomas, who was a major in the army, and at his death, Inspector General of Police, in Ulster. It is interesting to know that the marriage of Lady Amelia D'Arcy, Baroness Conyers in her own right, was dissolved by Act of Parliament in May, 1779, after the birth of three children, and both parties remarried the following year, the Lady Amelia marrying John Byron, father of the poet, Lord Byron (she died January 20th, 1784, Dodd's Peerage, Genealogical Volume and Plates of Arms, page 5). The foregoing is a very condensed account, necessarily, of Mrs. Ussher's family history. A more extended history involving, as it would, the introduction of many other distinguished families in every department of the state, and covering many professions, literary, scientific, military and naval, we must ask our readers to spare us. Reference to the usual standard histories, genealogies and heralds of Great Britain, would confirm the above. It must be remembered that all the history of the English D'Arcys, dating from 1066, their possession of thirty-three baronies in Lincolnshire and Yorkshire, their active part with the other barons in extracting Magna Charta from King John, their subsequent prominent part in the state during every reign down to that of George III., the *Pilgrimage of Grace*, these and many other matters have been omitted, but what has been said will suffice to show whence we have come, and we trust that the present and future will verify the wise man's saying (Prov. xvii, 6.) in the history of Mrs. Ussher, that if "Children's children are the crown of old men, the glory of children are their father's." The following are the surviving children of Bishop and Mrs. Ussher:—Sydney Lahmire Neville Ussher, Clarence Douglas Ussher, Charles Edward Cheney Ussher, George Richard Beardmore Ussher, Elizabeth Henrietta Ussher, Warwick Wellesley Ussher.

Bayard William, M.D., Edin., St. John, New Brunswick, was born in Kentville, Nova Scotia, on the 21st day of August, 1814. The ancestors of our subject