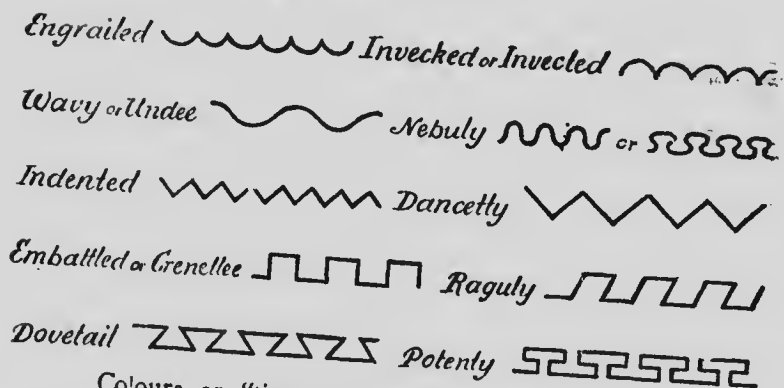


ploy several other modes of partition which do not occur in English armory.

Partition lines may be either plain or of some of the following forms:



Colours or "tinctures" are regarded as important in armorial composition, and required to be carefully noted and described in blazon.

European continental heralds, especially German, employ tinctures unknown in English armory, in which the following only are used, and these are shewn in black and white representation in the manner follow-



ing: Metals—gold or Or, a surface strewn or "scnee" with dots; silver or argent, a plain or white surface; Colours; gules, red, perpendicular lines; azure, blue,

* Blazon is the description of armorials in words. To blazon is to so describe arms.