MacLean, A.E.I.



Col. THE HON. NEIL MAC-LEAN, b. 1759, d. 1832, was descended from Neil Ban, second son of Donald, first of Ardgour, who was son of Lachlan Broneach, Chief of Maclean. The descendants of Neil Ban were known as the Macleans of Boreray and held the lands so called for upwards of 300 years. Of this family was Gillespie Oig Maclean of Hysker in North Uist, who had (besides another son Lauchlan) a son John, or Ian MacGillespie-

Oig, who settled at Mingary in Mull, but returned to Uist in 1775; he m. Catharine, d. 1772, dau. of Rev. John Maclean and sister of Rev. Alexander Maclean, both Ministers of Kilminion and Kilmore, and had issue, viz.:

(Col. the Hon.) Neil, above named, who came to America; served in the American Revolutionary War as Lieut. in the 84th Regt. (Royal Highland Emigrants) after which he came to Canada, and with the other officers and men of the regiment, which was disbanded, was allotted lands in Stormont; served in 1812 as Col. of Stormont Militia, and was Commandant of the District; was present at Chrysler's Farm; on resigning his command in 1825 he was highly compli-

^{*}Six companies were settled in Stormont, and two at Murray Bay in Quebec, where they married French-speaking wives, and their descendants became almost entirely French, while retaining their Scottish surnames.