

grandson of the great Sir John Johnson, Baronet, who led his battalions of loyalist troops into Canada in 1783. The next year (1896), by letters from the Viscount de Fronsac to Col. W. Hamilton Merritt of Toronto, a division was established there under presidency of the Hon. John Beverley Robinson, lieutenant-governor of Ontario, and grandson of the U. E. Loyalist, Lieutenant-Governor Sir Frederic Phillippse Robinson, baronet, who came to Ontario in 1783. In 1897 by the energy of Rev. Arthur Pyke, member of the general council at Montreal, the Nova Scotia division was established at Halifax under presidency of the Hon. A. G. Jones, now (1905) lieutenant-governor of Nova Scotia. About the same time the descendants of the Seigneurs of Canada in the Aryan Order chose as their president Charles Coleman Grant, Baron de Longueuil, replaced at his death by his brother, Reginald d' Iberville Grant, Baron de Longueuil. There remains yet in the Aryan Order for choice of officers under its own ancient charter, the descendants of the Baronets of Nova Scotia. The movement of reorganization although participated in by Canadian descendants had taken place first in the United States, because, strange as it may seem, there were individuals there stronger and more independent in royalist belief and sentiment, at that time (1879-80) than in Canada. They were the relics few and far between—but mostly in the Southern States,—of those Royalist and Cavalier families who had fought for the Stuarts under Charles I. and James II., and had been the “first to charge the foe, on Preston’s bloody sod” in the time of Prince Charlie (1745). They were of the Royalist Minute-men of 1776-8, who, while guarding the prerogative of the crown in the colonial charter, refused to recognize the Hanoverian usurpation outside of those charters, and had gone to their homes in 1778 rather than fight against the colonies with the U. E. Loyalists, after the charters were assured. They had spurned with contempt the supercilious condescension of the court of George III. that was offering them “pardons” if they submitted to its insolent and illegal domination in the colonies. But they were royalists and turned with even greater scorn from the dishonest propaganda of the Yankee republic. As Pol-