

Surrounding the card as a border are drawings of the following coats-of-arms, with letterings to indicate the colors, viz.:—The Royal Arms; Arms of King of Bromley, Co. Kent; of Midhurst, Co. Sussex; of Dorsetshire; of Essex (two coats); of London and Berkshire; of Suffolk; of Weston Patrick, Co. Hants; of Somersetsshire; of Buckinghamshire (two coats); of Lincolnshire, descended from Suffolk; with King, Alderman of Coventry, Co. Warwick; King, Rouge Dragon, Pursuivant of Arms; and King, Bishop of London and Chichester (16).

This is the first record of a re-union of the "King" family and in all probability is the first example of a general family gathering in genealogical history. The card is peculiarly valuable as giving the various King Arms and blazons as early as 1703 and is reproduced for the first time in this article. (See Plate III.)

Although the King pedigrees set forth in the several Herald's Visitations are limited in number, no less than fifty-three names of King entitled to bear coat-armor appear in Burke's General Armory, many of which have almost the same blazon. These families may be divided into groups by coat-armors as follows:

I. KING OF LONDON.

ARMS: "*Sable*, on a chevron between three crosses-crosslet, *or*, as many escallops of the field."

CREST: "A dexter arm embowed in armor, holding a broken spear, all *proper*. (See Plates I and II.) Granted by Camden, 1591.

Almost the same arms, with some slight differences as to colors and crests, are borne by King of Ashby de la Launde, Lincolnshire; King of Gainsborough, Lincolnshire; King of London, 1591, and King of Wiltshire, all of which families have the crest "A talbot's head erased, *Sable*, collared and ringed *gules*, eared, *argent*." Also King of London, Camden Grant, 1591; King of Loxwood House, Sussex; King of Torcester, Northamptonshire, all of which families have the crest "A dexter arm embowed in armor, holding a broken spear, all *proper*." Also King of Sherbourne, Dorset, (Crest: A lion rampant *proper* holding an escallop, *argent*); King of West Hall, Dorset, (Crest: An escallop shell, *argent*); King of Midhurst, Sussex, (Crest: An ostrich head, *argent*, ducally gorged, *or*.); King of Shelly, Suffolk; King of Leicestershire, (Crest: A lion passant, *Ermine*, ducally crowned, *Or*); and King of Ugborough, Devon. (From which last family descends King of Suffield, Connecticut, U. S. A.)

KING OF ASHBY DE LA LAUNDE, LINCOLNSHIRE.

ARMS: "*Sable*, on a chevron engrailed, *argent*, three escallops of the first."

CREST: "A talbot's head coupéd, *Sable*, collared, *or*."

The first known ancestor was William King of Melford, Suffolk, who lived during the reign of Henry VIII, and had issue,