

1610, aged 18 years. He was called to the Bar in 1620, and became a Bencher in 1630. In the same year he purchased a farm and lands at Preston, near Yeovil, Somerset, and his grant of arms reads: "Thisse Coat and Crest wasse granted to Richard Kinge of Sherburne in the County of Dorcett, Esq., Juestes of the Peces in the sayd County and Councillor at lawe of the Inner Tempell by Sir John Borough, Garter, Aprell the VI 1641."

Curiously enough there is a seal of this Richard Kinge to a deed in 1642 with arms "A fesse lozengy(?) between three wolves sejant" but it probably was the arms of his wife or some kinsman.

He represented Melcombe Regis, Dorset, in Parliament in 1640, and was a member of the Long Parliament, serving upon several Committees. During the Parliamentary troubles he joined the King in 1642 and was suspended from Parliament for non-attendance and disabled 27 February, 1642/3, but was present with the King's Parliament at Oxford in 1644. He married (1st) 25 December, 1623, Edith Seymer, daughter of Sir Robert Seymer of Hanford, Dorset, Kt., born 1607, died and buried at Sherbourne, Dorset, 2 June, 1634. He then married (2d) Margaret Harbin, daughter of Robert Harbin, of Newton Sormaville, near Yeovil, Somerset, but had no issue by her. He had known issue by his first wife, sons John and Richard.

Although as yet no relationship has been established it is probable that the above Richard King was of kin to the King Family of West Hall, Sherbourne, Dorset, who bear:

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

CREST: "An escallop, *argent*."

The first known ancestor of this family was John Kinge, who married 3 July, 1687, Mary Miller and had issue, a son John, baptised 13 May, 1689.

It is a curious fact that one of the King families at Torcester, Co. Northamptonshire, bears the above arms but apparently is not related to the Kings of Devonshire and Torcester, Co. Northamptonshire, who bear quite a different coat-armor. (See Plate IV, No. 4.)

KING OF LONDON.

ARMS: "Sable, on a chevron, *ermine*, three escallop shells, *gules*."

CREST: "A talbot's head erased, *sable*, collared and eared, *or*." Granted 1592 by R. Cooke, Clarencieux Herald.

These arms were granted to Alexander King, Esqr., of St. John's Lane, London, who married (10 June, 1587, by license) Elizabeth Horsepoole, daughter of Simon Horsepoole of London, draper. He was one of his Majesty's Auditors of the Court of Exchequer and was buried in Finchley Church, Middx., where his coat-of-arms may be still seen on a monumental slab. He left a will dated 20 January, 1615/6, and proved 12 January, 1618/9 (P. C. C. Parker, 40), in which he mentions three living sisters,