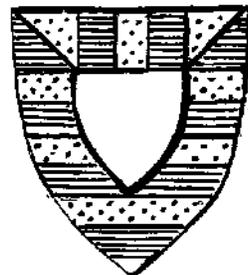


Here will be added short descriptions of those families whose coats of arms are found on the font, and in the east window. Taking first those looking east, viz., Mortimer and Fitz Walter. On the right, De Vere and one not known. To the left, Scales and Coggeshall.

## Mortimer Family.

“EARLS OF MARCH.”

This coat of arms probably belonged to Roger Mortimer, Lord of Wigmore, 1320. A man who afterwards brought about the fall of Edward II. This Mortimer and Isabella formed an open league against the King. On the 24th of Sept., 1326, they landed at Orwell in Suffolk, the King being so unpopular had to flee for his life, was then sent to Kenilworth Castle until his fate should be decided.



The King's murder was said to have been ordered by Isabella, "the wolf of France," which took place at Berkley Castle. Mortimer grew every day more insolent and unpopular, even his own son was in the habit of calling him "King of Folly." He was at last condemned to death by his Peers, without being heard in his own defence. Was hanged at Tyburn on the 29th Nov., 1330. Isabella was made a state prisoner, and passed most of her time at Castle Rising in Norfolk. *Meiklejohn.*

The Manor of Bardfield Hall belonged to the De Burgs and descended to Philippa of Clarence, who about 1368 married Edmund Mortimer third Earl of March. The shields in one of the windows of the south aisle of this church record this marriage and approximately help to fix the date of this part of the building. They were inserted probably shortly before