

## DE RESSEQUIER.

ARMS.—RESSEQUIER.—ROUERGUE.

“D'or à l'arbre de sin. ; au chef cousu d'arg. ch. de trois roses de gu.”

*Rietstap, Armorial Général.*

A green tree upon a golden shield, a silver chevron having upon it three red roses.

Appearances point chiefly to the province of Languedoc, in Southern France, as the ancient home of the Resseguie family ; and to Toulouse, the capital of the department of Haute-Garonne, as their native city. In such research as the means at his command has permitted, the compiler has found the name in connection with no other locality (excepting the neighboring province of Guienne), and therefore considers the assumption reasonable that the American family, though not directly traceable to that section, is of the same nativity as those whose names and deeds have been considered worthy of public record, and are thus preserved to us. To the great regret of the compiler, he has been unable to connect the American family with its French progenitors ; indeed, the early history of it prior to the settlement of its head in Norwalk, Connecticut, is unknown, but in the absence of evidence to the contrary, it is safe to consider Alexander Resseguie of Norwalk as the emigrant, and with him properly begins the family history.

It will be of interest, however, to note such facts concerning others of the name as have been found, although largely contemporary with the American family ; and beginning in order of date, the first is

**Dominique de Resseguier**, who, in 1597, resigned his position as secular abbot\* of the church of St. Afrodise-de-Beziers.†

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\*Hercule de Gallhac fut nommé par le Roi le 22 Octobre, 1597, à l'abbaye séculière de Saint Afrodise-de-Beziers sur la démission de Dominique Resseguier. — *Hosiers, Armorial Général.*

† Beziers is a town of Languedoc, in the department of Hérault, dating from 120 B. C.