HISTORICAL FIGURES IN ‘THE LYRIC’

IN ANCIENT ERIU (IRELAND)

Brian mac Cennétig, later Bórrú (or Borúma),
he was ruler of the Dál gCais; progenitor of the sept Uí Briain;
After his rise to power, styled Imperator Scotorum (Emperor of Ireland).

His grandson was
Toirdhealbhach Ua Briain
who became leader of Leth Mogha and was acknowledged as
rí Érenn by the Irish. He was, effectively, the ard rí Érenn
(High King of Ireland) between 1072-1086,
and was addressed as Hibernie regem by Lanfranc.
He married
Derbforgaill.

Among their sons were
Diarmait Ua Briain,
who in 1115 briefly deposed his brother
Muircheartach Ua Briain
who had become leader of Leth Mogha
after their father’s death and was considered either ard rí or
ard rí co fressabra (High King with opposition) 1086-1119.
He married
Dubhchobhleigh.

Muirchertach’s progeny were:
Domhnall Ua Briain,
who was, by his father, made King of Dublin
“Biadmuin” Ua Briain
who was given in a marriage of alliance to
Sitric Magnusson,
about the same time Sitric was named
King of Man and the Isles
by his father,
Magnus “Barefoot,” King of Norway
and
“Lafracoth” Ua Briain
who, had been given in a marriage of alliance to

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Arnulf de Montgomerie when he was *Castellan of Pembroke*
And is here presumed to have been the same person as

**Mór Ua Briain**

who, after her death at Dermach Choluim-Chille
was styled ‘chief queen of Erinn’
At the time of her death she was married to

**Murchadh Ua Máelseachlainn,**
who had become *rí of Midhe*; in 1120 he was deposed
for the first time by his son-in-law,

**Toirdhealbhach Ua Conchobhair, *rí of Connaught***

_The children of “Lafracoth” // Mór were:_

**Alice de Montgomerie**
(m. Maurice FitzGerald, “The Invader”)

**Phillip de Montgomerie, “Cymbricus”**
(m. Margaret of Dunbar)

**Derbforgaill Ua Máelseachlainn**
(m. Tighearnan Ua Ruairc, *rí of Bréifne*),
whose first name became latinised to “Devorgilla”

_...and perhaps also:_

**Conchobhar Ua Máelseachlainn**
heir of Murchadh Ua Máelseachlainn, whose death occasioned
his father’s vengeful rage and depredation

**Domnall Mac Lochlainn**
leader of *Leth Cuinn;*
and Muirchertach’s rival to be *ard Rí hErend.*

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**IRISH RELIGIEUX**

**Domnall**
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*Successor of Patrick in Armagh*

**Cellach**
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*Successor of Patrick in Armagh, later Bishop of Armagh*

**Maol Muire Ua Dunáin**
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*Bishop of Meath, 1101-1110*
_and first papal legate to Ireland,* presided over synod of Cashel, 1101.

**Gille Easpuig (Gilbert)**
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*Bishop of Limerick, 1111-1140*
_papal legate to Ireland,* presided over synod of Breasail, 1111
IN CYMRU (CAMBRIA OR WALES)

Rhys ap Tewdwr
  King of Deheurbarth  1093

His progeny:

  Gruffyd ap Rhys ap Tewdwr  1137
  m. Gwenllian
  Hywel
  taken hostage by Arnulf Montgomerie

  Nesta  c1136
  m. Gerald of Windsor  c1136
  Constable of Pembroke, becomes Castellan of Pembroke
  a few years after Arnulf Montgomerie is banished

Their progeny included:

  Maurice FitzGerald
  who married Alice de Montgomerie
AMONG THE NORMANS

William the Conqueror
Duke of Normandy, 1035-1087
King William I of England, 1066-1087

Whose sons were:

Robert Curthose
Duke of Normandy, after his father, 1087-1106
William Rufus
King William II of England, 1087-1100
Henry Beaulcerc

Among his concubines was Nesta Rhys ap Tewdr

House Montgomery

Roger de Montgomerie
Vicomte of the Hiémois ,
became Earl of Shrewsbury, Chichester and Arundel
He married
Mabel de Talvas

Their progeny were:

Hugh de Montgomerie
“the Proud”
succeeded his father as Earl of Shrewsbury and Arundel
Robert of Bellême
Count of Belèsme (or Bellême) and Alençon;
succeeded his father as Count of Montgomerie and Exmes:
became *Earl of Shrewsbury* and *Arundel* after Hugh’s death. He married Agnes, Countess of Ponthieu, whom he imprisoned until she escaped.

Roger of Poictou

*Earl of Lancaster*

Arnulf de Montgomerie c1074 1119

*Castellan of Pembroke until his banishment*

Emma 1113

*Abbess of Almenèches*

Phillip Montgomerie 1098

“the Grammarian”

Whose daughter was

Matilda

She succeeded her aunt Emma as Abbess of Almenèches

OTHERS

Pelagius c 354 418

St. Augustine 354 430

John Scotus Eriugena c 810 c877

Pope Gregory VII 1073-1085

Pope Urban II 1088-1099

Pope Paschal II 1099-1118

Lanfranc c1005 1089

*Archbishop of Canterbury*, 1070-1089

St. Anselm of Canterbury 1033 1109

*Archbishop of Canterbury*, 1093-1109

Peter Abelard 1079 1144

Bernard of Claivaux 1090 1153

Thomas à Becket c1118 1170