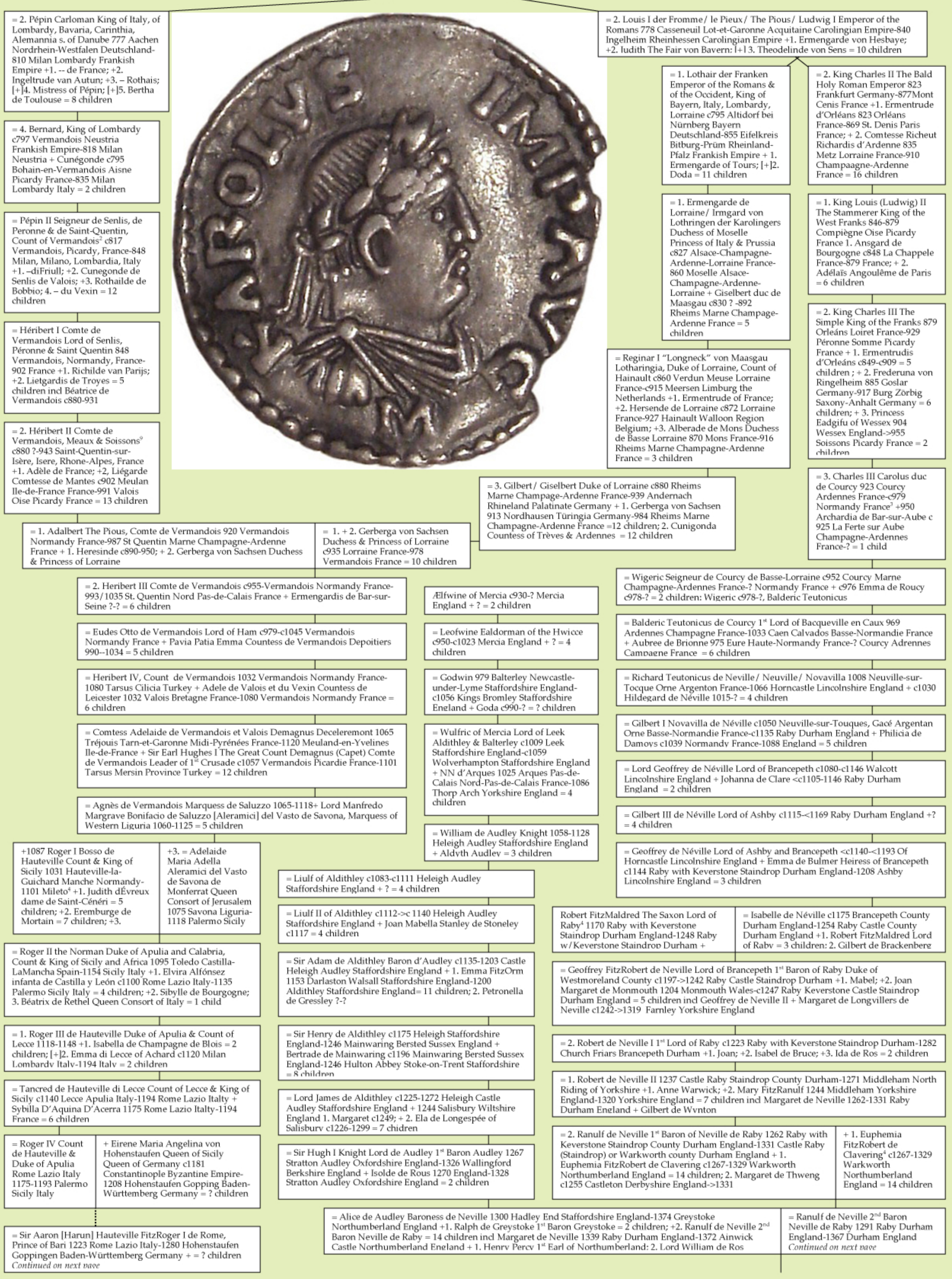


Charlemagne/ Karolus Magnus/ Karl der Große Family*

Charlemagne/ Karolus Magnus/ Karl der Große King of the Franks, Emperor of the Romans, Holy Roman Emperor 742 Herstal Belgium /Germany-814 Aachen Nordrhein-Westfalen Deutschland +1. Desiderata de Lombardi; +2. Hildegard von Vinzgouw; +3. Fastrada; +4. Luitgard; [+5. Himiltrude; [+6. Gerswinde von Sachsen [+7. Madelgarde de Lommois [+8. Almaltrud von Wien; [+9. Regina; [+10. Ethleline = at least 20 children



*This most recent (Summer 2021) tree was occasioned by reading Constance Brittain Bouchard's excellent *Those of My Blood: Constructing Noble Families in Medieval Francia* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2001). It led me to notice that my paternal grandparents, Daniel Ashby Piper and Beatrix Downs Piper McCleary, were cousins not quite as distant as I had thought. Both were descended not only from Grand Duke Liudolf von Sachsen (816-864), but also from two of Charlemagne's many offspring; my grandfather from both King Pépin Carloman (777-810), and also Emperor Louis I The Pious (778-840)'s marriage to Ermengarde von Hesbaye; my grandmother from Emperor Louis I The Pious's marriage to Judith The Fair von Bayern. All this should have come as no surprise, as many reputable genealogists believe all modern Europeans to be descended from Charlemagne. Indeed, Charlemagne was so devoted to replenishing the human gene pool that it is difficult to imagine how he found time to get any work done. Despite Bouchard's nuanced analysis of consanguinity in ninth- to twelfth-century aristocratic families, these manifold profusions of inbreeding leave me relieved that my father's family still has their wits about them at all.

¹Charlemagne's ancestry is detailed in *Vespasia Polla Vespasiani Family Tree*. I have also taken the occasion of Bouchard's book and recent advances in genealogical research to fill in some gaps in information about the women among my paternal grandparents' ancestors in *Daniel Ashby Piper Family* and *Beatrix Downs Piper McCleary Family*. These advances reconfirm that any such repairs are only tentative and provisional at best.

²Bouchard's analysis suggests (but does not state) that the 13th century extinction of the Vermandois lineage resulted in part from the family's refusal to "marry down" after incest prohibitions by the Catholic church eliminated remaining eligible spouses among the Carolingian upper aristocracy of kings, dukes and counts.

³Reliable sources differ as to whether or not Charles III Carolus duc de Courcy was a second child of Eadgifu of Wessex. Those which claim definitively that King Louis IV of France was her only child surely overstep their authority.

⁴The de Hauteville and Piper lineages are traced more fully in *Daniel Ashby Piper Family*; and the de Raby, de Clavering and Downs lineages more fully in *Beatrix Downs Piper McCleary Family*.

= Aaron [Harun] John Henry Fitz Roger II c1249 Rome-1335 Somerset England + 1259 Gonnora Princess de Crepon c1240 Rome Lazio Italy-1313 Italy = ? children

= Aaron [Harun] John Henry Fitz Roger III c1270 Rome Lazio Italy-1325 London Middlesex Eng + Elizabeth de Holand 1270 Rome-1335 Bodmin Cornwall Eng = 8 children

= John Henry Fitz Roger III 1335 Bryanston Kent-1385 Chewton Somerset + Elizabeth de Furneaux c1345 Stringston Somersetshire England-1386 ? = 1 child

= Sir Knight John Fitz Roger 1385 Ashington Somerset-1441 Bryanston Dorset + Agnes de Mordaunt c1385 Seamer Suffolk England-1441 ? = 2 children

= Sir Knight John FitzRogers 1415-1450 Bryanston Dorsetshire + Anne Audley Baroness Touchette c1420 Echingham Sussex England-1498 London Southwark England = 1 child

= Sir Henry Rogers Esq. c1435 Stourton Dorset England-1506 Bryanstone Dorset England + Ann Avice Stourton c1450 Stourton Wiltshire England-1471 England = 1 child

= Sir Knight Thomas (John) Rogers c1462 Bryanston Dorset England-1483/9 Bradford Wiltshire England + Catherine De Courtenay 1438-1514 Exeter Devon England = 4 children

= Thomas John Rogers c1480 ->1541 Deritend Aston Warwickshire Birmingham England + Margaret Wyatt c1487-1536 Deritend Aston Warwickshire Birmingham England = 6 children

= Rev John Rogers 1507 Deritend Warwickshire Birmingham England-1555 Smithfield + 1537 Adryan -> Adriana Alids van der Weyden Pratt 1511 Antwerp Hertogdom Brabant Heilige Roomse Rijk Belgium-1572 London England⁷ = 17 children

= Thomas Rogers 1540-1595 Henlow Bedfordshire England + Joan Bridget Hurst Rogers Tilley 1563 Henlow England-1621 Plymouth Plymouth County MA USA

= Isabel Jerome Rogers c1600 Great Gidding Huntingdonshire Eng-1672 Salem Essex MA + Abraham Warren 1575 Notting-hamshire Eng-1654 Ipswich MA

= Arthur Thomas Warren 1616 Nottingham Eng-1658 Weymouth MA + Mary Briggs

= Abigail Warren 1640 Weymouth MA-1726 + John Wright III 1631 W Peckham, Kent, England-1714 Woburn MA = 11 children

= John Wright IV 1662 Chelmsford MA-1730 + Mary Stevens = 7 children

= Deacon Henry Wright 1700 Chelmsford MA-1771 Westford MA + Esther Adams 1706 Chelmsford MA-1788 Westford MA = 12 children

= Joseph Piper 1717 Ipswich MA-1802 Acton MA + = Esther Wright 1726 Westford MA-1808 Acton MA = 12 children

= Silas Piper 1767-1838 Acton, Middlesex, MA + Mehitable Barker 1771-1874 = 12 children

= Philip Piper, planter in LA, landlord in OH 1805?-1879 Wilberforce OH⁸ + Nellie Bailey, an enslaved woman in LA possibly from Madagaskar 1814 Baton Rouge LA-1916 Xenia OH = 6 children

= Silas Wright Piper 1849-1912 Wilberforce OH landlord, store owner + Ella S. Bass teacher = 4 sons, 2 daughters

= Daniel Ashby Piper 1881 OH-1966 OR lawyer + 1910 OH +

= 1. Daniel Robert Piper 1911 Wheeling W VA-1984 NYC lawyer + Olive Xavier Smith 1910 Port Antonio JA-1994 Hvannis MA

= Adrian Margaret Smith Piper 1948 NYC- Berlin Germany

= 1. William Ashby Piper 1917 OH-1980 NYC 1.1. +Rose Sams = 3 sons 1.2. +Audrev Gourdine

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= John de Neville 3rd Baron Neville de Raby c1337 Raby Durham-1388 Newcastle Upon Tyne Northumberland +1. Maud de Percy 1335 Warkworth Castle Ainwick Northumberland England = 11 children incl Margaret de Neville c1385-? Raby Staindrop Durham England; +2. Elizabeth Latimer Baroness of Corby = 3 children

= 1. Ralph de Neville 1st Earl of Westmoreland c1364-1425 Raby Castle Durham + 1. Margaret de Stafford Countess of Westmoreland 1364-1396 Durham England = 10 children incl Margaret de Neville Lady Scrope c1396-1463 Raby with Keverstone Staindrop Durham England + Richard le Scrope 3rd Baron Scrope of Bolton; +2. Joan Beaufort c1379 Chateau de Beaufort Meuse-et-Loire France-1440 Howden Yorkshire England = 14 children incl Richard de Neville

= 2. Richard de Neville 5th Earl of Salisbury c1400 Castle Raby Staindrop County Durham-1460 Wakefield Yorkshire + Alice Montague 5th Countess of Salisbury 1406 Salisbury Wiltshire England-c1462 Bisham Berkshire England = 13 children incl Margaret de Neville de Vere c1440 Salisbury Wiltshire England-1506 Hedineham Castle Essex England + John de Vere 13th Earl of Oxford

= Sir John de Neville Earl of Northumberland 1st Marquess of Montagu c14281 Salisbury Wiltshire England-1471 Barnet Hertfordshire England + Lady Isabel Ingoldisthorpe Marchioness of Montague c1435 Borough Green Cambridgeshire England-1476 Bisham Berkshire England (+2. Sir William Norreys of Yattenden) = 7 children incl Margaret de Neville

= Lady Margaret de Neville 1466 Salisbury Wiltshire England-1528 Westhorpe Hall Suffolk England⁵ <1492 +1. Thomas Horne = 1 child; <1492 +2. Sir John Mortimer; 1495 [+]. Robert Downes = 2 children; 1507 +4. Sir Charles Brandon 1st Duke of Suffolk 1484 Bishops Lynn Norfolk England-1545 Guildford Palace Guildford Surrey England; >1508/c1521 +3. Robert Downes (= [+].3.)

+ Robert Downes⁶ c1462 Melton-Parva Norfolk-1524 Suffolk +1. Alice Fremlyngham; 1495 [+].2. and >1508/c1521 +3. Margaret de Neville

= Robert Downes c1505-? Melton Norfolk +1. Dorothy Drury; +2. Joan Alvard

= James Downes c1530-c1559/68 Norfolk + Elizabeth Tillis = 8 children incl Robert, John

= Robert Downes c 1550-1594 Bodney + 1570 Elizabeth Hogan

= John Downs 1580/83 Suffolk-? + 1605 Hadleigh Suffolk Mary Greene

= Sir John Downs 1610-1690 Bury St. Edmunds, St. Mary Suffolk/ Burslem Staffordshire +1. 1631 Elizabeth Frost 1610 Bury St. Edmunds-?

= 1. William Downs 1628 Eng-? + Elizabeth

= William Downs 1651-1717 Newcastle Staffordshire Eng + Ellen = 6 children

= John Downs 1673-1753 New Haven CT +1. Elizabeth; +2. Mary Perry

= John Downs 1704-1799 New Haven CT + 1733 Ann Hine = 4 children

= William Downs c1727-1783 Chesterfield VA +1742 Margaret <1727-?⁸

= John Downs c1745 Berkeley/ Orange Co VA-1805 Ross Co. OH. Fought in Revolutionary War. 1782 issued 100 acres in Virginia Military District of Ross OH + 1768 Catherine ? = 8 children

= William Downes Sr. 1769 Berkeley VA-1837 Ross OH + 1798 Catherine Lowery 1780 VA = ? children

= Margaret [Peggy] Downes c1780 Prince Edward County VA-? + 1803 Prince Edward VA John Hamilton

= Robert Downs c1800 MS-? +?

= Robert Downs LA/Vicksburg MS 1828/1832-1898.⁴ Fought US Civil War Confederate Army 1861-65 res1900 Vicksburg + Elsie Morton 1827 TN-1867 LA

= Rev. Robert Rosamond Downs Esq. minister & lawyer 1855 New Orleans LA/Vicksburg MS-1946 NYC Jamaica Queens + 1883 FL Margaret T. Shavers teacher 1861 FL-1945 Brooklyn NY¹⁰ = 8 children GA



⁵I could find no independent confirmation for the Family Central Network report that Henry VII Tudor fathered Margaret de Neville 1466-1527/33, and descriptions of his marital fidelity count against it. ⁶Spelled "Dons" in the Domesday Book. ⁷Adryan Alids van der Weyden Pratt (1511-1572) had to be the "family namesake" my father invoked to answer my adolescent objections to my "boy's name." I've found no other Adrians in any of my grandparents' genealogies. ⁸Beatrix Downs's proximate forebears on both sides were born in slave-holding states. Before the Civil War, free African Americans were often recorded without racial designation; whereas enslaved persons were not identified by name in the United States Census, were not allowed to marry, and often were not recorded at all. Slave-holding families practiced miscegenation starting in the 1600s. In the early 1800s, approximately 500,000 enslaved persons were forcibly removed from Virginia to the Deep South. Many official vital records and genealogical reports from slave-holding states are correspondingly missing, cryptic, uninformative, unintelligible, illegible, evasive, false or contradictory about basic information. ⁹Predictably, I could find no historical records confirming the birth or birth location of Philip Piper 1805-1879. In Daniel Ashby Piper Family, I situate him according to kinship names, dates and relationship patterns. The archival research provided by the Greene County Ohio 8th Grade Educational Program has been an invaluable resource. ¹⁰Family residence 1910: Bridgeport Ward 1, Belmont OH; 1940: NYC.