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## PROEM.

This line of descent down to and including number 22 is fully substantiated by the Scottish chronicles and histories of the Highland Clans. There are differences in the manuscript genealogies left by the old Sean-a-chaidh, or historians of the Clans which may never be definitely adjusted, but I have used only such statements as I believe can be substantiated by historical data. From number 22 to number 27, I have relied principally upon printed, written, and oral statements of members of the present "Clan MacKinlay" of the United States and Canada, some of whom have spent years ferreting out the Clan genealogy. From number 27 to President McKinley, I am especially indebted to Mr. E. W. Spangler for data from the records of York County, Pennsylvania, and to Judge John S. Goodwin, Historian of the Clan MacKinlay, for later data. Mr. Wm. E. W. MacKinlay, Assistant Historian of the Clan, has lent invaluable aid throughout the whole line.

I would also acknowledge the courtesies extended by the efficient librarians of the Newberry Library and Chicago Public Library.

Few people realize that Chicago is rapidly becoming the recognized library center of this continent. *The New York Outlook* says: "Chicago libraries are greater in extent and endowment than those of any other American city."

This might, by some, be considered an extravagant statement, but it is fully substantiated by the recent report to the Chicago Board of Trade by its secretary, Mr.

George F. Stone, who has spent some time in collecting the statistics. The total number of bound volumes in our public libraries is 706,000, to which may be added 160,000 volumes in our semi-public institutions, making 866,000 bound volumes. These figures do not include the pamphlets, which would swell the number to over 2,000,000 titles, nor the valuable libraries of Evanston, Oak Park and other suburban towns. When it is considered that the growth of these libraries practically dates from the great fire of 1872, it is indeed a phenomenal growth, and with another twenty-five years of like progress Chicago will compete favorably with the libraries of the Old World.

As a genealogy of the entire MacKinlay-McKinley-McGinley family is contemplated, all descendants of the families will confer a favor on their posterity by sending copies of their family records.

Would also like records and addresses of all descendants of the Claypoole, Claypool or Claypole families.

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## SYNOPSIS

of the

**Line of Descent of President McKinley**

from

**MacDuff, Thane of Fife.**



1. DUNCAN MACDUFF, Maormor of Fife, born about A. D. 1000; killed Macbeth Dec. 5, 1056.  
"Lay on Macduff!  
And damn'd be him that first cries 'Hold enough!'"  
—*Shakespeare's Macbeth.*
2. DUFAGAN MACDUFF, styled 2nd Earl of Fife.
3. CONSTANTINE MACDUFF, styled 3rd Earl of Fife, died 1129. Justiciary of Scotland "a discreet and eloquent man."
4. GILLIMICHAEL MACDUFF, 4th Earl of Fife, died 1139.
5. DUNCAN MACDUFF, 5th Earl of Fife, Regent of Scotland, 1153, died 1154.