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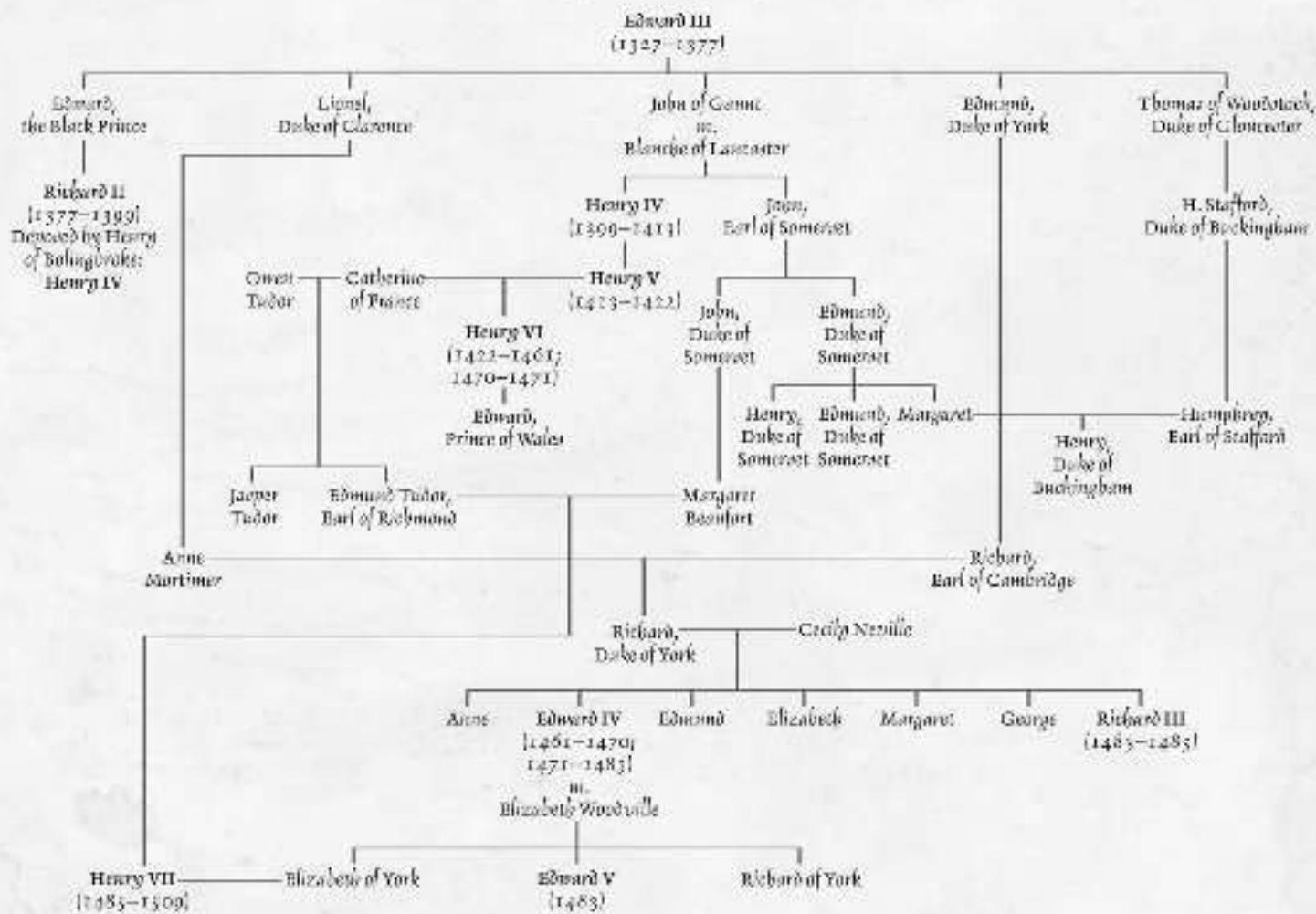
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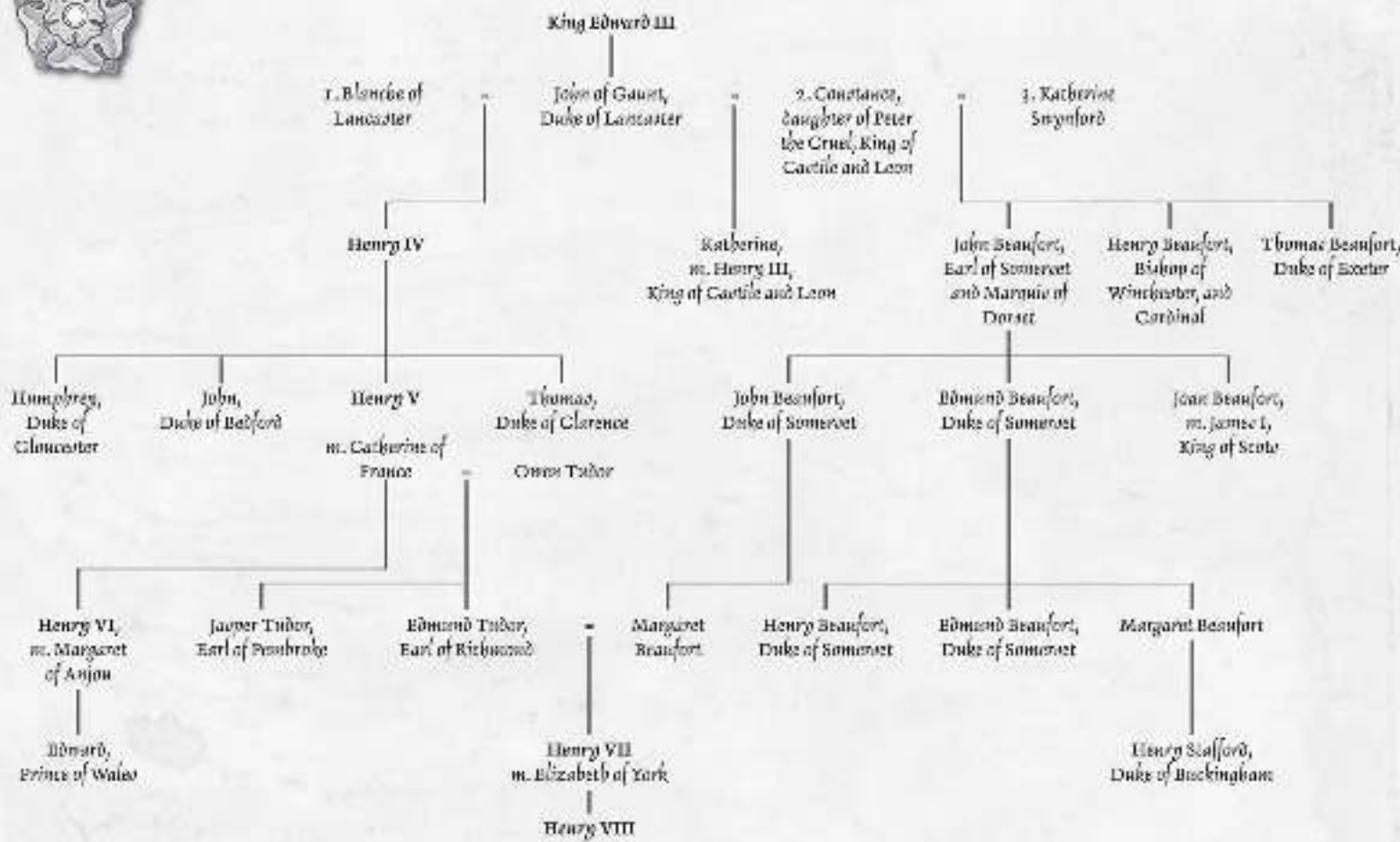
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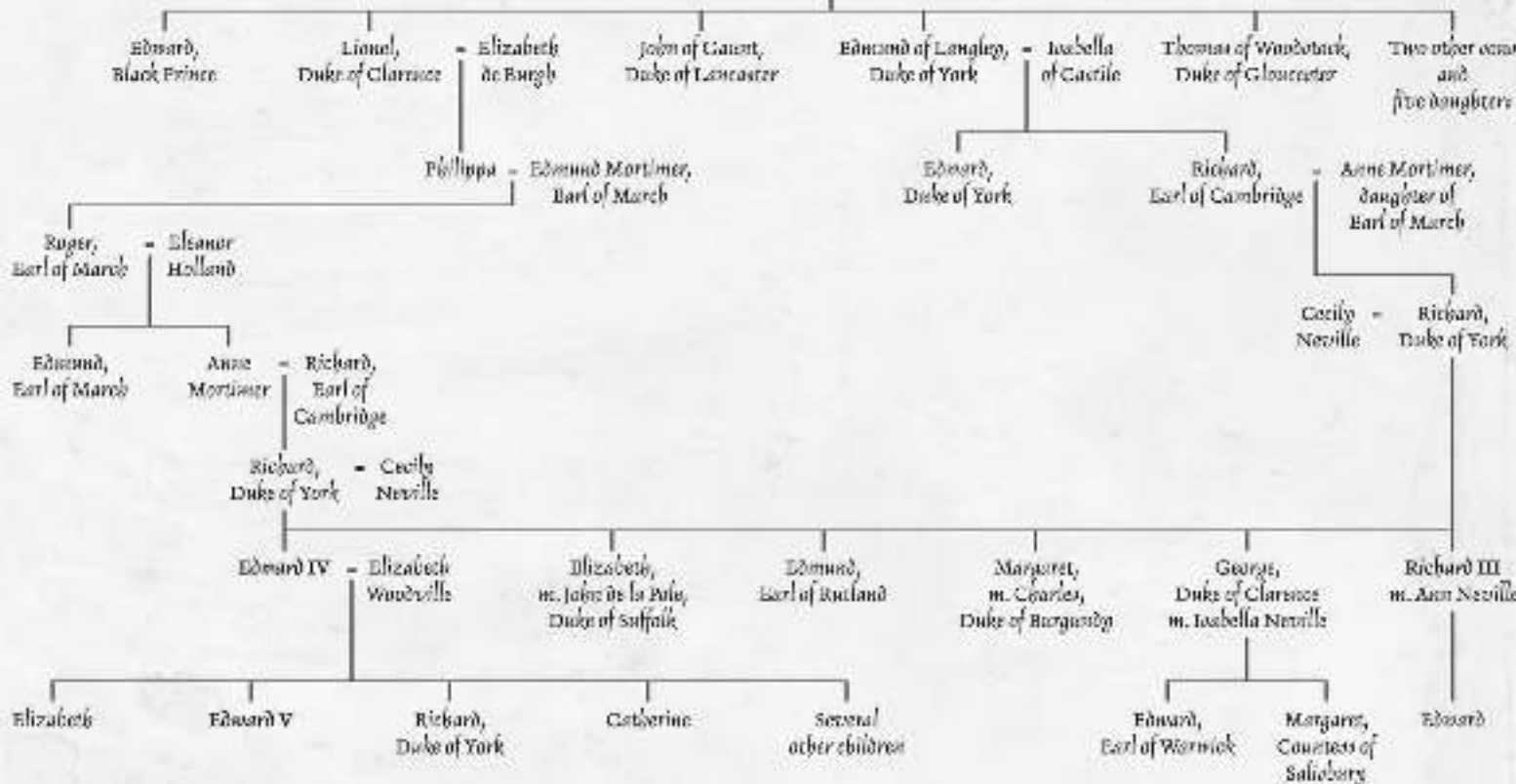
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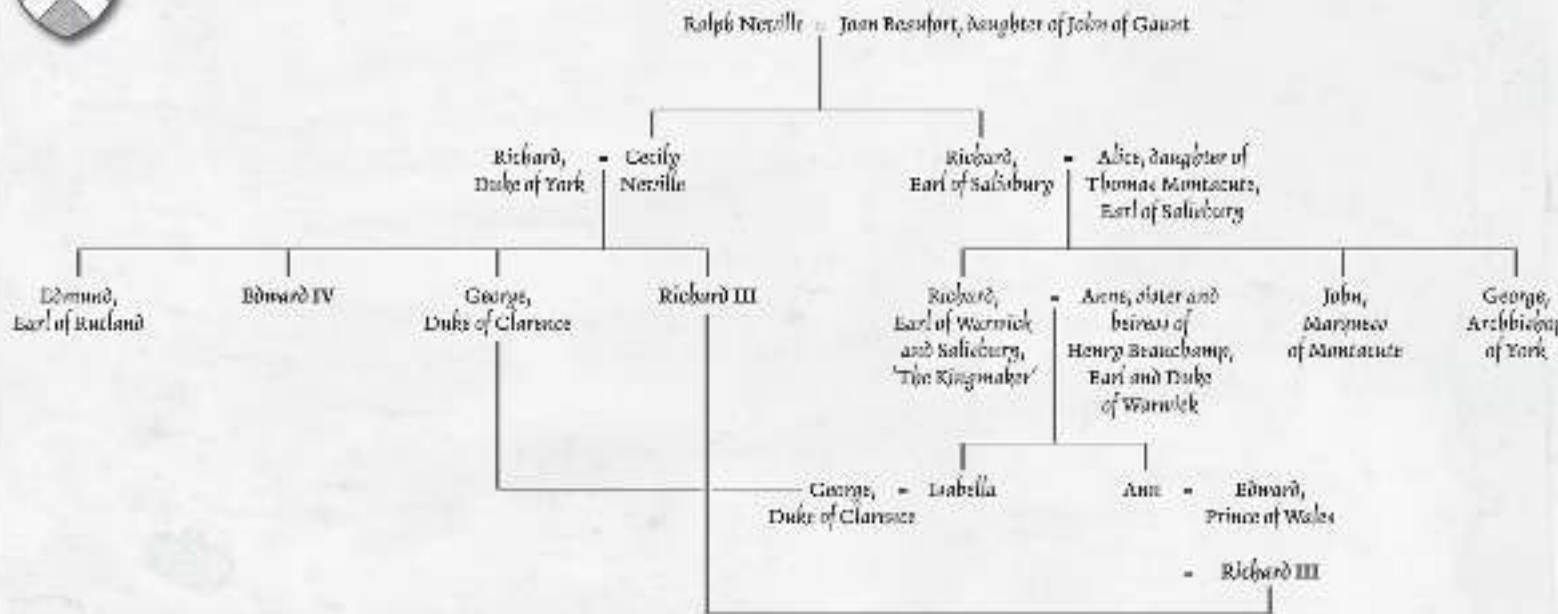
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King Edward III - Philippa





House of Neville



House of Tudor

Owen Tudor - Catherine of Valois,
(1385-1401) (widow of Henry V)

Margaret Beaufort, (descended from John of Gaunt) - Edmund Tudor, Earl of Richmond (1431-56)

Jasper Tudor, Earl of Pembroke

Henry VII - Elizabeth of York
(1485-1509)

James IV of Scotland

1. Margaret Tudor

2. Archibald, 6th Earl of Angus

Henry VIII (1509-47)

Louis XII of France

1. Mary, 'The Tudor Rose'

2. Charles Brandon, Duke of Suffolk

James V of Scotland

Lady Margaret Douglas

- Matthew Stewart, Earl of Lennox

- Catherine of Aragon

- Anne Boleyn

- Jane Seymour

Mary Tudor
b. 1516
(1553-58)

Elizabeth I
b. 1533
(1558-1603)

Edward VI
b. 1537
(1547-53)

Lady Frances Brandon
b. 1559

Henry Grey, Duke of Suffolk

Lady Jane Grey

Mary Queen of Scots
b. 1542 - d. 1587

List of Characters

- *Queen Margaret/Margaret of Anjou*: Wife of Henry VI, daughter of René of Anjou
- *Lady Margaret Beaufort*: Great-granddaughter of John of Gaunt, mother of Henry Tudor
- *Thomas Bouchier*: Archbishop of Canterbury
- *Derry Brewer*: Spymaster of Henry VI and Queen Margaret
- *Henry Stafford, Duke of Buckingham*: Supporter of Richard, Duke of Gloucester
- *Charles le Téméraire (the Bold), Duke of Burgundy*: Enemy of King Louis XI, and backer of Edward IV
- *George, Duke of Clarence*: Brother of Edward IV and Richard, Duke of Gloucester
- *John Courtenay, Earl of Devon*: Supporter of Queen Margaret and the Prince of Wales at battle of Tewkesbury
- *Edward IV*: King of England, son of Richard Plantagenet, Duke of York
- *Edward V*: Elder son of Edward IV, one of the princes in the Tower
- *Henry Holland, Duke of Exeter*: Supporter of Henry VI and Queen Margaret
- *Richard of Gloucester*: Brother of Edward IV and George, Duke of Clarence, later King Richard III
- *Lord Baron William Hastings*: Lord Chamberlain to Edward IV
- *Henry VI*: King of England, son of Henry V
- *Edward of Lancaster*: Son of Henry VI and Queen Margaret, Prince of Wales
- *Louis XI*: King of France, cousin of Queen Margaret
- *Jacquetta of Luxembourg*: Mother of Elizabeth Woodville
- *John Neville, Baron/Marquess Montagu*: Brother of Earl Warwick
- *John Morton*: Bishop of Ely
- *Ann Neville*: Daughter of Earl Warwick, wife of Edward of Lancaster, then of Richard of Gloucester
- *George Neville*: Archbishop of York, brother of Earl Warwick
- *Isabel Neville*: Daughter of Earl Warwick, wife of George, Duke of Clarence
- *John de Mowbray, Duke of Norfolk*: Supporter of Edward IV and Richard III, formerly supporter of Henry VI
- *Henry Percy, Earl of Northumberland*: Head of Percy family, reluctant supporter of Richard III, formerly a supporter of Henry VI
- *John de Vere, Earl of Oxford*: Supporter of Henry VI and Queen Margaret, and later of Henry Tudor
- *William Herbert, Earl of Pembroke*: Guardian of Henry Tudor in Pembroke Castle
- *Anthony Woodville, Earl Rivers*: Brother-in-law to Edward IV
- *Edmund Beaufort, Duke of Somerset*: Supporter of Queen Margaret and Edward of Lancaster
- *Lord Thomas Stanley*: Royal treasurer and stepfather to Henry Tudor
- *Sir William Stanley*: Brother of Lord Stanley and captain to Lord Hastings; fought with Edward IV, and later Henry Tudor
- *Robert Stillington*: Bishop of Bath and Wells
- *Rhys ap Thomas*: Welsh captain, supporter of Henry Tudor at Battle of Bosworth

- *Edmund Tudor*: Husband of Margaret Beaufort and father of Henry Tudor; died of the plague in 1446
- *Jasper Tudor*: Brother of Edmund Tudor, uncle of Henry Tudor

- *Owen Tudor*: Father of Edmund and Jasper Tudor; killed after Battle of Mortimer's Cross
- *Richard Neville, Earl of Warwick*: Head of the Neville family after the death of the Earl of Salisbury, later known as the Kingmaker; formerly supporter of Edward IV, restored Henry VI to the throne
- *Baron Wenlock*: Supporter of Margaret and the Prince of Wales
- *Elizabeth Woodville*: Wife of Edward IV
- *Earl of Worcester*: Supporter of Edward IV and Constable of England
- *Anne, Bridget, Catherine, Cecily, Mary and Elizabeth of York*: Daughters of Edward IV and Elizabeth Woodville
- *Richard of Shrewsbury, Duke of York*: Younger son of Edward IV, one of the princes in the Tower

The Road to This Place

In the fifteenth century, two great houses of England were bound by blood. The older line, Lancaster, held the throne for three generations – until King Henry VI fell ill. The lesser line, York, snatched up the reins then – and war followed.

There could not be two kings. Edward of York joined with Earl Warwick to settle the issue on the battlefield in 1461. The house of Lancaster was defeated. Queen Margaret fled to France with her son leaving her husband, Henry, to be held in the Tower of London.

King Edward IV married Elizabeth Woodville, who turned him against Earl Warwick. After endless provocations, Warwick snapped and captured Edward, holding him prisoner. Warwick also allowed the king's brother, George, Duke of Clarence, to marry his daughter.

Though Warwick freed Edward in the end, their friendship never recovered. Edward acted on accusations of treason against Warwick, sending men to arrest him.

At the end of the events in *Bloodline*, Warwick ran. He left England with his heavily pregnant daughter and his son-in-law, George of Clarence. Denied safe harbour, the child was born and died at sea. Warwick and Clarence were made exiles in France, rejected by friends and family.

The French king, Louis XI, saw a rare chance. He gave Warwick and Clarence an army of mercenaries – and the ships to land them. They returned to the coast of England in September 1470. Leaves of gold and red and white had been swept up in a great gale, so that no one knew how they would land. The season of vengeance had begun.



1470

Trust not him that hath once broken faith.

William Shakespeare, *Henry VI, Part Three*

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