

KINNERSLEY
family.

Hugo de Kynnardsleye or Kynardele, a soldier of the Cross, accompanying Prince Edward to the Holy Land, received the honour of knighthood, upon which occasion he added the Jerusalem crosses to his Arms, tem. Hen III. He was Sheriff [of Herefordshire] in 34 Hen III. ¹

Strong also said that Kynnersley of Kinnersley Castle is an ancient family, supposed to have been seated there before the Conquest. He quotes the original Arms of the family as:

Azure a lion rampant argent

My depiction of these Arms is:



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These were the Arms used by Hugo de Kynnardsleye when he was Sheriff of Herefordshire in 34 HEN III [1249-1250]. It was some twenty years later that the Crusade took place on which he accompanied Prince Edward to the Holy Land. This Prince Edward was the future King Edward I [1272-1307].

After much preparation, the Crusade can be said to have started in 1270 when.....
Edward went to Dover, and probably crossed to France on 20 August....³.....It was not to be until 2 August 1274 that Edward eventually set foot on English soil once more.⁴ By then he had been King of England (Edward I) for nearly 15 months, his father, King Henry III having died on 16th November 1272.⁵ By then Hugo de Kynnardsleye had already been knighted and had added Jerusalem crosses to the Arms I have shown above. With the crosses the Arms became:



¹ Strong G *Herefordshire Heraldry* London. 1848. The year 34 Hen III was 1249-1250.

² This is by no means my best art-work. It will be replaced in due course; as will the other one on this page.

³ Prestwich M. *Edward I* Methuen London Ltd 1988, page 73.

⁴ *Ibid*, page 85.

⁵ *Ibid*, page 82.

