

Lewis Cruger Hasell. (1.)



Arms. - A gold shield, with a blue band, bearing three silver crescents, between three hazel nuts, proper.

Crest. - A silver squirrel feeding on a hazel nut, proper, encircled with hazel branches.

Motto. - "Labor omnia vincit"

Hasell.

These arms and crest were granted to the ancestors of Lewis Cruger Hasell, shortly after the English Herald's College became a corporate body during the reign of Richard III, when armorial bearing became the exclusive right of the baron, and were hereditary. At this time, and since, "every gentleman entitled to bear Coat Armour was noble, whether titled or not. It is only in comparatively recent times that this has been forgotten, and the term nobility exclusively appropriated to the peerage."

An account of this family who first settled in Cambridgeshire, England, and a description of their Coat of Arms, is given by Sir Bernard Burke's Ulster King of Arms in his Genealogical and Heraldic Dictionary, commencing with

(1) John Hasell who was buried in the Bottisham Church in that County in 1572, ^{as} his Widow Agnes Oct. 23rd 1575

(601) Sir Edward Hasell a descendant of the above John Hasell who was knighted by King William III. was the first of this family who settled in Cumberland, Dalemain being purchased by him from the ancient family of DeLaytons in 1665.

(344) The Reverend Thomas Hasell, (3) was the first of the descendants of John Hasell (above) who came to America, settled in South Carolina in 1705. The Arms to which he was entitled, were granted many generations prior to his birth, ^{as} that of the above Sir Edward Hasell, being hereditary were transmitted through successive generations down to the present. He was born in England, graduated at Cambridge, ordained Deacon in 1705, ^{as} Priest in 1709 by Bishop Compton of London, Eng. He was the first Episcopal Minister of the Parish of St. Thomas & St. Dennis, in So. Ca. He died in 1744 leaving by his Wife Elizabeth Ashby, (whom he married Jan. 21st 1714) eight children, among whom, was

(350) Andrew Hasell born March 22nd 1729, married Sarah Higfall, March 28th 1751, ^{as} died Sept. 11th 1763. He had three children, among whom, was

(396) Andrew Hasell, the second of that name, born Oct. 1st 1755, died October 11th 1789, married Oct. 4th 1778, Mary, daughter of Gen. Job Milner, of the British Army, who married Mary, daughter of Jacob Bond, ^{as} his wife, Lusard Maybanks. The eldest son of this second Andrew, who survived to manhood, was (642)

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George Paddon Bond Hasell, M.D., born in South Carolina, October 13th, 1781, graduated at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1804, and while abroad, married Penelope, daughter of Bentley Gordon Bentley of Chipping Norton, Eng. as his wife Penelope Bentley, who was descended from Edward Bentley, Esq., who resided at Little Kingston, Warwickshire, England, previous and subsequent to 1595. Bentley Gordon Bentley was the son of Alexander Gordon, whose name was changed by Act of Parliament to Alexander Gordon Bentley in order that he might inherit a large portion of the Bentley Estates. George Paddon Bond Hasell, who was an eminent Physician, died November 25th 1818, leaving two sons and one daughter, of whom, was

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Bentley Hasell, born on Sullivan's Island, So. Ca. June 18th 1807, graduated at Yale and the Litchfield, Conn. Law School in 1827, married April 22nd 1828, Catherine de Nully, daughter of Nicholas Bruget as his wife Ann Frezant, (4) the widow of Daniel Heyward of South Carolina as the Grand daughter of Nicholas Bruget (the first) (5) the friend of Washington as patron of Alexander Hamilton, as his wife Ann de Nully, whose parents were Bertram Pierre de Nully, (6) and Catharine Heylliger, (6). Bentley Hasell died May 4th 1836, and he and his wife are buried in the family vault of the late William Bard, in St. Mark's Church Yard, New York. He left two sons, Bentley Douglas Hasell, C. E. and Lewis Cruzer Hasell M.D.

(246) Bentley Douglas Hasell (7), Civil Engineer, born in Charleston, S.C. February 27th 1829; Trinity College 1847-48, married Hannah, daughter of Judge Jesse Morgan, July 8th 1852. Head of the house of B. D. Hasell & Co., Railway Commission Merchants, President of the Hasell Perfected Railway Signal Company, Member of the Union Club for seventeen years. Life Member of the New York Genealogical & Biographical Society, Member of the American Society Civil Engineers, & of the Town Town Association (a Social Club). His wife Hannah Morgan died May 1st 1875, leaving out of four children only one son, surviving, namely,

(247) Lewis Cruger Hasell, born August 13th 1858, engaged in the Dry Goods, Cotton Commission business, resides in New York, with a Country Residence at Greenwich on the Sound. Member of the Calumet Club, married April 22nd 1884, Mary Mason Jones, daughter of Mason Renshaw Jones (baptised William Henry Jones) and his first wife Lydia Faight, Grand daughter of Isaac Jones, President of the Chemical Bank of New York, and his wife Mary Mason, who was the daughter of John Mason, founder of the Chemical Bank. Frances H. Jones, sister of Isaac Jones, married John Church Cruger. Lewis Cruger Hasell and his wife Mary Mason Jones, have three children, namely: Mason Cruger, Alice, and Mary Mason Hasell.

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Notes

1. The name "Hasell" is spelled with one s, and two l's, but is pronounced - Hazel.
2. A description of Dalemain in the County of Cumberland, Leath Ward, Parish of Dacre, is given by John Butkelaq, in his work entitled, "A Visitation to the Seats and Arms of the Noblemen and Gentlemen of Great Britain and Ireland".
3. For a description of the life and services of the Rev. Thomas Hasell, and an account of his descendants, reference can be had to Dalcho's History of the Churches in South Carolina, The Annals and Registers of St. Thomas and St. Dennis Parish in South Carolina from 1680 to 1884 by the Rev. J. Clute. Among his descendants was Bishop Gadsden of South Carolina. He died Oct. 9, 1744 full of years and reputation, having been in this Mission 35 years. He was buried at Tompion Hill. A sketch of the Hasell family will also be found in the July 1892 number of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, and also in Vols IX and X of American Ancestry.
4. Ann Frezevant first married Daniel Heyward of South Carolina, by whom she had a daughter, Elizabeth, who married Gen. James Hamilton Governor of South Carolina, and had issue. Ann Frezevant was the Granddaughter of Theodore Frezevant, one of the Forti Huguenot families who fled from France in 1685, and landed on the coast of South Carolina seeking refuge from the persecutions attending the revocation of the Edict of Nantes. He brought with him wealth, settled several plantations and loaned money to his compatriots. He was also chosen by the Huguenot families as a party to correspond with the English authorities as to the rights and privileges which should be accorded them. For further description of the Frezevant family reference is made to Ramsay's History of South Carolina; A Contribution to the History of the Huguenots of South Carolina by Samuel Dubose Esq. Professor Frederick A. Porcher of Charleston S.C. French Protestants who settled on the Santee and the Orange Quarter in South Carolina prepared in 1695 and published by the Knickerbocker Press of New York; also the Annals and Registers of St. Thomas and St. Dennis Parish of South Carolina.

5. Nicholas Cruger (the first of that name) was born in New York, March 15th 1743 & died on his residential plantation in Santa Cruz, where he was buried. He also had a beautiful Country seat which is now in the heart of the City of New York, called Rose Hill. He was the friend of Washington & for whom Washington had his portraits taken in Philadelphia. He was also the patron of Alexander Hamilton, & it was in the Counting house of Nicholas Cruger in Santa Cruz where Hamilton commenced his Mercantile Clerkship. His wealth & influence did much towards the success of the American Revolution. For an account of the Cruger family reference can be had to the following works: Remington's Gazette of 1780. Holt's Journal of 1784. Journal of the Provincial Congress. Records of the New York Chamber of Commerce the New York Historical Society: the New York Genealogical & Biographical Record. the Illustrated American of Jan. 14th 1891; Harper's Magazine for Sept. 1891; & the Magazine of American History.

Nicholas Cruger's Grandfather, John Cruger was the first of the name who came to America prior to 1700. He married Maria, eldest daughter of Henrich Snyler of Albany appointed Mayor of New York in 1739, & remained in Office until his death in 1744. His Son John was also Mayor of New York from 1756 to 1765, inclusive, was first Speaker & President of first Colonial Assembly & also organized & was the first President of the New York Chamber of Commerce. His Nephew Henry, (brother of Nicholas) was a colleague of Edmund Burke, in the British Parliament, and a member of the New York Senate.

6. Bertram Petre de Nully (above) was the son of Bertram de Nully (Count de Nully of de Nully sur mer) & a planter of Martinique. Catharine Keyliger was the daughter of General Tierce Keyliger, who was born in Denmark, was Chamberlain to Christian V., & appointed Governor General of Danish West Indies.

7. In his profession, Bentley Douglas Hasell was engaged on the following Public Works, among others. The New York & Erie Railroad. The United States Dry Dock, at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, The Michigan Southern & Northern Indiana Railroad (now the Lake Shore), Chief Engineer of the Quincy & Toledo Railroad, (now a part of the Wabash System) Chief Engineer & General Manager of the New Orleans, Jackson & Great Northern R.R. (now the Southern Division of the Illinois Central) the same on the Memphis & Ohio R.R. (now a part of the Louisville & Nashville R.R. System), & President of the Charles-

ton Savannah Rail Road. He also organized and was for 14 years the General Agent of the Great Southern Freight & Passenger Line, comprising Steamers running from Boston, New York, and Philadelphia to Baltimore, to Charleston, South Carolina, and thence by Rail to the Mississippi River and the Gulf of Mexico.

Mr. Hasell is now engaged (as above noted) as head of the Railway Commission House of B. D. Hasell & Co., and President of the Hasell Perfected Railway Signal Company, which owns and controls what is said to be the most perfect and complete Automatic Block Signal System in existence.

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That is about all the
news for now. I hope
all is well with you
and your family. We
are still waiting for
you and Bud to come
visit us.

Love,
Suzanne

Dear Jackie,

Aug 9, 1989

Recently, I was going through some papers and came across this very old hand-written document about the Nasell family. You may ~~not~~ already have this, but in the event that you don't, I know you would like this copy. The paper was in terrible condition so this copy was the best I could do.

How is your summer going? We have been coming and going, mostly to the beach every week

end. The sea weed was awful ^{2.}
last month, but now it seems
to be clearing. Now we must
contend with the stifling heat.
This weekend we will be going
to Punaola to visit Laura.

She has two precious little boys,
Grayson, 3; and LaBruce Hinoban,
5 months. Bruce is so thrilled
that they named the last one
after him!!

Did you and Bud go back
to England? August 22nd
Bruce is flying from Atlanta
to Scotland with a group of
men from Notman to play
golf at all the famous golf
courses over there. The same
day, five of the wives, including
me, will fly to London where
we will ~~stay~~ stay for five
days before flying on to
Zurich, Switzerland. There we
will join a tour and stay
until the following Sunday
when we will fly from Zurich
back to Atlanta.