

about 380 and died about 448, The Salic Franke came from Dieburg in Hessen, the name of Salic being derived from the river Saale which flows southwest into the Main River in Franconia about thirty miles east of Dieburg, Clodian's lands were at Tournai and correspond generally with the territory of Hainaut,

2. Merovaeus, son or son-in-law of Clodian, b, ca. 411, d, 458, defeated Atilla with the aid of Aetius, 451, king, 448-458,
- 3, Childeric I, b, ca. 436, d, 481, king of the Salic Franks, 458-481; in. after 463, Basins of Thuringia; his kingdom included Seine, Marne, Meuse, Moselle, Treves, Angers and Orleans; in 1653, his tomb was discovered in Tournai; it contained his seal ring and several gold bees, the imperial emblem of the Merovingian later adopted by Napoleon.
- 4, Clovis the Great, b, 465, d, 11 Nov, 511; m, (2) St. Clothilda, b. 476, d, 3 June 648, dau, of King Chilperic, son of Gundioc, King of Burgundy, 436-473, son of Gundicaire, b, ca, 386, King of Burgundy, slain by the Huns, 436, Clovis, King of the Salic Franks, 481-511, defeated the Roman general Syagrius near Solomon. 486, and the Alemanni 496, Through the influence of Chlotilda, he was baptized as a Christian by St. Remy at Rheims, 26 Dec. 496,
- 6, Clothaire I, b, 499, d, 561; m. Radegonda, a dau, of the king of the Thuringian Franks, He was king of Soissons, 511-661.
6. Chilperic I, b. 539, d. 684, King of Neustria (Soissons), 661-684, in. Fredegonda, b. 543, d, 597,
7. Clothaire II, b. 584, d, 628, King of Soissons, 584-613, sole king of the Franks, 617-628; m, Altrude,
8. Dagobert I, b. 602, d, 638, King of Austrasia, 622-628, sole king of France, 628-638; considered the greatest of the Merovingian kings of France.
9. Seigbert III, King of Austrasia, 630-654. He was banished to an Irish Monastery by Pepin of Landen.
10. Dagobert II, King of Austrasia, 676-680.
11. Adela, dau. of Dagobert II, and mother of Aubri I.
12. Aubri I, Count of Blois,
- 13, Aubri II, Count of Blois.
14. Theidlindis, dau. of Aubri II, m, Count Gainfroi, fl. 795, son of Mainier, Count of Sens, Duke of Austria, 791-796, d, 800, and his wife, a dau. of Duke Haudre.
- 15, Giselbert, Count in the Massgau (the valley of the Meuse river), 839-842; prob. m, a sister of Echard, Count of Hesbaye,
16. Giselbert, Count of Darnau, 846-863; in, Helletrude of Lorraine (also called Ermengarde), dan, of the Emperor Lothair I (53-16).
17. Regnier I (53-17), b, ca. 680, fl, 877-886, d. before 19 Jan. 915/6, Count of Hainaut, lay Abbot of Echternach, 897-915; m. (1) Hersent, dan. of Charles II (68-16).
18. Regnier II, b. ca, 890, c, 932, Count of Hainaut; m. Adelaide, dau. of Richard of Burgundy.
- 18, Giselbert (58-18), son of Regnier I by his second wife, Alberade, d. 2 Oct, 939, Duke of Lorraine, Lay Abbot of Echternach, 915-939; m. 929, Gerberga, d, 5 May 984, dau, of Henry I, the Fowler, King of Germany.

From these two brothers are descended the later kings of England, Scotland, France, Spain. Portugal, many of the German emperors, the Dukes of Brabant, Burgundy, Warwick, Northumberland and Lorraine; the Earls of Chester, Claire, and Pembroke; the Counts of Roucy, Vermandois, Barcelona, Provence, Nevers, Poitou, Burgundy and Savoy; and the families of Cantelou,