

van Leuven

VAN LEUVEN

VAN LEUVEN (Dutch)-one who came from Leuven (lion), the Netherlands.

COAT OF ARMS

LEUVEN (van)-Brabant. (Conf. De nob., 28 Jun 1556. M. et.) Coupe d'arg. Sur gu.; l'arg. Ch. D'un lion naiss. De gu., mouv. Du coupe, tenand entre ses pattes un besant d'or. C.: Le lion iss., entre deus pl. d'aug., d'arg et de gur. (V. Backer van Leuven.)

Coat-or-Arms as given in Reistap's Armorial General.

Per Fesse, Argent and Gules, in upper half of shield a demi lion rampant gules, holding between his paws a Round Ball or.

Explanation: Fesse or Band borne in the center of the shield is the military belt or girdle of honor.

Argent-White or silver, signifies peace and sincerity.

Gules-or Red, denotes military fortitude and magnanimity. It is also the "Martyr's" color.

Shield-is the defense and safeguard of soldiers in war and served to honor them by depicting their armorial bearing in time of peace. It signifies "a defender" when borne of one plain color in a Coat-of-Arms as a special bearing or charge. The Shield is often referred to in the Scriptures.

Lion-has always held a high place in heraldry as the emblem of Deathless Courage. Guillim in speaking of the lion, says, "It is a lively image of a good soldier who must be valliant of courage, strong of body, politic of Council and a foe of Fear." It is the emblem of St. Mark. In Venice it is born with wings.

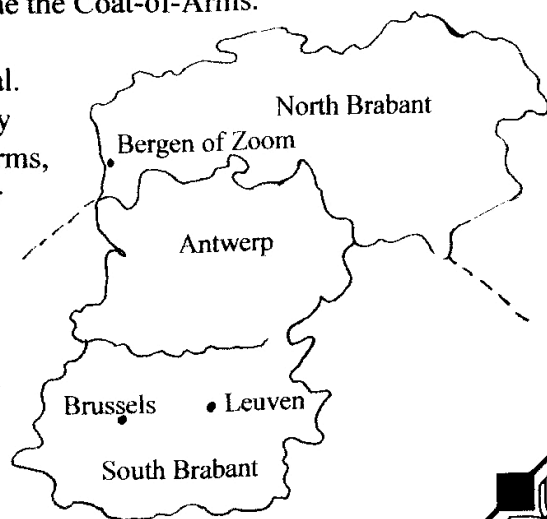
Or-Yellow or gold, denotes generosity and elevation of mind.

Reistap records this Coat-of-Arms for the family name of van Leuven. The family was originally of Brabant. The Coat-of-Arms was granted June 28, 1556.

We find no crest or motto belonging the the Coat-of-Arms.

The shield in our picture is an enlargement from Reistap's Armorial General. The crest is another matter—when, in my early research, I sent to Fogarty for our Coat-of-Arms, they had added this crest, I copied it onto our shield to make a pretty picture. —AVL

The map shows the original Duchy of Brabant. When Belgium was formed in 1830, North Brabant went to the Netherlands; the remainder, being divided into two provinces, Antwerp and South Brabant, went to Belgium.



Included on the list was Ransom Van Leuven. The next day 8 March 1835 during the session of the day was Ransom Van Leuven he was again blessed for his work on the Kirtland Temple.

4 September 1836 Seth 3rd child and 1st son, was born at Kirtland, Ohio
Ransom later moved to Morgan Co. Illinois, where Leveret was born.

1840 census, Morgan Co. Illinois

Ransom Van Leuven....age between 30/40 he was 30

2 males under/5 Seth 4, Levert 2

Females....age 20/30 Lucinda was 27

Females....2 between 5/10 Matilda 8, Mary Lois 6.

Ransom next moved his family from Morgan Co. Illinois to Iowa.
Next we find Ransom in Atchison Co. Missouri, he must have stated there until his journey west.

1850 census, Polk Township Atchison Co. Missouri

Ransom Van Leuven.....age 39...farmer born Canada.

Lucinda.....age 35...Blind born New York

Mathilda.....age 18...Born Canada

Mary.....age 16...Born Canada

Seth.....age 13...Born Ohio

Leveret.....age 11...Born Illinois

Eliza.....age 5...Born Illinois

Sarah E.....age 1...Born Iowa

1852 Ransom joined with his brother's Frederick & Cornelius &

families for the trek west, leaving in June with the Robert Wimmer Company, arriving at Salt Lake Valley in October just in time for Conference.

Ransom settled at North Ogden about 84 miles north of where Benjamin and Cornelius lived in Springville, Utah

Two more children, Harriet Lucinda and Ransom Carlos, were born at North Ogden. We wonder how Lucinda being blind and still having children coped with being blind, how did she do it? Her children must have been good help to her. She had 3 babies after she became blind --one of them being born in a covered wagon. *William Elliot ...*

1 November 1862 Ransom and Lucinda were endowed in the Endowment House.

1860 Census Utah Co. Utah P.O. Springville 4 September 1860

Ransom Van Leuvanage 50 Occupation ...Farmer \$600. \$210
Born Canada.

Lucinda.....age 47....Born New York

Levert.....age 21...Born Illinois

Eliza.....age 15...Born Iowa

Sarah.....age 12..Born Iowa

William E.....age 8....Born Utah

Harriet L.....age 5...Born Utah

Ransom.....age 2..Born Utah

Sometime after 1870 Ransom moved to Clifton, Idaho, which is about

1880 Census, Franklin County, Idaho

Ransom Van Leuven.....age 70 occupation Carpenter

Born Canada, Father born New York Mother born New York

Lucinda.....age 67 wife occupation Keeping house

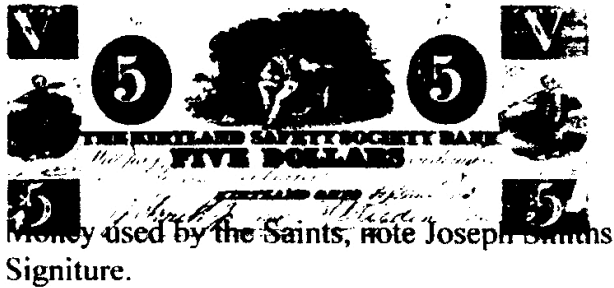
Born New York Father born Connecticut Mother born New Hampshire.

1880 Lucinda died 8th October, at Clifton, age 67 years old.

1899 Ransom died 18th February at Lewiston, Utah

Both were buried at Clifton, Idaho.

☛ In Ransom's History it states that he was given a blessing in the Nauvoo Temple.



Nauvoo Temple



Interior of the Kirtland Temple in Ohio.