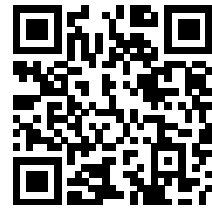


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FitzGerald Dynasty and the Tudor Conquests



The FitzGerald dynasty, one of the most powerful _____ in Ireland, played a significant role during the Tudor conquests. Originating from the _____ invaders, they became integrated into Irish nobility through strategic marriages and alliances. This family held the title of the _____ of Kildare, and their influence extended across much of Ireland.

During the reign of Henry VII, the FitzGeralds were initially loyal to the _____ monarchy. They helped to stabilize English control in Ireland, which was crucial for the English crown. Gerald _____, the 8th Earl, was particularly notable for his efforts to maintain peace and support English _____ in Ireland.

However, relations between the FitzGeralds and the Tudors began to strain under _____ VIII. The ambitious and independent actions of the 9th Earl, Thomas FitzGerald, sparked the _____ Thomas Rebellion in 1534. This rebellion was a direct challenge to Tudor authority and marked a significant turning _____.

Thomas declared himself no longer loyal to King Henry VIII and rallied many Irish lords to his cause. The rebellion lasted for almost _____ years but ultimately failed. The failure led to the execution of Thomas and several members of his family, marking a tragic end for the FitzGerald _____.

The aftermath of the rebellion saw increased efforts by the English crown to implement the policy of _____ and Regrant. This policy aimed to integrate Irish lords into the English system of governance more firmly. Many Irish _____, including remaining members of the FitzGerald family, were forced to surrender their traditional titles and accept new ones under English _____.

Despite these challenges, the FitzGerald dynasty survived and continued to be involved in Irish _____. They adapted to the new political landscape, even regaining some of their former power and influence. Their _____ illustrates the complex and often tumultuous relationship between the Irish aristocracy and the English _____ during the Tudor conquests.

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