



The parentage of
Maud de St Valery

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Back in August Tim Powys-Lybbe asked:

[I can't find any reference to connect Maud to No 46.\(Bernard de St. Valery.\)](#)
[Can you assist?](#)

To which John Ravilious replied:

[Concerning the identification of Maud de St. Valery as daughter of Bernard, this is based somewhat on onomastic evidence \(cf. St. Valery names - Reginald, Maud, Laretta/Loretta introduced into de Braose line with Maud's children\) and largely on the identification of Tetbury, co. Gloucs. - a holding of Bernard de St. Valery - as the maritagium of Maud.](#)

And some sources give Reginald de St Valery as Maud's father.

However I recently came across a "new" piece of evidence. (About 750 years old actually!)

In the 13th century *Histoire des Duucs de Normandie et des Rois d'Angleterre*, there is a piece about Maud de St Valery. It is translated on Dr Helen Nicholson's website - see her site

In this extract the author clearly states "she was daughter of Bernard de St-Valéry".

The Histoire is thought to have been written in the mid 13th century and appears to be by someone who was familiar with the people he wrote about.

I believe this removes any further doubt about the father of Maud.

I welcome any comments.

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