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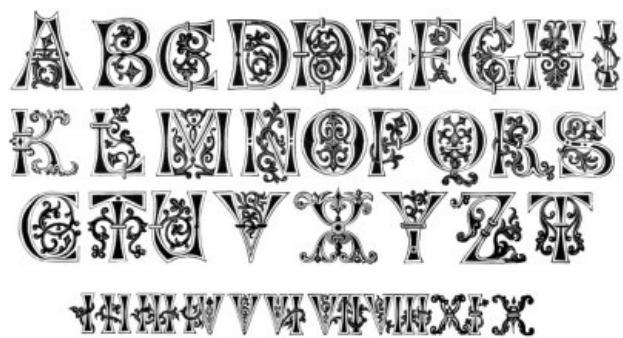
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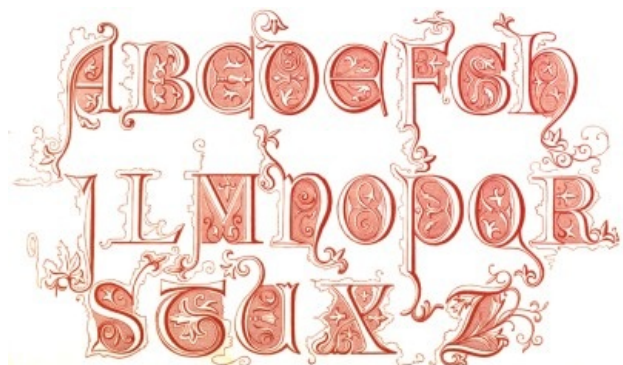
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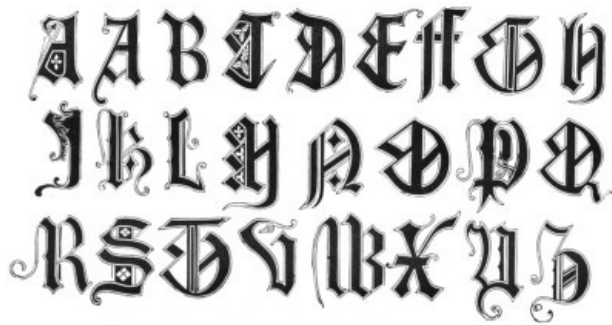
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14th Century. Richard the Second. 1400. Westminster Abbey.



14th Century. Richard the Second. 1400. Small. Westminster Abbey.



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Henry the Seventh. Westminster Abbey.

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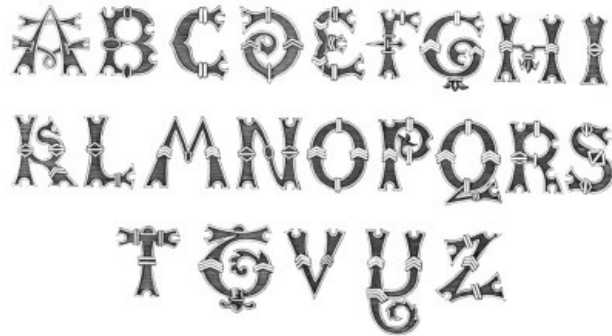
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16th Century. Gothic. MS.

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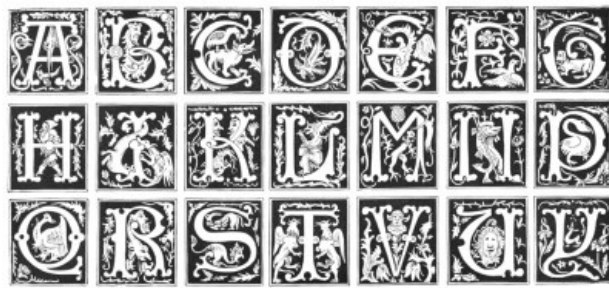
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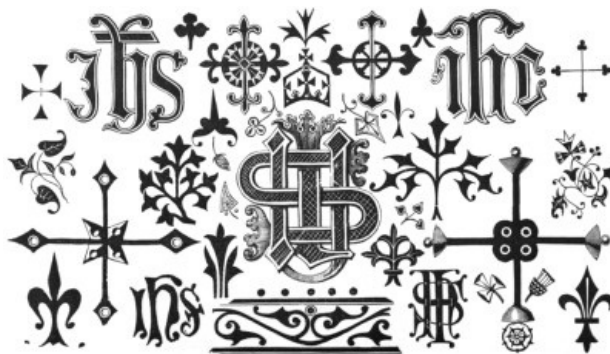
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