



Return of Owners of Land Extract 1873



Malmesbury

In September 1872 the Local Government Board (*created by an Act of 1871, replacing the Poor Law Board*), a supervisory body overseeing local administration in England and Wales were ordered by Act of Parliament to compile a list of owners of land from ratings records held by nearly 15,000 parishes.

One Return was prepared for England and Wales with separate ones undertaken for Scotland in 1874 and Ireland in 1876. **'The Return of Owners of Land 1873'** was published for England and Wales in 1875. It excluded the Metropolis.

All statements contained in the 'Return, with exception to the addresses of the owners, were derived from the rating valuation lists which were used for making assessments under the Poor Law; making wealthy landowners liable to pay tax toward the upkeep of the poor.

The 'Return' records the holdings, in acres, roods and poles (*see note below*), and the estimated yearly rental of all holdings over 1 acre. It is listed by county and landowner together with the principle residence of each owner. The location of the land owned is not given.

Name of Owner			Address of Owner	Extent of Land			Yearly Gross Estimated Rental	
Surname	Given Name	Other		Acres	Roods	Poles	Pounds	Shillings
		Board of Guardians	Malmesbury Union	2	3	20	100	0
		Corporation of	Malmesbury	650	1	31	1652	7
		Trustees of Charity	Malmesbury	8	2	10	21	0
		Trustees of National School	Malmesbury	1	0	0	12	0
		Trustees of Week's Charity	Malmesbury	31	3	28	75	0
Amos	Thomas		Malmesbury	80	3	3	214	6
Angell	Joseph		Malmesbury	1	2	0	4	0
Badminton	Nathan		Malmesbury	1	0	0	4	0
Brown	William		Malmesbury	4	3	25	74	0
Campbell	John	Rev.	Malmesbury	20	0	8	69	0
Chubb	Thomas H.		Malmesbury	4	1	6	77	2
Clark	William		Malmesbury	27	1	2	167	10
Clifford		Dr.	Malmesbury	7	2	0	76	1
Cresswell	William Henry		Malmesbury	1,210	2	3	1,785	2
Edwards	Mary Ann		Malmesbury	10	2	7	30	0
Garlick	Henry		Malmesbury	7	0	3	20	5
Garlick	James		Malmesbury	7	0	32	20	5
Grant	James		Malmesbury	1	0	0	4	0
Grant	Mary	Executor of	Malmesbury	1	1	15	33	10
Handy	John A.		Malmesbury	4	0	25	18	0
Hanks	Henry		Malmesbury	79	1	8	193	5

	Garlick							
Higgs	William		Malmesbury, Corston	1	0	34	7	15
Hill	Sarah B.		Malmesbury	13	0	24	40	0
Hill	Thomas Daniel		Malmesbury	97	2	5	323	16
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Hulbert	Michael		Malmesbury	126	3	13	147	10
Iddols	John		Malmesbury	6	1	1	30	18
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Jennings	Josh. C. S.		Malmesbury	53	3	17	123	12
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Johnson	William		Malmesbury	1	1	20	6	10
Johnson	William		Malmesbury	1	1	20	6	10
Lea	Richard		Malmesbury	6	2	26	17	0
Lockestone	Edward S.		Malmesbury	11	0	33	57	0
Lockstone	W. H.		Malmesbury	13	0	23	71	5
Lovell	P. A	Trustees of	Malmesbury	649	0	27	1,463	3
Luce	Thomas		Malmesbury	1	0	12	58	10
Luce	William		Malmesbury	3	3	14	81	0
Matthews	Stephen		Malmesbury	11	1	22	23	0
Miles	Charles William		Malmesbury	1,631	2	19	3,563	16
Moore	Mary	Mrs.	Malmesbury	58	0	22	107	0
Neate		Mrs.	Malmesbury	49	0	35	113	0
Neate	John	Trustees of	Malmesbury	12	3	21	37	10
Panting	William		Malmesbury	9	1	20	294	4
Perry-Keene	William K.		Malmesbury	22	3	8	25	0
Pitt	Charles	Rev.	Malmesbury	7	2	21	57	15
Player	John	Trustees of	Malmesbury	4	0	5	11	14
Ponting	William		Malmesbury	4	1	29	132	0
Randall	Samuel		Malmesbury	1	0	8	6	0
Ratcliff	Thomas		Malmesbury	104	1	2	79	0
Reames	John		Malmesbury	1	0	0	4	0
Rich	William	Trustees of	Malmesbury	42	1	3	95	0
Riddick	Josh.		Malmesbury	1	0	4	15	0
Robins	John		Malmesbury	16	0	28	92	5
Scott	William		Malmesbury	2	3	15	52	0
Stoneham	Thomas		Malmesbury	1	2	15	4	0
Telling	David		Malmesbury	1	3	23	5	0
Thompson	Robert		Malmesbury	6	1	8	54	18
Thompson	William Chapple		Malmesbury	1	0	19	58	0
Vizard	Jacob	& Another	Malmesbury	1	0	22	16	0
Walker	William	Trustees of	Malmesbury	106	3	22	312	13
Wall	John		Malmesbury	2	0	5	14	0
Wells	William G.		Malmesbury	557	1	32	1,659	12
Wilkins	Robert		Malmesbury	16	1	2	30	0

Notes

Definition of extent of land;

640 Acres = 1 square mile.

1 Rood (a ploughing strip) = 220 yards long (1 furlong) x 5.5 yards wide (1 rod, pole or perch).

4 Roods = 1 Acre.

1 Pole = 30¼ square yards.

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40 square poles = 1 rood.

The County of Wiltshire;

At the time the return was made in 1873 the county of Wiltshire comprised of a population of 257,177 with 54,874 inhabited houses, contained within 343 parishes (*information as published in the return*).