



North Tidworth

Tithe Apportionments

The Tithe Commutation Act, 1836

The Tithe Commutation Act, 1836 in no way interfered with the rights of tithe-owners to receive and the obligations of landowners to pay tithes, nor with the differing burdens of tithes with which lands might be encumbered, but, by abolishing nearly all payment in kind and providing for an approved valuation of the tithes arising from all lands, annually and officially adjusted, was intended to put an end to the confusion and dissension attending the payment and receipt of the tithes. Under the Act a rent-charge in place of tithes was assessed for every parish in which tithes had not already been statutorily extinguished or commuted to a corn-rent. The respective numbers of bushels of wheat, barley, and oats which each third of that sum could have bought immediately after the Act was passed were calculated. Thereafter rent-charges equal to the value of those numbers of bushels, at the prices officially announced every January based on the average prices in the seven preceding years, were to be paid annually in place of tithes. The initial rent-charge for each parish was to be agreed between the owners of at least two-thirds by value of the land and of the great and small tithes at meetings which could be called by the owners of a quarter by value of the tithes or of the land subject to tithes.

NORTH TIDWORTH (3,055 acres)

Agreement 23 February 1839, confirmed 24 June 1844.

Tithe rent-charge £327 to the rector (Francis Dyson), including £3 for tithes on glebe; on 595 acres. £80 to the dean and chapter of Winchester.

Arable 1,979 acres Pasture 96 acres. Wood 35 acres. Down 945 acres.

Owners 2. Thomas Assheton Smith 3,052 acres. Glebe 15 acres.

Occupiers William Dowling 658 acres.; Simon Tayler 813 acres.; Thomas Northeast 709 acres.; Henry Sweetapple 660 acres.; Thomas Smith 212 acres.