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12	Aconbury	189	61	52	11	52	6	(31)	2	
3	Almeley	417	125	114	25	138	. •	(40)	1	
· <b>6</b>	Aston	37	10	30	5	10	2	(4)		
9	Aston Ingham	307	1231	321	16	361	14	(5)		
13	Avenbury	357	25	122	32	314	344	(29)	11	
14	Aymestrey	347	215	190	62	179	2	120		
16	Ballingham	179	104		2	<b>.42</b>	er.	38		
18	Barton	104	101	38	21	25		(21)		
21	Birley	100	20	25	3	20		(35)	6	
91	Bishop's Frome	563	30	56	12	285	267	(12)		
23	Bishopstone	129	66	5	2	50	2	36		Vetches 3
25	Bodenham	525	27	157	81	268	36	(361)	- 2	
30	Bosbury	5 <b>08</b>	31	84	10	112	104	72	12	
33	Brampton Abbotts	191	242	, i	41	45	,	(491)	2	
34	Brampton Bryan	230	198	162	14	83		(63)	: 1	
36	Bredenbury	60	•	15	2.1	16	3}	(4)	2	
45	Bredwardine	190	103	31	8	61		(15{)	.7	
39	Bridge Sollers	89	42	4	1	31		(10)		
40	Bridstow	308	345	4	6	47	1	(23)		
41	Brilley	276	179	170	13	63		(341)	,	
42	Brinfield	174	27	60	74	431	12	(7)	•	

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	43	Brinsop	128	63	2	2	63		(12)	5		
	44	Brobury	62	301	13	41	40	•	(13)	1		
	49	Burghill	463	163	38	51	243	71	(53)	81		
	50	Burrington	100	15	66	10	45	3	(9)			
	54	Callow	901	17	12	4	26	91	<b>(1)</b>			
	55	Canon Pyon	3841	52	45}	į	132		(29)	12		
	86	Castle Frome	160	9	38	5	57	36	(9)		·· .	
	66	Collington	70	6	37	5	28	10	(6)	4		
	68	Cradley	8111	671	196	26	85 }	124	(56})	13		
	69	Croft	491	27	38	4	18		15			
	150	Cusop	117	631	69	15	44		19			
	71	Dewsall	83	33	16	1	33	9	(7)			
	75	Docklow	213	241	117	12	581	3	22	1		
	74	Donnington	109	15	3		19	40	(5)			
	76	Downton	83	90	47	2	50	1	(45)			
	79	Eastnor	252	33	74	6	34	41	23	3		
	81	Eaton Bishop	381 }	147	44	181	971		59	8		
	83	Elton	80	<b>3</b> 0	40	10	40	7	(20)			
	82	Evesbatch	94	11	27	11	22	10	(5)	4		
	84	Eyton	60	4	22	12	10		(16)			
	85	Farlow	72	1	24	1?	16				Vetches	6
	88	Ford	104	122	30	20	30		(50)			
	90	Poy	545	468		11	91		(142)			
	92	Ganarev	62	511	7	5	22		(14)			

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93	Garway	190	106	71	9	31			····(9)	•	
95	Goodrich	256	301	15	13	53			(45)		
96	Grendon Bishop	153	17	117	. 81	. 42	7		(16)		
99	Hampton Bishop	281	89	. 9	: 14	103	40	22		5	
103	Harewood	34	42	3	14	13	3		(38)		
104	Hatfield	120	10	122	6	30	2	* :	(10)		
4	Hereford All Saints	16	<b>4</b>	:		· . 9	2				
200	Hereford St Martin	367	:183	10	9	114}	64	34}		4	,
108	Holmer	284	95	20	· . 9	111	51		(14)	7	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
112	Hope Mansell	100	120		6	15			(12)		
114	Hope under Dinmore	240	26	120	· 40	80	20	20		10	
118	How Caple	151	134	2 1	36	* ·			(371)		
120	Huntington (township)	70	, <b>40</b>	•	•	40			(18)	6	
121	Huntington (parish)	136	117}	136	14}	30}			(27)	¥ .	
129	Kenchester	104	37	. •	21	37		į.	(21)	6	
130	Kentchurch	400	54 }	131	4	701	11		(15)		
124	Kilpeck	152	35	91	1	<b>60</b>	1		(24)	•	
125	Kimbolton	469	66	209		143	9	27	·		
126	Kings Caple	265	282	7	12	48	1	84			
127	King's Pyon	350	80	50	15	121	8		(59)	20	
131	Knill	34	26	1	41	35			*		

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137	Laysters	276	14	16 <b>1</b>	13	73	6	(23)		
11/127	Lea	98	106	21	9	181	21	(21)		
138	Leinthall Starkes	160	80	70	15	75	20	(20)		
139	Leintwerdine	596	415	220	371	224	142	(2771)		
145	Lingen	106	71	88	16	<b>31</b> .		(15)	6	
147	Linton	370	352	20	40	80	41	(30)	6	
140	Little Birch	154}	187	42	17	68		(20])	Ç	
141	Little Coverne	73	4	25	4	37	5	(6)		
142	Little Dewchurch	271	205	57	12}	93 <u>1</u>	2	(30{)		
133	Llandinabo	45	52	8	2 *	10		(28)		
134	Llangarron	787	694	37	12	170		(134)		
135	Llanrothal	185	98	34	31	47	14	(16)		Vetches 7
205	Llanwarna	271	256	19	71	38	5	(73)		
149	Lugwardine	197	40	4	5	60	70	(20)	6	Vetches 20
153	Lyonshall	511	226	100	20	80		(12)		
154	Madley	776	322	40	26	26 <b>5</b>		(137)	40	
157	Mansell Gamage	102	40	23	2	49		(13)	4	
158	Mansell Lacy	172}	521	48	51	981	7	(21)	5	
159	Marstow	162	140		30	70		(80)		
161	Michaelchurch	88	61	98	8	12		(10)		
166	Moreton Jeffries	150	20	25	10	30	5	(14)	3	
168	Moreton on Lugg	117	35	7	. 1	65	7	(20)	3	
170	Much Birch	175	159	23	10	32		(36)		
171	Much Cowarne	700	150	100	100	200	60	(100)	2	

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	Expressed in acres											
172	Much Dewchurch	420	130	107	20	110	2	(72)	15			
182	Ocle Pychard	209	25	24	2	120	22	(20)	1			
183	Orcop	191	37	9 <b>7</b>	10	35	•	6	5			
181	Orleton	179	29	40	6	50	27	(30)	•			
185	Pembridge	825	360}	178	631	274		134				
184	Pencombe	320	20	160	20	180	30	(50)	10			
188	Pencoyd	120	31	44 }	13	25	10	(111)				
186	Peterchurch	464	187	121	19}	159	1	561	18}			
193	Peterstow	198	227		6	40	1	52				
187	Pixley	694	1	9	1	27 1	16	(6})				
196	Putley	90	20	2	1	14	27	(5)				
199	St Devereux	74	12	38	26			7				
201	St Weonards	497	471	76	13	94		(69)				
204	Sarnesfield	109	44	33	7	45		(39)				
206	Sellack	244	272	15	10	53		66				
215	Sollers Hope	150	51	29	31	21	10	(91)				
217	Stanford Bishop	96	8	20	4	27	38	15				
221	Staunton on Wye	295	108	26	13	126		(13)	14			
222	Stoke Bliss	208	33	70	41	64	16	(16)	4			
225	Sutton St Michael	98	16	7	į	15	14	3	3			
226	Sutton St Nicholas	151	5	3	1	134	30	(1)	2			
228	Terrington	175	28	12	16	50	105	• -	_			
122	Tedetone Delamere	151 <u>i</u>	15	664	4	31	15	(19)				
123	Tedstone Wafer	48	1	24		24	1					

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229	Thornbury	187 <sup>:</sup>	21	92	9	47	17	(14)		Vetches 7
230	Tiberton	196	180		6	60		(50)		
231	Tretire	189	207	3	2	19		104		
233	Ullingswick	166	•	89	2	85	3	(8)	4	
202	Upper Sapey	200	30	102	16	65	13	(15)	8	
234	Upton Bishop	<b>50</b> 0	500	23	9	112	35	(68)		
237	Wacton	104	6	31	16	26	11	7		
236	Walford	330	280	9	14	90	1	(20)		
249	Wellington	<b>40</b> 0	80	10	15	150	10	(50)	10	
239	Welsh Newton	160	161	40	8	54		(8)		
240	Weobley	345 [	118}	56	16	125	1	241	24	
241	Weston under Penyard	303	305	13	27	64	5	(81)		
242	Whitbourne	311	<b>3</b> 9	34	<b>26</b>	69	77	(37)	4	
244	Whitchurch	163	182	1	16	2	17			
243	Whitney	99	29	30	. 6	231	j	7	1	
235	Wigmore	140	80	70	15	60	10	(20)		
247	Withington	23 <u>i</u>	15]	6		8	8	10	21	
248	Wolferlow	128	19	60	71	40	12	(12)	1	
252	Wormbridge	49	20	24		20		(4)		
254	Yarkhill	297	21	8	12	101	151	(22)		
94	Tarpole	204	25	74	28	42		(10)		

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#### 6 Aston

A very small parish.

## 9 Aston Ingham

The surface very irregular as above soil various. About onesixth meadow and pasture, another sixth woodland the remainder arable. Of the arable one-third is a light red loam provincially called ryeland, a third a red loam more approaching to a clay, the rest a stiff yellowish clay partly on a limestone with a small admixture of light brashy land on the sides of some of the hills. The hills abound with springs and without under draining little can be obtained from the stiffer soils. Produce so various as to make it difficult to give an average, perhaps from 10 to 20 bushels of 10 gallons per acre. The lighter lands most productive unless in particularly favourable seasons, such as those of last year. Farms small and many cottages with from 2-4 acres of land encroachments from commons. The return herein made from 41 persons the highest return of wheat 51 acres. All the returns are, I suspect lower than they ought to be, but not in any great degree. There was certainly more land sown with wheat last year than is usually.

#### 13 Avenbury

N.B. Statute acres.

#### 18 Barton

William Powell refused to make any return of his number of acres of grain and I believe all incorrect.

#### 21 Birley

The tillage principally converted into hop gardens and the produce of grain scarcely sufficient for home consumption.

## 30 Bosbury

The average produce of wheat per acre in the parish of Bosbury, is not much more than 12 bushels. This is partly owing to the great number of apple and pear trees which shade and injure the crops, and partly to the hop grounds which deprive the arable of its due proportion of manure. Other crops are proportionately deficient, but last year they were rather better than usual. About one-half of the arable land in the parish of Bosbury is in common fields. These common fields are highly injurious to agriculture, as they invariably lie fallow every third year. An act of Parliament to inclose such common fields, and to facilitate exchanges, where lands be scattered, appears to be very much

wanted. "A plan to prevent a scarcity for the future." Let an act of Parliament be passed, empowering the magistrates of each hundred at their petty sessions, at, or about Easter, every year to compel the overseers of each parish within their several districts to set and cultivate a certain quantity of land with potatoes according to the size of the parish, the number of its poor, and the price of wheat; which potatoes are to be retailed all at prime cost to the poor. The following method of carrying this into execution would be a good one. Let every substantial farmer in each parish, for a certain rent per acre, be obliged in his turn to find a sufficient quantity of land for the cultivation of such potatoes, and let every farmer in such parish be obliged every year to supply such land with a load of dung to manure it. By this means none of the farmers would be deprived of more manure than he could spare, and each of them, when it should come to be his turn, to find such land, would be recompensed for the manure he had formerly contributed, by having as much brought back to his own estate, as he had before taken to his neighbours.

## 34 Brampton Bryan

Such is the account obtained from the farmers but one-third or perhaps more may be added to the whole. The crops very abundant and well harvested.

#### 36 Bredenbury

N.B. these are all statute acres as nearly as can be ascertained.

### 39 Bridge Sollers

Three farms only within this parish; a great part of the land meadow and pasture. A considerable part of each farm also planted with hops; which, (as in almost every other plantation) were this year abundant in their produce.

### 40 Bridstow

The farmers in this neighbourhood inform me that wheat in general in this parish yields from 12 to 15 bushels of 10 gallons per acre and barley from 15 to 18. I have been curate of this parish nearly 12 years, double duty every Sunday and a good deal of occasional duty. My vicar lives at a distance. He is a pluralist and has not served this church once in my time. The living is worth nearly £200 per annum. My salary is £30, and neither Bishop nor rector will increase my stipend. I trust the next session of Parliament will make some alteration in this business.

#### 68 Cradley

This parish contains 390 acres of hop ground and about 600 acres of coppice. The land does not produce upon an average more than 14 bushels of wheat per acre.

## 69 Croft

Crops of all kinds good.

### 75 Docklow

Crops exceedingly abundant. In short the most productive year in the memory of the oldest man. The wheat of an average calculation, produces 18 bushels of 10 gallons per bushel customary measure in this county per acre. There is an evident combination amongst the opulent farmers for keeping up every necessary article of life to its former exorbitant rate.

## 74 Donnington

Soil mostly clay.

### 81 Eaton Bishop

Very abundant crops and well housed or stacked. The tillage of wheat much above an average quantity.

# 84 Eyton

It is a general received opinion here, that the ordinary production of grain in this Kingdom is not adequate to the demands for consumption, and that the addition made to arable lands by partial inclosures is more than balanced by the diminution occasioned by laying them down into grass. Whatever degree of truth this observation may merit, it is a certain fact, that in this parish, and many adjoining parishes, great quantities of land heretofore appropriated to the production of grain, have been lately converted into hop plantation and pasture grounds. The natural fertility of the soil is seldom amended by the application of manure, the whole of which is engrossed by the hop yards. The produce is from 6-20 bushels per acre (wheat).

### 88 Ford

Abundant in quantity and excellent in quality. Some remarks analogous to the present inquiry are contained in a separate paper, and offered with the most humble deference.

### 90 Foy

The acres in this estimate are computed and the crops of wheat are greater than in former years, more land being sown with wheat than usual owing to the failure of turnips last year.

#### 95 Goodrich

Wheat upon an average produces in this parish, about 15 bushels per acre. Our customary bushel is 10 gallons. Barley about 18 bushels, peas about the same with barley, oats about 20, potatoes about 50. Turnips are sold from £3-5 per acre. In this parish we have scarcely a single acre of land fit for the plough in an uncultivated state.

## 96 Crendon Bishop

N.B. these are all statute acres as nearly as can be ascertained.

## 200 Hereford St Mertin

On account of the failure of a crop of turnips, in the Autumn of 1800, the ground intended for them was sown with wheat, which increased the farmer's odd mark, in the article as it is called, at least, I think, one-fourth. I am told by some liberal cultivators of land that the quantity of grain of all kinds produced (?) greater than that of the two last years put together.

#### 108 Holmer

More wheat was sown on account of the failure of the turnip ground.

### 114 Hope under Dinmore

Great part of this parish is pasturage, woodland and hop ground so that not more than one-fourth is cultivated for corn.

# 120 Huntington (township)

This township being small is principally in the hands of one man.

## 130 Kentchurch

The land in the parish of Kentchurch the greater part very bad and of a very inferior quality.

### 125 Kimbolton

Wheat a generally good crop I think at least half as much more as last year and the trifle I have bought yields well. Barley, good crop for this soil. Oats good crop. Potatoes, most people in this parish grow enough for their own familys' but a very trifle for market. Peas a good crop on most farms. Beans a fairish crop. Very good turnips, no rape grown.

### 127 King's Pyon

The tillage is very much neglected and not so productive as in former years.

#### 131 Kni11

The late harvest has been one of the most abundant ever remembered in this country. The produce of each acre of wheat in this, and the parish of New Radnor, upon an average, is from 15 to 20 bushels.

### 137 Laysters

The grain in general good except the peas which were but indifferent.

#### 11/127 Lea

Soil of Lias Red Losm. Hanure, produce of foldyard and lime. Course of crops wheat, peas, barley and clover, sometimes turnips after wheat. Average crop of wheat about 2 quarters per acre ten gallons to the bushel. The crops of every kind last year harvest very good. Farms small. Gmatest number of wheat on one farm 25 acres, barley 28. The different articles returned in this paper (?) by 15 occupiers.

### 139 Leintwardine

Wheat in our county upon an average does cast from 10-15 bushels per acre, barley some more and peas some more than barley, is the opinion of many of our farmers. Some of our farmers were very dilatory in giving in an account. 68 acres of the total of turnips in our parish was common land, but has been this year flayed, burnt, ploughed, sowed and hoed and supposed to be as great a crop as any growing in our country, or in the county of Hereford: which in my opinion, ought to be reported to the Board of Agriculture: and Mr Stanley rewarded accordingly.

### 145 Lingen

Such is the account given by the farmers but it is much beneath the mark. The crops were very abundant and well harvested.

#### 147 Linton

Average produce Winchester bushels, wheat 18, barley 17, oats 21, potatoes 42, peas 16, beans uncertain, turnips or rape uncertain, rye 14.

## 140 Little Birch

The crops in this parish were very abundant and good.

# 142 Little Dewchurch

The crops in this parish were very good.

# 135 Llanrothal

This is an exact account of arable lands planted with the different sorts of grain in the year 1800.

## 153 Lyonshall

This is the best account I can make or procure, though I am afraid it is not very correct, owing to the different opinions the people form on the subject. Perhaps it is useless to observe, that there will not be as much wheat sown the ensuing Michaelmas, as was last.

#### 159 Marstow

In the above parish there are according to a late survey 682 acres of which 200 are meadow and pasture and orchard the rest arable. The inquirer could gain little information from the farmers themselves but believes the inclosed statement is very near the truth. The soil is light and sandy which will account for the exclusion of oats and beans.

#### 166 Moreton Jeffries

Average from 8-12 bushels off an acre.

### 168 Moreton on Lugg

The whole of this parish being about 820 acres is in the hands of (?) tenants. I believe this account to be tolerably accurate.

#### 170 Much Birch

The crops of grain in general promise to be productive in this parish.

### 171 Huch Cowarne

Average from 8-12 bushels off an acre.

## 172 Much Dewchurch

The crops of grain in general promise to be productive in this parish.

## 181 Orleton

The rage here is for hops. Much of our best arable is turned into hop yards which being planted with fruit trees ultimately become orchards, whereby the annual product of bread corn is diminished at least one-third within my memory. This I say, though I have the tithe of hops and fruit, and not of grain. I never saw a good crop of wheat immediately after potatoes. Beans sown in the spring and wheat after them, is better husbandry. The increased use of clover and turnips tends also to lessen the proportion of wheat; but hops not only occupy so much land, but so much of the farmers' attention, that tillage is neglected.

#### 184 Pencombe

A large proportion of the lands in the above named parish (and in a considerable district adjoining) is employed in the culture of hops, and apple trees, and pasturage for breeding horned cattle; which will account for the small number of acres sown with corn.

# 196 Putley

The parish of Putley is extremely small, and as nearly as can be ascertained, has in cultivation the number of acres here specified.

# 222 Stoke Bliss

Good grass.

### 226 Sutton St Nicholas

Customary acres. Potatoes, great quantities in the several gardens.

#### 228 Tarrington

I have got you the best information I am able; but the farmers suspect government has a design against them, therefore are unwilling to give any account of the number of acres they grow. If you would get a true statement you must enforce your measures you must also make some allowance for the trouble we are at.

### 230 Tibberton

This parish is very small; it consists of three farms only.

## 202 Upper Sapey

It is supposed that the wheat crop will average 20 bushels per acre of 9 gallons.

## 234 Upton Bishop

Abundant crops got in good order.

#### 236 Walford

That this return might be made with greater accuracy, each farmer was applied to for a statement of his crops under his own hand: but the principal farmers would not give any.

## 249 Wellington

Wheat produce 5,000 bushels, barley 800, oats 150, potatoes 840, peas 2,000, beans 150, turnips or rape 780, rye 150.

#### 240 Weobley

There are 2,500 acres of land in the parish of Weobley, 1,002 acres are arable, the remainder, meadow and pastures. The return now made, is very accurate. 710½ acres were under cultivation this year, the remainder being about one—third, was fallow, and clover brush for wheat.

### 247 Withington

One farm containing 981 acres of arable land was cropped as inserted whose tithes I collect. The rest of the farmers are not inclineable to make their returns therefore it is not in my power to insert how their farms are cropped.

#### 248 Wolferlow

Some of the wheat lands in this parish not so well managed as they ought to be therefore suppose the last crop will not produce more than 17 bushels on an average per acre.

## 254 Yarkhill

I have collected as accurate an account as could be got from the farmers. They are jealous of their property being invaded, and are unwilling to give any account of the number of acres they grow. If you would get a true statement you must enforce your measures. You must also make some allowance for the trouble we are at.

#### 94 Yarpole

I hereby certify the above to be as true a statement as I have been able to collect from the inhabitants of this parish.