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ALPHABETICAL TABLE

OF ALL THE

Towns, Rivers, and Memorable Places

MENTIONED IN

RUTLAND-SHIRE.

HUNDREDS I N Rutland-shire.

- 1 East, *Hund.*
- 2 Allstoe, *H.*
- 3 Okeham, *Sook.*
- 4 Martinley, *Hund.*
- 5 Wrangedyke, *H.*

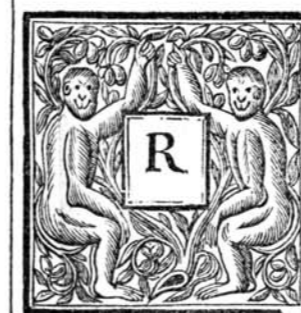
- A
- Ashgate, *Oke.*
 Ashwell, *Allst.*
 Authorpe, *All.*
 Authorpe grove, *All.*
 Aylton, *Mart.*
- B
- Barinsdale, *All.*
 Barlythorp, *Oke.*
 Barroughdon hey, *Wrang.*
 Barroughdon, *Wrang.*
 Barrow, *All.*
 The Beacon hill, *Wrang.*
 Beamount, *Mart.*
 Beehill, *Wrang.*
 Belmesthorpe, *Easf.*
 Belton, *Oke.*
 Bittewell, *Oke.*
 S. Botulphe, *Easf.*
 Bayal-wood, *Easf.*
 Bradgate, *Wrang.*
 Braunstun, *Oke.*
 Brokemell wood, *Easf.*
 Brock, *Oke.*
 Burley, *All.*
 Burley wood, *All.*
 Bysbrook, *Wrang.*
- C
- Caldecote, *Wrang.*

- Casterton little, *Easf.*
 Casterton bridge, *Easf.*
 The Vale of Catmoufe, *Oke.*
 Catmoufe mill, *Oke.*
 Chatter Flu.
 Cliphtham, *Oke.*
 Coidlees, *Oke.*
 Cottesmore, *All.*
 Cottesmore wood, *All.*
 Creston, *Mart.*
 Crofs mill, *Easf.*
- D
- Deepedale, *Martin.*
- E
- Eastwood, *Easf.*
 Edgeton, *Oke.*
 Ediwelton, *Mart.*
 Ediwelton wood, *Mart.*
 Elefhare, *Wrang.*
 Empingham, *Easf.*
 Empingham wood, *Easf.*
 Exton, *All.*
 Ezeden, *Easf.*
- F
- Fauldall wood, *Easf.*
 Fregthorp, *Wrang.*
 Frithwood, *Easf.*
 Five mile Crofs, *Easf.*
- G
- Geefon, *Wrang.*
 Glaiſton, *Wrang.*
 Greetham, *All.*
 Greetham wood, *All.*
 Guash Flu.
 Gunthorpe, *Mart.*
- H
- Hamleyton, *Mart.*
 Hamleyton wood, *Mart.*
 Hardwick, *Easf.*
 Hermitage, *Oke.*
 Horn, *Easf.*
 Horn mill, *Easf.*

- I
- Ingthorpe, *Easf.*
 Joltors bridge, *Easf.*
- K
- Kelſton, *Wrang.*
 Kelthorp, *Wrang.*
 Ketton, *Easf.*
 Kilpiſham, *Easf.*
 Kings Road, *Wrang.*
 The Kings Lodge, *Oke.*
- L
- Lamley Lodge, *Oke.*
 Langham, *Oke.*
 Leeſeld forreſt, *Oke.*
 Lee lodge, *Oke.*
 Littlehall wood, *All.*
 Lovedale, *All.*
 Luffenham North, *Wrang.*
 Luffenham South, *Wrang.*
 Lyddington, *VVrang.*
 Lyddington park, *VVrang.*
 Lynden, *Mart.*
- M
- Manton, *Mart.*
 Market overton, *All.*
 Martinthorpe, *Mart.*
 Morecott, *VVrang.*
 Muley hill, *Oke.*
- N
- Newbottle, *VVrang.*
 Normanton, *Mart.*
- O
- OKEHAM, *Oke.*
 Osburnal wood, *Easf.*
- P
- Pickworth, *Easf.*
 Preſton, *Mart.*

- Prifley hill, *Wrang.*
 Pilton, *VVrang.*
- R
- Rankesborow hills, *Oke.*
 Redgate, *VVrang.*
 Ridlington, *Mart.*
 Ridlington park, *Mart.*
 Rullers ſtone, *Easf.*
 Ruſhpitt wood, *All.*
 Ryal, *Easf.*
- S
- Snewton, *VVrang.*
 Seyton, *VVrang.*
 Stirwood, *Oke.*
 Stokedrye, *VVrang.*
 Stretton, *All.*
 Stretton wood, *All.*
- T
- Tarringley wood, *All.*
 Thiſſelton, *All.*
 Thorpe, *VVrang.*
 Turne courſe wood, *Easf.*
 Tickencote, *Easf.*
 Tyghe, *All.*
 Tymwell, *Easf.*
 Tyxover, *VVrang.*
- V
- UPPINGHAM, *Mart.*
 Uppingham park, *Mart.*
- W
- Wadeland Flu.
 Wardley, *Oke.*
 Weland Flu.
 Wenton, *All.*
 Weſtland wood, *All.*
 Weſton fees, *Oke.*
 Whiſſenden, *All.*
 Whitwell, *All.*
 Wichely heath, *Easf.*
 Winge, *Mart.*
 The Wiſpe, *Oke.*
 Wolfoky wood, *All.*
 Woodhead wood, *Easf.*

The DESCRIPTION of RUTLAND-SHIRE.



RUTLAND-SHIRE, the least of any County in this Realm, is circumscribed upon the North with *Lincoln-shire*; upon the East and South, by the River *Weland* is parted from *Northampton-shire*; and the West is altogether held in with *Leicester-shire*.

(2) The form thereof is round, and no larger in compass than a light horse-man can easily ride about in a day; upon which occasion some will have the Shire named of one *Rut*, that so rode. But others from the redness of the soil, will have it called *Rutland*; and so the old *English Saxons* called it, for that *Roet* and *Rut* is in their tongue *Red* with us, and may very well give the name to this Province, seeing the earth doth stain the wool of her sheep into a reddish colour. Neither is it strange that the stain of the soil gives names unto places, and that very many: for have we not in *Cheshire* the *Red-Rock*, in *Lancashire* the *Red Bank*, and in *Wales*, *Rutland Castle*? to speak nothing of that famous *Red-Sea*, which shooteth into the land betwixt *Egypt* and *Arabia*, which gave back her waters for the *Israelites* to pass on foot: all of them named from the colour of the soil.

(3) The longest part of this Shire is from *Caldecote* in the South upon the River *Ey*, unto *Thiſtleton* a small Village seated in the North, not fully twelve miles: and from *Timwell* Eastward, to *Wiſſenden* in the West, her broadest extent, is hardly 9 the whole circumference about 40 miles.

(4) The air is good both for health and delight, subject to neither extremity of heat nor cold, nor is greatly troubled with foggie mists. The Soil is rich, and for Corn and tillage gives place unto none. Woods there are plenty, and many of them imparked, hills feeding herds of Neat, and flocks of sheep, vallies besprinkled with many sweet springs, Grain in abundance, and Pastures not wanting: in a word, all things ministered to the content of life, with a liberal heart and open hand. Onely this is objected, that the circuit is not great.

(5) The draught whereof, that I may acknowledge my duty and his right, I received at the hands of the right Honourable *John Lord Harrington, Baron of Exton*, done by himself in his younger years.

Near unto his house *Burley*, standeth *Okham* a fair Market-town, which Lordship the said *Baron* enjoyeth, with a Royalty somewhat extraordinary, which is this: If any Noble by birth come within the precinct of the same Lordship, he shall forfeit as an homage a shooe from the horse whereon he rideth, unless he redeem it at a price with money. In witness whereof, there are many Horse-shooes nailed upon the Shire-Hall door, some of large size and ancient fashion, others new and of our present Nobility; whose names are thereupon stamped as follows.

- Henry Hastings.*
- Roger Rutland.*
- Edward L. Russel, Earl of Bedford.*
- Ralph L. Ewer of Parram.*
- Henry L. Bertley.*
- Henry L. Mordant.*
- William L. Compton.*
- Edward L. Dudley.*
- Henry L. Windsor.*
- George, Earl of Cumberland.*
- Philip, Earl of Montgomery.*

L. Willoughby.
P. L. VVharton.
The L. Shandois.
 Besides many others without names, That such homage was his due, the said Lord himself told me; and at that instant a suit depended in Law against the *E. of Lincoln*, who refused to forfeit the penalty, or to pay his fine.
 (6) Her ancient Inhabitants known to the *Romans*, and mentioned in *Ptolemie*, were the *Corintians*, and by him branched thorow *Leicester*, *Lincoln*, *Nottingham*, *Darby-shire*, and this; who with the *Icenians* were subdued by *P. Ostorius* under the yoke of *Claudius* the *Roman Emperour*: and at their departure, by Conquest the *Saxons* made it a Province unto their *Mercian Kingdom*, whose fortunes likewise coming to a full period, the *Normans* annexed it under their Crown.

(7) This County King *Edward the Confessor* bequeathed by his Testament unto *Qu. Eadgith* his Wife, and after her decease unto his Monastery at *WVestminster*, which *VVilliam the Conqueror* cancelled and made void, bestowing the Lands upon others, the Tithes and the Church unto those Monks.

That the *Ferrers* here first seated, besides the credit of Writers, the Horse-shooe whose badge then it was, doth witness; where in the Castle, and now the Shire-hall, right over the Seat of the Judge, a Horse-shooe of iron curiously wrought, containing 5 foot and a half in length, and the bredth thereto proportionably is fixed. The Castle hath bin strong, but now is decayed, the Church fair, and the Town spacious; whose degree of Longitude is 19. 46 scruples, and the North-poles elevation in Latitude 53 degrees and 7 minutes.

(8) Let it not seem offensive, that I (to fill up this little Shire,) have inserted the seat of a Town not sited in this County; for besides the convenience of place, the circuit and beauty, but especially it being for a time an University, did move much; yea, and the first in this Island if *John Hardings* * Author fail him not, that will have *Bladud* to bring from *Athens* certain *Philosophers*, whom here he seated, and made publick profession of the Liberal Sciences, where (as he saith) a great number of Scholars studies the Arts, and so continued an University unto the coming of *Augustine*, at which time the Bishop of *Rome* interdicted it; for certain Heresies sprung up among the *Britains* and *Saxons*. But most true it is, that in the reign of King *Edward* the third, upon debate falling betwixt the Southern and Northern Students at *Oxford*, many School-men withdrew themselves hither, and a while professed, and named a Colledge, according to one in *Oxford*, *Brazen-Nose*, which retaineth that name unto this day. This was so great a skar unto the other, that when they were recalled by Proclamation to *Oxford*, it was provided by Oath, that no Student in *Oxford* should publicly profess or read the Arts at *Stanford*, to the prejudice of *Oxford*.

(9) As this Shire is the least in circuit, so is it with the fewest Market-Townes replenished, having onely two. And from Societies that fed upon the labours of others, was this Land the freest: for besides *Ribhall*, where *Tibba* the *Falconers* Goddes was worshipped for a Saint, when Superstition had well-near put Gods true honour out of place, I find very few; neither with more Castles strengthened than that at *Okham*, whose ruins shew that a Castle hath been there.
 Divided it is into five Hundreds, and therein are planted forty eight Parish-Churches, as in the Table following shall appear.

The bounds of this Shire.

The form, and occasion of the name.

Many places named from the nature of their soil.

The dimensions of it.

Air.

Soil.

The Lord Harrington.

Okam Royalty.

Homagers to the Lord Harrington.

The Earl of Lincoln.

The ancient people.

Romans.

Saxons.

Normans.

King William the Conquerour.

The Family of the Ferrers.

Stanford not seated in this Shire.

* Merlin

Stanford an University until Augustines time.

Brazen-nose Colledge in Stanfords

Two Market-Townes onely in this Shire.

The Shires partition.