



Return of Owners of Land Extract 1873

Wootton Bassett



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	Cricklade & Wootton Bassett Union	5	2	10	50	0
		Burial Board of	Wootton Bassett	2	1	0	4	15
		Trustees of Charity School	Wootton Bassett	18	3	17	21	10
		Trustees of the Poor	Wootton Bassett	20	3	19	28	10
Archer	John		Wootton Bassett	154	3	20	379	8
Bathe	Ann	Miss.	Wootton Bassett	36	2	2	116	0
Bathe	Elizabeth	Miss	Wootton Bassett	29	2	30	109	10
Booker	George E.		Wootton Bassett	119	3	0	198	14
Bradford	C.W.	Rev.	Wootton Bassett	1	1	34	40	0
Cole	Elizabeth	Miss	Wootton Bassett	5	3	11	44	10
Cotes	Digby O.	Rev.	Wootton Bassett	3	2	38	63	10
Culley	Richard		Wootton Bassett	1	3	0	7	10
Daniels	John		Wootton Bassett	1	0	23	8	10
Draper	Henry R.		Wootton Bassett	3	3	28	29	5

Edmonds	Edwin		Wootton Bassett	1	0	0	40	0
Edmonds	George B.		Wootton Bassett	4	0	17	79	10
Farmer	John		Wootton Bassett	79	1	10	146	0
Furnival	James	Rev.	Wootton Bassett	35	3	28	123	1
Gardener	Charles		Wootton Bassett	25	3	19	75	15
Gleed	Henry		Wootton Bassett	3	1	23	28	0
Goddard	Horatio N.		Wootton Bassett	1,012	3	32	1,826	16
Gray	James		Wootton Bassett	1	2	84	17	0
Hale	Thomas		Wootton Bassett	1	0	34	8	0
Hammond	Martha		Wootton Bassett	1	0	30	16	8
Hart	Samuel		Wootton Bassett	2	0	0	145	0
Haskins	John		Wootton Bassett	3	1	4	32	0
Henly	John		Wootton Bassett	1	0	36	1	12
Hill	Frances L.	Miss	Wootton Bassett	1	2	2	10	0
Hinder	William Henry			1	1	31	8	15
Horsell	Bartholomew		Wootton Bassett	110	2	7	323	5
Horsell	Charlotte		Wootton Bassett	1	8	16	36	0
Horsell	George		Wootton Bassett	36	1	27	136	0
Howse	George		Wootton Bassett	1	0	34	7	0
Humphries	Samuel		Wootton Bassett	60	0	33	152	13
Kinnett	William		Wootton Bassett	1	1	0	3	15
Large	James		Wootton Bassett	47	0	5	146	0
Large	Leah	Mrs.	Wootton Bassett	97	2	35	255	0
Leighfield	Thomas		Wootton Bassett	19	2	31	53	10
Mitchell	Walter	Rev.	Wootton Bassett	55	1	9	175	0
Molden	William		Wootton Bassett	1	2	0	20	0
Morse	William		Wootton Bassett	3	3	1	30	15
Newman	William		Wootton Bassett	1	2	3	25	0
Notley	George		Wootton Bassett	1	0	6	28	0
Ody	Thomas		Wootton Bassett	3	0	2	6	0
Ody	Walter		Wootton Bassett	1	2	0	3	0

Packer	James		Wootton Bassett	2	0	0	36	0
Pagington	M.	Mrs	Wootton Bassett	35	2	24	104	0
Painter	George		Wootton Bassett	23	8	16	50	0
Palmer	Sarah A.	Miss	Wootton Bassett	10	0	25	57	0
Plummer	E.	Mrs.	Wootton Bassett	359	0	13	742	5
Plummer	Josh.		Wootton Bassett	8	1	39	42	0
Pratt	James	Executor of	Wootton Bassett	45	0	9	368	12
Priddy	William		Wootton Bassett	13	3	36	176	16
Prower	John E. M.		Wootton Bassett	81	3	2	286	10
Sadler	Ann	Mrs.	Wootton Bassett	184	0	20	306	0
Sadler	Bertha	Mrs.	Wootton Bassett	208	1	39	708	18
Sadler	Caroline	Miss	Wootton Bassett	50	2	16	129	0
Sadler	Elizabeth	Miss	Wootton Bassett	42	1	0	151	0
Sadler	John L. C.		Wootton Bassett	8	2	6	18	0
Sadler	Samuel C. C.		Wootton Bassett	257	2	32	780	7
Schwabe	William Henry	Rev.	Wootton Bassett	2	3	0	35	0
Smith	Thomas		Wootton Bassett	30	0	0	100	0
Smith	William		Wootton Bassett	1	1	14	23	4
Stiles	Caroline		Wootton Bassett	33	0	10	49	1
Stiles	Judith		Wootton Bassett	15	0	26	41	0
Stiles	Louisa W.		Wootton Bassett	45	2	12	102	5
Stiles	Mary	Miss	Wootton Bassett	33	0	10	49	1
Teagle	Josh.		Wootton Bassett	2	3	7	18	0
Templer	Frances M.	Miss	Wootton Bassett	3	2	37	9	0
Templer	Francis		Wootton Bassett	1	0	4	10	10
Templer	John		Wootton Bassett	5	3	5	7	15
Twine	Adam		Wootton Bassett	185	1	9	650	0
Warman	E. H. P.		Wootton Bassett	3	0	11	90	0
Warman	E. R.	Mrs.	Wootton Bassett	32	3	30	102	10
Warman	William P.		Wootton Bassett	2	1	2	10	0
Weston	Frederick		Wootton Bassett	9	2	0	25	0

Wicke	John	Rev.	Wootton Bassett	83	3	21	206	12
Wiggins	William H.		Wootton Bassett	65	2	31	258	10
Woodward	E. A.	Mrs.	Wootton Bassett	1	2	23	58	10
Wykeham	Martin C.		Wootton Bassett	8	3	11	73	5
Young	William T.		Wootton Bassett	135	1	21	303	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.

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*).