

A photograph of a man with short brown hair, wearing a blue and white striped shirt, sitting on a grey sofa. He is looking towards the camera with a slight smile. The background is a vibrant, abstract tie-dye pattern in shades of green, yellow, red, and blue.

Surfing Sources From The Sofa

Using the Web to research the history of a place

Peter Burnhill
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Once Upon a Data Point: Sustaining our Data Storytellers
‘Historical GIS and Telling Stories About the Past’
Montréal, Canada. 29 May -1 June 2018.

PART 1: A Village in 1850s

The Age of 'Pax Britannica'



MONTRÉAL, C. E.—The largest and most populous City of British North America, and chief seat of commerce principal Port of Entry for the Canadas, is situated at the head of sea or outward navigation; and at the foot of the great chain of River, Lake, and Canal navigation, which extends westward to Chicago and Fond du Lac, a distance of about 1400 miles, embracing an almost unequalled extent of inland water communication. It occupies one of the most commanding positions in the world.

DIRECTORY.] 1858.

OTTAWA.

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***OTTAWA, C. W.**—One of the chief Cities of Central Canada, situated on the Ottawa River, 87 miles from its confluence with the St. Lawrence, and at the mouth of the Rideau River. The City obtained its original name from its founder, Celene By, an officer of the Royal Engineers, whom the Imperial Government commissioned in 1827 to superintend the construction of the Rideau Canal. In 1854, Bytown, by an Act of the Provincial Parliament, was created a city, and its name changed to that which it now bears. The Canal divides the City into Upper and Lower Towns.

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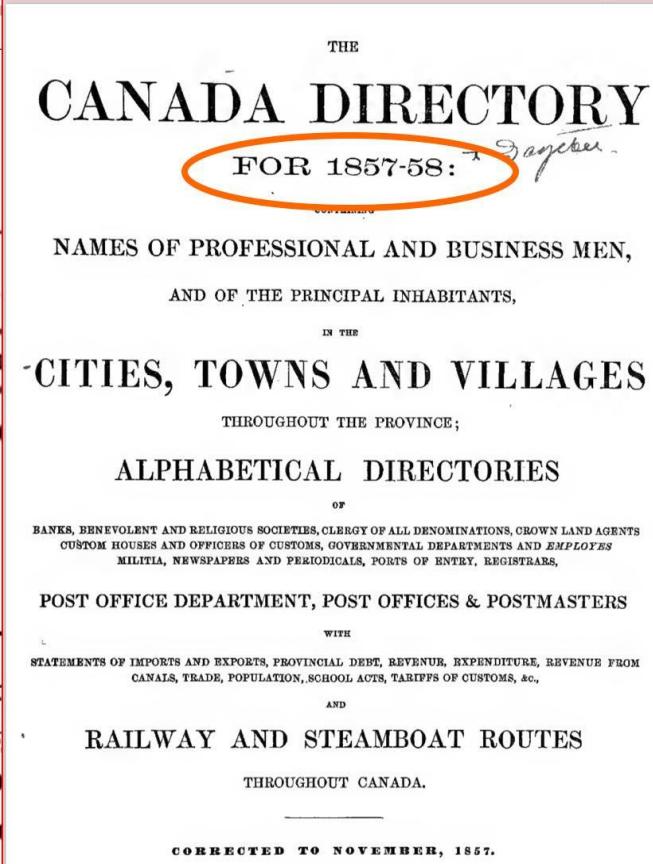
QUEBEC.

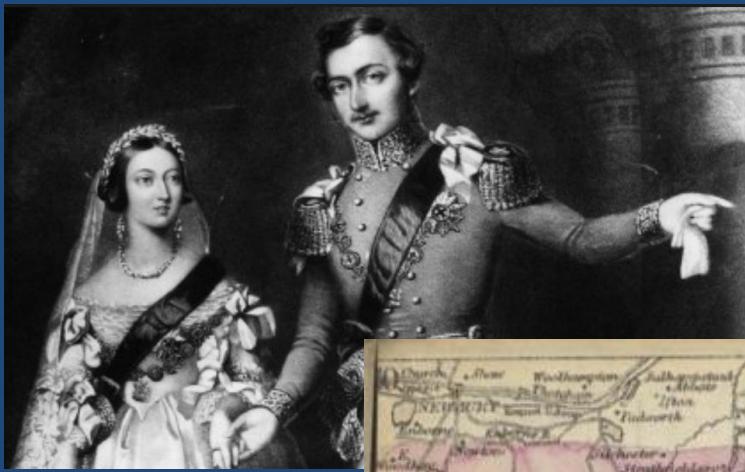
QUEBEC, C. E.—The chief seaport and stronghold of military power in the country, situated on a large, well-bound promontory formed by the junction of the Rivers St. Lawrence and St. Charles. It is strongly fortified and garrisoned, completely commanding the navigation of the St. Lawrence. The City is reputed to have derived its name from the words "quebec," meaning "impregnable." The adventurous discoverers when first its site broke on their astonished view.

DIRECTORY.] 1858.

TORONTO.

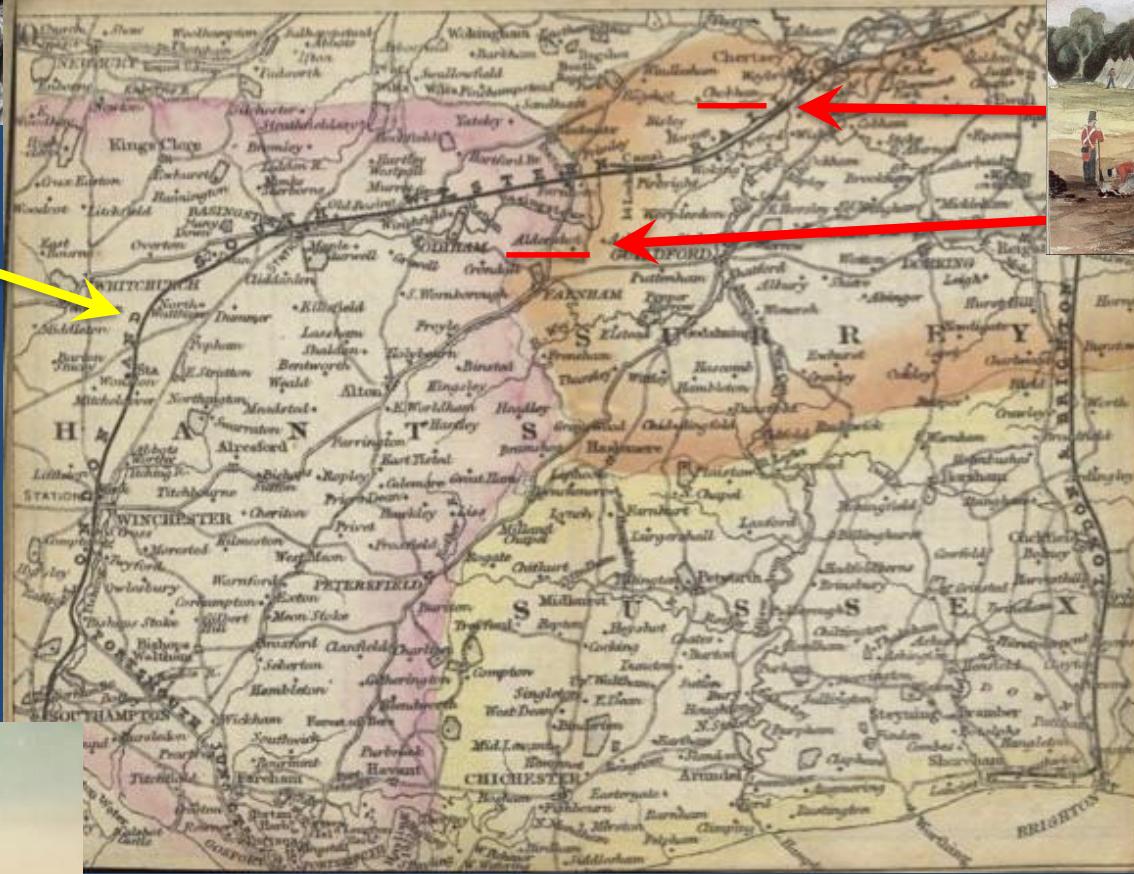
TORONTO, C. W.—The Metropolis of Upper Canada, is situated on the northern shore of Lake Ontario, in a spacious Bay, or beautiful sheet of water, somewhat oval in form. The City is built with singular regularity, the streets intersecting each other at right angles. On the site of the City rather flat, Toronto presents at a distance no striking aspect, but from the Lake, however, it gradually unfolds itself, till, passing through the narrow





Following exercise at Chobham in June 1853,
Prince Albert supports Army's choice of
Aldershot Heath as site for a military training camp

Bradshaw's
Railway
Companion
1844



⇒ Portsmouth Naval Dockyard
=> Empire and Foreign Parts



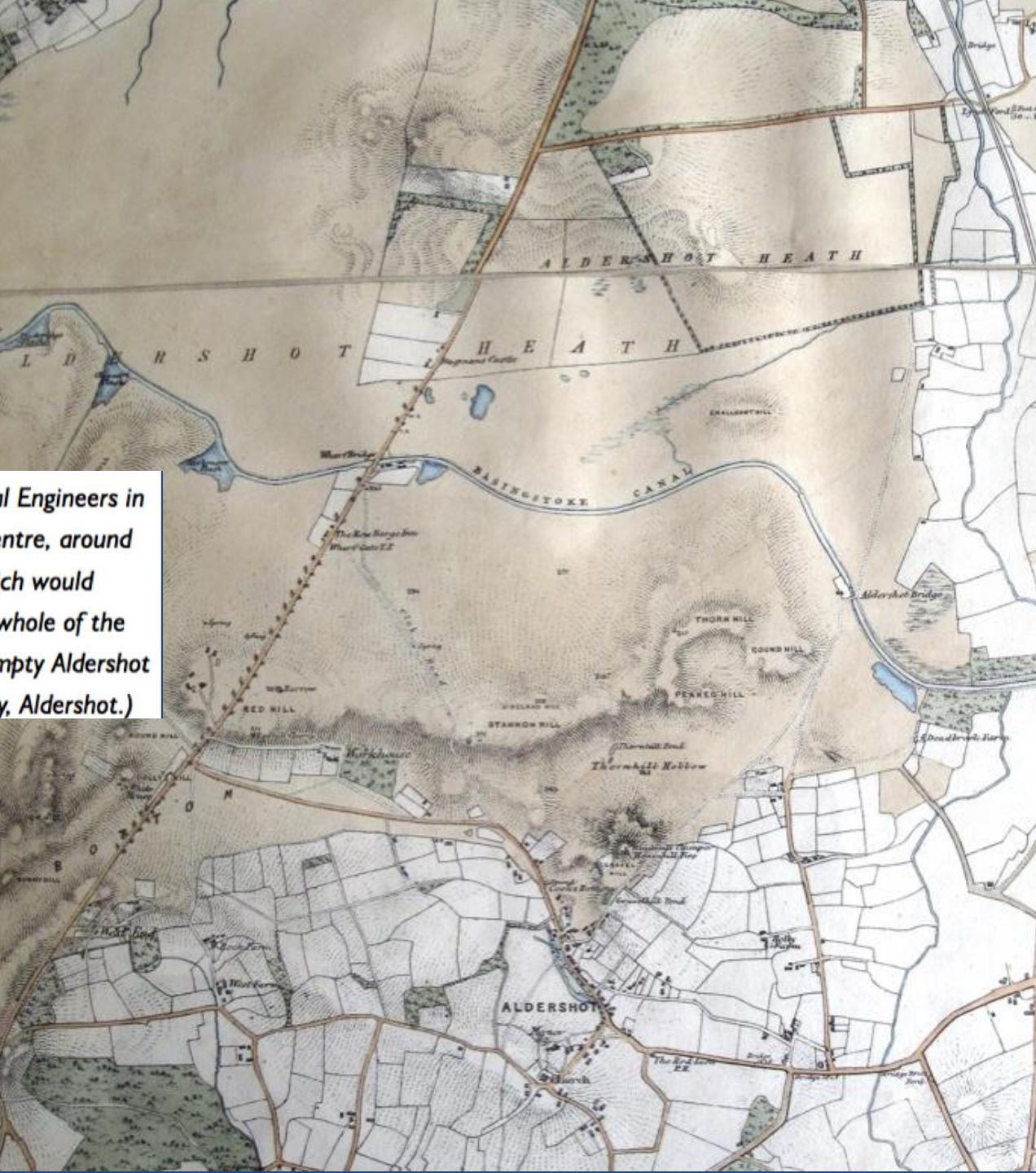
December 1853
Government
votes £100,000
to commence
building
at Aldershot

"Rough plan of the country ...
14 Sept 1853
4 inches to one mile

Lt Colonel Hall,
'Inspector of Fortifications',
Royal Sappers and Mines

from website:

The plan of Aldershot Heath drawn by the Royal Engineers in 1853. Aldershot village is shown in the lower centre, around the Parish Church and the Manor. The area which would become the new town centre is fields, and the whole of the area which would become the garrison is the empty Aldershot Heath. (Courtesy of the Prince Consort's Library, Aldershot.)



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Event Becomes A Story...

ALDERSHOTT is a village and parish close to Surrey, in Farnham Union, Crondall Hundred, Basingstoke division, North Hants, 4 miles south-west from Farnborough station, 37 from London, 3½ north-east-by-north from Farnham, and 2 from the Ash station of the Reading and Bognor railway, 2 miles from the latter. Population, 1851, with 875 inhabitants and 4,144 acres, of which 3,000 are common land. The living is a donative, endowed by a parliamentary grant, in the patronage of the Royal Engineers; the Rev. James Dunn, M.A., is the present incumbent.

GENTL.

Attfield Mr. Reuben
Barron Charles, esq. Aldershott place
Deacon John Thomas, esq.
Dennett Rev. James [perpetual curate]
Mawle Mr. Samuel
Newcome Capt
Tice Mrs.

POST OFFICE.—William Chuter, master. Letters arrive from Farnham at 8 a.m.; are dispatched & post 5 p.m. The nearest money order office is at Farnham

1855 Post Office Directory

TRADERS.

Attfield Thomas, parish clerk	Hart Robert, farmer
Baker Jas., superintendent of Pauper schools	Horne Henry, blacksmith
Baker Mary (Mrs.), matron of Pauper schools	Kinsey John, farmer
Eustone James, farmer	Lloyd Robert, farmer
Falkner George, "Red Lion"	Robinson James, farmer
Gooden George, farmer & grocer	Robinson William, farmer
	Sears Hugh, farmer, Park house
	Stovold Richard John, farmer
	Webster Richard, "Blue Horse," shopkeeper

ALDERSHOTT PARISH DIRECTORY.

The POST OFFICES are at Messrs. Allen & Co.'s, Aldershott Village, and at Mr. Charles Buckland's, Aldershott Camp. Money Orders are granted and paid at the latter. Letters via Farnborough Station.

Allen and Co. druggists

Attfield Thos. parish clerk
Barnett Wm. gas fitter
Barron Chas., Esq. Aldershott Place
Birch F. C. builder and contractor, Wharf
Brown Chas. fly proprietor
Buckland Chas. Post Office, Camp
Burke Wm. wharfinger and coal merchant
Burns Wm. hosier and cap maker
Chapman Colonel, R.E.
Childell Edw. ale and spirit merchant
Collins Wm. earthenware mfr
Davidson Jane, tobacconist
Dennett Rev Jas. incumbent
Ellis John, farm bailiff
Evans Evan, greengrocer
Finch Emmanuel, builder
Goodchild Chas. fishmonger
Goodchild Thos. architect, &c
Gooden Mrs. Brooke House
Gray Henry, tobacconist
Harris Robert, druggist
Hedley Geo. gas engineer
Hewett Charles Burt, corn dealer
Hughes Thos. toy dealer
Jones Wm. hosier and tailor
Lincoln Geo. Stott, cabinet maker and bagatelle board manufacturer
Lloyd Richard, gardener
Lyon & Cohen, tobacconists and rag dealers
Martin John, builder and

Newcome Geo., Esq., Manor House

Parnona John, greengrocer
Payne P. hairdresser
Pharo Jas. coal dealer
Pimm Wm. cabinet maker
Rule Rev Dr. (Wesleyan)
Sheidrake Wm. bookseller
Shoolbraid John, surgeon
Smith Major T., Barrack master
Stearman Thos. glass, china, and brass dealers
Story Chyr. fishmonger
Taylor Caroline, schoolmrs
Tustin Henry, musical instrument maker
Vinson T. & Sons, corn, hay, and straw dealers

BAKERS.

White Alfred, timber mfr., Wharf, and Greywell
White Thos. tailor, draper, &c
Wilson Andrew, surgeon
FARMERS.

Allden Richd. Elm place
Eustone Jas. Aldershott Ldg
Herrett Wm. Villeroys
Sears Hugh, Fowtings
Smith Thos. Hallwood farm
Stovold Rd. Jno. Hallings Al
Twynam Hy. Rillings farm
INNS & TAVERNS.

BRERMOUTHES.

Alliance, Thomas Pagett
Army & Navy, Jas. Barnard
Beehive, Horner and another
Boulter's Hotel, Jno. Boulter (and auctioneer)

Cambridge Hotel —

Crimea, Edw. Benham
Elephant and Castle, Edw.

ALDERSHOTT is a large village on the south side of the extensive *Camp and Barracks*, three miles N.E. of Farnham, 12 miles N.E. of Alton, and 37 miles W. by S. of London. Its parish, exclusive of the military, has now more than 3000 inhabitants, and extends over about 4144 acres, of which 3,000 are common land and east by the small river Blackwater, which divides the parish. A large portion of the parish is an open heath, which, with an equal area of common land, in the adjacent parishes of Farnborough, Crondall, and Yately, was purchased by government in 1854, for the establishment of an extensive *Military Camp*, where large bodies of troops have been trained to the novelty and discomfort of the tented field. The *North Camp* consists chiefly of long ranges of wooden huts; but in the *South Camp*, extensive *Cavalry, Infantry, and Artillery Barracks*, a *Riding School*, &c., have been for some years in the course of erection, and are now partly finished. A large "District School," which was built at Aldershott some years ago for pauper children, has been converted into a *Military Hospital*, as noticed at page 523, and a handsome *Pavilion* has been erected for the Queen when she visits the Camp. *Gas Works* were constructed here in 1856. Sometimes more than 20,000 soldiers have been stationed here in barracks, huts, and tents; but the average number is only six or seven thousand, including Militia Regiments. **ALDERSHOTT PARISH** is in the Crondall Hundred and Odiham Division of North Hants, but it is in Farnham Union, all the rest of which is in Surrey. It had only 875 inhabitants in 1851, but since the establishment of the Military Camp in 1854, its population, exclusive of soldiers, has increased to more than 3000 souls, and it has now

about twenty taverns and forty beerhouses; though in 1854, it had only two public-houses. The Dean and Chapter of Winchester are lords of the manor; but a great part of the cultivated lands belong to the Barron, Newcombe, Elstone, Allden, Eggar, Tice, and other families, some of them freeholders, but mostly copyholders. The MANOR HOUSE is pleasantly situated in park-like grounds, and is now the seat of Captain Newcombe. It was built in 1670, and was

1859 Directory

Within 5 years, instead of two village pubs there were "about twenty taverns and forty beerhouses" ...

=> Census Reports record big increase in population

1851 : 875

1861 : 7,775 [+ military & their families]

PART 2: My Research Questions:

Q1. What happened to the villagers?

Q2. Who were the [non-military] incomers?

Research Design: ‘Before & After’ Arrival of Army

1851 [1855] 1861
=> O₁ X O₂

*maybe, just maybe ... add a ‘Contrast’ area:
in England, Ireland, India, Canada?*

O₁₁ X O₂₁
O₂₁ O₂₂

Integrated Census Microdata

Disseminating standardised and integrated historical census microdata for Great Britain for the period 1851 to 1911.



Explore and download census records, digitised and harmonised from the original enumeration books, detailing characteristics for all individuals resident in Great Britain at each census from 1851 to 1911, developed by the [I-CeM project](#). ICeM has consistent geography over time and standardised coding schemes for many census variables.

Use this purpose-built ICeM system to filter the database of over 180 million census records based on 20 key variables, then download the resulting data table of individual census records with 100+ variables per record.

Use our [ICeM-Nesstar](#) system to explore and analyse the icem data online, by tabulating variables, carrying out correlation and regression analyses, and exporting resulting statistical tables.

Note: data download is only allowed at less than 1,000,000 records.

Query took: 54 milliseconds, for 183,470,912 Census records

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Step 1: Year and country

Step 2: Variables

Step 3: Download options

Step 4: Complete

Select a year:

- 1851 (20,610,325)
- 1861 (22,837,316)
- 1871 (3,349,656)
- 1881 (29,865,602)
- 1891 (33,522,822)
- 1901 (36,931,736)
- 1911 (36,353,455)

- Applied to Data Archive
via Edinburgh University Data Library
- Started downloading I-CeM data files
- Generated lots of summary tables

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I-CeM

Schurer, K. and Higgs, E.,
Integrated Census Microdata
(I-CeM), 1851-1911 [computer file].
Colchester, Essex: UK Data
Archive [distributor], April 2014.
SN: 7481.

Helpful pointers
at outset from
Matthew Woollard
& Kevin Schürer,
but errors my own.

	1851 Census Reports	I-CeM Records	diff	Study Population	removing records
Village in 1851	875	874	-1	767	- 108 in 'Poor Law' School

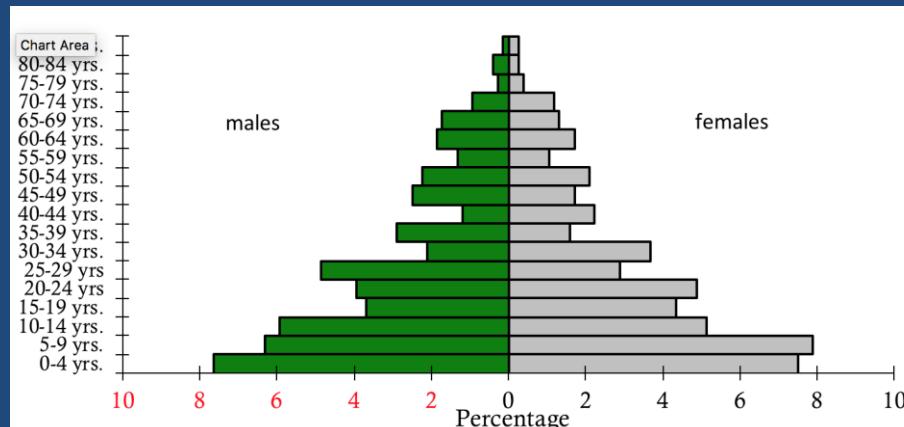
"an agricultural and nice productive little parish ..." William Cobbett (1835)

Census	Population	Increase %
1801	494	-
1811	498	0.0
1821	525	5.4
1831	665	26.7
1841	685	3.0
1851	767	12.0

1851

inward migration		Place of birth, as stated in 1851 Census			
		locally in parish	surrounding parishes	'remote'	%
Count	%	%	%	%	%
Heads of Household	158	45	19	26	100
Wives	121	31	33	36	100

Half (49%) the village aged 19 or less



'Open' Village : Typical Occupations
1851 'NATIONAL' rural database Dennis Mills

Occupation	M	F	Both	Local %	'National' %
<i>Farmer & Landowner</i>	21	1	22	7.6	5.6
<i>Agriculture</i>	138	17	155	54.0	46.6
<i>Related to sea</i>				0.0	8.8
<i>Domestic service</i>	33	12	45	15.7	14.1
<i>Trade/Crafts</i>	40	12	52	18.4	18.6
<i>Professions /Retail/ Others</i>	8	5	13	4.5	6.5
All	240	47	287	100	100

10 Years On (6 yrs since 1854)	Census Reports	I-CeM Records	diff	Study Population	Re-allocating records
Village in 1851	875	874	-1	767	- 108 in 'Poor Law' School
'Town' in 1861	7755	8292	+537	4,603	- 3,689 in Military Dwellings
				(Total of 15,000 in Aldershot Camp)	

Net increase of 3,837! 500%

(Q2. Who were those townsfolk?)

Q1. What happened to the villagers?

- Think longitudinally ...
 - ... about careers of households, families, individuals
 - ... tell the stories of those 158 households

Q1a: What might have happened had the Army not arrived?

Why I turned to BD\$M?

findmypast.com

+ve reasons:

1. Obtain and search on name
2. Some location information
3. Birth, Death & Marriage data

The screenshot shows the findmypast.com homepage with a blue header bar containing links for Family tree, Search, 1939 Register, My records, Blog, and Help. Below the header, a navigation bar includes Britain, Birth, Marriage, Death & Parish Records, and All Subcategories. The main content area is titled 'Birth, Marriage, Death & Parish Records' with a subdescription about baptism, banns, marriage, and burial records. It features a search form with fields for WHO (First name(s), Last name, Name variants), WHEN (Year Of Marriage, Year Of Birth, Year Of Death), WHERE (Region like Britain, location like E.g. Boston, Lincolnshire or England), and various optional filters like SUBCATEGORY, RECORD SET, and OPTIONAL KEYWORDS. A large search button at the bottom reads 'Search Birth, Marriage, Death & Parish Records'.

Bonus: Could strengthen Research Design by adding prior datum

1841 & 1851 [1854] 1861 : O₁ O₂ X O₃

Combining Data Points enables Stories to be told of Life & Family in those 158 Households

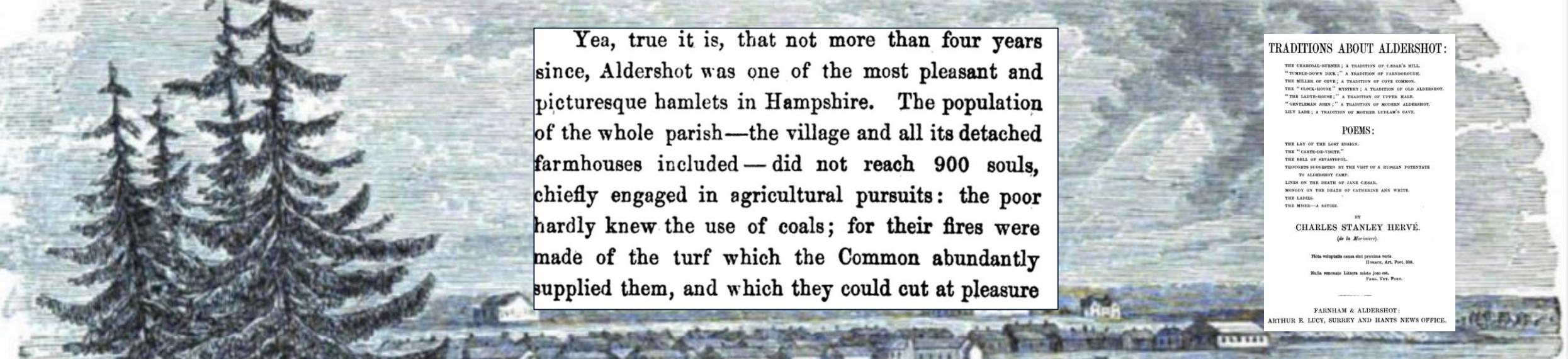
1841 Morland Cottages				1851						1861 Chart Area Loyd's Farm							
Loyd				Lloyd						Loyde							
Robert	25	1816	Ag Lab	Robert	Head	M	35	1816	Farmer 10 Acres	Robert	Head	M	45	1816	Proprietor of Houses	Aldershot	
Ann	22	1819		Ann	Wife	M	31	1820	Farmer W	Ann	Wife	M	41	1820	-	Aldershot	
Ester	2	1839		Ester	Dau	-	12	1839	Schooler								
Thomas	0	1841		Thomas	Son	-	10	1841	Schooler	Thomas	Son	U	20	1841	-	Aldershot	
				Sarah	Dau	-	8	1843	Schooler	Sarah	Dau	-	18	1843	-	Aldershot	
				James	Son	-	6	1845	Schooler	James	Son	-	16	1845	-	Aldershot	
										Joseph Osborn	Lodger	U	26	1835	Carpenter SI	Paddington, Bedfordshire	

Perhaps key to good fortune & upward mobility
was Robert's marriage to Ann Harding,ⁱ
the only daughter of farmer Thomas Harding.ⁱⁱ

1841 North Lane				1851 North Lane					
Harding				Harding					
Thomas	40	1801	Farmer						
Ann	40	1801		Ann	Head	W	52	1799	Annuitant
Sarah	75	1766							
Thomas Knowles	15	1826							
John Marshall	10	1831							
				Richard Barnett	Servant	U	24	1827	Lab
				James Williams	Lodger	U	67	1784	Pensioner Chelsea
									Farnham

i	First name(s) Robert
	Last name Lloyd
	Marriage date 15 Apr 1838
	Marriage place Aldershot
	Spouse's first name(s) Ann
	Spouse's last name Harding
ii	
	First name(s) Ann
	Last name Harding
	Birth year 1819
	Baptism date 23 May 1819
	First parent's first name(s) Thomas
	Second parent first name(s) Ann
	Parish Aldershot

[Google-scanned] Guidebooks, published in 1857 & 1859 for visiting 'Society'



Yea, true it is, that not more than four years since, Aldershot was one of the most pleasant and picturesque hamlets in Hampshire. The population of the whole parish—the village and all its detached farmhouses included—did not reach 900 souls, chiefly engaged in agricultural pursuits: the poor hardly knew the use of coals; for their fires were made of the turf which the Common abundantly supplied them, and which they could cut at pleasure

ALDERSHOT,
AND ALL ABOUT IT,
WITH
Gossip, Literary, Military, and Pictorial.
BY
MRS. YOUNG,
AUTHOR OF "OUR CAMP IN TURKEY," ETC. ETC.
WITH
Illustrations from Original Sketches by the Author.
LONDON:
G. ROUTLEDGE & CO. FARRINGDON STREET;
NEW YORK: 18, BEEKMAN STREET.
1857.

NORTH CAMP.

TRADITIONS ABOUT ALDERSHOT:

THE CHARCOAL-SURNER: A TRADITION OF CESAN'S MILL.
"TUMBLE-DOWN DICK;" A TRADITION OF FARNBOROUGH.
THE MILLER OF COVE: A TRADITION OF COVE COMMON.
THE "CLOCK-HOUSE" MYSTERY: A TRADITION OF OLD ALDERSHOT.
"THE LADY-HOUSE": A TRADITION OF UPPER HALE.
"GENTLEMAN JOHN": A TRADITION OF MRS. ALDERSHOT.
LILY LAKE: A TRADITION OF MOTHER LUCIA'S CAVE.

POEMS:

THE LAY OF THE LOST ENSHRO.
THE "CARTE-DE-VISITE."
THE BELL OF SEVENTH-OUL.
THOUGHTS SUGGESTED BY THE VISIT OF A RUSSIAN POTENTATE
TO ALDERSHOT COMMON.
LINES ON THE DEATH OF JANE CESAN.
MONOIXY ON THE DEATH OF CATHERINE ANN WHITE.
THE LADIES.
THE MISER:—A SATIRE.

BY
CHARLES STANLEY HERVÉ.
(*à la Marinière*).

Fides voluntatis causa sicut proxima vita.
Horac. Art. Post. 530.
Nulla venenata Letitia mala juro est.
Pala. Viz. Post.

FARNHAM & ALDERSHOT:
ARTHUR E. LUCY, SURREY AND HANTS NEWS OFFICE.

A

GUIDE TO ALDERSHOT

AND

Its Neighbourhood.

BY W. SHELDRAKE,

LATE COLOUR-SERGEANT, COLDSTREAM GUARDS.

ALDERSHOT:

PRINTED AND PUBLISHED BY W. SHELDRAKE
HIGH STREET AND MARKET-HOUSE.

1859

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Hampshire Chronicle - Saturday 21 June 1851

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**ALDERSHOTT MANOR FARM, HANTS,
Near Farnborough Station.**

TO LET, with immediate possession,—The above most desirable FARM, comprising a substantially built and commodious Dwelling House, with suitable Farm Buildings, and 144 Acres of Land, nearly the whole of which is drained; comprising 113 Acres of Arable Land in a high state of cultivation, 4½ Acres of good Hop Land, 20A. 1R. of very useful Meadow Land, and the rest Hedge Rows and Coppices, with Labourers Cottages and Gardens.

The Property is 3½ miles from the Farnborough Station, 2½ miles from the Ash Station (on the Reigate line), and 3 miles from the Market town of Farnham, where there is a good weekly Corn Market and a Cattle Market every fortnight. The whole of the Manorial rights of the Manor of Aldershot, including Sporting, Pasturage for Cattle, and also cutting Peat and Turf, belong to the Farm.

For further particulars apply to Messrs. Trinder and Eyre, 1, John-street, Bedford-row, London; or Samuel Eggar, Esq. Jenkins Place, Bentley, Farnham, Surrey.

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Aldershot History Group

History - just one thing after another..

The Aldershot History Society was originally formed in 1980 with in historical matters relating to the parish of Aldershot and adjoining areas. Members were invited to take part in research to support this.

The society has ceased to exist in its current form in May 2017 due to the decrease in membership and attendance.

We do not meet formally any more so there are no subscriptions. Those that wish to keep the essence of the society going in a more virtual way will be managed and information will be posted here.

There is a facebook group being set up and any news will be shared there.

There is the [Aldershot Civic Society](#) which has the history of the town and its commitments so we would encourage anyone who is interested to contact them.

This website has been published as work in progress.

Some defunct, but led to contact with local historians

1. [Yateley Local History](#) - The Baigent Crondall Records part 6.
2. [Kingsclere Heritage & Genealogy](#), 1086 Domesday Survey - *"Alwin' Wit [Alwin White] holds 2 hides. He himself held it before 1066. Then it answered for 2 hides; now for ½ hide. Land for 1½ ploughs. The plough is there, and 2 slaves. 1 villager and 1 smallholder with ½ plough. The value was 40s; now 30s.*

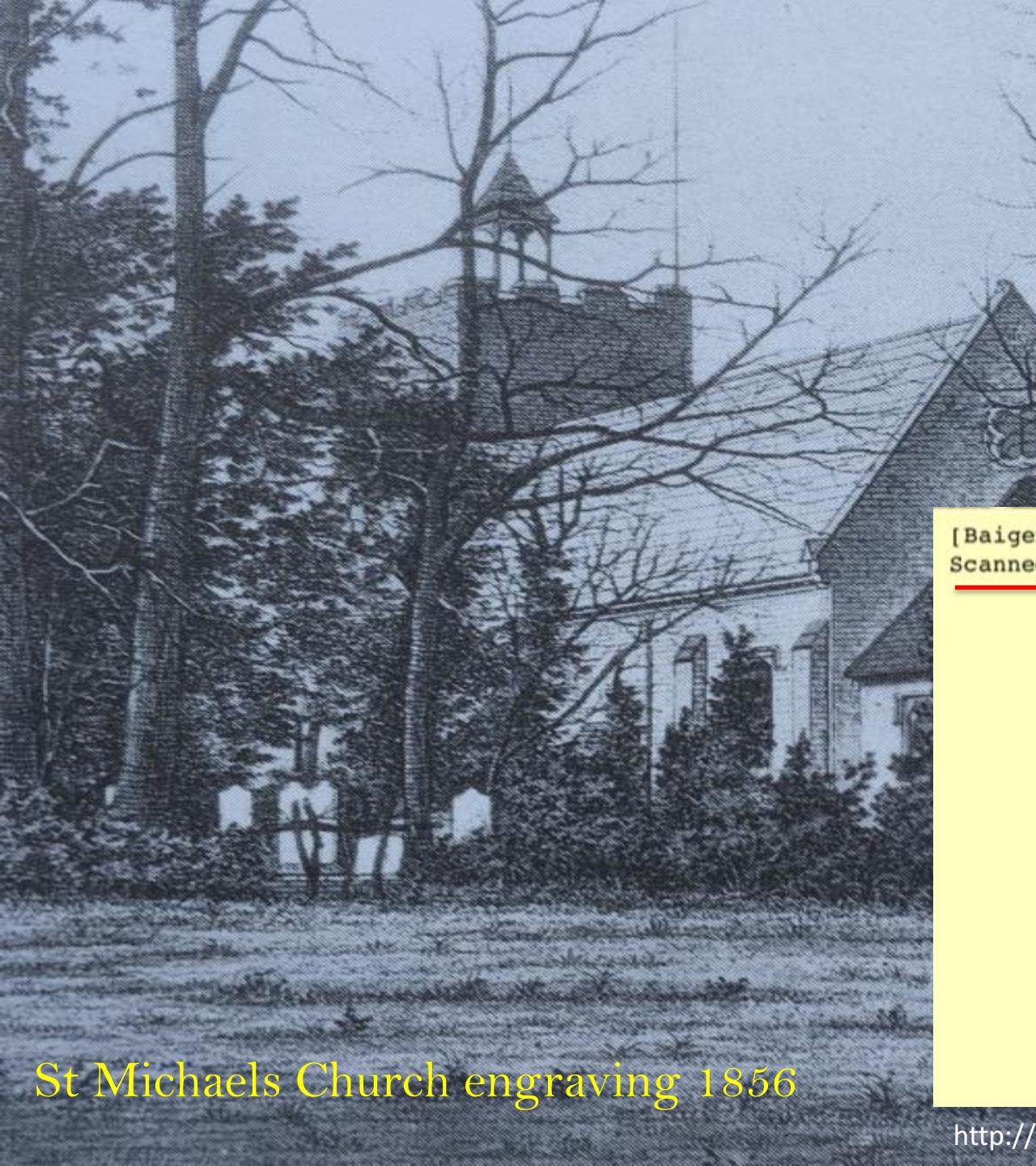
3. [Kingsclere, A history & its People](#) - *"Alwin Wit [White] continued to hold one and a half ploughlands which he had held of Wigot, for protection*, (possibly Wigot of Wallingford, butler and kinsman of King Edward).

4. From the records of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, (www.lds.org)
Robert White was born in 1370 in Yateley. He died 18th May 1464 in Farnham Surrey. He was married in 1421 to Alecia Alice from Swanborne, Hampshire. Parents were John White.

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Other thematic websites,
* on potteries & brickfields *
led to other local history groups.

=> Then up a church belfry &
back down a time shaft ...



Locked strongbox discovered in Church Belfry, 1857

1891
1996

[Baigent's "The Crondal Records", 1891
Scanned and ROUGHLY checked by R H Johnston April 1996]

Hampshire Record Society

THE CRONDAL RECORDS

HISTORICAL AND MANORIAL

A COLLECTION OF
RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS
RELATING TO
THE HUNDRED AND MANOR OF CRONDAL
IN THE COUNTY OF SOUTHAMPTON

PART I.

HISTORICAL AND MANORIAL
BY
FRANCIS JOSEPH BAIGENT

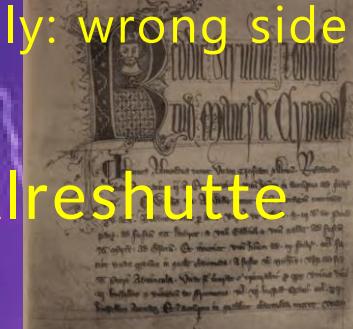
St Michaels Church engraving 1856

=> Traveling Back in Time

Prior History, 800 AD- 1800 AD

1. 1550s: HENRY VIII & Reformation

- Sir John Whyte of Aldershott, Wool merchant; Lord Mayor of London
- Crondal Customary, 1567 : more data on land ownership
- Tichborne brothers marry Sir John's granddaughters
- Ancient landed Catholic family: wrong side of history



2. 1248: First mention of Alreschutte

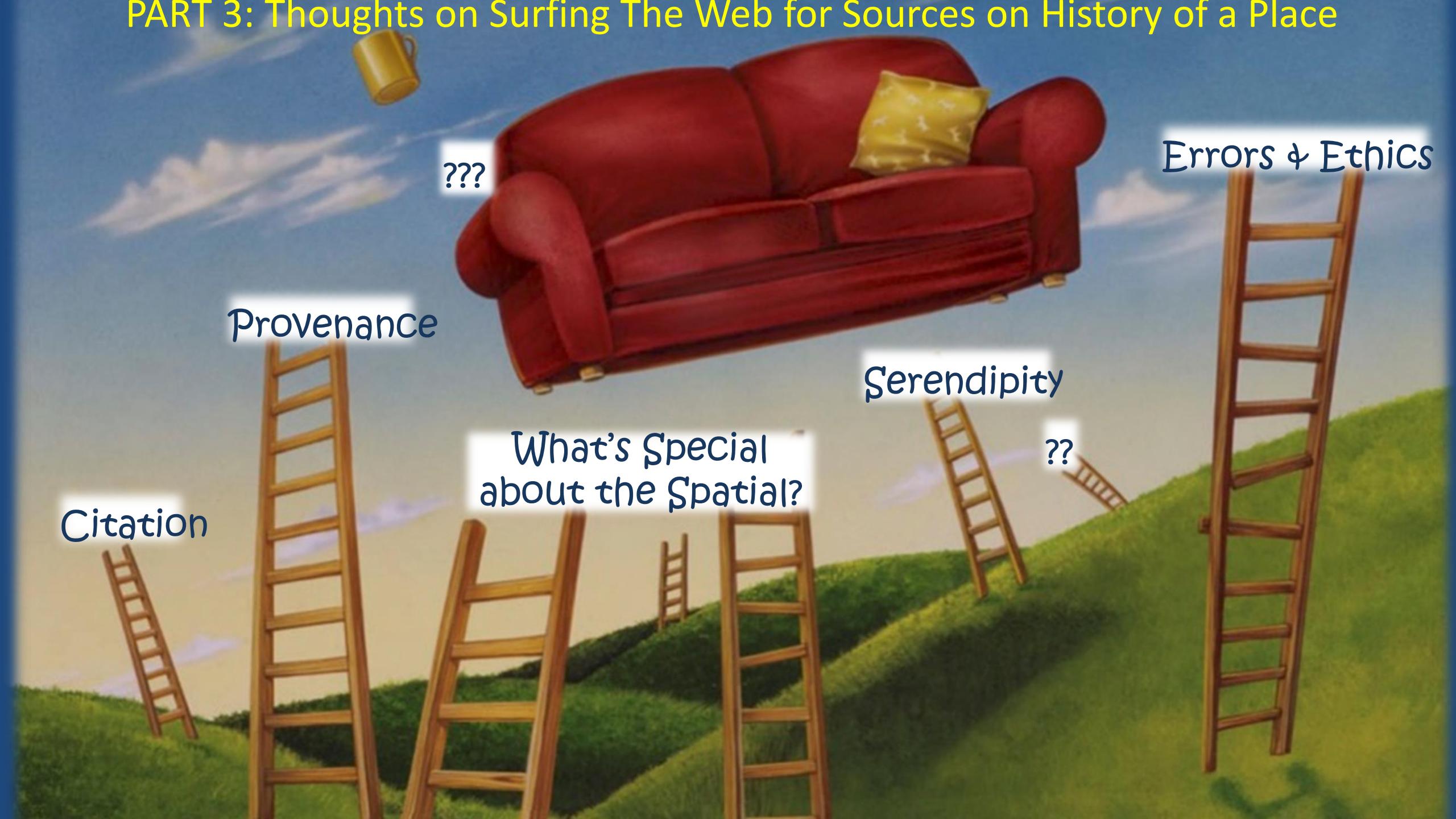
- Comptus de Crundel
- names & data on land ownership for 24 manors

3. A Tithing of the Crundall Hundred in Anglo-Saxon Wessex

- Confirmed by 1085 Domesday Survey: 'always with the Bishop'
- gifted by King Edgar to the monks of Old Monastery, AD 976



PART 3: Thoughts on Surfing The Web for Sources on History of a Place



Citation

Provenance

???

Serendipity

??

Errors & Ethics

1. Errors & Ethics: Open Questions

"If a figure looks interesting, it is usually wrong" Claus Moser, LSE

"Now computer error becomes historical fact" RJ (Jack) Fisher, LSE

a) Transcription errors abound

- access to facsimile of base documents
- Whether to, and how to ‘correct’ the record found in sources?

b) ‘uncovering family secrets’

- combination of Census and BDM records can lead to suggestion &/or proof of illegitimacy, bigamy etc.
- Whether to, and how to publicly disclose?

2. Provenance: Citation & Verification

Reproducibility when using web resources

- Should enable reader to access the evidence base
 - a) Citation of sources
 - b) Data Citation
 - database content & facsimile of documents
- Both imply existence of some form of ‘Fixity’
- But the Web is ‘Web Now’: it changes

‘Reference Rot’ = Link Rot + Content Drift

* Pecha Kucha *



‘Web Today, Gone Tomorrow?’

3. Impact of Serendipity

At the outset

Impact of Aldershot Camp upon 'The Village of Aldershott', 1851 to 1861

*The diversion of Prior history has led to:
Before The Army Came The Church*

*** Focus of present writing ***

Re-imagining Aldershot Before The Army

Still plan to answer the question:
Q2. Who were the incomers?

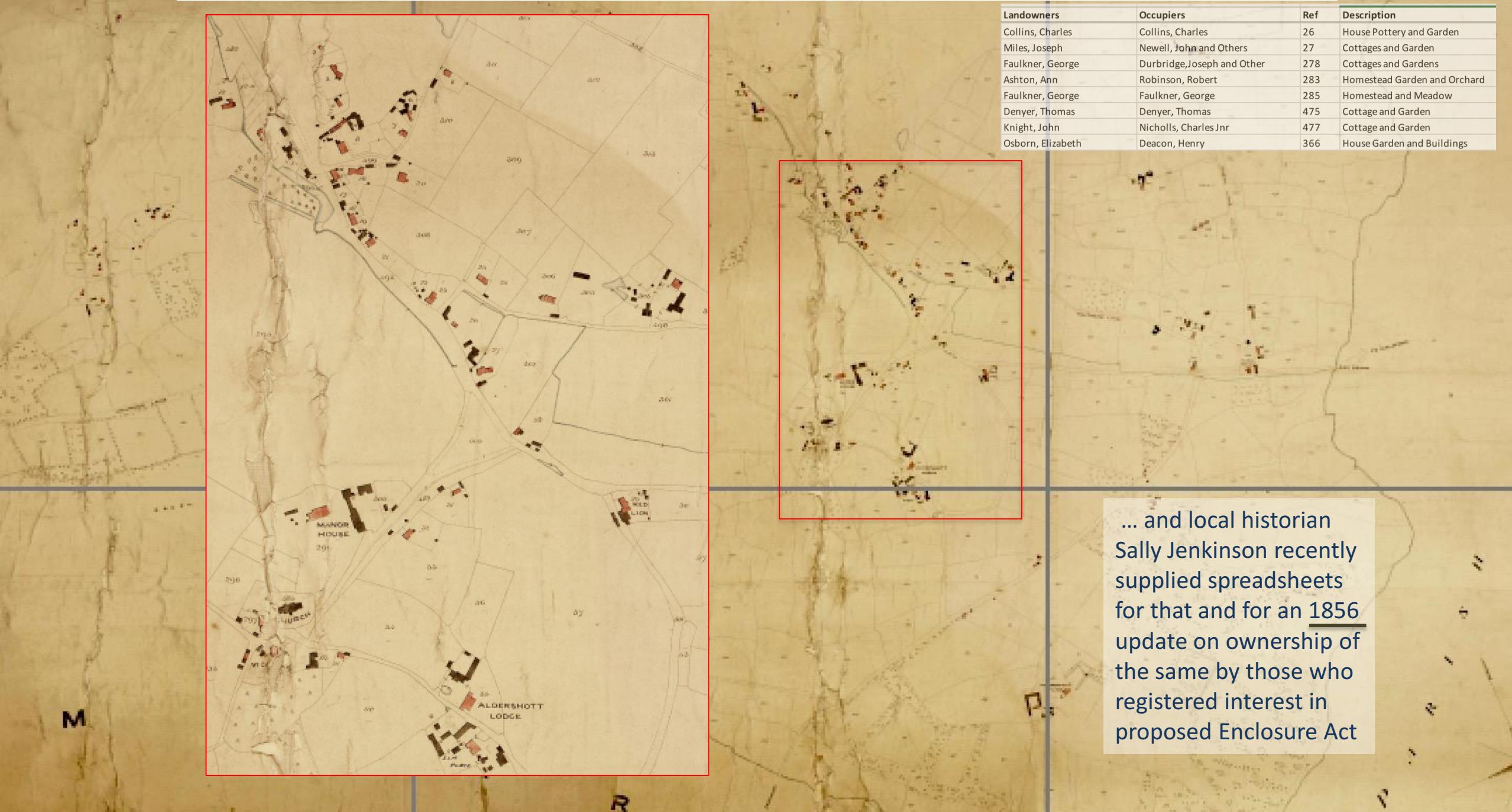
& write up the larger work:

Impact of Aldershot Camp upon 'The Village of Aldershott', 1841 to 1861

- *From Clay, Heathland & Hops To Bricks, Soldiers & Shops*

But having paid £25 to the County Record Office for CD of
the 1843 Tithe Map, the postman knocked...

A large scale 1843 map with detailed information on owners and occupiers of properties and plot



Landowners	Occupiers	Ref	Description
Collins, Charles	Collins, Charles	26	House Pottery and Garden
Miles, Joseph	Newell, John and Others	27	Cottages and Garden
Faulkner, George	Durbridge, Joseph and Other	278	Cottages and Gardens
Ashton, Ann	Robinson, Robert	283	Homestead Garden and Orchard
Faulkner, George	Faulkner, George	285	Homestead and Meadow
Denyer, Thomas	Denyer, Thomas	475	Cottage and Garden
Knight, John	Nicholls, Charles Jnr	477	Cottage and Garden
Osborn, Elizabeth	Deacon, Henry	366	House Garden and Buildings

4. What's Special About The Spatial?

a) Visualisation

- Twin role of map as study device and for display of results

b) Context

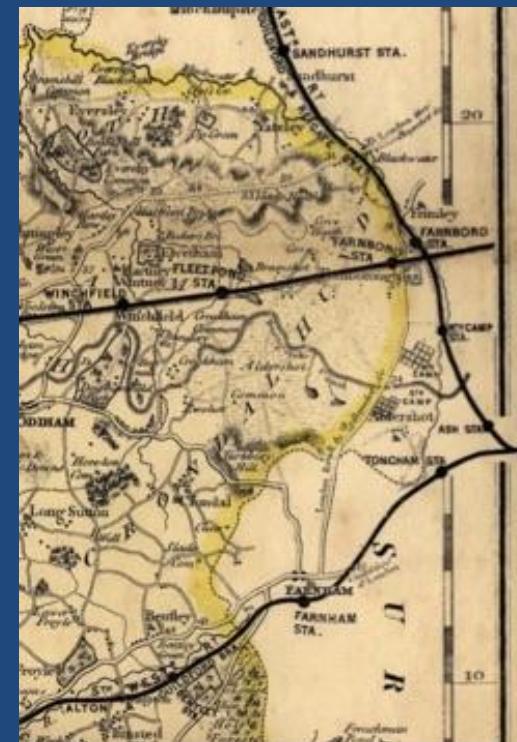
- Main use of maps thus far
- Map as record of how world was regarded

But not always of how it actually was ...

- Cruchley's 1856 map put Aldershot in Surrey!

He added railways to Cary's Ordnance Survey plates, designed and produced cheaper maps for general public with slogan:

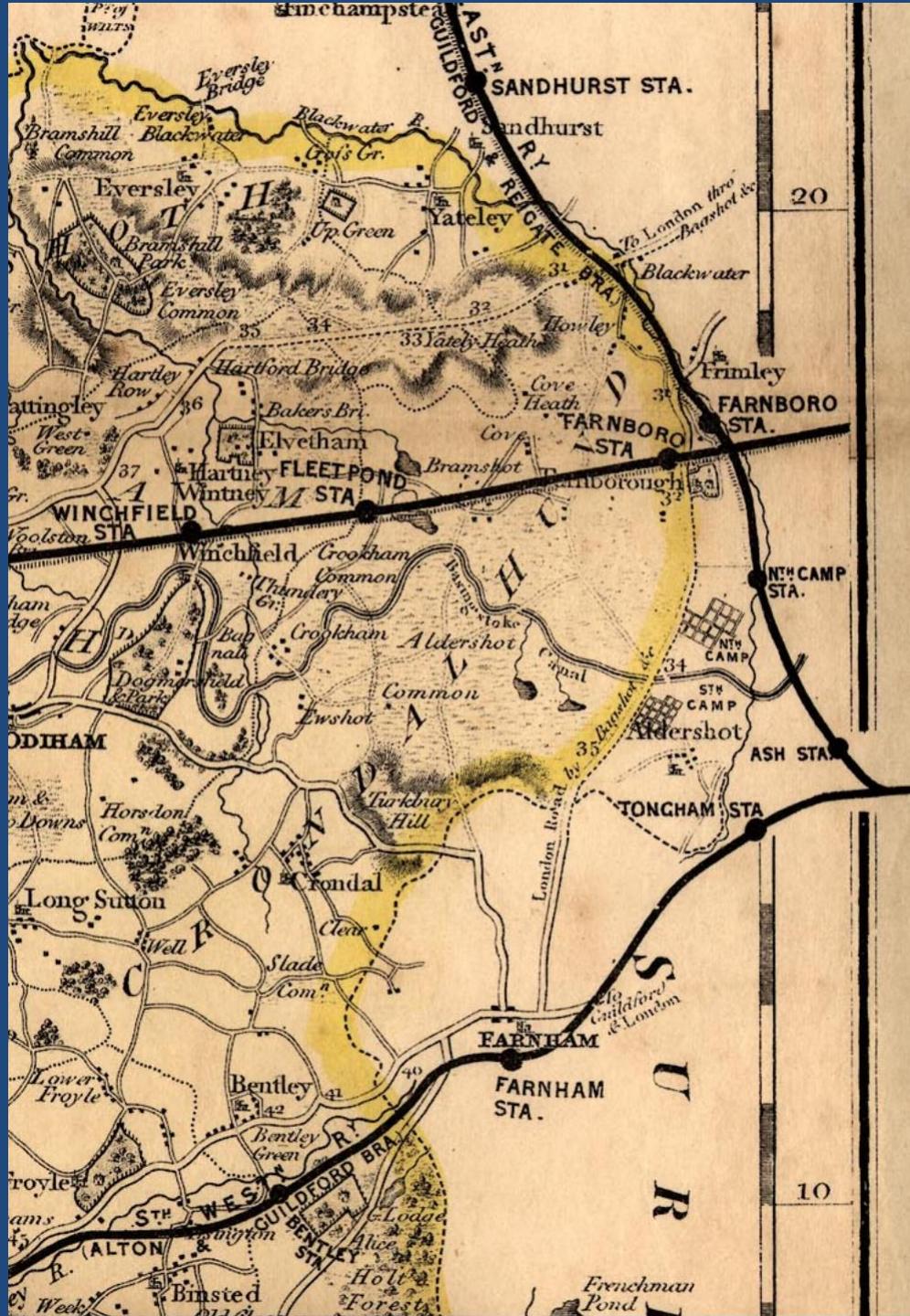
“Half the Scale, Half the Price”



However ...

'Locality' of the 'place' includes
Farnham & the Surrey parishes

Stated place of birth at 1851 Census	Heads of Household	Wives
Aldershot	71	38
<i>Born in nearby Surrey parishes</i>		
Farnham	25	24
Ash & Normandy	7	6
Seal /Tongham	3	2
Frensham	3	1
Frimley	2	1
<i>Born in other nearby parishes</i>		
Farnborough	2	2
Cove	2	2
Crondall	2	1
Hawley & Minley		1
Total	158	121



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c) Referencing is what is *really special* !!

- Digitally unpacking the map into its separate functions, as database and as display device

* Spatial referencing is means to transform findings into long-term asset *

- Starting to scope prospects for a N-level multi-parish GIS
- Opportunity to collaborate with local historians

	1248	1568	...	1841	1843	1851	1861
Individuals							
Households							
Dwellings							
Land Parcel							



Thank you for listening

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