

DOMESDAY BOOK

Dinton

The Domesday Book is a record of the great survey which was completed in 1086, of much of England and parts of Wales.

The survey was executed for William I of England (William the Conqueror) to determine how much each landholder had in land & livestock, and what it was worth. From this it could be determined how much tax was liable. The judgement of the Domesday assessors was final – whatever was written in the books about who held what material wealth or what it was worth, was law and no appeal was available. It was written in Latin and the text was highly abbreviated. The Domesday books were referred to as "the Book of Judgement" "because its decisions, like those of the Last Judgement, are unalterable".

Section of the Domesday Book relating to Dinton

Hundred	Cadworth
County	Wiltshire
Total Population	37 households (very large)
Total Tax assessed	20 geld units (very large)
Head of Manor	Dinton
Taxable Units	Taxable value 20 geld units. Payments of 0.04 rent
Value	Value to lord in 1086 £20.
	Value to lord c. 1070 £18
Households	21 villagers. 10 smallholders. 4 slaves. 2 burgesses.
Ploughland	15 ploughlands (land for). 4 lord's plough teams. 11 men's plough
	teams.
Other resources	7.75 lord's lands. Meadow 20 acres. Pasture 1 * 0.5 leagues.
	Woodland 20 acres. 2 mills, value 0.62
Lord in 1066	Sha esbury St Edward & St Mary, abbey of
Lord in 1086	Gunfrid; Sha esbury St Edward & St Mary, abbey of
Tenant-in-chief in 1086	Sha esbury St Edward & St Mary, abbey of
Phillimore reference	12,6

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