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Presenting  
AN EXACT GEOGRAPHY  
of the Kingdomes of ENGLAND,  
SCOTLAND, IRELAND,  
and the ILES adioyning:  
With  
The Shires, Hundreds, Cities and  
Sire-townes, within the Kingdome  
of ENGLAND, divided and  
described  
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M. Lamb. peramb.	KENT, the first Prouince appearing in the South of this Kingdome, is bounded vpon the North with the famous Riuer Thamisis: on the East, with the German Ocean: on the South, with Sussex and the narrow Seas; and vpon the West, with Sussex and Surrey. The length thereof, extended from Langley in the
The length of Kent. The bredth.	West, vnto Ramsgate Eastward in the Isle of Thanet, is about 53. English miles. From Rother in the South, vnto the Isle of Graine Northward, the bredth is not much aboute 26. and the whole circumference about 160. miles.
The forme.	(2) In forme it somewhat resembleth the head of a hammer or Battle-axe, and lieth corner-wise into the Sea: by Strabo, Cæsar, Diodorus and Ptolemie, called Cantium, of Cant or Canton, an Angle or Corner: either of Caine a British word, which signifieth Bushes or Woods, whereof that Countie in those former times was plentifully stored.
The name. As M. William Lambard coniectureth.	
The site of Kent.	(3) The aire, though not very cleere, because of the vapours arising from the Sea, and Riuers that enuiron the same, is both wholesome and temperate, as seated neere to the Equinoctiall, and the furthest from the North Pole, not touched with cold, as the other parts of the Land are.
The soile.	(4) The Soile towards the East is vneuen, rising into little hills, the West more leuell and woody, in all places fruitfull, and in plenty equals any other of the Realme, yea and in some things hath the best esteeme: as in Broad-cloathes, Fruits, and feedings for cattle. Only Mines (excepting Iron) are wanting: all things else deliuered with a prodigall heart and liberall hand.
The Commo=dities. Will. Lambard. fol. 248.	

Riuers of Kent.	(5) Sundry nauigable Riuers are in Kent, whereof Med=wey, that diuideth the shire in the midst, is chiefe; in whose bosome securely rideth his Maiesties Nauie Royall, the wals of the land and terrours of the Seas, besides ten others of name and account, that open with twenty Creekes and Ha=uens for Ships arriuage into this Land, foure of them bea=ring the name of Cinque Ports, are places of great strength and priuileges, which are Douer, Sandwich, Rumney, and Winchelsey: among which, Douer with the Castle is accoun=
The Cinque Ports.	ted by Matthew Paris the Monke, the locke and key to the whole Realme of England; and by Iohn Rosse and Lidgate is said to be built by Iulius Cæsar, fatall only for the death of King Stephen, and surrender of King Iohn therin happening.
Peramb. of Kent, fol. 148.	(6) A conceit is, that Goodwin Sands were sunke for the sinnes of himselfe and sonnes. Shelues indeed that dange=rously lie on the North-east of this County, and are much feared of all Nauigators. These formerly had beene firme ground, but by a sudden inundation of the Sea were swal=lowed vp, as at the same time a great part of Flanders and the Low Countries were: and the like also at the same time befell in Scotland, as Hector Boetius their Historiographer writeth.
Goodwin sands.	A like accident happened in the yeere 1586. the fourth day of August, in this Countie, at Mottingham a Towne eight miles from London, suddenly the ground beganne to sinke, and three great Elmes thereon growing, were carried so deepe into the bowels of the earth, that no part of them could any more be seene, the hole left in compasse foure=score yards about, and a line of fifty fadomes plummed into it doth finde no bottome.
Siluest. Giraldus in his Itinerarie of Wales. Lamb. fol. 105. Hector Boetius.	(7) The Kentish people in Cæsars time were accounted the ciuillest among the Britaines: and as yet esteeme them=selues the freest Subjects of the English, not conquered, but compounded with by the Normans: and heerein glory, that their King and Commons of all the Saxons were the first Christians, conuerted in Anno 596. yea and long before that time also Kent receiued the faith: for it is recorded that Lucius the first Christian British King in this Iland, built a Church to the name and seruice of Christ, within the Castle of Douer, endowing it with the Tolle of the same Hauen.
Ioh. Stowe.	(8) This County is enriched with two Cities and Bishops Seas, strengthned with 27. Castles, graced with 8. of his Ma=iesties most princely Houses, traded with 24. market towns, and beautified with many stately and gorgeous buildings. The chiefest City therof, the Metrapolitan and Archbishops Sea, is Canterbury, built (as our British Historians report) 900. yeeres before the birth of Christ; by Henry of Hunting=ton called Caier-Kent, wherein (as M. Lambard saith) was erected the first Schoole of professed Arts and Sciences, and the same a paterne vnto Sigibert King of the East-An=gles, for his foundation at Cambridge: notwithstanding by the computation of time, this Sigibert was slaine by Penda King of Mercia, 30. yeeres before that Theodore the Grecian was Bishop of Canterbury, who is said to bee the erector of that Academie. But certaine it is, that Austen the Monke had made this Citie famous before that time, by the conuer=sion of these Saxons vnto Christianitie, and in building a most magnificent Church to Gods seruice, wherein eight of their Kings haue beene interred, but all their Monuments since ouershadowed by the height of Becketts Tombe, that for glory, wealth, and superstitious worships, equalized the Pyramides of Ægypt, or the Oracles of Delphos, yet now with Dagon is fallen before the Arke of God.
The Inhabitants of Kent. Cæsar. Comment. lib. 5. fol. 52.	This Citie hath beene honoured with the presence and
Lam. Peram. in description of Douer, fol. 158.	
Canterburie by King Rudhu=dibras. Lamb. Peramb. in description of Canterbury, fol. 292.	
Ethelbert. Edbald. Lotharius. Withred. Edelbert.	
1. Sam. 5. 4.	

Heerein King  
Iohn and his  
Queene were  
crowned.  
Rochester.

Coronations of King Iohn and Queene Isabel his wife, with the mariages of King Henry the Third, and of King Edward the First, and with the interments of Edward the blacke Prince, King Henry the Fourth, and of Queene Iohn his wife: as Feuersham is with the burials of King Stephen, and of Maud his Queene and wife. But as in glory, so in aduersitie hath this Citie borne a part, being diuers times afflicted by the Danes, but most especially in the daies of King Ethelred, who in that reuenge of their massacre, made hauocke of all, and heerein slew forty three thousand and two hundred persons, the tenth besides reserued to liue. Afterwards it recovered breath and beauty, by the liberalitie of Bishop Lanford; Charters and priuileges by King Henry the Third; strength in Trench and Fortifications from King Richard the Second: and lastly, walles for her defense by Simon Sudbury Archbishop of that See: whose Graduation is placed for Latitude 51. 25. and parallelized for Longitude 22. 8. her sister Rochester differing not much in either degree.

(9) Which Citie (as Beda saith) was built by one Rof Lord of the same, though some ascribe the foundation of the Castle to Iulius Cæsar, and hath beene often ruined by the iniuries of warre, both in the times when the Saxons stroue for superioritie among themselues, wherein this City was laid waste, Anno 680. as also in the assaults of their common enemie the Danes, who about the yeere 884. from France sailed vp the Riuer Medwey, and besieged the same, so that had not King Elfred speedily come to the rescue, it had beene ouerthrowne by those Pagans. And againe in An. 999. the Danes miserably spoiled this Citie in the time of King Ethelred: neither hath it stood safe from danger since (though not defaced so much by warre) for twice hath it beene sore endammaged by chance of fire: the first was in the raigne of King Henry the First, Anno 1130. himselfe being present with most of his Nobilitie, for the consecration of the Cathedrall Church of S. Andrew: And againe almost wholly consumed about the latter end of the raigne of King Henry the Second, Anno 1177. Yet after all these calamities it recovered some strength againe, by the bountie of King Henry the Third, both in buildings, and in ditching her about for defense.

Ciuill dissensions  
in Kent.

(10) Ciuill broiles and dissensions hath this Countie beene burdened with, and that not onely vnder the Saxons and Danes, whose desolations were many and grieuous, but also by other rebellions since the Normans Conquest, both in those infamous insurrections, called The Barons Warres, in the raigne of King Henry the Third, wherein much harme was done; as also vnder King Richard the Second, when Wat Tilar, Captaine of a dreadfull commotion assembled at Black-heath, Mild-end, and in London doing many outrages, where in Smithfield hee was lastly strucke downe by William Walworth then Maior of the Citie, and worthily slaine for his notorious treasons. Againe, vpon Black-heath, Michael Ioseph, the Lord Dawbeny, with their Cornish Rebels, were ouerthrowne by King Henry the Seuenth, Anno 1497.

The government  
of Kent.  
Cæsar. Comment.

(11) Kent in the time of Iulius Cæsar was gouerned by foure seuerall Kings. Vnder Vortigern the Britaine, by a Lieutenant called Guorong, from whom the said King gaue it to Hengist the Saxon in fauor of his daughter Rowen, who seeking to make himselfe absolute King thereof, eight yeeres after his first entrance fought a victorious battle against the Britaines neere vnto Crayford, and thenceforth accounted that Prouince his owne. Yet afterward Vortimer the valiant Britaine gaue him battle at Aylesford: in the

The Earles of Kent.

The diuision of Kent.

which both Horsa and Catigern, brethren to both the Generals, were slaine, and the Saxons driuen into the Isle of Thanet, their first assigned habitation, not daring to enter the Continent so long as Vortimer liued. Catigerne was interred vpon that plaine, where to this day remaineth his Monument, being foure stones pitched in manner of the Stonehenge, and is vulgarly called Citscotehouse. The like Monument was of Horsa at Horsted, which stormes and time haue now deuoured. Hengist made this Prouince a Kingdome for himselfe and successours, which name and power it retained the space of three hundred and twenty yeeres, when Egbert King of the West-Saxons subdued and ioined it to his owne: in which subiection it stood vntill the time of the Normans. Then was it giuen vnder the title of an Earledome, by the Conquerour, vnto Otho Bishop of Bayeux his halfe-brother, whose successours in that dignitie were those most honorable Families, whose Armes and Names within this plot are blazed and expressed. It is diuided principally into fiue Lathes, subdiuided into 66. Hundreds, and them againe into 398. Parishes: and wherin had beene seated twenty three Religious Houses.

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LATHES DIUIDED into Hundreds, and Hundreds into Parishes.

Sutton.	Black heath. 7. Bromley, 2. Lesnes, 4. Axtane, 16. Rookesley, 15. Godsheath, 8. Westerham, 4. Somerden, 6.
Aylesford	Hoo, 5. Shamele, 11. Toltingtroe 6. Chetham, 3. Wortham, 4. Larkfield, 15. Littlefield, 3. Twiford, 6. Tunbridge 2. Watchlingstone, 5. West Banefield, Brenchley, 3. Marden, 2. Eyhorne, 13 Maidstone, 7.
Scray.	Mylton, 23. Tenham, 4. Feuersham, 17. Bocton, 4. Felboro, 5. Ghart, 9. Wye, 5. Byircholt, 1. Calehill, 8. Ashford, Blackeborne, 5. Tenderden, 1. Barkley, 1. Cranbrooke, 3. Roluelden, 2. Selbrightenden, 1. East Barnefield, 1. Newyndene  Ringsloe, 4. Blengate, 7. Whitestable, 3. Westgate 4. Do<wne>hamford, 6. Pre<ston>, 2.

S. Au= Bredge, 7.  
gustin. Kinghamforde, 5.  
Se<a> salter.  
W<y>ngam, 5.  
Eastry, 11.  
Corniloe 8.  
Bewesbrough, 13.  
Longport.  
Folkestane, 8.  
Loningboroe, 4.  
Stowting 5.  
Heane, 2  
Byrcholt fran. 2.  
S<t>reate, 3.  
Shep= Worth, 2.  
wey. Ham, 3.  
Langport, 1.  
S. Martin.  
Newchurch 4.  
Alowsbridge, 6.  
Oxney, 3.

## A

Acryse Shep.  
Acton, S<cra.>  
Addes<ham, Au.>  
Addi<ngton,>  
Ayles.  
Akkam, Shep.  
S. Albans, August.  
Aldington, Ayles.  
Aldington, Shep.  
Aldweeke, Shep.  
Alhallowes, Ayles.  
Alkham, Shep.  
Allington, Ayles.  
Allington Ayles.  
Cobham,  
Allington, Shep.  
All Saints, August.  
APPLEDORE Scray  
Ashe, August.  
Ashe, Sutton.  
ASHEFORD, Scray.  
Ashley, August.  
Asherst, Ayles.  
Aylesford, Ayles.  
Aynsford, Sutton.  
Aythorne. August.

## B

Badlesmere, Scray.  
Badsell, Ayles.  
Bapchild, Scraie.  
Barfrestone, August.  
Barham, August.  
Barkhart, Sutto.  
Barne, Shep.  
Barming, Ayles.  
Barnefield west, Ayles.  
Barnesale, August.  
Bartilmew bay, Aug.  
Bayham, Ayles.  
Beakesborne, August.  
Beanecroch, Ayles.  
Beawfield, August.  
Bedgebury, Scray.  
Beckenham, Sutto.  
Beere, August.  
Begham, Ayle.  
Becksborne, August.  
Belsington, Shep.  
Bempson, Scray.  
Benenden, Scray.  
Bentham brooke Flu.  
Bethersden, Scray.  
Bentham, Ayles.  
Betteshanger, August.  
Berham, Aug.  
Bersted Ayles.  
Berston August.  
Bewbridge, Scray.  
Bewles bridge, Scray.  
Bewl. flu.  
Bewtsfield August.

Bexley, Sutton.  
Bibrooke, Scray.  
Bichborow, Shep.  
Bicnor, Scray.  
Bidborow, Ayles.  
Biddenden, Scray.  
Biknore, Ayles.  
Bilsington, Shep.  
Bilsington course flu. Shep.  
Binbery, Ayles.  
Birchingston, August.  
Birling, Flu.  
Birling, Ayles.  
Bishopsborne, August.  
Bithborow, Shep.  
Blackmansburie, August.  
Blackmanston, Shep.  
Bleane, August.  
Bobbing, Scray.  
Bocton, Ayles.  
Bocton Malherbs. Ayles.  
Bocton a Luph, Scray.  
Bocton vnder Blean, Scray.  
Bonington, Shep.  
Bore place, Sutton.  
Borden, Scray.  
Borden, Ayles.  
Borham, Ayles.  
Bormersh, Shep.  
Borsfield, Scray.  
Bosholder, August.  
Boughton Malherb, Scray.  
Boughton Mouchelsay, Ayles.  
Bourdfield, Scray.  
Boxley, Ayles.  
Braborne, Shep.  
Braborne east, Scray.  
Braborne west, Scray.  
Bradborne, Sutton.  
Bradherst, Ayles.  
Brandbridge, Ayles.  
Brested Vpland, Sutton.  
The great Breach, Sut.  
Breach, Breach, Scray.  
Bredgar, Scray.  
Bredge East, Shep.  
Bregge, August.  
Brenchesley, Ayles.  
Breny, Shep.  
Brenset, Shep.  
Brethe, August.  
Bircholt, Scray.  
Bridge, August.  
Broad staires, Aug.  
Brooke, Scray.  
Brooke house, Sutton.  
Brookland, Shep.  
Bromefield, Ayles.  
Bromehill, Shep.  
BROMLEY, Sutton.  
Brompford, Scray.  
Broxam, Sutton.  
Buckland, Scray.  
Buckland, August.  
Buckwell, Scray.  
Burham, Ayles.  
Burtrash, Shep.  
Burton, Scray.  
Buston, Ayles.  
Buttesbridge, Shep.

## C

Cabons, Shep.  
Calehill, Scray.  
CANTERBVRY, August.  
Capell, Ayles.  
Capell, Shep.  
Capell fleet, Scray.  
Cartham, Scray.

Chafford, Ayles.  
 Chalke, Ayles.  
 Challocke, Scray.  
 Chapel  
   at streat, Shep.  
 Charing, Scray.  
 Charleton, Sutton.  
 Chalton, August.  
 Chart little, Scray.  
 Chart great, Scray.  
 Chart Ayles.  
 Chartham, Scray.  
 Chartham, August.  
 Chartham, Ayles.  
 Chelsfield, Sutton.  
 Chepsted, Sutton.  
 Cheriton, Shep.  
 Chetham, Ayles.  
 Cheuening, Sutton.  
 Chidingston, Sut.  
 Chilham, Scray.  
 Chillenden, August.  
 Chiselherst, Sutto.  
 Chilton, August.  
 Chistelet, August.  
 Choten Marsh, Scray.  
 S. Clement Shep.  
 S. Cleres, Ayles.  
 Cleaue, August.  
 Clobesden gate, Shep.  
 Clyffe, Ayles.  
 Cliffe west, August.  
 Cobham, Ayles.  
 Cobham hall, Ayles.  
 Cocks heath, Ayles.  
 Cockliscombe, Scray  
 Cockrell bridge Shep.  
 Colred, August.  
 Coshall, Scray.  
 Cokeing, August.  
 Comber west Sutto.  
 Combwell Scray.  
 Combdens hill, Scray.  
 Comford, Ayles.  
 Compherst, Ayles.  
 Cosmos bleane, Aug.  
 Cossenton, Ayles.  
 Cowden, Sutton.  
 Courseborne, Scray.  
 Court Lodge, Scray.  
 Cowdham Sutton.  
 Cowling, Ayles.  
 Cowling parke, Ayles.  
 Christchurch, August.  
 Craford, Sutton.  
 Cray North, Sutto.  
 Cray flu.  
 CRANBROOK, Scr.  
 Cranbrooke Scray.  
 Crocks, Ayles  
 Crog diepp, Scray.  
 Crundall, Scray.  
 Cuckstone, Ayles.

D

Darrent, Sutton.  
 Darrent flu.  
 DARTFORD, Sut.  
 Dauington, Scray.  
 Deale, August.  
 Deane, August.  
 Deane, Scray.  
 Dane court, August.  
 Denge Marsh. Shep.  
 Denge  
   Nasse, Shep.  
 Denhill, August.  
 Denton Ayles.  
 Denton Augu.  
 Dentdelion. August.  
 Deptford vpper. Sutton.  
 Deptford lower, Sutton.  
 Detling Ayles.  
 Dimchurch Shep.  
 Ditton Ayles.  
 Dodington Scray.

DOVER, Aug.  
Downe, Sutto.  
Small Aug.  
Downes,  
Dray, flu.  
Drome August.  
S. Dunstone August.

## E

Eastbridge, Shep.  
East church, Scray.  
Eastry August.  
Eastwell Scray.  
Ebbene Shep.  
Ebny Scray.  
Ebsfleet August.  
Ebridge Shep.  
course flu.  
Eden Sutto.  
Eden bridge Sutton.  
Edislay, Scray.  
Egerton Scray.  
Egerton Scray.  
Elmesley Scray.  
Elmested Shep.  
Elmestone August.  
Elsenham, Scray.  
ELTHAM, Shep.  
Eltham Sutton.  
S. Ens water, Shep.  
Epald-bay, Aug.  
Erith, Sut.  
Eseling, Scray.  
Eton-bridge, Sutton.  
Ey-bridge Ayles.  
Eyhorne, Ayles.  
Eynesford, Sutton.  
Eythorne.  
Euering, Shep.  
Ewell, August.  
Eych-borow, Shep.

## F

Fairefield, Shep.  
Eairelane, Ayles.  
Farleigh east, Ayles.  
Farleigh west, Ayles.  
Farneburgh Sutton.  
Farminham Sutton.  
Faulkeham, Sutton.  
Field, Scray.  
Fery, Scray.  
FEVARSHAM, Scray.  
Finchcolts, Scra.  
Finglesham, August.  
Fleet North, Ayles.  
Fleet Souh, Sutto.  
Flimwell, Scray  
Folkston, Shep.  
Forde, Ayles.  
Ford, August.  
Fordwich August.  
Footescray Sutton.  
Francks Sutton.  
Friendsbury, Ayles  
Frendsted, Ayles.  
Frenduile, August.  
Friers, Ayles.  
Frith North, Ayles.  
Frith South, Ayles.  
Frittenden, Scray.

## G

Gads hill.  
Genlad Flu.  
S. Giles, August.  
Githorne August.  
Gillingham Ayles.  
Goddonton, Scray.  
Goldgate bay Aug.  
Godmarsham, Scray.  
Godneston, Scray.  
Goldwell, Scray.  
Goodwinston, August.  
Gore court, Ayles.



Gore end, Aug  
Gotley, Scray.  
Gowdherst, Scray.  
Glassenbury, Scray.  
Grauenev, Scray.  
GRAVESEND, Ales.  
Greane Isle, Ayles.  
Greneb, Ayles.  
Grench, Ayles.  
Greenehill, Scray.  
Greehyth, Sutton.  
Greenewich east, Sutton.  
Greenwich west, Sutton.  
Greenway court, Ayles.  
Greystone bay, Aug.  
Grombride, Ayles.  
Groue fery, August.  
Groueherst, Scray.  
Guildford, Shep.  
Guston, August.

## H

Hadlow, Ayles.  
Hadlow place, Ayles.  
Haislath, Scra.  
Hakington, August.  
Haile, Ayles.  
High Halden, Scray.  
Halden parke, Scray.  
Halkwell, Ayles.  
Halling, Ayles.  
Halligrace, Scray.  
Halmested, Scray.  
Halsted, Sut.  
Halsted, Ayles.  
Halsto high, Ayles.  
Halstow, Scray.  
Ham, August.  
Ham, Shep.  
Harhaldowne, Aug.  
Harden vpper, August.  
Harden nether, August.  
Hardrese, Shep.  
Haresgate, Ayles.  
Hartesham, Ayles,  
Hartie, Scray.  
Hattley, Sut.  
Hartlip, Scray.  
Harwich, August.  
Hasting, Scray.  
Hastingleigh, Shep.  
Hatton, Scray.  
Haw, August.  
Hawborow, Shep.  
Hawkherst, Scray.  
Hawking, Shep.  
Hawling, Ayles.  
Hawtesborne.  
Hearne, August.  
Hearnehill, Scray.  
Hedcorne, Ayles.  
Hedcorne, Scray.  
Heden, August.  
Heys, Sut.  
Helling, Scray.  
Hempsted, Scray.  
Herne, August.  
Herst, Shep.  
Hersfield bridge, Scray.  
Heuer, Sut.  
Higham, Ayles.  
Hilden, Ayles.  
Hinwell, Scray.  
HITHE, Shep.  
Hithe west, Shep.  
Hoathe, August.  
Hockenberybridg, Scray.  
Hocket, Scray.  
Hollingborne, Ayle.  
Huo, Ayles.  
Honton, Ayles.  
Hope, Shep.  
Hope bay, Aug.  
Hornes, Shep.  
Horne place, Scray.  
Horsmonden, Ayles.

Horton kirby, Sutto.  
Horton, August.  
Horton monks, Shep.  
Hospital August.  
Hotbisbrough, Ayles.  
Hothefield, Scray.  
Hongham, August.  
Howfield, August.  
Howlets palace, August.  
Hucking, Ayles.  
Hungers hall, Ayle.  
Hunton, Ayles.  
Huntonford bridge, Ayles.

I

S. lames. Ayles.  
Ide-hill, Sut.  
Ifield, Ayles.  
Ightam, Ayles.  
Ileden, August.  
Ikham, August.  
S. Johns, August.  
Iuechurch, Shep.  
Iwade Scray.

K

Kellington August.  
Kemping Sut.  
Kennardington Scray.  
Kennington Scray.  
Kentbridge Scray.  
Kenthatch Sutton.  
Keston Sutton.  
Ketbrooke Sutton.  
Keuingtown, Sutton,  
Keuingtown Scray.  
Kingsdowne Sutton.  
Kingsdowne August.  
Kingsdowne Scray.  
Kings fery, Scray.  
Kingswoth Scray.  
Kingston, August.  
Kingswold August.  
Kitskots house, Ayles.  
Knell Sutton.  
Knowlton August.

L

Lamberherst, Ayles.  
Langden east, August.  
Langden west, August.  
Langley, Ayles.  
Langley, August.  
Langley, Sutton.  
Langport, August.  
Layborne, Ayles.  
Larkfield, Ayles.  
S. Laurence, August.  
Leden, August.  
Lee Sutton.  
Leedes Ayles.  
Lees court, Scray.  
Legges Flu, Ayles.  
LENHAM, Ayles.  
Leneham east, Scray.  
Leigh, 1. Sutton.  
Leigh 2. Sutton.  
Leisdon Scray.  
S. Leonard, Ayles.  
Lesnes. Sut.  
Leueland Scray.  
Lewsham, Sut.  
Lydde Shep,  
Lydden Shep.  
Lydsing Ayles.  
Lymne. Shep.  
Lymen. Flu.  
Lyming, Shep.  
Lyngell. Sut.  
Lingsted Scray.  
Lynton. Ayles.  
Littleborne. August.  
Longbeach Scray.  
Longfield Sut.  
Lone Ayles.

Loose Ayles.  
Louelace Scray.  
Luddenham Scray.  
Luddesdown Ayles.  
Lullingston Sut.

## M

MAIDSTONE, Ayles.  
Mays hill Scray.  
Martham fery Scray.  
Malling east Ayles.  
MALLING WEST, Ayles.  
Maplesdowne Sut.  
Marden Scray.  
Marden Ayles.  
Margaret bay, Aug.  
S Margaret Sut.  
S. Margaret August.  
S. Margaret Ayles.  
S. Margaret  
atcliffe August.  
S. MARY CRAY, Sut.  
S Mary Shep.  
S Mary Ayles.  
Marsham Scray.  
Marshland Flu, shep  
S Martine Shep.  
Martine August.  
Medway Flu.  
Mepeham Ayles.  
Mereworth Ayls.  
Meryam court, Ayles.  
Mersham Scray.  
Mersham Hatton Scray.  
Mersham Shep.  
Merston Ayles.  
Midley Shep  
Milgate Ayls.  
Mill hall Ayls.  
Milkhouse Scray.  
Milsted Scray.  
MILTON, Scray.  
Milton Ayles.  
Milton August.  
Minster Scray.  
Minster August.  
Mystole August.  
Mole Ayles.  
Molands August.  
Moldash Scray.  
Mongham great, August.  
Mongehan little, August.  
Mouckton Scray.  
Moncton August.  
Morants court, Sutton.  
Morston Scray.  
Mote Ayles.  
Moringham Sutton.  
Munchelsey Ayles.  
Munford Scray.  
Muttenden Ayles.  
Mylhall, Ayles.

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Nackington August.  
Nash Scray.  
Nash court August.  
Sharpe Scray.  
Nasse, Shire Scray.  
Nasse Peper Aug.  
Nasse, Swale Scray.  
Nasse, White Aug.  
Nasse, Faire Aug.  
Nasse, Shell Aug  
Nasse, Natington August.  
Nayland point, Aug.  
Netlested Ayles.

Nerhercourt August.  
Neuenham August.  
Newbridge Scray.  
Newchurch Shep.  
New eie flu. Shep.  
Newenden Scray.  
Newenton Scray.  
New-hauen Aug.  
Newington Shep.  
Newinham Scray.  
Newhyth Ayles.  
S. Nicholas August,  
S. Nicholas at wood, Aug.  
S. Nicholas Shep.  
Nokholt Sutton.  
Noninton August.  
Norborne August.  
North-forland, Aug.  
Norton Scray.  
Nowre head, Scray.  
Nutsted. Ayles.

O

Offam Ayles.  
Old wiues lease, Scray.  
Ollantigh Scray.  
Organsweke Shep.  
Orlaston Scray.  
Orlaston Shep.  
Orpinton Sutton.  
Orpinton Scray.  
Ospringe Scray.  
Oslen hanger, Shep.  
Otham Ayles.  
Otham Abby, Ayles.  
Ottesord Sut.  
Otterdon Scray.  
Oteringden Ayles.  
Ouerland August.  
Oure Scray.  
Outmeston August.  
Oxney Island Scray.  
Oxney August.  
Oxenhoath Ayles.

P

Paddlesworth Shep.  
Padlesworth Ayles.  
Palmers bay Aug  
Panscray Sut.  
Patriksborne August.  
Pecham east, Ayles.  
Pekham west, Ayles.  
Pedelsworth. Ayles.  
Pensherst Sut.  
Pepenbury Ayles.  
Pepingley Ayles.  
Pery Shep.  
Pet. Scray.  
S. Peters August.  
Petham August.  
Peuinton Scray.  
Pierling Ayles.  
Pluckley, Scray.  
Plumsted Sutton.  
Popeshall August.  
Postling Shep.  
Preston August.  
Preston Scray.  
Preston Ayles.  
Pryory. Shep.

Q

Queenborow Scray.  
Quekes August.

R

Radignudes August.  
Ramesgate August.  
Raynam Scray.  
Rauensborne Flu.  
Reculuer. August.  
Reding. Scray.  
Reuer August.  
Richborow August.

Ridley Sut.  
Riersh Ayles.  
Ringleton Aug.  
Rippley Aug.  
Riuers Aug.  
Riuer-hill, Ayles.  
ROCHESTER, Ayl.  
Rockins staires, Aug.  
Rodmersham, Scray.  
Royden hall, Ayles.  
Royton, Scray.  
Roking Shep.  
Rolling August.  
Roluinden Scray.  
Romden Scray.  
ROMNEY, Shep.  
Romney old, Shep.  
Rooksley, Sutton.  
Rother flu.  
Ruckyng Shep.  
Rugmerhill Ayles.  
Rusborne August.  
Ryde, Scray,

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All Aug.  
Saints, Aug.  
Saltwood Shep.  
Sandherst Scray.  
Sandhill Scray.  
Sandowne August.  
Sandpit Scray.  
SANDWICH, Aug.  
Sangate Shep.  
Sard Scray.  
Scadbery Sutton.  
Scadbury Ayles.  
Scale Sutton.  
Scelling Shep.  
Scotney Scray.  
Scots hall, Shep.  
Seabrooke flu. Shep.  
Seale Sutto.  
Seasalter August.  
Sednor Scray.  
Selling Scray  
Sellingder Shep  
SEVENOKE, Sut.  
Seuington Scray  
Sewards Scray  
Shaddockherst. Shep.  
Shaddockherst Scray.  
Shansford. Scray.  
Sharsted Scray.  
Sheyborne ruscall, Ayles.  
Sheluing August.  
Shelwiche Scray.  
Sheppey Island Scray.  
Shete flu,  
Shety course flu, Shep.  
Shiborne Ayles  
Shepway crosse, Shep.  
Shod, flu.  
Sholdon Aug.  
1 Shorland Scray.  
2 Shorland Scray.  
Shone Ayles.  
Shoram Sutto.  
Shooters Hill.  
Shotenden Scray.  
Shurte Aug.  
Sibertswood Aug.  
Sidbrooke flu. Shep.  
Sissingherst Scray.  
SITTINBORNE, Scray.  
Sittinborne little, Scray.  
Smallbrook flu. Ayles.  
Smallhead Aug.  
Smalhythe Scray.  
Smarden Scray.  
Smeeth Shep  
Snargat Shep.  
Snaue Shep.  
Snotheland Ayles.  
Socombe Scray.  
Southe Ayles.

Spelherst Ayles.  
 Spelmendon Ayles.  
 Speringbrooke flu. Shep.  
 Spilspill Scray.  
 Stallisfeild Scray.  
 Stanford, Shep.  
 Stanford Scray.  
 Stanstead Ayles.  
 Stansted Shep.  
 Staple August.  
 Staplegate August.  
 Stapleherst Scray.  
 Stare August.  
 Starborrow, Sut.  
 Stelling Shep.  
 S. Stephens August.  
 Stile bridge, Ayles.  
 Stoake Ayles.  
 Stodmarsh August.  
 Stoke, Ayles.  
 Stokeburie Ayles.  
 Stokeberie Scray.  
 Stone Sut.  
 Stone Ayles.  
 Stone Shep.  
 Stone-end, Shep.  
 Holme Shep.  
 Stone, Shep.  
 Stone Scray.  
 Stone bay, Aug.  
 Stoner August.  
 Stoningley Ayles.  
 Stowmarch August.  
 Stowre Flu.  
 Stouting Shep.  
 Stroud Ayles.  
 Sturrey August.  
 Sturmouth August.  
 Sturtmarsh Scray.  
 Stutstall Shep.  
 Sundrich Sut.  
 Surrenden Scray.  
 Sutton August.  
 Sutton at home Sutton.  
 Sutton east, Ayles.  
 Sutton valance, Ayles.  
 Swalecliffe August.  
 The east Swale, Aug.  
 Swanscombe Sut.  
 Swingfield Shep.

## T

Tannington August.  
 Taperegge Ayles.  
 Tenham Scray.  
 Tenterden Scray.  
 Teston Ayles.  
 Thanet Isle, August.  
 Themote Ayles.  
 Thorneham Ayles.  
 Throwly Scray.  
 Tilmaston Scray.  
 Tilmeston August.  
 Tokingham Scray.  
 Tong Scray.  
 Torne Ayles.  
 Towne Scray.  
 Tremworth, Scray.  
 Trottscliffe Ayles.  
 Tudesey Ayles.  
 Tudenham Scray.  
 TVNBRIDGE Ayles.  
 Tunford August.  
 Tunstall Scray.  
 Tutsham Ayles.  
 Turuey staires, Aug.  
 Twydall Ayles.  
 Twidley Ayles.  
 Twyford bridge, Ayles.  
 The Twist, Ayles.  
 Twytham August.

## V

Vddenham bridge, Scray.  
 Vintners Ayles.  
 Vicombe Scray.

Vlcombe Ayles.  
Vpchurch Scray.  
Vpnor Ayles.

## W

Watchorne Shep.  
Waldershare August.  
Wallingford course flu.  
Walmer August  
Waltham Shep.  
Waltham August.  
Wantsume Flu.  
S. Warburge  
    alias Hoo Ayles.  
Wardon Scray.  
Warehorne Scray.  
Wattringburie Ayles.  
Waies end, Shep.  
East Weare, Shep.  
Weeke Ayles.  
Well. August.  
Well place Sut.  
Welles Scray.  
Wellstreat Sut.  
Westbere Aug.  
Westcliffe Aug.  
West court Aug.  
West gate Aug.  
Westenhanger Shep.  
Westheath Shep.  
Westram Sut.  
Westre Ayles  
Westwell Scray.  
Whetsted Ayles  
Whitestable Aug.  
Whoornes place: Ayles.  
Witcheling Ayles.  
Wickham east Sut.  
Wickham west, Sut.  
Wickham brux Aug.  
Widerton Aug.  
Wigmere Aug.  
Wigsell Scray.  
Willesbrough Scray.  
Wilmington Scray.  
Willnington Sut.  
Wimyngswold Aug.  
Wingham Aug.  
Witham Ayle.  
Wittap Shep.  
Wittresham Shep.  
Witrisham Scray.  
Woldham Ayle.  
Wolwich Sut.  
Wood Aug.  
Woodchurch Scray.  
Woodfalls Ayles.  
Woodland Sut.  
Woodnesborow, Aug.  
Wotton Aug.  
Worth Aug.  
Wormshill Ayle.  
WROTHAM, Ayles.  
WYE, Scray.  
Wye court Scray.

## Y

Yaldam Ayles.  
Yalding Ayles.  
Yotes Ayles.

<Speed's atlas is an impressive, important piece of work. It was reprinted at least twice during his lifetime (he died in 1629), and translated into Latin by Philemon Holland (STC 23044, published in 1616) for the benefit of foreign readers. This file is a copy of the letterpress printed on the back of Speed's map of Kent. When the map is folded down the middle, it becomes a quire of two leaves. On the first recto, numbered '7', is a short description of the county, largely derived (as one would expect it to be) from Lambard's 'Perambulation'. (From the page references, it is clear that Speed was using the second edition (1596).) On the second verso, numbered '8', is a list of laths and hundreds, boiled down from Lambard's list of resident JPs (1596:28–32), followed by an alphabetical list of place-names, riddled with mistakes and duplications. This is feeble stuff: Speed is not to be regarded as a reliable source of information about Kent. I have collated some of the subsequent editions (including the Latin translation); the differences do not seem significant enough to make it worth posting those files. – C.F. December 2010.>