Remarks on Domesday Map.

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The scale (viz., four miles to the inch) is too small for aiming at more than proximate accuracy. It is hoped that persons with local knowledge will take up their own neighbourhoods and complete them on a larger scale.

It shows the civil parishes as they stood in 1888, after recent re-adjustments made for administrative purposes.

It must be remembered that now the modern parish does not coincide in area with the ancient, and that often both differ from the manorial areas of Domesday—a survey which knew nothing of parishes, being then purely ecclesiastical partitions.

The map omits the parishes of Chelvey (442 acres), of Holwell (ceded to Dorset), of Pensford, and of Draycott, an area made up of Cheddar and Stoke.

Domesday omits (see Eyton, vol. i, 220):-

Dodington.

Barwick by Yeovil, probably included in some other estate.

Chilton Cantelo, probably included in Mudford.

Kelston by Bath, belonging to Shaftesbury Abbey.

Wellow—broken into sub-manors, e.g., Whiteoxmead, and partly included in the 20 hides attached to Bath borough. Kilmersdon.

The following classes of manors are not coloured in the map:—

1. Those that are sub-divided into several tenures, e.g. ...

Buckland St. Mary, 2 lords. Stogumber ... 5 ,, Babcary ... 5 ,, Stoneaston ... 3 ,, Lopen ... 3 ,,

2. Those held by great lords whose holdings in the shire were too small for a separate tint ... Elm. Chilcompto Seaborough

4. Those held by grantees whose tenures were too scattered, or their total too small to demand separate coloring, e.g.

Harding, son of Elnoth.
Drogo de Montagu.
Aluric, son of Brihtric.

The place-names follow the modern spelling.

