The History of the Taxes from the Northern Invasion to the Revolution

William the Conqueror

All We know of this King's Revenues is that He had an exact Survey made of the whole Kingdom, dividing every County, Hundred, and Wapentake, into Hides and Ploughed Lands, which comprehended a fixed number of Acres as Arable, Meadow, Pasture, Common, Wood, Marsh &c. this was all taxed according to its respective value, and in like manner, Cities, Towns, Boroughs and Villages had all their respective Rates.

Besides these He had possessions in every County; He extorted great sums of money, Jewels &c. from the People, and during His Reign many Taxes on Danegeld and on Hides and Ploughed Lands were imposed at one, two and six Shillings the Hide.

Besides the Taxes of Hidage, Quit Rents, Licences for Marriages, &c. Tolls, Customs &c. which according to Ordericus amounted to £1060,, 30,, 1½. per day, which is above £387,000. a year, which pound was at that time a pound weight of Silver.

Besides, His Annual Revenue consisting of Old Demesne Lands, Fines, Wardships, Forfeitures, Oblata in the King's Courts &c. which must be reckoned at three times as much; so that the whole would amount to £1,548,000. which considering the difference of things then and now may be computed equal to ten times that sum.

William Rufus

He also raised great sums in an arbitrary manner, and in the 9.th year of His Reign levied ~~[illegible]~~ shillings on every Hide of Land throughout the Kingdom.

Henry I.

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Besides innumerable extortions this King had a settled Revenue of one Shilling per Hide and in the 10th Year of his Reign he imposed six Shillings upon every Hide (some say three Shillings) for the Marriage of his Daughter Maud to the Duke of Saxony.

Brady computes this Tax of three Shillings to have amounted to £824,850. according to the present value of money.

Henry is supposed to have left at his death £100,000. in Specie besides, Gold, Silver, and Jewels.

Stephen.

We have no particular Account of his Revenue though his whole Reign appears to have been a continual Scene of Plunder and Exactions

Henry II.

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In the first Year of his Reign levied a Tallage or Donum of the Jews, some specimens of which remain; for we find the Jews of Lincolnshire paid £40. those of Oxfordshire 20. Marks, and those of Cambridgeshire 50. Marks.

In the second Year of his Reign a Scutage amounting to 20s. per Knight's fee or £124,000. was raised, Sir Robert Cotton calls it but £102,000.

In the fifth Year a Scutage at two Marks per Knight's fee besides a Donum of those who held not by Military Tenure amounting ~~to~~ 124,000.

This was pounds of Silver, which reduced to our Standard of 5s. an Ounce comes to £400,000.

In the seventh Year a Scutage of two Marks per fee, the Number of Knight's fees in England are said to have amounted to 60,000. that makes £80,000.

In the eighth Year another Scutage at two Marks according to some one Mark a Knight's fee.

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In the twelth Year two pence per pound was laid on all Arrable Lands, and Cities also on Goods, Houses, and Employments, and one pence in the pound for four Years after, towards the Holy War, Sir Robert Cotton makes this one Shilling in the pound.

The Parliamentary History makes this 2s. in the pound and one penny for the 4. Years following.

In the 14th. Year there was a Scutage for the Marriage of the King's Daughter Maud at one Mark per fee and Danegeld of those that held by Soccage valued by the Hide.

In the 18th. there was a Scutage for the Irish Army of 20s. the Knights fee,

In the 33d. the King levied his 7th. Scutage for the Irish army of 20s. a Knights fee.

The same Year, he took the 4th. part of Chattels from the Jews by way of Tallage.

The 35th. Year the King levied a tenth on all Movables throughout the Kingdom,

In what Year viz. 1149. the King dying left £100,000. or £900,000. for Mat. Paris mentions both sums in Gold & Silver, besides plate & Jewels.

The Price of Provisions During this Reign.

Wheat made into bread for one Meal for

100. Men	1s.
a fat Ox	3.
a fat Cow	0. 6d.
a fat Sheep	0. 4.
a fat Hen	0. ½
a Knights Provender for 20. Horses	0. 4.
Value of an ounce of Silver	1. 6.

Richard I.

In the 1st Year of his Reign the King exacted a large benevolence under the title of Alms for the Holy War, he had also a Scutage of 20s on every Knights Fee.

In the 5th Year during the King's absence the 4th part of all Rents was levied and the 4th part of Moveables and 20s for every Knights Fee besides all the Wool from the Cistercian Monks; he also took Hidage which he called Tenemental at 2s every Plough and the 3d part of Scutage.

In the 10th Year the King had 5s from every Hide.

Hubert Chief Justice of England desiring to be dismissed from his charge in 1196. makes it appear that he had raised within 2. Years 1,100,000. Marks equal 300,000 £ modern Money, of which 140,000. Marks of Silver equal to 100,000 £ present, was for the Kings Ransom; this is said to have been the Money spent in 6. Years during the War.

N. B. I omit purposely during all these early Reigns those Taxes the most of which were late

we are totally ignorant of, such as Burgbote Brigbote, Herefare, & Heregeld; also Danegeld & Storngeld, and to these the many other exactions, and arbitrary impositions laid upon the People.

Price of Provisions

Wheat was scarce during this Reign. the quarter selling at 13 s. 4 d. £14. 8

the Pound of Silver was at this time a pound weight & equal to £3. Sterling

John.

In the 1st Year of this King's Reign there was an escuage of 2. Marks per fee.

In the 2d Year 3s of every Plough

In the 3d Year another scutage of 2. Marks, and the fortieth part of the Revenue of the Clergy and Laity besides a tenth that he imposed for the Crusade.

In the 4th Year a scutage of 2. Marks each fee and a seventh of the Moveables of the Barronage and Clergy.

In the 5th Year he had a Doneum from the Prelates and a scutage of 2 Marks per Fee

In the 6th & 7th Years he had the same scutage each Year.

In the 8th Year a scutage of 20s. per Fee and a 30th part of their Moveables.

In the 9th he took the 10th of all Moveables and seizing the Concubines of the Clergy extorted a great sum for their redemption.

In the 11th Year he forced the Clergy to pay £140,000. ~~[illegible]~~ and the Jews 66,000. Marks.

In the 12th Year a scutage of 2. Marks per Fee and £22,000. from the Cistercian Monks.

In the 13th Year there was a scutage of 20s. for the Army in Scotland, and one of 2. Marks per Fee for the Troops in Wales.

In the 14th Year the King exacted from the Clergy 400. Marks.

In the 16th a scutage of 3. Marks per Fee. died the next Year ~~[illegible]~~ the King ~~[illegible]~~ so that there were but three Years free from grievous exactions and impositions, of which there may have been still more than we have

mentioned, for Matthew Paris and other Historians specify several different from the above; but as they are placed in the same Year, we rather take them to be variations of the same Tax.

Price of Provisions in his Kings Reign.

French Wine per Tun from 1. L to 1.. 5. L

Wheat in the first 4. Years of this Reign very scarce and sold per quarter from 12. s to 13.. 4.

Henry III.

Anno 2.d Scutage of 2. Marks per Fee

3.d A Tallage on the Jews of 2.s in the 5.th of every Ploughd Land.

4.th one Scutage at 10.s and another at 2. Marks per Fee.

6.th 2.s per Plough and half a Mark per day on the Clergy; this is in the record called a Voluntary subsidy

9.th 2.s Carriage of every Plough, 2. Mark per Fee, and a 15.th of Moveables and Revenues of Boroughs

10.th a 15.th of Moveables from Clergy and Laity

Anno 11th. The Parliament granted a 15th and afterwards a 40th of all Moveables, upon his confirming Magna Charta

12th A 15th from the Clergy, the same from the Boroughs, besides other sums he made them pay, as 5,000. Marks from London 1200. from Northampton &c. then having recourse to the mean expedient of changing his seal he forced them all to take out new Grants which they paid for exorbitantly.

14th A Scutage of 2. Marks per Fee was on raising new Levies for the Wars abroad, which was one Man per Hide or Plough Land furnished with a Battle Axe and Victuals, and taking money in lieu of service from those that did not attend; thus we find William de Mortreuil paid 100. Marks for being excus'd going to Gascony.

15th A Scutage was levied of 3. Marks per Fee besides a large sum from the Clergy and Jews.

17th A Scutage of 2. per Fee and a 40th part of Moveables

18th A Scutage of 20s. per Fee.

20th A Carucage of Marks per Plough Land &c

Anno 22d. The 30th part of all Movables.
23d. A Scutage of 2s. per Fee.
24th. A 15th of all Movables and a 3d part of the Debts due to the Jews.
25th. 20,000. Marks from the Jews.
26th. A Scutage of 40s. per Fee besides an Aid from the Premonstratensian and Cisterciar Monks.
27th. 20,000. Marks from the Jews, great contributions from London.
28th. He imposed a Pallage and the Parliament granted 20s. per Fee for the Marriage of the Kings Daughter.
29th. Scutage of 20s. per Fee, & London pay 1500. Marks.
30th. Scutage of 40s. per Fee for the Siege of Glanvil Castle.
34th. He erected great rams of Many of the Boroughs by the name of Jews Gifts.
36th. He imposed a Pallage to be levied yearly by the name of Cornagium.
37th. The Clergy granted a 10th of their Ecclesiastical Revenues for 3. Year and the Laity a Scutage at 3. Marks per Fee

Anno The same Year a Vingtieme was levied amounting to £31,448..17..10½.

38th. The Londoners paid £5000. Marks.

40th. The Londoners paid £3000. Marks, the Jews £1000. and forced the Religious Houses to pay a debt, owing to the Pope of £250,000.

41st. The Londoners again paid £5000. Marks.

42d. A Scutage of 40s. Likewise an Aid levied on the whole Kingdom.

44th. The Clergy paid the 30th. part of their Goods.

48th. The Clergy were assessed a 10th. of all Church Revenues for 6. Years.

51st. The 20th. penny from the City and a general of a 15th. of all Goods.

54th. The 30th. penny over all England

Price of Provisions in this Reign.

Wheat sold very unequally when very Cheap at 2s. and 3s..4d. per Quarter; when dear at 12s. 13s. 4d and 16s. per Quarter; when excessive dear at £1..4s. per Quarter and during a great famine in 1270. at 16s. the Bushel and £4..16. the Quarter.

When Wheat was Cheap Barley and Pease were at 2s. at

Quarter, & Oats at 1s.
A good Horse 10s.
We find also that 3. good Horses & 2. Asses and a Cart were valued at £2. 10.
Also we find 3. Horses and 35. Hogs valued at 10.
By Henry VIII. A price of Bread. the price of Bread is set from 1d to 12d. a Quarter, also that when a Quarter of Wheat sold at 7s. or 3s. 6. a Quarter of Barley at 20d. or 2s. a Quarter of Oats for 4d. that then the City Brewers were to sell two Barrels of Ale or Beer for 1d. and those out of Cities 3. or 4. Gallons for 1d. further it is there declared that an English penny called a Sterling round and without Clipping (which shows Clipping was then in fashion) was to weigh 32. Wheat Corns in the midst of the Eare, 20. of these made an ounce, 12. ounces a Pound, 8. Pounds a Gallon of Wine, 8. Gallons a London Bushel and 8 Bushels a Quarter.

Edward I.

During the two first Years He had no Parliament, but in his first Year He imposed a Capitation Tallage and the Clergy granted a tenth of their Revenue.

Anno 2d. He had a Tallage of 5000. Marks on the Jews

3d. The Parliament granted him a fifteenth

He also laid a Tax on the Jews of 5s. a Head.

5th. A tenth of all Ecclesiastical benefices for six Years during which time we find the Diocese of Canterbury paid £5,125. 5s. 4d.

The Laity also granted the 12th part of their goods for the Welch War.

7th. A Scutage of 40s. per Fee.

8th. A fifteenth of the Clergy for 3 Years

11th. The Clergy granted a 20th and the Laity 30th for the Welch War

12th. He had the 30th penny of all Movables

13th. A Scutage of 40s. per Fee.

15th. He extorted £7,000. from the Jews.

17th. He had a Tax on Movables, half of the Clergy, a 6th of the Citizens and a 10th of the Rest of the Kingdom.

18th. He had a fifteenth of Movables, the Clergy gave a 10th & the Laity a fifteenth penny.

Anno 20. He had by the Pope's grant the 10th of the Revenue of the Clergy for 6. Years.

22. The Clergy granted a Moiety of their benefices and goods to be paid at 3. different times, the Laity granting a tenth of their Moveables, the City of London a 6th part.

23. The Clergy gave a 10th the Citizens a 7th & the other an 11th of their Moveables.

24th He had a 12th from the Laity and an 8th from those under his old Demesnes.

26th The Clergy gave a 10th of their Revenue

27th & fifteenth of Moveables from the Laity

33. He had the 30th penny on all Moveables from the Clergy and Laity, & the 20th from the Citizens and Burgesses for the Scotch War.

34th He had the same as above for the Scotch War, & for the Kingthood of his Eldest Son unless they had different Taxes the same Year, what is difficult to ascertain from the clashing accounts of different authors. About this time also the Parliament granted him a fifteenth

Price of Provisions during Edward I. Reign

Wheat sold from 1s. to 6s. & then very scarce at 16s. per Quarter; Barley at 5s. in the North West parts of England at 6d. per quarter.

Oats at 2s. in the North West parts at 4d. per quarter.

Rye at 5s. per quarter; Beans & Peas at 2s. 6d. per Quarter.

In 1299. the Price of the following Birds were fix'd by an Act of Common Council

A fat Cock or 2. Pullets each	1½d
A Capon	2½.
A Goose	4½.
A Mallard or Partridge each	1½.
A Pheasant	4
A Heron	6.
A Plover	1.
A Crane	1s. 0d.
A Swan	5s.
Two Wood Cocks	1½.

& 3. Years after

Wheat per Quarter	4s. 0
Peas Do.	2. 6.
Oats	2. 0
Malt Ground	3. 4
A Bull	7. 4.
A Cow	6. 0.
a Fat Sheep	4. 0.
a Goose	4.
a Capon at 2d. & a Cock or Hen at 1½.	

In the 1300. the 28th of Edward I.
A pound of Silver compos'd of 11 oz. 2 parts of fine
& 18 dwts of Alloy was worth 20s. 3d. & an ounce
was 1s. 6d. 1/4.

Edward II.

Anno 1st The Earls, Barons, Knights, a 20th of their Movables
The Clergy a 15th & the Cities, Boroughs, &
Tenants of the Antient Demesnes the same.
2d The 25th of the Movables of the Laity, &
the King impos'd 2s. above the Antient Customs
on the goods of strangers Merchants.
7th We find in a manuscript a 20th part of Movables
from the Laity, & a 15th from Cities & Boroughs.
9th In the same M. S. a 15th of all Cities & Boroughs
besides an aver'd Tax for the Scotch Wars
from every other Town.
10th From the same M. S. the Towns on being
excused furnishing Men pay a 16th of their
Movables.
11th From the M. S. an impost of greater
Custom lay'd on Merchandize for a certain
time by way of loan.
12th A Donum granted for the Wars from
the M. S. the 15th part of Movables from
the Laity.
13th A Papal grant of the 10th of Ecclesiastical
Revenues

Anno 15th The 10th of all Goods & the 6th part from the Citizens, Burgesses &c. of the Antient Demesnes.

16th He had a great Subsidy from the Temporality besides a Tax on the Clergy, both unknown.

Price of Provisions during this Reign appear nearly the same as in the former; so that we shall only take notice of some Articles not then mentioned

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A Tun of Wine	2.. 3.. 7.
good Ale per Gallon	2.
the Best kind	4.
a Hog about	3.. 6.
a Stall'd Ox	1.. 4.. 0.
a Grass Ox	16.. 0.
a Stall'd Cow	12.. 0.
four Pidgeons	1.
an Acre of Arable Land	3.
an Acre of Pasture	1
an Acre of Meadow	3.
a Pair of Shoes	4.

Wheat was so scarce in 1317. that it sold at 30s & at one time at £2.. 4 the Quarter

Anno 6.th Edward III.

M. S. A fourteenth of Movables & a ninth of Income of all Citys & Burroughs in the King's Demesnes; but the same Years the King at the request of Parliament gave up the aforesaid Tax, & receiv'd in lieu of it a tenth of the Personal Estates of Citys & Boroughs, & a fifteenth from the Bishops, Lords & Knights of the Shires

*M. S. & Pol.

8.th He had a fifteenth of the Counties & a tenth from the Citys Boroughs & Clergy

10.th The same Tax was paid by Laity & Clergy Besides which a Tax of 40 s. per sack was laid on all Wool exported; but 3 £ if by Foreigners.

11.th A three Years tenth from the Clergy & a ~~tenth from~~ the Laity, & a fifteenth from Citizens & Burghers.

12.th The Laity granted half their Wool throughout the Kingdom, & the Clergy 9 marks for every sack. The Parliament also granted a ~~twentieth~~ tenth of all Movables of Towns; the Clergy gave a tenth for two Years, & all holding of the King in Capite that declin'd going with him to France were taxed according to their Estates, some ~~at~~ £100, some ~~at~~ £200 each

Anno. 13.th The King had a grant of the 10.th sheaf,
M.S. the 10.th Fleece, & the 10.th lamb; this the Parliamentary History confines to the King's Demesnes.
M.S. He likewise receiv'd a subsidy the same Year of 30,000. sacks of Wool; the Maritime Parts were forc'd to furnish a Navy, & the Inland one's to serve or raise Men for the Defence of the Kingdom.
M.S. 14.th The King had ~~the 9.th sheaf~~ the 9.th Fleece, & the 9.th Lamb; & the 9.th part of Movables from Citys & Boroughs; Foreign Merchants also paid the 19.th of their goods, & those that did not reside in Citys & Towns, with all People that liv'd in Forests, Wastes, Beggars, & Slaves excepted, were to pay a 15.th of their Movables; likewise a Subsidy of 40s. on every sack of Wool, as much on every Wool Fells; 4. on every last of Leather, besides an additional tax on all exported Merchandize.
Lastly the Clergy gave a 10.th for three Years
M.S. 15.th The ~~aforesaid~~ 9.th sheaf, Fleece & Lamb was given up by the King for the second Year, who had in lieu of it a grant of 30,000. sacks of Wool.

Anno. 24th. M.S. The Clergy granted a 10th for three Years, the Laity two tenths & two fifteenths.

M.S. 21st The Parliament gave two fifteenths, with a strong declaration setting forth the many impositions lay'd by the King without the consent of Parliament.

M.S. 22d. The Commons having enter'd the same complaint granted three fifteenths to be levy'd in three Years, for the War alone & under several other conditions.

N.B. the subsidy of 40s. on a sack of Wool

H. of Taxes p. 108. is computed in this Parliament at 60,000 £ a Year

M.S. 25th The Commons granted three tenths to be levy'd in three Years on condition no other Tax should be laid during that time.

27th A subsidy of Wool Leather & Wool Fells is granted for 3. Years provided the War continued so long & for that only.

M.S. 29th A subsidy of Wool of 50s. each Sack exported & 40s. of every last of Hides for 6. Years

36th Besides the former subsidy 26s. 8d. on every sack of Wool.

M.S. 38th 4. for every last of Hides

42d. A subsidy for 2. Years of 36s. 8d. on every sack of Wool, & every 12. score of Wool Fells

& £4. for every last of Leather.

43d. Another Subsidy on Wool & leather for 3. Years viz. 4s. 4d. for every sack of Wool exported by Denizens, the same for every 12. score of Wool Fells, but by Strangers 5s. 4d. for every last of leather exported by Denizens £4. by Foreigne £5. 6s. 8.

45th. A Subsidy of £6. 16. from every Parish amounting to £50,000. besides which the Clergy granted £50,000. more for 3. Years for carrying on the War.

M. S.

46th. The Former Subsidy of Wool, Wool Fells, & Hides, granted for 2. Years more & a Tunnage & Poundage, viz. 2s. on every Tun of Wine, & 6d. ~~for every~~ per Pound on Merchandize with a fifteenth on Moveables.

47th. A grant of two fifteenths to be levy'd in 2. Years, the War continuing, & the aforesaid Subsidys of Wool, Wool Fells, Tunnage & Poundage continu'd for 2. Years longer.

50th. The same Subsidy on Wool, Wool Fells & leather, for 3. Years longer.

51. A Poll Tax granted of 4d. on every person
Beggars excepted above 14.

Price of Provisions
during this King's Reign

Wheat when Plenty, sold per quarter at 3s. 4d. – 2s.
& Barley & Oats at 10d. & Pease at 1s.
But when very dear Wheat at 1l. & 1l. 6s. 8d.
Barley at 16s. 4d. & Oats at 8s.
A fat Ox at 6l. 4s. 8s. sometimes 4s.
A fat Cow at 5s. & even 1s.
a Fat Sheep at 4s. & 6s.
a Ewe at 3d. a Lamb at 2d.
a Hog at 5d. a Fat Hog 18d.
a Pig 1d.
A fat Goose 2d.
a fat Hen 1d. two others for the same price.

Richard II.

Anno 1. M. 1. two fifteenths over England, & two tenths within Cities & Boroughs, the Parliament also granted a Poll Tax to be rais'd according to the different ranks viz a Duke 10. Marks, an Earl £4. every Baron or Knight 40s. an Esquire 20s. every Gentleman 4. 7. d besides a great many other distinctions, & every Man Marry'd or every Man & Women can marry'd except Beggars above ~~twelve~~ sixteen ~~4.~~ d.

2.d A Subsidy on Wool, Wool Fells & Hides for 3. Years for every Sack of Wool £40. Wool Fells £3. 4d exported by Denizens, by Strangers £4. Marks, for every last of Leather by Denizens £6. 6s. by Strangers 6. Marks, besides a 2s. ~~prisage~~ tunnage & 6d. poundage for 1. Year.

3. The Parliament granted a fifteenth & half over England & a tenth & half in Cities & Boroughs for the Expedition into Bretany; also the Subsidy on Wool, Wool Fells & Leather, continu'd for a Year.

4th. A Poll tax granted of 3. groats on every
H. 5. person above 15.

5th. The aforesaid Subsidy of Wool Wool Fells
& Hides continued for 4. Years, & a tenth
& fifteenth granted; besides the
former Tunnage & Poundage for
the French.

6th. A grant of a fifteenth & tenth

7th. two fifteenths & a moiety of a tenth
& fifteenth granted at different times.
also a free Gift of a tenth from the
Clergy.

10th. The Parliament gave a fifteenth
on Temporal & half a tenth on
Spirituals, & a Tunnage & Poundage
of 3s. per Tun, & 1s. per Pound.

11th. A tenth & fifteenth besides the
former Tunnage, Poundage,
& Subsidy on Wool &c.

12th. The King raised a tenth from
the Clergy & a fifteenth from the
Laity.

N.B. it does not appear by the Rolls
that there was any Parliament sitting this
Year

13th. A subsidy on Wool &c. viz. £1.13.4. for every Sack of Wool, & 240. Wool Fells

14th. The subsidy on Wool &c. continued & half a tenth from the Clergy & a fifteenth from the Laity granted.

15th. Half a tenth & half a fifteenth & one tenth & fifteenth conditionaly.

16th. Half a tenth by the Clergy, half a fifteenth by the Laity, with the former subsidys of Tunnage, Poundage, Wool &c. for 1. Year viz £2.4. from Denizens for every Sack from Aliens £1.16.4. for every last of Hides £3.13.4. from Aliens, for every 240. Wool Fells from Denizens £1.13.4. from Aliens £1.16.4. & a Tun of Tunnage.

17th. The same subsidy on Wool for 3. Years with Tunnage of 3s. on every Tun & a 1s. poundage besides a fifteenth from the Laity & a tenth from the Clergy

21st. The Commons granted the former subsidy on Wool &c. for life with one tenth & fifteenth & half a tenth & fifteenth

Price of Provisions

Wheat when cheap sold at 2s. & 4s per quarter; when dear at 13s. 14s. & 16s. 8d.

Barley at the cheapest time at 1s. & 2s.

& Peose at 1s.

White wine per Gallon at 6d.

Red Wine at 4d.

a Stone of Wool at 7s. 2s. & 1s. 8d.

Price of Labour by the Year

a Carter or Shepherd 10s.

a Oxherd 6s. 8d.

a Plough Man 7s.

a Women Labourer 6s.

a Dairy Women 6s.

a Pound of Silver of 16 dwts alloy to 2 oz. 2 dwts fine valu'd at 25s. an Ounce at 2s. 1d.

Henry IV.

Anno. 6. He receiv'd a grant of a fifteenth & tenth & half a fifteenth & tenth

Likewise a Subsidy on Wool, Wool Fells & Skins for 2 Years 4s. 4d. per Sack, & 240. Woolfells & 5. per Last by Denizens; Aliens pay'd 10s. more on Wool, & 6s. 8d. more on Skins

Also 3s. Tunnage & 1s. pounage

Ph. 1. There was likewise granted a Subsidy of 20s. on every £20. rent

Annoq. 4th. The Wool tax &c. continu'd, &

Ph. 5. a fifteenth & tenth granted

9th. a fifteenth & tenth & half a fifteenth & tenth for 2. Years

11th. The same Subsidy granted & the

Ph. 5. Wool Tax continu'd.

13th. The same Subsidy again repeated with an additional sum of 6s. 8d on every pound of value w rent.

Price of Provisions during this Reign

Wheat per quarter 16s.
11. Bushels of Sowing Wheat 5s. 10½d.
For 16 Bushels of Sowing Oats 4s. 6d.
An Ox 14s. 4d.
a Cow 5s.
a Calf. 1s. 6d
a Thatchers wage per day 2d.
a New Dung Cart the old materials 3s. 2d.
Cart Wheels 1s. 2d.

Henry V.

Anno 1. The Subsidys of Wool &c. & Tunnage
M.S. & Poundage Continued for 4. Years.
2d. The Parliament granted two tenths
& two fifteenths on the Laity.
3d. The aforesaid Subsidys &c. granted
during life with this difference that
M.S. allens were to pay 4s. for every sack
of Wool; there was was likewise
a fifteenth & tenth granted.
4th. Two tenths & two fifteenths on
the Laity; two tenths on the Clergy.
5th. a fifteenth & tenth.
6th. an entire fifteenth & tenth &
a third of each.
9th. a tenth & fifteenth granted from
the Laity.

Price of Provisions

Wheat dear at 16s & 18s. per quarter
Malt at 5s.
a Ram 6d.
a Cheese 4d.

Henry VI.

Anno. 1. The King had a subsidy of Wool for 2. Years viz. from Denizens 4s. 4d. per sack, & 240. Wool Fells; all other paid 10s. more for the same; likewise 3s. Tunnage, & 1s. poundage.

3d. The same Taxes were continued for 3. Years longer.

M. 6. 6th. The Tunnage & poundage at the same rate granted again; likewise the following subsidy from every Parish having 10. Householders whose church is valued under 6£. 13s. 4d. to pay 6s. 8d. & above that value 13s. 4d. to be levied out of the moveables of the Inhabitants; Cities & Boroughs were to pay 6s. for every 20s. this Church was valued at; likewise all Knights fees paid 6s. 8d. & after the same rate to the fourth part of the fee.

8th. The Commons granted two tenths & two fifteenths at different times for the laity; with the former Tunnage & Poundage during the continuance of that Parliament; also the Wool Tax viz. 1£. 13s. 4d. per sack & 240. Wool Fells to be paid by Denizens & 4s. 4d. by Aliens.

9th. One tenth & fifteenth & a third of each; & Tunnage for 2. Years of 3s. on Denizens & 6s. by Aliens; 1s. poundage by Denizens, & 1s. 6d. by Aliens

over & above which there was a Subsidy of equal
value Paid on Allien Merchants.

M. S. They likewise granted another Subsidy of 20s.
per fee on Clergy & Laity of all Lands purchas'd
by the 20th. of Edw. 1. & 1s. in the pound on all
rents held by other services.

10th. The Parliament gave half a tenth &
half a fifteenth with the Wool Tax for
a Year, & Tunnage & Poundage for 2. Years,
at the rates last mention'd.

N.B. The King releas'd the Aliens of
the additional 6d. poundage.
He also gave up the Subsidy on Knights Fees
granted last Parliament.

12th. A Subsidy of one fifteenth & tenth from
the Laity, of which £4000 appropriated towards
the relief of decay'd Towns & Villages.
Likewise Tunnage & Poundage as
before for 2. Years, & a Tax on Wool
exported by Aliens for 3. Years of 5s. 4d. per
sack.

14th. A tenth & fifteenth granted & £4000.
appropriated as before.
Likewise a Tax was levy'd of 6d. in the
Pound on the Yearly Value of 5. to £100.
& from the Value of £100. to £400. 4d. & £400 & upwards
to pay 2s. in the pound.

Likewise a Wool Tax for 2. Years.
of 33s. 4d. per sack by Denizens; & 46s. 8d
by Aliens; with a tax according to that
rate on other staple Ware; likewise
Tunnage & Poundage as before for 2. Years.

A. 15th. A fifteenth & tenth with same appropriations.
a Wool Tax & Tunnage & Poundage for 3. Years.
The Wool was per sack & 12. score of Wool
Fells 33s. 4d. on Denizens the exported by
Aliens 5s. 4d.

18th. a tenth & fifteenth & half of each from
Laity, of which 6000 L. appropriated as before
with the Wool tax & Tunnage & Poundage
as before for 3. Years.
The Commons likewise Granted a Capitation
M.I. Tax for 3. Years viz. on every Stranger
Housekeeper 16d. per Annum; if no Housekeeper 6d.

20th. The same Capitation continued for 2. Years
longer.
A Subsidy of a tenth & fifteenth on the
Laity with 4000 L. appropriated as before.
also a Wool Tax with Tunnage &
poundage for 2. Years as before

23.d A Subsidy of half a tenth & half a fifteenth on the Laity with £800. appropriated as before likewise, one entire tenth & fifteenth with £900. appropriated as before. Likewise the Wool Tax & Tunnage & Poundage granted for 4. Years, with this difference that the 3s. Tunnage & 6s. poundage was doubled to Aliens.

27th. Half a tenth & half a fifteenth with £300. former appropriation; also the like grant & appropriation given this Year, with a Tunnage & Poundage for 3. Years with the above rates; & the former Capitation Tax granted for 3. Years longer with this addition, that every Merchant Stranger was to pay 6s. 8d. per annum, each of their Clerks 1s. 8d. & foreign Priests 6s. 8d.; likewise a Wool Tax for 4 Years of 13s. 4d. per sack exported by Denizens to Calais to other parts 3s. 4d. & by Aliens 5s. 4d.

28th. A Subsidy of 6d. ~~on the pound~~ on all Lands, Houses, Rents, Annr. Offices, Fees, Profits, or Commodities, from the Value of 20s. to £20 & 1s. from £20. to £200, & from £200. & upwards 2s.

Anno 29th. A grant of £20,000. out of the Customs of London & Southampton; & £6000. to a Company for the exclusive right of selling Allum.

31st. A fifteenth & tenth from the Laity with an appropriation of £6000. for decay'd Towns with a subsidy of Tunnage & Poundage for the King's life viz. 3s. & 1s. & double from Aliens, likewise a subsidy of Wool &c. for the King's life; forevery Sack of wood & usual Wool fells 43s. 4d. by Denizens; £5. by Aliens; Last of Hides £5. by Denizens £5. 6s. 8d. by Aliens, likewise the former capitation on Strangers given the King for life tho' some what augmented; forevery Stranger Merchant Householder years to pay 40s. others 20s. & every Alien Made a Denizen years to pay £6. 13s. 4. during the King's life; the Commons also granted half a tenth & half a fifteenth, with the deduction of £3000. for poor Towns

M. S.

Price of Provisions

Wheat was for 3. or 4. Years very scarce in this Reign, & sold for about .. 1 ll 6 ss 0 d.

When Malt was at ..... 0 ll 3 ss 0.

It likewise fell when very cheap to ... 0 ll 1 ss 2.

& then Malt was at ..... 0 ll 1 ss 5.

But at a Medium during this long Reign it was at. 0 ll 6 ss 0.

Oats at about ..... 0 ll 2 ss 0

Malt at ..... 0 ll 5 ss 0.

Peas at ..... 0 ll 2 ss 0.

Beans at ..... 0 ll 3 ss 0

Cheese at ..... 0 ll 0 ss 4.

An Ox at ..... 0 ll 3 ss 4.

for two Plough Oxen ..... 1 ll 11 ss 6.

a Cow ..... 1 ll 3 ss 0.

for a Calf ..... 0 ll 2 ss 8.

a Horse ..... 0 ll 2 ss 0

a Horse for the Prior ..... 0 ll 3 ss 0.

a Ram ..... 1 ll 6 ss 4.

a Sheep ..... 0 ll 0 ss 6.

a Hog ..... 0 ll 2 ss 5

a Porker ..... 0 ll 2 ss 0.

for a Score of Lambs ..... 0 ll 3 ss 0.

a Good Colt ..... 0 ll 4 ss 0

that 12. Pidgeons ..... 0 ll 6 ss 0

for a Score of Pullets ..... 0 ll 5 ss 6

	£
for 3. Dozen of Sheepskins	0.9.0
for 16. Calf Skins	0.2.0
A Cow Hide	0.1.6.
An Ox Hide	0.2.4.
A Gallon of Wine	0.1.0.
A Flagon of Red Wine	0.0.6.
Do. of Sweet Wine	0.1.4.
A Quarter of an Ox for salting	0.1.4.
A Flitch of Bacon	0.1.8.
A Tod of Wool	0.9.6.
for 19. Ells of Cloth for Napkins	0.5.0.
For threshing a Quarter of Wheat	0.0.3½.
A Stone Cutter per day	0.0.4.
A Sawer per day	0.0.4.
A Syber per day	0.0.3½.

Price of a Pound of Silver

In the 1st 24th & 36th Years of His Reign a Pound of Silver compos'd of 11. oz. 2 dwts of fine & 18 dwts alloy was valu'd at 37s. 6d the ounce at 3s. 1½d.

In the 4th Year of His Reign a pound of Silver in the same proportions was valu'd at 30s. an ounce at 2s. 6d.

Edward IV.

This K. had no Subsidy till ye 3d Year of his Reign.

Anno 3d An Aid of £37,000. to be levy'd on Counties Citys & Towns; but ye K. remitting £6000. of that Sum the mode of ye Tax was changed & £31,000. was levy'd as a fifteenth

4th A Subsidy of 3s. Poundage payable by Denizens & the double by Aliens, also a Subsidy of Wool, Wool fells & Hides, was granted during the K. life viz. for every Sack & 12. Sarcewool fells £1.3s.4d. was paid by Denizens & £3.6.8 by Aliens for every last of Hides £3.6.8. by Denizens & £3.13.4 by Aliens.

8th two tenths & two fifteenths from the Laity with an appropriation of £12,000. for decay'd Towns.

12th A tenth of the Yearly Value of all Lands, Tenements, Fees, Annuitys &c. to maintain 13,000. Archers one Year at 6d. per diem

N.B. This is from the Rolls, but the Parliament Hist. makes them 14,000 & a M.S. note of Subsidys 30,000.

12th. The Lords also granted a tenth of the Value of one Years profit of all Castles, Mannors, Lordships &c. towards the Army. The K. also raised Money by a benevolence the same Year a fifteenth & tenth towards the payment of the aforesaid Archers deducting only 6000. for poor Towns.

4th. A tenth & fifteenth granted by the Commons with the same deduction of 6000. & after an Adjournment they granted a fifteenth & tenth & a third of each to compleat the payment of ye aforesaid Archers deducting 10,000. for poor Towns.

22. A fifteenth & tenth from ye Laity & a tenth from the Clergy, with a deduction of 10,000. for poor Towns; this Year also there was a Tax on all Strangers viz 40s from every Merchant Householder from others 2s from every artificer Householder 6s 4d. from every Stranger Brewer 20s this Year also the Parliament set a part out of the Customs & other Revenues 11,000. for defraying the expences

of the Household.

Price of Provisions during this Reign

Wheat sold at 1s. 4d. 2s. 6s. 4d. & 4s.

Oats at 1s. 1s. 2d. 1s. 10d. & 2s. 0

When Wheat was so cheap Barley sold at 1s. & 1s. 2d. & Malt at 1s. 4d. & pease at 3s. 4d.

When the Wheat was at higher price Ale sold at 1d. a gallon; & a load of Hay at 6s. 4d.

Richard III.

During this short Reign, we hear of no taxes except a tenth from the Clergy & a Benevolence that brought in great sums

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Henry VII.

Anno 1. The Subsidy of Tunnage & Poundage Wool, Wool Fells, & Hides granted to the K. for life in the same Manner that it had been given to Edw. IV.

& £3,000. of the King's Customs & Revenues were settled for the Household expences.

3. Two tenths & two fifteenths, & one subsidy granted for the War with France

Anno 7th. He had a benevolence for the same purpose

12th two fifteenths & tenths deducting £10,000. for poor Towns; likewise a subsidy equal to the aforesaid fifteenths & tenths with the same deduction

A. B. this subsidy is stated at £100,000. by some Writers besides the two fifteenths.

19. An aid of £30,000. by some £36,000. granted for the Marriage of the King's Eldest Daughter to the King of Scotland; He had likewise a subsidy both from Clergy & Laity & yet levy'd a benevolence.

Price of Provisions during this Reign

Wheat was at £1. 4. & from thence to 14s. 6d. 3s. 4d. & 4s. per quarter

Oats from 2s. to 3s.

Beans about 3s. 6d.

Gascony Wine at £2. per Tun

Claret £3. 13. 4.

Red Wine £1. 6. 6. per Hogshead

White Wine at £3. 6. 6.

Malvoisey £4. per Butt.

Hay was usually at 5s. per load, but sometimes came up to 12s.

A barrel of White Herrings 3s. 4d.
Bay salt sold per quarter pretty nearly like the Wheat.

Henry VIII.

Anno. 1. two tenths & 2. fifteenths.

2d. the same with tunnage & poundage to carry on the War.

4th. 2. tenths & 2. fifteenths with a Poll Tax viz. 10. Marks of a Duke, £5. of an Earl, £4. a Lord, 4 Marks a Knight & a merchant from every Man worth £200. every Man having £2. a Year Wages 1s. & from every one above 15 Years old 4d.

6th. Some other Subsidys were granted; but no Mention made of particulars; from whence to the 14th Year, He used many illegal Methods in getting money without calling any Parliament.

14th. A Subsidy was granted by way of Poll tax viz for every man possessing £20. or upward, yearly 2s. in the pound; from £2 to £20. 1s. in the pound, every person 16. Years old or more possessing under £2. 4d. & this in 2. Years.

Anno. 26th A tenth & fifteenth to be paid in
3. Years.

27th The Revenues of the lesser suppressed
Monasterys were vested in the King, likewise
their goods & Chattles which lost at a low
rate was valued at 100,000 £. the Number of
these Monasterys were 376. & their Income
Valued at 32,000 £. per annum.

31st The other Religious Houses were suppressed
& their Revenues vested in the King;
viz. Great Monasterys & Abbys 645.
Colledges 90. Chanterys & Free Chappels 2374.
Hospitals 110. the Yearly income of all
which amounted to 160,000 £. besides their
Goods, & Movables, Plate, Jewels &c.

32d Two subsidys & four fifteenths & tenths
granted by the Laity, 4d. in the pound by the
Clergy.

34th A Subsidy granted by the Laity to be paid
in 3. Years viz. on Goods worth from 5 £.
to 5 £. 4d. per pound; from 5 £. to 10 £. 4d. &
upwards 2d. in the pound; Strangers & Inhabitants
double, not Inhabitants from 16. Years &

upwards 4d. per head; Land, Fees & Annuitys from £1. to £5, 6d. in the pound; from £5 to £10, 16d. from £10. to £20, 2s. £20. & upwards 3s. & Strangers to pay the double.

The Clergy also granted a subsidy of 6d. in the pound out of their benefices & perpetuitys to be paid in 3. Years; & Priests having only annual Stipends were to pay 6s. 8d. yearly during the said time.

Anno 36th. A benevolence was granted the King, the amount of which we are told was £76,723..14..10.

Price of Provisions

Oats per quarter at a medium of 10. Years ... 2s. 9d.
Beans per quarter at a Medium of 7. Years ... 4..10.

N.B. this Medium is not taken from any number of consecutive, but at different periods of the Kings Reign

A Load of Hay ... 9s.
a Fat Ox ... £1..6..4.
a Fat Calf ... 3..4.
a Fat Weather ... 3..4.
a Fat hog ... 1.
a Hundred pound Weight of beef ... 4..6.

Beef was per pound a halfpenny & Mutton 3. farthings

Mutton per quarter - - - - - - - 8d.
2. pound & a half of Beef for the Poor - - - 1.

Edward VI.

Anno 1. Tunnage & Poundage for his life
Tunnage 3s. & double to strangers;
Rhenish Wine 1s. per aumme, & 1s. poundage;
on strangers double.

2d. A subsidy by the Temporality on sheep
Cloths, goods, Debts &c. to be paid in 3.
Years. this was a tax of 8d. on every piece
of Woolen cloth made for sale; for every
Ewe & Weather 3d. & 2d.; for those kept
on Commons 1½d. also 1s. in the pound on
all personal Estates above £10. per annum
& of all Aliens above £1. per annum;
the Clergy gave 6s. in the pound to be
paid for 3. Years.

3d. & 4th. the aforesaid subsidy on sheep & Woolen
Cloths released; but 1s. in the pound continued
for a Year on personal Estates, & double
if possessed by strangers.

7th. A subsidy of two fifteenths & tenths to be paid in 2.
Years

N.B. The first fifteenth & tenth produced

	£
Mr. clear	29,653 " 0 " 10½.
the 2d Do.	29,775 " 9 " 1½.
the total	59,428 " 10 " 0

The Clergy also granted 6s. in the pound to be paid out of their benefices in 3. Years

N.B. We find the King's Debt in the 5th Year of his Reign to amount to — 241,179 " 14 " 10.

Price of Provisions

Wheat per quarter	6s.
Oats	4s.
Barley	5s.
Malt	5s.
a Load of Straw	5s.
a Load of Coals	12s.
a quart of Mamsey	4d.

Mary.

Anno. I. The Queen released the subsidy granted by the last of Ed. VI. reserving the fifteenths & tenths; the Tunnage & Poundage & Wooltax given the Queen for life at the same rate as to the late King.

2. & 3. A subsidy granted by the temporality to be paid at two several payments, which appears

M. 1. to have brought in near £44,561. 16. 6.

This subsidy was levy'd at the following rates; each person worth £5. to £10. in Moveables 6d. in the pound each payment; those worth £10. & under £20. 1s. in the pound each payment; those worth £20. & upwards 16d. each payment aliens paid 1s. in the first case 1. 6d. in the 2d. & 2s. in the 3d.

Lands producing annually £20. & upwards 2s. in the pound each payment, & Aliens 3s.

The same Year the Clergy granted a subsidy of 6s. in the pound to be paid in three Years at the following rates; all persons out of the late dissolved Monasteries 6s. in the pound; every Archbishop, Bishop, Dean &c. 6s. in the pound of the value of their benefices; each Priest receiving an annual stipend of £6. 6s. 8d. annuadent from £6 to £10. 10s. from thence under 20. Marks 13s. 4d. yearly

above 20. Marks 2s. besidys ~~over the~~ the former 13s. 4d.
during the 3. Years.

Anno 4. & 5. The Clergy granted 6s. in the pound to be paid
in 4. Years at the former rates.

The Temporality gave a Subsidy & a fifteenth
& tenth, of which 6000. was appropriated for
poor Towns, the Subsidy consisted of 4s. in
the pound from natives, 6s. from Aliens,
& 2s. 6d. on Moveables worth 5. or upwards,
for which Aliens payd 5s. 4d.

M. S. This Subsidy produced clear at two payments £142,175. 6. 10.
the fifteenth & tenth - - - - - - - - - - - 24,299. 17. 5½.

Price of Provisions

During this Reign Wheat sold per quarter at 8s.
Malt at - - - - - - - - - - - 5.
at one time at - - - - - - - - - 10.
Rye from - - - - - - - - - - 3s. 4d. to 16s.
Beans from - - - - - - - - - 2s. to 6s. 8d.
In 1557. before the harvest Wheat indeed rose to £2. 13. 4.
& Malt to £2. 4. Beans & Rye to £2. Pease
to £2. 6. 8. but after the harvest Wheat fell
to 4s. & 5s. Malt to 4s. 6d. & 6s. 8d. & Rye to 2s. 6d. & 3s. 4d.

The price of thrashing a quarter of Barley 5d.

a Tun of Wine - £5
Muscadel per quart - 6d.
Malvosea per do. - 5d.
Red Wine per do. - 3d.

Elizabeth

Anno 1. The Queen had the Tunnage & Poundage with the Subsidy on Wool, as in the two former Reigns for life;
Also a Subsidy on Moveables, Goods, Money Debts &c. of above £3. value 2s. 6d. Aliens paid for every 20s. value 5s. 4d.
Also a Subsidy of 4s. in the pound on Land, Aliens 8s. to be paid by the Laity at two payments;

M. 1. These brought in clear into the Exchequer at the two payments £136,507. 2.
She had also a Subsidy of two fifteenths & tenths for two Years, of which £12,000. was appropriate for decay'd Towns;
The first of these two fifteenths & tenths produc'd clear £22,002. 7. 1½.

M. 1. The second D°. 39,370. 4. 1½.
Total of the different Subsidys £204,880. 13. 3.

5th The Clergy granted a Subsidy of 6s. in the pound to be paid in 3. Years.
Likewise the same Subsidy & two fifteenths & tenths, in the last Parliament, to be paid in two Years by the Laity, with the same appropriation of £12,000.

Mr. S. This subsidy produced £132,717 " 16 " 4.
The first fifteenth & tenth 28,406 " 19 " 9.
The second - - - - - - 24,703 " 7 " 11 1/4.
The Total of these - - - - - - 89,826 " 6 " 0 1/4.

Anno 45th The Clergy granted a subsidy of 4s. in the pound
to be paid in 3. Years at different rates

+Rudell, Stat. Cap. 17. The Parliament gave a subsidy on all
moveables &c. of £3. value of 1s. 10d. Aliens paid 3s. 8d
Mr. in the pound other Aliens 6d. capitation;
likewise 2s. " 4d. in the pound for land
& 5s. " 4d. by Aliens at two several payments.
likewise one fifteenth & tenth granted by
the temporality.
The said subsidy produced clear £ 80,014 " 17 " 0 1/2
Mr. S. The fifteenth & tenth - - - - - 29,015 " 10 " 4 1/2.
Mr. S. Total - - - - - - - - - - 109,030 " 7 " 6

13th A subsidy from the Clergy of 6s. in
the pound to be paid in 3. Years
The Parliament granted a subsidy at the
same Rate as those before mention'd £
that brought in clear - - - - - - 117,326 " 11 " 2.
Mr. S. Of this they appropriated £12,000 for decay'd
Towns.
They likewise granted two fifteenths & tenths
the first brought in - - - - - 29,005 " 12 " 11.
the second D°. - - - - - - - - 29,257 " 11 " 2.

F. N.B. as the Cotton Manuscript makes
the Queen to have receiv'd 36. subsidys,
& that by Rastell she had but 37. she seems
to have been guilty of an omission, &
we may venture to add a third subsidy
here to agree both with the Manuscript
& the Statutes at large; & as the record
fifteenth & tenth amounted to 29,12 6 a ch.
we may safely state this third at 26,000.
N.B. the Hist. of Taxes makes it also three
fifteenths & tenths, & even the printed
Statutes tho' in the title of the expir'd
Act it is call'd 3. fifteenths & tenths,
yet in the heads of the Acts at the
beginning of the Volume, it stands
2. fifteenths & tenths, & so the Parliamentary
Hist. states it who quotes D'Ewes Journals

Anno 16th. The Clergy granted a subsidy of 6s. in the pound to be paid in 3. Years
The Parliament gave a subsidy as before & two fifteenths & tenths
F R. P. this we have from Rastell Cap. 23d.
But the printed Statutes at large make it 3. fifteenths & tenths, but the first appears to be the truth from the sums they brought in.

		£
M. 1.	Sums they brought in. For the subsidy produ'd clear - - -	110,576 ‖ 6 ‖ 6.
	The first fifteenth & tenth - - - -	29,487 ‖ 17 ‖ 6.
	The second - - - - - - - - - -	29,126 ‖ 4.

23. The Clergy granted a subsidy of 6s. in
+Rast. the pound to be paid in 3. Years
C. 14. The Statutes at Large make it 6s. 4d. in the pound.

M. 1.	The Parliament granted a subsidy as before which brought in - - -	109,620 ‖ 19 ‖ 10½
	Likewise two fifteenths & tenths	
	The first amounted to - - - - -	29,234 ‖ 7 ‖ 10½
	The second to - - - - - - -	29,021 ‖ 5 ‖ 4

Of this £12,000. was appropriated to decay'd towns.

Anno 27th. A Subsidy of 6s. in the pound paid in 3. years by the Clergy.

The Parliament gave a subsidy as before with two fifteenths & tenths & the usual deduction at two different payments.

		£
M.S.	The subsidy produc'd Clear	104,677 ll. 14 ll. 2.
	The first fifteenth & tenth	26,921 ll. 13 ll. 6½.
	The second to	29,946 ll. 15 ll. 3.

29th. A Subsidy of 6s. in the pound paid in 3. years by the Clergy.

The Parliament voted a subsidy & two fifteenths & tenths as before at two different payments

M.L.	The subsidy produc'd	105,043 ll. 19 ll. 3.
	The first fifteenth & tenth	29,143 ll. 15 ll. 8½
	The second	26,902 ll. 16 ll. 6½.

31st. Two subsidys from the Clergy of 6s. in the pound to be levy'd in 6. years.

The Temporality granted two subsidys at the same Rates as the former; & ~~four~~ four fifteenths & tenths with an appropriation of £24,000. to decay'd Towns.

M.S.

	£	s.	d.
The first subsidy produced clear	103,493	7	6
The second	99,746	5	9½
The first fifteenth & tenth	27,155	19	6
The second	29,496	6	0
The third	28,214	9	7½
The fourth	27,520	11	9½

Chron. 35th. The Clergy granted two subsidys of 4s. in the pound each to be paid in four years. The Laity three subsidies at the former Rates & six fifteenths & tenths with a deduction of £36,000. for decay'd Towns

M.S.

	£	s.	d.
The first subsidy produced	93,643	16	0½
The second	89,978	6	5½
The third at two payments	86,039	0	2
The first & second fifteenth & tenth	59,146	14	5
The third & fourth	58,664	12	11½
The fifth	29,247	9	9½
The sixth	29,368	0	11½

39th. The Clergy gave three subsidys of 4s. in the pound each to be paid in six years. The Temporality gave three subsidys at the same rates as formerly & six fifteenths & tenths with a deduction of 36,000. for decay'd

	£	s.	d.
M.S. The first of the subsidys produced	61,491	1	6½
The second	62,333	15	6
The third	75,491	9	1
The first & second fifteenth & tenth	59,013	5	10
The third & fourth	56,354	16	9
The fifth & sixth	56,369	4	5

Anno 43d. The Clergy gave four subsidys of 4s. in the pound each;
The Temporality four subsidys at the usual rates, & eight fifteenths & tenths with an appropriation of £46,000 for decay'd Towns.

	£	s.	d.
M.S. The first of these subsidys at one payment brought in	76,190	12	4½
The second at two payments	72,951	6	0
The third at Do	68,304	7	9
The fourth at Do	63,399	10	9½
The first & second fifteenth & tenths at one payment brought in	58,243	0	3
The third & fourth at two payments	59,094	10	0
The fifth & sixth at Do	57,073	0	4
The seventh & eighth at Do	53,947	6	7

We find from the Cotton Manuscript that
she received during Her Reign 34. fifteenths
& 20. subsidys of the Commons, & 16. tenths
of the Clergy all which amounted to - - - - 2,800,000 " 0 " 0.

* Price of Provisions

In ye year 1574. Wheat & Rye sold at 48^s per quarter
Oats, Barley & Malt at £0 " 5^s " 0.
A Load of Hay ~~15^s~~ - - - 0 " 13 " 0.
A Load of Straw ~~£~~ - - - 0 " 6 " 0.
Claret per Hogshead - £2 " 10^s " 0^d
A Sheep - - - - - - - 2 " 10.
In ye Year 1574. Wheat rose to £2 " 15^s " 0. per quarter
& after the Harvest to - - 1 " 4 " 0.
Beef came to - - - - - - 1 " 0.
the Stone
In the Years 1587. & 1594.
so much Wheat was transported y^t it
sold at £3 " 4^s & £2 " 16. but this must
be always understood of the London
Markets. for in other places ~~[illegible]~~
ye sold at between £4. & £5. & Rye kept
~~[illegible]~~ pretty nearly ye same

In the Years 1596 & 1597.

Wheat sold from 2 li 13 s 4 d to 3 li 4 s a quarter which was occasion'd by great Transportation & great Rains; Rye was at 2 li 6 s. Pot Meal at 6 s per Bushel.

A Pound of Butter 7 d

An Egg a penny,

Pepper 6 d per pound.

Raisins 6 d per pound

Gascoigne Wine 2 s 6 d per Gallon

& Sweet Wine 4 s per Gallon.

James I.

This King at his comming to the Crown recieved the following sums remaining due to his Predecessor

From the Clergy. - - - - - - - -	56, & 30 li 9 s 0 d ½
From the Laity for subsidys - - - -	157, 4, 95 li 17 s 7 d
For fifteenths & tenths - - - - -	141, 559 li 13 s 6 d

He also had a Grant of Purnage, Poundage, Wool tax & that on Leather for life, the same as had been given to his five last predecessors

* We find during this Queens Reign
When Burleigh was Treasurer the whole
revenue of this Kingdom (Woods & the
Dutchy of Lancaster excepted) amounted to pr.ann. £ 148,197.0.0.
& the payments to - - - - - - - - - - - - - 110,612.0.0.
Of which the following were constant
The Household - - - - - - - £ 40,000.
The Privy purse - - - - - - - - 2,000.
The Admiralty - - - - - - - - 30,000.
& this receipt & issue fell to Her Successor.

Anno 3d. The Clergy granted four subsidys of 4s. in the pound each to be paid at eleven payments; where of 10. was at 1s. 6d. in the pound & one at 1s.

		£
M.S.	Of these the first ten were valued at	73,000.0.0.
	The last at	5,000.0.0.

The Temporality granted 3. entire subsidys to be levy'd at 6. different payments at the following rates

All persons worth £5. in goods, Debts, Jewels &c. to pay 2s. 6d. in the pound for each subsidy

Aliens 5s. 4d. in the pound for each

Other Aliens a poll tax of 6d.

Lands to pay 4s. in the pound for each subsidy, & when possess'd by Aliens 6s.

They also granted 6. fifteenths & tenths to be raised on Movables & other things usual to that tax of which £36,000. was appropriated for decay'd Towns.

		£
M.S.	Each of these subsidys was valu'd at £67,000. inde	201,000.0.0.

Each fifteenth & tenth valu'd at £29,000, makes £
Mr. Making in all - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 174,000 0 0.

Anno. 7th A Subsidy from the Clergy of 6s. in the pound of all spiritual promotions paid at 4. payments viz 1s. in the pound the first & second payments 1 6d. the third, & 2. 7d. the fourth.
The Temporality granted a Subsidy at the formes Rates, & a fifteenth & tenth with a deduction of 6000.
for poor Towns.
He also levy'd an aid for making his Eldest Son a Knight;
& He had likewise a benevolence what this amounted to is uncertain; but by a Manuscript paper the King is said to have receiv'd a contribution from the people (which I take to be the same with this) amounting to -- 52,909 0 0.

From this time to the Year 1614. there were no Parliaments, during which interval the King took various Methods of raising Money, & among the rest

Anno 12.

Anno. 12th. He made a new creation of Knights Baronets in the following Manner.

each Baronet obliged himself to Maintain 30. foot Soldiers for 3. Years which amounted to £1,905. but the King took upon himself the payment of these Soldiers, the Knights compounding with him at a certain rate which for the whole 93. Baronets amounted to --- £ 96,550 0 0.

16th. The Clergy granted 3. entire Subsidys, & the Temporality two

21st. The Clergy granted 4. Subsidys, the Temporality granted 3. Subsidys & 3. fifteenths & tenths whereof £16,000. was allotted for the relief of Poor Towns.

It appears by a Manuscript Paper that there were lands sold in this Reign by Virtue of two Commissions from the King, one in the first, the other in the Seventh Year of His Reign to the value of - - - - - - - £ 426,151 0 0.

Charles I

Anno 1th. The Clergy granted 3. Subsidys, the Laity two, the Roman Catholicks to pay double.

3d. The Clergy granted 5. Subsidys, the Temporality also 5. each of which were computed at £100,000. making therefore in all - - - - - £. £500,000 0 0.

16th. It appears by an Act for the relief of the Army, that 4. Subsidys were granted this Year; & it would seem by the Printed Statutes that the Subsidy of Tunnage & Poundage was granted several times this Year.

An Act also prop'd for the raising Money for the defence of the Kingdom, which appears to be a Poll Tax, whereby every Duke paid £100. A Marquis £60. an Earl £60. a Lord £40. a Baronet £30. a Knight £20. an Esquire £10, a Gentleman 5. & all others 6d.

This is all we can collect of Money raised by Authority of Parliament in this distracted Reign; & from what we have seen from Queen Elizabeth & King James's time, the Subsidy seems to be overrated at 100,000 £.

We shall next Mention some of the methods the King took to raise money without Parliament, with the estimated amount of what these extorcions came to.

A. 1627–28. All Men possess'd of Knights fee were oblig'd to take out the Honor of Knight hood, or to pay a fine, which brought into the Exchequer about — — — — — — — — — 100,000 £ 0 s. 0 d.

1635. Writs were issu'd out for raising Ship Money, the Yearly produce of which was computed at 200,000 £. which for the 4. Years that was levy'd amounts to — — — — — 600,000 £ 0 s. 0 d.

By Patents, Grants of Offices, & all other projects, the King is supposed to have received about ..... £ 200,000.0.0.

But we must remember that these last calculations are taken from the History of the Times, a partial Writer, & therefore undoubtedly below the truth.

Account of Money raised during the Rebellion.

The Total of this amounted from the 3d of Nov. 1640. to Nov. 1659 ..... £ 95,512,095.5.11¼

The particulars of which are as follows

Subsidys	600,000.0.0.
The Armys	32,780,721.13.0.
Tonnage & Poundage ...	5,700,000.0.0.
Captives	102,000.0.0
Sale of Irish Lands	1,322,500.0.0.
Contributions for Irish Protestants ..	160,000.0.0.
Forces for Defence of particular Countys	4,141,048.16.0.
Excise seventeen Years ...	10,200,000.0.0.
~~Hearth Money~~	
Duty on Coals seventeen Years ..	850,000.0.0.

Duty on Currants, Seventeen Years	51,000 " 0 " 0.
Sequestration of Estates	6,044,924 " 17 " 0
Postage of Letters 14. Years	301,000 " 0 " 0.
Wine License 14. Years	312,2000 " 0 " 0.
Composition for Court of Wards	1,000,000 " 0 " 0.
Offices to Public Service 15. Years	650,000 " 0 " 0.
Vintners Delinquency	4,000 " 0 " 0.
Compositions for Estates	1,277,226 " 0 " 0.
Sale of English Lands	25,380,647 " 3 " 11½
Settled out of Gentlemen's Estates to Pay P. Palatin	65,000 " 0 " 0.
Compound with Irish Delinquents	1,000,000 " 0 " 0.
Charge of Justice 6. Years	1,200,000 " 0 " 0.
To the House of Commons fourteen Years comes to	745,472 " 0 " 0.
Free Gifts to the Saints Viz. in Money	679,800 " 0 " 0.
In Offices	306,110 " 0 " 0.
In Estates per Annum	169,365 " 0 " 0.
Total	95,512,095 " 5 " 11½

Anno 12th 1660.

The Subsidy of Tunnage & Poundage granted the King for life computed at one Year with another net money — — £ 600,000.0.0.

2 In the same Year the Temporary Excise formerly introduced in the great Rebellion was granted for the King's life which produced per annum neat about — — — 300,000.0.0.

3 & next the Hereditary Excise given in lieu of the Court of Wards, liveries &c. which produced per annum about — — 300,000.0.0.

4 The same Year the Parliament gave £ for disbanding the Army & paying part to the Navy 240,000.0.0.

5 Also for supplying the King — — 70,000.0.0.

6 The Arrears of the twelve Months Assessment commencing in June 1659, & the six Months assessment commencing Dec. 1659.

7 The Parliament granted an assessment of £70,000. per month for 6. Months for disbanding the remainder of the Army, & paying off the Navy inde — 420,000.0.0.

79.

Another Act passd for a present £
8 supply to the King amounting to... 70,000 0 0.

An Act likewise passd establishing
9 the Post Office; the produce of which
has been greatly increasd since the
first erection; we shall state
it at per annum ..... 55,000 0 0.

We shall here also add another
branch of the standing Revenue
10 consisting in Wine Licences, seizures &c
kall'd the small branches per annum 60,000 0 0.

N.B. All the above were standing
Revenue, except the 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th.

Anno 13.
1661.