

THIS MAP IS A COPY OF THE 1841 RINGMORE TITHE MAP
DETAILING THE RENT CHARGES AGREED IN LIEU OF TITHES
PAYABLE TO THE CHURCH. BEFORE THIS DATE TITHES TO
SUPPORT THE LOCAL CHURCH AND THE CLERGY WERE PAID
IN PRODUCE SUCH AS WOOL, MILK, CORN, ETC. USUALLY
TEN PERCENT OF THE TOTAL. OFTEN MOST OF THIS WENT TO
SUPPORT ABSENTEE CLERGY, AND THE TITHE SYSTEM WAS
VERY UNPOPULAR.

THE TITHE COMMISSIONERS HAD TO DECIDE AN OVERALL
CHARGE FOR A PARISH AND APPORTION IT FAIRLY
BETWEEN THE LANDOWNERS.

AS THERE WERE NO ORDNANCE SURVEY MAPS AT THE TIME,
THE COMMISSIONERS HAD TO HAVE LARGE SCALE MAPS
MADE TO IDENTIFY WHO OWNED WHAT LAND OR
PROPERTY. AS THE LAND OWNERS WERE FORCED TO PAY
FOR THEM, SOME WERE OF POOR QUALITY AND ACCURACY.