GLOSSARY OF SELECTED FIELD NAMES

Presented sheet by sheet and identified by 1832 field number. Field names based on unrecognised personal names have been omitted.

There are references to three books (with page numbers), two by the appropriately named **John Field:**

FD= John Field, English Field Names: A Dictionary, Alan Sutton, 1972 **FH** = John Field, A History of English Field-Names, Longman, 1993 **Mabey** = Richard Mabey, Flora Britannica, Sinclair-Stevenson, 1996

SHEET 2

958/931	Pit meadow	meadow with a <i>pit</i> (pond) Pick may be a corruption of Pit
959	World Ditch Close	stream flowing out of the parish via the nearby 'dingle' <i>Whole</i> is a corruption of <i>World</i>
961	Dingle Close	dingle - a dell or deep hollow 962, on sheet 6, was the 'dingle' hollow
960/975	Barn, Yard & Lane	is the site of <i>Dingle Farm</i>
974	Judge's Close Mr Ing's land	Wm. Philip Inge, Esq., of Thorpe Constantine, Lord Lieutenant of Warwickshire
931	Cat Meadow	
977/78	Cat Furlong	land haunted by cats
981	Meg of the Hill	<i>Meg</i> is the uncanny ' <i>Will o' the Wisp</i> ', or Marsh Gas [see the note below , following 928-30, about <i>Salt Street</i>]

SHEET 3

892	Pig/Peg Park	field on which pigs were kept
894	Hop-hedge Hill	above <i>Hoppage</i> spinney (see sheet 7)
895/6	Gallows Hill	site of <i>gallows</i> where executions took place [a gibbet was probably here at the side of Salt Street]
923	Bacchus Nook	small piece land (nook) at the <i>back</i> of a <i>house</i> or hovel; the alternative ' <i>bakehouse</i> ' seems unlikely here.
929/30	Mr Dawson's land	Edward Dawson of Long Whatton, late C18 patron of Appleby Church
928-30	'Dingle' 'Cat'	see 962 sheet 6 haunted by cats &c, see also sheet 2

This stretch of Salt Street, above No Mans Heath, must have had a grisly and spooky reputation, with executed bodies left hanging on a gibbet, cats haunting the area and the mysterious flickering will o' the wisp lights on 'meg of the hill'!

SHEET 6

84	Jobs Field	remnant of an Open Field [mainly 112, sheet 10]
87	Dullocks Meadow	prob. duck-lake [or stream]; C15 terrier has dulloc
90	Red Lion Inn &c	C18 coaching inn, became Appleby Fields farmhouse
117, 121/2	Small Thorn	Thorn trees were often used as boundary markers
120/125 132/133	Litch/ Sitch [far & near]	marshy ground beside a flowing stream
129 130/1	Burton way Tamworth Pit/ Bush) references to local main travel routes
143-6	Muss- or musfurlong	mouse infested land [FH 75; FD 143]
948 952/3	Rickstead Little/ Big Barn Closes	field containing a hay rick field near or containing a barn
954/5	Shallow Tussock	rough grass or rushes with no depth of soil
956	Gelders Close Gibden Close	tax (geld) - gatherer's land (FH 195) gibbe = a hump (Medieval English, FH 43); den (or dell) = valley also ME, FD 269]
962	Dingle Hollow	this is the eponymous 'dingle', a dell or deep hollow: it gives its name to several fields in this area
965	Debson/ Dibson Wall	with a deep (FD 63) outcrop (wall) of rock
972	Turnpike Close Redhill	reference to the adjacent Ashby to Tamworth turnpike land with red soil, from the underlying sandstone
SHEET 7		
177	Blacksmiths pingle	pingle - small piece of land
190	pinfold	pound for stray animals alongside the Burton Road
192-196 & 199-201	the <i>leys</i>	læs (OE) meadow lands [FD125]
198	Parkers meadow	Parkers were an old Appleby family
206-7 207	top yard meg's close	enclosure by farmhouse (215) meg - will o' th' wisp, or burning marsh gas

206, 210	pingle	small piece of land
209	pleasure grounds	recreational area for a large house (for 215 - now the Appleby Inn)
244	the two leys	probably two 'londs' here, - strips of meadow
246	nobs	probable variation of 'nabs' - hillocks (FD 144)
253	Anchor Inn	forerunner of the <i>Moore Arms/ Appleby Inn</i> (215), but located on the other side of Atherstone road
259	Town House &c	became Appleby Hall soon after 1832
260	park	the Hall grounds
824	Hill Slade	damp drainage route (slade) [with 823, sheet 8] (FD
206, 274)		[distinct from Rushy/Rushton slade,. sheets 8 & 12]
832 820/825	Great Stoney Way	stony way (path by stony land) 786 (sheet 11),832, &
835	Nether Leys	lower meadow -'lower' with respect to the Hall grounds; <i>læs</i> (OE) meadow lands [FD125]
837	Park End	Appleby Hall parkland

Post-1772 enclosure amalgamations on West Hill were similar scale to those already carried out by that date on Lower Rectory land; see the area around Nos. 699-701 (sheet 16)

243-5, 248-9, 841pt-2,874-5	Hill Close	part of the Hall new landscape with amalgamation of older small fields
844	Brick Kiln Nook close	bricks were made here before fields were merged [with 849 sheet 8]
841pt, 843-7 (sheet 8), 873	West Hill Park	part of the Hall's new landscape with amalgamation of older small fields
885/6 898-901	Hop Hedge	'hopping' land on which hops were grown [FD 108] hophynch and hophingeway occur in C15 terrier in 'Le Feeld nygh Norton'. 'Hopedge Spinney' on 1st edit. 1in OS map. 'Hoppage Spinney' on later larger scale maps.
900	House &c	farm buildings on the hill which did not survive
902	Hop-hedge Gorse	gorsy valley (slade?) leading to Hoppage closes

911	Po(r)tway	an ancient road - FH 219-220 leading to a ' <i>port</i> ' or market town
912/3	Wheeley, see also 935	(wheel -ley) land with a stone circle (Old English hweol - FD 252)
914-17	Lincoln	suggest ' <i>ling</i> + <i>holme</i> ', heather meadow: (Old Norse, appropriate to Danegeld area)
918-20 &c 919	Dingle Mount Pleasant	a deep hollow; FD 63; 962 (sheet 6) is the eponymous <i>dingle hollow</i> on a nice day! - <i>could be ironic</i> (FH 110 & 111)
932	Pingle	small piece of land
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935	Wheeley, see 912/3	(wheel -ley) meadow with a stone circle (see 912/3)
940-2	Muddle Close	perhaps muddy in wet conditions (FH 36)
SHEET 8		
801-3,	Norton's Nook	corner piece in the Norton parish boundary
805 (sheet 12)	Rushton Slade	prob. corruption of 'Rushy', see 817, 821 & 791-4
807-8	The Privetts	The Pruelto (also on 6in OS map) may be a corruption
806, 818/9	Great/ Little Foal House Close	foals stabled here [see also 812-15] (NB horses)
809, 849/50	Upper Blobb &c	water-blobb is a dialect word for marsh marigold, [Mabey p 40], so the name also betrays wet ground
812-15 (parts)	Race Ground Plantation	evidence of earlier horse racing interest
814	Game Keeper's House	being built 1830s
823	Hill Slade	damp drainage route (<i>slade</i>) [with 824, sheet 7] [<i>Hill slade</i> is distinct from <i>Rushy/Rushton slade</i> , sheet 12]
826/7	The Oat Hills	on which oats were grown as feed for horses
848-50/57	The Blobbs	marsh marigolds grew here, see 809
849	Brick Kiln Nook close	bricks made for local use at Appleby Parva [with 844 sheet 7]
850	Hang Dog	derogatory term - unproductive; hence trees planted

851-7	Nortons Close & Hedge	pieces of land at the Norton parish boundary
858	Jack's Flatt	unused or infertile land consigned to the devil (Jack)
SHEET 9		
13 - 14	Great Heath	part of pre-enclosure heathland on Birds Hill
65	Heath Close with farmhouse &c	another part of the pre-enclosure heathland
15	white leys	surface colour; <i>læs</i> (OE) meadow lands [FD125]
61	stone pit	quarried for highway repairs; sandstone subsoil C18 workhouse was across the road (at 412, Sheet10)
66, 70	flat leys	part of open field; arable/ pasture land (convertible)
69	Appleby brickyard	Appleby overseers' brickyard (near the <i>workhouse</i> 411, sheet 10)
71	Syston	possibly <i>syke</i> (the stream that forms the parish boundary <i>at 13</i>); + <i>stone</i> (as <i>at 61</i>); (see 72)
72	marlepit	marl dug from 'pits' was used as fertiliser; pits or ponds were retained as water reservoirs [Triassic subsoil: sandstone + bands of marl']
73, 74	hanging	steep sloping field C15 terrier of Church land: hongnige name given in Le Cleyfeld juxta Bigging
SHEET 10		[the Clayfield next to the Buildings]
75	Plough Close	land used for arable cultivation
80/83	Finger Post Field	direction sign at the cross-roads
94	Corner Close Golden Way Goldherewey Goldhordewey	at the corner of three roads old name (oral) for Rectory Lane C15 terrier in <i>Le Cleyfeld juxta Bigging</i> C15 terrier in <i>Le Cleyfeld</i>
94/ 377	Hay Furlong Aycroft	enclosed by hedges, OE [Old English] <i>gehaeg</i> [FD 100] C15 terrier in <i>Le Cleyfeld juxta Bigging</i>
96	Parsonage House	now the 'Old Rectory'
102/109	Upper/ Lower Parks	part of the Rectory 'park': see 112
104	Dormers Hall Close The Butts	site of Dormers Hall archery practised here by local militia c.1800 (during Napoleonic threat)

112	Jobs Field	earlier Open Field; later Rectory park land: see 102/9
149	Far Townsend Close	one of Appleby's origin 'focuses' [also 170 Sheet11]
330	Herdsmans Croft	herdsman's land
343	Malthouse	malster / beer retailer here [current village shop site]
347	Pool Yard	parsonage garden with fish pool [early parsonage on the (later) Almshouses site]
350	Farmhouse	Duck Lake Farm: later developed as St Michael's Drive
369	Intake [by Rectory Lane]	with pond: prob. water supply for potato ground [386]
378-80, 84	Brick Kiln/ Yard	sizeable brickworks here using local clay
381	P(e)arsons Piece	land for the parson's use
382	Fish Pit Close	land with pond stocked with fish
386	Potato Ground	later became the allotments
387	The Roods	1/4 acre (1 rood) land strips
403	Wade Bank	where <i>woad</i> grew [OE <i>wad</i> , FD 246] used for blue dye C15 in Le Cleyfeld: <i>Wadeflatt</i>
404/7	Long Bleaklands	bleak - cold exposed land [FD 23]
411	Workhouse Close	C18 workhouse site [opposite <i>stone pit</i> 61 & <i>brickyard</i> 69, sheet 9]
422/4	Top/ Bottom Heath End	end - settlement focus at the edge of the Great Heath
422pt	Between Way Close	between the roads to Measham and White House
425	Heath Ridge Way	alongside the road up to the heath ridge
(421)	Hethsychwey	C15 Le Cleyfeld; a 'sych', or damp valley, draining the heath, crossed the road here
426/27/32	Malt House, & office	brewing operations carried out here
508	Below the Irons	hyrne - angle or corner [FD 112]; these angles are at the tops of Closes 507, 508, 618, 619 [sheet 11]
509	Greens Close (far & near)	choice meadows like the adjacent <i>Hooked Green</i> (511)

510	Home Leys	<i>holme</i> (ON water meadow) + les (OE) meadow lands [FD125]
511	Hooked Green	hook-shaped green - fertile meadow; by the stream bend
	Grenege'r sty.	C15 terrier 'In Campo juxta Snareston' triangular plot (<i>stycce</i>) of a portion (<i>gore</i>)
		of choice meadow (grene), all OE
512	Meadow Brook Close	the <i>meadow brook</i> is named after the <i>meadow</i> and the <i>close</i> (later enclosure) is named after the brook!
		'Meadow Brook', strictly the brook below the village, also gives its name to one of the eight Open Fields
SHEET 11		
170	Far Townsend	one of Appleby's origins or 'focuses' (see also 149, sheet 10)
278 -81	The Flatts	<i>flatt</i> : an arable <i>furlong</i> (strip), literally the <i>length</i> of a <i>furrow</i> ; also a block of these, forming the division of an arable open field.
	gas house	two C19 coal gas retorts for Appleby Hall gas supply were here; the cottage is now called <i>Gascote</i>
287	Baptist chapel house &c	Particular Baptists' land
289	Brooks End	'end' - another of Appleby's focuses of origin
304/11/13	Saint Helens	early dedication of the <i>chapel</i> in Appleby Church
326	Black Horse Inn	surviving hostelry
451	Blacksmith's Shop	one of the village smithies
453	Over Close	as in Over Town (Appleby Parva)
456	Cottage &c	Samuel Hayward, <i>hangman</i> , lived here; his grave is in the corner of the cemetery by the oak tree
460/472	The Ley	untilled land [læge (OE) FD125]
463	Lane	Brooks End field access [see 289]
464	Chapel Piece	Brooks End chapel ground [see 287, 469]
466	Nine Leys	prob. nine <i>londs</i> of <i>meadow</i> ; aerial view shows nine strips in a small enclosure today [see also 779 below]

467/8/778	Rye Grass Close &c	Rye: a fodder crop, lolium perenne
469/ 472/ 776	First <i>Brooks End</i> Brook(s) End	see 289
481	The Pingle	small enclosure [FH 131]
497	Near Way Close	enclosure alongside Snarestone Way
498/9, 502	Hostage Close	'hedged enclosure secured with a lock' - hasp-hedge - derived from Aspage (OE) [FD 8]
505, 503, 506, 619 504	Windle Hill & Little W.H.; Long & Short Windle H.; W.Hill & Walkers Close; The Windlings	OE windel streaw = woven basket + straw [Chambers] windlestraw or crested dogs tail grass was used for making bonnets [Mabey, 396] windle, dog-tail grass; hardy crop for sheep [FD 255]
620	Green Pit close	perhaps refers to nearby 'Hooked <i>Green</i> ' (511, sheet 10)
621/2	Alley Close	alley - the lane to Barns Heath; later Sandy Lane; Middle English from Anglo-French, as in aller to go, or going; more usually used for a narrow urban passageway [see also 644/5, sheet 15]
730/40	The Windmill	Village windmill was at 739 - cottage later Old Hinges
745,772,	Woodcock close	personal name [see also 781-4]
750	Horse pasture Berrill Hill [see 766 Sheet 12]	pasture for <i>horses</i> bere: two-row barley head has lower protein and higher fermentable sugar content than six-row barley; it is traditionally used for brewing ale-style beers [FH 96]
770	Sugar Candy	sticky or brittle soil [FH 41; Appleby example given]
771	Lane	part of route to Upper Rectory farm
776	Brook End	a village origin 'focus' see 469
777/8	Rye Croft	where <i>Rye</i> was grown; Appleby C15 terrier [this is quoted in FD 188]
779	Five Leys Croft	five consolidated <i>londs</i> [see also <i>Nine Leys'</i> Croft, 466]
781/3, 4	Woodcock's Rye Croft	divisions of the original 'Rye Croft'
785	Little Red Hill	see 763/5

786	Stoneyway Meadow	stones impeded cultivation; 'way' links 786, 832, & 820/825
788	Number Leys	(unspecified, prob. large) <i>number of londs</i> see 466,779
SHEET 12		
702/4	Wintsey Close	gorsey: from hvin ON [FD 253]
708	Sale Gutter & Sale Stile [707, Sheet16]	next to a <i>stile</i> on the parish boundary ditch [<i>gutter</i>] in which grew willow, probably <i>salix viminalis</i> , hence <i>sale</i> , which grows in ditches; used in basket making [Mabey 141]
711/12 1802	The Minorca	New enclosure post-1772: Topical C18th name of <i>British Mediterranean island</i> : lost to Spain 1756; regained 1763; lost 1782; retaken 1798; finally lost
716	Farm House &c	<i>Upper Rectory Farm</i> buildings (see also 754-5)
731/32	The Windmill	see 730-40 sheet 11
754-5	Little Barn Close	part of Upper Rectory farm site (see 716)
757/8	Linsey/ Lousey close	'Lousey' - land with a pig-sty [FD 130]; 'Linsey' probably a corruption of 'Lousey'
763/5	Red Hill	red soil [sandstone outcrops at Stretton & Nertherseal]
764	Broadlakes	wide <i>lake</i> probably meaning stream; OE [FD 271]
766	Berrel Close	<i>bere</i> : two-row barley head has lower protein and higher fermentable sugar content than 6-row barley; it is traditionally used for brewing ale-style beers
759/60	Big Footpath Close	one of the routes from Appleby to Norton
761/2	Broad meadow	761/2: Little and Big Broad Meadow merged
791-4	Rushy/ Rushton Slade	Rushy earlier; Rushton a later corruption; a plant of poor water-logged ground (as a slade); [rush had/has many practical uses: see FD 188]
795	Short Broad Meadow	length comparison with 'Broad Meadow'
797-800	Norton Close/ Hedge	pieces of land all near the Norton parish boundary [see also 801-3, 851-7, Sheet 8]

SHEET 13

1-2	Moor	marshy land (near stream)
3 - 8 & 20, 21	Garner	personal name (rather than a storage barn)
17,31, 44-51	quarry piece &c	Birds Hill appears to have been extensively quarried above Sidehollows farm
18/ 19	late gorse/ Birdshill Gorse	recently gorse, a familiar plant on Birdshill
23/26	Coopers	personal name, Peter Cooper MD, surgeon (at Parva)
39	Sidehollows farm	old quarrying hollows are evident on the hillside
54/ 55	Penny Hill	land for rental of one penny
56/57	Healy	perhaps sloping [OE helde slope; FD 100]
SHEET 14		
514/2	Meadow Brook close:	enclosure near the meadow by the brook 'Meadow Brook' = section of the brook below the village; also one of the eight Open fields
585/6	Big Meadow &c	original large area of parish water meadows
523/29/30	Heath Close/Piece	enclosures won from the Great Heath
531	The Flatts	arable furlong (division of open field; see 279 sheet 11)
533	Charles's Close	churl's (ie the serf's) close
534/561/2	Stone Pit close/piece	enclosures in or near the former quarries
538/557	Little/Big Hall Gorse	one of several <i>coverts</i> for game (see 543/4)
540	Feeding Close	pasture for grazing (rearing) e.g. beef cattle
543/4	Upper/ N./ S. Gorses	heath gorse retained as <i>coverts</i> for game (see 538/557)
555	Cuthberts close	drained by deep furrows [FD 58]: low-lying by the Mease, <i>cut</i> (for drainage) + <i>butt</i> (short land or strip)
560	Green Slade or Little Slade	green shallow damp valley small slade (alternative to green)
562	New Close	newly enclosed land
563	Hall close	hall referred to the nearby White House

564	Watering Piece	animal stock access to water (at River Mease)
565	Willow Bed	by the river, one of many sites where willows grew
566/8	Mill Green meadow	choice grazing by the mill
569	Skunnier Flatt	prob. skinnier ie poor land; flatt see 531
569/578	Flitton/ Flittem Flatt	flitteholm ON disputed land [FD 79]; fliten [FH 148]
570 net-	Wetwood/ Netwoods	literally wet-, or a personal name; prob. corrupted to
575	Honey Furlong	sticky clay land (derogatory); possibly sweet land (complimentary); or land with bees (literal) [FD 107]
576	Woodcock Close	personal name; or poss. frequented by woodcock
580	Scotford Close	enclosure near a ford subject to 'scot' - a toll
SHEET 15		
585, 600-03	Big Meadow &c	original large area of <i>parish water meadows</i> [see also Sheet 14]
573/4	Holme Gap	water meadow gap
588, 590-3, 617pt	Hammer Leys	hamm (OE) riverside, læs (OE) meadow lands [FD 96, 125]
592/94/613	Mould, Harris(on) &c	personal names
595, 612	Road Meadow	lane to Barns Heath farm
599,602-4	Barnsheath Baronsheyth	present farm name C15 terrier 'In Campo juxta Snareston' the baron was probably <i>Earl Ferrers</i>
599, 645-9	marl pit	marl: natural fertiliser dug out, leaving pits for water
606	River Mease	adjacent stream (river)
616-7	Withyhurst The Widdeos, Wythurst	willow (withy) + copse (hurst) - used for basket & hurdle making; corrupted to Widdeos; C15 terrier 'In Campo juxta Snareston'
625-6	Catch Pit	catch fish here (see 635) or catch crop grown [FD39]?
634	Kick Pit	var. of keck or queque? - cow parsley [Mabey, 283]
635/36	The Fish Pit Field	field pond with fish

642/43 644/5	& Fish Pond Close Alley meadow/ close Alymedow	alley: the lane to Barns Heath; later Sandy Lane C15 terrier 'In Campo juxta Snareston'
650-53	The Bush Close	land with a marker (?) bush
658-60	Strong Close	hard land?
661	Below the Ricks	next to (lower) hay ricks at Barns Heath
663/4	Lunch Close	lynch, or river terrace, on the inside corner of the river [FD 125-6]
668/9,	Snarestone Hill	a low hill on the Snarestone side of the parish
SHEET 16		

670/1	Till's Close The Cottage Field	personal name site of two cottages at Far Barns Heath
672-4	Snarestone Hill &	see 668
675-6	willow bed	at the Snarestone roadside, by the River Mease
681pt,	Horse Close	land where horses were pastured
683-684pt 705-707pts		one of the new post-1772 enclosures into which the Rectory Farms were radically realigned
682	Osier Bed	osier willows (<i>salix viminalis</i>) used for basket-making [FD 156, Mabey 141]
695	Barn, Yard &c	Lower Rectory Farm being built here
699	Crosswell Meadow	'cors' [marsh] with 'well' [spring] fits the topography - probably a meadow slade draining to the River Mease; Celtic 'cors', marsh or bog, FH 135; Modern Welsh has cors/-ydd (f) a bog or swamp In the C15 Appleby terrier, the Campo juxta Snareston has: III landes wtowt Crasse-Walgrene;
701	Little Meadow	next to and associated with Crosswell Meadow (699) 699-701 look like the last relics of old marshy enclosures, before radical realignment of the Rectory farm enclosures
702/4	Wintsey Close	gorsey: from hvin ON [FD 253]
705	Blake-lands blake londes	black- or possibly bleak-lands (see 404/7 sheet 10) in C15 Campo juxta Snareston

707 Sale Stile & Sale Gutter [708,SH 12]

next to a *stile* on the parish boundary ditch [*gutter*] in which grew *sale* (*willow*), from *salix viminalis*; used for basket making [Mabey 141]

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