

**Elizabethan Muster Roll, 1559 Sutton, Warden,
Towcester and Norton**

This list only names prominent citizens of some towns, they being charged with providing the said number of troops. It is therefore of limited use to the genealogist, but I have attempted to make it accessible as a matter of general interest. Credit for the information, is due to Sir H Dryden the original compiler. It was published in 1903 by Alice Dryden in her Memorials of Old Northamptonshire.

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The book of harness taken the 30th September, in the first year of the reign of our sovereign Lady Elizabeth, of these four hundreds, that is to say, of Sutton, Warden, Norton and Towcester. They were taken and showed before us the same day.

Hundred of Sutton

Farthinghoe

Jeffrye Dorner, gentleman doth furnish a light horseman and the rest of the town, an archer on foot.

Helmdon

That town is charged to furnish out a billman.

Warkworth, Nethercoote & Grymsbury

Warkworth town is charged to furnish an archer. Grymsbury and Nethercoote is charged to furnish out one billman.

Middleton & Overthorpe

Wylliam Wilks is charged with himself as a light horseman. **Thomas Taylor** to furnish an archer and the rest of that town an archer.

Aynho & Walton

Rowland Shakerley gent. Is charged to furnish one light horseman. **Mrs Love**, widow and her son, to furnish a billman and the rest of that town to furnish an archer.

Thrupp Mounde Feylde (Thorpe Mandeville)

Mr Gyfford is charged to furnish a pikeman on foot and the rest of that town an archer.

Newbottel Astruppe & Purson (roughly Charlton)

Raulphe Paumer is charged to furnish a hakbutte. **Master Crosswell** an archer, **Thomas Robyns** an archer and the rest of that town to furnish an archer.

Syresham

This town is charged to furnish out a billman

Wappenham

This town is charged to furnish out a billman

Croughton

This town is charged to furnish out an archer

Evenley

George Marchall is charged for to furnish an archer on foot and the town is charged to furnish an archer.

Steane & Hinton

William Gifford gent. Is charged for to furnish an archer on foot and the town is charged to furnish an archer.

Chacombe

Master Fox is charged with a light horseman and the town is charged to furnish a billman.

Thenford & Marston

Fulke Odell is charged with a light horseman. **John Blyncowe** with a horseman and the rest of that town is charged to furnish a billman.

Brackley

George Yorke is charged to furnish a billman and the rest of that town to furnish an archer.

Kings Sutton

Mr Chambers is charged with a billman on foot and the rest of that town is charged to furnish an archer and a billman.

Culworth

Mrs Da'ver, widow is charged to furnish a billman on foot and the town is charged to furnish an archer.

Radstone & Whitfield

That town is charged to furnish a billman.

Astwell & Fawlcott (lying between Helmdon & Syresham)

That town is charged to furnish a billman.

Warden hundred

Eydon

Mr Wakelyn is charged to furnish a billman and the rest of that town is charged to furnish a billman.

Woodford Farndon and Hynton

Mr Catesby is charged with a billman and the rest of that town is charged to furnish a billman.

Sulgrave

Mr Washyngton is charged to find an archer on foot and the rest of that town is charged to furnish an archer.

Boddington Magna & Parva

This town is charged to furnish an archer.

Greatworth

Mr Pargyttor is charged to find an archer on foot and the rest of that town is charged to furnish a billman.

Byfield

This town is charged to furnish an archer.

(Chipping) Warden

This town is charged with a billman.

Aston in the Wall

Mr Butler is charged with a light horse man.

Edgecote

Mr Chauncye is charged to furnish a light horse man and an archer on foot.

Towcester hundred

Towcester

This town is charged to furnish 2 archers & 2 billmen.

Gayton

This town is charged to furnish an archer.

Coldcot

This town is charged to furnish an archer.

Bradden

Mr Mathew is charged to furnish a pikeman and the rest of the town a billman.

Morton

This town is charged to furnish an archer.

Addeston

This town is charged to furnish a billman.

Wedon Weston & Plumpton

These towns are charged to furnish an archer.

Slapton

This town is charged to furnish an archer and a billman and the farmers to bear the billman.

Maidford

Whittlebury

Pattishall

Tiffield

Abthorpe

Cold Higham

These towns are charged to furnish an archer.

Norton Hundred

Blakesley & Woodend

These towns are charged to furnish an archer. **Mr Watts** there to furnish an archer and **Mr Foxley** to furnish an archer.

Silverstone

This town is charged to furnish a billman

Norton & Duncote

This town is charged with 2 men an archer and a pike.