

Estate Management and Agriculture

How an estate prospered, or not, was very much bound up with management of wealth and the local economy. Some families owned urban property portfolios which supplemented, and in time, replaced income drawn from the land. Involvement with industry, banking and new technologies contributed greatly to the sustainability of these estates. Some landowners were entrepreneurial, others were not; equally rich industrialists looked to acquire a country estate as the mark of financial and social success.

This section should be read in conjunction with the lists for Aristocracy and Gentry, Houses and Families, and Gardens and Landscape.

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