Assignment:
History 337, Domesday Book Analysis **Dr. Jennifer C. Edwards**
In this assignment you will practice the digital tools we have discussed in class while investigating information drawn from the Domesday Book. The purpose of this assignment is to practice skills in data collection, analysis, and presentation that we will be using with future assignments. This assignment must be entirely your own. See the syllabus for information about the academic integrity policy. Use the History Department Style Guide for citation format.

I   Data Collection
Download and clean information drawn from the Domesday Book.
1. Visit domesday.pase.ac.uk.
2. Download the Domesday Book table (see button on top right of chart).
3. Open chart in Excel.
4. Create a row on the top of the data and add the column titles.
5. Check the data to ensure that it transferred correctly. Clean any errors you spot.
6. Make sure to read the rest of the PASE website about the team's data collection methods, goals, abbreviations, etc.
7. Write 300-500-words about your experience collecting this information.

II   Data Analysis
Use the following tools to manipulate the data you downloaded. Screenshot interesting findings.
1. Excel—try sorting the information in various ways. Note down how you sort the information and what you learn by doing so.
2. Voyant—paste in various columns to see what the most frequently occurring terms are. Try excluding some terms that are less significant in the context of the Domesday Book, or those that are too often repeated (1066, 1086, etc.).
3. You might also click on names in the PASE website chart at domesday.pase.ac.uk to see more detailed information about individual holdings, including maps.
4. What is interesting, unexpected, or significant about the information when you analyze it using these tools? Create at least three questions for us to discuss in class based on your analysis of this material. At least two of these questions should be open-ended questions that do not have simple, one-fact answers. Post these questions in our Slack #Domesday channel.
5. Write 300-500 words to describe your process of manipulating the data.
6. Write 300-500 words describing what you discovered about the Domesday book by examining it this way.

III   Data Presentation
1. Create a slideshow presentation (PowerPoint or Google Slides) using your screenshots of interesting discoveries you made during the data analysis. Make sure to include a description of the method and tool you used to create the image, as well as an analysis of what significant information it provides about the Domesday Book. You can use text-slides or voice-overs in a presentation to add your descriptions.
2. Submit your slideshow by Saturday, 2/29 by 11:59 pm to our History 337 Spring 2020 shared Google Drive folder-->Domesday Assignment. Use your "Last name, first name" to start the title of the file.
3. Compile your essays created in parts I and II and submit as a paper to Moodle by Saturday, 2/29 by 11:59 pm. The paper should include the following elements:
    a. Your 300-500 words describing the process gathering data (I.7)
    b. Your 300-500 words describing the process of manipulating the data (II.5)
    c. Your 300-500 words describing what you discovered about the Domesday book through examining the data in these ways (II.6)
    d. Your three questions (II.4)

     e.   An introduction and conclusion that pull these elements together, and subject headings to make clear what the sections of the paper are.

     f.   Appropriate citations and quotation marks documenting all words and ideas from another person.

Suggested citation for this assignment:

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