

THE
TRAVELS

OF
TOM THUMB

OVER

ENGLAND and WALES;

CONTAINING

DESCRIPTIONS of whatever is most
remarkable in the several Counties.

INTERSPERSED WITH

Many pleasant ADVENTURES that
happened to him personally during the
Course of his Journey.

~~Written by Himself~~

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HERTFORDSHIRE.

I Could not compare *Hertfordshire* to any thing it more resembled than the Head of the Rhinoceros, which I had seen some Time before in *London*, the long Nook from *Berkhamstead* to *Tring* serving for the Horn on the Nose. It is furrounded on the North, East and South by *Cambridgeshire*, *Essex* and *Middlesex*, and on the West by *Buckinghamshire* and *Bedfordshire*. The chief Rivers in this County are the *Lea* and the *Coln*.

Physicians often recommend the Air of *Hertfordshire* to Persons in a bad State of Health, which manifests the Goodness of it better than any thing I can say. The Soil is generally rich, producing excellent Wheat and Barley, the latter of which they send to *London* malted. As the Pastures are less excellent, *Hertfordshire* does not equal some other Counties for Cattle; nor is it famous for any particular Manufacture.

Hertford, the County Town, is antient, and has been larger than at present: But *Ware*, a more modern Place, on account of the Road lying through it, has run away with much of the Trade and Populoufness of its Mother Town. At this Place I went to see the great Bed so much talked of, which is not altogether so large as some Travellers have represented it; though, for my own Part, I should not desire more

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