

A New and Correct Plan of the City of Bath and Places adjacent.

BATH is a very Antient City, bath (though low) a Pleasant and healthy Situation, is most part of it supply'd with Water by Pipes from the Neighbouring Hills nearly of an equal height and is as it were fortify'd on every side by them. Is near two thirds environed by the River Avon which forms a Beautiful Serpentine figure as it passes along with the City affords from off some of the adjoining Hills perhaps one of the most delightful Prospects that is to be seen in any part of the Kingdom. The finding these hot Springs is by fabulous Tradition attributed to a British King, called Blyden Douth i.e. Blyden the Southsayer or Bladud: others affirm, that Julius Caesar, first found them out but their discovery seems later than his time as Solinus is the first that mentions them. However tis probable that the Romans, who excelled in Works of this Nature, did by some contrivance under Ground, secure the main hot Water from mixing with the Cold Springs (that abound all over the City) by reason no discovery, how they are convey'd has ever been found out. When the Saxons settled here, we find the Name of Akmanester, was first given to it, and a Way was made to it from the farthest parts of the Nation called.

Akmanester, for more convenient passage of y^e Sick. It is said to be first Built by K^g Bladud about y^e Year of the Julian Period 3850 before y^e Birth of Christ 863 Years. The Saxons laid Siege to it, but being surprized by the Warlike Arthur, betook themselves to Badon Hill, where they were most part of them slain. This Hill seems to be the same we now call Salisbury which hangs over a Village near this City call'd Bathstone, because it shews to this day a Rampire all round it; others will have it to be Banner Down, and not Lansdown as generally reported, that being too far off to hang over Bathstone. However the Saxons afterwards become Masters of this place and its thought to be one of the 28 Cities of England Walled by King Alfred A.D. 900, and named by King Athelstone his Son on current Money Coined at this place about the Year 930. Civitas Bat^{on}.

The ground on which most part of the City stands is raised in some places upwards of 15 feet and probably was originally a Bog or Marsh made by the Confluence of Waters hither. This seems very evident, For in Digging some Foundations the workmen came at last to a soft Mud and a Staff was thrust into it and no Bottom was discover'd, but a warm marley Sulphurous Mud adhering to it.

A. The Abbey Church where the noble King Edgar was Crown'd in full Parliament May 11th A.D. 973, as is Recorded in the Saxon Chronicles in which is a Curious Marble Altar Piece, over which is one of the highest Windows.

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Post to & from Bath.	
for London	from London
Monday at 11	+ Sunday
Wednesday at	Monday
Saturday Night	+ Wednesday
+ Sunday	Thursday
+ Tuesday	+ Friday
+ Thursday	Saturday
N.B. the day with this mark the Post goes and comes thro Oxford &c.	
Cross Post to Bristol, Exeter & Chester.	
Goes out	Comes in
Tuesday 6 morn.	Sund ^y at
Thursday 10 morn.	Tuesday
Saturday 4 Even.	Thursday Night
Cross Post to Salisbury, Hertsbury, Warminster, Devizes, Bradford, &c.	
Monday out	Monday in at
Wednesday at 4	Wednesday
Fryd ^y Morn	Fryd ^y Night

Rules relating to Bath as they stand in the Pump Room.

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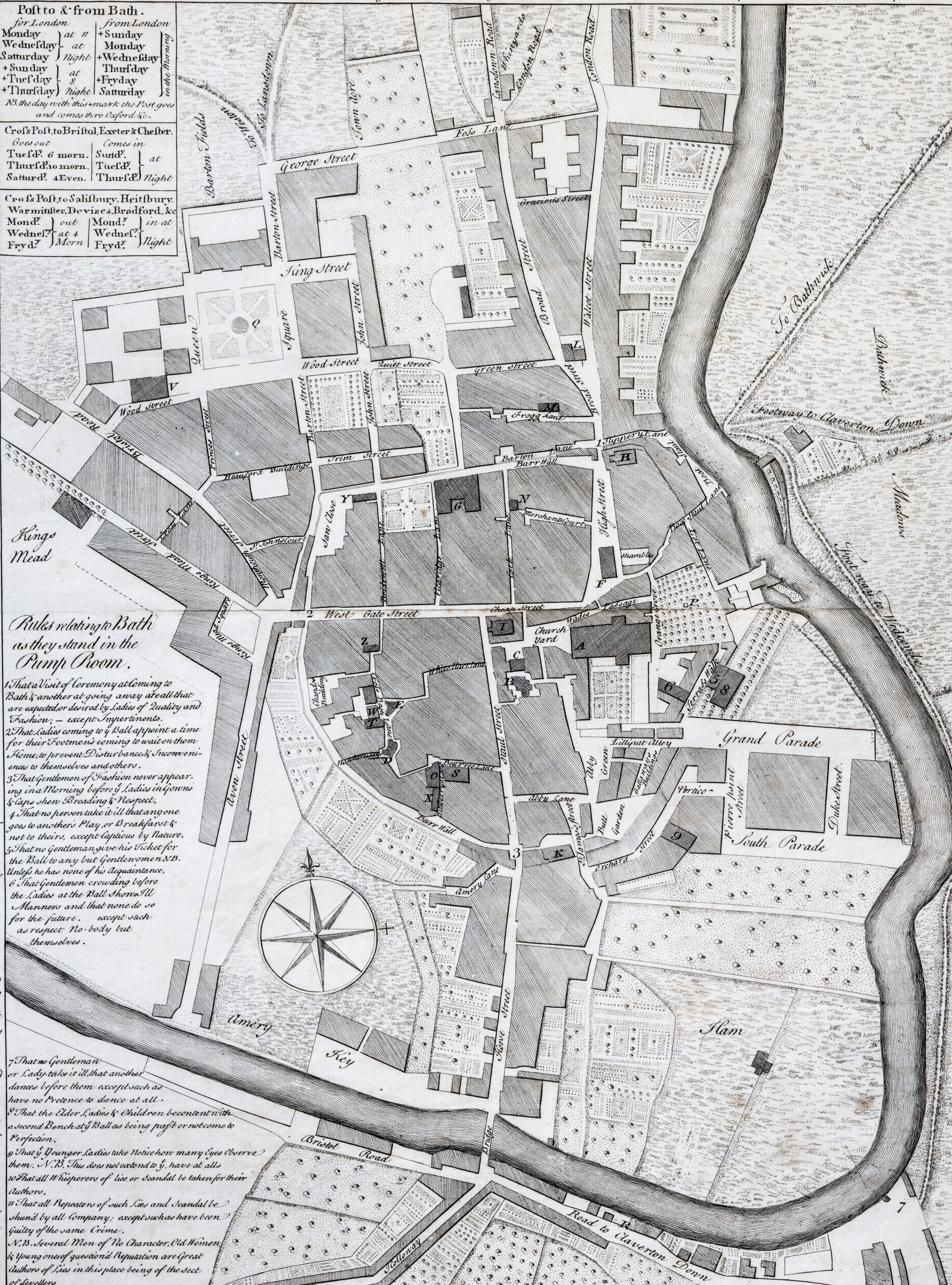
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