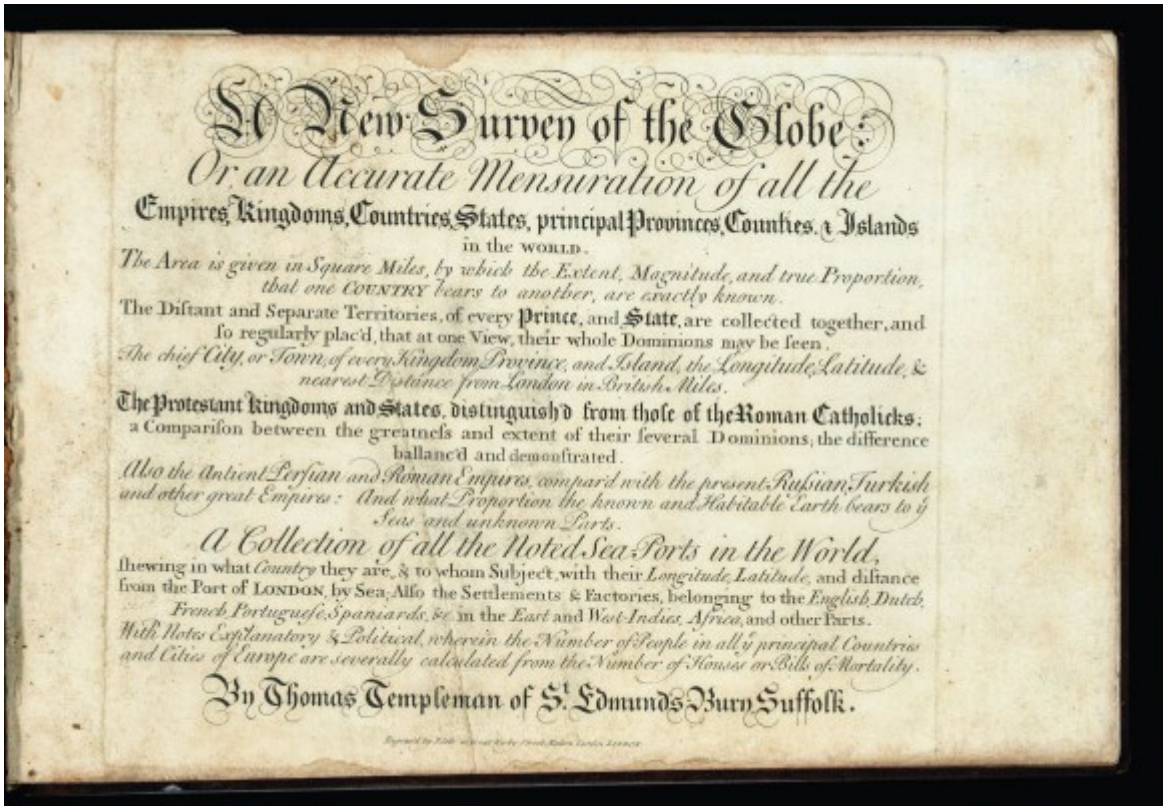


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Thomas Templeman (died 1729), was a schoolmaster in Bury St. Edmunds. He published a number of statistical works related to population, estimating, in the current work, that the population of the globe was 1.5 billion.

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