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The Grandmontine priory at Craswall, one of only three in England, is the highest monastic site in the country. The site was excavated by C. J. Lilwall in 1904-08 with further work undertaken by Cecil Wright in 1962. Wright drew attention to the unique layout of the site which is of European significance. The Craswall Grandmontine Society was founded in 1983 and conservation work was carried out between 1987 and 1996 as a result of which the Priory was rescheduled.

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Scholars of landscape history have argued that the vestiges of earlier land units comprised of territory under the jurisdiction of an old minster or mother-church are apparent from an analysis of the later Anglo-Saxon secular and ecclesiastical administrative structures. This article considers the evidence for six Anglo-Saxon mother-church parishes in eastern Herefordshire.

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George Caswall (1676-1742) is little known nowadays, except to students of economic history as one of the two chief architects of the South Sea Company. A man who got rich quick, he survived impeachment, imprisonment in the Tower of London, and catastrophic financial losses. He might be called one of Herefordshire's unsung villains. This article examines Caswall's role in the South Sea Bubble scandal and Herefordshire politics and explores associations with Alexander Pope's poem, 'Epistle to Bathurst'.

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