

## Abstract

The Diploma Thesis deals with the topic of land estate yards, specifically the changes in the landscape in their surroundings and on their land in the period from the 18th to the 20th century. Its subject is one of interdisciplinary, historical-geographical studies, which brings new knowledge about the transformations of the historical landscape in the past using a specific and so far little-used type of historical source (economic maps of large estates).

For this work, three land estate yards from the area of Podorlicko – the former Opočno estate – Podzámčí, Přepychy and Pulice were selected. For each of them, their brief history is summarized in the introduction, which is very important for spatial changes and their placement in the historical context. However, the main content of the work is the analysis and comparison of old maps of different scales, date and purpose of production, which are intended to place the above-mentioned changes during history in a spatial context.

The main objectives of the work include identifying changes in the area of interest, their spatial delimitation and their justification in relation to historical development. Furthermore, to prove the differences in the spatial changes of the individual land estate yards, again based on the different historical development, but also the character of the landscape, and to evaluate the importance of the individual changes.

The work is divided into three main parts according to the individual land estate yards (Podzámčí, Přepychy, Pulice). For each farmyard, there is a chapter summarizing the historical development, followed by a chapter analyzing the available cartographic sources for the farmyard and its lands. The last chapter for each land estate yards is a comparison of cartographic sources and a description of the most important spatial changes and changes in the nature of the landscape in the observed period. The entire work is completed by a comparison of cartographic sources and historical development among individual land estate yards, where differences are pointed out, as well as similar phenomena within all farmyards of interest. By generalizing the findings at the end of the Thesis, it provides unique, more complexed view of the development of the landscape of land estate yards from the 18th to the 20th centuries in a broader historical and spatial context.

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